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Weed Auctions To Begin

The opening of the burley tobacco market in Boone is a big day in the economy of the county and the tri-State area, and also a time of good fellowship and of renewing acquaintances when the growers come in from so many counties for their first trip in a long time.

and the Big Burley Company has opened its gigantic house 2 miles west on 421 bypass for the second year, and business in the weed continues to thrive, pumping untold thousands of dollars into the local economy.



From Early Democrat Files

Sixty Years Ago

November 19, 1903. The law firm of Todd & Pell, of Jefferson, has dissolved, the junior partner, Mr. Pell, retiring next spring and we trust he may.

Thirty-Nine Years Ago

Nov. 20, 1924. Miss Annie B. Shull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shull of Valle Crucis, who has been nursing in New York City for the past ten years, recently sailed for Manila, P. I. and was wed there last week to Mr. B. G. Leake, an attaché of the U. S. Navy, with headquarters in that city.

New Colleges On The Way

Eighty new colleges with an enrollment capacity of 200,000 students will be established in the next few years in 26 different states, according to a survey made by Changing Times.

But, the article points out, more than a dozen new private institutions are being founded; nearly a third of all turned up in the survey are four-year colleges. In at least two cases, Changing Times reports, the new schools will be two-year upper-division colleges for juniors and seniors.

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After Another

With some friends. When they arrived at the beach, Capus leaned out of his car window and inquired of a man standing in front of a refreshment stand: "Can you tell me where the Powhatan Cottage is?"

Head-On Crash Most Deadly

If you're taking inventory of things to fear while driving, put the head-on crash at the top of the list. Although it's not the most frequent type of collision on our highways it is, accident for accident, the most lethal.

We point out all this to show that certain driving facts of life are beyond the driver's control. Once a head-on crash occurs nature's laws cannot be altered, but drivers can lessen the danger of being involved in these crashes by practicing a few simple living defenses.

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And What's Your Weakness, Mac?

Short skirts save lives, says the American Automobile Association. It's an eye-opening claim, but hardly believable. Sure, auto headlights pick up the stockings or bare legs of women at night.

a lift with you finds it impossible to hide her dimpled knees. We wouldn't dare guess at the number of accidents caused by high hemlines. But we bet it would raise an eyebrow or two at the AAA.

Up in Murphy, the county seat of Cherokee County, an interesting feature of the courtroom is the presence of two large tablets on which have been carved the Ten Commandments. They're made of marble and are rather heavy. We doubt whether Moses could have carried them very far.

The Motor Car . . . You May Have Forgotten

With unprecedented peacetime prosperity and with the urge now shifting from two-car to three-car households (if there are as many as three people in the family) the country is just about full of automobiles.

IN BOONE, first automobile to show up, we believe, was in 1908. . . . About 1914 the first local people bought the sporting brass-fronted T-model Fords, and Watauga set about to get herself into the age of the automobile.

Uncle Pinkney

DEAR MISTER EDITOR: You will recollect old Khruchoy told this fellow Tio a while back that what he was aiming to say when he announced he was going to "bury" us was that they was going to bury us under production, not dirt.

His Palaverin's

This country has cut crop acreage by 50 million acres but the surpluses is still piling up. By 1960, this piece says, another 50 million crop acres will have to be retired and we'll still be able to feed our entire population, which is estimated at 200,000,000 by that time.

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