

### The Way of Bureaucracy

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"He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of officers to harass our people..."

"The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated..."

Here are two distinctively American statements. The first was written in the Declaration of Independence as a protest against the aggressions which brought on the Revolution. The second was written into our Bill of Rights. Together they express a fundamental national concept—that the citizen's right of privacy in his own life and his own home should remain inviolate.

But today millions of Americans are wondering just how far that principle is still honored. Today when more than 100,000 persons have been knocking at their doors to demand answers to personal questions that no earlier census asked, they are wondering if the American Spirit in Government has changed.

For they know that the men who established our Government never contemplated such a thing as forcing American citizens to reveal to census-takers—who may be political appointees or neighbors or both—the many personal matters, including wages, salary and other income, asked of some 130,000,000 American citizens in the 1940 census.

How, then, it may be asked, did America come to depart so far from these safeguards of the right of every man to personal privacy?

The answer is obvious. It is the old story of Bureaucracy feeding upon its own power. It is the story of what happens when politicians and job-holders are permitted to go their own way unchecked by Congress or the people.

Bureaucratic snooping is not new—even to America. During the past few years we have seen, much of it. But heretofore it has invaded the rights of only small and politically-uninfluential minorities—and for that reason has been tolerated by the people. Then, emboldened by the absence of effective protests, it insisted upon prying into the intimate affairs of every citizen.

Such are the methods of Bureaucratic oppression—yesterday the few; tomorrow the many.

That is how Bureaucracy always gains power, as the current history of totalitarian Europe, with its growing record of minority and religious persecution, will show. That is how Free Government is weakened.

That is what the Founders meant when they said: "Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Liberty." And that is what the people recognize when they protest against increasing invasions of their right of privacy.

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### Poultry Population Slated For Increase

North Carolina is standing on the threshold of another great poultry year, according to C. F. Parrish, extension poultryman at State College.

The output of baby chicks has been increasing steadily in the past few years, resulting in a plentiful supply of broilers and fryers. Last year, Tar Heel poultrymen started approximately thirty million baby chicks.

We must depend on North Carolina and other nearby markets to handle the poultry supply produced in this State, Parrish said. It is not practical, in most cases, to ship broilers and fryers to distant markets because of shrinkage and competition.

At the present time, the State College poultryman said, there are more broilers in this State than can use more live and dressed poultry, since they have encountered trouble in establishing steady year-round supplies.

From November until spring, the demand for broilers and fryers is usually weak due to competition from fresh pork, hens, and turkeys. As a result, present low prices will not begin to pick up until the first part of the spring. However, the consumption of broilers and fryers is increasing each year in North Carolina, and the market will continue to take a reasonable supply of these birds.

### Transplanting Tree Is Delicate Process

The first three weeks of January is the best time for transplanting deciduous trees, says J. P. Pillsbury professor of landscape architecture at State College.

Unless carried out carefully and correctly, the transplanting of these trees will result in failure. Many people, neglecting a few minor details when making the transfer, have watched their work go for naught as the tree died in its new location.

Deciduous trees, Pillsbury explained, are those which shed their leaves during the winter. If the tree is one which has a tap root, such as white oak or walnut, or is over two inches in trunk diameter, it should have had a partial root-pruning treatment during the preceding dormant season.

In the case of the tap-rooted sorts, this will include digging down on one side, or on the opposite side of the tree, to expose the tap root at a point 18 inches to two feet below the ground level, or more according to the size of the tree or ball of earth around the roots to be moved.

When the tap root is exposed, a section two to three inches long should be cut with a long handled chisel and mallet. The cut at the top of the section should be made smooth.

It is important to wait for favorable weather in the transplanting process. The day should be mild to cold and cloudy to rainy.

Holes should be dug oversize in all dimensions, and good fertile top soil should be used in setting the trees. Manure should never be used except as a mulch over the top of the soil after the tree has been set.

In digging up the tree, as large a ball of earth as possible should be moved with it, and none of the roots should be allowed to become dry during the period of their exposure between digging and planting time.

### Poultrymen Urged To Check Flocks

Poultry problems attended to at this season will eliminate much trouble later in the year, says T. T. Brown, extension poultryman of State College.

During the spring, the poultry farmer should be on the alert for feather-picking, prolapses, pick-outs, lameness, blindness and going light, problems of great economic importance to the industry.

The habit of feather, toe, and vent-picking usually gets its start during the brooding stage, chicks resulting from overcrowding, overheating, and insufficient feeding and watering space.

Removing the cockerel chicks, or dividing the brood to give more room, furnishing an ample amount of ventilation without floor draft, allowing chicks access to open air and sunshine, and providing plenty of feeding and watering facilities generally prevent most of the picking habits, not only during the brooding stage, but also during the laying year.

Many poultrymen have their profits reduced considerably because of the heavy losses of hens and pullets during the late winter and spring as a result of the birds' going light, lame, or blind. Little can be done to improve a flock in such condition, but much can be done to prevent it in next year's laying flock by growing out more healthy pullets.

Another major problem is the maintaining of a high egg production through the summer. This can best be accomplished by a program of rigid culling. Sending persistently broody hens to the market will raise the egg average of the flock.

It is also advisable to reduce the amount of corn fed in the scratch and replace this grain with oats during the hot months. Likewise, an abundance of cool water and plenty of shade are necessary for the flock.

### Piano Recital Presented At Bethware April 27th

Miss Donnie Magness presented her piano pupils of the Beth-Ware school in a musicale tea Saturday afternoon, April 27th, at 3:09 in the home economics room. Honor guests were the mothers of the pupils. Miss Magness and Mrs. O. W. Morris greeted guests at the door.

A color scheme of pink and green was carried out in decorations, and refreshments. The tea table was covered with a handsome lace cloth and a crystal bowl of pink and white tulips formed the centerpiece which was flanked by crystal candelabra holding tall green tapers.

Mrs. Carl J. Magness poured tea. Misses Ruth Hicks Catherine Harmon, Janette McSwain, Sara Lou Phifer, Sarah Cranford and Selma L.L. served Russian tea with cake, sandwiches, potato chips and mints.

Misses Fannie Ware and Catherine Harelson, presided at the register.

Miss Julia Hunt and Miss Magness said good-bye to the guests. About sixty guests were present.

### New Roof On Methodist Parsonage

The roof of the Methodist parsonage at 103 E. Mountain Street, badly damaged by the high winds of early spring, has been replaced, and the parsonage is to be painted inside and out and newly papered in the near future. The four circles of the Women's Missionary Society have assumed responsibility for raising several hundred dollars for these needed repairs.

Mr. W. P. Herndon supervised the laying of the new roof.

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