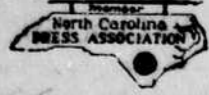


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Fire Prevention

The people of Martin County can well mark the observance of Fire Prevention Week with a determination to work for the elimination of those causes that result in great fire losses.

It is time right now to do something about the defective flue or chimney, to check the oil stove or heating plant, to clean away rubbish in the closets, basements and attics. Fires are more common where there are shingles. A fire-resistant roof is costly, but it could be cheaper in the long run.

Consideration given to the surroundings and conditions comes in handy if and when a fire starts. A convenient water hose or even a bucket of water or sand can mean the difference between a small and a large fire.

And then in the event of fire, it is well to know your fire department's number, to think about what directions you would give the fire department in directing the firemen to your property.

It is far less costly to prevent fire than it is to fight fire, and it is well to remember that mistakes can't always be reconciled, not even by the best fire-fighting department in the world.

On Passing Judgment

By Ruth Taylor
Would you be content to be judged by the same criteria by which you judge others? If you would, then skip this article. It is not for you. You don't need it!

It is meant for the rest of us fallible mortals who are too apt to let our prejudices run away with our tongues, who—all unintentionally—convert half facts to a conception of fact.

What started me on this theme was the Sunday papers. They were full of speeches—and each speaker was very definite not only on what he thought and believed, but on what someone on the opposite side thought and believed. In short, he was quite sure his motives were misunderstood, but was equally sure that he understood the motivations of the opposition.

It is a good thing to be definite about your own beliefs. I just wish there were more people who knew what they believed, and why they believed in a cause or a program, and then stood up for it at all times. But there are very few people who are in a position to have enough facts to know why their opponents think as they do.

Of course, you want your side to win. You know your program is best for your group and—you think—for every one else as well. But maybe the other man thinks the same thing. Maybe you're both thinking in generalities. Maybe you both are talking too broadly.

No one likes being misunderstood. No one likes having his or her motives impugned. And you and I know from our own experience that name-calling, group-judging, general-assumptions, never really convince anyone but the person talking and the un-thinkers who believe only what they want to believe—and who are usually looking for a scapegoat for their own shortcomings.

If you just want to talk—or if you wish to start a fight—then let your prejudices run rampant in your speech. But if you want to convince your listener, stay off personalities and stick to the facts. Don't say anything that you don't know—and might have to retract.

And above all, don't play guessing-games with your opponent's mind. Not unless you are willing to be judged by him on the same amount of information you have!

The man who makes no mistake usually makes nothing else.—Phelps.

The People's Intelligence Indicted

The Republicans promised a lot in 1952 and kept their promises only to the few.

Now, they are indicting the intelligence of the American people. The approximately four million unemployed are being told that the economy is in tip-top shape. The Republicans, led by that little Vice President, Dickie Nixon, tells in one breath about the reduction in military expenditures and declares in the next breath that the defense of the country was never stronger. Farmers, already on the low rung on the economic ladder, are told that they must go lower, but that everything is all right.

The Republicans talked about mink-coat and deepfreeze corruption in 1952. Now, it seems, that corruption is sweeping across the country from the offshore oil fields to the oil fields in Alaska, with a barren land policy shaping up in between.

Billions were voted in tax relief, the party chiefs proclaimed, but the people are learning the painful way that only crumbs were intended for them.

The people are painted a beautiful picture on the surface, but underneath turmoil and strife exist. And it is apparent that the crowd in Washington will not be satisfied until the people have been stripped of their heritage and reduced to the role of serfs.

Looking After Their Own

The powers that be in Washington are looking after their own, turning a political ear after a token fashion to the farmer and laborer.

While the kept press and the Eisenhower administration apologists have never missed a day in misrepresenting the facts underlying the farm program, it is now mentioned in a casual way that right at five billion dollars are tied up in stockpiling of certain items outside the realm of agriculture. Some of the stockpile is classified as "critical and strategic" defense materials, the promoters explaining that war could close the trade routes and leave the materials in short supply. It is not explained why aluminum and other metals found and produced right here at home are included in the list of "critical" materials to be stockpiled.

Maybe it is essential to stockpile the materials, including even aluminum. And, maybe, it is essential to stockpile food and feed, but Mr. Eisenhower and Mr. Benson don't think so.

The plan to stockpile certain things to benefit certain groups that have been taken under the wing of the administration and at the same time cut agriculture adrift is just another part of the raw deal that is being rained down the farmers' throats in this country by that sanctimonious group in Washington.

Facts Do Not Support Claims

Free enterprise has been given endless lip service by the present administration, but not since the days before the anti-trust laws have there been so many mergers and consolidations. The facts do not support the claims advanced by big business through its mouthpiece in Washington.

Every time two corporations agreed to bed down together, the poorer the chance a smaller company has to compete in this world. Monopoly is running wild with the blessings of the administration, and monopoly has always exacted its pound of flesh.

60 Second Sermons

BY FRED DODGE



TEXT: "You can lead a boy to college but you can't make him think."
—Elbert Hubbard

The postman was shoving letters and magazines into the farmer's mailbox when the farmer's son came racing out of the driveway in his convertible, and waved to the postman. The postman called to the farmer in the yard.

"Your son is a college graduate, isn't he?"
"Yes," drawled the farmer, "he is. But to be fair to the college, he didn't have no sense to begin with."

College educations are easier to obtain now than they were 30 years ago. More young men and women are completing their college training. This is a good trend, but not absolutely necessary for a happy, successful life.

A wise man has said that education is that which remains after we have forgotten what we have been taught. Formal schooling does not, of itself, make a man important, successful or wealthy. There are three degrees which no college can give, that have more to do with successful living. They are, first, a Degree of Humility; second, a Degree of Sympathy; third, a Degree of Courage.

Earn those degrees and you are certain to graduate with honor.

Last Rites Held Still Hopeful For Mrs. Sullivan Of Cooperation

Mrs. Lula Johnson Sullivan, a native of Washington County and the mother of Mrs. John Swinson of the Dardens Community, this county, died at her home in Hayttsville, Maryland, last Friday morning. She had been in declining health ten years.

She was born in Washington County 73 years ago, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Johnson, and moved to Maryland twenty years ago. She was the widow of Robert H. Sullivan. She was a member of the Baptist church in Hayttsville.

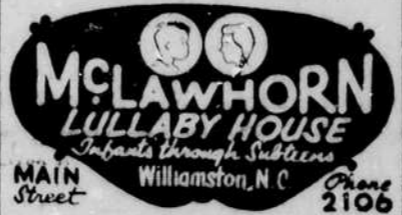
Surviving besides her daughter in this county are one son, John L. Sullivan, of Washington, D. C.; three daughters, Mrs. D. R. Hunter, of Hyattsville, Mrs. W. C. Woodard and Mrs. Arthur Murray, both of Washington, D. C.; one brother, A. L. Johnson, of Belhaven.

The funeral service was conducted in the Methodist Church at Plymouth Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock by the Rev. D. L. Fouts, assisted by the Rev. P. B. Nickens. Interment was in the Jackson Cemetery near Plymouth.

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Moscow.—Alexander Troyanovsky, first Soviet Ambassador in Washington, has emerged briefly from retirement to express faith in "cooperation" between the Soviet Union and the United States.

The veteran diplomat opened the first Soviet Embassy in the United States after President Roosevelt accorded recognition to the Soviet government in 1933.

In an article in News the Soviet English-language magazine, Mr. Troyanovsky described himself as "a man who continues to believe firmly in the possibility of understanding and cooperation between the United States and the Soviet Union."

Mr. Hroyanovsky, Ambassador in Washington until 1939, said: "Plans for atomic war... can only involve the nations, the American nation included, in unparalleled disaster, in a catastrophe which would endanger the very existence of civilization."

"We are firmly convinced that there is today no controversial international issue which could not be settled peacefully by mutual agreement between the parties. All that is required is strict non-interference on all sides in the domestic affairs of other countries and a desire to safeguard international security and promote business and cultural intercourse among all the nations of the world."

Commenting on the American Declaration of Independence, Mr. Troyanovsky said: "very influential groups in America take the rather strange view that what was the lawful right of the American people back in the 18th century cannot be acknowledged as the right of the Chinese, Korean, Indochinese, and other peoples in the middle of the 20th."

Little is now heard of Mr. Troyanovsky in Moscow diplomatic circles, although he was known until recent years as a lecturer at the Soviet Foreign Ministry's School of Diplomacy.

His son Igor, educated in the United States, is English interpreter to the Soviet Foreign Min-

Plow Up Iron Ore And Ship It Off Their Farms

Birmingham, Ala.—Farmers in south Alabama are plowing up acceptable iron ore by the ton and shipping it to North Alabama steel mills. More than 1,050 carloads of iron ore have been shipped from pastures and cotton fields since January. About five loads of unwashed ore will produce one load of ore ranging from 50 to 56 per cent metallic iron, it is said.

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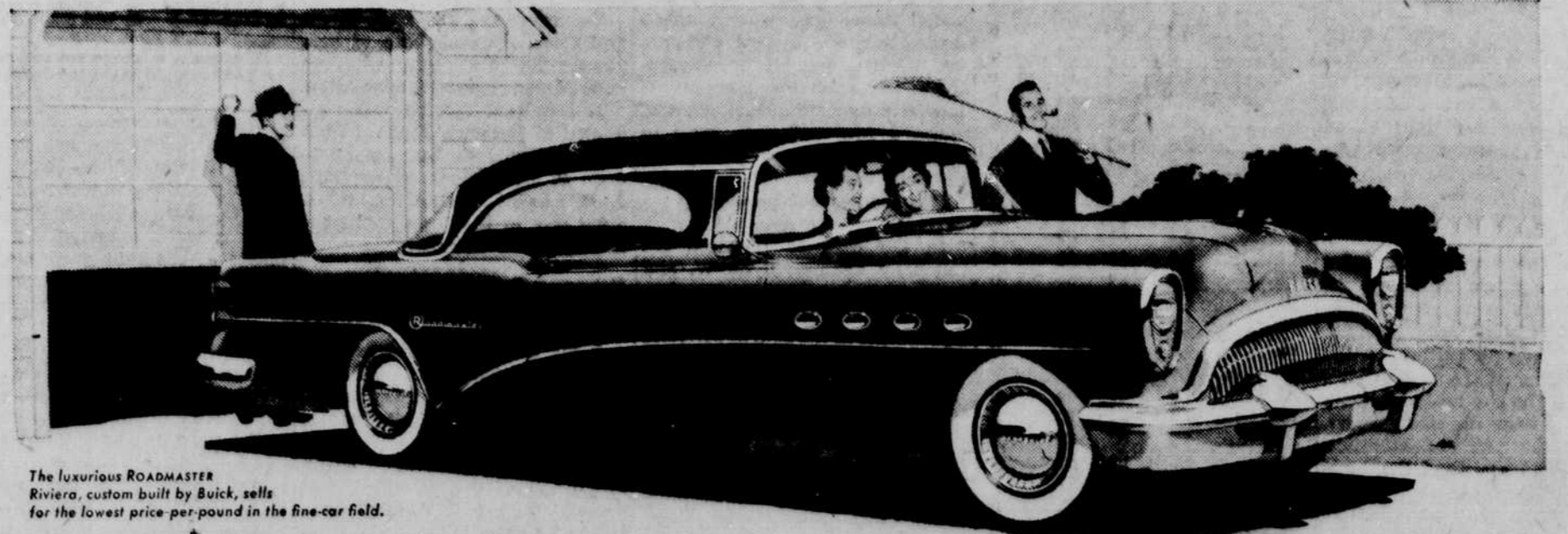
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