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VIOLET RAYS
ON OUR WAYS

By H. M. Alley

Note: This column is written
with malice toward none, but
with the common good of all in
mind.

The daily press has had quite
a bit to say of late about various
animals and insects, including
man. For instance:

It is estimated that there are
686,000 different species of in-
sects with a population greater
than the 2 1-2 billion people in
the world. Of the total there
are said to be 82,000 different
species, with their multi-
million membership in the Uni-
ted States. The report didn't
say how many of these were
mosquitoes. But it is a safe bet
there are plenty to take care of
all the fishermen, campers, and
picnickers for sometime to
come.

There are 2,600 different
kinds of ticks, weevils and mites
in the United States, which ate
their way last year through
four billion dollars worth of

craps.

The birds came in for their
part of publicity also: Up in
Cumberland, Rhode Island, the
Fire Department was called on
to put out a blaze in an aban-
doned house which was started
when a bird carried a burning
cigarette butt to its nest built
under the eaves.

Then there was the hawk
down in Louisiana which got
itself tangled up in fisherman
Clark Fullers fishing line where
he had left his pole while going
upstream to see after other
lines. The hawk was busy de-
vouring a string of fish already
caught, when Fuller returned,
and refusing to abandon its
meal, it sunk its talons into the
remaining fish and sailed away
towing the fishing pole behind.
Moral: Don't try to have so
many hooks in the water at the
same time.

A total A total of 24,830,000
pounds of beef and pork were
slaughtered in North Carolina
during January of the present
year. One would say that Tar
Heels are rather carnivorous
in their eating habits. True to
the age-old human record mod-
ern man is a great slaughterer.
But the sad part is that he can-

POETRY CORNER

Conducted By

Edith Dederick Erskine

LISTEN

All is quiet
Except the sputtering stone,
Sounds as of walking on snow
Which may fall tonight.

Blanche Houck, Marion, N. C.

COLD?

Are you cold?
'Bout to freeze?
Come closer?
Gonna sneeze?
Cleenex?
Or sleeve?

Blanche Houck, Marion, N. C.

MOTTO

Out of bed
With aching head—
On to work—
And never shirk.

Blanche Houck, Marion, N. C.

(Poetry for this corner
should be sent direct to Edith
Dederick Erskine, Weaver
ville, N. C.)

not be content with slaughtering
animals, but is building up
a most infamous record of
homicide, or slaughtering his
fellow-beings. In this Tar Heels
are no worse, but little better,
than the people of other states
and countries.

A northern town has inaugu-
rated an ordinance against
barking dogs and cackling hens
says a recent press report. It
didn't state what steps were to
be taken to enforce this ban.
Perhaps the owners can find
anti-bark and anti-cackle muzzles
for their hens and dogs. Or
maybe the hens and dogs will
meet in solemn assembly and
counter the town's edict with
one requiring the human popu-
lation to get quiet during cer-
tain hours and in certain zones.
That would make a tremendous
difference in most places, as it
is safe to say that in most towns
the people, old and young, make
quite a bit more unnecessary
noise and disturbance than all
the dogs and hens could do
going full tilt.

And not even the lowly house-
cat has escaped the news spot-
light:

In Pittsburgh, Pa., a short-
lived reign of terror was re-
cently brought about by an
Angora cat which became lock-
ed in a commercial van. When
the doors were opened at Com-
pany headquarters in Pitts-
burgh's Mt. Washington district,
the driver and workers were
momentarily startled by the
bushy-haired cat's break for
freedom. Then to save face, and
at the same time play a prank
on the next shift of company
employees, they began spread-
ing an alarm about a ferocious
wild animal being abroad. As
the news passed from mouth to
mouth the story grew apace,
until frightened mothers began
calling the police department
for latest reports on "the lion",
"the black panther", and the
"mad wildcat" which was
abroad. Timid souls stayed at
home behind closed doors, and
children were guarded to and
from schools. In fact, some were

suggesting that the schools be
closed until the police had hunt-
ed down and killed the wild
beast, which some insisted must
measure at least four feet in
length. Finally one wily patrol-
man, after squad cars had
spent days cruising through
terrorized sections, went down
to the Trucking Company's
headquarters and interviewed
the driver who had first made
the report. There he got the
truth of the whole prankish plot.
He also was permitted to see
the now contented cat, which
he acknowledged looked rather
large in its bushy coat, but ac-
tually measured only one foot
in length!

But gentle reader, if you
want to hear the very cat-
whiskers in a real McCoy cat
story, see our good friend Ralph
Laughrun, a traveling salesman,
who lives in Burnsville, N. Car.
It seems that Ralph recently
went a-fishing to one of the
lakes, and came home in the
late evening, with a three-
pounder of some kind or other.
Not wanting to bother with
cleaning his catch that night,
Ralph turned about ten inches
of water into the bath tub
wherein his fish soon revived.
Early the next morning the
Laughrun family was rudely
awakened by blood curdling
screaches emanating from the
bathroom. There they found
a wrestling match in progress
between the Maltese housecat
and the fish, with the latter
holding its own remarkably well.

It seems that the cat, follow-
ing its early morning habit of
leaping into the tub to quench
its thirst from a leaking faucet,
had landed with a splash in the
water which was considerably
over its depth. This of course
startled the fish, which perhaps
was taking an early morning
nap. Anyway, it made a wild
dash around the tub upsetting
the cat again and again before
the frightened animal succeeded
in pinning the fish down within
its forearms. When help arrived
the Maltese was trying to stand
on his hind feet, holding on to
the fish for dear life, and with
seemed to say, "Oh, please,
somebody help me turn this
thing loose!" —Nuff Sed.

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GARLAND IN JAPAN

IX Corps, Japan—Army Pvt.
Ray Garland, 21, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Clayton Garland, Green
Mountain, N. C., recently ar-
rived in Japan and is now a
member of the IX Corps.

The IX Corps supervises the
intensive training activities of
a comprehensive post-truce train-
ing program for units under
its control.

Private Garland, a policeman
in the corps' 12th Military Pol-
ice Company, entered the Army
in February 1954 and received
basic training at Camp Gordon,
Ga.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT:

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Evang. H. M. ALLEY, Director

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WORDS
THOUGHTS

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DELBERT



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he probably got
it with a couple of
cereal box tops



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