

Important Farm Demonstration

PARENTS and teachers find out pretty quickly that Samuel Johnson knew what he was talking about when he said "Example is always more efficacious than precept." But the truth of the Johnson axiom is not limited to the education of children—it applies to adults as well. We all learn more rapidly, and more thoroughly, when we are shown how to do something than when we are told how to do it.

Next month a spectacular demonstration in North Mecklenburg will show many thousands of Carolinians how a run-down, eroded farm can, in one day, be made over into a fertile, productive enterprise. The project will be jointly sponsored by The News, the district supervisors of the Lower Catawba Soil Conservation District, the southern district of C. Extension Service, and the North Carolina Grange, with the generous assistance of many farm equipment, fertilizer, and seed companies.

On the morning of October 14 hundreds of men will swarm over the 120-acre Boy's Ford Road farm owned by two World War II vets. Giant bulldozers, earth-movers, and terracing machines will clear away brush, dig deep into the soil, turn it, and level it off. Fertilizer and lime will be applied, and seeds planted. A fishpond will be scooped out, and young fish dumped in it. The very next morning the newspaper will be cut, and fences erected. By the morning of October 15, the farm will be worth some \$20,000 more than it is today. It will truly be a vivid example of what can be done to conserve and improve the soil.

Despite the ever-present industrialization of the U. S., its vast farm lands are being neglected. The very best of them are being converted to other uses. From them come the foods we eat, and the materials which blend into a thousand manufactured products. Our land is our greatest natural resource, and it must be nurtured and preserved if we are to have lasting prosperity.

For the two fortunate young veterans whose farm was selected as a guinea pig, it will be an unanticipated windfall. But the real beneficiaries will be the people of the Piedmont who, having seen how it is done, will be in a better position to go and do likewise.

The Balkan Sideshow

A WESTERN WORLD reared in the luxuriance of free speech leans its ear constantly cupped in the direction of Moscow for news of alarms and skirmishes in the silent zone.

But such news comes so infrequently and so sparsely that it is not surprising that Western observers can only speculate and wonder what it really means. This is the curious situation following the death of the mysterious Col. Gen. Andrei A. Zhdanov, who was rumored as a favorite to succeed Marshal Stalin.

The chubby 52-year-old Zhdanov, long a personal friend of the Soviet dictator, organized the Cominform last year to coordinate the activities of foreign Communist Parties with Moscow. He was believed to be responsible for the recent Russian investigative hurried on Marshal Tito after the latter refused to accept Soviet "suggestions" about Yugoslavia's internal affairs.

Zhdanov's death might give Russia the opportunity she sought to patch up the Tito quarrel.

But Pravda, the official newspaper of the Communist Party, hardly gave Zhdanov time for burial before it heaped new criticism on Tito. The next day the newspaper charged the Balkan dictator with joining the "imperialists" and waging a terrorist campaign of repressions, mass arrests and murders.

It showed nothing else, this latest outburst told the Western world that the breach was far from mended. The criticism, in fact, widened the rift and made it appear that the Soviet Union (not unacquainted with charming terrorist methods of its own) might be preparing some efficient new "persuasions."

An interesting little spot like this, although partially hidden from the West, reveals in sharply defined focus the insufferable totalitarian methods of the "people's movement" called Communism. Comrade Tito, sweetly hailed as a Communist hero while he led the line with Moscow, suddenly becomes an "imperialist" when he resists the strong-armed Cominform.

Dixiecrat Party Line

OUR FRIENDS the Dixiecrats were late entering the lists, and had to hurry around like so many beetles to get Strom Thurmond and Fielding Wright on the ballot in North Carolina. It's not natural that they are still a little confused about the Dixiecrat party line.

Nevertheless, it was amusing to read in the papers the other day that the Dixiecrats haven't decided what to do about the Democrats. Col. Philip S. Finn of Hendersonville, Dixiecrat National chairman, took to Gregg Cherry, Harry McMullan, Capus Wayne, and Hubert E. Olive for what he called an "off to layle" organization of the Dixiecrats. Finn said he was unable to meet, of course, are old-line Democrats.

Charlotte's Dave Clark thought Colonel Finn was wrong, and said so. He reiterated Finn's statement, and said he thought

someone had given him erroneous information. Governor Cherry took no part in the matter, and Harry McMullan was most cooperative in getting an early decision out of the Supreme Court, Mr. Clark said.

The Dixiecrats have our sympathy. All right, they don't like Harry Truman, but Mr. Clark, at least, isn't ready to ditch the Democratic state machine. We presume they don't like Governor Dewey, either, and they don't like Harry Truman, but they are not ready to ditch Truman and Dewey by voting for Thurmond, but they ought to know what they're voting for. As a matter of fact, we'd like to know, too.

From The New York Sun

Our Voting Population This Year

THE VOTING population and the popular vote are by no means the same, even in Presidential years, but politicians everywhere will study the figures on the voting population of the United States. The Bureau of the Census has reported that by Nov. 2 approximately 94,600,000 persons will be eligible to vote by the qualification of age.

Rebuilding Germany

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Song Of India



Marquis Childs

Fascist Attitude

"WE CANNOT drive the answer to it to our laboratories, but, if we tolerate reckless or unfair attacks, we are certain to be misled and misled."

The profound truth of those words spoken by President Truman about any possible discovery of atomic energy is being pointed out by Marquis Childs in his address to the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Washington.

Childs stressed the truth of the matter in this moment of tragic uncertainty in the immediate past created by the disclosure of his statement. In Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy, scientists were literally driven out of their laboratories.

The German Story

"The German story is the German story of science. It is the German story of science contributed to the world as it did to the German effort. But it is the German story of science which was destroyed by the German effort."

Party Of Freedom

"To fellow textile workers in the South: Which party is David Clark, the labor-bater, supporting?"

The Super Mr. Roosevelt

"In a recent and somewhat belated epistle labeled 'Plutocracy vs. Democracy,' B. H. Dimsdale sadly denounces the death throes of the Roosevelt budget."

Exhausting Routine

"The men involved because so exhausted that on one occasion Under Secretary of State Robert A. Lovett had to be taken to the hospital."

Under The Dome

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People's Platform

Central High Football Prices

CHARLOTTE, Sept. 15.—The Central High School football team has a much larger enrollment than either Harding or Tech, their admission price for an average game should be lower rather than higher.

When we are asked to pay \$12.50 for a high school football ticket not to mention the extra \$1.75 section ticket, we have the right to a fair return from our investment. We certainly do not expect to see a lowered score such as we witnessed last Saturday night when Central was defeated by Fayetteville to the tune of 41-7.

From the standpoint of the admission price more for our money than Central and we would very much like to see something done to improve this deplorable situation which we honestly believe will result in the loss of the public interest in this thing is done immediately.

Southern Railway Freight Station. (Signed): E. L. Boyd, W. T. Hojce, L. C. Helmal, J. B. Bess, A. R. Ferraro, J. L. Quinn Jr., Lucas J. Selmon Jr., W. C. Hopper, L. J. Byrum, W. F. Marshall, E. A. Bailey, C. H. Dimsdale, J. B. Moore, S. A. Dore, Jr., W. B. Hurley Jr., J. R. Marshall, R. W. Whitlock, R. B. Collins, S. J. Dunaway, Jr., E. J. Taylor, W. H. Brown, J. P. Bacon, B. L. Lowe, E. A. Sherrill, H. W. McGowan, E. J. W. Rhoads, J. W. Knowles, J. F. Neal, J. H. Wayland, H. B. Williams, J. E. Rogers, and G. W. Gray.

NOTE—A copy of the above letter was sent to the city school athletic authorities and F. O. Roberts, School Board member and chairman of the school committee of the school system gave the statement to the News.

Central's football team pays the expenses of a well-rounded program in which, as well as an annual program for all students and, in addition, contributes materially to the financial support of the school system.

Stadium and other costs have increased. And, perhaps, most important of all Central plays in the York School Gym. For this reason, the school here are top flight teams. They cost more money than other teams.

All of these factors, made it necessary that the price of single game admission tickets be increased. It is the General Athletic Program, which is the whole aim of our athletic program. We want to win and we will win a majority of our games but primary emphasis is placed on the development of character through clean sports.

Progressive Party

INDIANAPOLIS, IND. The following appeared in last week's Time magazine in a story about Henry Wallace's visit to North Carolina.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

AN insignificant news item appeared in the press recently to the effect that Baron Heinrich von Bismarck, grandson of Bismarck, had been arrested in the Western zone of Germany. Behind this news item is a story which is an unending source of trouble to actually U. S. and British intelligence had been trying to catch Baron Bismarck for months. For this reason, the British are great here because one of Russia's most effective Communist agents.

The story has never been fully told, but Von Einsiedel, captured at Stalingrad, is considered the real genius behind the cracking of the Enigma code in Germany. He was freed from the surrendering Nazi Army at Stalingrad. Field Marshal von Paulus and General Von Seitz were killed in the battle of Stalingrad. Bismarck was with the Russian, but the grandson of Bismarck was the backstage player.

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At first the sixteen Marshall Plan nations refused to make this cut in their own reconstruction plans. They told Harriman the USA was setting the stage for the next world war by betting its money on the untrustworthy Germans,

who are likely to make another deal with Moscow—after we rebuild them.

First, Ambassador Harriman agreed. He knew U. S. military aid was being cut in half. If he would have to evacuate Germany, leaving Germany, he rebuilt by us as we rebuilt the Russians.

However, Harriman had no choice in the matter. Sec boss Paul Hoffman, who in turn takes his cues from ECA boss Douglas, who in turn takes his cues from the Kremlin, while Washington insisted on an appeal to Stalin. In 1939 it was the thought of the still masterminded by the hand, the Foreign Office, and the CIO's Harry have argued for an-

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