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## A SEMINAR FOR SAFETY

Leaders in highway safety moves throughout the country sat down with representatives of the press of the state and with highway officials of North Carolina this week in Raleigh and discussed what can be done, through education, through road improvement, through laws, to reduce the heavy toll of life and the tremendous property damage annually in state and nation. It was an inspiring meeting, and that much good will come of it is not questioned by anyone present.

This North Carolina Newspaper Seminar of Safety, as it was officially called, was sponsored by the C. I. T. Safety Foundation of New York, "with a view to the further development of traffic safety techniques which can be applied in local communities," as the program put it.

Every conceivable angle of the problem was discussed, and by such men as Dr. Miller McClintock, director of the Bureau for Street Traffic Research of Yale University; Dr. F. R. Noffsinger, educational consultant of the American Automobile Association; Judge E. Earle Rives of the Municipal Court, Greensboro; Dr. Clyde Erwin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction; Lew Wallace, past president of the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators; Lieut. Franklin M. Kreml, director of the Northwestern University Traffic Institute and a nationally known safety expert; Col. A. B. Barber, manager of the transportation and communication department of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States; Resinald M. Cleveland of the editorial staff of the New York Times; Ronald Hocutt, director of the highway safety division of the Department of Revenue of North Carolina, and others.

Digests from the talks made by these speakers will appear in The Pilot from time to time, for it is through the knowledge which these men have attained in their years of study of traffic problems that the general public can glean the part it can play in making our highways safe for our children, and for us.

## A PROGRAM FOR RECOVERY

A seven-point economic recovery program was submitted to the United States Chamber of Commerce by its retiring president. It reads:

1. Removal of tax deterrents which discourage investment in both established and new enterprises.
2. Abandonment of "unwise public-spending policies."
3. Modification of laws governing the issuing and marketing of private securities.
4. Discontinuance of Government competition with private business.
5. Abandonment of monetary manipulation and modification of the policy of "artificially cheap money."
6. Modification of banking laws to permit greater freedom of private initiative in underwriting security issues.
7. Discontinuance of "unnecessary investigations which create apprehension and impose needless burdens upon industry and trade."

The Pilot, which is a member of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce, which in turn is a member of the United States Chamber of Commerce, endorses this program. It is convinced that it would speed up recovery, revive investment, en-

# THE POCKETBOOK OF KNOWLEDGE

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RED AND VIOLET SHOW IS FOUND ON MANY GLACIERS IN THE NORTHWEST.

## GRAINS OF SAND

In a report from the Department of Public Instruction it says that North Carolina schools have spent \$203,499.94 for library books and magazines in the past two years. This was an increase of \$60,000 over 1936-37.

Such a sum might be looked upon a long time before a better investment could be found that would bring to the school child a higher return. Buying books and encouraging school children to read and form reading habits leads them into broader paths than if they lived in a state where no books were available. Giving books to children is handing them all the gathered wisdom and research of mankind since the beginning of civilization. Since the first scribes began to chronicle events out of an obscured past we have raptured about all the known information in books and this includes the modern imaginative writer who dreams of farthest points in a distant future.

No greater or more lasting investment could be made in behalf of the State than to buy books for North Carolina's school children.

A winter resident asked one day if a word could not be said in behalf of Bennett street as a desirable location for living quarters, and proceeded to enumerate advantages offered by the street. Bennett street needs little said in its support, as it established its reputation when the town was an infant and has never wandered very far from its original characteristics.

When Pennsylvania avenue and Bennett street were considerably younger than they are now, they were the prominent thoroughfares of the village. The postoffice, the bank, the opera house, the printing office, a school house, a church, a couple of hotels and the better cottages and apartment houses were at one time located on Bennett street. Today sees many new locations for these buildings. Time has a way of scattering things, and also crossing the tracks. Bennett street however is not on the wrong side of the tracks. Today,

courage business and industry, create employment and change the whole economical picture.

But what chance has such a program in a New Deal Congress?

as in yesterday, it has attractive hotels, apartment houses and homes. The Congregational church in its setting is one of the most imposing structures of the town. The fine old trees lend a dignity and charm some of the newer streets will not possess for years to come. The appeal of an attractive old street often has more delightful qualities than one too new.

"North Carolina accent fairly dripped like honey at the state exhibit at the World's Fair on the opening day last Sunday. North Carolina's was one of four or five state exhibits ready for inspection and a flow of visitors ebbed in and out the doors all day. Pretty Miriam Johnson of Aberdeen, chief hostess of the state delegation was there with her smile," says Conrad Smith in his New York column.

In the early part of May, a number of year ago when W. F. Allen was principal of the Southern Pines schools he informed his boys and girls all could have a holiday on the 20th of the month who brought to him in detailed account reasons for having a celebration on that particular day.

Allen's youngsters worked for the holiday and remembered the affair. As the 20th looms up again it recalls to some the story of a little band of men who met in a log court house in Mecklenburg county, under the leadership of Thomas Polk, colonel of the county in an effort to declare themselves independent. They arrived at the resolution, "We do hereby declare ourselves a free and independent people; that we are, and of right ought to be, a sovereign self-governing people under the power of God and the General Congress," and so on through four or five paragraphs. In the spring of 1775 a handful from Mecklenburg declared themselves free men and prepared to set up a government of their own.

Under Allen, historical events were learned and some forgotten. But the Mecklenburg Declaration left its impression. Facts frequently are remembered because they tie in somewhere with other associations.

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## Civic Club To Close A Successful Season

Expresses Gratitude to Members and Friends For Five Series of Winter Programs

The Civic Club of Southern Pines will close its season with a dessert-bridge party today, Friday, 2:00 o'clock, in the clubhouse, and it is sure to be a very happy occasion. Many tables are already made up, but members are urged to come anyway and make up tables with other members and guests. Refreshments will be served at 2:00 o'clock and the game will follow, the entire cost to be fifty cents to help the treasurer carry on through the summer months.

The Civic Club wishes to express sincere gratitude to us members and friends who have so loyally stood by it this year and made possible the winter season of excellent programs weekly teas and social gatherings open to all residents and guests in the Sandhills. From February 1st on the Civic Club has been open daily as a reading and writing room, and well supplied with the latest magazines and papers, and the large hall open for games of cards and friendly gatherings. This was done as an experiment, and has proved a great success. Much appreciation has been expressed by the visitors to the club and its beautiful garden, and many letters of thanks have been written back for hospitality extended by the Civic Club.

There are 135 members of the Civic Club at one dollar a year dues. There are five life members at \$25.00.

A new Holland furnace has been installed this winter, and the entire cost of \$450.00 has been paid. There is a mortgage now standing on the Civic Club of \$2,850.00, \$150.00 having just been paid off on the principal, plus \$180.00 interest. Repairs, light, heat, custodian, gardener and maid service make other heavy expenses which have been paid. Many members of the Board of Directors have pledged themselves to raise \$25.00 each during the summer months to help reduce the too-long standing mortgage, and what could better show the spirit that now carries on the little club in the heart of the town.

# HOT DAYS Call for Cottons

We have

- Nelly Dons, Ann Sutton
- Lucy Madison—
- Play Suits and Shorts—
- All advertised—

## GOING TO THE FAIR?

- Dark and light sheers
- Plain and Prints—Regular and Half Sizes
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## GRADUATES

We are making a special for Graduate's Portraits. See samples and make appointments before May 30th as studio closes.

## EDDY'S STUDIO

# Don't Leave Now!

This is the best time of year in the Sandhills, and about the worst up North. Those who have left have written back saying how regretful they are. "We'll know better next year," is the gist.

## If you MUST go—

Select your Cottage or Apartment for next Season before you leave. They are renting earlier each year; you may wait too long. Right now you have a wide selection—later you'll be limited.

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