

ACROSS the DESK

Ideas from other editors

From the Pleasant Hill Times, Pleasant Hill, Mo.: It sometimes seems to us that this (editorial) column is the most expensive space in the paper. It is costly in time, because it seems to require a great lot of dilly-dallying to get it written. It costs criticism because what we say does not always please everyone. It even costs us advertising, because we are not a "good" little paper to be rewarded. It would not be true to say that we do not give a hoot, since we attach value to all these things, but we do not give enough of a hoot to quit speaking our piece, however poorly. A newspaper that never spoke its own mind would not be, to our notion, much satisfaction to publish or read.

From The Herington Advertiser-Times, Herington, Kansas: A trade bulletin recently editorialized on the shopping situation in large trade centers. It observed merchants have kept abreast with the public demand, with better stores, improved and expanded lines of merchandise and increased parking facilities. However, the Bulletin said, "Competition is terrific."

The same is true, in varying degree, in thousands and thousands of American communities. And this is the reason why retailing, in America, has reached a peak of efficiency and service unknown

abroad. That hasn't happened because merchants are any more public spirited than the rest of us. It has happened because, where competition is free and open, success and survival depend upon keeping up with the swim.

Furthermore, in this kind of a system anyone can rise to the top—there are no artificial checks on growth and progress. The small store of today becomes the great store of tomorrow. And today's great store, if it fails to meet the competition, swiftly goes down hill. The prizes go to those who honestly earn them.

From the Alma Record, Alma, Michigan: A wholly changed attitude toward the dollar is held by the Eisenhower administration compared with the attitude toward it since 1933. Now the dollar is beginning to assume some importance in its own right, instead of merely serving as a tool to accomplish some purpose of the government.

From the Greenville Advocate, Greenville, Alabama: If the ladies get the "privilege" of jury service in Alabama, there will be a lot of remodeling and renovating in the court houses throughout the state. The jury rooms in the average court house are unattractive, uncomfortable, and without powder rooms. It will cost a lot of money to allow the ladies to sit on juries.

La Grange News

By MRS. MABEL MYERS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hadley and children of Wadesboro spent the weekend with Mrs. Hadley's mother, Mrs. Ralph Korrey.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Uzzell have returned home after spending some time at Minnetonka Beach.

Mrs. E. S. Chastain and daughter, Barbara, of Douglas, Ga., arrived Sunday to spend some time with Mrs. Chastain's daughter, Mrs. Sid Myers, and family. They expect to spend a few days in Atlantic Beach while here.

Mrs. Ray Vance Williams and children of High Point are spending some time with Mrs. Williams' mother, Mrs. S. G. Griffin.

Mrs. Susie Corbin left Sunday for White Lake to spend the week at Camp Singletory for boys and girls.

Mrs. Sam Abbott is home recuperating after being a patient at Lenoir Memorial Hospital in Kinston.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Best and daughter, Beth, and Fred Allen spent the weekend at Jamesville.

R. G. Creech who has been confined to his home is reported to be improving.

Bill Harper Stanton, a student at Chapel Hill, is staying with his mother, Mrs. D. M. Stanton, during the summer months while working at the Standard Drug Store in Kinston. His family will join him later.

Mrs. H. B. Askew and children of Griffin, Ga., are spending some time with Mrs. Askew's sister, Mrs. M. D. Harper.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Britt left Friday to spend some time at their summer home at Bayview.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Among those from out of town who attended the funeral of Coy Jones on Sunday were: Messrs. Dewey Jones, Oscar Jones, Arch Jones, Jake Jones and Roy Cates and Mrs. John Moore of Roxboro. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Horne and daughter of Burlington. Mesdames Clara Hughes Jones, Tom Powell, Bob Walker and Sarah Jones of Graham. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Crawford of Goldsboro. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Crawford of Goldsboro. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Crawford and family of Pikeville, Mrs. Elmer Phillips of Norfolk, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Springs Gilliam and family of Kannapolis, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Eastman of Knoxville, Tenn. Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Taylor and family, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Hines and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Perry of Kinston. Mr. and Mrs. John Creech of Hookerton, Mrs. J. W. Creech of Snow Hill, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Stanton, Jr., of Murfreesboro and Mrs. A. C. Conrad of Hyattsville, Md.

Entertains Bridge Club

Mrs. S. D. McCullen was hostess to members of her bridge club and invited guests Friday evening at her home. A variety of flowers was used to decorate the room where tables were placed for play. Mrs. J. F. Peele received visitors award. Mrs. Earl Kinsey received club high and Mrs. John Mitchell received traveling prize. Those playing were Mesdames Peele, Kinsey, Mitchell, A. L. Gray, Fred Bryan, W. R. Crews, Lee

Alphin and Simon Coker. The hostess served sandwiches, pickles, date bars and iced tea.

Birthday Party

In celebration of his fifth birthday Robert Bryan was given a party Friday afternoon at the community building by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bryan. Approximately 20 friends enjoyed the party. At the refreshment hour the traditional birthday cake was cut and served with ice cream. Each guest received a party favor. Mrs. A. L. Gray, grandmother of the honored guest, Mesdames J. F. Peele and J. N. Dawson assisted in serving and entertaining.

DALE CARNEGIE

AUTHOR OF "HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING"

WHEN Al Knowles, Middleburg, Virginia, was fired—sacked, as he says—and told to hand in his resignation, he didn't just worry; he virtually became temporarily insane. His pulse jumped to well over a hundred beats a minute, his heart was pumping like the great pumping system that sends oil from Texas to the East. His head felt three times its normal size, his temples bulged, and his mind was filled with distorted and confused ideas.



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Sleep was out of the question, his eyes burned and the skin on his face felt as if a thousand pound weight was stretching it longer and longer. Then he said to himself, "surely there is some solution to this soul wrecking problem." He picked up a book and began to read, when suddenly a rule, "How to Analyze and Solve Worry Problems," came into his line of vision. This rule seemed to fit his situation. Grasping and clinging to each word as if it were a life raft and he was lost at sea, he read and reread a wonderful chapter.

The clouds started to clear from his mind, and picking up pencil and paper, he began to write. This is what he wrote at the top of the page:

Cause: A small and trite misunderstanding between the foreman and himself.

Next: Did he want to leave that job? No.

Then he listed the advantages and the disadvantages. For every fault he wrote a good point.

Finally he wrote, "Could I get this job back?"

The decision was made and now the outcome was up to him.

He went to the foreman, made himself humble, made the foreman know how much he appreciated the opportunities offered by that job. Result? He was reinstated and the matter closed.

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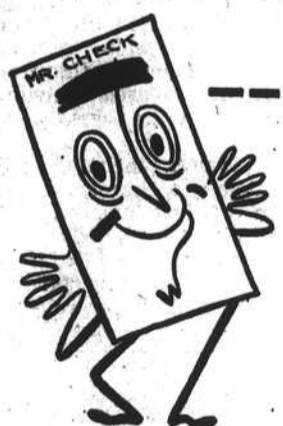


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