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It takes a lofty ideal to raise the minds of some men as high as the curb.

When giving gets to be swapping then the true spirit has gone out of Christmas.

Then there are some men for whom work would be a diversion.

The only change of pace some men have is a dead stop and a slow walk.

If there is any good in a person this is the season that will bring it out.

It is a good thing that "Silent Night" was written before the age of firecrackers.

A dollar bill isn't the only kind of buck that is frequently passed from man to man.

The only clever thing some girls do is to get credit for being cute when they are being dumb.

Christmas vacations are just about long enough to make the boys and girls who couldn't go off to school glad of it.

If you use the same alibi too often trying to fool others the first time you know you'll be believing it yourself.

When you can see the flash and hear the report of a firecracker simultaneously then you are standing too close.

One thing you'll never be able to do is to convince a laborer that a man holding a white collar job ever does any work.

Some business men crawl their name illegibly in order to impress their customers with the fact that they are too rushed to write so it can be read.

Photographs

One man with a sense of news value has said that "One picture is worth 5,000 words."

All of us know W. B. Keziah, Southport's one-man advertising agency, as a prolific writer. But now he is loose on another project: Spreading far and wide the picture story of Southport and her interesting places and people.

Armed with an excellent little camera that was recently given him by Charles Farrell, of Greensboro, in appreciation for courtesies rendered while on a visit to Southport, Mr. Keziah is turning his talents to photography.

Already there has been a nation-wide release of stories and pictures pertaining to the Rev. A. H. Marshall and his Episcopal church boat. Only little less publicity has been given the prodigious feats of the Frederic fox hounds, and soon, it is safe to say, this tireless publicist will dig up another illustrated news story that has been ferreted out by his uncanny nose for news.

Sportsman's Paradise

Having missed the fulfillment of each promise of industrial development, Southport still has the potential possibility of becoming recognized as the best all-around sports playground in the state.

In the mountains there are many people whose living is derived entirely from the money taken in the summer from the tourist trade. Along the coast there are numerous beaches and resorts where inhabitants rely upon this same source of income.

In northeastern North Carolina the people of at least two counties look forward to the opening of the duck, goose, deer and turkey hunting season just as our farmers look toward the harvest in the fall. The influx of well-to-do sportsmen makes hunting a profitable business.

Nowhere do we know of a place more ideally located to catch them coming and going than is Southport. Here is a place whose only need is to have the people

awake to the possibilities of catering to the tourist trade.

The mushroom growth of industrial or port development might be more spectacular, but the prospects of enlarging our year-round facilities promises more pleasurable living over a long period. Moreover, the one is distant and problematical while the other is here already, begging for development.

Your Responsibility

The other day we heard a woman—a good woman—say: "I see no need for going to a lot of extra trouble and expense for the poor this Christmas. The government has money to look after them, so let them do it."

Now that lady didn't intend to be uncharitable, for so far as she knows the government through its various relief agencies does look after the poor and needy. But she didn't go far enough to discover that there are friendly, personal things to be done in the name of charity that no government agency will ever be able to touch.

For instance, a group of men were discussing needy cases Sunday morning and one of them suggested a certain family nearby. "I'm not in favor of helping them," spoke up another member of the group. "There are two grown boys there who ought to help their folks out."

"They ought to, but they don't," the first man replied. "There are kids in that family who didn't have shoes to wear until the Woman's Missionary society bought them last week. The relief agency will not help them because of these same boys, so they are a liability instead of a help."

Another family was mentioned where the father is healthy and able; but is stronger than his mind and he is a poor provider. "If his children are to know any difference between Christmas and any other day then the Christmas gifts must come from people outside," said one informer.

And there you are, cases right under your very nose where you can help make the little ones happier than ever this year. Don't try to shift all the burden of responsibility upon the government, for relief agencies are governed by rules and regulations and not by heart and conscience. And another thing, these agencies were established to help the poor, not to relieve those of us who are more fortunate from all sense of responsibility.

Modern Aviation

Saturday the nation paused to pay tribute to the 35th anniversary of the birth of aviation. A spectacular demonstration of the nation's aircraft power was paraded as naval, Coast Guard, commercial and civilian ships, number 182, passed in review before a distinguished company.

It was just a brief 35 years ago that the Wright brothers made their memorable flight in the peculiar looking plane on the sand dunes of Kill Devil Hill, near Kitty Hawk.

Yet in that brief span of years, aviation has revolutionized the whole universal scheme of things. It has brought the nations of the globe into closer relationship with each other.

The airplane has brought the world's greatest peril too. It is an implement of deadly destruction in modern warfare and hurdles barriers which once were impregnable fortresses where men might seek protection.

In the hands of ruthless dictators, it is serving as an implement of destruction used in killing innocent men, women and children by the thousands.

On the other hand, a wonderful achievement was being commemorated at Kitty Hawk on Saturday—but at the same time, another aspect reminds us that the airplane has brought with it new perils to the human race.

Let us hope, however, by means of the airplane, the radio, and other scientific accomplishments, which have brought the peoples of the world into a closer relationship, that the nations may come to a common understanding, and live together in peace and harmony as never before.

Farmer's Problem

It seems doubtful in official circles now whether the American tobacco farmer will ever come in for another control program. The vote in which farmers of the South turned thumbs down on tobacco control relieved the U. S. Government of a big responsibility.

By their rejection of government control of the tobacco crop, farmers again assumed the burden of working out their own problems—of how they themselves will deal with the law of supply and demand. If they utterly ignore this fundamental law, they will be the ones who will suffer.

Just Among The Fishermen

WITH THE FISHERMEN
If weather is good and fish are to be found, fishermen must fish, whether it be the 4th of July, Thanksgiving or Christmas. They observe Sundays, Christmas, coming on Sunday this year, will be doubly observed, but only for the day. The boats will go out Saturday and will go again Monday, if weather and fishing are good.

FEW CAN OBSERVE
The fishermen do not lack in regard for holidays. It is simply that there are too many days during the course of a year when they cannot work. The trouble may be either weather or the fact that the fish are somewhere else. At Southport there are few things besides fishing to which the men can turn their hands. It just naturally happens that few of them can observe a holiday when one comes along at a time when there is work to be done.

RETURN FROM S. C.
The Captain Wells, the Sunny South and several other boats that went from here to try their luck in South Carolina when fishing slacked up here several weeks ago, have returned. They brought tales of about the poorest shrimping that they have had down the coast in several years. It seems that the trawlers at Southport were not the only ones who had poor shrimping this year. It seems to have been good in Louisiana and poor in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and here.

TAKING SHORT HOLIDAY
Captain Barkley Timmons, Howard Chance, Frances Caldwell and Carlton Smith of the Maude and Mable are spending a few days at their homes in New Jersey. Virgil Hartzog and Perry Holmes are keeping ship during their absence. The boat expects to resume fishing right after Christmas and continue until sometime in April. They are well satisfied with the results of their work this fall.

MANY BEAUFORT BOATS
During the past week many Beaufort boats have been here in quest of menhaden. The fish, which have been plentiful up the coast all fall are now off Southport or below here and the upstate boats are making long trips in an effort to get a few final loads before they get too far away. Most of the boats that have been here belonged to the Smith Fish Meal company. They followed the practice of coming down at night and making part of their catch the next day. Spending one night in port they would then go outside to complete loading up. Two trips a week was as much as any of them could do.

HOPE FOR EARLY START
The outlook is for menhaden to have all moved down the coast, out of reach from Southport, in a short time. With this belief, the local boatmen are hoping that everything will be in shape for them to make an early start when the fish put in their appearance in the early spring. For the past several years fish have been reported a considerable time previous to weather and other conditions making it possible for the boats to fish.

THINKING OF FRESHWATER
Although Christmas is not actually here and gone, there are any number of Southport and Brunswick county sportsmen who are eagerly looking forward with expectations that big mouth bass will be biting soon. Some of them claim that the fish will bite now, but none have gone out lately to demonstrate the theory. Among the boys interested in freshwater fishing are, H. C. Stone of Shalotte, Dawson Jones of Leland, L. T. Yaskell, George Myers, Sergeant Wayne Leinert, I. E. Buswell, Clarence Osborne, R. M. Wolfe and various others of Southport.

GOOD BAIT PLENTIFUL
Combined with good fishing grounds, Southport sportsmen are about the best situated of anybody anywhere on the coast for big mouth bass and goggle eyed perch fishing. Drum minnows can be captured by the gallons in just a few minutes of effort. They are tough and if the minnow buckets are filled with salt water there is no problem of keeping them alive until the pond or creek is reached. Fastened on a hook and placed in the water, they will continue to be very much alive and active until they attract the fish.

BEER FOR DAD
NEWARK, N. J.—"Dear Santa" letters received at the Newark postoffice included one from little Marie, who admits she "slipped once in a while."
Among other things, she asked for a "bottle of beer for papa."

BOLIVIA SCHOOL NEWS

The sophomore play, "A Poor Married Man", which was given last Friday night, was very successful. The players, who have had no such previous experience, have been highly commended for their splendid production. They performed before a large and appreciative audience. Play was under the direction of Mrs. Glenn Tucker.

The basketball teams brought home the bacon last Tuesday night from Long Creek-Grady. The boys' score ran 23-15 and the girls 21-1 both in favor of Bolivia.

High school students are preparing for mid-term tests on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

School closes on Thursday for the holidays and will open again on January 2.

Miss Hancey Williams is entertaining the senior class with a party at her home on Monday evening.

Work on the new gymnasium will be completed this week, but no games are to be played until after the holidays.

Miss McCurry, a former teacher here is visiting Miss McClure and other friends in Bolivia this week.

The third grade is finishing the study of a Christmas story this week and is getting ready for the holidays.

The members of the second grade sometime ago planted flower bulbs, which they are going to give to their mothers for Christmas.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church presented a Christmas pageant, "The Light Has Come" in the school auditorium last Sunday evening. It was very beautiful.

BASKETBALL
Bolivia vs. Long Creek-Grady. The Bolivia high school girls defeated the Long Creek-Grady high school basketball team Tuesday night 21 to 1 in a game played in the Long Creek gymnasium. Score at the half was 4 to 0 in favor of Bolivia.

High scorer for the winners was Catherine Stone, with 15 points. Outstanding features of the game was the guarding of Juanita Sowell, Mattie Johnson, Margaret Mills and Veoua Danford. Juanita Cannon and Gladys Lewis played a good floor game.

The line ups:
Bolivia: Gladys Lewis, Juanita Cannon, Catherine Stone, Catherine Willetts, Juanita Lewis, Forwards: M. Johnson, J. Sowell, Center: M. Mills, V. Danford, E. Gore, J. Skipper, Guards.

D. Moore, Wilson, Smith, Forwards: Rivenbark, Smith, Barnhill, Guards.
The Bolivia high school boys defeated the Long Creek-Grady high school basketball team Tuesday night 23 to 15 in a game played in the Long Creek-Grady gymnasium. Score at the half was 11-9 in favor of Long Creek-Grady.

High scorer for the winners was A. Lesh, with 12 points. Red Langston led the attack for the losers, with 12 points. Jimmie Johnson and Ernest Lewis played a good defensive game. Roy Rabon and J. McKeithan added 5 and 2 points respectively. The game was nip and tuck, with the Bolivia team overcoming Long Creek during the last 2 minutes of play.

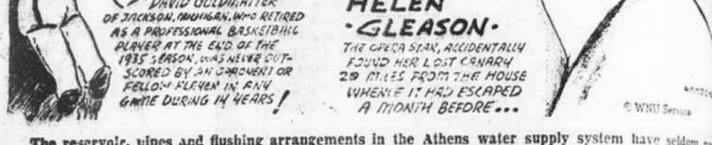
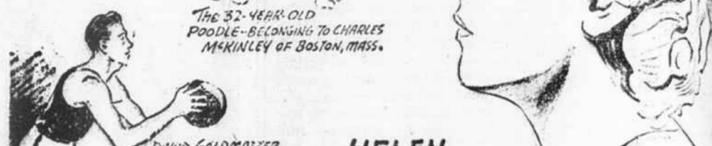
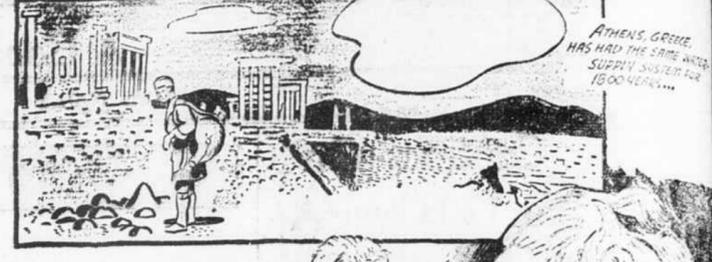
The line-ups:—
Bolivia: A. Lesh, J. McKeithan, forwards; Roy Rabon, center; J. Johnson, E. Lewis, R. Hickman, guard.

Winnabow Club Women Meet

The Winnabow Home Demonstration club met Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. E. W. Taylor for their annual Christmas party. Many interesting games and contests were played and prizes were awarded to Elizabeth Lewis and A. P. Henry, Margaret Mills and Hudson Tharpe. Delicious refreshments of punch and assorted cookies were served by Miss Kate Johnson, Mrs. J. H. Mills and Edwin Taylor, Jr.

Those present were: Mrs. E. W. Taylor, hostess, Helen Julia, Charles Mercer, and Edwin Taylor, Jr., Mrs. J. L. Henry, Mrs. J. H. and B. J. Mills, Mrs. T. F. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Potter, Mrs. A. A. Cumbee, Mrs. W. C. Savage, Mrs. Marstella Benton, Mrs. R. L. Sullivan, Mrs. Lillie Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Danford, Mrs. Santa Potter, Mrs. Kenny Lewis, Ed and Mary Maultsby, Jonathan, Josie and Bertha Reid, Pauline and Elizabeth Lewis, Margaret Mills, Bertha Gore, Geneva and Duck Potter, Eloise Willetts, Kate Johnson, Jack Katen, Clyde, Tyler, Alton, Billie and Herbert Potter, A. R. Henry, Hudson Tharpe, Mrs. Marion S. Doshier, Home Dem. Agent presided and everyone enjoyed a nice social evening.

But It's True



The reservoir, pipes and flushing arrangements in the Athens water supply system have seldom been repaired. It has been estimated that 99 per cent of the entire works remains just as it was when built. Miss Gleason lives in New Gardens, Long Island. The bird chirped at her and answered her call in Brooklyn park which the opera star happened to visit. During his active days on the courts Mr. Goldmatter played in more than 250 games.

FOURTH ESTATE

ASKING BIG DAMAGES
Leggette Blythe, outstanding Charlotte key-pounder, has started suit against one of the major moving picture companies. He is asking for the neat little sum of a quarter million dollars for alleged unauthorized use of his pictures and script. Brother Blythe deposes and says he spent four years working on the pictures and an attendant history. Naturally, he does not favor seeing any one making use of the results of his labors without asking his leave.

Truthfully admitting at the outset that he does not understand the football lingo as it appears in the newspapers, Brother Roland Beasley of the Monroe Journal acclaims that he is doggedly does not come mighty near to getting a kick out of the fact that Duke is going to the Rose Bowl. We have noticed a lot of local folks in the box with Mr. Beasley. Two weeks ago they did not know or care a hoot about football. Something in the home North Carolina team winning against Pitt turned them into rabid fans, especially for Tipton.

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