Driver's Clinic

newspaper by the State Depart- the effectiveness of the brake

system?

Q. How can you easily measure

A. With the car standing still,

push down on the brake pedal.

If it can be depressed to within

one inch of the floor-board, the

brakes need attention. Then drive

at slow sppeed, apply the brakes

abruptly. If the car pulls sharp-

ly to one side, brakes are un-

equalized. At higher speeds it

could throw a car out of control.

useful around a car?

Q. How can a newspaper be

A. Spread out, it can be used

to protect clothing when inspect-

ing underneath the car. It can

be used to clean spark plugs and

wires. It may be taped to the

windshield and windows over-

be left underneath the car over-

night to detect a suspected oil leak. It may be spread on the

floor of a car during long cold

drives to keep the feet warm.

It's handy for cleaning wind-

Q. How do you keep ice off the

A. Best are electrical or hot

air defrosters. Glycerine may be

rubbed on the windshield. A small

porous sack of wet salt rubbed on

the windshield is fine for emer-

shields after rainy weather.

windshield?

A question and answer column to a lower gear.

on traffic safety, driving and

automobiles conducted for this

Question: Why is it dangerous

Answer: In neutral, the braking

power of the engine is lost, leav-

ing the driver with only the

brakes to check down-hill momen-

tum. On long down-grades it's

possible to burn out linings by

controlling the car with the brakes

Q. Many short-haul trips re-

A. Short trips seldom allow

quire frequent oil changes. Why?

the engine to reach its most favor-

able operating temperature. If

the engine is not operated in the

proper temperature range oil di-

lution occurs, necessitating fre-

Q. What should you do if your

A. Several things, depending

on traffic, location and other

hazards. Normally, one or more

of these would help: apply emer-

gency brake, shift to lower gear,

cut ignition, steer along the

edge of the curb with the right

wheels, steer onto the shoulder of

hydraulic brakes suddenly go

quent changes.

ment of Motor Vehicles.

to coast downhill in neutral?

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Not Forgetting The Haw River

The decision of Governor Hodges to ask for the designation by the University authorities of a person to give a hearing to custodial workers who might have grievances rescues the University from an untenable position.

The right of peaceable asemblage to petition for a redress of grievances is one guaranteed by the United States Constitution. It is a right, moreover, in accord with basic human rights; since an evasion of it, or a refusal to grant it, can bring on nothing but smoldering resentment, accusations of tyranny, and finally some sort of explosion.

University officials did not assume this position by their own motion; it was laid as an obligation upon them by the resolution adopted several years ago by the trustees declaring the University lacked legal authority to bargain collectively with a labor union.

It might be argued that to bargain collectively is one thing and to present a stony face to grievances is another. But aside from that point is the fact that the University has many employees of many different sorts, that adjustments and changes are necessary from time to time, and that when grievances arise there ought to be a time and place where they can be aired and dealt with.

It cannot be argued that the University is a mythus or disembodied spirit which is unable to meet men on an every-day plane. It is, on the contrary, a human institution set up to meet human needs.

A basic American tenet is government by the consent of the governed. If such consent is denied or evaded, what is taught in the classroom is contradicted by what is done on the campus.

Laughing At The Laws

careless and reckless driving, he testified:

know, but never convicted." The judge couldn't believe his ears. He

leaned over to ask:

"Did you say three or four times?" "No", said the witness, "I said 34 times

and never convicted".

It can be imagined what effect such testimony makes on the officers, attendants and spectators at a traffic court, on the survivors of murderous highway accidents, and on the highway patrolmen who night and day work to keep the State's accident record down.

Not many witnesses in a local court are as out to create a sensation. But unfortunately cynical as the one who on last Friday testi- such testimony tallies too much with prevailfied in a hearing at Lillington, county seat of ing rumors in some localities that "influence" Harnett. Examined as to his knowledge of or the hidden "fix" is the deciding factor in traffic cases and other matters where misde-"I've been tried 34 times, if you want to meanors rather than higher crimes are in-

> Corruption in high places is sometimes exposed and punished, but the same thing in the lower places may be just as corroding without being disclosed except by some acci-

It is often suspected that far too much of the slaughter on the highways is due to persons who ought not to have the use of a car or a highway. What is to be said about a traffic violator cynical as the one who on last It may be that the witness in question was Friday testified on trials without conviction.

To Hear Grievances Is Common Sense

If the Yadkin River can be freed of pollu- Yadkin, has been subject to pollution by dyes, tion, what about the Haw?

This question comes to mind when we read in a report from the State Stream Sanitation Committee that 42 out a total of 82 polluters, including towns and industries, have volunteered to help with the program designed to clean up the streams of the Yadkin Basin.

That, we hope, is the sign of a better day for North Carolina's noble rivers. Among these none surpasses the historic Yadkin which beginning in the mountains widens

el Hill become the Cape Fear which also runs charges poured into it.

Yet the Haw, perhaps even worse than the overlook the Haw.

debris, and discharges from mills and munic-

Every year there is an increasing demand for bathing and boating facilities closer to Chapel Hill than the seashore, and some facilities have been set aside for the University at the Buggs Island development.

The broad Haw passes within a few miles the clutch except when shifting gencies. of Chapel Hill and at certain points offers great possibilities for development. But such into the stately Pee Dee and passes out to sea. a development will not take place as long as The Haw is not as long as the Yadkin, but the bountiful river is fouled up to the point

All good wishes to the Yadkin, but let's not

Belts Or Shoulder Harnesses it has spots and stretches of beauty as great, where nearby residents complain of the odor and after it joins the Deep not far from Chap- and where even the fish cannot stand the dis-Elkin Tribune certain the effects of a crash.

Andrew J. White, director of Motor Vehicles Research, Inc., of New Hampshire, recently charged that safety belts being oversold as a cure-all preventing injuries to automobile occupants. White is of the opinion that only shoulder harness prevent injuries which are caused from the head being smashed against the dashboard, or against the side of the car, or roof.

White was not speaking as an inexperienced safety official. In fact, he himself recently underwent crash tests with safety belts, in an effort to find out how much actual good a four-inch lap belt did when an automobile experienced a sudden impact while traveling over 40 miles an hour.

White reports that when the car crashed through the test barrier, he could brake himself well enough to prevent his head from going forward or from experiencing sideward motion of dangerous proportions. He was using an emergency-absorbing gadget installed on the dashboard, and was not — of course — bouncing his head on the dashboard to as-

In the Eighteenth Century com-

Chips That Fall

Walt Partymiller in New York Gazette & Daily

"Raleigh, the Mercantile City". So reads a line in a conspicuous sign near the No. 1 highway. Such a proclamation will be surprising to those persons who have known Raleigh for years but have thought of it as political, or social, or educational, rather than mercantile. Somehow the adjective "mercantile" looks out of place as pinned to the name of Raleigh. How come that sign to make that boast?

Some of the old school of weather prophets, noting the thicker hair on the horses night to prevent frosting. It may and cows, are predicting a cold winter and probable snow. This variety of folklore never sounds convincing. In the first place, the winter hair on animals is always thicker in winter than in summer, and in the second place, fairly deep snow falls in the Chapel Hill area at intervals of about five years. Calculated on that basis, some snow may be expected this winter and is likely to

> year. A discussion is going the rounds of the papers as what attracts tourists to a State, and there is some agreement the chief yearning is for native foods with a basic appeal. The Charleston, W. Va. Gazette declares the tourist "wants dishes unique to the

be deeper than that of last

locale". Our observation is that hardly anything attracts the attention of visitors to this area like a basket of hushpuppies on the dining table. And it is to be noted that in South Carolina the tourist is delighted to be introduced to hoppin' john and in Louisiana to a po'boy sandwich.

The food should be local but exotic, and have a local but exotic name.

Now that Chapel Hill has seen its last football game of the year, the post-game cleaners-up will now put their bags and hooks away until next September. A regiment of men has had to work every football weekend to pick up the paper alone. The next most discarded article is chicken bones. The homeless dogs of the town get fat on these during the fall season, but have lean pickings after Thanksgiving. Left behind on and under the stadium seats are baskets of gloves, coats, sweaters, glasses, and ticklers. And sometimes expensive cameras.

Discussion has been stirred up by the attempt of some of the actors in the "Pompey's Head" film to speak with a pronounced Southern accent.

Which Southern accent? Virginia Tidewater, N. C. coastal, South Carolina low country, Georgia cracker, Mississippi Delta or Louisiana cajun?

All these accents are different, and are unmistakable to the initiated.

Our suggestion to film makers is that, except for

London and Washington In Face of Inflation

RICHARD L. STROUT In Christian Science Monitor

Nobody can sit at a typewriter in Washington as an observer of the current political scene without being struck by the difference in the way they do things in London.

Over there the Chancellor of the Exchequer, R. A. Butler, had just told Englishmen in good-natured but definitive tones that they are going to pay a whole lot more taxes because they have been buying more goods than the British factories can produce, and that with an economy operating at top level and a labor shortage the choice is between taxes and

Wham! Goes the announcement, and every Englishman knows he has had it. If the taxpayers don't like it they can protest and after some years perhaps vote the Conservatives out of power. For the moment, however, the British budget is going to be balanced, and overbalanced, the compensatory theory of economy is going to be applied, and the brakes thrown on to a boom which threatened to get inflation-

This is responsible government under the parliamentary system. It is easier in some ways to operate than the American because there is no division between the executive and the legislature. When the Cabinet decides Parliament goes along.

Things are different here in Washington. The prospect is that a number of inflationary things are going to be done as soon as Congress reassembles which will have the effect of increasing purchasing power. Everybody, of course, favors more purchasing

power provided there to purchase. If then purchasing power than competition for good prices up and there Inflation cuts down

trust funds, of life savings, of old age takes the value out of er's wage increase he spends it. That is the situation ened in Great Britain a situation which has

some economists,

threaten in the United The government has plying the brakes mild increasing effectivene inflation for something year. It has sent up t borrowing money and the availability of loan ly this hasn't ple groups, like the constr dustry which is finding of expansion slowed idea behind the mild prolong the preser boom - not burn it!

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Letters to the Editor So let's love and bl

To the Editor:

I read a reprint of your editorial in the New South, a publication by Regional Council of Atlanta, Ga., entitled "We Are

I heartily agree with you America is on trial, as humans the world over look to America to 'see' how and why we progress and are endowed with so many blessings.

And they also point out some

of our faults. I was born and received my early schooling in Houston, Texas and I have experienced some of the problems in the South, for I am a so-called "Negro".

We do have a race problem all over America; some communities more than others.

One of the reasons they came to America was freedom to worship God. Maybe God "caused" them to come and create a place where "He" could "work through them freely". They had become "willing to let their light (God) shine". (Creating our Constitution and Bill of Rights)

Maybe that is why the word "creator" is mentioned many times in our Constitution.

I believe our Constitution and Bill of Rights are two of the greatest documents in the universe but the job is to teach, train and encourage all American's to grow in intelligence and wisdom until they reach a degree that they become willing (not forced) to apply the two ideals in their daily living with each other.

There are three ways to see the problem of mixed schools: the White way, the Negro way, and God's way.

I have faith in God's way and if the good Americans of both groups will meet, reason and become willing to let God work and think through them they will solve this problem.

We do have some "die-hards" with mistaken beliefs about each other, and you may have a few "fights" (smile), but they too have a right to their belief whether we agree with them or not.

special purposes, they just let their people speak good, everyday, straightforward language. Then everybody can understand it and get on with the film without being distracted by accents from due attention to the story.

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Who Does The Playing?

By SIDNEY SWAIM ROBINS

A clergyman was commenting on Dr. Richard Cabot's book, "What Men Live By" (work, play, love and worship). When he got to the "play", he read from some old Puritan father who was opposed to it, saying: "If you let your children play when they are young, then they will play when they are grown

A dreadful prospect indeed! The preacher said we all need play to rest one set of muscles, relax the nerves, and stimulate the active imagination so that we can work better and live more.

The speaker went on to say that we are apt to take too much of our play by proxy, —that is to say, by spectating. He said play was better from the public standpoint when more people took an active part in it, as well as more fun to you when you were in there playing yourself.

Receptive Play

How true that must be! I have so often thought of what a good time the people up there in the orchestra must be having. Theirs is the accomplishment, of harmony and whatever, in the first place. They certainly deserve an audience most of the time, but surely we overdo the merely receptive kind of play. We go to see other people play ball, make music, give plays, put on the gloves. We are entertained by all kinds of experts.

We learn quite a lot, get some relaxation from work, and through sympathy get some sense of achievement and glory when our team wins or when the maestro gets the high notes good and clear. Possibly we get ready to answer the \$64,000 question about who clouted the base-ball furthest, and when and where, and

what teams were playing, and who was doing the pitching.

In the new medium of televisthe seventh inning. The dish is rather pacifist, designed for comcrooked elbow. Look at the ads!

somebody else do it.

ate committee inquiring into the causes of juvenile delinquency. The other day ex-president Truman wrote him that the two main causes of delinquency were, first, parents passing up the responsi-

CARLTON MORRIS

In Gates County Index

longing for the good old days

when cars were made out of good

material. That line of thought I

do not go along with at all. All

cars are being built better and

better to meet the present high

quality demand. This I know, for

I first owned a Model T and cars

that I owned 20 years ago

wouldn't last 60 days under the

present service that I demand of

a car. I can recall many bright

sunny Sunday afternoons when I

started out to see my best girl

dressed in spotless white ducks

and I remember how bedraggled

I looked when I finnally arrived

after spending hours beside the

road repairing a tire on a de-

mountable rim. We didn't have

Occasionally, I hear someone

ion everything is reduced to a three - dimensional plane surface. You miss the contagious enthusiasm of the fellow in the next bench to you, and you probably do not rise and try your lungs at fort, and in some cases for the

The fact is we are in some danger of becoming a nation of kibitzers, which is to say people whose idea of play is watching

Senator Kefauver heads a Sen-

bility of being with and raising their own children; and, secondly, children not having enough chores to do.

My wife's comment on the second point was that there simply are not enough chores for children to do any more. There are too many buttons to punch. It struck me though that we make the matter worse by giving them so many wonderful toys instead of just starting them, if they need help, on making their own. How often we have seen a man sell a house just as soon as he has had all the fun of making it just to suit him!

I can't prove this, but I strongly suspect that we "retired" people lose our muscles by not using them, and our minds in exactly the same way. And even our hearts: there is one thing you can't risk kibitzing with a min-

Funny About Cars

far from home. In those days, normal pressure for a tire was 60 pounds, while now it is 24 pounds, and my present auto doesn't even have any tubes in the tires.

I realize that cars in those days were supposedly built to withstand the roads of that era, and present-day low-slung models wouldn't have a chance under

conditions that prevailed then. I remember when Walter P. Chrysler came out with his series which went by numbers. Someone claimed they would do at least 60 miles an hour. No one believed it.

Then I took my first ride in a Model A Ford. I came home and

spare tires in those days, but we told all the boys it would get up did have a hand pump and a to 50 miles an hour in a quarter patching kit or we didn't venture of a mile, and I was convinced it would do 70 miles an hour at top speed. Since few of the boys in our neighborhood had even seen this breath-taking car and none of them had been privileged to ride in it, I was dubbed an immediate liar.

People are funny about their cars. Once a man starts using one particular brand, he seldom changes and will swear to the world that his is the best on the market. And there are more lies told about gas mileage than all the politics added together.

Do the duty which lieth nearest to thee: Thy second duty will already have become cleared—

White wore a nylon safety harness in other tests, and this assembly, he reports, prevented his upper body from smashing into the dashboard and from crashing into the top of the car. The lesson to be learned is that

the safety belt is better than nothing, but is not as efficient as a shoulder harness. Aircraft pilots have known this all along and it is for this reason that the Air Force require all its pilots to wear a harness. A harness keeps the shoulders and lower back in place in most crashes, and thereby prevents injuries in a far greater number of cases than a lap belt alone can or does.

But — with all due respect to Mr. White and those who seek to make auto driving safer - if we reach the place where we have to spend most of our times buckling up and unbuckling, we're going to lose much of the time an automobile saves us in the first place. If all drivers would just use common sense and courtesy, we wouldn't need any straps or harness or anything else to make motoring safe.

SALEM CANDLE TEAS

munity of Old Salem, Winston-Salem, Moravian Candle Teas open the Christmas season on December 1, 2 and 3. On these dates, from 2 p.m. until 9 p.m., the historic Brothers' House built on Salem Square in 1768 opens its doors to the public. Visitors see demonstrations of beeswax candle-making, an enlarged "putz", depicting the Nativity scene and Salem in the 1800's: and hostesses in early Salem costume serving the traditional sugar cake and lovefeast coffee. Moravian Christmas stars hang above Salem doorways. Thin, spicy Moravian Christmas cakes are available at local shops along with Christmas stars and the fragrant Christmas candles which are distributed to the congregation at the Christmas Lovefeast at Home Horavian Church on Christmas Eve.