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Hindering Progress

An editorial in The Nasville the county much loss and will con-Grapic last week served to revive tinue to do so until such time as our memories of an unsuccessful effort to have te telephone systems of Warrenton and Norlina consolidated and te telephone toll between the two towns abolished. It also calls forth a wish that Nashville will be more successful in its efforts than were Norlina and Warrenton.

The Nashville newspaper said in considering the service rendered and

The Nashville Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a meeting here Monday evening at which representatives of Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company will discuss "extended area service."

The purpose of the meeting is simply to provide as much information as possible, for as many people as possible, on the subject of telephone exchange con-

It has been proposed that the Nashville, Spring Hope, Whitakers and Rocky Mount telephone exchanges be consolidated. The telephone company has neither endorsed nor rejected the proposal. It has agreed to conduct a poll among subscribers on the four exchanges to determine whether they want "extended area service.'

In order to justify the expense of such a poll, however, the company has made the reasonable request that telephone subscribers in the four areas indicate the extent of their interest in the proposal to consolidate the four exchanges.

Monday night's meeting will serve to inform the public of the advantages, as well as the additional expense, of "extended area service." Telephone users obviously will be better able to decide for themselves whether they want the new service if they have full information on which to base their decision.

In voting down the proposal a few years ago, subscribers not only failed to get toll-free extended service, but in the long-run got the increase in rate they would then have had to pay due to the growth in the two exchanges. It was a grevious blunder and one which has cost

Mrs. F. D. R. Continues **Dedicated Service**

The Atlanta Constitution

Atlanta was honored Friday by a visit and two talks on the United Nations by D. Roosevelt. happy and dedicated as always to those principles which best reflect this country's fundamentals, Mrs. Roosevelt addressed a luncheon given by the United Nations Council of Atlanta, an association of 15 organizations supporting the U.N., and spoke in the afternoon at Emory University under the sponsorship of the Collegiate Council for the U. N.

Mrs. Roosevelt was one of this country's delegates to the U.N. during the Truman administration. She has been one of its most constant and effective supporters. Too few Americans know of the tremendous success of the organization in fields of child care, health, education and technical assistance. We are too prone to accuse it of failing to produce world peace, forgetting that in major part because of it, we do not have world war. The fact the U.N. exists is a significant step toward peace and we can thank God for it.

As for Mrs. Roosevelt, she is one of the world's most eminent persons and citizens. Annually, for two decades, all sorts of public opinion polls reveal her to be the American woman most honored and admired.

The U.N. merits our thoughtful support. New members still are being added. Most of them look to us for leadership. We can and must not fail to provide it. We hope the stimulation provided by the Atlanta Council and the students will interest business men to assist with active mbership.

Same Thing

"Didn't you say that you have a large investment in your food freezer?" "Not exactly. I said that I have a big feak in it."

people demand that the extended

If consolidation would now entails

a further increase in rates, it would

be a small price to pay for the fu-

ture development of the county.

Opinions that may be to the con-

trary, telephone rates are not high

that value as a business tool and

social convenience, and if we had to

pay slightly more to give us extend-

ed service, it would be cheap at the

increased cost. What we are tired

of and should no longer tolerate is

what amounts to a second rate serv-

ice to this area because of its limit-

Tuesday morning, the editor of

this newspaper, talked with a lady

from Wise shortly before noon in

Norlina, and was given a news item.

Shortly after dinner, he saw the

same lady in Warrenton, a not-un-

usual occurence, but it does show

how the Warrenton and Norlina

areas are linked, it is ironical to

speculate on the fact that this lady

who lives about six miles from War-

renton can talk without a toll charge

to persons in Warrenton and Macon,

and for that matter at Inez sixteen

miles from her home, but has to

pay a toll to call Norlina less than

two miles away. At the same time

the editor can talk to Macon, Wise

and Inez, but has to pay a toll call

to talk to a person in Norlina. That

may make sense to some persons,

People might as well face the fact

but it does not to this newspaper.

that if Warren County is to stop

going backward, the Norlina and

Warrenton areas will have to be

developed as a unit. Without free

telephone communications between

the tow towns, that is going to be

What's Wrong With

DOING GOOD?

E. A. R. In Chatham News

critics of everything on the modern

scene who use, in derisive voice or pen,

I'm becoming fed up with self-styled

These characters don't realize that

Were it not for the "do-gooders" that

make up a good portion of the country's

population these critics wouldn't have the

freedom to speak at all, let alone in de-

rision of anyone who attempts to make

a contribution towards the betterment of

people who seldom do any thing unless

there is a selfish motive behind it; they're

the ones who don't mind doing shady

things at the expense of their fellow

men; they're the one wro contend that

anything is right so long as it is legal;

they're the ones with the poorest excuses

for not making contributions to worthy

I've long since come to the conclusion

that there are not enough "do-gooders" in

Michiaveli?

The Atlanta Constitution

This will be an interesting if not a par-

ticularly constructive session of Congress

from now until the national conventions.

It was clear from the beginning that

it would be a political session, devoted to

Oftentimes these sideline critics are

awfully hard to do.

the term "do-gooders."

worse shape than it is.

our society.

service be given us.

ed scope.

In The Atlanta Constitution By 1970 roughly one-fourth of the boys and girls applying for college admission will be rejected because they cannot read and write on a college level. The authority who has reached so melancholy a

By RALPH McGILL.

conclusion is Paud D. Diederich, of the Educational Testing Service, Princeton,

Enrollments by 1970 will mean the average teacher will deal with 200 pupils Mr. Diedrich calculated from this that it would take each teacher 33 hours to grade and correct one batch of themes. If teachers asked for just one written piece of work per week they would have to read papers every school night from 9 p. m. to midnight, plus nine hours on Saturday and nine hours on Sunday.

Hence, concludes Dr. Diederich, by 1970 teacher of English can hardly handle ore than four themes per year—a test far too meager to teach or instruct.

Dr Diederich urges drastic action to revise the "methods, staffing and concept of English study.

Literary Lag There is a grievious literacy lag. It is not new. As long as 20 years ago Harvard. Yale and other Eastern universities, in desperation, created a high school English class for their freshmen who came unprepared to read or write at the uni-

versity level. Nothing was done until about six years ago when the Fund for Advancement of Education financed experiments in teach-They were most successful Every neighborhood has a great number of housewives who are college graduates with training in English. They could, after instruction in the program, do the reading of themes and assist with instruction in remedial reading courses and in ungraded tests and exercises. Nor, of course, is the system of teacher aides restricted to English. They also can supervise cafeterias, hallways and playgrounds.

A growing number of schools today are employing the innovation of teaching aides, of television, tapes and recorders. But the number so doing is relatively small

College Level Reading

Two ingredients are essential. One is the boldness of leadership which will break through the old concepts and apathy, and lack of knowledge, of the average school board. The second, of course, is money.

Emphatic Terms

Dr. Diederich spoke to the annual convention of the American Association of Administrators. A short while before he spoke the Educational Writers' Association the same subject discussed in even more emphatic terms by Coombs of The Fund for the Advancement of Education. He said flatly that while money is the great lack, we cannot hope to meet our explosively expanding needs simply by spending more money to do on a larger and more expensive scale what we are already doing in the schools and colleges "We cannot do so," he said, "because almost everything we are doing is obsolete and inadequate."

His theme was that education, like some industries in America, has not done research and experimentation. "It is," he said, "much like the housing industry whose approach to building a dwellingby cutting, fitting and piecing together thousand of small pieces at very great cost-has changed little since the early Egyptians.

But chemicals, electronics and petroleum, by research, now earn most of their profits from new products which were not even on the market 10 or 15 years Agriculture has new techniques. methods and increased production via research. The federal government is spending \$119 midions this year on agricultural But the Office of Education has only slightly more than \$6 millions for this vital need.

One thing is sure-We can't stand still.

Uncle Luke of Lickskillet Says:

Braggers

Dear Mister Editor:

My old lady was arguing last night that folks in the main is all truthful I told her she shore has been leading a sheltered life if she believes it. I never knowed a drunk man to tell the truth, and folks in love is noted for lying to each And you couldn't believe the average feller on a stack of Bibles that is running fer public office. I'd sooner put faith in a seed catalogue or the weather forecast as one of them fellers. That takes about half the population out of circulation.

Then when you git around to used car salesmen, fishermen, lawyers fer the defense, fishermen, and Bug Hookum's wife, you done cleaned out another fourth of the population. A few folks like me and you, Mister Editor, is about all that's left. I think a heap more folks would like to be honest if they could pick the right time fer it, a time when it wouldn't cost 'em nothing. I recollect attending a revival onct where everybody was gitting up and confessing what sinners they was and how bad they'd been, and one old sinner got up and said he'd like to confess and repent at this time but he couldn't afford to do it while the grand jury was in session. The grand jury stays in session most of the time fer a heap of try to make me fergit how pore I am.

The fellers at the country store Satur-

day night was discussing the different kinds of folks that brag all the time. It was decided unanimous that the worst kind is the family that's got plenty of money and is always making excuses to keep us pore folks from feeling bad about it.

They'll tell you they just had to quit eating eggs on account of them going to 70 cents a dozen, and the next day they'll be driving around in a new Caderlac. The wife will come to church with a new mink coat and allow as how she had to sell the front door knob, the electric stove and the family tomcat to pay fer it. This effort to soothe the pore man's fate is worse than bragging. If a feller's got plenty of money, I don't like to see him brag about it or make excuses fer it, just spend it.

There's some types of braggers that I enjoy hearing spiel their stuff. I've talked to the feller that invented the hole in the doughnut, and I spent two hours onct hearing a feller tell how he put the first rollroad through the Texas desert. The haif dozen fellers that claims to be the first American soldier to land in France in World War I is all personal friends of mine. I enjoy this kind of bragging, but deliver me from the rich folks that

> Yours truly, UNCLE LUKE.

NEWS OF FIVE, TEN AND 25 YEARS AGO

ooking Backward Into The Record they're hitting at people of good will without whom this world would be in ton, was recently initiated into Deleta

March 11, 1955

The Town of Warrenton will change its parking meters to accept pennies as well as nickels, it was decided at a meeting of the board of town commissioners on Monday night

The Norlina High School gym is expected to be completed this year with funds furnished by the county under a "gentlemen's agreement" between the board of education and the county com-

Miss Mary Blair Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Robinson of Little-

most sympathetic Democratic prospect of

Current moves toward a Senate filli-

buster to block a Johnson-sponsored civil

rights bill must be regarded in the light

He's neatly on record as a champion of

civil rights. At the same time he knows

that his good friends, the solidly Southern

of the senator's plans for the future.

them all.

Senator Frank Graham will speak at

ed Monday at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. onstration Clubs members will leave War-

renton on next Wednesday morning for Wilmington to tour the azalea gardens.

Excellent progress is being made on the construction of the Warren County Hospital, Dr. W. D. Rodgers told members of the Rotary Club on Tuesday even-

Negroes will lift their voices in song at

Miss Selma Overby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney L. Overby of near Warrenton, was married to Mr. Glenn Perkintist Church of Henderson.

the weekend with his parents here.

in the county, Dr. G. H. Macon, health officer, said this week.

Writer Recalls

By CARLTON MORRIS. In the Gates County Index

Bill Stern once told the story of a youngster who had a great ambition to be a football player. He enrolled at Stanford University when he was very young and very small. One day he chanced to meet a couple of football players from the University of California and he grew so tired of their boasting that he told them he would beat them at their own game-football.

He helped organize a football team at Stanford, begged, brrowed or secured uniforms of every sort. Not good enough to play, he helped that team in every way possible. Finally word got around that Stanford had challenged mighty California and some 27,000 people turned out to see the game. This chuncky youngster sold tickets carried water, helped dress the players and gave them a pep talk before the game started and a miracle Unheard of Stanford beat proud California and from that day on, Stanford began to loom on the athletic

The chuncky youngster never became a football player or even an ordinary coach. He did acquire some fame of a sort. He became the 31st president of the United States-Herbert Hoover.

All of which reminds me of my one attempt to coach a basketball team. Shortly after I finished high school, I organized a basketball team right in my own little community. Some of my players attended school and some didn't, but I succeeded in convincing them basketball was better than going hunting.

One day I hitch-hiked into town and went to the high school and asked the coach for a game with his team. Strangely enough he agreed to play my team that very night.

None of us had ever even been inside a gymnasium and when we again hitched a ride to town that night, we were about as unlikely a team as has ever been on a court. We had no uniforms so we all agreed to wear white pants and shirts and we did have an assortment of gym shoes. We only had five players and that in-

cluded me. If one of us happened to foul out, I guess we would have finished the game with four players. But my boys were good. They could hit that basket from any angle back home on our lumpy and often muddy outdoor court. We probably had never even heard of using plays. We only knew how to scramble after the ball. But once the game started my boys seemed to forget everything they ever knew. They couldn't hit a free throw, they ran with the ball, they committed fouls and I personally thought the game would never end. Maybe we scored 20 points while our town opponents scored 50 and they used their scrubs most of the time.

After all the intervening years, I can recall the humiliation that I felt as we stood beside the street at 10 o'clock that night trying to get a ride home. And I would like to tell the world that at least one of my players went on to become a president of something, but such was not to be. We all turned out to be just plain ordinary people.

After a number of years of living, I have arrived at the sage conclusion that maybe it doesn't matter too much about who wins the game. Someone has to lose. But in the game of life, the winner is the man that does his best, no matter how lowly the job. If your best isn't good enough, then you have to lose, but it is pretty soul satisfying to know that you have given a job the very best that's

Cutting Out Frills

The Laurinburg Exchange Public schools are cutting out some of

the frills and the extra-curricula activities that interfere with school work and sometimes drive teachers almost to distraction. Last fall it was announced that the Albemarle and Stanly county schools would have no more truck with outside fund drives, or community activities not related to school work. Other schools and school boards have followed suit. Lately it was announced that the Siler City school board had put its foot down on such activities within the schools and even went so far as to ban the perennial "yearbooks."

Teachers have complained that too frequently their class room work was interrupted by other demands and activities, some having to do with the schools themselves and some not. And only recently a teacher contributed an article to a magazine in which he pointed out the lost time resulting from programs and activities, as well as what he thinks nonessential and sometimes trival matters within

Bright Young Soldier

N. C. Education

A bright young farmer in the Army overseas received a letter from his wife. She wanted to know how she was going to plant the potatoes in the East 40 without help.

The soldier wrote back, "Whatever you do, Dear, don't dig up the East 40. That's where the machine guns are buried."

As is customary in wartime, his letter was read by the censor. Not long after this he received a reply from his upset

MOSTLY PERSONAL By BIGNALL JONES

Returning from Norlina late Tuesday morning, I stopped by the postoffice to pick up late morning mail. As is usually the case, there were about a dozen pieces of mail in the box and out of the dozen just about twelve of the pieces will find their way in the wastebasket.

Trash mail is a nuisance to me and to most other business men, but since this is a free country and as long as an advertiser wants to pay the postage and take a chance on a response, he is in his rights in using the United States mail to further his plan. But it is a nuisance.

One man, seeing my mail, remarked that he wished that the government would charge 50c a letter for such mail. I wouldn't go that far, but I would like for the government to charge the same rate for it as it does for first class mail

I picked up one letter and glanced at it. It was a pull-out letter and therefore unsealed and bearing a three-cent in-stead of a four-cent stamp. I pondered about this. After all why should an unsealed letter cost less to mail than a sealed one. The cost to the government for handling unsealed mail is no less than for seal ed mail

The Postoffice Department is seeking to have first class mail rates boosted from 4c to 5c an ounce in order to cut down the deficit. There is little likelihood of this being done now, but the postoffice department will probably continue to run in the red and taxpayers will have to make up the deficit.

The Postoffice Department has been trying all kinds of schemes to lower cost of operation, such as labor saving devices, shortening of hours, postoffice, small some of which have worked inconvenience to patrons. But still the deficits continue.

I have just a couple of ideas offhand that might give the postoffice a balanced budget with no increase in postal nates, not that I have any idea that they will be adopted. The first of these is to make no distinction in sealed and unsealed mail, but let every letter carry a 4c stamp. The other is to stop free mailing privileges to government officials, perhaps the greatest abuses of the mail. Permit the Congress and the various departments to use franking privileges, but charge these franked pieces of mail to Congress and the various departments using them. Maybe this would not only give us a little more honesty in bookkeeping, but would tend to cut down on the volume of franked mail if such letters cut into a department's or Congress-

man's operating budget. This is not too apt to occur. The present system is too convenient to lawmakers who find it easier, except in election years, to vote a further increase on business, already hamstrung by taxes. So I don't expect it to happen, still think it is a good idea.

young wife saying, "A company of soldiers overan the East 40 and dug it all up What shall I do now?" "Plant the potatoes!" came his reply.

Who, Me?

"I got off a streetcar this morning," said a salesman, and being in no hurry, I began moralizing about the actions and probable character of three men who had alighted just ahead of me. The first one was even then halfway up the block and was going on with such rapid strides he had already put a couple of hundred yards between himself and the next man. There, thought I, goes a hustler — a man who's bound to succeed.

"The second man was walking rather slowly and impress ed me as one who would do fairly well, perhaps. But the last icllow was just dawdling along in most shiftless sort of way. I ery quickly set him down a 'oafer.

"Jus' ben a thought came to me-all three were ahead of me!"

> Artistry "With a single stroke of the

brush," said the school teacher taking his class through the art gallery, "Joshua Reynolds could change a smiling face into a frowning one." "So can my mother," said small boy.

The South accounts for 18 per cent of the nation's cattle

building party platforms and advancing the causes of the various nominees. Currently the cause being advanced is

that of Sen. Lyndon Johnson of Texas and the senator himself is doing the advancing.

His chances of getting to the White House depend on his ability to sell himself as a non-Southerner to the rest of nation, at the same time preserving reputation within the South as the senators, must fight him here with all they have for the sake of their own political futures.

It is a curiously double game the senator may be playing. If these tactics succeed in winning the non-South without seriously antagonizing the South, Sen. Johnson will have proved himself agile and resourceful enough to run the world

and not just the United States of

The Only Time The only time a woman won't look into a mirror is when she's pulling out of a parking place.—The Transylvania Times,

Delta Delta Sorority at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. Norlina girls and boys basketball play-

ers received trophies as county winners in excerises at Norlina on Friday night.

March 10, 1950

the Warrenton Court House on Friday evening, March 17, at 8 o'clock. The Warren County ABC Board turned

over \$30,000 to the Warren County Gen-

eral Fund on February 23, it was learn-

A group of Warren County Home Dem-

March 8, 1935

the Wise Training School on Sunday afternoon, March 17, to raise funds for welfare work, Miss Lucy Leach, welfare officer, announced yesterday.

son of Wise on Tuesday in the First Bap-Mr. W. A. Miles, Jr., of U. N. C., spent

There are around 1000 cases of measle