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Let's Get Some Action

This newspaper grows a little weary of the multiplication of rules and regulations, and of the assumption that everybody must comply with every rule, and comply in a fixed way. Some of the rules and regulations that hem us in make doubtful sense; and many of them make sense but are not essential.

There are notable exceptions, however, and one of those exceptions is the rule, in virtually every town and city in the United States, that every householder must place his kitchen and other refuse in a closed metal container—that is to say, in a garbage can.

Waste food quickly spoils, then creates an odor, and, most important of all, draws and becomes a breeding ground for flies. Flies, besides being a terrible nuisance, are one of the most dangerous carriers of disease.

Thus the person who leaves his garbage open endangers not only his own and his family's health, but that of his neighbor, and of the whole community. Nobody has a right to do that. And the person who is too blind to see that he has no such right, or too selfish to take the trouble to protect his neighbor's health—that person should be made to comply with the rule requiring closed garbage cans.

The announcement that 201 of 482 families in Franklin have no garbage cans is little short of disgraceful.

But most of those 201 families are good citizens who would comply with the law if it were properly

HE IS RISEN

The Story Of The First Easter

AND now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, an honorable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus. And Pilate marvelled if he were already dead; and calling unto him the centurion, he asked him whether he had been any while dead. And when he knew it of the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph.

And he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulchre. And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus beheld where he was laid.

Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying,

"Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, 'After three days I will rise again'.

"Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples, come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, 'He is risen from the dead': so the last error shall be worse than the first." Pilate said unto them,

"Ye have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as ye can."

So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had brought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun. And they said among themselves, "Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?"

And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.

And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted. And he saith unto them,

"Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him. But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him as he said unto you."

Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests, all of the things that were done.

And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers, saying,

"Say ye, 'His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept'. And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you."

So they took the money and did as they were taught: and

called to their attention. The fact that they haven't already is, in large part, the fault of the town government; for nobody is going to pay much attention to a law that is not enforced.

It's high time this one was. There is no excuse, in this day and age, for people in a town to put their kitchen refuse out in paper bags, boxes, and tin cans.

Why Not?

Last Friday no telegrams could come into or go out of Franklin. The reason: Western Union employees in most offices in the country, including those in Asheville, Franklin's telegraph outlet, had gone out on strike.

No matter how important—vital business or a death message—there was no telegraph service into or out of Franklin. And that undoubtedly was true of thousands of communities throughout the nation.

This newspaper is not familiar enough with the dispute between the company and its employees to have an opinion on the merits of the case. Frankly, it is not particularly interested as to who was right and who wrong in the dispute. What it is interested in is service to the public.

The Western Union is a public service corporation. It also is a monopoly. Because those things are true, it is strictly regulated by the government. The government says what service it must give, what offices it may open or close, and what its rates shall be. Since the rates are based upon earnings, the government indirectly says how much Western Union stockholders may earn. In the case of a monopoly providing a public service, that has

The reason it is right and proper, and the only reason, is because it is necessary to safeguard the long been recognized as right and proper.

But what happens to the public interest when employees of Western Union go out on strike? We had the opportunity to see last week.

Why, for the protection of the public interest, would it not make as much sense for the government to regulate employees in a case like this as employers?

Apologies — And Congratulations

This newspaper is taken to task in a letter from a group of Macon County students at Western Carolina Teachers college for an error in listing the Macon students whose names appeared on the college honor roll for last term.

The Press believes it could make a good alibi; it well could say to its readers what Uncle Remus was accustomed to say to the Little Boy in the story: "I give it to you like it was give to me".

But the reader is not interested in alibis, and in

this case we certainly aren't; for this is one correction we are proud to be able to make.

A quotation from the letter explains why:

One-fifth of the total enrollment at this college made the honor roll for the past term. If only four of about 25 students from Macon County were on the honor roll, it would imply that Macon students are not achieving average college work. Actually, there were 12 Macon students on the honor roll.

Since one-half of the students from Macon County made the honor roll, whereas only one-fifth of the total enrollment achieved this distinction, we believe this indicates that Macon County students are performing at a higher intellectual level than average for this college as a whole. We hope that this number of Macon students making the honor roll sets a new record for students from this county at any institution of higher learning.

A correct, and complete, list of the Macon honor students at W. C. T. C. appears elsewhere in this issue, and The Press offers its hearty congratulations to the Macon contingent at Cullowhee.

Poetry

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SPRINGTIME

"He is risen", the Angels cried.
Unbelievers said, "He has just died".

We know that God has a definite plan,
For even the trees; more clearly for man.

We know that He died to live again—
Know by the winter, the sunshine, the rain.

The changing of seasons, death in the fall,
The sorrow like winter, bitter as gall.

Then comes the Springtime and Easter we know,
Teardrops of April that melt ice and snow.

Hearts that were heavy, life that was dead,
Arises to grow, press forward, ahead.

Springtime—each year proof anew,
That Life after Death will ever be true.

KATHERINE R. CLARK.

Franklin, N. C.

A Lift For Today

★... It is finished... —John 19:30.

NOT A CRY of despair! A shout of victory. Triumph over death and sin—an assurance of a glorious new life for Him and his followers. That is the meaning of Calvary.

Our Father, help us to say "It is finished" to the old life, and look forward to the dawn of a new day.

There's one thing no nation can ever accuse us of, and that is secret diplomacy. Our foreign exchange dealings are an open book—generally a check book.—Will Rogers.

"No one is useless in the world who lightens the burden of it for anyone else."—Charles Dickens.

this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.

Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre and seeth the linen clothes lie, and the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.

Then went in also the other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed... Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down and looked into the sepulchre, and seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. And they say unto her,

"Woman, why weepest thou?"

She saith unto them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him."

And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus. Jesus said unto her,

"Woman, why weepest thou? Whom seeketh thou?"

She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him,

"Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away."

Jesus saith unto her, "Mary".

She turned herself, and saith unto him, "Rabboni"; which is to say, "Master".

It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles.

And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not.

And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs. And they talked together of all these things which had happened.

And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. But their eyes were holden that they should not know him. And he said unto them,

"What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?"

And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him,

"Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?"

And he said unto them,

"What things?"

And they said unto him,

"Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people:

and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to day is the third day since these things were done. Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; and when they found not his body, they came saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive. And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even as the women had said: but him they saw not."

Then he said unto them, "O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?"

And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went; and he made as though he would have gone further. But

"Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent."

And he went in to tarry with them. And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.

Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them,

"Peace be unto you."

And when he had so said, he shewed them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him,

"We have seen the Lord."

But he said unto them,

"Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe."

And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said,

"Peace be unto you."

Then saith he to Thomas,

"Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side; and be not faithless, but believing."

And Thomas answered and said unto him,

"My Lord and my God."

And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy.

Business Making News

By BOB SLOAN

Guess this will have to be the Rumor column this week since rumors are about all I know. Rumor has it pretty strong that the contracts for the Cowee Mt. road will be let in Raleigh this month on the 29th. That one is almost straight from the horses mouth. It is also pretty straight that they are now working on the final survey on the Georgia end of US 23 and 441. There is a lot of wild speculation by local people as to just where this road is going. Hope they do as good a job of improving the location on the Southern end as they did on the Northern end.

With Spring coming up and a governor's race in the offing in the Democratic primary we might speculate a little on it. Umstead seems to have gotten his campaign off first with the best start since he has been running for governor ever since his defeat by Broughton. Look for Olive to come up fast, however. Believe that one of the principal issues will be the influence of Lobbyists on the North Carolina legislature. Many people, in the so called "know", say that the last legislature was practically ruled by lobbyists representing for the most part the industrial and business groups of North Carolina. Umstead has been a registered lobbyist while Olive contends he has not. This may become one of the principal issues of the campaign.

As for local politics there seems to be very little talk or action yet. In fact, the only man who has definitely announced for any office is C. T. Bryson for state representative. However, I have heard the following talk—that J. J. Mann might file for this same office against Tom—that Thad Bryson would be Umstead's manager here in the county—that Tom Rickman was considering running for the Board of Education—that at least two members of the present Board of Education would not file again this Spring. Well that all is just talk that I heard around. The new Drive In theatre seems to be doing a good business and drawing a lot of business from other places judging by the number of out of state cars seen there.

The other night I heard an address by Roy Larson, national chairman of the Citizens Committee for Better Education

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Do You Remember?

(Looking backward through the files of The Press)

50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

The best graduating course a girl can take after receiving a common school education is a thorough course in roasting, biology, stitchology, darnology, patchology, and general domesticology.

We heard the Iotla school bell ringing Thursday morning, four miles away.

The mercury stood at the freezing point, 32 degrees, last Wednesday morning.

25 YEARS AGO

An Avenue Of Evergreens 14-Mile Long—Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, Forestry Service, State Highway Department, Individuals, Cooperating to Plant Trees on Highway No. 286 From Franklin to Georgia Line. (Headline).

R. W. Shields, supervisor of the Nantahala National Forest, left Friday for Atlanta to meet Major Evan W. Kelly, of the forest service, the supervisor of the Cherokee National Forest, and other foresters.

Citizens of Macon County are called to meet in mass meeting at the courthouse here next Tuesday, April 19, to discuss the need for a new courthouse and new jail, and methods for financing such a project.

10 YEARS AGO

The Macon County chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy were hostesses on last Tuesday to the 19th annual meeting of the first district of the North Carolina division.

The rebuilding of Ravenel lake dam is gradually filling to normal proportions. (Highlands Item).