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HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

The possession of the latter is so closely dependent on the possession of the former in actuality that always the mention of one of the words brings the other up from our association of words and ideas.

With this before us it becomes the duty of the citizen and the community to protect as far as possible this priceless possession.

It has long been known that every tubercular cow is either an actual or potential center of infection.

In many states and in more than three-fifths of the counties of this state this menace to health—this means of spreading the deadliest and most loathsome of disease—has been eradicated through the co-operation of County, State and Federal Governments.

This county can obtain this work at a very low cost. It should welcome the opportunity. Every individual—every individual is affected—should give his approval to the subject.

Think it over—It is Morally Right? Good Humanity? Economically Sound?

SAYS STATEMENT IN SCOUT "ERRONEOUS AND UNFAIR"

The Scout is in receipt of a letter from the Asheville Chamber of Commerce calling attention to an article appearing recently with reference to that body advising tourists not to use No. 10, and that the statement is "erroneous and unfair."

It is an undisputed fact that No. 10 is the Murphy route from Atlanta to Asheville. Mr. Lovett, of the Atlanta and West Point Railroad Company, stated in his letter that they did advise him not to take the Murphy route, and if they advised Mr. Lovett not to take this route, the question naturally arises, How many others have received like advice?

Tourists have been passing through Murphy over No. 10 every day for the past several months. Was it "erroneous" to advise Mr. Lovett that he could not get through from Murphy to Asheville over No. 10? Was it "unfair" to Mr. Lovett to advise him not to take this route that he might view the natural wonders and beautiful scenery and points of interest in the sections it traverses? Was it "unfair" to the many splendid towns along this route?

The letter from the Asheville

Chamber of Commerce is carried below, with the letter received by Mayor Hill from Mr. Lovett. Mr. Lovett revealed the fact that the condition exists, and The Scout merely gave it publicity. The letters follow:

Editor, The Cherokee Scout, Murphy, North Carolina.

On the front page of your issue of July 16th we find an article with the following heading, "Asheville C of C Advises Tourists Not to Use No. 10". This statement is erroneous and entirely unfair to the Asheville Chamber of Commerce.

We receive daily reports concerning the condition of detours between Asheville and Murphy and similar reports concerning conditions on the connecting roads in Georgia. At times these reports have been unfavorable. The Georgia roads are not favorably reported now under wet weather conditions.

We endeavor to secure and distribute the most accurate information available. If you will examine our written reports, you will find that they are truthful and impartial. We are sending hundreds of tourists over route No. 10 on sight-seeing trips. Our guide maps show the route to Murphy and indicates the points of interest.

Many of the motorists are interested in seeing the Great Smoky Mountains. We are distributing Murphy literature at our information counter. We will be glad to distribute souvenir post cards if they are furnished by your local Chamber of Commerce or any other agency interested. We are spending a great deal of time, labor and money in our advertising campaign for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Murphy will certainly profit largely, and every town on route No. 10 will be benefited.

Cordially yours, F. ROGER MILLER, Manager.

Mayor Murphy, N. C.

I have planned a motor trip from Atlanta to Asheville, N. C. via Murphy, Blairsville and Neals Gap. I have just received a letter from Chamber of Commerce, Asheville, advising not to go that way but go by Athens, Gainesville, as they would not recommend the Murphy route.

I am very much disappointed as my hopes was to come that way. Please let me know if the road is not open and good road and your view of same. Please let me know by return mail as I expect to leave Atlanta on the 17th. Thanking you for any information you can give.

T. C. LOVETT, Atlanta, Ga. 120 East Hunter Street.

THE MAJESTY OF THE LAW

We sometimes catch ourselves wondering how to class a prohibition agent. Is he a benefactor of society and therefore to be accepted with all his works as an exponent of the trend of a higher civilization? Is the killing of a seventeen-year old boy in Cherokee County the inevitable resultant of forces which we have put in motion and cannot now control?

On any count the story which appeared in the Citizen on Sunday does not make pleasant reading. The killer may have had justification for the act; whether he did or not will be made manifest in his trial, assuming that he is eventually to be tried. The statement that he ran away immediately after emptying his revolver into the body of his victim may or may not be true; if it is true it is hardly a strong argument for the purity of his motives. We assume him to be innocent of wrong unless and until he is proved to be guilty.

But justifiable homicide or wanton murder, does a jury's verdict answer all questions? Is the discovery of a half-gallon of whiskey to be always and everywhere a portent of death? Does the punishment fit the crime? The law, we are told, is the law, and the voice of the people who make the law is the voice of God, but even a good law may be so enforced as to become abuse of power. We presume that even a Federal prohibition agent has some one over him from whom he takes orders, and if he interprets those orders to shoot first and to inquire afterwards it is only a question of time when public opinion will say that this is not law but tyranny.

We admit that prohibition is difficult of enforcement in any event, but killing does not make it any easier. If prohibition is a moral issue, let us handle it on that basis. If, on the other hand, it is an issue not to be argued or debated but only to be enforced by fire and sword if neces-



SPARE THE TREE VALUES VERSUS PRICES

The man with the proper civic spirit investigates before he criticizes. He takes the trouble to look into the future of his own home town before he condemns it.

The trouble with most critics, as with the knocker in this picture, is that they do not know enough about the things they criticize. Constructive criticism is valuable because it carries with it a full knowledge of the situation, but just mere knocking is ignorance on a rampage.

There is nothing elevating or enlightening in continually finding fault, yet the small city frequently has this type of citizen with which to contend; a small minority which thinks the town is not good enough for them. But if it depended on their efforts, there would be no town at all.

If you know anyone in Murphy who cannot see the advantage of making this a bigger and better town, get him to climb the ladder as our booster friend in the picture has done, and maybe he will drop the ax, for he will see fruits galore, enough for him and everybody in town.

The law governing absentee votes is certainly headed toward a fight for survival in the next legislature, when opponents will seek to have it repealed.

The progress and prosperity edition of the Hendersonville News of recent date is a veritable encyclopaedia of that city's unusual growth during the past few years. And to Noah Hollowell, the editor, and his boosting spirit is due no small measure of credit for Hendersonville's phenomenal growth.

W. W. Hyde, the popular assistant cashier of the Bank of Murphy, says he was much impressed with the beauty and advantages of Murphy over a number of other towns visited in this section recently. More evidence supporting the theory that you have to go visiting to really appreciate the home town.

sary, let us then frankly declare it and proclaim once for all that the guardians of the law are themselves above the law, that in their sight the ordinary citizen has no rights that are worth respecting, and that all that is left to him, whether he knows it or not, is the duty of servile obedience.—Asheville Citizen.

West to East Traffic



TOMORROW By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

Kirk Hassan, well beloved, was wont to say, When aught went wrong or any project failed: "Tomorrow, friends, will be another day!" And in that faith he slept and so prevailed.

IT IS as foolish to think that tomorrow will not offer us an opportunity to correct our mistakes, to repair our failures, as it is to think that these mistakes and failures will not have to be paid for. Tomorrow offers every man another chance, if he will only take it.

Griffith could not get on because he could never forget yesterday. He had made a mistake, he had been dishonest, and he had had to pay a penalty. He would not, however, let the penalty suffice, but let the memory of his error eat into his consciousness, disturb his day, and haunt his dreams. So for a long time he wasted his todays in grieving over his yesterdays.

"You've made a mistake and you've paid the penalty," I said to him. "Forget about it." "Other people don't forget," he said. "Not many people know about it," I answered, "and those who do know are so much concerned about their own affairs and their own petty troubles, that they are quite unlikely to give any serious or critical thought to you."

There is an ant climbing up the window casing in front of me as I write. A dozen times he tries to reach the top and as many times he has tried again undiscouraged. Finally, under a little more favorable circumstance, perhaps, or with a little more persistent and well-directed effort he goes over the top and reaches the goal for which he was striving.

I can imagine other ants standing by and laughing at him, when, after so many failures, he still kept on. It is the way people do. It is said that Paderewski's first teacher of piano gave his young pupil very little encouragement. He showed no particular talent, things went wrong with his practicing pretty often.

"Perhaps you'd make a teacher," the instructor is said to have remarked. "But there is little likelihood of your ever amounting to much as a player." But the boy kept on, remembering that tomorrow would be another day. His success may well be a lesson to us all. New day, new hope, new courage! Let this be O soul, thy cheerful creed: What's yesterday, with all its aards and wrack and grief, to thee? Forget it, then—here lies the victor's way. (© 1926, Western Newspaper Union.)

FACTORY TOWN NEWS

Mrs. J. A. Rich and children are visiting friends and relatives at Mineral Bluff, Ga., this week.

Mrs. Willie Rogers was the guest of her mother one night last week.

Misses Mattie and Carrie Dockery were the guests of Miss Evelyn Rich Saturday night.

Miss Eliza Young from Gastonia, was a visitor in Factory Town last week.

Mrs. Aldeca Rich, aged woman, died at her home in Factory Town, July 16 at 11:30 o'clock. She was born in 51. She was a well known woman in Western North Carolina, and a faithful member of the Baptist Church from her early life. She leaves one son, J. A. Rich, who resides in Murphy, several grandchildren, two brothers and one sister. Her remains was carried to Shady Grove. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ugeon Cole and Rev. J. A. Carroll. Our loss is her gain.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their kindnesses during the sickness and death of our mother and for the many floral offerings. May God's blessings be with the greaved ones is the prayers of the writer. J. A. Rich and family.

Ought to have new settlers to help pay taxes and those bonds when they come due. They are just a keeping back progress and yet when tax assessing time comes they'll holler the land is taxed too much.

Some sense in this? There is a great future for this section, of course, and land will become more valuable, but present prices should be based on present conditions. An egg will develop into a chicken but no one will pay the value of a full-grown chicken for an egg.—Asheville Citizen.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Mr. Editor: As this the season for county politics and a time when many of the citizens of the local sections are brought to a period of thinking in the terms of county government, I feel it is a time when all should think more about the affairs of the local government and how should it be managed. I take this method in writing to the political leaders and especially to the Republican leaders of the county, as I am one and am expressing the desires of many good Republicans throughout the county. The question which is now before the people is growing more each day and chances will prove its value in the minds of the people after November. Shall the people select their men by the means of a convention, where a few men run the county, or through the method of a primary, a method where many or the majority of the people rule?

I, and, many of the people of various sections, would like to see the men selected by a primary, a method where all may run and have a voice and put all their people and friends out and vote for them, instead of a few people who say indirectly to the voters, you stay at home and we will select the men who are to represent the party in the fall election.

The office seekers who are opposed to a primary and in favor of a few men to select you, you are the type of men who the county do not care to control the affairs of the county. You are to seek office from a personal standpoint and not from a Democratic method of filling the county offices. However, a convention is the method for shrewd men who know how to handle the ropes to pull the tide their way, while a primary gives each man the opportunity to get all votes possible and then when his number of votes are counted him and he knows whether the mass of people want him, then he can be satisfied. When in a convention he does not know whether he was given the proper attention or not.

I would like to see a primary and allow every man in the county to run allow him to vote for himself if he wants to, then allow him to work the county for votes until he is satisfied. Then when the fall election comes he will know the situation.

True Democracy is for the people, of the people, and by the people. I am believing that people should look for men to run the affairs of the county, from men of character and ability and not from party views. I also feel that new interest, or the old time interest that once existed in the elections should be brought about when people are interested in the elections and not for the party's sake.

This is my view point about our county affairs while others see the situation from the other side of the river. Come, allow us to have a primary, have a good time laughing at the candidates, create a new interest in methods of elections, and save political disturbance in the fall election. Office seekers take warning for your own good.

Yours truly, J. B. WRIGHT

FARMS FOR SALE

350 acres in Murray County, Georgia, 60 acres in cultivation, 30 acres bottom, 30 acres red land, all good land. 45 acres bermuda grass pasture, balance in timber, will cut four or five hundred thousand feet of lumber, 2 good barns, 2 dwellings, 3 cribs, grainery and other buildings, 1 good well, 1 spring on place, pasture well watered, never goes dry. 1 1-2 miles R. R. station, High School and Baptist Church, 2 1-2 miles to Methodist Church, good State Highway runs through farm. A bargain at \$30 per acre if sold at once. Several other farms for sale. See T. B. FOSTER, Ramhurst, Ga.

By my announcement disappearing in the Scout some thought that had withdrawn from the race for Register of Deeds, but such is not the case. I am in the race to the finish. Your support and influence will be highly appreciated. Yours very truly, W. A. BOYD (50-4t-b)

FOR SALE—A few good productive farms on the "Joe Brown Highway" between Murphy, N. C., and Sweetwater, Tenn. Also some in the fertile Sweetwater Valley on the Le Highway. These farms are priced to sell. Write us if interested. Mateo Realty Co., Box M., Sweetwater, Tenn. (51-2t-b)

NOTICE

I hereby announce myself as a Candidate for the Office of Sheriff of Cherokee County, N. C., subject to the Republican Primary and convention. All favors shown me will be appreciated. This 7th day of June 1926. (50-4t) R. T. STILES.

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