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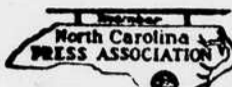
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YOUR MOTOR MANNERS

Emily Post, the last word on correct manners, now has written a Motor Manners: The Bluebooklet on Traffic Etiquette.

As one of the nation's first woman drivers, Mrs. Post has long been an expert motorist. Now she's set down the rules of good manners in driving:

1. A well-mannered driver will share the road, never usurping the right-of-way from other vehicles or pedestrians.
2. Well-behaved driver uses his horn as a warning device in emergencies, and never as a bad-tempered voice to threaten or scold.
3. An honorable man or woman would no more cheat traffic regulations than cheat at games or in sports.
4. Courteous pedestrians will cross busy street at intersections, respect traffic lights and avoid darting out from behind parked vehicles.
5. An obliging driver will never fail to dim his lights when meeting other cars in the dark.
6. Well-bred people, whether drivers or passengers, are just as considerate of each other as are hosts and guests in a drawing room.
7. An accomodating driver parks his car so as not to interfere with the use of other parking spaces or the movement of other vehicles.
8. Orderly drivers always keep to the right, except when using the proper lane for turning or passing.
9. A courteous driver never fails to signal his intentions to stop, turn or pull out.
10. Considerate persons always drive at speeds which are reasonable and prudent, considering traffic, road and weather conditions.
11. One who has consideration for the safety of others will refrain from driving when physically exhausted.
12. Kindly persons never show curiosity at the scene of an accident and always give any assistance that may be possible.

KEEP THE TOWN CLEAN

A clean town attracts attention whenever it is clean. A dirty one catches the public eye in even less time. When the streets and alleys and yards and vacant lots in a town are clean and sanitary it bespeaks a like condition on the part of the residents with regard to their personal habits.

If each person in this town would use just a little energy and thoughtfulness we could make this one of the cleanest spots in the country and our reputation would grow apace. Not only would we benefit thusly, but the health of the community would be vastly improved and the physical capacity of the people would be greatly increased. A clean man works with pleasure and with a definite object in view. Generally he gets there. The dirty one labors from necessity only, has no ambition, and is the black eye that kills the town in the eyes of other people. Keep the town clean.

Why is vacation time danger time on the highway? The National Safety Council blames more travel—more chance for drivers to make mistakes. Avoid trying to cover too much distance in one day, which leads to speeding, fatigue and mechanical failure.

We advise all McDowell county graduates to continue their education as long as possible. The process pays dividends, in cash, later on in life.

Nearly every American family would like to own a home if the money was available to build it.

There is no substitution for character in making a man and no substitute for experience in developing character.

Never base your opinion on a one-sided presentation of any subject—unless you want to be wrong.

Kind words will take the average man or woman a long way along the journey of life.

EDUCATE YOURSELF

This editorial is addressed to middle-aged individuals who feel, that their educational opportunities have not been as complete as they would have liked.

Conscious of this lack of training, some people bemoan the lost days and sink into a state of semi-ignorance, without making any effort to become better informed. We would call their attention to the fact that there are only two requisites to a good education, reading and thinking.

There is no person in McDowell county, of any age, who cannot become well-informed in a year or two of intelligent reading, supplemented by a little thinking. Stop the habit of taking opinions from anybody and begin trying to study some problems for the purpose of making up your own mind.

To the individual who does not know where to start, we would suggest beginning on a subject in which you are interested. If it is the war in China, read about it and then read some more. If it is a technical subject that entranced your imagination, ask advice from some person who knows something about it. Get a book on the subject and, if it takes six months, to read it until you understand it.

There is really little excuse for a man or woman going into old age without making the effort to become more intelligent. Even if you have only half hour a day, take advantage of it and begin to acquire new information. Never mind about the better educated; make it your business to improve yourself.

We know many excellent individuals who have failed to take advantage of their own leisure time to read and learn but who constantly lament that they are not "educated". The matter of becoming well informed does not hinge upon a college degree; it is a matter of reading and thinking. This is a question of decision and determination.

HOLD TO OUR RIGHTS

The freedom of the people of Marion, along with that of millions of other Americans, is protected by the Bill of Rights and it should be the duty of every citizen to thoroughly understand the nature of the privileges accorded him under a liberal interpretation of the provisions included under that term.

Just now, the United States is hearing much about subversive, un-American and other peculiar activities. Various efforts are being made to have Congress pass bills which would tend to uproot these forces which most Americans do not like.

It might be a good idea, however, for us in our zeal to uphold American liberties to make certain that we do not violate these liberties in an attempt to stamp out the things that we consider dangerous to the liberties themselves.

As one outstanding editor has said: "Committees that have studied un-American activities will render the greatest service if they tell us what un-American conditions make Americans discontented with America and how these conditions may be corrected. That will be better than invading the Bill of Rights."

Liberty has never come from the government. Liberty has always come from the subjects of it. The history of liberty is a history of resistance. The history of liberty is a history of limitations of governmental power, not the increase of it.—Woodrow Wilson.

We can't answer all the problems that beset farmers from time to time, but we can say that those who raise their own foodstuffs will never go hungry.

McDowell county will furnish its share of the victims who die annually in this country through avoidable accidents. Remember: It can happen to you.

We have no reason to believe that a depression will arrive this year, or next, but it seems reasonable to believe that it might be wise to save some cash now for whatever lies ahead.

The very best compliment you can pay to The Progress is to keep your subscription paid up, believe it or not.

No matter how much an individual knows, he will always run across an expert who has studied less and knows more.

The nations that want a free world and expect to enjoy it should emulate the example of the free-booters and work together.

What you put off doing today, you will likely put off doing tomorrow.

Once upon a time there was a merchant who did not believe in advertising.

Life would be great if everybody displayed "company manners" at all times.

Sometimes it is better to forget the past for the sake of the future.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

FRUITS OF THEIR OWN LABOR



"If we can prevent the government from wasting the labors of the people under the pretense of caring for them, they will be happy."
—THOMAS JEFFERSON.

THE WISDOM OF THAT PHILOSOPHY, TO WHICH WE IN AMERICA HAVE ADHERED, IS EVIDENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD OVER THE LAST 150 YEARS.

THE EXPERIENCE IN THOSE COUNTRIES WHERE THE GOVERNMENT HAS ENDEAVORED TO DO FOR THE PEOPLE WHAT THEY COULD BETTER DO FOR THEMSELVES, IS IN SHARP CONTRAST WITH THE EXPERIENCE IN AMERICA AND THE OTHER DEMOCRACIES.



AGRICULTURE



LABOR



MANAGEMENT



PROFESSIONS

WITH FULL FREEDOM OF CHOICE AND ACCEPTANCE OF INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY, WE IN AMERICA HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ATTAIN THE HIGHEST STANDARD OF LIVING AND FAMILY SECURITY IN THE WORLD, FAR HIGHER THAN ANY COUNTRY HAS BEEN ABLE TO ESTABLISH FOR ITS PEOPLE THROUGH STATE PROVISION.

What Is A Boy?

After a male baby has grown out of long clothes and triangles and has acquired pants, freckles and so much dirt that relatives do not dare to kiss it between meals, it has become a Boy.

A Boy is nature's answer to that false belief that there is no such thing as perpetual motion.

A Boy can run like a deer, swim like a fish, climb like a squirrel, balk like a mule, bellow like a bull, eat like a pig, or act like a monkey according to climatic conditions.

The world is so full of Boys that it is impossible to touch off a firecracker, strike up a band, or play ball games without collecting about a thousand of him.

He is a piece of skin stretched over an appetite. A noise, covered with smudges and eats only when awake.

He is called tornado, because he comes at the most unexpected times, hits the most unexpected places and leaves everything a wreck behind him.

Boys are not just ornamental, they are useful. If it were not for Boys, the newspaper would go undelivered and unread and motion picture houses would go bankrupt. Boys are useful in running errands.

A Boy can easily do the family errands; with the aid of five or six adults. The speed with which a Boy does an errand is equalled only by the speed of a turtle on a July day.

A Boy is a natural spectator. He watches parades, fires, fights, ball games, automobiles, boats and airplanes with equal fervor. But he will not watch the clock. In fact, the person who invents a clock that will stand on its head and sing a song when it strikes will win the undying gratitude of millions of mothers with Boys who are forever coming home to dinner at supper time.

Boys faithfully imitate their Dads in spite of all efforts to teach them good manners.

Boys are very durable. A Boy, if not washed too often and if kept in a quiet cool place after each accident, will survive broken bones, hornets, swimming holes, fights and nine servings of pie.

A Boy loves to trade things. He will trade frogs, knives, fish hooks, marbles and snakes for anything that is priceless or worthless. When he grows up he will trade puppylove, energy, warts, bashfulness and a cast iron stomach for pride, ambition, pretense, a bay window and a bald spot, and will immediately begin to say that Boys are not what they were in the good old days.

This Boy is the person we are dependent upon to finish what we have started. He is going to sit at our desks and do all the work that we are doing—in his own way. He can make policies and devise plans, but whether and how they will be carried out depends on him.

We will make laws, negotiate treaties and form leagues, but he will have the power to amend, repeal or annul them.

He will occupy the seats in the Senate and the benches in the

Courts. Our cities, states and the nation will soon be subject to his will. He will take over and manage our churches, schools universities, hospitals, charitable institutions, prisons and corporations.

All our labors and plans are going to be judged and praised or condemned by him.

Whether our names and achievements are remembered and honored, depends on his estimation of us and our performances.

In short, all our work is for him, a Boy—growing animal of superlative promise which must be fed, watered and kept warm. A joy forever, a periodic nuisance, the problem of our times, the hope of our nation; and every Boy born is evidence that God is not yet discouraged with man.—Selected.

Health and Beauty . . .

Dr. Sophia Brunson

PROTECTING THE SKIN

It is quite amazing to what extent some women crave beauty, and yet utterly fail to preserve or improve upon that which nature has given them.

At the beaches this summer women can be seen exposing their face to the blistering rays of Old Sol. Some of them are screwing up their eyes and squinting in a most unbecoming manner. Many of them return home with wrinkles, and a crop of freckles and tan that detracts greatly from their good looks. It is foolish to imagine that a coat of powder and paint can cover up these blemishes.

The eyes even are injured from sitting in the direct sun's rays to read, sew, or embroider; and yet we have seen women doing this on the porches. This not only wrinkles and dries the skin around the eyes, but the eyes themselves may become inflamed and red.

When driving over glaring roads,

DISASTER!

200,000 forest fires last year—a major disaster for your country. And—facts prove this—90% of these fires were man-caused . . . started by people like you and your neighbor.

Please be careful!

Remember—Only you can PREVENT FOREST FIRES!

dark glasses should be worn. You can have a pair of sun glasses fitted to your needs. They should be worn while playing games in the hot sun. When the eyes are tired, use an eye cup to give them a bath in a soothing disinfecting solution. Glycerin diluted to the proper strength in warm water, is one of the best of preparations in which to bathe your eyes.

Exposure to the hot sun dries out the natural oils of the skin. To some extent this can be prevented by the use of protective cream and a coating of face powder.

Most blonds have delicate skins that require great care to prevent early crinkling and wrinkling. Many of the cinema beauties take the utmost care of their complexions. They would not dare to venture into the hot sun without a heavy creaming, especially around the eyes, where the skin is very sensitive and prone to early wrinkles. We know that a smooth skin is associated with youth and today the art of skin care has become so highly developed that many women of fifty and beyond often possess faces of firm and elastic smoothness.

Take care of what nature has given you in an intelligent manner, and she will reward you.

CONSERVATION NEWS

By L. B. HAIRR

W. C. Fortune of Nebo recently mowed the field of orchard grass and Ladino clover east of his home. Mr. Fortune states that he had the hay baled and there were one hundred and nine bales. "In this field the soil is tied down by the grass and clover, Mr. Fortune points out, and there is but very little erosion taking place."

"Sericea lespedeza makes good quality hay" Robert Johnson of Zion Hill community pointed out the other day. He cut his sericea hay last week. Mr. Johnson says he cuts his hay when the Sericea is about 12 to 14 inches high. The hay is raked soon after mowing and stored in the barn that afternoon on the following day. He is well pleased with the quantity of hay that he harvested and plans to mow this sericea twice more this year.

J. O. Laughridge of Marion reports that his cattle have been grazing on supplementary pasture recently. Mr. Laughridge says by grazing the supplementary pasture it helps his perennial pasture through the dry season.

"Poor soil cannot produce good food. A prosperous healthy and intelligent people cannot long exist on a poor soil."

Local Farm News

North Carolina growers this year are expecting to produce about 475,000 turkeys, or 35 to 40 per cent more than in 1948.

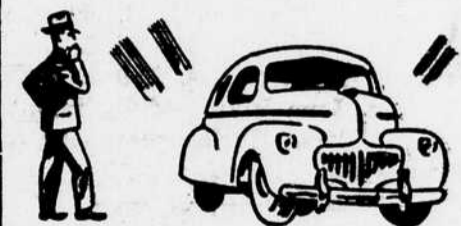
Approximately 482,000 acres of wheat were harvested in the State in 1947.

The average per acre corn yield in North Carolina in 1934 was 17.5 bushels; in 1947 it was 31.5 bushels.

Production of more home food supplies has been set as the No. 1 objective of a long-range agricultural program formulated by Bertie county farmers and their leaders.

The number of chickens produced by North Carolina hatcheries during May of last year.

GOING TO TRADE OR BUY A NEW CAR?



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