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"The smuggling in of aliens who will become public charges is not permitted by anybody except the stork."—Robert Quillen.

Well, one thing in favor of the Saturday primary, the following day will afford a mighty good opportunity to ask forgiveness.

You won't be sure whether it is against the law to attend Wednesday night prayer-meeting until after all those "sneak" bills have been analyzed.

If George Washington were living today he could use his little hatchet to chop down his tax return, and it wouldn't exactly be considered lying.

In addition to his responsibilities as head of the flock, Mr. Rooster assumes that he must wake up at midnight and the burst of dawn to tell the world what time it is.

Reducing the work week from forty to thirty hours, simply means that the worker will have the privilege of an additional ten hours to loaf.

As one writer puts it, "Jazz orchestras in eating places must have been invented to take the din out of dinner and the rest out of restaurants."

There's mighty little use, it seems to us, to swear a witness to tell the whole truth and then permit the lawyer to stop him when he is half through.

If and when Dr. Townsend spends thirty days in jail, thinking about how to spend two hundred bucks, we take it, won't be one of the things he'll be thinking about.

Nay, nay, Pauline! It is not respect for age that makes it possible for gray hairs and bald heads to get front seats at the strip-tease shows.

The legislators refused to displace the gas chamber as the means of exit for capital offenders. Having suffered from a lot of gas during their deliberations it would seem they would have been right in for it.

It Is Well

It was to be expected, the Supreme Court Justices declined to take part in the controversy over the federal judiciary that has come about by President Roosevelt's proposal. While either or all of them could have thrown much light on the subject, it would have meant leaving the moorings that have held the Justices to a seclusion that has served to keep the highest court out of political strife through the decades.

It is not unlikely that there be Justices on the Supreme Court bench who string along with the President in his theories about the need of reorganization, but for them to enter the argument with others of their colleagues whom it is just as certain would oppose the plan, would not serve to hold the Court to the high place of esteem that it now holds.

It is probable, too, that certain Justices if they had seen fit to appear before the Senate Judiciary committee in opposition to the proposal, would have been confronted with some of their prior declarations that wouldn't square with their present-day conclusions. For in this important controversy the records of each have been raked clean of every pronouncement.

Men in public life often have to back-track on some of their earlier conclusions, and members of the Supreme Court are no exception, as is evidenced by the confusing statements, then and now, of some of the ablest of them.

It looks like about everything that could be said, pro or con, has been said and it is a pity that the Senate cannot go ahead and take a poll of its members, but we reckon it is well to take the time to consider every angle, even if the present Congress is forced to run into the next.

Which Will It Be?

With this state holding first place in textile production (twenty-three per cent of all the active spindles are in operation here) the textile industry in North Carolina is or ought to be interested in John L. Lewis' announcement that attention will soon be turned to the textile campaign and that he expects it to be as successful as that conducted in the automobile and steel industries.

This fiery labor leader, head of the Com-

mittee for Industrial Organization, and who is in a fair way to put the American Federation of Labor in eclipse, numbers the United Textile Workers Union in his group of seceding organizations.

After a long period in which many of the mills kept their workers on the payrolls at actual loss in order to contribute their share to national recovery, the textilers in this section have just begun to feel the benefits of business stimulation, and it is unfortunate for them that they must face a fight before they have had time to get their breath from the battle with the depression.

It now becomes a question of how they will meet the new attack. Will the workers again be met with armed deputies and troops, or will a way be found to iron out the difficulties across the council table?

Lewis, strengthened by new and perhaps unexpected successes in the steel and automotive industries, will be a more militant leader than the industry faced a few years back when the flying squadron was not the effective weapon that the sit-down strike has proved to be.

What John Lewis and his workers come a-seeking may or may not be plausible or right. But the issues they bring should be considered calmly and sensibly and as free from obstinacy as possible. Having been warned, the textile industry is having time to develop whatever statesmanship it has—and nothing less than statesmanship and diplomacy will be needed.

Tax Inequities

The General Assembly steadfastly refused to exercise the authority given it at the last election in the impressive adoption of an amendment providing for homestead exemptions. Several efforts were made to bring a modicum of relief to the homeowners by placing a \$300 exemption on homes when their owners go to list them for taxes. But the legislators would have none of it, although they exempted almost everything but homesteads, including the additional \$300 on store inventories, stocks, cash, solvent credits, bonds and mortgages, things that the average homeowner wouldn't know if they met in the middle of the road.

But this is not the sole inequity. The Charlotte News points to a far greater injustice: the taxation on a mortgaged home at its full assessed value and the mortgage on that home at its face value, except under certain conditions. Says the News:

In the case of a mortgaged home (and whose isn't) this amounts to double taxation. The homeowner is the goat of both transactions, for he pays on his property and he pays interest on the mortgage at a rate high enough to cover the taxes thereon. Were only the mortgage at its face or the home at its assessed value, whichever was the larger, to be taxed, the home owner would be afforded substantial relief and home ownership given a boost. But that would curtail revenue, and that is why it won't be done.

Everybody knows why the legislature turned thumbs down on the \$300 homestead exemptions. It was because there was an organized lobby against it. County Commissioner and Municipal organizations fought the measure because it would necessitate their looking for other tax sources. And the small homeowner being a small pumpkin, he was left to bear the burden.

And the same reason applies to the double taxation on mortgaged homes. The homeowners are not organized and you don't get the ear of practical politicians unless you are organized. It will remain that way until the voters quit forgetting what happens between elections; quit following leaders who forget them when they get to Raleigh. When the politicians are no longer able to count the votes in advance, then they will be more mindful of the interest of the common herd, and less inclined to follow the dictation of minorities because they happen to be organized and able to send paid representatives to Raleigh to lobby for them.

Sit-Downers

Like a child with a new toy, it looks like we are about to overdo this sit-down strike business. So far it has proved reasonably effective, largely because the audacity has so stunned us that we don't know how to handle it. But if property rights mean anything in this nation, sooner or later a way will be found even if it takes bloodshed to establish it.

But this sit-down business has given at least one writer something to cogitate upon. He pictures it spreading in a multitude of ways and lists some of them as follows:

Tenants sit down and refuse to move. Boy refuses to leave sit-down position in order to avoid being spanked. Store clerks sit down behind counters, demanding castors on chairs and lower counters to work behind. Cooks sit in kitchen, refusing to put out the garbage. Filling station attendants sit in demand for lady friends to keep them company while waiting for trade. Politicians sitting on office after defeat. Bill collectors sit inside doors until paid. Farm family sits in mud roads until roads are fixed. Wife sits down until week's winter vacation from husband and children and home work is arranged. Sitting editor starts to fill column by making each sentence a new paragraph to hereby taking up more lines of space.

He points out that everybody has a sifter and that all each of us needs is to think of some demand we can make and then emphasize that demand by putting the sifter down for a spell.

But maybe it will go the way of other fads such as the yo-yo and the chain letter cryze, but very likely not until somebody gets hurt in the process.



CONSERVATION OF SOIL IMPERATIVE

"Is Last Line of Defense Against National Suicide," Secretary Wallace Says

NEED BALANCED SYSTEM

"Conservation of the soil is the last line of defense against national suicide. That must go on." With these words from Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace, E. Y. Floyd, of State College, emphasizes the fundamental objectives of the soil-conservation program.

Destruction of the soil not only imperils farmers, but it is a grave threat to the welfare of all people in the nation, Floyd stated.

But the goal of the soil-conservation program is not confined to conserving and building up the soil, he continued.

A better-balanced system of farming, which will be more profitable for the farmer and safer for the Nation, is the aim of the conservation program offered growers this year.

Soil-conservation and balanced farming are closely linked in the development of a country's agriculture, Floyd pointed out, and the growth of agriculture is reflected in the prosperity of all business.

The payments offered North Carolina farmers for limiting their acreages of soil-depleting cash crops and for carrying out soil-building practices will encourage the adoption of better farm management, he continued.

Farmers are urged to grow more food and feed crops to make themselves less dependent upon cash income, credit and "bought food and feed supplies."

Increased feed production will stimulate interest in livestock, and North Carolina farmers, with few exceptions, need much more livestock than they now have, Floyd said.

KIWANIS CLUB HAS ENJOYABLE MEETING

A number of contests, staged by Kiwanian E. C. James, and a brief talk on "What Kiwanis Means to Me," by Wilbur Carter, featured the meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis club at Hotel Elkin last Thursday night.

Mr. James, who was in charge of the program for the evening, sprang several new contests on the members, bringing much enjoyment to all present. Mr. Carter's talk was described as excellent.

During the meeting it was voted to divide the club membership into six teams, each team to have a director as captain. A trophy is to be awarded the team showing the highest attendance.

BOONVILLE TO STAGE DUAL PROGRAM FRIDAY

A dual program will be presented at Boonville school Friday evening, beginning at 7:30. A baby contest, sponsored by the newly organized Beta Club, and a Tom Thumb wedding, presented by the teachers of the primary grades, will be the attractions.

Nine babies are entered in the contest and the cast of characters for the wedding includes approximately sixty children. The proceeds of the entertainment will go towards buying seats for the gallery in the auditorium.

A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

AUCTION SALE TO BE HELD MONDAY AT 2:00

A land sale, to be staged by the W. R. Weir Auction Co., of Winston-Salem, will be held Monday afternoon starting at 2 p. m. At this time over 2,000 feet of hard surface road frontage located on the Elkin-Boonville highway about four miles east of here, will be sold in small acreage tracts. Included in the property to be sold is one tract containing a four-room house.

As a feature of the auction, a jar of money will be given away free.

EASTER, Yesterday and Today—by A. B. CHAPIN



Sticks Up Surry Loan & Trust Co. At Point Of Gun

(Continued from front page)

way Patrolman Lee Phillips was close by and a real race was on.

The patrolman stated his motorcycle made 83 miles an hour 14 miles to the Yadkin river at Donaha, through East Bend, where the robber turned his car north, injuring an axle in the turn.

The officers motorcycle was getting hot and he commandeered the car driven by Harvey Gentry, who had followed them, but at this point Mathews and Hurt came up taking in the patrolman and the three followed the disabled car eight miles until a tire was shot down. Christian took it all easy, and said he "hoped nothing would be said about it."

While the prisoner was being prepared to return to Dobson jail the Surry county jailor, L. C. Cassell, his son, and Elmer Slaydon, assistant jailor, drove up and took charge of the prisoner, returning him to Dobson jail. He admitted everything but insists he was alone in the daring daylight holdup.

Sheriff A. L. Inscore and other deputies hurried to Boonville after being notified, but arrived five minutes after the chase left Boonville going east on No. 67 by East Bend and across the Yadkin river. Forsyth Sheriff Ernie Shore and deputies also had every highway entering Winston-Salem guarded and Sheriff Harvey Boyd of Surry was soon on the scene to render what aid he could.

Christian, the robber, is a nice looking youngster, 21 years old and a son of John Christian, a respected citizen of Pinnacle. So far as can be learned Douglas Christian had not been in trouble before. His brother, John Christian, Jr., is a well known Winston-Salem character, said to be a bootlegger of fame, and has recently returned from serving a term in federal prison.

NOTICE

By order of the Mayor and Board of Town Commissioners in their meeting of March 1, 1937, a mass meeting of the citizens of Elkin was called for April 2, 1937, at 7:30 P. M., in the school auditorium, for the purpose of nominating a Mayor and Board of Commissioners for the election to be held in May.

WANTS

We buy scrap iron and steel. Double Eagle Service Co., Elkin, N. C. tfc

Squibbs Mineral Oil, quart size 89c. Antacid Powder, large size 50c. Nyseptol, pint 49c. Gallon Mineral Oil \$2.25. Turner Drug Co., Elkin, N. C. tfn

Just received a good assortment of nice inexpensive jewelry, dress flowers, children's hats, baby caps and bonnets, baby dresses, white and assorted colors, ladies' blouses and children's bags. Just the things you need to fix up for Easter. Somers & Co. 5 & 10c Store. 4-8-1tp

WANTS

Protect your buildings or roof with GUARDWELL, a semi-liquid roofing. Makes new roofs last longer, old roofs like new. Four months trial, no money down. Guaranteed 10 years. See or write Colin Couch, Elkin, N. C. 4-1-p

Don't miss seeing our line of candies this week. Fresh chocolates, cocoanut bonbons, orange slices, mixtures, Easter candies, etc. Somers & Co. 5c & 10c Store.

For Sale: One four-volume encyclopedia set, one dictionary—one new Thesaurus. \$5. Call Tribune office. ttp

Yoke of Cattle for sale or trade. Six years old, weight 1000 to 1200 lbs. Will sell or trade for mules. J. E. Hudson, Elkin, N. C. 4-8-1tp

Special, while they last, one lot of linoleum rugs, assorted sizes. It will pay you to see them. Also one lot of rag rugs at special prices. See the line at Somers & Co.'s Basement Store.

Pianos—Small grand, well known make, used only a short time, as good as new. Also used upright. To be sold to reliable party for unpaid balance of original account. Cash or liberal terms to reliable party. For information as to location, address Lee Piano Company, Lynchburg, Va. 4-1c

Large size Aeroplane Type Fan complete with motor, \$15.00. Ed Church, at the Rendezvous, Jonesville. tfc

For Sale—Pony Planer, especially suitable for planing lumber at sawmill. Good condition. Will sell cheap. Carolina Furniture Manufacturers. 1tc

For Sale or Trade—1934 model Chevrolet Tudor. Excellent condition. Mont Jones, tfc.

Squibbs Mineral Oil, quart size 89c. Antacid Powder, large size 50c. Nyseptol, pint 49c. Turner Drug Co., Elkin, N. C. tfn

Don't fail to see our Easter Greeting Card display. Anything you need from 1c to 25c each with envelope. Somers & Co.'s 5 & 10c Store.

For Sale—One extra good Hot Point electric range. Here's a real buy for someone. Better see it quick! Harris Electric Co., Elkin, N. C. 1c

Now is the time to buy your needs in garden and flower seed. We can furnish you with most anything you need, and at prices that are right. Somers & Co. 5 & 10c Store.

Used "A" model Ford and Chevrolet parts for sale for models from 1926 to 1930. Also, we do topping and upholstery work. W. M. Reece Garage, Elkin, N. C. 4-8

For sale at auction, Monday, March 29, at 10 a. m., two milk cows, two shoats, plows and other farming tools, also some household and kitchen furniture. Mrs. J. S. Holcomb, Benham, N. C. 1tp.

If you have the Dixie white garden bean to sell see us at once. Somers & Co. 5 & 10c Store.

Will pay 35c for 100 guinea hens, not over three years old, delivered to Long Creek Lodge, Devotion, N. C. 1tc

Castevens Hardware Company will save you money on Men's and Boys' shoes and Oliver farm equipment. Castevens Hardware Co. tfn

Wanted to repair — radios. Our expert thoroughly knows his business. Prices right. Harris Electric Co., Elkin, N. C. tfc

This is to advise you that there will be a class initiation held with Elkin Council No. 96 Jr. O. U. A. M., Elkin, N. C., March 25th, at 7:30 P. M. All members are requested to be present.

REAL ESTATE

For Sale: 50 acre farm, good six room house, new feed barn about 25x30 ft., two tobacco barns, 1-2 mile hardsurface road, 5 miles from Elkin. Price \$1750, \$750 cash, balance over period of 10 years.

Remember Arlington, the progressive building little town, with no town taxes. Select your lot before someone gets it first. Also good close-in residence lots in Elkin. Will build your own selection and give you easy terms.

D. C. MARTIN Realtor and Contractor

FREE! If excess acid causes you Stomach Ulcers, Gas Pains, Indigestion, Heartburn, Belching, Bloating, Nausea, get free sample doctor's prescription, Udga, at Turner Drug Co. 6-3p

BABY CHICKS — The time to start your chicks is here and this season we have the finest breeding flocks to produce hatching eggs that we have ever had. We are specializing on New Hampshire Reds but hatch all of the other leading breeds. Hatch off every Tuesday morning and chicks are now on hand and ready for delivery. Place your order early and avoid disappointment later and don't forget that every egg set by us is disinfected and every chick hatched fumigated, which renders them as free from disease as a chick can be made. Call in to see us and let us explain our methods before placing your order. Do not buy re-handled chicks, get them from some local hatchery. Mount Airy Hatchery, Mount Airy, N. C. tfc

Do you want plenty of eggs from strong, fast growing young chicks? If so feed Panamin. We have it. Abernethy's, A Good Drug Store, Elkin, N. C. tfn

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REICH AND HUNT REALTORS

HOMES FOR SALE
 7-rom. home on Gwyn Av. \$2850
 6-rom. home in Chatham park \$1250
 8-rom. home in E. Elkin \$1650
 6-rom. home in W. Elkin \$2750
 6-rom. W. Elkin extension \$1000
 5-rom. E. Elkin \$1500
 6-rom. N. Elkin \$1650
 5-rom. in Jonesville \$1000
 10 rm. home and out building 6 miles out on hard surface with 8 acres \$1850
 On easy terms.