

EDITORIALS:

THEY WOULDN'T QUIT

Would that more of us were endowed with a determination comparable to that the Danford family in Brunswick county at Bolivia continues to exhibit. Adversity—hurricanes, fires and cattle disease—has struck the family enterprise some discouraging blows, but they are coming back with heads high.

The Danfords have operated a dairy for years. In 1947 a hurricane destroyed their apartment house at the beach which they rented to supplement the family income. In 1957 Bangs disease took 50 of their cows. In 1958 they lost 53 cows when a hurricane blew a hay-laden barn down on them. In 1960 fire destroyed their home at the dairy. Even before the home burned, the Danfords were \$50,000 in debt with only a smattering of insurance.

But still the Danfords wouldn't quit. They figured the way out was to build another herd and to that end every one

went to work. Friends raised \$2,500 with a barbecue. A Shallotte man gave them a cow. Another came from the Sealtest people, and these plus about 30 dry cows that stayed in the woods during the storm gave them a starting foundation. The two Danford sons raised the barn themselves rather than pay a contractor \$1,950 to do the job. Soon the dry cows became fresh. Now they are milking 48 cows in a herd of 74 with production averaging 10,000 pounds of milk and 370 pounds of butterfat. They are aiming at a herd of 100-200 cows.

After a world of hard work and more than their share of adversity, the Danfords are seeing light again. So a big bow to the family that wouldn't quit—Ephraim Danford and Mrs. Danford, sons Hugh and Travis and their wives and the four grandchildren.

SCHOOLS LOSE GOOD FRIEND

Education lost a devoted friend and dedicated worker in the death last week of Allison Almon White. Mr. White spent the greater portion of his mature years either close to or in the schoolroom encouraging and lending guidance in training young people for a better life.

He served Brunswick county for five years as a principal, two at the Waccamaw school and three at Shallotte. His career covered 33 years which included, in addition to Brunswick county, Columbus, Bladen and Dare. At the time of his death he was principal of the Manteo high school.

Mr. White's career in school work

LET'S KEEP 'CRUSOE ISLAND'

We would like to see the people of Crusoe Island withdraw the request that the name by which their community has been known so long be changed to River View.

It is understandable that the residents of the island would be disturbed to the boiling point over being pictured to the country as ill-informed, unpatriotic and set apart without contact with their neighbors.

But the mean deed spouted off by three county youths when they got in trouble in Cleveland, Ohio, is more of a hoax on news reporters who took the

emphasizes more than ever the need for strong, dedicated people at the grammar and high school level. It is at this level that the foundation is laid for sound book learning and intelligent citizenship.

It isn't given that all people in educational pursuits shall rise to fill exalted chairs in higher educational fields. To so aspire and ascend is well and good, but thank the Lord for the example set by Mr. White and those thousands of others like him who, year in and year out, labor with our young people that they may have a firm basis for higher achievements.

baseless remarks without checking, than it is a smirch on the people of Crusoe Island. We understand that the boys were from this county but at the moment it is not definite.

Let's hope the people of Crusoe Island temper their feelings about the unfortunate incident and remain as they are in deed and name.

We need "Crusoe Island" in the same measure that we admire and respect the residents for getting their dander up over what the yappings of the three unthoughtful boys imposed on them.

OL' BOSSY'S DOING BETTER

National Dairy Month, June, is almost gone for another 11 months without our paying tribute to those hardy souls who rise so early seven days a week to get our daily quota to us on time and fresh.

The dairy business, says the National Dairy council, has gone the way of farms. Farms are getting to be fewer in number but production is on the increase. Now it's happening to the dairy cow. The number is down but milk production is up. Better breeding, increas-

ed efficiency in feeding and more scientific handling of milk accounts for the change.

But that word "efficiency" has taken the real goodness out of old Bossy's product. What's become of that thick fresh buttermilk, churned with those up and down strokes of the dasher, and that fresh soft butter to spread so evenly on hot biscuits? But, my, even the biscuits are getting scarce.

Anyway, hats off to the dairyman for this month and the next eleven.

COULD OPEN THE DOOR

The Raleigh News and Observer feels that the General Assembly would have been setting a "dangerous precedent" if it had passed the Riegel tax measure introduced by Rep. Arthur Williamson of Columbus county. The News and Observer had the following to say about the measure:

"The General Assembly is getting into a dangerous business when it undertakes to increase the tax levy of one taxpayer in a county at the request of that county's Representative.

"It may be that the tax valuation on the Riegel Paper Company in Columbus County is now too low. It may even be that it is profiting from improper

favoritism from local officials. But if a member of the legislature can come to Raleigh and get a bill passed raising the tax levy on one taxpayer in his county, the door could be opened to favoritism, vindictiveness, reward, revenge and political persecution or political payoffs. And all should recognize that if this could be done in the case of any one taxpayer, it could be done to any other one.

"Representative Arthur Williamson of Columbus, who introduced the bill, stated that three of the five county commissioners in his county are employees of Riegel. As a result, he expressed the feeling that it was impossible to get the assessment of this big company fixed at a proper level. Certainly that raises a real issue in Columbus County. The assessment Representative Williamson proposes may be a proper one based only upon his determination to see that equality prevails among taxpayers in his county.

"Surely, however, there must be some other remedy for this situation than one which would countenance the legislature going after individual taxpayers in every county in the State. That could mean that an unpopular taxpayer might be made the target for political punishment. It could open the door for intimidation, retaliation, and a whole Pandora's Box of evils in terms of local taxation from Raleigh in the name of local bills."

"There! I Knew You Could Do It!"



Time and Tide

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Brunswick County Health Nurse; and a second primary election was set for the following Saturday.

"THE THING." That was the headline above a black-face, 10-point, double column bulletin on the front page of The Pilot for June 20, 1951. This story which had been telephoned from Washington by the late Congressman F. Ertel Carlyle, contained the first official information on the decision made by the U.S. Army to locate an unloading ammunition terminal at Sunny Point, near Southport.

There was an illustrated, front-page feature about blueberry culture, and the pictures showed girls picking and packing berries on the farms near Southport. A freak waterspout had hit and demolished the Seashore Grill at Long Beach; Plans were continuing for a gala Fourth of July celebration here; and a live clam had made the front page when it caught a cat by the paw.

Five years ago this week there was a discussion over ways and means to build a new farm office building at Supply. Three vessels were loading at Sunny Point Army Terminal, one of them being the first one to use that port, back for another visit.

A spell of hot weather had been a boon to the beaches; Fred Brown had been employed as manager for the Atlantic Telephone Coop; it had been a good week for sports fishing; and a second primary was scheduled for Saturday.

FORMER PRINCIPAL

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of Waccamaw school in Brunswick County for two years, before moving on to the Shallotte principalship the next year.

He remained at Shallotte for three years, and had been principal at Manteo since. He had planned to return as head of the Dare County school this fall.

Mr. White had maintained his summer home at Gause's Landing, though forced to spend much of his other time away because of school duties. It was at the Brunswick County home that he died, Friday, from a heart attack.

He was always a civic, church and community leader in all areas where he lived. He was affiliated with the North Carolina Education Association, both on a state-wide and area basis, in many capacities.

Funeral services were held, Sunday at 3 p. m. at Camp Methodist Church in Shallotte by the Revs. Arthur Phillips and Freeman Heath. Graveside rites and burial were held in the Up River Friends cemetery in Whiteston, Monday at 2 p. m.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Jewell Inman White, formerly of Marietta, Ga.; two sons, Robert A. White, Richmond, Va. and William A. White of Charlotte; a daughter, Mrs. Janelle W. Gore of Raleigh; a brother, John Thomas White of Hobbsville; a sister, Mrs. Willie W. Osbourne of Greensboro; and a half-brother, Merrell W. Winslow of Williamston.

Active pallbearers were James Bellamy, Guy Cuipepper, Aubrey Johnson, Envie Evans, Dr. James Marshall and Tom Ballard. Honorary pallbearers were former school officials with which he had been affiliated, including Dr. Ross W. Williamson, Al Williams, Charles Pinner, Livingston Bridger, Robert Ballance, Bernard Ward, Odell Williamson, and Wilbur Sabiston.

SPECIAL TERM OF

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M. Williamson, Shallotte; Oliver Smith, W. D. Smith, P. D. Smith, Conley Simmons, M. J. Jones, Houston I. Hewett, Ash; Alton Hewett, Cobie Hewett, Supply; Milton Johnson, Judson Ward, Harold M. Williams, Bolivia; W. P. Benton, Henry Bowen, Kenneth R. Babson, H. B. Inman, B. H. Evans, Freeland; Forest D. Williams, H. O. Peterson, Jr., William D. Sullivan, Leland; Joe W. Walton, Jr., R. W. Duncan, Guy Shuler, Jr., Southport; G. S. Bordeaux, Navassa; R. L. Rabon, Thomas A. Henry, Jr., L. V. Walton, Winnabow; D. L. Parrish, W. E. Benton, Longwood.

Tentative Budget

A tentative budget for the City of Southport for the year 1961-62 has been approved by members of the Board of Aldermen and lies open for inspection at the City Hall until July 13, 1961. If there is no objection raised at or before that time it will be finally adopted.

W. L. ALDRIDGE
City Auditor

Not Exactly News

Never before in the month of June did a fire in the fireplace feel so good as it did Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights of the past weekend. Folks who had their heaters down and stored for the summer were uncomfortable; sweaters and jackets came out of storage; and smoke came curling out of chimneys that had been clear for several weeks. . . . Statistically, it was the coldest weather ever recorded here during the month of June.

When the Carolinas Chess Tournament was held here two years ago it was during one of the hottest spells of the summer. Therefore when arrangements were being made to play host to this year's event, an air conditioning unit was installed, courtesy of Vereen's and the good services of Johnson Cumbee. And it is a fact that this year's tournament was held during the three coldest days, straight-running, that we ever saw in June. . . . Mrs. Gilliam Hornsetin served as director of the tournament, and one of her duties was to keep order. At intervals she would utter a crisp, quiet command: "Quiet, please," and any rustling and bustling would cease for a time. Right after one such admonition, there was a resounding crash when the lady in charge inadvertently dropped an ash tray on the hard oak floor. "Quiet please," she said. . . . And it seemed strange to one uninitiated in the ways of chess, to see stop clocks at the elbow of each pair of players. The pace would have suggested that alarm clocks might well have been more appropriate.

They're never out of mind, even though our of season. Today on the way to Whiteville we saw two separate pairs of quail feeding on the shoulders of the highway between Southport and Beaver Dam. . . . There's a pretty little sailboat that has been moored in the stream off the Wells dock for the past week. . . . Seems to us that tobacco made the greatest improvement of the season since we traveled through the better farming areas last week.

There's a sign in the marsh alongside U.S. Highway No. 17 inside the city limits of Shallotte extolling the advantages of "Ocean Drive Beach." Nowhere along the highway do we recall having seen a comparable sign about any one of the several beach developments we have along the coast of Brunswick. Maybe that one of the more important ways in which these folks to the South are ahead of us is in letting the world know of their advantages.

"Angel Baby" is the weekend show at the Holiday Drive-In at Shallotte. . . . Here in Southport the weekend feature will be "Cry For Happy," starring Glenn Ford. . . . Trampolines and midjet cars have been added to the carpet golf course facilities at Long Beach as an amusement center near the pavilion. That will be operated as a bath house this summer.

SCHOLARSHIP FOR

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Macdonald College at Red Springs. Jean Adair, a business major, achieved the dean's list each semester at Flora Macdonald. The Shallotte girl was accepted into the National Honor Society during her junior year at the Red Springs

college. She also served as a marshal and secretary of the junior class, and will fill the same position in her senior year at St. Andrews. The pretty, blue-eyed brunette was chosen president of the FBILA (future business ladies of America) and was one of the most popular students at the all-girls Flora Macdonald College.

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