

linquency and a help to boys and girls in deciding a future for themselves. He stressed the fact that club work is a help if a boy or girl learns nothing more than the true meaning of the club pledge and motto, and lives by that knowledge. He cited examples of 4-H club helping boys and girls, some of these in Perquimans County. With a few added humorous incidents the minute each was fully enjoyed.

Following a short period of recreation the program closed by all singing "Auld Lang Syne."

Corn Growers Warned To Watch Army Worm

"It was the middle of May in 1954 when the Army Worm attacked our county and caused serious damage to young corn and small grain," reports R. M. Thompson, County Agent. Thompson suggests that it is a very good idea to keep a close check for these pests as considerable damage can occur in a cornfield or on small grains before you realize that army worms are troubling you. According to the County Agent, if you are troubled with this insect apply as a dust 12 to 15 pounds of DDT per acre, or Toxaphene, in case of small grain, at the rate of 2 to 3 pounds per acre. This should give you good control of the army worm. If you have any doubt as to what is causing damage, contact your county agent and he will assist you."

BUTLER - BAZEMORE

The marriage of Miss Katie Lee Bazemore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bazemore of Windsor, and Wayland Butler, son of Mrs. George Butler and the late George Butler took place Saturday afternoon at 4 P. M., April 30th at the Baptist Parsonage in Windsor. The Rev. Charles Duling officiated. The bride had as her only attendant Miss Mattie Butler, sister of the bridegroom, and Guthrie Joliff was best man for Mr. Butler. The bride wore a street length dress of light blue with navy accessories and wore a corsage of blue orchids. After a short wedding trip the couple will make their home with Mr. Butler's mother, Mrs. George Butler at her home on Church Street.



"HE HAD THE REACH ON ME!"—Bill Foster puts up an indignant beef during the 37th annual Navy Junior Boxing Finals at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md. Tommy Villarreal, no believer in bells nautical or otherwise, keeps poking the long ones although the bout is over with.

Gain In American Life Span Major Economic Importance

Underlying the growth in our material prosperity and the rise in our living standards over the years, and to a large extent responsible for them, is the extraordinary increase in the average life span that has occurred in the United States since the turn of the century.

An analysis of this trend and its economic implications are contained in a recent study made by the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics of the changing length of the working life since 1900.

What is particularly significant from the long view is that a longer working life span resulting from increased longevity and steadily rising production per man-hour have gone hand in hand. The combination of these two plus our alertness to the importance of technological change and tremendous investments in new plant and equipment, are the key to the ability of the American economy to meet production challenges of war and peace and to fill the steadily rising demands for goods and services of a rapidly expanding population.

Trends in Life Span

Right now the average length of life for a male child at birth is around 66 years, more than a third greater than it was in 1900. The increase for succeeding ages is smaller, since the major reductions in mortality in the last half century have occurred among infants and small children, but it is nonetheless substantial: A youth of 20, for example, has a life expectancy these days some six years greater than his counterpart in 1900. The life expectancy gain for women has been ever greater, according to Dr. Louis I. Dublin, consultant on health and welfare for the Institute of Life Insurance, a development of particular economic importance in view of the rising proportion of women in the labor force over the years.

This increase in the life expectancy, according to the BLS, has translated itself into three fundamental differences from the turn of the century as far as the average individual is concerned.

First, the working life begins substantially later now than it did then. The average American male at present does not enter the labor force until he is between his 18th and 19th years. By contrast, more than one out of every five boys between the ages of 10 and 15 were workers in 1900.

Second, the average work life duration is very much greater than it was at the turn of the century even though the working career starts so much later. Work-life expectancy for a male at birth is up from 32 to 42 years in the last half century, a spectacular increase. Even at age 20, a youth today has a work-life expectancy of more 43 years as compared with little more than 39 years in 1900. Gains of this magnitude translate themselves into vast increases in production over the course of a working life as compared with the past, particularly in view of the productivity gains in the period and the rising skill of the working population.

Third, the average American male can anticipate a substantially longer period of retirement than his counterpart in 1900. Fifty years ago, in fact, there was very little difference on the average between a man's working-life span and his total life span. For those who survived, the period spent in retirement averaged less than three years. Today, however, even with the later entry into the labor force and longer working life, the average man has the prospect of enjoying nearly six years in retirement. And based on BLS estimates, this retirement prospect will increase to nearly nine years in the year 2000.

Point Up Need of Thrift
These big gains at both ends of the life span—longer dependency in the earlier years for education and longer retirement later—underscore the importance of protection and thrift programs for the average individual during the productive period of his life. The money value of the average American worker to his family has gone up greatly in recent years, according to Dr. Dublin. Furthermore, U. S. Bureau of the Census figures show that the "dependency" groups in the population, those under 20 and the group 65 and over, have been showing a substantially greater rate of growth in recent years than has the working population.

Be Safe
Batty—i, can't decide whether to go to a palmet or a mind reading.
Batty—Better not, it's a bad omen.

Winfall News

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sanford, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Riley and sons of Norfolk, Va., Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Armstrong and Ja-Dene of Sunbury were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Morgan Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Pike, RN, of Baltimore, Md., is spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Pike. Mrs. Pike is very ill.

Mrs. Nellie Smith of Tyner, Mrs. Lee Toppin of Edenton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jordan.

Sgt. and Mrs. E. J. Roberson of Fort Bragg have returned home after spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hollowell and Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hollowell spent Sunday at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Miller and children, William Ray, Gloria and Archie spent the week-end at their cottage at Kill Devil Hills.

Miss Polly Baker of Raleigh spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Baker.

Mrs. W. L. Lane is very sick at her home.

Reginald Jones of Maryland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Jones this week-end.

Rev. H. M. Jamieson was called to Charlotte this past week-end to see his wife, who has been visiting her parents for the past two weeks and while there was admitted to the hospital for an operation. Herbie Jamieson is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Miller.

B. M. Miller and Mrs. J. W. Nowell, Sr., visited Ewart Miller at DePaul Hospital in Norfolk, Va., Monday. Mr. Miller was critically injured in an automobile accident while returning home from work. His condition is some better. He is the son of the late J. H. Miller, Sr., of near here.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Umphlett and family are moving to their new home in Hertford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hollowell and son, Grover visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Mathews of Elizabeth City, Route 1, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Temple and children of Newland visited Mr.

and Mrs. J. F. Hollowell Sunday night.
Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Umphlett and T. H. White motored to Nags Head Sunday.

MINUTES OF MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Perquimans County Board of Education met in special session Thursday, April 28, 1955. All members were present. Chairman J. E. Morris presided.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. R. T. Pickler met with the Board to discuss his proposal to construct a classroom at Perquimans Training School agriculture shop. He was advised that it would be necessary for the Board of County Commissioners to give approval before accepting or rejecting his proposal.

The Board discussed at length plans for renovating the Perquimans High School. Preliminary estimates to be presented to Commissioners on the first Monday in May.

Sketches of suggestions from Mr. Leaman were presented for study. The Board was not satisfied with

these suggestions and instructed the superintendent to proceed with plans as submitted by the architect.

The superintendent read a report concerning a school bus accident on April 26, 1955.

The superintendent read a portion of the Grand Jury report as it affected the schools.

The following school committees were nominated and appointed for a term of two years:

Perquimans High School—Edwin S. White, Carson Spivey, Roy S. Chappell, Howard Williams, Frank Bray, Mrs. A. H. Edwards and Jack Brinn.

Perquimans Central Grammar School—E. Q. White, Roy Winslow, Mrs. Charlie Umphlett, John Q. Hurdle, George Walter Baker.

Hertford Grammar School—C. T. Eley, Mrs. H. C. Sullivan, J. H. Corprew, Preston Nixon and L. C. Long.

Perquimans County Negro Schools—E. L. Brooks, George Hollowell, Dewey Overton, Sam Jennings and Haywood Martin.

The Board adjourned to meet again at 7:30 P. M., May 11, 1955. J. T. HIGGERS, Secretary.



Pictured here is Miss Jean Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Edwards, Perquimans High School 4-H Beauty Queen, who is entered in the beauty contest being conducted this week in connection with a strawberry festival being held in Chadbourne.

Officials Guests At County Council Dinner Tuesday

The County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs entertained the County Commissioners and their wives at a dinner in the Agricultural Building last Tuesday evening. A delicious meal was prepared and served by the ladies of the Helen Gaither Club. Enjoying the dinner and program were the County Council officers, the County Commissioners, and their wives, the local Extension personnel and their wives and husbands and the following guests: L. R. Harrell, State 4-H Club Leader; Lyman

Dixon, Assistant State 4-H Club Leader; Miss Florence Cox, Eastern District Home Agent, and C. S. Mints, Eastern District Farm Agent, and Miss Shelby Jean Overton, a 4-H Club member.

The program opened with the groups singing "The More We Get Together." Invocation was given by Warner Madre. Mrs. Jack Benton graciously welcomed the guests to which Archie Lane responded. Miss Shelby Jean Overton delighted everyone with a solo "Open Up Your Heart and Let the Sunshine In."

Mrs. E. J. Proctor, serving as Mistress of Ceremonies, introduced L. R. Harrell, who was speaker of the evening. He said he had 28 people to listen so he would give a minute to each. His twenty-five minutes passed quickly as he talked of 4-H Club work as a means of aid in preventing juvenile delinquency.



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