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"The basis of our government being the opinion of the people, the very first objective should be to keep that right, and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without government, I should not hesitate a moment to choose the latter. But I should mean that every man should receive these papers and be capable of reading them."—Thomas Jefferson.

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WILL PRICES GO UP?

There is hardly any way to tell how the new price control legislation will work out but unless it manages to wipe out some of the increases that have occurred in basic raw materials the price of living will soon reflect an upward jump.

It is natural for every seller to believe that the higher price he can get for his product the bigger his profit will be. Subject to adjustments that inevitably follow, the statement is partially correct. Nevertheless, sellers are also buyers and the increases that occur generally will equalize the temporory gain and, in the end, nobody will be better off but the price level will be higher.

SAYS FARM LAND TOO HIGH

A Tennesse banker, speaking recently in North Carolina, said that it is time to discourage the "spiraling of farm land prices," asserting that in a number of states the prices are "now well over their high averages of 1920."

The banker, C. W. Bailey, said that taking 1921-14 as normal, farm lands, all over the nation, are over 140 and warns that "indebtedness incurred now in the purchase of additional land could become very oppressive in future years."

This is a timely warning. It should not be necessary in Watauga county, where many prosperous farmers lost their land after the first World War through the process of buying too much additional high-priced land.

FLEET AT TRIESTE

The strength of the U. S. Navy in the Mediterranean is two cruisers and two destroyers, but we believe that the "fleet" has been concentrated at Trieste.

The rivalry of Yugoslavia and Italy over this port has resulted in an international tug-of-war that carries certain dangerous possibilities. The fact that Russia has backed the claim of Yugoslavia makes the problem more serious. Undoubtedly, the Yugoslavian forces in the area far outnumber those of the United States, and Great Britain, which, it seems to us, make an explosive situation.

The fact that the United States has dispatched cruisers into the harbor of Trieste is what the diplomats would call a "demonstration of strength." It tends to emphasize the interest of this country in the peaceable settlement of the Trieste question but, in our opinion, the nation should immediately dispatch additional warships into the Mediterranean in order to let Russia know very clearly that we are interested in any attempt to settle war questions in that area by force.

STRAW MEN

Probably the most interesting monkey-business of the month of July was the spectacle of Drew Pearson speaking from the steps of the State Capital building in Alanta, amid a great bally-hoo suggesting that he risked his life.

In fact, the sponsors of his stunt widely advertised the fact that a $1,000,000-insurance policy had been taken on his life covering the fifteen minutes of his address. In view of the fact that Mr. Pearson was accompanied to to the Capital steps by the Governor of Georgia, and that the whole assemblage was liberally protected by police officers, the attempt to write up the incident as a great risk to Mr. Pearson is ridiculous.

Judging from the weakness of the Ku Klux Klan in this state, and elsewhere, it remains to be ascertained whether the so-called Klan organization or various publicists will make the most. The way Mr. Pearson and other writers tear into an organization that shows little signs of strength suggests that they are busy setting up straw men for the purpose of knocking them down, amid the plaudits of certain minority groups.

READING MAKES THINKERS

Among the 1946 resolutions that you probably forgot to make ought to have been one that you would read a sensible book, on a sensible subject, at least every month.

When a man or woman takes a year to write a book on any subject, those interested in the topic ought to be able to stand the work for several hours, without brainfag.

There are entirely too many people in Watauga county who take it for granted that they can learn everything that is worth knowing from current comment related by gossipping friends.

Thinking is what makes men amount to something. The more the people of a community think the better and the more prosperous that community is. You needn' t ask us to prove that statement. We haven't the time and doubt if we have the brains, but it is the truth, just the same.

THE EVERYDAY COUNSELLOR

By HERBERT SPAUGH, D. D.

Thorny people are hard to get along with. But is can be done if there is a will to do it. Domestic difficulties make up many of the problems brought to my study and desk. How to get along happily with husband or wife is a continual plea.

These stories of marital unhappiness sound very much alike. The recital is usually full of "I's" It is what I"' want to do or have done. Usually the one who comes for conference or writes for counsel has wrestled with the problem a long time. It has become so large to them that it has obscured most of the good in the situation.

When a problem stays continually in mind, it has a way of growing. The more we look at it the larger it grows, and the more difficult it becomes to see any way out.

The Bible gives a striking picture in the story of Daniel, wrestling with a problem which involved his very life. The prophet was cast into a den of lions because he refused to compromise his principles. Immediate death was the expected result, but it did not happen.

Daniel had a life time habit of praying to God three times daily. Although a very busy man, he let nothing interfere with this practice. No doubt it enabled him to see trouble coming, even before it arrived. He always kept hold of the prayer line.

One artist's conception of the scene in the lion's den has made an indelible impression on my mind. It portrays the prophet standing with his face toward the sunlight streaming through the small grilled window, with his back to the lions. The lions seemed about as unconcerned about him as he about they.

When you are in the midst of trouble you won't get help by staring at it. If you really want help you will start looking for it.

When your problem gets bigger and bigger stop looking at it. Read the words of the Psalmist, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills. From whence cometh my help? My help cometh the Lord who made heaven and earth."

If those in domestic trouble would only learn this lesson! Too many of them nurse their wrongs and they grow larger and larger in their eyes.

The Divine Counselor has promised wisdom and guidance for all those who truly seek Him.

Look at the lions in fear, and they will rend you. Turn your back upon them and look to God in trust; follow the leading which He will give you, and you will be amazed at the results.

"What man is he that feareth the Lord? Him shall He teach in the way that He shall choose."

PRIZE PACKAGE

Rochester, N. Y. — When she examined her 5-and-10-cent store purchases, Mrs. Thomas Hunt found a paper bag and in it was $940 in cash. The find and the loss were reported almost simultaneously as Mrs. Anna M. Fratta told police she had apparently left the bag on a counter.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of J. E. Huffman appreciates the may kind remembrances during the recent illness and death of my mother, Mrs. J. W. Huffman, of Thomasville.—
J. E. HUFFMAN.

Many Veterans Are Placed in Jobs by Employment Service

North Carolina veterans numbering 25,736 have been placed in local jobs during the first six months of this year by Veterans' Employment Representatives and other personnel in the local offices of the United States Employment Service, it is announced by R. C. Godwin, State Veterans' Employment Representative.

The June report shows that 6,404 veterans were actually placed in local jobs during the month, an increase of 1,933 over the 4,571 veteran placements made for the month of May.

Mr. Godwin reports that a breakdown of veteran placements into skills and trades for the month of June were as follows: 148 were placed in professional and managerial positions; 374 in clerical and sales jobs; 236 in service positions, 649 in skilled trades; 782 in semi-skilled work; 2,050 in unskilled and other types of jobs, with 2,165 placements in processing and agricultural jobs.

Veterans cnotinue to form the bulk of the work in local USES offices, Mr. Godwin states, citing that nearly 66 percent, or 173,947 of the visits made to local offices in June, out of a total of 264,918 were made by veterans, most of whom were veterans of World War II.

These figures disclose that World War II veterans form the bulk of the available labor supply and will be the major employment activity in North Carolina during the coming years. Mr. Godwin points out that more than 68 percent of the active applicants for jobs on file in local USES offices in the State are veterans. At the end of June 31,097 veterans were actively seeking work through the USES offices, more than twice as many as the 14,344 non-veterans looking for jobs for the same period.

MAN, 121, LEAVES 316 DESCENDANTS

Houston, Tex. — Jasper Cullin Darrett, a Negro believed to have been between 112 and 121 years old, and who had 316 descendants, died recently. By his recollection, he was 122 years old this year because he said he was an 8-year-old boy when the "stars fell" in the meteor shower of 1833. He had 31 children, by three wives, 91 grandchildren, 99 great-grandchildren and 95 great-great-grandchildren

WANT ADS

EPISCOPAL MINISTER wants to move to Boone. Wants to rent house, preferably furnished. Write Rev. J. McKeown, Box 364, Boone. 1p

FOR SALE—30 acres, 9 miles from Boone on 421 east. 5 acres clear, plenty of water. Ideal summer homesite. W. C. Greene. 8-8-2c

ARMY GOODS—Complete stock of navy poplin shirts, blue chambrays, herringbone twill pants, all new. Will have shipment of blue denim dungarees this week. New and used navy and marine field shoes, army chino shirts and pants, raincoats and field jackets. Economy Store. 1p

NEW LOT women's and misses' skirts and blouses. These are new and priced very low. Women's and misses' dresses. Economy Store. 1p

COMPLETE STOCK men's and young men's suits, odd coats and pants; reconditioned John B. Stetson hats, other hats in cheaper grades. Another big shipment men's and boys', women's and children's shoes and oxfords. Come in and see these wonderful values. Economy Store. 1p

PLAY SHOES—Still have good selection women's and children's play shoes at 35 cents; 3 pairs $1.00. Economy Store. 1p

WOMEN'S HOSE—Full stock women's first quality full-fashioned rayon hose, at special price of 90 cents. Economy Store. 1p

WANTED TO BUY—Green cabbage and red apples. Pay highest market price. Write call or see Will Miller, Zionville, N. C. 8-8-2p

ROOMS—Single and double, for transient or permanent guests. Breakfast. Councill House, Phone 15, Boone. 8-8-2c

ELECTRIC REFRIGERATOR for sale. See Dick Townsend at Townsend's Grocery, Boone. 1p

FOR SALE—Two heavy duty delco light plants, 16 batteries each with motors, $50.00 each. Two old M. T. Ford ton trucks cheap; one No. 3 Farquhar threshing machine, woodwork in bad condition, not been used in 2 or 3 years. If interested in above, see me at my old home during week beginning August 12, 7 miles west of Blowing Rock on 221. Roby Gragg. 1p

FOR SALE—Pair pups, 7 months old. Black and Tan and Redbone cross. See Bill Rush at Democrat office.

FOR SALE — 1936 Chevrolet Coach and 14 acres of land one-half mile east of Boone. H. S. Steelman, Deep Gap, N. C. 1p

FOR SALE—7-room house, bath, good basement, also five lots, Daniel Boone Park. See Vance Calloway at Hollar's Grocery. 8-8-4p

LOST—One 2-A Brownie Kodak, near Cascades on Parkway. Return to Democrat and receive reward. 1p

FOR RENT—One large bedroom with twin beds; also one two-room apartment. Mrs. T. Len Cooke, 216 Hardin Street, Boone. 1p

FOR SALE—1937 Chrysler Convertible. New top and new tires. May be seen at Appalachian Produce Market Saturday. See Fred Earp. 1p

DISHWASHER WANTED at Angel's Cafe, Boone. 1c

FOR SALE — General Electric Radio, cabinet model. Good condition, $60. B. W. Stallings, City. 1c

NYLON HOSE—First quality, full fashioned, with seams, 45-guage, $1.35. Economy Store. 1c

FOR SALE—1938 Dodge 1½-ton truck, short wheelbase, A-1 condition, or will swap for car or pickup. D. B. Harmon, Beech Creek, N. C. 8-8-2p

LOST—Between Hodges Gap and Boone Saturday one 5.50-17 tire. Finder return to Clingman Hodges at Hodges Gap or Democrat office. 1c

IT WILL BE NECESSARY to increase the price of milk 2 cents per quart effective Sunday, Aug. 11. Hillside Dairy. 1c

LOST—Pair shell-rimmed glasses, brown leather case. Mary Agnes Blitch, 214 Locust Street. 8-8-2c

STRAYED from my place on New River, two pigs, 8 weeks old; color, black. Reward. Fred Hollar. 1p

WILL YOU PLEASE bring those scaffold jacks home you have borrowed. W. C. Greene. 8-1-2c

WOOD FOR SALE—Dry stove wood, rick $4.50; green heater wood, $4.00 rick. Leave orders at Economy Store, Phone 36. 7-18-4c

WANTED—Cook also waitress at Daniel Boone Hotel, Boone, N. C. 8-1-2c

FOR SALE—One 4-year-old registered Hampshire ram. Price $30.00. W. S. Miller, Todd, N. C. 8-1-2p

FOR SALE—Lespedeza hay. $40 per ton. Straw 75c per bale. Delivered. Write W. W. Frazier, Claremont, N. C. 7-25-4p

SHRUBBERY — Guaranteed selected stock. Plans and estimates given now for fall planting. See or write F. L. Wilcox, Deep Gap, N. C. 7-25-4p

TRAILER FOR SALE—$30.00. Mrs. D. F. Horton, Vilas, N. C. 7-18-4c

VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE BY OWNER

I am offering for sale, direct to purchaser, for cash or on terms, the best located business lot in the city of Boone. This lot fronts fifty (50) feet on Main Street, and extends two hundred forty (240) feet through to Howard Street, and adjoins the Appalachian Theatre Building. There is, at this time, a six-room brick bungalow on this lot, hardwood floors, steam heat with oil fired boiler. This lot is suitable for any business requiring a large space and an entrance on two streets. If interested SEE Dr. R. O. Glenn at Mountain City Tenn. 7-18-tfc

DR. C. G. BAUGHMAN, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist of Elizabethton, Tenn., will be at the Watauga Hospital in Boone the first Monday in each month for the practice of his profession.

HORSE FOR SALE—Six years old, weights 1,400. Work anywhere. Joe C. Mast, Valle Crucis, N. C. 8-1-2c

WANTED — Refined girls for beauty culture training classes now forming. Rates reasonable. Mae's School of Beauty Culture, North Wilkesboro, N. C. 10-11-tfc

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WANTED
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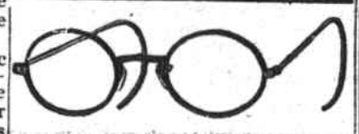

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Triplett's Grocery, Boone

FALL AND WINTER
Coats

We have just received the first shipment of women's, growing girl's, misses' and children's coats. These were purchased some time ago and at old prices. We will sell them same as last year as long as they last.

You realize all merchandise has advanced, so it will pay you to see these coats before buying.

We are also expecting this week men's and boys' leather and wool mackinaws and lumber jackets.

ECONOMY STORE
JUNE RUSSELL, Mgr. Depot Street Boone, N. C.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Claude Garland of Shulls, Mills, N. C., is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Clerk of Superior Court of Watauga County. He has been in business in Boone and is a popular and well known young man.

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Fall Fashion Notes....

We have recently remodeled our new store, which now contains more than twice its former floor space, and the structure has been redecorated to please discriminating shoppers. We invite you to visit us often.

Fall is on the way and so are the new Fall clothes

We now have our new Fall merchandise on display.

...Gage Hats
...Georgiana Dresses
...Smart Suits
...Bobby Brooks
Sweaters
...Skirts
...Costume Jewelry
...Underthings
...Smart Bags
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