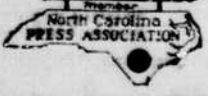


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The Hounding Of Scholars

The "hounding of scholars" has been recognized as one of the symptoms of social decay, the hounders moving to destroy without offering anything constructive of their own.

Professor Samuel Eliot Morrison of Harvard recently said: "A difficult situation has now arisen, similar to that of the 17th century, in that the main challenge to our institutions, political and cultural, comes from groups who have rejected the entire concept of mutual toleration, and make no concealment of the fact that if they once get in power, they will place thought in prison and the universities in chains."

"In this university we firmly believe that academic freedom is in the public interest. We do not claim it's a special privilege for our own protection; we uphold it for the protection of society, against the results of quenching the flame of original thought, the terrorization of opinion."

"We recognize, too, that this resolute defense of academic freedom by the Corporation and the Overseers places an obligation on all of us to respect and observe the positive duties that correspond to our rights; to avoid acts, or associations, that will bring our university into difficulties; to observe a decent respect to the opinions of mankind... above all, to avoid an attitude of smug superiority which is the unforgivable sin in a democratic society."

Not To Be Exploited

The Lexington (N. C.) Dispatch Harry Truman of Independence, Missouri, is driving a new Chrysler car between his home and his Kansas City office, where he spends a good deal of time preparing the memoirs of the nearly eight history-jammed years he spent in the White House.

Drew Pearson, whom Mr. Truman has at times called by names not all intended as complimentary, tells the story of how the ex-president came to have a Chrysler and Pearson says the story was first told to a group of business men in California by K. T. Keller, chairman of the Chrysler Corporation.

It appears the manufacturer thought it would be good advertising if Mr. Truman should drive around in one of the more attractive new Chrysler cars, so he telephoned the Independence citizen and suggested he should have a car of this make. When Mr. Truman admitted he had been thinking the same way, Mr. Keller said he reminded the ex-president that the car would be sent complimentary, and the company would be compensated by the value of the publicity potential.

Mr. Truman was quoted as saying he was not concerned with any advertising involved, but that he felt the office of President should not be exploited, even by an ex-President. "I'm going to have a Chrysler all right; but I'm going to pay for it," Mr. Truman was quoted as replying.

"Is there anyone here who would have turned down a similar offer?" the automobile executive was quoted as questioning his hearers, most of whom probably were more able than Mr. Truman to afford the best car of this make.

"It looks like this fellow Truman, who has just finished his 70th year, is still the same stubborn sort of cuss he used to be around Washington."

Cooperation Non-Existent

It now develops that some corporations do not cooperate. Their legal stand is not questioned, and possibly the acts really can't be questioned, but the cold shoulder treatment accorded some municipalities by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company is not setting too well.

The town of Williamston has been in litigation and conferences with the Coast Line for some years, and the treatment has been irritating, to say the least.

Town officials were put to shame when they appealed to the railroad in an effort to have the danger relieved on West Main Street at the underpass. Something is being done about it, but the railroad is directing the operation and paying little or nothing.

Railroad Street, between Washington and Smithwick, is another touchy spot. Back about 1912, the company was given a lease or deed for a 30-foot right of way, the Coast Line paying the big sum of \$12.50. The town wanted to pave the street, but the Coast Line argued and argued, finally agreeing to allow the town to go within about eight and one-half feet from the center of the track. Where other property owners pay so much of the paving costs, the Coast Line pays nothing.

The latest salt thrown into the sore was reported a few days ago when the Coast Line called for a rental of \$22.50 a year for the laying of sewer lines along and under its property.

Reports state that the neighboring town of Washington is having trouble with the Coast Line. It seems there is no question about the town having the right to pave over the company's tracks, but the Coast Line objects to spending any of its money on the project. Maybe, the company is right. But Washington officials were quick to point out that the city had paid the Coast Line \$57,000 in freight.

About seventy years ago, Martin County people burdened themselves to help finance the construction of the Williamston and Tarboro Railroad. Those early investors lost on the venture, but the Coast Line finally came out the winner. Yes, the section has profited from the venture, and it is reasonable to believe that the Coast Line has profited, too.

If ever there was a time for the railroads to cooperate with the municipalities in promoting progress, it would seem that that time is now. Unfortunately, that is not the case, the Coast Line apparently choosing to go into the courts and invest in big fees for counsel. It would seem that the course of some corporations is detrimental to its good will program and indirectly costly to its business.

Another Angle

William R. Sullivan, 720 West Tenth Place, Los Angeles, California, offers another angle to the recent court decree in Washington. He says:

"Manner of living and methods of doing things are more likely to be the real reasons for discrimination rather than differences of religious beliefs and racial lines."

60 Second Sermons

BY FRED DODGE



TEXT: "A hole is nothing at all, but you can break your neck in it."—Austin O'Malley.

As a Boy Scout I sat at a campfire while the idol of all Scouts, Dan Beard, talked about woodcraft. One point in particular which Dan Beard stressed has remained with me. He said that when walking in the woods, a real woodsman never steps on anything he can step over. Stepping on logs, limbs and stones can be very dangerous, he explained. A slight misstep, the turning of a leg, a snapping limb, could twist an ankle. A broken or twisted ankle, far from camp, could mean permanent injury and possible death. A woodsman never steps on anything he can step over.

Do grown folks walk through the world as carefully as the woodsman in the woods? In the deep woods of our relations with others are we careful not to step on things we can step over? Time and again we have seen men crush feelings unnecessarily. We have seen men without thought or reason, leap on a dead reputation and heard it crack underfoot.

However, stepping on things you could step over is as dangerous in human relations as in the woods. You could fall, embarrassed, if not badly injured. Wherever you walk, in the woods or among men, don't step on anything you can step over.

Social News

Returns To School

Bobby Clayton has returned to Duke University for the summer. He spent a week's stay here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Clayton, Sr.

Visit Nags Head

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thrower and daughter, Judy, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bullock, Jr., spent Sunday at Nags Head.

Leaves For Washington, D. C.

Miss Barbara Edwards left Thursday for Washington, D. C. where she will be employed by the FBI.

Visit Here

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Lawrence and daughter of Edenton spent the weekend here with Mrs. Ed Hardison.

Visit In Washington

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jones and Mr. and Mrs. George Harris visited in Washington Sunday.

Visit Pamlico Beach

Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Clayton, Sr., spent the weekend at Pamlico Beach.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS SHOP & CLASS ROOM ADDITION WILLIAMSTON HIGH SCHOOL WILLIAMSTON, N. C. MARTIN COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA

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a. General Construction b. Electrical Work Complete plans, specifications and Contract Document will be open for inspection in the office of the Architect. Copies may be obtained from the Architect by those qualified and who will make a bid, upon deposit of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) in cash or certified check. The full deposit will be returned to those submitting a bona fide proposal provided plans and specifications are returned to the Architect in good condition within five days after the date set for receiving bids, cost of printing and handling will be retained on all others.

All contractors are hereby notified that they must have proper license under the State laws governing their respective trades. General Contractors are notified that "An act to Regulate the Practice of General Contracting," ratified by the General Assembly of North Carolina on March 10, 1925, and as subsequently amended will be observed in receiving and awarding general contracts. Pl. bldg Contractors are notified that Public Laws of 1931, Chapter 32, as amended by Public Laws of 1933, Chapter 57 and as subsequently amended will be observed in receiving and awarding plumbing contract. Electrical Contractors are notified that provisions of Chapter 87, Public Laws of 1937, ratified March 23 and as subsequently amended will be observed in receiving and awarding contracts. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cash deposit or a certified check drawn on some bank or trust company insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, in an amount equal to not less than five per cent (5%) of the Proposal said deposit to be retained by the Owner as liquidated damages in event of failure of the successful bidder to execute the contract within ten days after the award or to give satisfactory surety as required by law. In lieu of making the cash deposit as above mentioned, such bidder may file a bid bond executed by a corporate surety licensed under the laws of North Carolina to execute such bonds, conditioned that the surety will upon demand forthwith make payment to the obligee upon said bond if the bidder fails to execute the contract in accordance with the Bid Bond and upon failure to forthwith make payment the surety shall pay to the obligee an amount equal to double the amount of said bid bond. Performance Bond will be required for one hundred per cent (100%) of the contract price. Payment will be made on the basis of ninety per cent (90%) of monthly estimates and final payment made upon completion and acceptance of the work. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of 30 days. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities. J. C. Manning, Secretary Board of Education of Martin County, Williamston, N. C. James W. Griffith, Jr., Architect, Greenville, North Carolina.

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