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STANDARDIZING FOLKS.

The automobile is a great saver of time and has almost abolished distance. In the old days a trip of ten miles over an ordinary road took about an hour and a half each way and was considered a long journey. Now a ten mile trip in a car means about twenty minutes of time consumed and is just a taste for a joy rider. Thirty miles an hour can be made very easily over any dirt road when it is in good condition and on the hard surface roads forty to fifty miles an hour is frequently done. This ability to travel rapidly from place to place is making a great change in the lives of the people of North Carolina. Soon there will be no remote places. Good roads and motor cars are bringing the people close together and constantly smoothing out the differences that have heretofore existed in the folks of the different sections. Soon we may have a sort of standardized product. This may be objectionable in some ways but if the standard is raised where improvement is needed and not lowered any where the results upon the whole will be good.

THE N. C. YEAR BOOK.

A copy of the North Carolina year book issued by the North Carolina Club of the University has recently reached this office. The year book treats in an interesting manner a number of subjects all of which should be of interest to North Carolinians. Miss Lucy F. Lay of Beaufort, who is a student at the University, has an article in the year book which discusses very thoroughly "County and County-Group Homes for the Poor." It appears that there are ninety two county homes in North Carolina and that their total value including lands was \$2,724,741.76 in the year 1922. The study shows that the homes were caring for more than fifteen hundred people. There appears to be a rather wide difference in the institutions. Some are good, some are medium grade, and others rather inferior. Some of them have no bath tubs at all and some have bath tubs which they do not use for bathing purposes. The practice of admitting insane people and feeble minded to the homes is a defect that should be remedied. There is room for improvement in most of the institutions in several respects. Carteret's county home seems to be, according to the report, about an average.

MAGAZINE READERS.

The University News Letter has been publishing some statistics which indicate that North Carolinians do not read as much as they should, or at any rate as much as some other folks do. In magazine reading California takes the lead with several other western states close behind. The New Englanders read quite a lot as also the people of Ohio, Iowa, Michigan and Colorado. The average circulation of women's magazines for the United States is one for every 8.31 persons. California's average is 4.60 and North Carolina's 18.06. All of the Southern states make a poor showing. In North Carolina there is considerable difference in the reading habits of the people of the various counties. Buncombe county, where tourists are most numerous, leads the small with

a magazine reader for every six inhabitants. Graham county makes the poorest showing with one copy for every 87.78 inhabitants. The two mentioned are western counties. Two eastern counties New Hanover and Edgecombe are well up towards the top but as a rule the Piedmont counties make the best record in the matter of magazine reading. The State average is one copy for every 15.94 persons. Carteret county with a record of 17.16 is a little below the State average but shows up better than a majority of the counties.

ANOTHER OUTRAGE THAT NEEDS INVESTIGATION

Due mainly to solicitor Gilliam's efforts the perpetrators of the attack on young Needleman in Martin county were convicted and sent to prison. The sheriff of that county evidently made no attempt to fasten the guilt on anybody, in fact he seems to have rather sympathized with the guilty ruffians. Mr. Gilliam saw his duty and did it in an efficient and courageous manner and this shows what an officer can do when he wants to.

Another outrage as bad as the Needleman case occurred some weeks ago in Johnston, but for some reason has not attracted so much public attention. Here is a good chance for a solicitor or some other officer to show his metal. Referring to this matter the Smithfield Herald in a recent issue said as follows:

"This crime judged from such reports as we have been able to gather has far less mitigating circumstances about it than the Needleman case in Martin county which created such state-wide interest from the day of its consummation to the day its perpetrators were safely lodged behind the gate of the state prison. Although exonerated at trial, Needleman was indiscreet in that he talked too much about a woman who was apparently engaged to another man.

But here we have the story of a young man who has committed no offense at all but who, despite this fact, was assaulted in a most shameful manner, stripped of all his clothing, thrust and held into a burning stump-hole until he lost consciousness, and then deserted by his assailants and left in the dark in the woods to his fate. By sheer force of his youthful strength he made his escape alone from the burning stump and rambled the burnt woods in a nude condition until the coming of dawn enabled him to find his way to the home of a negro woman where first aid could be administered.

This is not the end of the story. Ever since his terrible mutilation he has been confined to his bed. He is now in a hospital in Dunn slowly recovering. The entire left half of his chest extending as far as the waist line is entirely void of skin and the muscles of the left arm are so badly burned that he is unable to move the left arm without the aid of the right.

The interest that the people in the community where this crime was committed in trying to ferret out the facts in this case in order that the guilty ones may be tried and punished according to law, is most commendable. The crime is serious enough to justify the state in joining hands with the local citizens in their baffling attempt to find convicting evidence against the mutilators of this young man.

PRESS GLEANINGS

HOPING FOR RESULTS.
We hope that Rev. Billy Sunday is doing much good in Winston Salem. Some two weeks ago we mailed about half a hundred statements to citizens of that town who are indebted to us and up to this writing we have had checks from two. It may be that our debtors haven't been going to hear Mr. Sunday. They ought to go.—(Davie Record.)

HOW WE'VE GROWN.
"The Province of New Jersey, in America" was offered for sale in London for \$25,000 on April 16, 1881. The total wealth of the state of New Jersey in 1922 was estimated at \$11,794,189,000, and the United States would not sell even at that price.—New York Sun.

CAN'T BE DONE.
There are many things we would like to do to improve The News-Herald, but one of the things that we think some of our readers would like us to do can't be done. The eight or ten pages can't all be "front" pages. Some folks have the mistaken idea that anything that is not on

that page is not considered important and hardly a week passes that the request does not come many times over: "Please put this on the front page." We don't want to be unaccommodating but it stands to reason that we can't meet all these requests. We do the best we can to arrange the news and advertising. If anybody will tell us how to make every page a "front" page we will try to put everything on the front page, but until that problem is solved a large proportion of the news and all the advertising must appear on other pages.—(Morganton News-Herald.)

FUEL SAVING PAYS COST OF GOOD ROADS

As a result of a survey of traffic made on the Boston Post road in Connecticut, the United States Department of Agriculture has issued a bulletin showing how a good, hard-surface road soon repays its cost.

The Connecticut survey showed that the average weight of vehicles and commodities passing over the road each day was more than 1500 gross tons. Using figures on the cost of hauling worked out by economists at the Iowa Experiment Station, it was shown that the cost of moving this traffic over a dirt road would be \$26.44, while it cost only \$11.10 a day to move the same tonnage over a paved road.

This was a daily saving of \$14.74, and on this basis of 300 days a year the actual saving in fuel for moving the tonnage would be \$4422. If the paved highway costs \$40,000 per mile which is the general average, the saving above interest charges would pay for the road in less than twelve years, the statisticians report. They point out that these figures do not take into account other savings in the cost of operating commercial vehicles or the value of the heavy movement of passenger cars.—(Philadelphia Ledger.)

SPECIAL 18 DAY EXCURSION FARES TO NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y. VIA NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD AND CONNECTIONS
June 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
August 5, 12, 19, 26
September 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
October 7, 1925.

Limited 18 days including day of sale
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PLENTY OF WORK FOR SUPERIOR COURT
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- SECOND WEEK**
Monday, June 15
22. Maxwell vs. Coulbourn, et al.
43. Styron vs. Davis
44. Chadwick vs. Simmons Co.
49. Willis vs. Hobbs
50. Coal Co. vs. Town Beaufort.
53. Gum Co. vs. Ramsey
Tuesday, June 16th
54. M. City Mfg. vs Weeks
55. Ramsey vs Johnson
57. Fort vs Lewis
58. Willis vs Helms
60. Ramsey vs Smith
Wednesday, June 17th
63. Freeman Bros. vs Wickizer
64. Colt Co. vs Springle
66. Hendrix vs Bryan
67. Moore vs Moore
68. Davis vs Willis
Thursday, June 18th
69. Herington vs Sellers
71. Bft. Motor vs Robinson
72. Golden vs Golden
76. Woodland vs Gower, et al
77. Brotherhood vs Hill
78. Ab. Willis vs OC Willis
80. Davis vs Willis et al.
81. Piner vs Ennett
82. Carter vs West Con. Co.
85. Henderson vs Cooperage Co.
Friday, June 19th
88. Merritt vs Railroad (Sou)
93. In Re: Mann's will
94. Gillikin vs Ramsey et al
95. Gillikin vs Gillikin
97. Colt Co. vs Sabiston
Saturday, June 20th
MOTIONS

- SPECIAL MOTIONS**
7. Iron Works vs D. & B. Co.
8. Gillikin vs Wade
12. Uzzell vs Taylor
13. Huff vs Gillikin et al
14. Huff vs Gillikin
20. Willis vs Kirman
30. Bell Bros. vs Garner
34. Bell Bros vs Garner
50. Motor Co. vs Lashley
Parties and witnesses need not attend Court until day on which the case in which they appear is set.
If the summer girl's costume is weighed in the balance there won't be much wear and tear on the balance.—(Detroit Free Press.)

Two-Piece Dresses Score a Triumph



Spring has brought with it a rival of the one-piece day frock—and fashion has given it a warm welcome. In fact, the two-piece dress has scored a triumph. It is chic, simple and youthful and is developed in many sorts of dress fabrics—with kaaba and silk alike in great favor. It is pictured here in the latter material.

"I intend to go out and wake up the country," cried the young college graduate.
Next day he accepted a job selling alarm clocks in the rural districts.—(New York Telegraph.)

The demand for milk in Goldsboro has been decidedly increased as a result of the recent campaign by the home demonstration agent to encourage milk drinking. Some milk now has to be shipped in each day to supply the increased demand.

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Arica Industry Coveted by Both Peru and Chile



Chief prizes in the Tacna-Arica controversy between Peru and Chile are the harbor and city of Arica, and one of the main industries there is the mining of nitrates. The photograph shows a scene in the big nitrate factory of Arica where the product is refined and sacked for export.

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JUNE 4-5-6

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