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"It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness"

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Working for calmness

It is crucial that all legal action stemming from the indictments against 25 Kent State University students and faculty members be conducted with utmost scrupulousness, a total absence of rancor, without any preconceived opinions as to guilt, and with a recognition that what America most desperately needs is a healing of its present deep rifts. If there was incitement to riot or violence, it should be punished. But civil justice will do well not to overlook the necessity of not only being just but also of appearing to be just.

To do the latter, justice must keep two factors in mind. The first is the unusual mental conditions under which last May's campus troubles took place as a result of the Cambodian invasion. The second is the present campus resentment over the fact that the special grand jury did not indict or blame either the National Guard or state officials in the Kent State killings. Sight must never be lost of the fact that today's overriding need is to calm tempers while also maintaining law and order.

Happily, several important steps are now being taken by the Nixon administration to do just this. On Monday the Justice Department held the first of its 50 scheduled campus dialogues with students. The reception given Assistant Attorney General William D. Ruckelshaus at the country's oldest women's college.

Mount Holyoke, was encouraging. He was questioned sharply but was also listened to. If he did not convert, he at least demonstrated that Washington is not turning its back on students' deeply felt opinions and sentiments.

Simultaneously, President Nixon's surprise visit to the campus of Ohio State University and his insistence that violence-prone students are a small minority have had their favorable effects. Indeed, he has chosen a good moment to stress this theme, because on numerous campuses students themselves have begun to build a backlash against the type of protest which results in bombing, rioting, violence, and injury.

In view of this rising sentiment on so many campuses, it would be tragic if unwise words from any quarter, however high, were to needlessly further embitter the relations between students and the rest of society. And it would, of course, be just as unwise and unhealthy for words from either the nation's student body or the nation's faculties to further sharpen the unhappily widespread dislike felt for both throughout so many segments of society.

Bombings aside, this fall has been calmer than many expected. Let everyone who loves America, values peace, and seeks the brotherhood of men help to keep it that way. Let us indeed lower our voices and come together.

The sleeper issue

Election campaign headlines have until now been mostly about youth unrest, and crime, and Mideast and Vietnam initiatives.

The economy has gotten strangely little play.

But some of these other issues may have been passed in appeal this week with the news that consumer prices jumped ahead at a 4.8 percent yearly clip in September, double the August rate. On a seasonally adjusted basis, the rise was even faster, at a 6 percent annual pace.

Of course, the September price activity does not itself prove the Nixon administration's economic game plan has failed. Business activity, despite the General Motors strike, is picking up, albeit sluggishly.

Editorials from The Christian Science Monitor

Browsing in the files of The News-Journal

25 years ago

November 1, 1945
At a recent meeting the Raeford Kiwanis club elected Tom Cameron president to succeed Dr. Marcus R. Smith.

Alfred Cole, athletic chairman of the Ellis Williamson post of the American Legion, said yesterday that a petition with many signatures would be presented to the County Commissioners in their meeting next Monday. This petition would ask the commissioners to rebuild the grandstand and build a new fence around the golf park.

J. Roy Clunk, who will be remembered by baseball fans of this section, as business manager of the Williamsport "Grays" when that Class A team used to train here, was a visitor in town several hours Tuesday.

Carlton Niven has accepted a position with Israel Mann.

Word has been received from Col. and Mrs. R.B. Lewis and daughters that they will soon be in Raeford.

Mrs. Lola Pope received word this week that her son S-Sgt. Howard Pope had reached the United States on October 25. Sgt. Pope had been a prisoner of the Japanese

since his capture on Corregidor in 1942.

Sgt. Berder Niven, who has been in Burma and China for the past two years, is enroute home and is at Calcutta, India waiting transportation, according to a message received by his wife Tuesday.

Cpl. John T. Haire, who has been in Luzon, has been sent to Japan for further duty.

Sgt. Robert B. Ellis of Portland, Maine is spending a fifteen-day furlough with his wife.

15 years ago

October 27, 1955
A special meeting of the board of commissioners of Hoke County was held last Thursday night for the purpose of considering steps to take in running the county without John McGoogan. Register of Deeds J.E. Gullidge was appointed acting county auditor and no action was taken toward the employment of a permanent successor to Mr. McGoogan.

Jake Austin, campaign chairman for the second annual drive of the Hoke County United Fund said today that the dates for the drive this year had been set by the campaign committee as the week starting Tuesday, November 8.

Fifty cases were handled in Hoke County recorder's court before Judge T.O. Moses Tuesday although only 10 were actually tried.

Home Food Super Market 1st Anniversary Specials are as follows:
Bacon - lb - 39c
Steak lb - 39c
Cigarettes etc. \$1.85
Sausage - 39c

Coach Floyd Wilson took his Hoke County High School football team to Loris, S.C. last Thursday night and they came home with a victory, first for the team in 18 games.

Congressman C.B. Deane of Rockingham visited The News-Journal while in Raeford Friday and looked over the new building.

From the Rockfish News: Captain and Mrs. Gilbert M. Ray and children, who have been in Japan for over two years, landed at San Francisco, October 5th.

From Cooper's Super Market:
Round - Sirloin - T-Bone
Steak lb. 49c
1 lb bag of coffee - 59c
Smoked Peas lb. - 39c
Playing at the Raeford Theater
Gary Grant and Nancy Kelly in "To Catch a Thief"

Olympian thunderbolts



By LAURIE TELFAIR

Babysitters Rule Swinging Parents

There is a small group of adolescents who hold a tremendous power over the affairs of adults in our society.

These are young ladies ranging in age from thirteen or so upwards who are willing and available to babysit.

They are eagerly sought by parents of young children who wish to get out without the kiddies occasionally. A new babysitter who is kind to the children, capable of meeting emergencies and who leaves the house in some reasonable degree of order is a prize to be carefully guarded and cared for.

Lists of babysitters—the good ones—are painstakingly compiled and are shared with reluctance or as the supreme demonstration of friendship. I have seen more than one feud triggered over nothing less serious than the theft of a regular babysitter by the ingrate who was given her name in good faith. Some who have the services of particularly good babysitters keep the names secret and feign total ignorance of any girls who sit when queried by disparate friends in search of a keeper for the night.

What is a good babysitter? She is a girl about sixteen who has no boyfriend and doesn't date yet, whom the children adore. She has high morals and good character and the liquor supply is safe in the house with her. She also disapproves of smoking and, the times being what they are, is neither on dope or pushing it. She is kind but firm, competent and trustworthy and will even consent to keep the house in order while the adults are away—at least to the point of taking the dishes back to the kitchen. Finally she is allowed to stay out past midnight on weekends.

The girl is really a jewel if she can sit in the early evening

on schoolnights. And nobody else knows about her.

What makes a good time employer? They are parents who, hopefully, have well-known or perhaps not to behaved children who have anyone at all—until their babysitter and not to lock her gets home safely.

Some parents of girl-children to the cat or direct dial (especially but not exclusively) Anchorage, Alaska, look forward to the time when they leave a phone number they have reared their own where they can be reached and babysitter for younger fry in call her if they change plans the family. This is an elusive and go somewhere else. They hope, for the eagle-eyed refrain from calling several neighbors have watched her times a night, thereby waking growth and measured her the baby. After all, if they are probable sense of responsibility that worried, they are better off at home.

They don't expect the sitter to nurse sick children. Anyway, leaving a sick kid at home is apt to cause guilt feelings and defeat the purpose of going out in the first place.

They leave specific instructions about do's and no-no's, bedtimes and what food may be consumed before their return.

They leave a reasonable amount of goodies to eat. After all, how is a growing teenager to keep up her strength for the job if she doesn't have refreshment every thirty minutes or so.

They have adequate locks on the door and insist that she use them and that she not open the door to anyone she doesn't know.

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A thick, pulpy jam, or conserve, of any fruit is called "marmalade," a word that literally means quince jam. The ancient Greeks called the quince "melimelon" (honey apple). The word passed into Latin as "melimelum," thence into Portuguese as "marmelo." The Portuguese made a thick jam from the "marmelo" and called it "marmelade." "Marmelade" became "marmelade" in French and "marmalade" in English—where its meaning was broadened from quince jam to the thick, pulpy jam made from any fruit.

STORIES BEHIND WORDS
by William S. Penfield

Puppy Creek Philosopher



Dear editor:
According to an article I read in a newspaper last night during commercials for either soap or candidates, I didn't pay any attention to which, all I know is they were trying hard to sell whatever it was, if the city of New York stopped arresting law-breakers right now it would take two years to try all the criminals they've already got on hand. That's how far behind the courts are.

In the same paper I read that the Tate murder trial in California was then in its third month. And every once in a while you read about other trials lasting six weeks, two months, some as long as four or five months.

Understand I'm in favor of everybody's getting a fair trial, if I was being tried I'd not only want a fair trial but one that got me off even if it took 12 months of the court's time.

But here's the situation: if more and more laws are being broken and more and more criminals being arrested and more and more time is being taken to try them, you can see we're going to run out of time long before we run out of criminals.

If one man is entitled to a two-months trial, why isn't the next one? And since fairness demands that everybody who is indicted ought to be tried, won't there come a day when the courts get so far behind they'll be trying a man indicted two hundred years ago? And even if he's convicted won't there be some lawyer who'll appeal the case and drag it out

for another hundred years? If a court makes a reversible error, clearly the defendant is entitled to another trial, but the thing can get unwieldy. I never have seen a football game which, after the final gun sounds, should the losing coach appeal the score and ask for a new game, the results might not come out in his favor, especially if he kept appealing and re-appealing and dragged the game out for six weeks or more. You can see what this would do to the schedule of other teams waiting around to play.

I don't know what the answer is. By the time I point out a problem I'm too tired to figure out an answer.

Yours faithfully,
J.A.

Just One Thing After Another

By Carl Goerch

According to Miss Ruth Linney, of Roaring River, Wilkes County probably has more places that have changed their names than any other county in the state.

Wilkesboro used to be known as Mulberry Fields.

Pores Knob was Fruitland. Clingman used to be known as Frog Level.

Berry's Lane was Plum Ridge and Eglantine.

Cranberry Community formerly was Jarvis Postoffice. Dellaplane was Oak Forest. And Cyle was New Castle.

power of a great obligation.

Had you ever wondered what the law is about displaying the state flag? I came across this piece of information while reading the other day.

According to a law passed in 1887, it shall be flown above every state institution except in inclement weather.

The state law also provides that the several Boards of Supervisors of the counties shall either display the flag on the courthouse staff or drape it behind the judge's stand displaying it on such occasions as the Board may deem proper.

Arlington National Cemetery doesn't have the only "Unknown Soldier." There are 360 of them buried at Bentonville Battlefield, on the southeastern edge of Johnston County.

It was here that one of the last battles of the War Between the States was fought, in March, 1865. The remains of the breastworks may still be seen as well as the house used as a Confederate hospital. A monument marks the spot where the unknown soldiers are buried.

An interesting name is the possession of Mrs. Leon Gibson of Fayetteville -- Margelet. When she told us of her unusual name our immediate query was, "Is it French?"

"No, American to the very core," she replied. "It's the good old word Telegram spelled backwards." And then she explained further.

Her father was a telegraph operator and loved his work. When the news came that the new member of his family had arrived, and was a girl, he spelled the word telegram backwards and declared she should have that name. And so she is Margelet, and I venture to say the only person in the world possessing that name.

CLIFF BLUE... People & Issues

VOTING - With the 1970 elections only a few days away there comes to mind the verse from John Pierpont's poem, "A Word From A Petitioner," so frequently quoted in campaign speeches by the late Governor William B. Umstead which on "The Ballot" which goes like this:

"A weapon that comes down as still
As snowflakes fall upon the sod;
But executes a freeman's will
As lightning does the will of God:

And from its force nor door nor locks
Can shield you - 'tis the ballot box.

WHAT ONE VOTE DID. Grover Cleveland once said: "Your every voter, as surely as your chief magistrate, exercises a public trust." And we might add that the vote of one person has sometimes changed the course of history.

Charles I of England was beheaded in 1649 by a tribunal of judges. The vote was 68 to 67. Just one vote made the difference and Charles I paid with his head.

Oliver Cromwell won control of the English Parliament in 1645 by a vote of 91 to 90.

Andrew Johnson, president of the United States in 1868 escaped impeachment in the Senate by one senator's vote.

Thomas Jefferson was elected president in 1800 after an electoral tie with Aaron Burr. One vote in Congress turned the tide.

Rutherford B. Hayes was elected president in 1876 by an electoral vote of 186 to 185 for Samuel J. Tilden.

In 1923 Adolph Hitler was elected leader of the Nazi Party in Germany by a one vote margin.

1938 RACE - In 1938 in the Eighth Congressional Democratic Primary the race was so close between the late W.O. Burgin and the late C.B. Deane that the winner had to be decided in court as a result of disputed ballots. The court gave the nomination to Burgin, but when Burgin announced eight years later in 1946 that he would not be a candidate

for reelection C.B. Deane ran and won in a close race with William E. Horner of Sanford.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS - On November 3 the voters of North Carolina will have the opportunity of approving or disapproving seven proposed amendments to the State Constitution.

The Constitution is the basic law of the state and should never be tampered with lightly. In voting on a proposed amendment the people should inform themselves and not vote for or against blindly.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 would rewrite the State Constitution to make it conform to U.S. Supreme Court rulings, but changing little in the way of governmental functions. This Amendment attempts to bring the language of the Constitution up to date.

AMENDMENT NO. 2 would require the General Assembly to reduce the number of State administrative departments to 25 and would authorize the Governor to reorganize administrative departments, subject to legislative approval.

AMENDMENT NO. 3 would permit three-fifths of the members of the General Assembly to convene extra sessions of the General Assembly.

AMENDMENT NO. 4 would revise those portions of the proposed State Constitution concerning State and local finances. This amendment should be given very careful study as should any amendment dealing with finances.

AMENDMENT NO. 5 would make it possible to eliminate certain inequities, and leave more authority in the hands of the General Assembly to regulate tax exemptions.

AMENDMENT NO. 6 would provide that after June 30, 1971, the escheats shall be used to aid North Carolina residents enrolled in any public institution of higher education in the State. At the present time, escheats are used to aid North Carolinians enrolled at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill only.