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### On Mail Service

Mail service to and from North Wilkesboro for all points east, north and south sorely needs revision.

The way mail comes in and goes out of North Wilkesboro is a glaring example of inefficiency and duplication.

With changes of schedules and other factors, the incoming and outgoing mail service has been going from bad to worse.

And of the two, the incoming mail service is worse.

There are two mails which arrive in North Wilkesboro from Winston-Salem.

One is the star route service which brings only first class mail and newspapers. It arrives here about seven a. m.

The other is the train, which arrives here at varying times from 10:30 up.

Mail which reaches North Wilkesboro on the two incoming routes leaves Greensboro, the focal point on the main north-south line, about the same time.

Thus it is seen that we in reality have only one incoming mail from the big outside world.

Any mail for this section which arrives in Greensboro, Winston-Salem or other points any time after the wee hours of morning must wait until next morning to come here.

The outgoing mail service is not much better, the only difference being that a star route to carry first class mail goes out to Winston-Salem about 11 a. m.

On outgoing mail there is only one hour difference in the time the train and the afternoon star route leave. They arrive in Winston-Salem about the same time. In other words, it is almost a duplication.

North Wilkesboro and the big territory served from this point deserve better mail service with the remainder of the country.

### Why Not Do Something?

If we understand the matter correctly, the threatened shortage of gasoline in the eastern states is a matter of transportation. The subject has been hanging fire and has been discussed for months.

It seems to us so far away from all the discussion and yet affected that enough time has elapsed for something to have been done to avert the threatened shortage.

We have been told that a pipe line from a point in Louisiana to Greensboro, N. C. would solve a great part of the transportation problem.

Pipe lines can be laid with great speed. Months have passed and no pipe line is being constructed. Meanwhile Ickes keeps threatening to invoke gasoline rationing.

We are also told that tankers belonging to several European nations have been taken over and are being used, but that Uncle Sam has not touched any French ships. If we can condemn, take and buy ships of the other nations which are impounded here, why not those of France?

There have been some statements to the effect that railroads have about 19,000 idle tank cars. Rates are higher by rail than by tankers on the ocean. But even in the face of higher costs, it looks like there might be a solution to some part of the transportation problem by rail.

The use of gasoline is a great source of revenue for state and federal governments in the form of taxes. That money will be needed and instead of so much talk and working on the idea of curtailing use, why not more effort to solve the problem?

"We'd rather die on our feet than live on our knees," says the President. Why do either? Why not get on our toes?—*Omaha Morning World-Herald.*

Poise—The result of not being ashamed of anything. *Richmond News-Leader.*

### Millions of Days Lost

An official survey has just revealed that 2,485,150 man-days of employment on army defense work have been lost in the first six months of the year through strikes. This is a staggering total when translated into terms of the military equipment that might have been built in that time.

It is even more staggering when we remember that these figures are only for army work. They take no account either of navy contracts delayed, of strikes like the soft coal and West Coast shipping disputes which admittedly tied up large quantities of defense work, or of losses of time in plants which depended upon the companies in question to keep their own operations going. An earlier unofficial estimate placed defense man-days lost in the first five months of 1941 at over 3,500,000, and that is probably nearer the whole truth.

Delays like these have a significance that is worldwide in its implications. The real meaning has been well outlined by one speaker:

"What does this mean in goods? It means that we could have been nearer our goal by 1,800 tanks. Thermopylae was lost because there were too few tanks.

"We could have been nearer our goal by 220,000 machine guns. Greece was lost for want of machine guns.

"We could have been nearer our goal by 1,600 airplanes. Crete was lost because there were not enough planes."

It is bitter to realize the truth when it is presented in those terms. But it is better to face the facts now than to repeat the same tragedies again through failure to understand their ultimate significance. According to observers, defense strikes have declined lately in number and intensity. It is to be hoped that this is a sign that the great rank-and-file of labor, shown by polls to place the national safety above all other considerations, are beginning to make a certain number of misguided leaders and disaffected elements understand their point of view.

People who fall inordinately in love with themselves are not apt to have any serious rivals.—*Roanoke Times.*

Study busology, to travel under the best conditions.—*Manchester Guardian.*

## LIFE'S BETTER WAY

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### LIFT UP YOUR EYES

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth."—*Psalms 121:1-2.*

How helpless we are without God! Were it not for Him we could not draw a breath, move a hand or foot, eat a morsel, live a minute. If everybody could realize this we believe everybody would honor, reverence, love, serve, worship and obey God, and continually lift up their eyes unto Him. Here is where the multitudes fail and come short of His honor and glory and blessings in their souls and upon their lives. So few, comparatively speaking, lift up their eyes unto God in honest, sincere worship and prayer.

That all our help comes from above is unquestionable, if we would but stop to think and consider. We are so earthly, so finite, so earth-bound, so short-sighted, until we can't get our eyes lifted up, it seems to me, until God can lift up our souls. This is true of the vast majority of men. However, out of the multitudes there are a few who lift up their eyes, their hearts, their souls unto God that they may be wonderfully and supernaturally saved from all sin, directed in the right paths, onward and upward. This is life's better way.

Much is said in the Bible about the hills and mountains. They are typical, it seems to me, of the higher, better, nobler and holier things of life. God dwells in the higher altitudes. He is above, yet He condescends to men of low degree and saves them, sanctifies them, blesses them, makes them a blessing, and leads them upward and heavenward, when they give themselves unreservedly unto Him and "pray without ceasing." Praise our God forever.

Reader, lift up your eyes. LIFT THEM UP. God has great and marvelous and exhaustless treasures above. He is unspeakably rich. Here we find men dwarfed and stunted in life, heart, mind and soul all because they live outside of God's will and plan for their lives. Indeed it is so. Cast your eyes upward, continually upward from day to day, from hour to hour. You need much grace to stand against the wiles of the devil. God has abundance. You need protection and leadership, and only God has that power. Don't look down; look up. It is dark beneath; it is dangerous. It is bright above. Lift up your eyes. Pray much and trust God. Let Him have His way with you. He will lead and guide you unmistakably right and

## Abnormal Absurdities

By DWIGHT NICHOLS, et al.

### ON SAVING DAYLIGHT

We southerners are going to get our first experience with daylight saving time in a few days. It is going to be an interesting experience and we gladly join in the belief that it will be in the interest of national defense.

We have sent out our secretive operators to find out what the people think about daylight saving. In other words, we have asked that they keep an ear to the ground even if it gets run over by a tank.

They have brought back to us some accounts of experiments in daylight saving. Some of our people have a great desire to try out things ahead of time and get acquainted before the real test. In other words, they want to be able to say "I told you so."

One account of our underprivileged secretive operator had to do with an experiment by a farmer which ended in tragedy.

He had a hen which invariably roused up and laid an egg when the sun peeped through a hole in the hen house and it had been the custom of the farmer to have that egg for breakfast. He ran up the clock one hour and found to his hungry disappointment that the hen had not laid her usual morning egg in time for breakfast by the clock which had been turned up one hour.

But the ingenuity of some of our people, including the farmer in question, is practically unlimited. He couldn't work very well without his breakfast egg so he had to devise ways and means of coaxing or forcing that hen to put out one hour earlier.

He rigged up a powerful flashlight which automatically went on and flashed its rays into the hen's face one hour earlier than the sun—in time for breakfast by daylight saving time. It worked and the hen produced the egg promptly.

But here the monster greed reached its destructive tenacles around the being of the aforesaid farmer and he reasoned incorrectly that if the light could coax the hen into producing an egg for the earlier breakfast that it could produce one for dinner and one for supper.

The tragic result was that the hen laid herself to death.

Why tell all this, you may ask. So you won't make the same mistake.

### NIGHTWATCHMEN WORRIED

We have it on questionable authority that the nightwatchmen are worried about daylight saving time. They can't seem to figure out whether it will make nights shorter or longer.

### ON SAVING MOONSHINE

From Cutthroat Ridge and Hell's Half Acre have come reports that there is agitation for moonshine saving time. Their activities are best carried out by moonlight and moonshine can be made more safely by moonlight. It is suggested that they ask the president to invoke moonshine saving time.

### TEASING BACKFIRED

Two soldiers decided they would tease a boy who came by the camp leading a donkey. "What are you holding on to your brother so tight for?" asked one of the soldiers. "So's he won't enlist in the army," replied the lad without blinking an eye.

### GROWING PROBLEM

If the U. S. navy gets much bigger will there be enough girls in every port to go around?

### ALSO RAN

"Am I the only girl you've ever kissed?" demanded the pert young thing.

"Well—er—no," blurted her latest flud, "but—"

"Then buzz off," was the reply. "If you know the course, and that's your top form, I'm not playing."

Since pork prices have been on the upgrade, Wilson County farmers are increasing their breeding herds as much as possible, reports O. W. Deyton, assistant farm agent of the Extension Service.

### Gives Another Leg For Preparedness

Greenville, Tex., July 22.—Henry Courtney, wounded in the right leg during the world war, had it amputated in 1929 and replaced with an aluminum one.

Today he came to aluminum collection headquarters with his all-metal leg.

"I gave Uncle Sam one leg and was glad to do what I could in the world war," Courtney said. "I am glad to do now what I can in the program of preparedness."

If Hubby can't sleep anywhere but on a bunk after getting home from a long cruise, what can Wife do? There's a unique solution. Let her consult Instantaneous Etiquette, the amusing feature presented in pictures by Fish, brilliant English artist, and answered by Mr. Arthur "Bugs" Baer, famous humorist, in *The American Weekly* with next Sunday's Washington Times-Herald, now on sale.

Use the advertising columns of this paper as your shopping guide.

### NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Wilkes County.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Judgment of the Superior Court of Wilkes County in the case of The Federal Land Bank of Columbia, plaintiff, versus E. L. Spicer, et als, defendants, authorizing and empowering the undersigned commissioner to sell the lands described in a certain mortgage deed under date of the 22d day of March, 1926, executed by E. L. Spicer and wife, Gertie Spicer, to The Federal Land Bank of Columbia, and recorded in Book 126, page 173, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Wilkes County, the undersigned commissioner will expose to sale at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Courthouse in Wilkesboro, North Carolina, at 12 o'clock, noon, on the 28th day of July, 1941, the following described lands, lying and being in Walnut Grove Township, Wilkes County, and more particularly described and defined as follows, to wit:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land containing 31 acres, more or less, situate, lying and being on the Wilkesboro-Traphill Road about 14 miles north from the Town of North Wilkesboro, in Walnut Grove Township, County of Wilkes and State of North Carolina, having such shapes, metes, courses and distances as will more fully appear by reference to a plat thereof made by Charlie Miles, County Surveyor, on the 27th day of February, 1926, and attached to the abstract now on file with The Federal Land Bank of Columbia; the same being bounded on the north by the lands of R. F. Absher and Bruce Billings, on the east by

the Church lot and Schoolhouse lot and the lands of Burt Alexander heirs; on the south and west by the lands of E. G. Walters.

This is the same tract of land heretofore conveyed to E. L. Spicer, by Emory U. Burchette and wife, by deed dated September 15, 1920, and recorded September 17, 1920, in Book 110, Page 491, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Wilkes County.

THE FOLLOWING LANDS ARE EXCEPTED FROM THE LANDS ABOVE DESCRIBED, AND WILL NOT BE SOLD: First Tract: Beginning at an iron stake in the center of the highway, Bruce Billings' corner, and running with Bruce Billings' line north 87 degrees west 133 feet to a stake in Bruce Billings' line; thence south 4 degrees 5 minutes west parallel with the center line of the highway 348 feet to a stake in N. V. Alexander's line; thence with N. V. Alexander's line north 67 degrees, 35 minutes east 148 ft. to an iron stake in the center of the highway; thence north 4 deg. 5 minutes east 286 ft. to the beginning. Containing one acre.

Second Tract: Beginning in Bruce Billings' line at the westward point called for in the above one-acre tract and running north 87 deg. west with Bruce Billings' line 60 ft. to an iron stake; thence south 4 deg. 5 minutes west parallel with the center line of highway 380 ft. to an iron stake in the Alexander line, thence north 67 deg. 35 minutes east with the N. V. Alexander line 70 ft. to a stake, the southwest corner of the one-acre tract; thence with the west line of the one-acre tract north 4 deg. 5 minutes east 348 ft. to the beginning. Containing one-half of an acre. That the true dividing line between the Church property and the defendants' Spicers' property referred to in the order is as follows: Beginning at an iron stake in the Bruce Billings' line 33 ft. west of Bruce Billings' corner in the center of the highway, running south 4 deg. 5 minutes west 380 feet to an iron stake in the N. V. Alexander line, 218 ft. southwest of the iron stake in the center of the highway.

The terms of sale are cash. No bid will be accepted unless its maker shall deposit with the commissioner the sum of ten per cent (10%) of the amount bid as a forfeit and guaranty, the same to be credited on his bid when accepted.

Notice is now given that said lands will be re-sold immediately at the same place, upon the same terms, on the same day, unless said deposit is made.

Every deposit not forfeited or accepted will be promptly returned upon expiration of the period allowed by law for the confirmation of said sale.

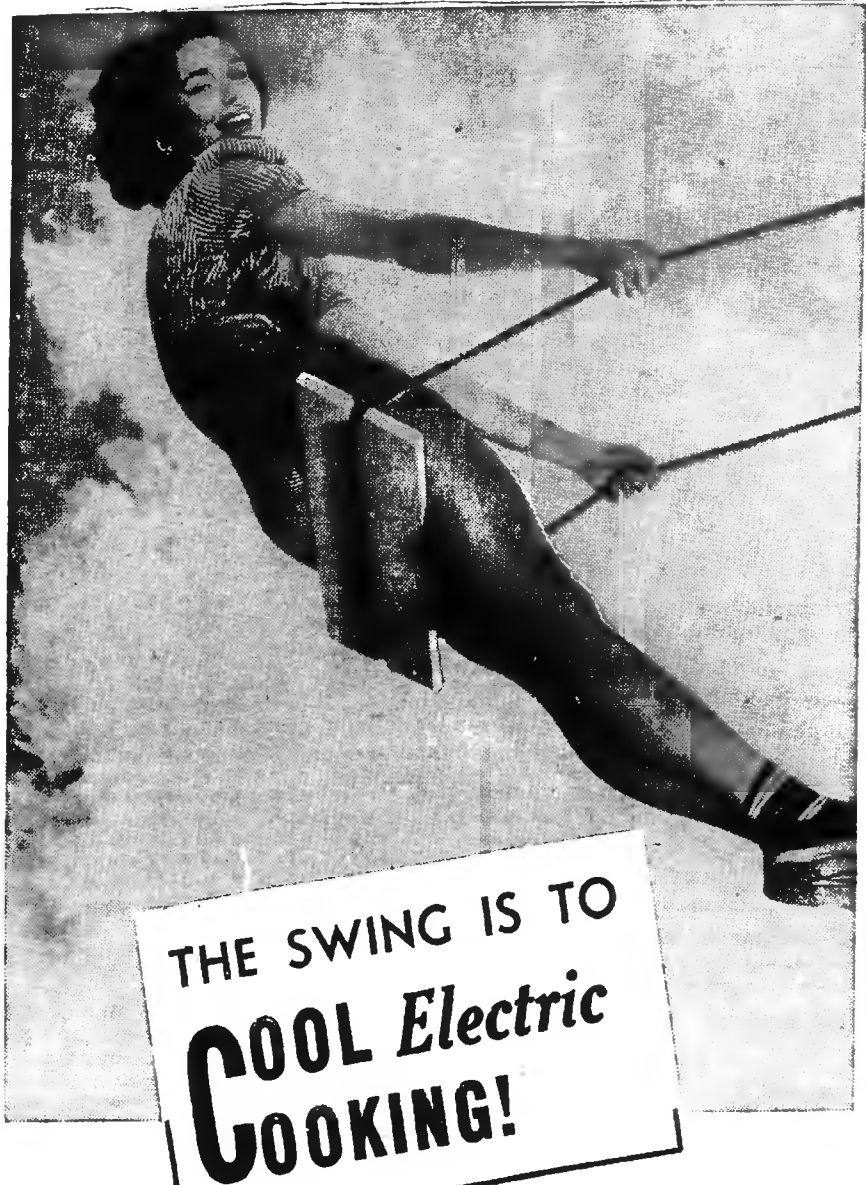
This sale will be made subject to the confirmation of the Court.

This the 20th day of June, 1941.

ELEANOR SMOAK, Commissioner.

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