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Wife will triumph in the end.
Uncertainty mocks happiness.
Many times a frank talk will prevent a period of ill feeling.
Progress is made by plugging; not by spurts.
We'd rather be a hard-trying loser than an all-conquering quitter.
The joy of procrastination is nothing to compare with the satisfaction of a job well done.
If it were huckleberry pie that Little Jack Horner ate while he sat in the corner, then he gets no sympathy at all from us.
Ministers usually pick a Sunday when only the faithful few are present to preach their church attendance sermon.

How many of you on Monday paused and seriously reflected on the importance that July 4 played in our nation's history?

There's no relief for the farmer. Just as the second primary is over and the politicians are ready to let him alone for a while along come the tobacco warehousemen doing a little pre-season work.

Support

We doff our hats to the public spirited citizens of Southport who contributed enough money last Wednesday to purchase a dozen new uniforms for the baseball team. Captain I. B. Bussells deserves the sincere appreciation of the baseball boys, for he did the collecting.

Now it is up to the members of the local nine to play as well as they look.

In three games last week Southport managed to win two while losing one, but one glance at the enemy run column shows a crying need for better pitching. Leland scored fifteen runs Thursday off two hurlers, the crew off the U. S. E. Dredge Henry Bacon, was held to four in a five inning game Friday, but the Coastline team pushed over seventeen tallies for victory Saturday.

Southport still isn't ready to step out in fast baseball, but with a little steady hurling the local lads are ready to give a good account of themselves against any ordinary amateur team in these parts.

Hospital Insurance

Because the Hospital Saving Association of North Carolina, Inc., is a non-profit association that appears to us to carry unquestioned benefit for its members as well as for the hospitals we are in full co-operation with efforts to organize local membership units in Brunswick county.

One North Carolina person enters a hospital every two minutes. During 1935 more than 143,000 North Carolina people required hospital treatment. The average daily "population" of North Carolina hospitals is more than 12,000. Sooner or later nearly all of us will be faced with a serious illness or accident requiring hospital treatment.

Unfortunately, these troubles come when we least expect them. The costs some times amount to hundreds of dollars, a sum which is difficult if not impossible for many of us to pay. Your membership in the Hospital Saving Association pays this cost, it matters not how much it may be, subject to the terms of your membership certificate.

The plan is similar to those of burial associations, except that it is operated on a non-profit basis, and in the same manner that the latter often provided a decent funeral for individuals otherwise financially unable to afford that cost, so, too, will paid membership in the Hospital Savings Association be your guarantee of hospitalization.

Mrs. J. A. Doshier, president of the Brunswick County Hospital Auxiliary, has the local agency for the hospital savings group. All premiums on membership dues goes into the treasury of the hospital auxiliary, so every cent invested by members goes as a direct benefit to the hospital.

Final Chapter

The final chapter in the crime partnership of Bill Payne and Wash Turner was written Friday morning at State Prison, in Raleigh, when the two men for whom a state-wide search was in progress for more than a year paid with their lives for the slaying of the youthful highway patrolman, George Penn.

Our reaction to the execution of Turner was no more than is felt for any other man who has been convicted of a capital crime and sentenced to death. The laws of our State demand a life in payment for murder, rape and first degree burglary, and we simply take it for granted when this penalty is exacted.

But for Payne we had a degree of sympathy.

We know that he was credited with being the brains of the Caledonia prison break; but it was his intercession in the behalf of the prison guards taken along as hostages that caused them to be released on a lonely country road instead of being slain. On at least two other occasions he was known to have restrained his more blood thirsty companion when he was falling victim to an itching trigger-finger. One of these times was when Robert Marlowe, a Southport boy, was being pressed into service as a chauffeur for the state's two most hunted men. To this day young Marlowe credits Payne with saving his life when Turner made a definite move to shoot him.

We say, then, that this man Payne was not entirely bad. He was a man who had strayed from the straight and narrow, and the farther he went the rougher became his course. Finally he and his companion shot and killed a highway patrolman in order to escape a similar fate, and from that point on his life was forfeit.

We suppose that it is no uncommon occurrence for a man condemned to die to grow philosophical in the final hours of his life, but the advice of Turner that "crime does not pay" was more timely than trite. Payne went farther and left a lesson to impatient prison inmates when he said that if a man who has gone wrong will serve his time and try to make a good prisoner he will be rewarded for his efforts. "Some," he said, "are overlooked, but in the end, it pays any man to come out of prison with a clean record, ready to start over."

The Glorious Deception

Wilmington Star.
Sometimes the news writers bring us a better editorial than the professionals can compound. More than otherwise they seek only human interest, but equally they paint a moral.

Here is one from Los Angeles:
"Mrs. Julia Colombo, in better health at 67 than in any recent year, patiently waited for the mailman to bring her another letter from her favorite son, Russ—who was killed nearly four years ago.

"Now that doctors are restoring part of her sight, she dreams of the time when she can read her son's letters with her own eyes.

"Unfailingly, one letter arrives each week. They tell of new adventures, new successes. And sometimes they make Mrs. Colombo almost too excited and happy, for she has an invalid's heart.

"The letters are her life. As long as she lives, she will never know they are a merciful fraud.

"On September 2, 1934, her son was killed.

"He was Russ Colombo; handsome, black-haired band leader, romantic crooner of songs. When a bullet, accidentally discharged from an old pistol he was examining with a friend, took his life, his mother was too ill to be told.

"Her family began a deception. They wrote letters in his name. They invented details of a career that took him abroad and prevented him, because of so much fame and fortune, from having time to return.

"Each month, however, a genuine letter arrives for Mrs. Julia Colombo. It is from an insurance company. Russ had named his mother beneficiary of a \$50,000 policy on his life. Without her knowing how and why, the company pays her \$398 monthly, an insurance agent disclosed today."

The glorious deception.
It is to be applauded rather than censured.

We do not think those responsible will be called prevaricators.

**Just Among
The Fishermen**

Many Women Fishing

The past week has brought more of the weaker sex to Southport on fishing trips than were here during the whole of last year. During one day women formed part of parties that came in from Danville, Va., Charlotte, Greensboro, Salisbury, Raleigh, Goldsboro, Faith and various other places. Some of them may be a bit green. Nevertheless, women and girls are beginning to take a keen interest in fishing and some of them are showing remarkable ability.

Bad Week-End Weather

The weather for Saturday, Sunday and Monday went haywire or were just the opposite from what really happened. Predictions having been good, there were literally hundreds of disappointed visitors to Southport. Many boat loads braved the weather and went out. Some of them made fair catches despite the rough going and some of the sportsmen really enjoyed them selves despite the lack of fishing.

Time For Gulf Fishing

If a party can gauge the weather and come to Southport when things are moderately fair, it can be assured of good Gulf Stream fishing from now on. So far, with very irregular weather, little or no invasions of the Gulf Stream have been done by sportsmen. In fact, during the past six weeks the only attempt made upon the big game fellows was done by Dr. F. P. Summers, of Charlotte. He went out early one morning and reached the fishing grounds just as the weather roughened up and forced him to head for home. Nevertheless, he brought in a beautiful 31-pound amber jack.

Good Catches

With five days of fishing last week all boats composing the two Southport Menhaden fleets brought in catches that hovered around a million fish. Two of the craft exceeded this amount. It was a pretty good week for the big purse netters.

Shrimping Again

Shrimp boats this past week have brought in catches up to around 300-pounds of the headed product. One boatman stated that he made \$40.00 in one day, a small part of this being for fish that were taken along with the shrimp. The take of shrimp was of fair size and quality. From now on the sport fishing boats that fail to get a charter on any specific date will be able to go out shrimping and, possibly, make more than they would make at carrying a party.

Compliments To Mr. Best

E. H. Best, of Erwin, for his feat of bringing a 355-pound shark to gaff, with nothing more formidable in tackle than a light casting outfit, has the compliments of this department. We caught a shark of that size once with a rope that was as big as a plow line, and it was a tough job. But it gave us enough knowledge of sharks to be able to say that Mr. Best had to do something with his little rod and line in order to bring in that fellow Sunday.

Plenty Of Blues Below

There are plenty of blue fish and mackerel swarming the waters on the coast below Southport. This is not just inference. The menhaden boats operating down that way have been sighting them by the thousands. Soon they will be drifting up on the shoals and affording delight to sportsmen.

BOATBUILDING

H. G. Lewis, of Cornado Beach, Fla., is having a nice 35-foot blue fish type boat built here by R. E. Gilliken and Marshall Hill. The boat will be taken to Florida for operating. In addition to much repair work on other boats Gilliken and Hill are rounding out work on a pretty 53-footer that Mr. Gilliken is constructing for his own use.

Saucepan News

Saucepan, July 6.—Mrs. Agnes Grady and son, Simmon, are visiting sick relatives in Elizabethtown.

Norman Spencer, of Bladenboro, visited Miss Blanche Ousbourn this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hewett visited relatives in Southport Saturday.

Elmer and Cecil Jacobs were Saturday afternoon visitors of Ellsworth Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Todd visited Mr. and Mrs. George Clemmons, of Boon's Neck, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Todd visited Mrs. Henry Todd's mother, of Boon's Neck, Sunday.

There are 417 kinds of lilacs in the great lilac connection at Harvard university, and 390 kinds at Rochester, N. Y.

**WASHINGTON
LETTER**

Washington. — Reports to the Democratic and Republican high commands show that the politicians took full advantage of the national holiday to peddle their wares from public rostrums. The booking at neighborhood picnics and other gatherings gave the home folks a chance to hear and see their local and national leaders parading their best platform manners. While the show goes on in each Congressional district, the money-raisers find it difficult to locate willing donors in private life. The enormous outpouring of Federal funds for relief and other projects has completely overshadowed the methods of old-time campaign fund collectors. As usual the man passing the hat has a thankless assignment. Business is at such low ebb that corporations are now poor pickings at best. Besides the prospect of being summoned before a Congressional campaign expenditures committee effectively checks normal impulses to provide the sinews of political warfare.

The business world is watching with keen interest the procedures adopted by the National Economic Commission in its many-sided investigation into current problems. The monopoly study is perhaps the most important of the studies for the conclusions reached by the Commission will have an important bearing on the Administration program for the next session of Congress. The Commission struck some snags at early meeting, but plans are fairly well shaped to permit hearings. The activities of the group will be closely examined and determine the trend of its inquiries. The suspicion persists at the start that a majority of the Commission and its advisors recruited from Federal administrative agencies is biased. Until the position of the probers is clarified, it is obvious that the inquiry will proceed under a handicap. Despite strong denials that the Commission is destined to conduct a "witch-hunt" for political purposes, business leaders are hopeful that a note of impartiality will dominate the studies as a means of dispelling uncertainty and misunderstanding. The Commission is armed with subpoena power and plenty of money.

Among the politicians in the national capital this week, conversations turn to the forthcoming Indiana Democratic State Convention. What happens to the candidacy of Senator Van Nuys for renomination will probably influence the activities of Senators of the Democratic faith who fought the White House on the Supreme Court issue. Van Nuys was a key man in this controversy and was the first slated for the party "purge" as an insurgent. Rumors of a reconciliation with powerful Hoosier leaders have seeped through but the outcome will not be known until next Tuesday or Wednesday. The retirement of Representative Bert Snell, the G. O. P. House leaders, has already started a battle royal for leadership with Joe Martin, of Massachusetts, out in front. Of course, the returns next November may eliminate many potential bidders for Republican floor boss. The ranking Republicans report little opposition in normally G. O. P. areas. Talk also veers to the absence of P. M. G. Farley, the Democratic National Chairman, now en route to Alaska for a vacation. His remoteness from the scene of party strife gives him some solace but confuses his lieutenants. Farley is reported hostile to current reprisals against Democrats who turned their backs on the White House.

Besides going to bat to protect the membership from wage cuts in the depression, the A. F. of L. is now attempting to convince the country that government employees are not loafing. The Federation has taken cognizance of popular impressions that Federal jobs "are mainly political sinecures, and that government employees are overpaid and underworked." The trade union has many members on the Federal payroll. This thinking, they say, "is regarded as extremely harmful to them in their efforts to obtain betterment of their wages and working conditions through recognized trade union channels."

The huge presses at the Government Printing Office are working night and day turning out thousands of reprints from the post-session Congressional Record. It required five editions of the Congressional Record averaging 125 pages to an issue to print speeches withheld for revision or extension of remarks as authorized by either the Senate or House. An overwhelming majority of "speeches" were never heard on the floor of Congress. The last of the series of special editions appeared this week. The main purpose of these reprints is to place the material in the hands of registered voters in various Congressional districts at an extremely low cost. Expense of republican are made from the funds of the Republican or Democratic campaign committees or from the private purse of incumbents seeking re-election.

Leaving 'Em All Behind



Winnabow News

Winnabow, July 6.— Dan Sawyer, of New York, is visiting relatives, Mrs. E. W. Taylor and family and Miss Kate Johnson. T. R. Jones, of Wilmington, was a visitor here Wednesday afternoon.
Mrs. A. P. Henry and Misses Bertha and Josie Reid, spent Thursday in Southport attending the Home Demonstration Club Meeting.
Billy Murchison, of Wilmington, is visiting the Foulke's.
J. M. Flemming, of Wilmington, was a visitor here Thursday afternoon.
R. F. Lewis and granddaughter, Catherine Stone, and her friend, of Bolivia, were callers here Thursday on a return trip to Lake Waccamaw.
Mrs. Hansey Watson and daughter, of Loris, S. C., were callers here on their return trip to visit Mrs. T. M. Sumner and sister in Wilmington.
Dr. and Mrs. V. T. Sullivan,

of Wilmington, spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Earp.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Register, of Richmond, Va., arrived Saturday to visit Mrs. Register's sister, Mrs. E. M. Sanders and family at Clarendon.
Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Robbins, Jr., of Nashville, Tenn., are visiting M. E. Robbins and family.
Harold, Delmas, Talmage Willetts and three children and Buster Willetts and Misses Eloise and Hazel Willetts spent Sunday in Sanatorium with Miss Ida Willetts.
Charles Robbins, who is working in Wilmington spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Robbins.
Mrs. J. E. Smith and little daughter, accompanied by her brother, William Huffam, returned to her home in Jacksonville, Fla., Saturday evening after a pleasant visit here with her parents.
David Bennett, of Callahan,

Fla., and Everett McKeithan, of Wilmington, were visitors here Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Martin and son, of Florence, S. C., spent the week-end with the E. C. Woodburys.
Mr. and Mrs. Leo Sannon and two daughters, of Bolivia, spent Sunday afternoon with the Taylors.
Mr. and Mrs. D. U. Sandlin, of Fayetteville, spent July 4 with Mrs. E. G. Goodman and Miss Lilly Sandlin.
Rufus Hodges and family, of Wilmington, spent the 4th with Lillian Tharp and family.
Dillard Tharp and family.
Dr. Joseph Akerman, of Augusta, Ga., is visiting the Redds here and Rev. Mrs. J. D. Withrow, at Leland.

INFANT ILL

Maurice Evans, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Evans, of Supply, has been a patient at the Brunswick County Hospital since Thursday.

ADVERTISING

How do you like "fair weather friends"—the ones who are nice to you just when they figure that you can do them some good?

Well, merchants who drop their advertising during the dull season are like that, too. They cater to your trade during months when there is plenty of money in circulation, but they do not trouble to cultivate your good will when there is no profit in it for them.

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