

FUNNY BUSINESS



"And that, gentlemen, is where the treasurer disappeared!"

There's Tough Row To Hoe For State Heart Researchers

CHAPEL HILL — The heart researcher has a tough row to hoe, says the North Carolina Heart Association. He sometimes knows where he wants to go, but most frequently doesn't get there. He sometimes knows where he is, but he is not always sure how he got there or where he can "go from here."

Dr. Yarkin, refusing to accept comparisons drawn by Dr. Keys among widely scattered populations to connect a high animal-fat diet with artery degeneration and heart disease, lampooned Dr. Key's use of statistics.

He declared pointedly that he could prove — statistically, at least — that heart disease is most prevalent among persons using telephones and radios.

Dr. Keys, with an equally sharp sense of the ridiculous, fired back. Tongue firmly in cheek, he said one could show statistically that artery degeneration and heart disease are commonest among persons who shave every day.

Inasmuch as men have much more heart disease than women, Dr. Key's statement was a sardonic analogy to illustrate the absurdity of another, he brought clearly into focus a matter of which most Americans know little.

More or less of necessity, research into the causes of cardiovascular disease is pretty much of a mystery to Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Tarheel, although medical reporting is more highly developed now than ever before.

Few know to what tremendous lengths medical scientists go to make sure their conclusions are valid. It is probable that no medical scientist alive is more aware than Dr. Keys that statistics alone are only a part of any medical picture; the Russian physician's remark implied an undue reliance on the purely statistical picture.

The international exchange was historic, if only because doctors are seldom given to humor.

in their fields of interest, and research men in particular are passionately serious about their work. But the contribution of the sharp sally across the globe is to place in clearer perspective, the awful demands imposed on the heart researcher by the very nature of his searching and researching.

Here there is no room for the simple syllogism, which can be wrong as often as it is right (fish swim; men swim; therefore, men are fish.) Research is very much like a courtroom witness who will tell the truth, if sufficiently pressed, but very seldom the whole truth.

The research project that ends in a blind alley has served a purpose—that of eliminating a false clue and broadening the foundation for further progress toward solution. The "disappointing" project probably has been expensive and time consuming, but if it has been done with the thoroughness and imagination that characterizes most medical scientists, it has not failed.

Timothy Tarheel's family doctor today knows more by far about the heart and circulation than he did 10 years ago. The body of information is constantly growing, due to carefully planned research.

The painful fact is, however, that we are a long distance from discovering the causes of some of the major death-dealing ills of the heart and circulation. Until the causes of high blood pressure and artery degeneration are firmly nailed down, the search for cures will be necessarily impeded and the toll will continue, for some time to come, to lead all other diseases.

Knowing the size of the job ahead, it should be comforting that eminent medical scientists challenge each other rather sharply. Their attitude makes for stern appraisals of every new development.

In medical science there will always be many more questions than answers. In the cardiovascular field, there seems to be a bottomless pit of questions, but, one by one, the answers are building up a reservoir of hope for hearts.

Agriculture Liability Insurance Requirements Tightened Under New Law Passed

HAIL THE FAIR What is the North Carolina State Fair?

It's a blanket of dust-dulled car tops flung over a rumpled mattress of grass...the mammoth span of smoke-hazed space which the dipping steel rafters of Dorton Arena entrap...a tangible tale of plenty, told in endless rows of jellies, apples, eggs, and hams...a wandering waft of warm air in the cool sea of night, heavy with the rich odor of chili and french fries...pasted fluffs of cotton candy which tease the eye and then suddenly shrink into a tongueful of syrupy sweetness...a dazzling blur of lights glimpsed by a toddling youngster through a forest of legs...feathery bursts of fireworks dribbling like paint splashed against a dome of deep ebony sky...a raucous interlude of carnie canvas-tent burlesque drowned in a stabbing blare of rhythm...littered avenues of concrete which steer swelling floods of humanity through a flashing, clanking, churning, babbling one-week world of fantastic impressions.

The fair is an explosive hymn of antonyms...at the same moment earthy but thereal, chaotic but orderly, pungent but soothing, discordant but melodic, offensive but irresistible, ravaged but innocent, crude but beautiful. One may curse it in one breath and exult in its madness the next.

This rollicking, belterous giant demands superlatives, and is called, by turns, the gaudiest, most sensational, rambunctious, memorable, enlightening, exciting spectacle to be seen hereabouts.

The fair will drain your energy, deplete your finances, batter your feet, sting your eyes, pound your ears, and knot your stomach. And then it is gone, leaving

North Carolina motorists will find that liability insurance requirements have been tightened under a new law passed by the 1965 Legislature which became effective August 17. The new law requires insurance companies to report immediately to the Department of Motor Vehicles when liability insurance ends for any reason. If the policy is being cancelled by the insurance company, notice to the department must be 15 days in advance of the termination date.

Upon receipt of the termination notice, the Department of Motor Vehicles is required by law to notify the owner, and the owner to retain his license plate is required to re-certify to having liability insurance coverage effective on the termination date of the prior coverage.

Failure to re-certify within 15 days is by law prima facie evidence that no financial responsibility exists, the vehicles agency explained. Penalty for failure to have insurance, or failure to re-certify to having insurance, is revocation of license plate and driver's license for 30 days.

Motor Vehicles Commissioner Edward Scheidt said the department began sending out on August 17 the required insurance termination notices along with form FR-3, a certificate for making

being a rolling field of tire-worn grass, a fading poster wearily clinging to a telephone pole, and hushed exhibit halls—guttured of glitter—buttoning up their tin coats against the coming of winter. But it leaves, too, a priceless echo of knowledge and memory, hoarded in a heart-beat by a million fairgoers.

Some contend that we lose in the exchange. True, the fair poses in the guise of a shrewd and crafty tradesman. But we give a pittance each year for a prize. (The 1965 North Carolina State Fair is scheduled for Raleigh, Oct. 11-16.)

ing the re-certification. He cautioned motor vehicle owners against any lapse in liability insurance coverage. "Make certain you have liability insurance and that it is maintained and continuously or surrender your plate before insurance ends," Scheidt said. "You will then have complied with the law and at the same time will have protected your driving privileges."

The tern gull is also known as the sea swallow.

STRICTLY FRESH

Joe: "It's raining—open the umbrella." Moe: "Wouldn't do no good. It's full of holes."



Joe: "So why'd you bring it?" Moe: "I didn't think it would rain."

He: "You are so beautiful tonight." She: "You flatterer."

He: "No, I mean it. I had to look twice before I recognized you."

Johnny started school and within two weeks the teacher sent home a note containing the following: "Young Johnny is more than I can handle. I am forced to ask for your help."

The next day the mother answered: "Listen, all those years I had him alone, did I ask you for help?"

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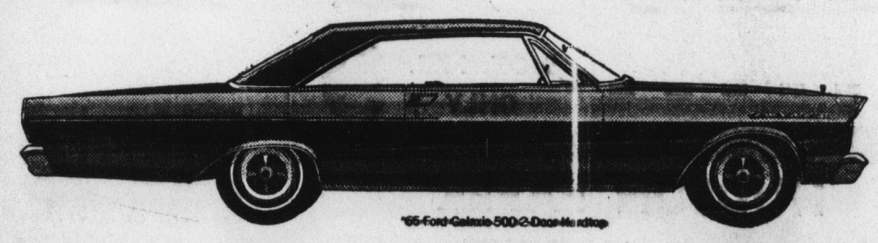
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