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Now Brunswick kiddies know a snowball is something besides a part of a well-known phrase their daddies' use.

There's electricity in newsprint, which perhaps explains why the news is sometimes shocking.

Radio comedians must have a lot of expenses. Think what paying a studio audience must entail.

Some people are so lazy the nearest they'll ever come to getting in the movies would be on lantern slides.

## In Black And White

Regular readers of our editorial columns know that we have been drumming continuously for several years on a live-at-home program for Brunswick county. In our opinion it just about spells the salvation of our farm problem.

Well, on your right you will find in the column "Your Home Agent Says", a detailed explanation of just what we have in mind. Read it; then follow the approved outline for a true live-at-home program.

## A Job Well Done

Bill Sharpe has resigned as publicity director for the State Board of Conservation and Development, and we believe that organization is destined to keenly feel his absence.

We have a sincere appreciation of the work done by Bill in his job of advertising the state, for he has been more than kind in his co-operation with local agencies in efforts to spread the word about Southport and Brunswick county. We feel that the money appropriated by the legislature to the advertising fund has been wisely spent, and we believe that much of the credit should go to the retiring publicity director.

## Sensible Sentences

We believe that Recorder Walter M. Stanaland used good judgment at his last Thursday session of the county court when he dealt lightly with defendants facing charges of operating a motor vehicle without new license tags.

Their appearance in court was a reprimand to them, and we are in accord with his action of remitting the cost.

## Beer Situation

If the beer dealers of this county are not operating decent, orderly places, then it is the fault of the good people of the county.

That paradoxical statement finds fact in the existence of the Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors committee in Raleigh.

That group, headed by Col. Edgar H. Bain, is responsible for the "Clean Up Or Close Up" program for this state, and there is no doubt that they mean just what their slogan implies.

Whenever irregularities are reported to them, an investigation immediately follows. And their recommendations to boards of county commissioners have been pretty generally carried out.

Since beer is a legalized beverage, it strikes us that it is the responsibility of the good citizens to help clean up the conditions surrounding its sale rather than to wage a bitter and hopeless war against its existence.

## Fine For Crops

People who are inclined to shiver at the chill winds which have blown for the past two and a half weeks, and are tempted to complain of the frigid temperatures, should be reminded of the fact that it's really an ill wind which blows no good.

The snow last week served to mellow

up land perhaps like nothing else will. Maybe it would have been better for the farm land if it had been deeper. And the frigid temperatures which we've been experiencing for the past two weeks have doubtless served to kill off a lot of insects which might have hampered crops during the summer months.

So when you see some person complaining of the extreme weather, you can put it down in your note book that two to one, he's not a farmer.

## Attending Church

Yesterday was Sunday, and you may have gone to church. Perhaps you didn't. You may have developed one of those "Sunday sicknesses" not infrequent among people looking for some excuse to remain away from church.

Whether or not you attended the church services was a matter between you and your God. That is not the matter involved here.

For the fact remains that you could have gone, if you had so desired. That you enjoy that privilege occasions no surprise to you perhaps.

But millions of people in many countries of the world couldn't. Church attendance is forbidden in many nations.

So yesterday, when you were perhaps looking for some excuse to satisfy your conscience in remaining away from church, you were passing up the opportunity which millions of people would pay dearly to have.

That's something about which to think when you are eating your breakfast next Sunday morning.

## Good Organization

The past week saw the dawn of a new day for fifteen Brunswick county youths perhaps when they were accepted for service in the Civilian Conservation Corps, and were assigned to camps in different sections of the country.

Which brings to mind that this agency of the United States Government affords an opportunity for the modern youth which no other generation of boys have had. It is furnishing a livelihood for the thousands of boys and young men who otherwise might be loafing the streets in idleness.

It's our guess that if it weren't for the CCC there would be a much larger population in the penitentiaries and penal camps of the country than at the present time.

Criminals who are populating our penal institutions today are largely between the ages of 18 and 25, we are told by penal authorities. These are the ages which the CCC accepts.

Principal purpose of the organization, at its inception, was the building of young men, but there has been all along a secondary purpose which is proving highly beneficial to the nation as a whole, in that these young men are helping to preserve the vast forest resources of the United States.

## Slap At South

The Garvagan anti-lynching bill, which has been resurrected for a vote in the House, is a slap at the integrity of the South and the intelligence and character of the Southern people.

Conceived in the minds of house members who doubtless know little or nothing of the south other than what they might have read out of books, the utter uselessness of the bill provides the chief argument against it.

As the Raleigh News & Observer so aptly put it Tuesday, the best argument against the bill, is the Tuskegee Institute report that there were only three lynchings in 1939. "Three is three lynchings too many. But only three lynchings is basis for real pride in accomplishment when compared with—

231 in 1892
158 in 1897
130 in 1901
97 in 1908
80 in 1919
30 in 1926
28 in 1933
20 in 1935
8 in 1936
8 in 1937
6 in 1938

"The only possible justification for the passage of a national anti-lynching law would be the national conviction that the South (where unhappily most of the lynchings have occurred) is not disposed or not able to eliminate this crime against justice and civilization. But the South has shown that it is able to do something about lynching. The figures collected by Negro statisticians at Tuskegee Institute prove that this South has been able to do something."

## Just Among The Fishermen

By W. B. KEZIAH

### A FRIEND TRANSFERS

Felt sort of as if the bottom had dropped out of things the other day. Bill Sharpe, state publicity director, wrote us he was leaving the department in a very short while. For the past three years Bill has been a good friend to Southport, helpful in our need and tolerant in our personal shortcomings. It has been the knowledge that we had one good and helpful friend in Raleigh that restrained us from giving some of the State Departments, notably the Fisheries Commission, some of the raking over the coals that we have felt it has deserved.

We hate like the dickens for Bill to be lost to the State. At the same time, as a publicity man, we know he has been engaged in a more or less thankless and poorly rewarded task. He is making the change himself, and this being the case, we hope it is all for his own personal good.

With Bill being out, despite the fact that we have cussed him out on numerous occasions, we will not be restrained by any fear that we may hurt a friend. We are all ready to wave a red flag at some of the bulls who constitute part of the North Carolina Fisheries Commission, its North Carolina Navy and Admiral John A. Nelson.

### SHRIMP

Fifteen years ago the shrimping season was practically over at Southport by the first of November. By the first of December there was no production at all, the boats were either beached or gone to Florida. The practice of the shrimp in bunching together during cold weather was not generally known and it was thought they were all gone by December. As a matter of fact they were just bunched together here and there. A boat could not go out during December, January or February and drag anywhere with a certainty of making a catch. During the cold weather an exhaustive search had to be made to locate the bunches. Once the location of the shrimp is found, there appears to be good fishing at any period of the year.

At any rate, this past December and this month, so far, according to our observation, have been the most profitable months that the trawlers have had this past season. It is true that the number of boats was larger and that the catches per boat were heavier during September, October and November. On the other hand, the boatmen were only paid from a dollar per bushel to \$1.50 per bushel during those months, and recently they have been getting \$2.50 to \$3.00 per bushel.

### MENHADEN

A few years ago, we are told, the great runs of menhaden fish on this coast took place during September and October. Later the visitation was in October and November and still later in November and December. During the past few years there has been no run at all in the fall or early winter.

Following a time honored custom the menhaden boats have always tied up at Christmas. Once or twice there has been a few days of desultory searching for fish. They were not found, perhaps due to weather conditions at the moment when the search was made. The belief that there were no fish after Christmas Day has become deeply rooted.

Since good shrimping can only be carried on successfully during December and January as a result of accident or exhaustive efforts to locate the shrimp. It seems that menhaden fishing could be carried on in the same way, at any rate, just when the boats were ready to tie up for the winter last Thursday two of the boats went out on a sort of last cruise. One located fish and radioed in to other boats. The result was that all boats came in that day, loaded to capacity with fish.

## WACCAMAW SCHOOL NEWS

Having dispensed with the joyous feelings which preceded the holidays the students and faculty have returned to their work with renewed vim and vigorous determinations for a period of successful work. Realization that we are not only entering a new semester soon, but also a New Year, seems to be very impressive upon the students. They feel much relieved that their first semester's examination are behind them, and have settled down to their new work with commendable alacrity.

Improvements  
A new five built in the lunch room has been recently completed, and will add greatly to the convenience and comfort of the lunch room operation.

Material for construction of easels boards in all the elementary rooms, and also for bulletin boards for the entire school, has

## Your Home Agent Says!

### SCHEDULE

Thursday and Friday of this week no clubs will meet, for the agent will be attending state conference in Raleigh. Monday 15, Town Creek Club will meet at 2:30 P. M. Tuesday 16, Leland 4-H club meets at 1:30 p. m. Leland Home Demonstration Club meets at the club house at 2:30 featuring a Miscellaneous shower for the house.

Wednesday 17, Southport 4-H club meets at 2:30 p. m. Southport Woman's Club meets at 3:30 p. m. Thursday 18, Winnabow club meets at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. A. P. Henry.

LIVE AT HOME PROGRAM  
A planned program is preferable to hit-or-miss methods any time; and in 1940 I would like to see the farm families of Brunswick making definite plans for producing their food supply. Here are 10 suggestions worth considering:

1. At least one cow per farm and preferably two—if each member of the family is to have its tablespoonful of butter and its milk quota daily, (a quart for children and a pint for adults should be the minimum) and some cottage cheese occasionally.
2. 75 chickens for the average family of 5, for eggs and poultry for the table the year-round.
3. A source of sweets, such as honey or syrup.
4. Pork for meat and for shortening, a year-round supply.
5. 1 beef for butchering or more.
6. A year-round garden featuring a variety of vegetables, small fruits and berries in amounts sufficient for table use during the season and for canning.
7. A family canning budget made and filled; with stored and dried vegetables and fruits to supplement the canned ones.
8. Sweet and Irish potatoes in sufficient quantities.
9. Wheat, rice and corn for cereal and breads.
10. Feed for the live-stock and poultry.

### THE HOME GARDEN

Every home garden should contain at least 12 different kinds of vegetables exclusive of Irish and sweet potatoes. There should be three different kinds of vegetables growing in the garden for ten months of the year. Small fruits such as strawberries, grapes, dewberries and in Western Carolina raspberries should be added. A home garden plan is not complete unless it has one or more kinds of small fruits growing in connection with the vegetables in order to help balance the food supply.

### Value Fruits And Vegetables

Vegetable Needs. For growth and body repair—Dried peas and beans. For minerals—Tomatoes, cabbage, potatoes, greens and root vegetables. For energy for work and play—Irish and sweet potatoes. Leafy vegetables, dried beans and peas. For bulk and water—Leafy vegetables.

Fruit Needs. Fruits are fleshy and juicy and contain 80 to 90 percent water. The minerals constitute a goodly portion of the solids and help to regulate body functions. They contain natural sugars which furnish body energy. Fruits are laxatives similar to bottled mineral waters. Fruits offset the acid-forming conditions when consuming large quantities of cereals, meats and bread.

### PLAN THE GARDEN

You can determine the amount of seed to purchase by multiplying the quantity of seed and feet of row needed for one person by the number of persons in the family; for example: Snap beans—one person, 1 lb. of seed and 75 feet of row. If there are five in the family 5 lbs. of seed will be needed and 375 feet of row should be planted. The following table will guide you in the other vegetables.

Vegetables to plant; Amount of seed for one person; Feet of row for one person.

Cabbage, 1 pk. or 1/2 oz. 50 feet.
Collards, 1 pk. or 1/2 oz. 50 feet.
Carrots, 1/2 oz. 25 feet.
Cow-peas, 1/2 oz. 100 feet.
Beets, 1/2 oz. 25 feet.
Garden-peas, 1/2 lb. 80 feet.
Kale and rape, 1/2 oz. 50 feet.
Lima beans, 1/4 lb. 50 feet.
Okra, 1/2 oz. 15 feet.
Onion (sets) 1 pint 20 feet.
Spinach, 1/2 oz. 50 feet.
Potatoes (Irish) 1 peck 100 feet.
Potatoes (Sweet) 1 peck 100 feet.
Turnips, 1 oz. 60 feet.
Tomatoes, 50 plants 100 feet.
Sweet Corn, 1/4 lb. 100 feet.

Select the following varieties of small fruits for the garden: Strawberries: Blakemore, Dorsett, Fairfax, 300 plants. Dewberries: Young, 25 plants. Grapes (Bunch): Concord, Niagara, Delaware, Catawba 5 to 10 plants. Grapes: (Muscadine): Scuppernon, James,—3 plants. Raspberries: St. Regis, Latham, Dixie, for Eastern Carolina.

been purchased. The faculty is very appreciative of this material, and when they have been placed at the pupil's disposal, the pupils will derive much benefit from them. The boys in the agricultural department are constructing this equipment for us, and we are grateful to Mr. Mintz and the boys for consenting to do the building.

## --- NOT EXACTLY NEWS ---

It looks like the Texas Aggies may be pitted against Southern Cal. in a post-season game to determine who is the county's best. This year's Rose Bowl game was considered a play-off of the Rose and Orange Bowl games of last year. Football should be packed up for another season and give way to basketball, the season for the latter having already opened. . . . ECTC's basketball roster now carries two former Southport Dolphins, David Watson and Malcolm Frink. The two should be a big help to the teachers. . . . Those Yanks, always a foxy organization, have taken another step toward cinching the pennant. The erratic Lee Grissom, of the Cincy Reds was acquired last week in a deal mostly for cash. The lefthander is about due to 'arrive' and the Yank's were in sore need of another lefty. . . . Can't say why it is, but Friday nite seems to be the best night for getting people into town.

It will be 'Hi Yo' to the Lone Ranger and Silver in about two weeks. The serial will be shown Thursdays and Fridays to accommodate two different shows. Another movie newcomer, Brenda Joyce, makes her debut tonight in "The Rains Came" with Ty Power and Myrna Loy as principals. James Cagney and George Raft show us how tough a cell can be in "Each Dawn I Die," the

week-end attraction. Mickey Rooney as Alvin Karpis demonstrates what can happen to a fellow when he gets "Spring Fever," next week. . . . After the usual Christmas and first-of-the-year spurts business seems to have settled down to the steady grind. The question of third term for the President is still unanswered, but the odds are that FDR will not run again. . . . The Finns, mighty mites in the military world, now pushing steadily into Russian territory, are expected to place when they launch an offensive. So far the defensive has managed to give Russian blockheads a definite headache! Just before the Russians attacked, their propaganda department produced a movie in which their battalions supposedly bombed an army crossing a field of ice and drowned the entire army. Then in actual combat fell into the same trap! Stalin may soon become the man without a country. . . . Our local dance season will face a lull following the President's Birthday Ball. J. B.'s band is scheduled to furnish the music. . . . "Peace On Earth," a short subject showing here soon has received a special award for bringing the true light on war to the public eye. . . . Orchids to "Blue Orchids" and two comedies, "Little Red Fox" and "Piggy Wiggy Wig" . . . See you here next week.

### Junior Play

The Annual class presented their annual play very successfully on Friday night, January 5, under the sponsorship of Miss Lilley and Miss Myers. The entire cast did justice to the roles they portrayed. The parts of the spinster triplets played ably by Mary Frances Dodson, Virginia Sellers and Opal Norris, supported by the schemes of their brother, played by Lester Smith, wove a web of entanglements in their efforts to marry off their nephew, played by Harry King. The remaining cast of girls! girls! girls! and the mirthful distribution of a widow and lawyer, afforded an evening of genuine fun to the audience.

### Convalescing

We are glad to be able to report that two of our convalescing students, Lois Babson and Bun Stanley, are improving rapidly. We hope that the new year will bring them much happiness and renewed encouragement.

Mrs. W. E. Bell of Southport is a medical patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

Most of the machinery now in use in Venezuela's oil fields was made in the United States.

## LELAND SCHOOL NEWS

(Mary Wells Rourk, Editor)

All students of Leland High school have returned to resume their studies after spending the holidays at home. We took our examinations Tuesday and Wednesday.

### Inspection

Our school was inspected Tuesday. We hope that we made a high rating. The school has been well taken care of this year and many improvements have been made and many books added.

### Basketball Season

Both of our teams have entered the basketball season with much fine athletic spirit. They do lots of hard practicing each day and many times at night.

### Club Program

The Literary Society met Tuesday. An interesting Doctor I. Q. program was presented. Nearly all students took part. The program will be continued at the next meeting, and each person giving the correct answer to his question will be given a certain amount of money. The person answering the most questions will

be given a prize.

Rings Arrive  
The juniors have received notice that their rings are in the postoffice. They are real anxious to get them.

New Suits

The boys' and girls' basketball teams have ordered new suits for the coming season. It is hoped that they will arrive in time for the first game.

## WANT ADS

FOR RENT FOR 1940 GROVELL

Farm—Town Creek. Two tobacco barns. Five room dwelling, new tractor, disc.  
Leland Farm—25 to 50 acre—one tobacco barn, dwelling 6 rooms, fronting on highway. For terms and particulars, apply to John D. Bellamy, 416 Southern Bldg., Wilmington.

Orizaba, Mexico's highest peak

is 4,000 feet higher than the highest mountain in the United States. More than 10 million trains are operated annually over the railroads of the United States.

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