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Try This On For Size

The next time you feel like you must criticize someone for something he has tried to do, just ask yourself if you could have done better. If your answer is an admission that you could not, then you have no right to criticize. If you think that you could do better, then why don't you?

Worth Trying

With a little over one-half the time limit for the Annual Fall Fishing Rodeo already elapsed, there still is a good opportunity for some Brunswick county fisherman, or a party out on a boat from this county, to capture some of the big prize money that is being offered.

If you make a good catch, you should go to whatever trouble necessary to have it weighed, recorded and officially entered in the contest. If you don't like prizes yourself, and even if you don't need money, Brunswick county needs the favorable publicity that will come to it if the prize winners are brought in here.

Your Child On The Highway

Parents are inclined to have the comfortable feeling that the welfare of their child is shifted from them to the school authorities from the moment he passes out of the door in the morning until he comes in again late in the afternoon.

True, during the school term the child does spend most of his waking hours either going to school, in school or returning home from school; but to saddle the school people with complete responsibility for safety during the first or the last part of this daily program is to be grossly unfair to those whose burden of responsibility already is great.

Often when we see school children tearing about in their eagerness we are moved to marvel that there are not more accidents instead of fewer. The parents can do a lot to impress their children with the need of safe practices, particularly as it applies to walking along the highway, or crossing a busy street or road.

It is well to remember that the results of all the care and attention of a lifetime can be snuffed out in a moment, and it is logical that no one should be more concerned with the safety of the child than are the parents.

Natural Advantages

We believe that it is a good thing for people to make an occasional trip to other sections in order that they may have an opportunity to see how others work and live, the problems they must face and how their conditions compare with our own.

And that being true, we can think of nothing that we would like better than to be able to load a bus with a representative group of farmers from this county and carry them on a trip to the mountains of Western North Carolina.

The residents of that section of our state feel that they are peculiarly well blessed, that they have absolutely everything that God intended as a good and perfect gift for mankind. And with that attitude, they have set in to work with what they have to the very best possible advantage.

We have tried to make a fair comparison of our advantages with their's, and we have come to the conclusion that the principal things they have that we do not are high mountains and

plenty of ambition. We'll go even further and say that we think that if some of those people up there could farm in a place like this county they'd be rich in five years; and many of our citizens would starve to death if they had to make a living under the same conditions that the mountaineers do most of their farming.

This isn't being written to make people of this county feel backward when compared with their neighbors of Western North Carolina, but the idea is to point out that the things they have up there that help make it one of the most progressive parts of the State may be had right here in this county, and be had more abundantly.

We have plenty of soil that has more natural fertility than theirs; we have areas that may be devoted to grazing lands if we try; we have longer growing seasons and a climate which permits a greater variety of crops; we have timber areas that produce more and better timber than you find in the mountains.

When we see what a beautiful showing these people have made with the few blessings which nature has bestowed upon them, it makes us sick to see so many of our own natural advantages undeveloped.

From an agricultural point of view our county has made wonderful strides during the past ten years, but when the day comes that we have developed our own opportunities to the same extent that they have been developed by residents of the mountain counties of our state then, indeed, will this county be the garden spot of North Carolina.

The President Demands Economy

President Truman recently sent a letter to the heads of executive departments and agencies of the government, which is potentially of the greatest importance. In that letter, the President demanded maximum economy in the administration of the bureaus concerned.

"Our present fiscal situation is a most serious one," the Chief Executive said. "We are faced with a continued substantial budget deficit in the present fiscal year. . . . We must do everything within our power to reduce inflationary pressures. One of the most effective means of doing this is to reduce Federal expenditures."

It remains to be seen just how well Mr. Truman can force department heads to carry out his explicit instructions. Normally, high-level bureaucrats are extremely unwilling to cut their budgets and organizations. They work on the principle of the more the merrier. The plain fact is that the country can no longer afford that kind of a philosophy. The very root of inflation is excessive government spending.

Congress, when it reconvenes, will also have a chance to help prevent inflation by cutting costs. If the multitude of government agencies won't voluntarily cut down, Congress must force them to. And Congress, by refusing to approve wasteful and needless expenditures can play a major role in preventing dollar depreciation and price inflation which will destroy the economy of the nation.

The President has pointed out the proper course. The gala financial show is over. The time of reckoning, distasteful as it may be, is here.

Mr. Byrnes, our people like insults no better than you do. Every slap you endure invites a second. If there must be a showdown the sooner the safer.

Elliott Roosevelt's book is good anti-British propaganda, yet it consists of his opinions and his memory of long conversations, unsupported by facts.

The rich have another advantage. They aren't afraid of being thought "cheap" if they take time to count their change.

One thing we must not forget for a day: If Britain is crippled and ceases to be a great power, America will stand alone—in deadly peril.

A war isn't over until the law has captured or killed the veterans who were somehow encouraged to scorn the rules of civilization they once obeyed.

Our trouble is that only a few Americans understand the great and complicated mess in the Near East, and they don't know what to do about it.

Just Among The Fishermen

City auditor E. R. Weeks and Acting Postmaster Bernice Russ have made three trips out in the bay fishing during the past week. Each of the three trips they caught three large turtles, which went to make turtle soup.

It is about time for Postmaster Wilbur Doshier to take his annual vacation, which is usually boiled down into two weeks of fishing at Southport. George Wortham, his colored man of all work on such occasions, seems more worried than we are at the postmaster not having yet shown up.

Local menhaden boats are said to have had an unusually good year this far, with several months of fishing yet to go. So far the shrimp production has been small, a condition partially made up for by an extra high price to the boatmen.

Although the marsh hen hunting season has been open all of this month hunters have not had favorable weather, and will not be likely to have such weather during the month of September. For this sport a northeast wind during a high tide period is necessary if the birds are to be found.

Rockfish are beginning to strike in Town Creek and along with these fighting fish are plenty of large mouth bass, mormouths, etc. Town Creek is fast becoming justly celebrated as the largest open body of fresh water in Brunswick and for the fish that this water contains.

The real fishing season off Southport has hardly yet begun. This claim will be more readily understood when October and November rolls around and the real big fellows begin to come in. From a knowledge of fishing here in previous years the sportsman can be assured of something big just ahead.

Fishing with a hand line at the old quarantine station this week, Ralph Mollycheck, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Mollycheck, hooked and hooked a 25-inch black drum that weighed eight-and-a-half pounds. The youngest is only nine years old.

One shore fishery at Little Beach, near Shallotte, caught 6000 pounds of fine mullets Saturday morning. It is understood that many fine catches have been made at the different fisheries along the coast during the past several days but no reports have been received as to poundage.

Fishing with rod and reel at the quarantine station, Mrs. F. Mollycheck hooked a seven-pound black drum and a number of smaller fish. The following day she did even better by taking a 27 1/2 inch black drum that weighed twelve-pounds-and-tow ounces.

We had to leave on a moonlight fishing trip of our own before the fish could be weighed, but it can be said that a Charlotte party made a mighty nice catch in 16-amberjacks, 9 barracuda, 4 bonita and 1 king mackerel last Tuesday. It was not so much the number of the fish, it was the size, as about half the amberjack and barracuda apparently weighed between 25 and 35-pounds. The whole catch was estimated to weigh in the neighborhood of 500-pounds. The party was out aboard the Idle-On of Captain H. T. Watts, with his

son, Basil Watts, as mate. The sportsmen were Dr. E. R. Molley, Capt. D. C. Tasker, T. J. Orr and J. H. Orr, all of Charlotte. None of them could lay claim to getting the biggest fish. They were all big.

The mullet fishing firm of Frink and Bennett—S. B. Frink and Sam T. Bennett—joint owners of a 16-foot skiff and a 82 1/2 yard gill net, reports that it spent all day Sunday on one of the beaches. The fruits of their labors was some 45 or 50 large mullets and a general feeling of having been industrious.

We had a couple of visitors Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Burton H. Smith, of Charlotte. Mr. Smith is widely known as a "Friend of Fur, Fins and Feathers," that meaning he is greatly interested in game and fish. The couple both believe we should have a different system of game and fish conservation.

Due to arrive here from Columbus, Ohio, on October 5 and to remain through October 18th are Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Houck. They are due to bring salt and freshwater fishing outfits and the trip to the south is a change from the Canadian woods and waters where they have heretofore gathered. Jimmie Stuber, secretary of the Outdoor Writers Association of America, got them headed to Southport.

The Moja, Captain Victor P. Lance, a sailfish getter on a sail fish getting boat when sailfish are to be got, raised 4 sails last Tuesday but came in without its sailfish flag flying. Of the 4 sighted fish three made what might be called a nibble at the lure. The fourth was some distance away. One guess is as good as another, and our guess is that Captain Lance and the Moja will have several sailfish to report in next week's paper. His party last week was composed of Dr. and Mrs. H. Lutterloh and son of Sanford, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Lutterloh, of Hot Springs, Ark., and Frank Calkins, Richmond, Va.

Judge Walter Bone, without any favors, caught the first sail taken on an expedition out in the bay off Fort Caswell with us and Ed Mallison, one night last week in a small outboard motor boat. It was kind of rough weather in a rough spot on the river and the boat did much rolling and tossing. Despite this discouraging aspect, about 20 fish were caught and the pleasing feature of the trip was the fine sportsmanship shown by the judge. He was pretty good at fishing, for a country boy.

Something must have been radically wrong with freshwater fishing this summer. Perhaps it was the floods or it might be the teacher shortage. At any rate it has been the first summer that we remember when Prof. Henry C. Stone of the Shallotte school has failed to come in with a report of a fine catch of bass or perch.

FARM TRAINING PROGRAM PLANS ARE EXPLAINED

(Continued From Page One) require the necessary skill and management ability to insure his employability and a demand for his service at a satisfactory income. The employer-trainer must agree to cooperate with the teacher of agriculture in giving on-the-job training and to pay the trainee a satisfactory wage commensurate with service rendered. A veteran will not be accepted on the employer-training pro-

gram in cases where the trainee is employed by any member of his immediate family. However if the veteran is working on this farm with the objective of becoming permanently established he should be able to rent a part or all of it to be operated on his own and then become a self-proprietorship trainee. The program is to train a veteran for a specialized job and not to train ordinary farm labor.

More Publicity For County With Rattler In Museum

(Continued from page One) "Brunswick" through various express handlers between Southport and the museum in Raleigh. The special tag was hardly needed. All express workers who had to handle the buzzing box were anxious to get rid of it by sending it right on somewhere.

But the express company made good, as is attested for in a letter received this week by Mr. Keziah from Harry T. Davis, curator of the museum in Raleigh, in part he said:

"Dear Patient Friend Bill.—We are grateful to you for supplying a fine specimen of the diamond back that we have been needing for about two years now. The newsman were around and you have doubtless seen about the safe arrival. The express man of dark hue, was aswast and very pale, with the constant rattling. You will be pleased to know that the name "Brunswick" is sticking. He (or she) will doubtless be a worthy successor to "Onslow." "Brunswick" devoured a large rat during his first night in the exhibition cage and that indicates he will be tractable to his permanent surroundings."

LEGION POST TO HAVE FISH FRY

(Continued from page one) lotte post are all urged to bring a new member with them. During the drive for new members which has been in progress the past two weeks the Shallotte Post has greatly increased its membership.

ROSCOE ROGERS GETS NEW JOB

(Continued from page one) \$400.00 valuation. The Estate Corporation was relieved of \$1550.00 valuation on one piece of land because of lots sold. W. H. Chadwick was relieved of \$500.00 valuation. Earl Johnson was relieved of \$1,400.00 valuation because house has been moved.

Mrs. Carrie Anderson was added to the disability list of \$10.00 monthly. Miss Maggie Andrews was dropped from the list.

Ernest Parker was allowed to afterlist one acre of seashore land. Garlee Smith was given permission to pay taxes for all unpaid years at \$20.00.

SOUTHPORT LADY DIES IN ATLANTA

(Continued From Page One) The active pallbearers were Capt. C. N. Swan, R. T. Woodside, Capt. J. I. Davis, J. W. Lancaster, M. R. Sanders and Capt. J. B. Church.

RECORD NUMBER OF CASES TRIED

(Continued From Page One) and assisting officer, continued to September 30.

W. H. Hewett, interfering with officer in discharge of duty and assaulting officer, continued to September 30.

Robert D. Lee, larceny, held for Superior court under \$500.00 bond.

J. Bruton, non support, required to pay \$750.00 in full for claim.

Everette Holden, possession, sixty days in jail, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$20.00 and costs.

Burl T. Dennis, improper brakes, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$10.00 and costs.

James Burl Scott, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

G. E. Jones, disturbance in public place, continued to September 30.

Ernest P. Currey, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

George Black, improper lights,

judgment suspended on payment of costs. Joe G. Mullis, worthless check (two cases) capias and continued. H. V. Stanley, failure to deliver certificate of sale of motor vehicle, nol pros.

Zeb Vance Green, speeding, 60 days on roads, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$15.00 and costs.

W. H. Grainger, no lights on trailer, continued to September 23rd.

Elma Cox, improper lights and brakes, capias and continued.

Cornelius Bellamy, reckless, operation, 60 days on roads, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$25.00 and costs.

Ira Prince, possession of non tax paid whiskey, 60 days on roads, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Sherman James, no chauffeurs license, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Clarence P. Marton, drunk driving, motion for jury trial.

Anthony Rivenbark, reckless operation, continued to September 30.

Goley Caison, no operators license, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Odell Walton, improper lights, 30 days, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Ethel Bahard, improper brakes, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Ray Sellers, unlawful parking, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Alex R. Mercer, improper equipment, judgment suspended on payment of one-half the costs.

Fred Lee Atkinson, improper equipment on motor vehicle, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

William Howard Coluerhouse, reckless operation, 60 days on roads, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$25.00 and costs.

James T. Hancock, speeding, 60 days on roads, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$15.00 and costs.

C. W. Lewis, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$10.00 and costs.

Bryant Brown and Emma Hewett, fornication and adultery continued to September 30.

Earlow P. Dudley, drunk driving, 4 months on roads, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$50.00 and costs.

D. A. Baker, reckless operation, nol pros.

Longwood Man Has Big Crop

Sales From Tobacco Farms This Year Near \$44,000 Mark

With a small part of the tobacco remaining to be sold, the tobacco on the Rice Gwynn farms at Longwood has brought in \$70,000 this year. Mr. Gwynn says that the 60.9 acres grown by himself and tenants will average about \$800.00 per acre.

A part of the Gwynn crop sold this past week at an average of \$75.00 per hundred pounds.

One of the colored tenant farmers on the Gwynn farms was so interviewed and asked about the effects of the unusually heavy rainfall on his crop in the summer. He said he made a crop, but still lost some tobacco from the rain. The harvest was made more difficult, he declared.

Phelps Sisters Enter College

Two Daughters, Of Mrs. R. C. Phelps Of Ash, Enter School University Of North Carolina

Misses Wilma and Leah Phelps daughters of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Phelps of Ash, left Monday Greensboro where they are attending in the Woman's College the University of North Carolina. Miss Wilma is a senior and majoring in home economics, following her graduation from Waccamaw high school she attended Mars Hill College. Miss Leah completed her school work this past summer at Campbell Junior College. Being a freshman, she like her sister plans to major in home economics.

Chicago is the second largest city in the United States.

Among babies, whooping cough is fatal in one case out of ten.

VOTE FOR

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