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Patience is what keeps a man on an even keel when the going is rough.

True charity is sharing with the less fortunate, some of the things that you really need to keep for yourself.

When we see a couple that is too love-dovie in public we have a feeling that the fighting is done at home.

Advice should be like a recipe; it should be tried before being passed on.

The man who tries to be funny all of the time soon loses his effect, for then he has no change of pace.

There wouldn't be so much intolerance in the world if there were not so much ignorance.

We always had our own opinion about the kid who said that we wished school would hurry and open.

About the only chance some farmers have to enjoy the proceeds from a good tobacco sale is during the trip from the warehouse to the office of his time merchant.

School Safety

Some of the most horrible fires in American history have occurred in schools. And, unless remedial steps are taken, there is grave danger that some of the most horrible fires of the future will strike in the same place.

Surveys have shown that thousands of American school buildings are fire traps. And this doesn't simply refer to old, frame structures. That beautiful new brick edifice, built last year at a cost of a quarter - million dollars, may look safe as a storm cellar outside—and still contain fire hazards of the worst type.

Inadequate exits, doors that open inward instead of outward, improperly designed stair wells, narrow hallways down which children must pass—these are just a few of the dangers that exist in many of our schools. Amateur inspections usually fail to detect them. School safety is experts' work.

The National Board of Fire Underwriters has prepared an illustrated booklet entitled, "Construction of School Buildings and Existing Structures," which will be sent on request of the proper authorities. The Board has also issued a school inspection blank, which has been used in more than 1,500 communities. Use of this blank makes it possible for school boards to thoroughly inspect a structure, and ferret out possible hazards.

Don't take it for granted that the schools your children attend are safe. Every parent should demand that school boards make expert inspections a periodic duty—and that every hazard, no matter how unimportant it may seem, to be immediately corrected. That is the only 100 per cent insurance we can have against one of the most horrible human disasters.

The Weather Relents

For a town that was all set to enjoy seasonal prosperity this summer Southport received about the worst deal from the weatherman we ever saw.

Early in May fishing parties began to show up, and early season luck was good enough to make the visiting sportsmen want to return. News of Southport and the fine fishing to be had here spread, and one week-end saw the town flooded with visitors that could not be accommodated.

Unfortunately, that was one of the first days of the season when it was impossible for fishing boats to make their way outside in safety and comfort, and a large group of fishermen returned home disappointed. This was just a beginning, for throughout the summer months the

weather was thoroughly undependable.

Following the full moon of this month, though, the weather has taken an encouraging turn for the better and the parties that have flocked here for fishing have been more than gratifying to the people who had been disappointed most of the summer.

The month of September usually brings the best fishing of the season, so the influx of sportsmen should continue for several weeks to come.

Good Farmers

During the past week in riding through the rural sections of Brunswick county we have seen several farmers busy cutting tobacco stalks. Soon these men will have their land disked and plowed and a winter cover crop will be sowed.

These are unmistakable signs of a progressive farmer—a man who always is a step ahead in looking after his farm work. He does not look at his land as something from which a living is to be drained. Experience has taught him that you get out of the soil just what you put into it, and he appreciates the value of nourishing and enriching his farm land.

Something Wrong

Newspaper dispatches from Durham tell one of the most heart-rending stories which has ever been written in the annals of North Carolina crime history.

They tell of a man, 11 days out of the inebriate ward of a State institution, plowing through a group of 15 bystanders on the side of the road a mile east of Durham, killing three and injuring several others.

One of the victims was an innocent little three-year-old girl, another an old woman. The man who committed the act is being held on three manslaughter counts.

There must be something radically wrong in North Carolina when a maniac, admittedly drunk, such as that driver, can get control of an instrument of death in such a fashion.

Don't Like It

Georgians undoubtedly won't like President Roosevelt's uninvited entrance into their local senatorial race, in which Laurence Camp seeks to unseat the veteran statesman, Senator Walter F. George.

President Roosevelt's denunciation of Senator George as a "non-New Dealer" at Barnesville, and his endorsement of Camp, of course, is merely a part of his reputed "purge" of the Congress of those who are not in complete alignment with New Deal policies.

Nevertheless people of Georgia and people of other States of the Union are entitled to think and act as their consciences dictate, and we believe that when the votes have been counted, that Senator George will find that he's still a popular man in his native State.

Speaking Of Relief

We see by the papers that a negro taxi driver, who was unable to work for a time because of illness, obtained \$50.00 from a government relief agency to tide him over. Nothing unusual about that. But here is the part that seems difficult to believe in this age of "grab and growl!"

When he was able to return to work he tried to pay back the government subsidy, saying "that was the way I was raised—and that's the way I'm raising my child."

There is a moral in this case of which a great many other Americans might well take cognizance. One of the most ominous portents on the social horizon today is the fact that thousands of people have apparently come to look on relief as a "profession." one of the most deplorable conditions under the present government is the refusal of many relief-fed people to accept a job and earn an honest living so long as they are drawing government checks.

Many tobacco farmers in this county have rightly complained that they could not obtain laborers to help harvest their tobacco because of the relief checks which enabled the irresponsible group to sit at home with their feet crossed over the bannisters.

Far be it from this paper to criticize those people who have turned to relief only as a last resort, and are eager to get off the rolls as soon as opportunity affords. Nor do we criticize the idea of relief: the hungry must be fed, the homeless sheltered and the naked clothed. But it does frown on those people who view the government as an eternal Santa Claus who enables them to live without seeking employment.

Just Among The Fishermen

Leland Day Here

Skipper Leland Day, of Morehead City, arrived Friday aboard a blue fish boat that he had turned into a cargo craft for the trip. In addition to the regular blue fish net the boat brought in a mule or more of shore nets for mullets. It is understood that Captain Day will employ mostly local crews for these shore nets, if the men can be had. His two big 50-foot sport boats will arrive in a day or two. They have been carrying out Gulf Stream fishing parties at Morehead City when the weather would permit this summer. One day the Day boats caught 50 dolphin, amberjack and tuna. The barracuda's, so well known here, are not found at Morehead, according to Captain Day.

Many S. C. Folks

In addition to the sportsmen from North Carolina and other states, Saturday brought a large number of South Carolina men and women to go out on various boats for the trout, blues and mackerel. Among those South Carolina folks contacted were, Dr. William Simpson, Frank S. Barnes, Frank S. Barnes, Jr., John and Edward Barnes and William Milling, all of Rock Hill. Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Royall, Miss Anne Royall, Phillip Reece McCowan and Billy Royall, Florence. E. C. Jackson, Spartanburg; James Harrell, Hartsville; Mrs. M. D. Lucas, Mrs. H. W. Winslow, Mrs. E. A. Wilson, Horace and Ben A. Williamson and Marion D. Lucas, Jr., Florence. The above represented just the one day's gathering of South Carolinians. Many others from various points were here at different times during the week.

River Fishing Beginning

Many of the younger boys have been bringing in nice strings of trout, croakers, mullets and pig fish at the end of fishing trips out on the river and its bays. In some instances large catches were made. The river fishing will be fine from now through November. Periods near the full moon are especially productive of results. Practically all of this river fishing is done from row boats or other small craft, some powered with small engines and others with outboards.

Fine Weather Continues

The fine weather that came in with the full moon on the 11th of this month has continued steadily with the boats able to go out on all occasions. Except for a day now and then only fair catches were made it has been the general rule for parties to bring in many fish. Of course, records cannot be broken every day. Still, it must be admitted that many parties have brought in exceptionally fine catches. It is expected that the big rush of fishermen will continue for three or four months. The September and October fishing should be much better than any we have had this year.

Some Nice Shrimp

Catches of shrimp during the past several days have been rather mixed as to size. Some of the product has been small. On the other hand there has been a considerable amount of extra large and firm shrimp taken. The quality of the entire take is improving daily, as is the amount of the production. All reports indicate that a huge trawling fleet will be in operation here very shortly, and there has not been anything to indicate that the shrimp will not be found in the usual large numbers.

Channel Bass Biting

Channel Bass are biting better day by day in the river and tributary streams. Except on the beaches where surf casting for the big fellows is the vogue, the general custom is to take these fish with cane poles and cork lines. These channel bass, or drum, do not waste any time fooling about your bait. When they bite your cork goes under without any preliminary warning. There is a lot of kick to be had from the fight that these two and three pound fellows put up on the pole and line. Shrimp is the favorite bait; in fact it is about the only bait that the fish are inclined to notice.

LARGE NEW BOAT

The Queen of Southport, a new 53 foot sport and commercial fishing boat, was launched Thursday by her builder and owner, R. B. Gilliken, of Southport. The engine and fixtures have not yet been installed and there still remains some finishing work to be done on her interior. She will be ready for work in a couple of weeks or so, according to Mr. Gilliken.

In addition to being busy putting the finishing touches to the Queen of Southport, Mr. Gilliken is devoting all the time that he

can to another boat which he and Theodore Lawrence, a new resident of Southport, started work on last week. The new boat for Mr. Lawrence is a 37-footer. She will be used here for sport and commercial fishing but it is not known what her name will be.

In giving his big boat the royal name of Queen of Southport Mr. Gilliken made a generally pleasing selection. Another Southport man has a Sea Queen, and also Sea King, Sea Duke, Sea Prince. These boats are owned by Lewis J. Hardee and are now fishing down south. While this is their home port, Southport does not form a part of their names, as it does in the case of the Queen of Southport of Mr. Gilliken.

Saucepan News

Saucepan, Aug. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. Garvin Mercer visited Mrs. Mercer mother, Mrs. G. M. Ludlum, Saturday.

Mrs. Irene Cheers is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Ruby Mercer, at Bolivia. Mrs. E. D. Davis, Mrs. J. W. Stanley, and Mrs. Mildred Hewett were Wilmington visitors Saturday.

Revival meeting will start at Jennis Branch, September 11. Rev. Robert Carter, Pastor, and Rev. L. Todd will conduct the meeting. Everybody is welcomed. Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Reynolds visited Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Todd at Gauce Landing Sunday afternoon.

A choir of Hewett girls, from Wilmington, visited Jennis Branch church Sunday night. Everyone seemed to enjoy it. The program was carried out nicely.

Miss Ora and Orna Woodward, of Supply, visited their sister, Mrs. Murile Mooney, Saturday after-

noon. Teacher: "Why is a nautical mile longer than a land mile?" Fresh Fred: "Because things swell in the water."

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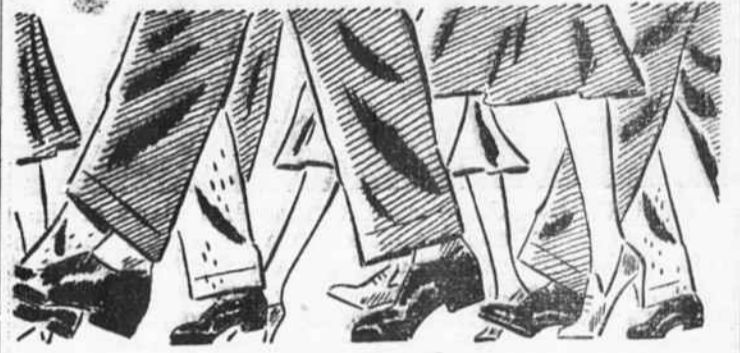
JOHN T. BONE (left) knows tobacco because he grows it. He says: "From experience, I know Camel buys finer tobacco. Camel bought my best lots last season. I smoke Camels because I know I'm getting finer tobacco. Most smokers I know smoke Camels for the same reason."



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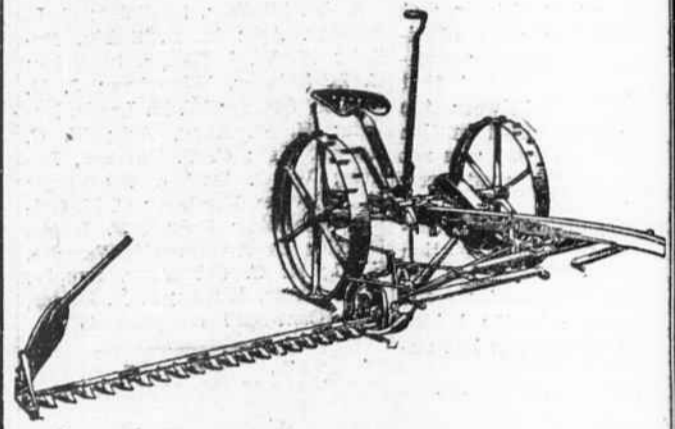
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