

They Should be Taught

An effort to start a driver education course at Newport High School has been undertaken by the Newport Rotary Club. This project is most worthwhile, of course, but it takes on additional significance in this day when interest in driver education courses is waning.

Schools that a year or two ago offered driver education have dropped the course. Morehead City School is one. Throughout the nation only 435 more schools offered driver training courses in 1953 than in 1952, compared to a 1948-49 increase of 2,992 schools. Only 62,000 more students took the courses in 1953 than in 1952, whereas the 1948-49 increase was 234,000.

According to authorities who have studied this waning interest in the face of ever-increasing school enrollment and a high rate of accidents among the younger drivers, the blame lies with the parents, not school administrators.

In a recent article in Minutes magazine, writer Harry Hamilton says, "The only discoverable reason for the slump is lack of public support — which in this case means parental support. The school boards, school administrators, and departments of education all have some influence but by and large it's the parents who determine what's taught in the schools. With few exceptions, it's the parents who have put driver education into the schools."

The value of driver education courses has been proved. In Pennsylvania a study of 3,000 youthful drivers showed that the 1,500 trained drivers had 41 accidents while the untrained 1,500 had 121 accidents. For each dollar invested in driver education the driver education director of the American Automobile Association says \$2.60 has been returned to the communities in the form of savings from accidents that didn't happen.

If parents would show more interest,

obstacles to establishing driver education courses — cost, teacher shortage and overflow enrollment of pupils — could be overcome.

Because the number of youthful driver fatalities last year was 300 more than the year prior, there is talk of making new licensing laws and stricter enforcement. Parents are blamed not only for denying pupils driver education, but for passing their bad driving habits on to their children.

It seems to us that it should be possible to work out a county-wide driver education program here, giving opportunity to all high school students to take the course. A "traveling teacher" with one car visiting the high schools from Atlantic to Newport, would mean that the cost would be spread thin and all potential tene-age drivers would get the much-needed driver education.

One school having a driver education course is better than none and we hope Newport is successful in its efforts to establish one . . .

Maddening Breakdowns

The breakdowns of the Beaufort drawbridge last week caused no end of worry, anxiety and frustration to motorists.

In a matter of minutes traffic piles up at either of the draws between Morehead City and Beaufort when they fail to operate. The machine that will not break down has not yet been built, but we hope the State Highway Department is aware of the chaos that is caused when these drawbridges go on the fritz.

The periodic breakdowns should hasten the day when a new highway between Beaufort and Morehead City is mapped out, complete with modern bridge equipment.

What of United Fund?

The Morehead City Jaycees took the lack of interest in United Fund balloting last week as indication that people aren't concerned about the United Fund proposition one way or the other.

We don't wonder at their disgust with the apathy on the part of the people. On the other hand, we believe if the United Fund drive was really wanted, the people would have voted for it.

In our estimation, unless the four major funds, polio, heart, cancer and TB, joined the campaign, United Fund would accomplish little in the way of a "one fund" drive in any town in the county.

Take out the four major appeals for which drives are conducted here and what is left? Boy and Girl Scouts, Red Cross and Salvation Army. If other charitable enterprises exist in Morehead City and were willing to be included in a one-fund appeal, the public was not informed of that fact.

A United Fund drive in a city of major size is sensible. Look at the agencies included in the Charlotte appeal: American Red Cross, Boy Scouts, Crittenton Home, National Conference of Christians and Jews, Fresh Air Camp, Charlotte Day Nursery (white and Negro), Family and Children's Service, Girl Scouts, Mecklenburg Association for the Blind, Mental Health Clinic, N. C. Children's Home Society, Salvation Army, Traveler's Aid, USO, YMCA and YWCA, Social Planning Council, County Summer Recreation Program, Social Service Index, National Social Welfare Assembly and National Recreation Association.

A united appeal for an array of causes like that has meaning.

The Jaycees are to be commended

for investigating the possibilities of a United Fund here. We believe that they have shown that the people, at present, do not have sufficient interest to support such an appeal. But that does not mean that, perhaps, some time in the future, the United Fund will prove to be the answer in raising money here for worthwhile causes.

How Old's the Customer?

Now that hunting days are upon us, the need for guarding against gun accidents is again brought into focus. One way of preventing accidental gun injury to children was brought to our attention the other day. A businessman who runs a sporting goods store told us that he will not sell ammunition to children. We admire him for following this self-imposed restriction for it has merit from the safety standpoint.

Youngsters these days usually have money of their own to spend — either they earn it or it is given them by their parents. If a boy is anxious to get his hands on a gun (as most of them are), it is conceivable that he would buy ammunition to use, perhaps, in a gun that belongs to his father or another adult member of the family. It could be, too, that he was forbidden to use the gun.

There is no law prohibiting the sale of ammunition to children 16 or under. And passage of such a law would not guarantee that there would, henceforth, be no more gun accidents among youngsters.

But we believe that it would be advisable for sporting goods dealers to be discerning in selling ammunition to youngsters, because bullets and shells are dangerous even when not in a gun.

HURRICANE SEASON



Here and There

By F. C. SALISBURY

FRIDAY, SEPT. 24, 1915

With an enrollment of 11 members, the Morehead City Band was organized Wednesday night. Professor E. F. Prunier of New Bern was in the city and met in the Simmons building with a number of musicians. The officers elected were J. S. Steed, president; Professor E. F. Prunier, teacher; F. L. Royal, leader; C. B. Wade, treasurer; Professor Z. V. Butts, librarian. Others enrolled were E. Stamey Davis, F. Colenda Jr.; J. W. Willis Jr.; Harry Davis, L. E. Coleburn, and Holt Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lincoln and children arrived in the city Sunday from Greensboro and will make their home here.

J. C. Guthrie arrived here from New York Monday, being called home on account of the illness of his son, Roma Guthrie.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Neal P. Davis, Thursday, Sept. 10, a son. Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Coleburn, Tuesday, Sept. 21, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hood of Piners, Va., returned home Monday after spending several days here with Mr. and Mrs. Gurney P. Hood.

Mrs. James M. Arthur and family of Punta Gorda, Fla., arrived in the city last week to make their home here. Mr. Arthur preceded his family here a few weeks ago. Robert Lacy and D. L. Taylor gave a sail Sunday afternoon in honor of the teachers of the city schools and their friends.

The Emmeline J. Piggott Chapter U.D.C. met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. S. Wallace. Mrs. W. M. Webb and Miss Hattie Lewis were elected as delegates to the state convention at Charlotte Oct. 5-8.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McCrady and little son, Robert, of Crisfield, Md., arrived in the city last week. Mr. McCrady represents the firm of Lockwood and Winant, Fulton Market, New York City, and will spend several weeks here in the interest of his firm.

Col. Fred A. Olds, an oldtime writer of state history made a visit to Cape Lookout to watch the building of the breakwater. He also made a visit to Shackelford Banks, writing as follows in the Orphan's Friend:

"Nowhere in the world is there such an orchestra as this one. There are two folk in it. One, tall and slender, plays the violin, giving those old-fashioned tunes, such as 'Money Musk,' 'Leather Britches,' 'The Wind that Shakes the Barley,' and others.

"Besides this player, whose soul was in his eyes and the bow of his fiddle, was a fat little man, but with sightless eyes which are so powerful in the way they appeal to you. In his soul too there was music and his instrument was the biggest sort of dishpan. This he held with his left hand by one handle, and with the deft fingers of the right made really clever music as an accompanist. And so we marched in procession to a bit of green grass with the poor little shacks sprinkled all about.

"Known as 'Forgotten Folks' these people have never had a church, Sunday School or public school. There are 87 of them in all, 33 being children and only three read and write and they are by no means scholars. The people living there work hard, their land would not sprout a collard and they eat more canned goods than any other folks in the state. Everything in the way of food has to come from the mainland."

Smile a While

Teacher: "Joey, give me a sentence using the word 'bewitches.'" Joey, after deep thought: "Youse go on ahead—I'll be witches in a minute."

This is the Law

By CHARLES W. DANIEL

For the N. C. Bar Association

NORTH CAROLINA GAME LAWS

This being the transition period between fishing and hunting season in North Carolina, let's take a look at some of the current game laws.

Who must have licenses? May the game warden confiscate your gun and equipment if you violate the wildlife laws? What are the statutory penalties for breaking the hunting laws? What about Federal statutes controlling migratory birds? These are all questions which stimulate arguments among sportsmen, year in and year out. Here are some facts which may help to settle the hot-stove arguments:

Every person who hunts wild animals or birds must have a license, whether he hunts on his own land or not! The only time that a person may legally kill wildlife without a license (or, during the closed season) is on the spot in protection of his property, person, or crops. For example, if a bear is eating corn and is caught in the act, he may be killed on the spot without a license and without permission from state authority.

But, if it is necessary to track down the marauding animal, permission must be given by the game warden or the Wildlife Resources Commission, and (legally) pursuit must begin within 24 hours after the bear eats the corn.

The types of North Carolina hunting licenses available and the cost of each, good for one year, are:

Statewide, resident, \$3.10; State, non-resident, \$15.75; State combination, hunting and fishing, \$4.10; county (for hunting in county of residence only, \$1.10; hunting guide, \$5.25. Some kind of fishing or hunting license was sold to each of 555,266 persons in North Carolina last year.

The Confiscation Law

The Wildlife Resources Commission, in its 1954-55 pamphlet (covering wildlife laws in effect until Aug. 1, 1955), places this interpretation upon the law of confiscation:

"All devices, instruments, weapons, OR VEHICLES used in the unlawful taking or unlawful attempt to take animals, birds or fish, or used in the unlawful transportation or unlawful sale of the same, MAY be seized by the arresting officer. Such property is to be placed in the custody of the sheriff pending trial, or MAY be returned to the owner provided that he post a bond conditioned upon presentation of the property as evidence at the trial. FOR MAJOR offenses, the court IN ITS DISCRETION, may order the property sold, after guilt has been established. For MINOR offenses, the property MAY be ordered to be returned to the owner."

So, the game warden has the power, if he cares to exercise it, to

confiscate property used in violating game and fish laws. The court hearing a violations case has the power to sell such property, if it cares to do so, in a particularly flagrant case.

Other Penalties

Some of the other penalties which the law may exact from persons convicted of hunting violations, in addition to property confiscation, include:

1. MINIMUM fine for FIRST violation of ALL game laws (unless some statute provides otherwise) is \$10. The maximum fine in such case is \$50, OR, jail for not more than 30 days.
2. For a second offense, minimum and maximum fines are \$35 and \$200, respectively, or jail, or BOTH.
3. License is automatically revoked for any conviction.
4. Taking, or attempting to take deer at night with a light will cost at least \$250 and/or a jail term.
5. Killing a doe deer, at least \$100, and/or jail.

Migratory Bird Laws

Regulations concerning the open seasons, bag limits and other rules for migratory wildfowl, as established by the U. S. Department of Interior have been adopted by our Wildlife Commission and have the full force of State regulations.

Did you know that it unlawful:

- To kill a female bear with cub at her side?
- To kill a bear cub (under 50 pounds)?
- To shoot a 'coon in daylight west of U. S. 1?
- To shoot at or into a squirrel's nest?
- To import gray foxes into 21 west-central counties?
- To hunt or trap near a flood or fire?
- To hunt deer with dogs in and west of Rockingham, Guilford, Randolph, Montgomery, and Anson counties?
- To hunt without landowner's permission?
- To camp in a state-owned wildlife refuge except in designated public areas?
- To bring wild game into North Carolina for stocking purposes without permit?
- To buy or sell rabbits or squirrels for resale?
- To take deer in water at or deeper than its knees?
- To kill game animals or birds from an auto or boat?
- To take birds or game from a baited area?
- To kill game birds on the ground?

Stamp News

By SYD KRONISE

POSTMASTER GENERAL Arthur E. Summerfield announced that high denomination bi-colored stamps will be printed on flat plates. Pregummed paper will be used. He said the cost of production will be about one third of the price of the rotary runs.

THREE special stamps have been issued by Turkey to honor its Red Cross services. The 20 para yellow and 20 p green depict pro-



file views of a nurse flanked by a boy and a girl. The 1 kurus blue shows a nurse holding a child. Each stamp bears the red emblem of the Turkish Red Cross.

Kidd Brewer

Raleigh Roundup

NINTH AND TENTH . . . Although you are hearing more about Good Democrat J. C. Sedberry of Charlotte than about Good Republican Bill Stevens of Lenoir, Stevens probably has a better chance of unseating Democratic Congressman Hugh Q. Alexander in the Ninth than Judge Sedberry has of unseating Republican Charles R. Jonas in the Tenth.

Of course, it could be that both Sedberry and Alexander will win, making the State solidly Democratic again in Washington, but the Ninth is tricky. Almost anybody who knows anything at all about politics will tell you it would have gone Republican on at least a couple of occasions in the happiest days of the seven-year reign of President Harry S. Truman had the District been represented in Washington by any other Democrat than Bob Doughton.

Hugh Alexander knows better than anybody else that he is facing a hard fight. In 1952, he polled 68,624 to 64,682 for Walter P. Johnson, his Republican opponent.

DOOR-TO-DOOR . . . The man who is conducting one of those "different" kinds of campaigns is Bill Stevens of Lenoir. He has a lot of money to spend. The Republican National Committee is letting him have it, and he is also the son-in-law of J. E. Broyhill, Republican big-wig and one of the nation's leading furniture manufacturers.

Stevens and wife are really going after the votes. They are writing thousands of personal letters. They are making door-to-door visits. At the YDC meeting in Charlotte last weekend the older Democrats were warning their young friends that they should not take Bill Stevens too lightly.

Yes, over vast areas of North Carolina the fall election amounts to nothing, with the Democrats having free rein. But in the Ninth and Tenth Congressional Districts—and in a goodly number of counties embraced by these territories—we will witness real battles.

The outcome at this time cannot be predicted with any safety.

COMING BACK? . . . We heard by distant grapevine the other day that a prominent State official turned out to pasture for misbehavior some time ago might soon be re-instated.

DAUGHTER . . . Although Gov. and Mrs. William B. Umstead are both good Methodists, their brilliant little 12-year-old daughter, Merle, is a student at an Episcopal school this year.

While this private institution is operated by the Episcopal Church, there is nothing exclusive about it and scores of Raleigh residents—below-average-income and above-average-income—send their children to the Ravenscroft grammar school and kindergarten.

THE RIDER . . . Can you imagine Secretary of State Thad Eure, astride a mule, setting out from Raleigh to Bakersville?

That's 285 miles — or a longer trip than from the State Capitol in Raleigh to the National Capitol in Washington.

That Eure, although one of the original followers of the donkey party, would not be able to walk for a month after said journey.

Well, we'd say the odds are about one-hundred-to-one he won't have to do that mule-riding. That promises fair and square — or fairly and squarely, if you prefer — he'll take the ride from Capital Square to the Courthouse in Bakersville if Mitchell County goes Democratic in November.

Thad said the other day he figures the trip would take him three weeks — or a little better than 13 miles a day for 21 days, beginning on Nov. 5 and ending Nov. 26. We don't remember when Mitchell County, if ever, went Democratic. We don't much think it will do so this time and, apparently, neither does Thad Eure.

Jane Eads

Washington

Capitalites are already looking forward to the arrival of the Queen Mother of England in November and hoping for an invitation to the reception honoring her at the British embassy.

When Elizabeth was here with her late husband, King George VI, in June 1939 there was a great to-do and many miffed feelings when some very important persons, mainly members of Congress, were not invited to the elaborate garden party given for them by Lord Lindsay, then British ambassador, and Lady Lindsay.

It's a certainty there will be no repetition of such an incident when Sir Roger and Lady Makins entertain the royal visitor due to arrive here Nov. 4. The ambassador is currently in London, undoubtedly talking over plans for Elizabeth's sojourn in the United States.

Though the queen mother will not be on a state visit, she will spend her first two nights at the White House, where President and Mrs. Eisenhower will give a state dinner in her honor in the new green-painted paneled dining room where she and her husband dined on the gold service with 83 as guests of President and Mrs. Roosevelt 15 years ago.

But, just for the record and as background commentary, as they say, on Brother Eure's promise, here's some interesting information:

In 1932, in the midst of this country's worst depression — when one Franklin D. Roosevelt took on Herbert Hoover — Hoover took Mitchell County over Roosevelt by 3,798 to 1,773. Then, in 1936 when Roosevelt took everything except — what was it? — Maine and Vermont? — Mitchell went with Alf Landon by the tune of 3,380 to 1,687 for Roosevelt.

In 1940, along came Wendell Wilkie. Roosevelt was up for the third term. Mitchell didn't like that at all, so gave Wilkie 3,290 votes to 1,450 for FDR. In 1944, with a war waging and don't-change-horses talk filled the air, Mitchell was all too ready to change horses. Tom Dewey got 3,192 votes to 1,024 for Of' Debbit Roosevelt.

You will notice, friends, that Roosevelt started off in Mitchell in 1932 with 1,773. Then he dropped to 1,687. The third go-around brought him down to 1,450. On the fourth run, Mitchell slipped him down a peg to 1,024. You think that was bad? Poor ol' Truman got only 818 votes in 1948 in Mitchell to 2,908 for Dewey. In 1952, Mitchell gave Adlai Stevenson 1,236 to 4,009 for Dwight Eisenhower.

No, Thad Eure will not ride to Mitchell this year.

EXTREMES . . . In the last Legislature, Cherokee County was represented by Dick Mauney, assistant to State Treasurer and was given a leave of absence from his post to serve his people in Cherokee. Dick ran for the House rather in absentee since his home had been in Raleigh for some time. In last spring's primary Ed Brumby beat out Dick for the Democratic nomination for the House. If Brumby wins out in November, he will come to Raleigh to represent Cherokee.

This will mark the first time Brumby has ever seen Raleigh. Ed Brumby is a native of Marietta, Ga., also the old hometown of veteran Representative Tom Turner of Greensboro.

If you wonder that Brumby has never been to Raleigh, don't be too much surprised. Cherokee County is closer to Atlanta, Ga., Nashville, Tenn., Columbia, S. C., and one or two other state capitals than to its own.

RESIGNING . . . Sam Goldfein of Charlotte was personally employed by State Prisons Director Bill Bailey to be responsible for food preparation, food handling, and menus for the prisons. He is resigning in disgust and frustration on Oct. 1.

Goldfein was labeled from the beginning as a "Bill Bailey man," having served with Bailey in the OPS a few years ago, was thus never accepted by the inner circle of prisons operations. Through a mistake in the office, Sam Goldfein's monthly pay turned out to be less than promised him by Bailey.

Sam Goldfein feels that his blind loyalty has not been returned. The final blow came when Bailey did not see to it that Goldfein received the salary promised. Thus the State is losing an able public servant and Bill Bailey is losing a personal friend of the type he so badly needs at this time.

Sam Goldfein never had a chance.

NEW PLACE . . . The dining operations of Everett Jordan, North Carolina Democratic leader, and Luther Hodges, Lieutenant Governor, are moving on apace.

Their most recent Howard Johnson house is situated at Fayetteville. It opened this week with appropriate ceremonies. Partner with Restaurateurs Jordan and Hodges on this particular project is Harold Makepeace of Sanford.

For the first time, the Queen Mother will see the overmantel she and her late husband sent to President Truman through their daughter Elizabeth, the present Queen, when she visited the United States two years ago.

House-hunting soon in Washington will be a charming new Cabinet hostess, Mrs. Herbert Hoover Jr., wife of the recently appointed undersecretary of state. The former Peggy Watson of San Francisco was married to the former president's son in 1925. She first got acquainted with Washington when they visited the senior Herbert Hoovers while her father-in-law was secretary of commerce.

At a recent diplomatic reception Mrs. Gupta, wife of India's military and naval attaché, Brig. P. C. Gupta, wore a gold and white sari to complement her husband's gold-braided white dress jacket, worn with red-striped dark blue trousers.

Thought for the Day

It is always easy to covet another man's success without envying his labors.

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