

EDITORIAL FEATURE

Don't Forget Medicare, Citizens!

Don't forget the March 31, 1966, deadline for enrollment in the voluntary part of Medicare insurance. Approximately 75 per cent of the country's elder citizens have already signed for the program.

You can benefit tremendously by being a member of the plan. This type of insurance will cover 80 per cent of doctor bills and a variety of other health services over and above the first \$50 of expense in a year, supplementing the basic hospital insurance provided persons 65 years old and above.

The enrollment period for persons who reached 65 before the beginning of this year closes on March 31. The people who have not enrolled by the deadline must wait two more years before they

can enroll and have the chance to pay higher premiums. The premium for those who enroll now is \$3 a month, one-half protection. The other half will be met by the federal government.

It does not necessitate that one must have been covered by Social Security to enroll in the Medicare program. Persons over 65 who have never held Social Security cards should get them at once from their district office. The post office officials will be glad to give you the address of the district office.

You must be alert for your own benefit. Get busy and see that you have Medicare coverage before the deadline on March 31. This matter must not be put off, because the person you benefit will be yourself.

Children Know When They Need Punishment

We contend that children are well aware of when they need punishment, whether at school or at home.

Not long ago, City Judge K. Wayne Kent in an Indiana town acquitted a grade-school teacher of assault and battery charges in the paddling of a pupil.

The charges, brought by the parents of a seventh-grade pupil, were dismissed after the boy's testimony. "I deserved it," the boy said.

Too often parents are responsible for a breakdown in school discipline, for they are too eager to condone misbehavior of their children at school. Many parents have brought teachers and educators into court for whipping bad pupils for their misconduct.

Years ago, when parents enrolled their children in school, they told the principal to punish their children whenever they did wrong. When the instructors paddled the students, they got a second whipping when they got home.

In the large cities, pupils have gotten out of hand. They are carrying around concealed weapons and use them upon the least provocation. It is getting so that few teachers want to take positions in schools located in Harlem, New York.

Unless we catch the student culprits in "the seat of their pants" and pour it on, we can expect the teaching situation to become less and less attractive to many good teachers.

Guest Editorial

WALTHAM, Mass., *News-Tribune*: ... think about the little chap who delivers your newspaper ... Doing the routine is a personal sacrifice for a lad who has to meet an obligation while his pals go to the neighborhood playground for a spell of fun ... Those dollars he earns give him opportunity to pay part of his own way, to establish a measure of independent status that builds confidence. More than this, the newsboy becomes a 'little merchant.' He isn't an employee of the newspaper, but an independent contractor purchasing a product and turning it over to a customer for a profit."

conceived on the idea that people can't and won't take care of their own well-being."

ROCHESTER, N. H., *Courier*: "Restraining of workers whose skills are no longer needed is a fine thing. Education for the children of poor families is also needed. Federal aid, if accompanied by complete local freedom is acceptable. When it comes to the point of having to guarantee every family an annual income then something has happened to this g. at nation."

TOLEDO, Iowa, *Chronicle*: "Times change. We can look back along the years to a time when we paid no income tax, and neither did our friends. Now the Tax Foundation says Americans work 2 hours and 20 minutes of every eight-hour day just to meet their federal, state, and local tax bills."

PORTLAND, Ore., *Daily Journal of Commerce*: "For all practical purposes, we have reached a point of full employment. ... This does not mean that we will have no unemployment in the future, but at the present time there are unfilled openings for persons with many skills and know-how in many fields. It may be that as long as present conditions continue there should be some adjustment to make better use of those persons who have retired ... The skilled workers and executives who have become work-oriented make many plans for the time of retirement, but experience has shown that when that time arrives it brings with it a sense of dislocation and boredom which cannot replace that of usefulness and achievement."

PORT GIBSON, Miss., *Reveille*: "Of the freedoms left—as we wearily bow before the onslaught of almost complete government domination—the right for a person to earn a living without paying dues to a labor union is certainly one of the fundamental rights."

ODESSA, Texas, *American*: "The best-kept secret in America today is that people would rather work hard for something they believe in than enjoy a pampered idleness." That is a quotation from John W. Gardner, the new Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare ... Mr. Gardner appears to be quite an individual ... it is amazing that a man like he would get himself tied up with the \$10 billion boondoggle that is HEW and which exerts cradle to grave control over the lives of the people ... Good men in political office cannot make a falsely conceived idea good. And every phase of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare is falsely

Did You Know?

Did you know that many of the top boys in the Poverty Program draw more money than the maximum sum granted to Negroes, by the program? Did you know that some college professors quit their teaching jobs to go with the Poverty Program, due to the fact it pays more than college teaching? Did you know that it costs more to administer the aid to so-called poor people than the poor people are receiving from the program? Did you know that the program is sagging, due to the fact that there is an investigation of kick-backs on the little money that the poor people are receiving?

Did you know that it is against the law for Registrars to suggest to a person who attempts to register the party to which to register? Did you know that the Registrars are going to be watched when the books open for the coming Primary Elections and if there are irregularities they will be reported to the Justice Department? Did you know that many persons have been told if they did not register as Democrats they would not be able to vote? Perhaps you were told that.

Did you know that the Republican party in North Carolina is looking for qualified candidates to run for office? They point to the fact that most of the Negroes holding

office in northern states came from the South.

Did you know that the General Sunday School Convention, A.M.E. Zion Church will meet in Salisbury this year? Did you know that Dr. J. W. Eichelberger, director, Christian Education for the denomination is the oldest, in tenure, of any Christian Education Executive in Christendom? He has held the position since 1932, since its inception. He is believed to have begun in an administrative capacity in 1920.

Did you know that Charlotte is fastly becoming a convention city of national stature? Did you know that the 1968 session of the Grand Conclave, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity will meet there? Did you know that the Kappas missed by a few votes of meeting there at the same time? Brother there would have been some Greeks in town if this had happened.

Did you know that baby sitters (teenagers or adults) who regularly go to a private home to care for children are considered household workers, and as such, are covered by the Federal Social Security law? Also chauffeurs, maids, cooks, gardeners, valets performing household work in and about a private home are covered under the FSS law?

One Here, Other In New Jersey 2 RALEIGH YOUTHS SLAIN

Trooper 'Not Guilty'

Woman, 19, Held In Death

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'Big Six' To Spark White House Meet

NC Teachers Here Next Week

Activities Of Tutors Outlined

The 85th Annual Convention of the North Carolina Teachers Association will be held in Raleigh on Thursday and Friday, March 31, and April 1, with main sessions at the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium. The theme of the Convention is "Free to Teach". Dr. William J. Trent, Jr., assistant personnel director of Time Inc. and former head of the United Negro College Fund, will deliver the keynote address on Thursday at 8:15 p. m. in the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium. On Friday at 11 a. m. Attorney Jack Greenberg, director-counsel, NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, will speak to the Administrators and Supervisors in the Southern Room of the Memorial Auditorium. He will also deliver the main address at the Second General Assembly of the Convention Friday evening at 8:15. (See NC TEACHERS, P. 2)



FOR A SHORT CUT IN VIET NAM - Bien Hoa, South Viet Nam: Cpl. Damon Brown (left), an artilleryman of the 173rd Airborne, uses power mower sent to him by citizens of his home town, Englewood, Fla., to trim the fast-growing grass that restricts visibility around howitzer emplacements. Cpl. Wilbert Quinn (right) holds scythe normally used for the job. The mower was sent to Bien Hoa when Brown mentioned that the fields of grass were being cut by hand. (U. S. ARMY PHOTO FROM UPI)

Rape Try Charge Dismissed

DURHAM - Recorder's Court Judge W. C. Purcell Tuesday acquitted a white State Trooper on charges of assault with intent to commit rape upon a Negro nurse at her home here on the morning of Monday, March 14, but the alleged victim's husband was bound over on an assault with a deadly weapon rap. Trooper Edwin Ray Kirby heard the judge rule "no probable cause," following the testimony of the prosecuting witness, Mrs. Grace Johnson, who is employed at Duke Hospital. Mrs. Johnson told the court that Kirby, 36, began kissing her while they discussed the proposed sale of a car in the living room of her home. She testified further that the trooper picked her up and carried her into a bedroom where "he pulled my slacks completely off." The next thing she knew, Mrs. Johnson said, was hearing Kirby. (See 'NOT GUILTY', P. 2)

A young Raleigh woman was charged with murder last Saturday afternoon, following a shooting in the 300 block of W. South Street about 12:30 that morning. Miss Shirley Faye Pope Jones, 19, of 128 N. Fisher St., was arrested on a warrant signed by Officer E. D. Whitley



MISS SHIRLEY JONES after Lee Edward Hall, also 19 of 115 N. Fisher St., was shot in the day at Wake Memorial Hospital. According to Detective Sgt. Jeter H. Bowers, the woman and two witnesses first said the shooting of Hall was accidental. Miss Sandra Morgan, (See WOMAN HELD, P. 2)

'65 Ligon Grad Is Murdered

BY CHARLES R. JONES A young Raleigh native, who graduated from the J. W. Ligon Jr.-Sr. High School in June of 1965, was shot to death last Saturday night, in Asbury Park, N. J., by another ex-Raleighite, who has a long local police record. David Harris, 20, of 1725 Poole Rd., Apt. 7, had just



DAVID HARRIS gone to Asbury Park on Sunday, March 13, to work after coming here from Washington, D. C., for an examination for the armed forces. Harris was reportedly shot six times. Being held in connection with the fatal shooting is Thomas Fox, whose last Raleigh addresses were: 705 Coleman St., and 8 Ashe Terrace. Fox's arrest record dates back to 1956. He had been in the New Jersey city only a short while, also. Fox is scheduled to receive a preliminary hearing in Asbury Park Municipal Court this week. No motive was advanced for the shooting. Also arrested by police officers and later released, were Mrs. Mary Graham, in whose home the murder took place, and two other persons, all of whom were said to be material witnesses. (See LIGON GRAD, P. 2)

Mrs. Cofield Methodist Orator Sun.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Cofield, dean of women and associate professor of education at Shaw University, will deliver the annual Woman's Day address at St. Matthew A.M.E. Church Sunday, March 27, at the 11 a. m. worship hour. Mrs. Margaret Holt is chairman of the day's activities. The Rev. John Frederick Epps (See MRS. COFIELD, P. 2)



MRS. ELIZABETH B. COFIELD

Leaders Make Plans 'To Fulfill Rights'

WASHINGTON - The "Big Six" of the nation's civil rights leaders are playing a prominent role in developing an "action-oriented" agenda for the White House Conference on Civil Rights, to be held June 1 and 2. Leaders of these major civil rights organizations are serving on a 29-member Council to the White House Conference. The Council, which is comprised of a cross section of national leaders is holding a series of weekend "work sessions" at the White House to work out the format and a substantive agenda for the historic Conference. Among those serving on the Council are: A. Phillip Randolph, (See 'BIG SIX', P. 2)

NC State Chancellor To Speak At St. Aug.

Dr. John T. Caldwell, chancellor, North Carolina State University at Raleigh, will address the annual meeting of the Crown and Scepter Honor Society at St. Augustine's College, on Saturday, April 2, at 10 a. m. The Society is a chartered statewide organization which recognizes outstanding academic achievement of high school students from "accredited schools. Founded on the campus of St. Augustine's College in 1924 by W. A. Robinson, who was at that time State Inspector of Negro High Schools, it held its first annual meeting on the college campus in 1933. Seventy-five high schools from across the State hold membership in the organization and a heavy majority of these (See CHANCELLOR, P. 2)

WEATHER

Temperatures for the next five days, Thursday through Monday, will average 2 to 7 degrees below normal. Normal high and low temperatures for the period will be 64 and 40 degrees. Colder weather is expected Thursday and Friday with some moderation on Saturday. It will turn colder again near the end of the period. Precipitation will average three-fourths of an inch or more, occurring as showers and thundershowers on Thursday and again during the weekend.

From Raleigh's Official Police Files.

THE CRIME BEAT

BY CHARLES R. JONES

On Losing End Of Fight

Miss Mary Louise Jones, 26, and Marvin Taylor, 33, both of 205 Pugh Street, reportedly had an argument at 4:30 p. m. Monday, Taylor declared Miss Jones struck him on the head with a brick, and he then pushed her down the steps. The woman threatened that Taylor hit her three times with a brick. Neither would tell Officers Otis L. Hinton and E. Curtis Winston what triggered the "fuss."

Miss Jones was admitted to Wake Memorial Hospital for treatment and observation. Her wound in the left side of the head required four stitches. She also sported a swollen right eye. Both were charged with engaging in an affray with deadly weapons. (See CRIME BEAT, P. 3)

Friday Thief Steals Records

Harvey Hearne, of 316 E. South St., told "the law" at 6:39 p. m. Friday, that he left home at 8 a. m. and returned at 6:20 p. m., to discover someone had kicked in the kitchen door of his residence. Mr. Hearne said his house was also broken into on Friday, March 11, but nothing was stolen. He again reported to officers at 9:10 p. m. Friday that he returned home at 9 p. m., to find someone had entered again and this time stole approximately 125 records from the top of his record player, valued at \$1 each. The complainant had no idea who the persistent thief could be. Damage to the kitchen door was set at \$20. (See CRIME BEAT, P. 3)



STUDENTS LAUGH AS TEACHER STRIKE - New Orleans, La.: Students at Washington School here laugh as they pass a picket of the American Federation of Teachers, whose members went on strike last week in New Orleans against the Orleans Parish School system. The strike, called by the AFL, is the first of its kind in the state's history. (UPI PHOTO)

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