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One cause for so many auto accidents is that there is more horse-power in the hood than there is horse sense at the wheel.

The only time some people cultivate friendship is when they expect to harvest a loan.

### The Community Loses

The resignation of Rev. J. R. Potts as pastor of Southport Presbyterian Church becomes effective February 1.

To be perfectly candid about it, this is a loss of which this community should be ashamed. As we understand it, his decision to make a change is based upon two things: One is lack of sufficient financial support; the other is the absence of encouraging moral support.

In dismissing the first consideration it is only fair to say that this community is just now at about its all-time low so far as financial resources are concerned; so failure to toe the mark in money matters is understandable and, to some extent, pardonable.

But this move was never prompted by a demand from the pastor that his church members pay up or else. He has shown a willingness to meet them more than half-way in material considerations.

What has made him soul-sick, and the thing that caused him to finally reach his decision to resign from this pastorate is the apathy of his congregation toward church attendance. Several months ago he told us that some of his church members complained because he was away so much doing evangelistic work during the summer. "But when I'm away," he explained, "I have an opportunity to preach to large congregations. I see little reason to preach sermon after sermon before only a handful of the faithful when I can have a church full of people to hear me in other places."

This trouble strikes at the very roots of Southport's greatest danger today: The indifferent attitude of her citizens toward church attendance. A survey of the town would likely show that most of the residents choose to be classified as Christians; most of them are church members; but relatively few are church attendants.

It has been our opinion for the past few months that the pulpits of the churches of this community have never been more ably filled; that anyone with a desire to hear a good sermon either Sunday morning or Sunday evening need not deny himself that privilege. But never before in the modern history of Southport has church attendance been any more discouraging for the men who serve as ministers.

This resignation breaks the circle of four that has manned the Christian ramparts for the protestants of this town. Unless some change occurs in the attitude of our people, further inroads may be made into the personnel of our preachers.

### Reactions

Whether or not you personally liked the tone and purpose of the President's dramatic "all out for Britain" speech, one thing can be said for it. It cleared away any doubts that may have existed concerning this Administration's war policy. It eliminated the last semblance of our theoretical neutrality. It placed us definitely beside England as an active ally, ready to give her almost anything and everything she may need to prosecute the war against the Axis powers. It administered a hearty slap in the face to Japan, by declaring that China too was helping to defend American rights and principles.

Foreign response to the talk could easily have been anticipated. London called it "one of the most powerful indictments of Nazidom ever spoken," and British spokesmen, who have frankly placed much of their hope for eventual victory on U. S. aid, were jubilant. The South American press, which often speaks for the governments, was generally laudatory

—the Latin Republics have apparently been looking for a strong lead in order to develop and affirm their own foreign policies. Turkey, a country which has really been on the spot in that it is an ally of England and at the same time is within comparatively easy "shooting distance" of Germany, was extremely pleased—one of the principal Ankara papers said, "President Roosevelt has read the death sentence of the Axis countries." The Vichy press was cautious in its comment, which is understandable—the Petain government is forced to walk a dangerous tight rope between the French people's pro-British, pro-DeGaulle sentiment on the one hand, and Germany's nearby armies on the other. Italy made belligerent gestures, but said nothing new. Hitler declared that anyone who said the Nazis plan world conquest, lied—which, in the light of past super-frank statements by Nazi leaders, is curious. Japan, frankly angry, said the Roosevelt policy made a U. S.-Japanese war almost inevitable. Interesting reaction comes from on-the-fence Spain, where, reports say, the President's definite statement that the Axis will not win, excited great interest.

In this country, the bulk of the press approved of the speech in general, even though many papers observed that more than words are necessary to adequately arm Britain and ourselves. The President's definite declaration that no U. S. troops would be sent to Europe was applauded widely—the fact is, of course, that at present Britain does not need or want men, in that her armies are doing practically nothing except keep on the alert against possible invasion. However, certain important government elective officials are all set to fling down the gauntlet and fight the Administration's belligerency policy.

In the meantime, it may prove that one result of the speech will be greatly increased Nazi attacks on the staunch British Isles—the purpose being to reduce England before U. S. aid can be materially increased. It is significant that even as the President read his speech from the quiet of his White House study, blacked-out London was being subjected by the Luftwaffe to its most severe air raid of the war. Hitler knows that if this country ever is able to push its arms drive into high gear, a practically unlimited quantity of material of all kinds can be sent England.

### Needless Deaths

Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, the State Board of Health head, calls attention to "another first" which North Carolina has scored, this time one wholly unpraiseworthy.

North Carolina at present is leading the remainder of the 48 states in the number of cases of diphtheria—this despite the fact that N. C. statute requires that each child born in the state be immunized by vaccination before having reached the age of six, preferably six months to one year.

Diphtheria deaths in North Carolina are needless deaths. Our sovereign state has attempted to protect the lives of its children against the negligence of parents—but as long as children of our grand state still fall victim of this disease, this attempt has failed of its purpose.

A game of "follow the leader" may easily be turned into a case of "chase the leader."

A guy who has "checked out" need not necessarily have his toes turned up—but merely be short of cash.

### Shears And Paste

#### THE FLU

(The Charlotte Observer)

When the flu strikes, it usually strikes in epidemic spread and it has virtually reached that stage now throughout many areas of the country, our own included.

A fortunate phase of the present wave is that, for the most part, it is shortlived, and unattended by the more serious respiratory complications which often set in with it.

But generally light in its form and brief in its duration as it may be, it must not be dismissed with levity. The flu often becomes a sort of incubator for more serious and prolonged impairments and is, therefore, to be considered as grave in its possibilities.

The action of the school authorities, in those communities where the malady is more on the march, is wise and in the public interest. A school house becomes a hotbed for the spread of these germs and, for that matter, all public gatherings are to be so considered and, therefore, to be avoided as much as humanly possible.

### YOUR HOME AGENT SAYS

Practical Money Saving Ideas  
Cleaned From State College Families.

BY

Eunice McGrary and Charlotte Case

1. "For economy and better health we use whole seed wheat (cooked for a long time in a heavy aluminum pan) for cereal. It is delicious, rich in vitamin B-1 and very inexpensive compared with other cereals."

2. "I roast my meats on top of the stove in a thick frying pan (with heavy cover) over a very small gas burner instead of using the oven which takes more fuel."

3. "I save money by buying day old bread and rolls (and sometimes cakes and pies) from one of the local bakeries."

4. "I serve inexpensive but delicious plum pudding instead of the much more expensive fruit cake. It can be made ahead of time and kept for weeks."

5. "I save money by buying fresh infertile eggs when they are cheap and storing them in a waterglass solution for use when eggs are high."

6. "I save money by using a butter substitute in recipes calling for butter."

7. "I don't throw away my grape fruit peels but use them for attractive and delicious candy. It makes an acceptable gift, also can be used in the place of lemon or orange peel in fruit cakes and plum pudding. I have used the candied halves of grapefruit peel as a container for fruit cake batter—then I steam the whole thing in a tightly covered pan. The result looks good, and tastes even better."

8. "I save money by buying my canned goods by the case, getting the advantage of wholesale prices."

9. "I save money by making my own bread."

10. "I save money by using often, the edible soybeans. They are cheap, healthful and delicious."

11. "I save money by doing the family sewing—by buying materials at end-of-the-season sales—by making over old garments into other garments or rugs."

12. "I save money by making my own curtains, draperies and slip covers."

13. "I save by making our own wool comforts. The wool batting costs little, and the cover can be anything from a pieved quilt top, colorful calico, sateen or even satin. I quilt mine on the sewing machine and can do the whole job in two or three hours."

14. "I make very useful wool braided or hooked rugs out of worn out and moth eaten garments—mostly pants and old blankets—and cost 10c for thread for each rug."

15. "I save money on our clothing by using my husband's old suits for attractive garments for myself and for the children. I have made a suit for myself, jackets and skirts for the girls and very mannish outfits for my little boy at no cost at all except for time, patterns, and thread."

16. "When my son's and husband's shirts are no longer presentable for school or office but still good I make a level hem around the bottom, V neck, cut off the cuffs and hem the sleeves, and presto, we have nice comfortable pajama tops."

17. "When my cotton house dresses are too worn or faded to be a credit to me I often do a small job of remodeling and use them for sleeping garments."

18. "When my cotton dresses, pajamas, shirts, gowns, sheets and towels are completely worn out I sell them to a filling station for 15c per pound for cleaning rags."

19. "I have saved a considerable amount (and achieved results that fill my soul with delight) by making draperies of unbleached muslin tied and dyed, and block printed with leaves, twigs, ferns and grasses from my own lot. I have also made lovely curtains of tobacco cloth at 4c per yard."

20. "I save money by paying cash for everything, and by going without rather than going into debt."

21. "We make a saving each year by buying our coal in the summer in cooperation with enough neighbors to get it by the carload."

22. "I economize by buying all sorts of labor saving conveniences and then doing my work without the aid of a servant."

23. "I use a washing machine for my laundry and fold my sheets and towels (when they are dry) without ironing."

24. "We save a good deal during a year's time by buying the lowest priced gasoline. We have found it to be absolutely satisfactory."

25. "Our family saves by painting our own woodwork, porch floors and even sometimes halls, bathrooms, and kitchen."

26. "I save money by making bookends, letter holders and other useful articles from old copper stills which I can get for next to nothing."

27. "Instead of buying expensive deodorants I use a dusting of inexpensive boric acid powder under my arms after gathing. Con-

### BOLIVIA SCHOOL NEWS

The Bolivia P.-T. A. will hold its regular meeting Tuesday, January 21st. It is hoped that many parents will attend. A portion of the program will consist of recitations and declamations by some of the high school students.

Last Friday the tenth grade gave a very delightful program. The first part of the program consisted of a short play "Why Study Chemistry?" The second part was a scene from a sewing class.

Our school paper, "Maroon and Gold" was printed again this week. The pupils seem to enjoy their paper very much. This is something that will help the pupils and give them experience in writing news and other articles for papers.

The fourth grade has been writing letters to the fourth grade in Spruce Pine. This is a town in the mountains. The pupils have enjoyed hearing about the mountains and the work done there. It has been nice for them to tell others about their school and community.

Everyone has been glad to learn that Vincent McKeithan is improving from an appendicitis operation. He has been missed at school and it is hoped that he can soon return.

The faculty play, "The Henpecked Husband" was given last Friday night at Bolivia High school. It was enjoyed by a large number of people.

Last Thursday the first semester came to a close. Exams were given the week before and reports were given out Thursday. It is hoped that everyone will work and study more and make this last semester an even better one than the first was.

Starting Monday, January 20, a First Aid Course will be taught to all students desiring to take it from the sixth grade through the high school grades. This course will be taught the first period of each morning, extending over a period of a month.

The following teachers took the First Aid Course the first of this year and will have charge of the classes mentioned:

6th grade, Miss Maultsby and Miss Greenlee.

7th grade, Miss McRee and Mr. Page.

8th grade, Mr. Rosser.

9th grade, Mr. Chadwick.

10th grade, Miss Bright and Miss Gibbs.

11th grade, Mrs. Tucker.

Both boys and girls from Southport will play the Bolivia boys and girls Friday night here in the Bolivia gym.

The Junior French Club had its regular meeting on January 13. "Scenes in Paris" were discussed by Mildred Gilbert and Myrtle Hilburn. Mrs. Tucker carried on a conversation in French with the class, then she showed some pictures of scenes in France. Ruth Rabon gave an interesting report on stock-raising.

The Home Economics Club will meet Tuesday. The program consists of the following:

"History of Etiquette", Geneva Potter.

"Club Etiquette", Veona Danford.

"Table Etiquette", Mary Louise Burris.

"Teas and other Entertain-

ments", Elsie Rabon.

"Speech Etiquette", Helen Wil-

lets.

"Etiquette at the Theatre",

Caroline Thorp.

sumers Union says that the most expensive powders and creams contain little more than boric acid, plus perfume."

28. "I have propagated most of our shrubbery from cuttings and seeds, saving perhaps as much as \$100."

29. "Our family saves money by always waiting for movies to come back for the second run."

30. "We save money by refinishing our own furniture. We have accumulated some very choice and valuable pieces that cost very little money, and we've enjoyed doing the hard work that it took to reclaim them."

31. "I save all clear cellophane that comes around packages during the year. At Christmas time I shred it and use it for trimming my tree. The effect is gorgeous!"

32. "I make my own mattress protectors of cotton batting covered with unbleached muslin and then securely tacked."

33. "I never waste a spoonful of liquors in which vegetables have been cooked but use them in cream soups."

34. "I purchase cotton bags at a very low price and use them for aprons, dish cloths, dish towels, everyday napkins, kitchen curtains, children's clothing, etc."

35. "Instead of buying expensive astringents we always use witch hazel which serves the same purpose at much less cost."

36. "I save by copying expensive garments seen in the stores at only a fraction of the price asked."

37. "When I make apple pies I use the apple peelings and cores for jelly."

38. "I never allow the fruit of my Japanese Flowering Quince to waste but make of it a delicious jelly of rare flavor."

39. "I save money by buying soap at special sales in good quantities. Soap lasts longer when it is old and hard."

40. "I save all glass containers that food comes in and use them for jellies and jams."

### --- NOT EXACTLY NEWS ---

"Listen, Bub," said Harry Robinson, Thursday, "That bet I had with the bread man was my radio stock against \$25 worth of bread, not 25 loaves." We apologize publicly here. Through further conversation, we learned that he has secured a foreman's job in Holly Ridge for folding money, but will keep his store here running, too. "Business As Usual," he says. His commutation expenses will be underwritten by ferrying five other workers daily. His next move will probably be to start a chain of stores around the army center. More power to our colorful friend . . . Last week, the editor told the amusing story of how Mrs. Dick Brendel, inadvertently switched cars downtown, causing a bit of excitement. The day before this happened, your columnist (sometimes) took Mrs. Minnie Davis' car to Wilmington to meet her when she got off a bus. Aaron May, who rooms with Mrs. Davis, on coming to dinner noticed the absence of the car and notified the Police. They were preparing to send out a pick-up when the party arrived home. Although it turned out to be a false alarm, Aaron is to be commended on his action.

Mrs. Davis has just returned from Asheville where she was visiting relatives. It was while she was there that the district was shaken by two distinct tremors of an earthquake and Miss Minnie readily admits it was a frightful feeling . . .

MOVIES: Beautiful Blonde Betty Grable and Don Ameche, the dark Latin, star in "Down Argentine Way" which plays at the Amuzu tonight . . . The fight between ASCAP and radio interests continues at a deadlock. The first blood was drawn last week when ASCAP brought suit against Fred Allen, his sponsors, and CBS for using music that was prohibited. The Gershwin melody, "Winter-

green For President," was used as background music during his show. Both sides have their convincing points, but it seems a shame to deny radio listeners the privilege of hearing the world's most loved tunes. ASCAP is asking for a contract that will double their last year's income from radio. Last year they received 5% of radio's net proceeds, which doesn't seem to be a high percentage when you consider that 70% of all radio programs have used this music as their sole attraction. But we are not taking sides . . .

The appearance of Little Jack Little in Wilmington drew many Southport fans. He has long been a favorite on the airwaves . . . People continue to talk of a President's Ball but there seems to be no orchestra in sight for the affair. The few local musical aspirants that are left doesn't seem to be a lot of hope, unless a couple of boys from the colored band could be borrowed for the night and maybe one of the quartets from one of their churches . . .

One man who ought to be a proud landholder is Mr. Charlie Gause, whose farm on the left just across Dutchman's on the Supply road is a showplace. John Henry Hill is making him an unusual tenant.

It's no secret that Mr. Willie Cooker and his son, Maxie, supply most of the seafood served on Southport tables. But we were surprised to learn last week that neither of them can go outside without becoming deathly seasick. Hence most of their activities are confined to the water and bays . . . Add Ed Weeks to the list of new puppy owners. His is a setter, and is a mate to the one Little Roy Daniel has. Two orders have been placed recently for some pointer pups for spring delivery.

A new method for removing about 85 per cent of the static on a radio receiver is described as especially effective on short wave bands.

## 1941 TAX LISTING NOTICE

### LIST YOUR REAL and PERSONAL PROPERTY DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY

All property owners and tax payers are required by law to return to the List Takers for taxation for the year 1941, all the Real Estate, Personal Property, Etc., which they own on the first day of January.

All male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 years must list for Poll Tax during the same time, except those exempt by law for physical disability.

All persons to whom the foregoing applies who fail to list their Real and Personal property, and/or Poll Tax will be guilty of a Misdemeanor and subject to fine or imprisonment upon conviction.

Local list takers will post notices of appointments in public places—WACTH FOR SAME.

### LIST TAKERS FOR COUNTY

- North West—M. B. CHINNIS ..... Leland, N. C.
- Town Creek—L. J. McKEITHAN ..... Bolivia, N. C.
- Smithville—MRS. W. S. DAVIS ..... Southport, N. C.
- Lockwood's Folly—LUCIAN FULFORD ..... Supply, N. C.
- Shalotte—MRS. S. J. FRINK ..... Shalotte, N. C.
- Waccamaw—J. W. STANLEY ..... Ash, N. C.

The Board of Equalization and Review will meet at the Tax Office at Southport on March 17, 1941. Any complaint about valuation should be taken before the Board at that time.

## W. P. Jorgensen

TAX SUPERVISOR

Come Prepared To Give Farm Census Information.