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OUR TOWN

With the announcement last week that our Yancey United Fund is paying out 94 per cent of the goal set for the fund raising drive last fall, this is an appropriate time to express appreciation for the fine job performed by the UF officers, committee members, and above all by the campaign chairman, Leslie Hensley, and his small group of faithful workers who carried the main load of conducting the campaign.

Our UF has now established itself as one of the county's indispensable organizations. It has for seven years efficiently raised money for the support of organizations and activities which keep the "good neighbor" spirit alive in the county. It has freed our schools of the nuisance and distraction of fund raising for health agencies and other non-school purposes. Its budget committee has made sure that a greater portion of the charitable and welfare funds raised here are spent within the county.

Yet despite these manifest benefits, it is apparent to those who have worked with the UF that it has never received the wholeheart-

ed support of the community it deserves. Measured in terms of raising the modest goals set each year by its budget committee, its success has been only moderate. Only once did it raise the full goal. On the other hand it has fallen below 80 per cent only once in the seven campaigns it has conducted.

Probably the most frequent criticism leveled against our UF is that it has failed to end other solicitation in the health and welfare field — in short, that it has failed to achieve its professional drive status. This criticism, we believe, is unfair. This is a free country, and our UF has no authority to prevent other agencies from conducting drives. The main point is, it does place the contributor to our UF in the position where with defensible logic and good conscience he can decline to give to other drives. We know that many of the larger contributors to our UF take this position, and in final analysis, if we endorse a one-fund system of giving, the best way to defend it is to say "No" to independent drives.

Bob Helms, Mayor

CELO MONTHLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

Route 5
BURNSVILLE, N. C.
The Editor
Yancey Record
Burnsville, N. C.

Dear Sir:
We would like to call the attention of your readers to action being taken by an increasing number of individuals as an alternative to building fallout shelters. These individuals are contributing annually, to agencies of the United Nations, sums which will ultimately add up to what a shelter would cost each family.

The idea originated with a group in Chapel Hill who were concerned that the shelter program was producing "a sense of false security which deludes people into the belief that nuclear war can be made safe for the few in the world who are able to build and equip shelters."

"We are convinced," they wrote, "that the only hope for meaningful human survival lies in the creation of law and order on a world scale, so that men are free to hope, love, create, and give themselves in service to others without the constant threat of a sudden worldwide disaster. Believing this, our alternative to fallout shelters is a renewed effort to strengthen the United Nations and all other agencies that seek to maintain law and order without geographical boundaries."

As a practical expression of their concern, 28 individuals undertook to contribute, over a period of time, the equivalent of the cost of a shelter. Others in various parts of the country have since joined them, including members of Celso Friends Meeting who invite all who are interested (1) to share this concern with the religious and civic groups of which they are members and with the President of the United States and (2) to make their own financial contributions.

Checks are being made payable

to the United Nations with the specific United Nations project or agency designated as recipient and should be mailed either to Celso Friends Meeting, Route 5, Burnsville, N. C., or to Charlotte Adams, Box 762, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, for forwarding to the United Nations. Among programs thus far selected for gifts are Technical Assistance in Africa, World Health Organization, Emergency Fund for the Congo, Children's Fund, and Food and Agriculture Organization.

We believe that the only shelter is peace. And peace, according to a recent message of the Friends Conference on World Order "is world order and political institutions. It is justice and the control over the strong. It is mercy and the restraint of the merciless. Peace is love conquering fear. It is a lively concern for all men, for friends and for rivals, for the lovely earth, for life, and for joy. It is the only house in which men can now live."

The Board of Directors of the American Friends Service Committee recently issued a statement which we endorse. It holds that this kind of peace "comes neither from surrender nor from war, but from daily grappling with the hard tasks of converting the United Nations into a center of world order, of lifting the burden of arms from men's backs of using the earth's resources for the common good, of assuring freedom with justice for all. We must dare now to live as moral men, at long last relying on our ability to change men's hearts rather than our capacity to destroy their lives."

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Morgan, Clerk



Perry Mason Rates With Bank Women

New York — More than half of the women employed in the savings banks of New York State are unmarried, their average age is 44, forty per cent of them own their own homes, and 79 per cent their own car.

Their favorite TV program is Perry Mason with Lawrence Welk, Mitch Miller and Perry Como all tied for second. Their favorite color is blue, the rose is the favorite flower and chocolate is the preferential flavor.

Their hobbies are sewing, reading and sports in that order, though 4 per cent of those replying to the survey preferred cards.

The survey was conducted by the Savings Banks Association of New York State. Three-page questionnaires were sent to 650 female savings bank employees of which 164 responded.

The purpose of the survey was twofold: to yield statistics that might help the savings banks to know their employees better, resulting in better internal communications. Secondly, to provide information that would be useful in publicizing the importance of savings and the advantages of a career in savings banks.

The survey showed that 47 per cent of the women were single, 11 per cent widowed and 4 per cent divorced. The other 38 per cent were married. The average respondent has been working for her savings bank since 1946.

A poll also noted that their education was well above average. Some 92 per cent graduated from high school, and 43 per cent graduated from a business school. One-fourth of them attended college and 12 per cent were college graduates.



Spring's here — So's New Kite



Just as surely as one season follows another, spring's here — and that's kite-flying time in any language, in any land.

This year, adding luster to an ancient sport in an exciting, several of time-honored kite design, engineers have applied the principles of aerodynamics in developing a wholly new, unique kite.

Tested and studied in a wind tunnel by a University of Minnesota aeronautical engineering professor, the inflatable plastic zero Kite was developed by skeside Toys of Minneapolis, Minn. It has proven its ability to fly in wind as low as 3 miles per hour.

Greater altitude, more stability, ascent and less drag are among the benefits derived from this ultra-modern, missile-shaped kite.

Just the opposite of aviator pioneers, who toyed with kite-flying to learn new tricks, these designers have used a number of principles well known in airplane design for their kites. Curved lifting surface like delta-wing plane and rocket-like fuselage add to the aerodynamic features of the newest of the new.

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Let's Go Fishin'
BY BOB BREWSTER
Outdoor Editor, Mercury Outboards

Most everyone is familiar with the gray-bearded adage about the small boy who uses a bent pin, a piece of string and a willow pole to land a huge fish. Fishing next to him, using an expensive rod and reel, is an adult who fails to catch anything.

The story is common, funny, and oft-told, but unfortunately not very true. The adult with the good equipment and the know-how is going to catch more fish almost every time.

I say almost for a good reason — there is one species of fish that is consistently caught by small boys and hardly ever caught by grown men, and the situation is not likely to change in the near future. That fish is the bullhead, practically the exclusive property of small boys.

depend upon shank's mare to get them to where they want to go.

But mostly mechanization had been kept clear of the bullhead picture. Most adults wouldn't be caught dead fishing in a farm pond alongside younger and far more agile competitors. It's not that they wouldn't

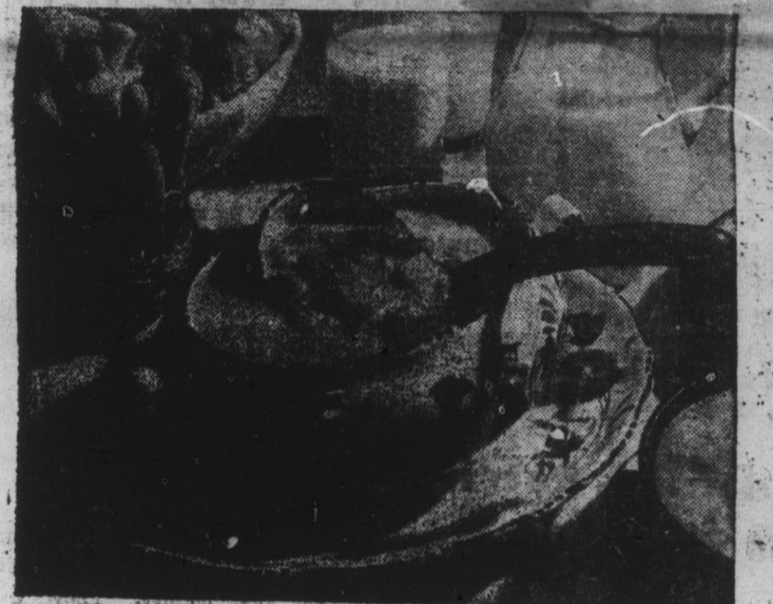


like to, perhaps, but many of them will not use a bent pin and a willow pole. Too much pride.

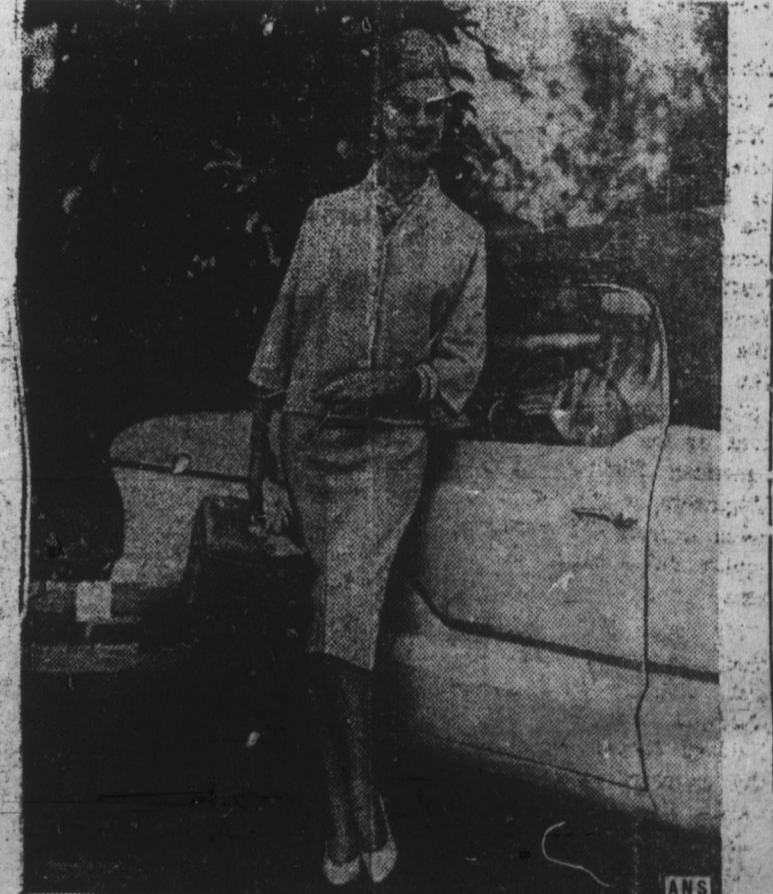
GOOD REASON
So they watch their son off a bullheading, wishing they could go along, because they know as sure as they're sitting there that the young one is going to return with a stringer of bullfish and a heart full of happiness.

Some day, Junior will repeat the scene with a son of his own. Which is, perhaps, as it should be. There's gotta be some reason for all the ice cream and ponds and rivers in the country having all those bullheads in them.

HOMEMADE SOUP TAKES A BOW



Minestrone, the most popular of the thick Italian soups or minestrone, has many variations, each typical of an Italian region. This Creamy Minestrone, an American version, boasts milk which makes it even more substantial and satisfying.



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