

Cp613.94  
N87h

Human Betterment League

The Library  
of the  
University of North Carolina



Collection of North Caroliniana

This book was presented

by  
Human Betterment  
League  
Cp 613.94

N87h

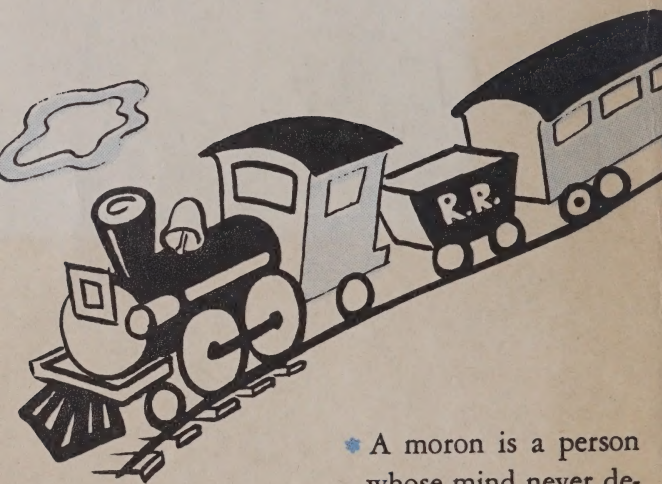
**You**

**wouldn't**

**expect...**

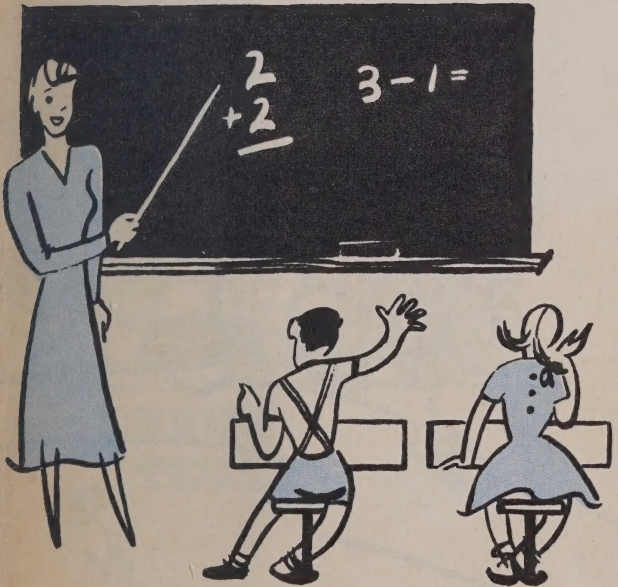
You wouldn't  
expect . . .

A moron\* to  
run a train

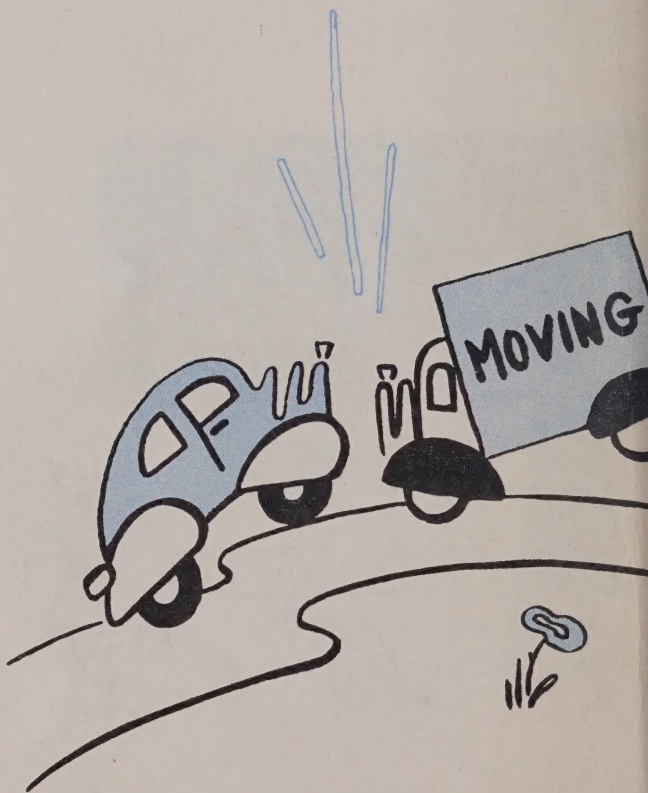


\* A moron is a person whose mind never develops beyond that of a ten year old child.

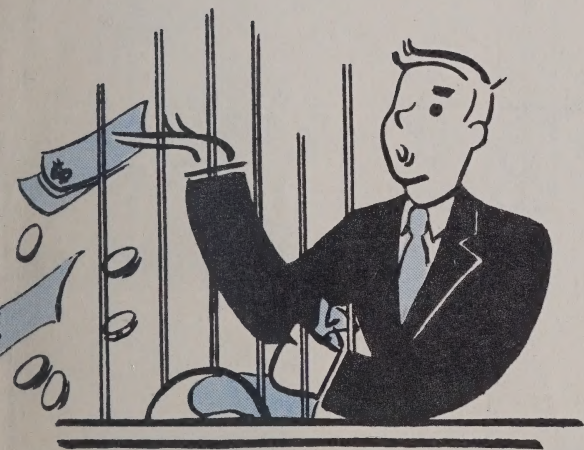
Or a feebleminded  
woman  
to teach school



You wouldn't  
want the state to  
grant driver's licenses  
to mental defectives



Nor expect  
such defectives  
to handle money wisely.



**BANK  
TELLER**

You  
wouldn't give  
a responsible position  
to a person of  
little intelligence





**YET** each day the  
feble-minded and the  
mentally defective are  
entrusted with the  
most important and  
far reaching job  
of all - - -

The job of . . .

# **PARENTHOOD!**

. . . the creation  
of new life  
and the responsibility  
of rearing  
children

Having a healthy,  
normal baby is the  
most important  
of all jobs —



It is also  
important that  
babies have good  
physical care and  
loving, thoughtful  
guidance



The  
average feebleminded  
parent cannot be  
expected to provide

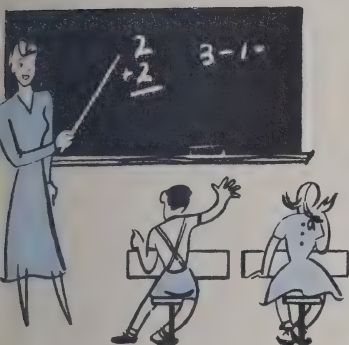
- good heredity
- a normal home
- intelligent care

to say nothing of the  
many other things  
needed to bring up  
children successfully.

Like



running a train,



teaching  
school,

or  
handling  
money,



**BANK  
TELLER**

the job of *parenthood* is too  
much to expect of feeble-  
minded men and women.

They should be protected  
from jobs for which they  
are not qualified.

**NORTH CAROLINA**

offers its citizens this pro-  
tection in the form of . . .

**SELECTIVE  
STERILIZATION**

## Selective Sterilization

means the

## Voluntary Sterilization

of men and women so they may live safely outside of institutions — live without danger to themselves or to the community —

The operation is  
a simple one which  
*removes nothing from the body  
and does not change  
sex functions or feelings.*  
It is *not* barnyard castration!

Mental defectives who are sterilized may marry and lead satisfactory lives.

Often they may become reasonably self-supporting if they are spared the responsibility of parenthood —





## Selective Sterilization

also protects children



for no child should be born to subnormal parents — denied a fair, healthy start in life — or doomed from birth to a mental institution.

# North Carolina's Selective Sterilization Law

## PROTECTS

- its mentally handicapped men and women
- the children of future generations
- and the community at large.

## IT SAVES

- thousands of taxpayers dollars
- needless human tragedy
- wasted lives.

## North Carolina's Law provides:

for the sterilization at state or county expense of patients in or out of institutions who are likely to produce children with a tendency towards serious physical, mental or nervous diseases or deficiencies.

It is important that everyone

### Know and Understand This Law

and support public officials in carrying out its provisions in cases where protection is needed.

## **Protect**

handicapped men and women so that those in need of this protection may get it without expense to themselves.

## **Save**

helpless children from mental affliction and unwholesome surroundings.

## **Support**

North Carolina's  
humanitarian

## **Selective Sterilization Law**

- \* North Carolina is one of 27 progressive states with laws providing for the sterilization of the mentally unfit at state expense.

**The Human Betterment League  
of North Carolina, Incorporated  
Box 3036, Winston-Salem  
North Carolina**

Gentlemen:

To help with the educational work of the League and its protection of North Carolina's next generation, I enclose a contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

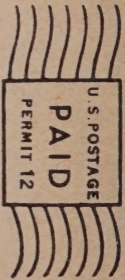
Yours truly,

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to the Human Betterment League of North Carolina.  
Contributions deductible from taxable income.

For additional copies  
of the pamphlet address  
The Human Betterment League  
of North Carolina, Incorporated  
P. O. Box 3036, Winston-Salem, N. C.



SEC. 34.06, P. L. & R.

Chancellor R. B. Howard  
Univ. of N. C.  
Chapel Hill  
N. C.

FOR USE ONLY IN  
THE NORTH CAROLINA COLLECTION

UNIVERSITY OF N.C. AT CHAPEL HILL



00051200555

