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Gossip is conversational canibalism.

Too often a diplomat is just a glorified

A truly clean candidate will refuse to soil his own hands with mud slinging.

It is amazing the length to which some women will go to be sure that no one else has a hat like theirs.

Plenty of drivers have their foot on the accelerator when it should be on the brake.

Some people have sat in the seat of the scorner for so long now that any place else would be uncomfortable for them.

Library Service

of eight weeks is a kind of trial balloon drivers. that is being sent up to determine if there really is a demand for service of this kind.

We do not intend to convey the idea that if the people use the library and like it it will be continued. It probably will not-not now, at any rate. But those who read the books while they are available will be enjoying themselves by their very act; and an enthusiastic reception for the bookmobile might conceivably be used as Juvenile Delinquency a basis for a future permanent service of this kind for Brunswick county.

So our advice is: Read while you can, and hope for the best.

Basketball

The 1940 Brunswick County Basketball champions have been crowned and, save for the Star-News tournament which will be played this week-end, the season is

It is safe to say that there was more interest than ever before in scholastic basketball in Brunswick county this seasa gymnasium, and so home games were serts. For 15 years he has been a juveplayed before home people this year.

Some people cry out that there is overemphasis on athletics in our schools, and this may be true in some sections. But, in our opinion, Brunswick county is not one of those places. Basketball has aided in bringing clean, wholesome entertainment to thousands of Brunswick county people mitting them to throw all the blame on this winter; it has been instrumental in their offspring." building strong bodies and strong character for scores of Brunswick county boys and girls.

We take it as a healthy sign when the school and the community stand 100- per cent back of any program.

Smash Hits

of 1939 were not viewed on the stage or form schools since he discovered that offithe tenth annual safety booklet just is in a prize dairy herd and bull than in sued by The Travelers Insurance Com- the youths committed to their custody. persons were killed and almost a million the institution," he charges. and a quarter others were injured last

is a vast stage on which is being present- er declares. Juvenile courts themselves Brunswick county at any and all their invitations and will place ed the longest and most lavish procession need cleaning up, lawyers and judges times when you can catch min- their orders this week and have in history," the foreword states. "In a must be trained to investigate backsome actor who becomes confused or for- inated, he reasons, gets his part. In the great spectacle as a whole these interruptions are scarcely no- issue a bench warrant for every citizen, ticed, but to those who by accident or in- and sentence each to "leave nothing undiscretion become involved, these unre- done that a people might do to make hearsed by-plays often assume the pro- certain that the children of today do not portions of a major tragedy."

Highlights from the annual report based on official records of the 48 states, include the following interesting facts:

Exceeding the speed limit was responsi- the hazard of war.

ble for 36.5 per cent of the fatalities and

22.5 per cent of the injuries in 1939. Nearly 40 per cent of all traffic accident victims were pedestrians.

Almost 87 per cent of the fatal accidents occurred in clear weather and almost 80 per cent happened when the road surface was dry.

More than 93 per cent of the drivers involved in fatal accidents were male and less than seven per cent female.

More persons were killed on Sunday than on any other day of the week, while the heaviest injury toll came on Saturday. Wednesday was the safest day for travel. The period between 7 p. m. and 8 p. m. was the most dangerous hour of

The motor vehicle death rate, based on mileage, is at least three times as high by night as by day.

The report views with growing concern the increase in automobile-pedestrian accidents, particularly in metropolitan areas at night, and devotes an entire section to the problems of the man on foot. One graphic illustration shows that while a man takes one step and advances one yard, an automobile being driven at 30 miles an hour advances nine yards. An- Henry Dannehl. Last year the other shows that a pedestrian in dark clothing is all but invisible to the driver to make their spring and early the European war? at night a mere 100 feet away but is summer Gulf Stream fishing clearly visible in light clothing up to 200 headquarters at Southport. The feet or more.

Failure on the part of both drivers and pedestrians to appreciate these and many other facts was largely responsible for the record of 12,470 pedestrians killed and almost 300,000 injured in 1930, the re-

Special features in the booklet include statistics and editorials on such phases of traffic safety as truck-passenger car accidents, compulsory motor vehicle inspec-This business of assigning a traveling tion plans, night driving, and an article library to Brunswick county for a period by Dr. George Gallup on male vs. female

The insurance company will distribute two and one half million copies of the booklet this year in the interest of highway safety. Single copies or quantities are available through the company or any of its representatives.

Judge Defends Youth; Censures Parents For

Pointing an accusing finger at "oldsters" in fixing the responsibility for juvenile delinquency, Judge Ernest L. Reeker, of Madison, Nebraska, champions "youngsters" in his current Rotarian magazine article, and suggests that in a the right majority of cases a warrant should be freshwater fishing in the spring. issued for parents who would place un- For both bass and goggle-eyes, qualified blame on their children when an industrious live minnow. For they get into trouble.

wrong with the young people of today? my answer is always the same: 'There's nothing wrong with the young folksthe trouble is with their elders," he asnile judge, he tells Rotarian readers, and has handled 1,560 cases. "In my treatment of juvenile delinquents, I have found that nine times out of ten a warrant should be issued for the parents of the child, charging them contributing to the INVASION FROM GREESBORO delinquency of a minor, instead of per-

He declares that he is "sick and tired of having 'holier-than-thou' prosecuting Greensboro sportsmen. attorneys, rough-and-ready police offic- made some excellent pictures of ers, and hair-splitting judges continue to the catches made one day. The produce criminals" by sending youngsters to institutions through a lack of understanding. Of the 1,560 boys and girls with whom Judge Reeker has dealt, only 50 have been sent to correctional institutions; of these only six continued in a Many of the most dramatic smash hits life of crime. He has little use for rescreen but on the highway, according to cials of one of them took more interest pany. The booklet, entitled "Smash Hits," "The bull had better quarters and better records pictorially and graphically the care and its diet was more closely watchfacts about accidents in which 32,100 ed than were those of the 300 boys in

Parental neglect accounts for its share sportsmen opened theirs on Janof youthful criminals, but "society itself wary 1st, 1940, and it will last class will present in April. The "America's street and highway system has a pretty rotten record," Judge Reekpageant of such magnitude there are grounds of children in trouble, and the bound to be mistakes, usually caused by conditions spawning crime must be elim-

> He concludes by saying he'd like to populate the prisons of tomorrow.'

We hope Leap Year will prove all its name implies, and help America hurtle cane fishing poles.

Just Among The Fishermen

BY W. B. KEZIAH

SPORTSMEN WRITING Hardly a mail comes in now without bringing an inquiry to the Chamber of Commerce regarding the saltwater fishing prospects for this spring and summer. The inquiries from distant points are mostly directed E. Dodson at 2:30 p. m. to the Southport Civic Club, which functioned actively last year giving out information to

One Charlotte party wrote regarding the possibilities of handling a large number of sportsmen each week-end. He was anticipating bringing 50 to 100 men and women down each Saturday, returning Sunday afternoon. His inquiry was in regard to both boats, board and sleeping accommodations and he wishes to begin the excursions about the middle of April.

GULF STREAMERS

Fredericksburg. comes an inquiry from Judge Civic Club had him and a party of fellow sportsmen on the line Judge Dannehl and his cronnies fell off at Oregon Inlet.

The Judge now wishes to know if he has been forgiven and will be permitted to come to Southport for some real Gulf Strtam fishing this year. He has already assured his fishing companions that he is not going to de sidetracked for place other than Southport this spring.

THROWING STICKS Friday we were out with Postmaster L. T. Yaskell for an hour of fishing for goggle eyes. With their paper-shell mouths, we lost eight or ten before we landed one. Friend Yaskell was also losing but he had nine great speckled beauties before we land-

Then, we went to town. We pulled them in as fast as we could bait. Yaskell only got one more to make ten on his string. When he saw his catch was likely to be bettered he put on a blitzerig, or whatever you call it, and began throwing chunks of wood. We dodged around and caught our 11th fish, one more than he, before he could get into the car, drive off and leave us there.

CATCHING MINNOWS

During the past few years we have built up a pretty good reputation for our ability to catch sized minnows for nothing makes better bait than goggle-eyes the minnow must be "When people ask me, 'Judge, what's small and it is just as good alive

This spring our resourcefulness as a minnow catcher has been badly taxed. The blooming fingelings haven't yet put in appearance in numbers that makes the taking of a supply a quick and easy job. It has been pretty hard to catch the minnows, and on top of that, the fish are biting so fast that it takes about twice the normal supply of bait.

As a result of Charlie Farrell's recent visit to Southport and his two catches of 47 and 48 bass, goggle-eyes and crappie, this week is promising to bring to Southport a strong invasion of next day's catch was taken home

It happened that the first days catch was all of bass and goggle-eyes. For the second day, the catch, which Charlie took home, there were many While Crappie. everyone Greensboro admired the the pictures the goggle-eyes and crappie in person gave the non-informed Greensboro sportsmen a chance to confuse Charlie as to what was what and which was

SEASON OPENED FRIDAY The New Hanover Fishing Club opened its 1940 fishing season Friday. Shucks, Brunswick county until January 1, 1941. The fresh-

It does not always take minnows. This bait is simply the best during the early part of the year. It is best for goggleeye perch and crappie at all times and the bass are also fond of them. The big bass, however, begin to prefer a plug early in March.

NOTES

bought a new car and used it two economics. months he found it unsuited to him as it had nothing on the out- of Greensboro is to have an airside to which he could tie his plane so that he can fly down

One ambition of Charlie Farrell good afternoon.

YOUR HOME **AGENT SAYS**

SCHEDULE Friday March 8, Myrtle Head Club meets with Mrs. Murrey

Long at 2:30 p. m. Monday March 11, Bolivia 4-H meets at 11:40 a. m. Bolivia H. D. Club meets at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday March 12, Shallotte

H. D. Club meets with Mrs. J. Wednesday March 13, Waccamaw 4-H Club meets at 11:10 a. m. Ash H. D. Club meets with Mrs. Z. G. Ray at 3:30.

Thursday March 14, L. Folly 4-H meets at 10:45 a. m. Mt. Pisgah Club meets with Mr. W. Sellers at 2:30 p. m.

SOUTHPORT

CAN YOU IMAGINE Freshmen and Sophomore girls

playing ball with a dignified Senior's hat?

Miss Ward not smiling? Students going around Brunswick county on their brains and book reports in their hands? Arvil Cottrell not talking about

The funnies in the library getting a rest? Some one not quoting Con-

fucius? A watch that will keep time with Harold Aldridge's? Edmond Newton with a piece

of paper and a pencil and not William Sellers as a bad wolf THIRD GRADE CHAPEL

PROGRAM Last Wednesday Mrs. Willis' third grade students presented a very interesting program. The devotional was a Bible story by Mary Frances Floyd and a song by the group "In The Temple" After this they appeared in sailor suits and dresses and sang a very interesting sailor song. The name of the play given was, "Jack Writes a Composition". taking part were: Jack Those Mary Ann Reese, Lois Swan, Coleman, Davis Dean Richard Brendall and Joe and Jimmy Cox. The program was centered about Longfellow and brought many of the interesting parts of his life to one's mind.

FIRST GRADE Miss Comers first grade says, We are learning about the people who live in Holland. We have made tulips, windmills and Dutch boys and girls. We are making pictures about Little Black Sambo and are learning to tell the

Miss Asbury's first grade citizens have made a lovely spring sand table on which they situated flowers, trees etc., they made themselves.

Now that they are studying spelling they have begun to make spelling booklets. hope will help them.

These children are studying about the boys and girls of Holland and to make things more interesting they have made a Dutch village. They have made it very attractive and realistic and they enjoyed working with it. They are also making beds of the three bears of which they have learned the story.

SEVENTH GRADE The seventh grade is planning to make a picture show of Africa. They are studying about Africa and thus decided to make a show to make the study more interesting. They will make the screen and all parts necessary. We assure you they will enjoy this activity.

PREPARE PROGRAM Wednesday morning, March

13th, the sixth grade will present St. Patrick's Day program. Visitors are cordially invited to attend.

ESSAYS Many Southport high school students are participating in the county-wide contest of writing essays on Brunswick county. They are looking forward to the time to come to enter their essays in the contest. Those who wish for their's to enter had better work hard as the time is drawing nigh. P.-T. A.

There will be a P.-T. A. meeting in the Southport high school auditorium to-night at 7:30 o'clock. All parents and friends are urged to attend.

SENIORS The Seniors have been devoting their time to their commencement exercises. A play committee has selected a play title of the play is "The Haunted water fishing season is on in Schoolhouse." They have selected also ordered their caps and gowns. Several days ago the class selected Rev. R. S. Harrison to deliver the Baccalaureate address.

The Freshman class is making a home room constitution. They have already made seven articles and are now working on the amendments.

ECONOMICS

The economics class, under Mr. Lingle, is making booklets deal-After Postmaster Yaskell had ing with their study of everyday

to Southport and go fishing every

-- NOT EXATLY NEWS ---

Shades of David Harum! That Yankee horse trader was just a piker compared with the swapping that went on here Thursday. Dr. Fergus traded his two saddle horses for a piano, then bought an automobile and swaped it for Cherry McDonald back before the proprietor of the local 4-H meets at 11:10 a. m. Exum music house could get her out of town. Happiest person in Southport was Mrs. Fergus when she returned from her bridge club and found her pet returned to the corral.

There's talk going 'round about an Azalea Festival Ball to be held the latter part of this month. This could be made an annual feature, and now while it is still in the formative stage is a good time to add in a few ideas . . . John Boyd Finch and Prince O'Brien collaborated on two swell tunes recently that have been sent to New York for an on-the-level audition. Don't surprised if "The Same Old Story" (that's the one introduced at the last dance here) comes swinning out of your radio loud speaker one of these first evenings.

The Bolivia girls repeated in the Brunswick with County Basketball Tournament, and they are our found in Orton Garden . . . Julius, the nomination in the Star-News tournament in Wil- handy-man at the care-taker's lodge, is our mington this week-end. And it will take a better of a typical plantation darkie

than fair boys' team to whip the Shallotte ions Up in Raleigh over the week-end of mack, Carolina's 6-foot 5-inch center paged Tar Heels to a well deserved victory. The so near sighted that he can't even board, but that didn't stop his pilin in the senti-finals, and a total

Herr Hitler is claiming allies from Atheis Stalin to Divine Providence. Now if he could claim sanity he might have something there Kyser's novelty, "It's Swell to Sing a Spell self explanatory . . . No quarrel Motion Picture Acadamy award to for her "Scarlet O'Hara," nor ler. And there ought to have been some extra special for Olivia D'Haviland

Miss Emma Lou Harrelson is a genius at helable to pick and pack rare flowers, and some

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dreds of farm homes in Brunswick county each week, and through its columns the editors hope to keep the farmers informed of the farm program and the outlook for 1940. This newspaper should go into every progressive home in the

Ask your mother about her Home Demonstration Club. Ask her if she has seen the column written each week by The Home Agent. This is her personal message to club women whom she is unable to see as often as she would like. Most of the clubs report their monthly meetings to THE

PILOT. Of course, you have seen your school column. Next time your name is in the column, take it home and show it to your parents. They'll be proud of you, and proud of your school, too. Show them pictures of boys and girls in your

Don't you like to read about your friends and relatives in other parts of the county? Most of us do. And we like to see our own 'names in the community letters that appear.

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