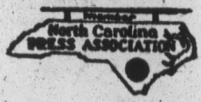


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Logical Step Forward

Conferences with Wallace W. Woods, secretary of the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce and with City Manager Percy Bloxam indicate that proposed numbering of houses, based on information secured by the North Carolina Inspection and Rating Bureau, and given approval by the Roxboro City council in monthly session, may result in development of a City Postal Delivery service, a service so long needed here.

We are particularly pleased that this house numbering, previously partially completed, will be carried through and we hope that the young people who propose to undertake sponsorship will do so. We remember, some months ago, that we had an editorial on the need for postal delivery service in Roxboro and that there was apparently no public response to or recognition of said need, despite fact that business people and home-keepers, too, are frequently inconvenienced because of efforts to conform to and keep up with mail schedules at the local Post Office, said schedules being no fault of the Post Office or of the railroad under present conditions.

We believe, however, that once people here become accustomed to the convenience of street delivery service, which will include collection boxes, they will not want to do without it.

The Postal service, as Postmaster L. M. Carlton can tell, is exacting in its demands and no attempt to secure city delivery service can be made until prior demands such as numbering of buildings and houses are complied with. It is to be hoped that all residents here will cooperate with the project. Cooperation is the least thing that can be done to secure for the City an orderly house to house enumeration.

That from such enumeration may come sidewalks and other improvements, is beside the point. Greatest relief will be the end of having to tell strangers that So-In-So lives on Such-and-Such street, next to a cow pasture and across the street from John Smith or Billy Jones, when we know full well that the strangers don't know where the pasture is and don't know which house belongs to John or to Billy. Only those who have themselves been strangers in Roxboro or any other un-numbered city can fully appreciate what the prospect of orderly numbering will mean.

Humor Is Appreciated

Through courtesy of the Northern Valley Tribune, of Englewood, N. J., we are in this issue of the Times reprinting, "I Am The Publicity Chairman," a one-act playlet which is to our mind more truthful than amusing. If, however, any of our readers, especially those concerned with publicity, can derive amusement from the playlet and its accompanying cartoon they are most welcomed to do so.

We are happy to say that friends of the Times cannot be compared with Messieurs, et Mesdames Wacky, Crabface, Numskull, Picklepuss and Windbag, but we hope that all our friends will read this near-tragedy of editorial life and that they will resolve never to contribute to its personal application.

Newspaper work, like any other public business, only more so, is absolutely dependent on cooperation from the public, but we doubt seriously if the public is aware that the accuracy and conciseness of news items can be greatly increased by a corresponding brevity and conciseness on the part of those who contribute news items or the information making up news items. Too, it is humanly impossible to take care of all late copy, since the machines man has made will, like a horse or cow, go only so fast regardless of whips or pressures from external forces—and publication deadlines must be met if readers and advertisers are to profit most from the services for which they pay cold cash.

"Know Your Money"

By cooperation of Frank J. Wilson, of Washington, Chief of the United States Secret Service bureau the Times is today publishing a chart called "Know Your Money". The message of that chart is too obvious to need repeating, although we trust that not many persons in this community have been so unfortunate as to have personal experience with counterfeit or its makers.

In a signed letter Chief Wilson says that a 90 per cent reduction "in losses to the public through the acceptance of counterfeit notes has been accomplished during the calendar year 1940". As illustration of contin-

ual decline of such losses within the past five years Chief Wilson says that largely through the education of the public, losses often running as high as \$1,000,000 per year were in 1940 reduced to about \$100,000. To folks who never have had a large amount of money the last named and smaller figure looks large enough, but the government is no piker and to those who are willing to send ten cents to the Superintendent of Documents, Secret Service, Treasury Department, Washington, will be returned an illustrated brochure containing even more information on counterfeiters and their products.

We could, if we had mind to, give our copy to any one of a baker's dozen of Person parsons and then sit back to listen to a fine sermon on the "Wages of Sin", or the "Root of All Evil". We can't do the preaching ourselves but we can tell others and we are glad to do so.



University Trustees

Greensboro Daily News

It is not an altogether lovely situation when Raleigh reports that a Governor of North Carolina has to go to bat to see to it that the manager of his primary campaign goes on the board of trustees of the University of North Carolina. And when this is heralded as one of the major engagements of the legislative session we cannot escape the suspicion that somebody is engaged in rather small business.

Not that we think the board of trustees will be seriously affected for better or worse by the addition of the Hon. E. B. Denny—an A. B., as we understand it of Wake Forest, who took himself a bit of law at Chapel Hill. There are several men, and perhaps a woman or so, on the university board who have less of erudition and public accomplishment to recommend them.

As a matter of fact, legislative appointment to the university trustees has never been characterized by unusual acumen, patriotism or what-have-you. The majority of those who have served within the memory of the present generation were put in place by committee log-rollings which have always seen members of the committee having themselves nominated.

The Woman's college, of course, does not lend itself to quite as much pressure and trading as State college and the university at Chapel Hill; but it is seldom indeed that a trusteeship comes to a citizen, male or female, solely as a tribute to fitness.

The first step in changing this order would be to secure from the attorney general, or if he were loth to take action, from the Supreme court, that a trusteeship is a public office and cannot be held by one who's already holding a position of honor and trust conferred by election or appointment.

That ought to be easy. It would rival falling off a log if members of the legislature would cease appointing themselves. Certainly a university trusteeship entails more responsibility to the public and confers greater honor than does a notarial seal and the office of notary public long since has been declared an office and notaries have been barred from holding other offices.

It is cheerfully admitted that it actually costs, instead of pays, a citizen to be a university trustee. But it is going to be difficult to convince all of the common run of the absolute bona fides of a board which is composed in the main of members who swapped themselves into the direction of what is generally held to be the greatest of this state's democratic institutions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

From The Adult Student

Through the years there has been no object which has called forth so much devotion and so much contention as the Lord's Supper. The arguments have centered about the meaning of the Supper, what happens there, who may administer it, and who may partake. Some contend that the elements are turned to the actual body and blood of Christ at the prayer of consecration, while others think of the Supper as simply a memorial observance. Some think that only he who has been ordained by one supposedly in a direct line of succession from Peter is capable of properly administering the Supper, while others believe that any layman is qualified. Some hold that only those who have been enrolled as members of some particular sect are eligible to partake, while others invite to the table all who truly and earnestly repent of their sins and intend to lead a new life following the commandments of God.

Yet, regardless of what attitude one takes in these matters, he finds at the Lord's Supper great spiritual help and inspiration. The Lord's Supper in the early church was reserved for the initiated. During the days of persecution, it was frequently held in the catacombs. Through the centuries, many of the devout Christians have partaken of the Supper as they were slipping into eternity.

It is very proper that we should inquire into the meaning of this institution which has had such a prominent place in the church and which has been the strength of the living and comfort of the dying.

The Supper Was Instituted By Jesus

On the Thursday evening before the Crucifixion, Jesus arranged to eat the Passover with

his disciples. "With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer" (Luke 22: 15). On that fateful night he commemorated the deliverance of Israel from the bondage of Egypt. He also instituted a sacrament which was to deliver from the bondage of sin and to be a sign of God's new covenant with men. "He took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after the supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood which is shed for you" (Luke 22: 19, 20).

A Memorial Supper

Jesus asked his disciples to observe the supper in remembrance of him just as the Passover had been observed in memory of and in gratitude for, the deliverance from Egypt. When we come to the Lord's Supper we bring to remembrance Christ's life and death.

Jesus felt that if men would only remember the extent and intensity of his love, they could not long resist his appeal. Dr. Joseph Fort Newton says of the Lord's Supper: "It is an hour of memory; it takes us back across the years to the upper room, and we hear once more the voice of truth and hope. Some may not need these emblems in order to remember Jesus; but, if we use them aright, they will make the thought of him most vivid. Beside, it unites us by an unbroken tie with those in all the ages who have loved Jesus and sought to live in his spirit evoking a sense of historic fellowship. Francis of Assisi remembered Jesus, and it broke his heart."

To the world it seems strange that Jesus wanted a monument to his suffering, defeat, and death. Most of our observances are to commemorate birthdays, days of victory and achievement. Nations celebrate Independence Day, Navy Day, Flag Day, Armistice Day, and the birthdays of their national heroes. Why did Jesus wish men to commemorate his suffering? He realized that his zeal moment of victory and ach-

ievement was the surrender of his will to the Father and the giving of his life as a ransom for many. By the road of suffering, he was to win—he was to draw all men unto him.

Personalizes Redemption

The celebration of the Lord's Supper vividly brings to our minds the great cost of redemption. Just as the wheat must be ground between the millstones, so the body of God's Son must be broken. As the grapes must be crushed in the winepress, so the lifeblood of the Savior must be poured out.

We likewise become aware that what happened on Calvary was for us. In distributing the bread, Jesus said: "My body which is given for you." In referring to the wine, he said: "This is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you." When I realize that Christ suffered for me, I am awakened from my indifference and challenged to renewed devotion.

One of the most heroic and inspiring experiences which I have read is the adventure of Captain Robert Falcon Scott and his companions in an effort to discover the South Pole. They made the difficult and dangerous journey to the South Pole only to discover that Amundsen had preceded them there. As they returned toward their base, one disaster after another befell them. One member of their party was killed by a concussion; the food and fuel ran short; and heavy storms and exceedingly cold weather hampered their progress. In the party was Captain L. E. G. Oates. His feet were so badly frostbitten that he could not keep up with the others. He was endangering the lives of all the party. Captain Scott entered in his diary, which was found years later in the frozen wastes, the following tribute to Captain Oates: "He walked out into the blizzard on March 17 (1913) and was never seen again. He laid down his life in the hope that the others unhindered might win through to safety." In a very real sense Christ went out into the darkness for each of us.

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