

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Table with subscription rates for Duplin and adjoining counties, elsewhere in North Carolina, and outside North Carolina. Columns include 6 Mos., Year, and Tax.

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK: "We walk by faith, not by sight."—II Corinthians 5:7.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "The fire you kindle for your enemy often burns yourself more than him."—Chinese Proverb.

Duplin Officials Will Be Chosen

The ones who cry the loudest about government are usually the ones who do not even take the trouble to vote. Every citizen should not only vote, but should inform himself of the election machinery and methods.

Each precinct will hold a precinct meeting at which every registered voter should be present. At that meeting officers for the precinct will be elected and delegates will be elected to the county convention.

An active, informed and alert electorate will assure able and trustworthy officials.

Poverty In Prosperity

THE WILMINGTON STAR

Pockets of poverty which exist in both the state and nation, even though our country is in one of its most prolonged periods of peacetime prosperity, rightly concern many people including both our President and our Governor.

How to tackle these pockets of poverty and how to overcome the seemingly built-in hard-core unemployment that helps to breed these unfortunate conditions are two of the tasks facing both the nation and the state in the year ahead.

North Carolina has planned an assault on the problem through its North Carolina Fund which will attempt to break the "cycle of poverty" in our state.

At the national level, President Johnson is planning to propose new legislation in the next session of Congress aimed at reducing domestic poverty. His program is expected to be large and far-reaching but we don't believe it can make appreciable progress unless it deals more with correcting the causes rather than just doing out handouts in make-do programs.

Our state and our nation will need forceful effort and specific programs for overcoming the cycles of poverty in this most prosperous era of our country.

North Carolina has a good chance to set an example in this endeavor for the rest of the nation.

Tending Fire

FROM THE OTTAWA JOURNAL

A man who has a fireplace need never be lonely. A fire, correctly tended requires thought and attention; in return, it offers warmth, music, and beauty.

There are utilitarian souls who assume that a fireplace is meant only to warm people. But he who tends a fire knows that it means much more. A man who cherishes his fire wants a deep bed of ashes; he wants a solid backlog of oak or hard maple.

A man who is fortunate enough to cut his own wood and has a choice, sees to it that he has several kinds. The resin of pine or cedar means quick, hot heat, yellow flames, and a pleasant odor; yellow birch gives an orange-yellow flame; burns long and steady; old apple wood means fragrance and a clear bluish flame. Elm has deep russet flames

and when the wood has been sacrificed, the log is a pattern of white ash in squares and rectangles. Balsam and spruce crackle and spit and must be watched.

Don't poke your fire too much, but use judgment as you put on the logs. A moderately high fire creates its own draft. A good hearth tender uses his broom occasionally, but doesn't worry if a few ashes spill out.

Tending fire is for the patient man. It fosters deep thoughts and a contentment with the simple basic things in life.

It is good to read that home owners are again asking for fireplaces. Mechanical heat has its good points and one wants it. But somehow, a home is more meaningful if flames paint a picture in a fireplace and a man has a chance to tend his fire.

On Huffing, Puffing And Health

THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER

In case any of our tobacco industry people were getting concerned about publicity surrounding the disputed smoking-cancer link, the Agriculture Department made an announcement that should let them breathe easier.

In 1963, according to the department Americans smoked 523 billion cigarettes, almost 3 per cent more than in 1962.

A report on smoking habits and the incidence of cancer, being prepared by the President's Advisory Committee on Smoking and Health, is due this month. Most people predict that it will be the most positive indictment yet of cigarette smoking.

But it may be anti-climatic, coming as it does on the heels of the American Cancer Society's shocker of early December. Observers who have seen such studies come and go predict that some scared people will swear off momentarily, then start lighting up again. Smoking has increased for seven years, roughly paralleling the period which produced the warning scientific studies.

High Price For Fireworks Law

South Carolina legislators are terribly slow to learn about some things. Time after time tragic events have proven the state's existing law on fireworks to be as bad as no law at all.

Five people are dead in North Charleston, 14 injured and a store demolished, tragic proof of the need for a total, or near total, ban on fireworks. The shattered store is only a short distance from the city limits of Charleston, which has a local ordinance banning fireworks.

will five graves stir the General Assembly of 1964 to enact a ban? It is by no means a certainty.

In 1956 a booming explosion of fireworks wrecked a Laurens ice cream store, damaged an auto and shattered windows far away. Five years ago a similar explosion injured a youth and literally tore his station wagon to pieces. Over the years, eyes, hands and faces have been injured throughout the state.

The current law, such as it is, is virtually impossible to enforce. Police men must



"HE WON'T HAVE ANY PICNIC ON US!"

be ordinance experts to determine which pyrotechnics are permissible and which are illegal. Those which are permitted-roman candles, bottle-type rockets, cylindrical fountains, cone fountains, wheels, illumination-torches and colored fire, sparklers and firecrackers of certain sizes-pack enough punch to jeopardize life and limb.

Each item has a legal limit on the number of grams of explosive mixture it may contain, which puts police in the slide rule business, but there is nothing to prevent a city from using an atomic bomb in a public display if it wanted to and could get one.

Many bills have been introduced to stop the maiming and the slaughter. Last year Sens. Bradley Morrah of Greenville, and Cecil Grimes of Georgetown introduced legislation to ban everything except sparklers and caps for toy pistols. The bill passed the Senate, but House members surrendered to the pressures of the lobbyists and buried the bill in a sub-committee, where it still lies.

It will be interesting to see what the fireworks lobby has to say about North Charleston this year; what ever it is we hope this General Assembly won't listen.

SENATOR SAM ERVIN

SAYS



WASHINGTON---The enormous burdens of the Presidency and the current vacancy in the office of Vice President have focused attention again on the problem of Presidential succession.

Prior to 1947 members of the Cabinet were next in line of succession after the Vice President. That method enacted in law in 1886 started the order of succession with the Secretary of State and went through the individual members of the Cabinet. Justification for that approach was that it was the best way to achieve continuity in government.

In 1947 the "cabinet method" was changed by an Act of Congress which designated the Speaker of the House of Representatives to act as President in the event of "death, resignation, removal from office, inability, or failure to qualify" where there is neither a President or Vice President "to discharge the powers and duties of the office of President." This change came about largely as a result of the recommendation of President Truman who felt that Congress ought to put an elected official as next in line of succession rather than continue the old system of succession by appointive Cabinet members.

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Contract growing, naturally, works for and demands quality. The best and longest example of contract crop growing is in cucumbers. And another 8,000 acres of cucumbers can be contracted for by pickle manufacturers if farmers are interested for this year.

Once the contract growing of truck crops has become so well established that it is considered the general practice, it will be a natural step toward the establishment of other processing plants-canning, drying, freezing, juicing. Eastern North Carolina can be expected to become a vegetable processing center such as has long operated in New Jersey and other states.

The future is purchased by the present. Samuel Johnson

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Since this is a matter of concern to the country, I am hopeful that I can put my thoughts into a bill during the Congressional recess, and introduce such a measure for the consideration of the Congress.

"I REMEMBER"

Yes I remember of my family finally moving to the Cripple Creek District in Colorado, for my mother's health.

Yes I remember of later on, singing there in the saloons. I remember a young man would come up from Colorado Springs, once in a while and join us, his name Lon Chaney.

Yes I remember of meeting the Western Pacific train at the Oakland Depot, to meet my girl friend, Friday, April 11th, 1913. I remember a sharp eyed newsman, directing me out of the hall of records to the court house.

On this April 11th we celebrate our Golden Wedding Anniversary. They have been most happy years.

Sleep has never taken over until some misunderstanding, had been forgiven.

We took the most precious Vow, "Until Death Do Us Part" and how could you brush that aside.

Love, understanding, a willingness to be guided and devotion, should bring you out, with lots of friends and happy remembrances.



A Lend-Lease bill was introduced in Congress, January 10, 1941. The U.S. Army contacted the moon by radar, January 10, 1946. An epidemic of Cholera swept Europe, January 11, 1592. Amelia Earhart-Putnam started a solo flight across the Pacific, January 11, 1935. Amelia Earhart completed solo flight Hawaii to California, first woman to make flight, January 12, 1935. Congress decreed that the flag should have 15 stripes and 15 stars, January 13, 1794. Congress ratified treaty of peace with England, January 14, 1784. A three-element vacuum radio tube was patented by Lee de Forest, January 15, 1907. The Prohibition Amendment went into effect, January 16, 1920. General Dwight Eisenhower arrived in Europe to take over the Allied forces command, January 16, 1944.

Of Interest

BY MRS. ELLA V. PRIDGEN

GOD THE SOURCE OF TRUE WISDOM

Reverence for God is the foundation of true wisdom. Wisdom's source in God is found in the role of God as creator and sustainer of the Universe. There is no true wisdom without a spiritual vision. Reverence for God gives the highest goals to man's use of his mind, his thoughts must not be used to attain or justify his own selfish ends, but must be used in the understanding and doing of the will of God.

True wisdom is composed of both faith and reason. True wisdom is a gift of the Spirit of God. Only God understands everything perfectly; therefore, only God has perfect wisdom. The Book of Job is the story of a man's quest for wisdom. (Difference between knowledge and wisdom).

The huge sums of money spent in educational enterprises are examples of man's search for wisdom.

In spite of our massive efforts in behalf of education, there is a wide spread of uneasiness about our results. We might suggest that the wisdom literature of the Old Testament provide the clue to our deficiency.

Job, Proverbs, and Ecclesiastes are the Wisdom Books of the Old Testament.

Uncle Pete From Chittlin Switch

SAYS DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

The fellers at the country store Saturday night was discussing everthing from Vietnam to the Congress and from foreign aid to wimmen.

They was a little confusion on some items, fer instants Zeke Grubb argued Vietnam was in South America and nobody claimed to know nothing about wimmen. But, general speaking, the fellers was overflowing with wisdom on all matters.

First off, Ed Poolittle said he wanted to pay his respects to them noble Congressmen on the matter of trying to git their wages raised \$10,000 a year. Ed allowed as how ever Congressman in Washington knowed--- when he was beating the bushes fer votes two years ago exact what the wage scale was fer the job. He was of the opinion that any Congressman that had any respect fer hisself or his constituents would wait till after the general election in November afore voting hisself a fat hike in pay. Ed figured a Congressman had ought to come home and tell the voters he was going to support a bill fer more pay and then let the people give him the raise if he was elected. That made sense to all the fellers and it was so voted.

Zeke brung up the matter of foreign aid again. It has got to the place where Zeke gits so mad about this foreign aid business his old lady has to put a ice bag on his head ever time he picks up the morning paper. Zeke said maybe Vietnam

WH BOYS at school had a game called "foot and a half." No paraphernalia was needed except a makeshift spring board, and the objective was to spring over the boy who was "down" a certain distance away, at a point which the "setter" called. If the setter could not make the leap, he had to go down himself, that is if some other boy made it. But if the setter called it "one and over" and no one challenged it, the one and over stood, and the setter and the others would jump as far as they could and then from the place where they landed would leap over the down.

At least that is the way I remember it. Of an incident I am sure. The spot where many boys' feet had landed had been gouged out in the soft earth a little depression, and when a fellow gets in great trouble he calls upon God? When Roy tried to crawl away, he said, "O God." Years afterward, when the fortunes of life brought Roy and me to live in the same city, I recalled to him the mishap of his boyhood. Soon afterward, he as an official of one of our banks asked to make the opening prayer at a bankers' convention to be held in the city. Later he told me that he had thought of telling of the incident I have related when he presented me. But he seemed to think it might not have been the thing to do to remind the men that they needed prayer. But I assured him that it would have been a fitting thing.

He was quoting from a speech by Congressman Otto Passman of Louisiana where the Government agency that holds the old money box fer foreign aid closed out the physical year with nearly 8 billion dollars in unspent funds. Furthermore, Zeke said Congressman Passman reported that more'n a billion dollars of that money wasn't even earmarked or obligated fer nothing, was just laying there idle to be grabbed off by the first country that come along and put up the poorest mouth. Clem Webster announced the only aid program he was backing in the next election was this Federal aid to education bill. He said he had wrote a letter to his Congressman promising his support fer this bill if they would use all the money fer teaching arithmetic in Washington.

Personal Mister Editor, I don't think they was much we can do about money. Slow but certain this item has got the human race in a squeeze. The Bible says it's hard fer a rich man to enter Heaven and it's gitting harder and harder fer a pore man to remain on earth.

Yours truly Uncle Pete

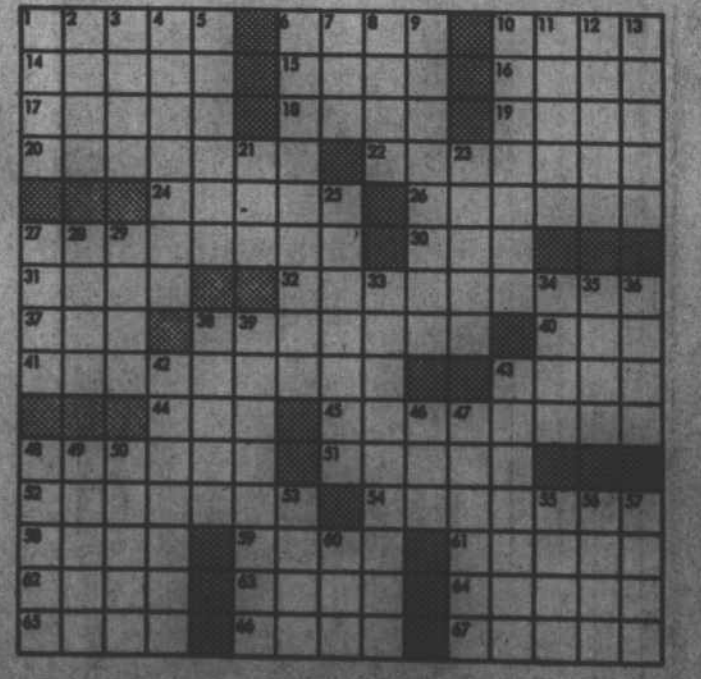
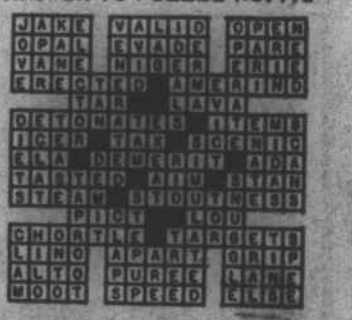
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