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THE WORLD SOON FORGETS

A number of people in this community have expressed an opinion during the past few days that the publicity given this vicinity by newspapers throughout the country last week on the Price murder would just about ruin this section. Condemnation was made especially about the papers outside Western North Carolina because no specific mention was made that the alleged murderers were not natives of this county.

We readily admit that the publicity received was not any help to Waynesville, neither do we feel that it was detrimental to the extent that some would have us believe. Other communities have had murders, kidnappings, lynchings, riots, robberies together with earthquakes, storms, tidal waves, tornadoes and other calamities, but not one of them has folded her arms and given up.

Practically every paper that came into this office last week carried the story and most of them had an editorial comment on the murder of Mr. Price, but not one of them has blamed the people of this community for the crime.

The biggest news story of recent years was the kidnapping of the Lindbergh baby, yet there are only a few people who can name the town in which the crime was committed, although hundreds of columns were written about the crime and carried the name of the town in each one. We seriously doubt if there are a dozen people who can name the Illinois town which had a riot several years ago where many were killed. Very few remember what town in North Carolina in 1929 had a mill strike and a number of men killed. A certain hospital in an Ohio city burned several years ago resulting in the death of many patients, yet the name of that city and hospital has been forgotten by almost everybody.

The public reads these stories and devours every word that is written, but it soon forgets all the details. The same will be the case in the Price Murder.

CRIME IN CANADA

In Canada there's little crime, for justice is severe; the evil doer serves his time for many a weary year. The prisons there are not renowned as havens of repose; no gilded luxuries are found, no treats the convict knows. The wicked man goes forth to kill, some victim's skull to crush; and then they run him through the mill of justice with a rush. There are no wearisome delays the sentence follows soon; and then the scaffold's beams they raise, and hang that poor gosssoon. The bandit piles his sinful trade, by hope of gain inspired; his punishment is not delayed—law's promptness makes him tried. They flog him roundly for a time, with cruel leather thong; and he concludes a life of crime has features wildly wrong. And having flogged him they proceed to lock him in a cell, where he may sit and sweat and bleed, and moralize and yell. The same indecent speed is shown in all the courts of law; when once a sinner's guilt is shown, he feels the halter draw. And criminals across the line, where Uncle Sam is shamed, feel shivers run along the spine when Canada is named. Our criminals, those dead game sports, think Uncle Sam a friend; here they can monkey with the courts for years and years on end. At home they laugh, their faces beam, their conduct's lewd and raw; and when they have an evil dream it's of Dominion law.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Two men were killed Sunday within ten miles of each other by trains in South Carolina. One was sitting on the tracks and the other drove his car into a fast train. The result of carelessness is almost always sure death.

The longest minute one ever lives is while feeling for a towel with eyes full of soap.

MORE FAVORABLE PUBLICITY

The 200,000 copies of the October issue of Esso Tours and Detours, a publication sponsored by Standard Oil Company and distributed throughout the Middle Atlantic States, carries an article under the heading, "See The Smokies—Make Waynesville Your Headquarters."

The article reads as follows:

"The mountains of North Carolina must have received more than their share of beauty when earth, sky and water were being handed out. Here are majestic peaks—green clad close at hand, hazy blue in the distance. And here tumbling streams, fertile valleys, magnificent sunsets conspire to give you superb views.

"Squatting among these western mountains is Waynesville, named for Mad Anthony Wayne of Revolutionary fame.

"As you approach the town from the east on U. S. 19, you pass the pulp mill of the Champion Fibre Company at Canton, said to be the largest plant of its kind in the world. At any rate, it's plenty big enough, and worth stopping to see.

"On this road, too, is the State Fish Hatchery. Here are speckled trout from two to fifteen inches long. Maybe it will be your luck to have one of the fifteen-inch beauties dangle at the end of your line after he has been turned loose in some near-by mountain stream.

"Ten miles west of Waynesville is the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the bigger part of which is being kept in a wild state. During your stay in this section you might very well make your headquarters in Waynesville, for there are pleasant drives to take in all directions. The wonder of it is that each new one seems more beautiful than the last. But no matter how many other byways you explore, don't call a halt until you've been over route 284 from Waynesville to Brevard."

In behalf of the community, we extend our thanks to Mr. A. B. Christen, editor of the publication, for publishing the article on the front page of his publication.

RATHER MISLEADING

Perhaps too much has been said already about the Price murder, but there is one thing that should be made perfectly clear to everyone, and that is that the alleged murderers are not Haywood County folks. The men charged with the crime have only been living in this county for the past eight months. They are originally from Georgia and Oklahoma. They moved to Haywood from Jackson county.

The Charlotte Observer, in an editorial last week, made a rather misleading statement when it referred to the slayers of Mr. Price as North Carolina citizens. The Observer's editorial read as follows:

"No fouler crime has stained the escutcheon of this commonwealth than that in Haywood county, North Carolina, when a mountaineer shot and killed a distinguished New Yorker whose only sin, so far as the evidence of the case has so far turned up, was that he was wealthy, had bought up large areas of mountain lands and converted them into preserves, had established libraries and given away books, distributed medicine among the sick and dispensed charity to the needy of that community.

"A hideous offense like this murder might attract little attention in blood-crazed Russia with its seething prejudices and boiling passions of the unsuccessful toward the achieving, but it is hardly conceivable that so gruesome a murder as this could be conceived in the brain of a citizen of North Carolina.

"The whole State hangs its head in shame and humiliation and unites in the hope that justice will not be timid when it aims its shaft at these assassins."

The other day we were with a friend when a certain man passed by. This friend of ours said, "There is a man I always like to meet. He is always smiling and looks happy, and just to see him makes me feel better."

A smile is an asset to anybody.

What is a good name for these people who talk like philosophers and live like fools?

Now that China has, for the first time in history, adopted the use of periods, commas, and other punctuation marks in its official documents, some of us will have difficulty in finding an excuse for continuing to leave them out of our conversation.—Ex.

Unsanitary conditions didn't kill the old timers; but maybe they proved fatal to the germs.—The Columbia State.

Possibly a better phrase for safe driving would be "courteous driving." Discourtesy on the highways is always the friend of accidents. And here's a thought that should stick. If you'll make up your mind to drive the way you think the other fellow should drive, the accident rate will be due for a severe beating in the future.—Charlotte Observer.

ODD THINGS AND NEW—By Lane Bode



AGE IN CAVES—
 THE AGE OF A STALAGMITE CAN BE TOLD BY ITS "RINGS" SIMILAR TO A TREE.

OIL YIELDS—
 ARE NOW FOUND TO BE BETTER TOLD BY MEASURING PRESSURE AT THE BOTTOM RATHER THAN AT THE TOP OF THE WELL.

LEMON ORIGIN—
 THE LEMON WAS BROUGHT TO AMERICA BY SPANISH ADVENTURERS.

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GOLD AND ITS ALLOY

By
LEONARD A. BARRETT

A great deal of interest is manifested these days in the effort of the government to call in all the outstanding gold. Some persons who are defying the government by still hoarding their gold, claim they cannot be coerced to give up the precious metal. Perhaps the right of the government to demand the return of gold may have to be tested in the courts.

A gold reserve is essential to the monetary system of our country, especially so long as we are on the gold standard, but otherwise its stability depends upon its value in the open markets of the world. Pure gold, however, is of value only as a security. From a practical point of view it is of little value because it is too soft. The gold used in the jewelry trade must be mixed with some alloy, usually silver, before it can be worked up into ornaments. A watch case made of pure gold would soon be forced out of shape by frequent pressure in daily use. A pen made of pure gold would not serve as a satisfactory instrument for writing because it would be too soft. The gold used for decorative purposes is usually 14 carat, otherwise it would not stand up under the friction of daily use.

Gold, therefore, to be of any practical value must be mixed with some alloy. Such alloy is not necessary if we lock the gold up in a deposit box and regard it only as a reserve security; but, if we want to put it to some practical use, it must be mixed with some other metal in order to harden it. Our lives are very much like the gold. A sheltered life which finds it necessary to strive for a livelihood and therefore withdraws from an active part in the great human struggle may need little alloy. But the life that must struggle and fight "the good fight" finds an alloy absolutely necessary to success. Our best ideals and ambitions are tempered by the trials, disappointments and heart pains which enter into every experience. They make us strong and develop character. The "alloy" in life makes us fit to fight, and enables us to stand strong in our convictions and purposes. No life can be happy if lived apart from the human struggle. Isolation leads to misery and despair. "Gold and iron—he that knows how to apply them both, may attain life's highest station."

PROOF OF CHARACTER

Judge: "Do you know anybody who can vouch for your good character?"
 Accused: "Yes, the chief of police."
 The chief of police is called.
 Judge: "But he says he does not know you."
 Accused: "What more do you want? I have lived in his police area for 20 years and he does not know me!"

DISTRESS AFTER MEALS Relieved By Black-Draught

"I had sour stomach and gas," writes Mr. Jess Higgins, of Dawsonville, Ga., "and often I would have bilious spells. I read about Bedford's Black-Draught and began to take it. It relieved me of this trouble. I keep it all the time now. I consider it a fine medicine. I take a pinch of Black-Draught after meals when I need it. It helps to prevent sick headache and to keep the system in good order."
 Get a package at the store. Try it! Now you can get Black-Draught in the form of a SYRUP, for CHILDREN.

LETTERS to the Editor

To the Editor of The Mountaineer:

Much has been said and written recently about officers not enforcing the law and the increase of lawlessness and crime.

Last Friday afternoon the citizens of Waynesville and adjoining towns had a demonstration of officers either unwilling or unable to enforce the law.

A few toughs and rowdies defied the entire police force and county officers who were present. No arrests were made nor was the disturbance stopped; but a football game was delayed and those who had gone out to enjoy the game were mortified and compelled to see a free-for-all fight and a near riot.

The school authorities, the coach and the team endeavor to have clean athletics and good sportsmanship to entertain their friends and the public. No team when demoralized by fighting on the sidelines and crowds rushing across the field to see it can play good ball, nor can the spectators enjoy the game. Our mothers, wives and daughters are at the mercy of the mob and will not attend.

Unless the authorities can give us police protection and make the field safe and orderly, games will have to be called or athletics suspended. There is a law against drinking, gambling and fighting and we ought to have officers who can enforce the law and are not afraid to arrest the violators.

The reputation of the school and the town is at stake in this matter.

E. J. ROBESON,
 Principal High School,
 M. H. BOWLES,
 Superintendent,
 C. E. WEATHERBY,
 "Coach."

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. Lena M. Cox, deceased, late of Haywood County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned, at Hazelwood, North Carolina, on or before the 4th day of October, 1934, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make payment immediately.
 This the 4th day of October, 1933.
 HENRY M. COX,
 Administrator of the estate of Mrs. Lena M. Cox.
 No. 107—Oct. 5-12-19-26-Nov. 2-9

25 Years A in HAYWOOD

(From the file of Oct. 1908)
 From White Oak, N.C., Mr. Clark of this place calls at Mr. Ma. Hunter, liam Hunter and Mrs. bone were married last week at the home of Miss J. A. Lead—Frank Williams was the best girl last Sunday and the dead gone.

Jack Frost visited this Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr. Frank Smathers of City arrived Friday.

Mr. Faucette Swift of school, Asheville came over fair.

Miss Mary Moody, from Seattle, and the where she had been on a trip months.

Dr. Jefferson Reeves is putting in electric wires and wise improving the property pot street which he bought ago.

Mr. Thad D. Bryson of City is here in attendance fair.

(From the file of October 1908)
 Mrs. Ed Rhinehart and Asheville are guests of Mr. Steve Shelton.

Mrs. Guy Killian of Asheville is the house guest of Mr. D. M. Killian.

Mr. J. C. H. Wulburn of ton, arrived for a visit to W. Stringfield.

We learn on good authority Mars Hill some time last week merchants in town who had tobacco in any form, pipes, and had a bonfire of all the cutes they had on hand. A student who had gone out with a reputation as a preacher, and revived the crusade against ettes and all the merchants, into a written complaint any mor, tobacco.

The owner of the big fair who promised, after go up Wednesday, to go Thursday and Friday, failed good yesterday. (Thursday could not rise over ten feet the ground. They claim conditions were not favorable being from the east, making to rise going east. But the ing hills and trees in that made it dangerous.

Mr. R. R. Reynolds spent Thursday in the city.

Misses Sarah Stringfield, Harriet, Wulburn spent Asheville.

Miss Fannie Ferguson of was the guest of Mr. and Sloan Wednesday.

Fake Cigaretts Filled With Saw

Wheeling, W. Va.—City Charles Flanagan was supposed two men who offered to dealer standard brand cigarettes below wholesale prices. Investigating, he said the pair's automobile was sawdust filled imitation cigarettes.

ENOUGH SAID

Casting Director: "Can't you Extra: "Can I act?" Was used to be a professional actor.

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The Physician who tries to divert his mind, or fulfill obligations, with a seriously ill patient in his thoughts, is an absent-minded theatre companion or bridge partner.

The Physician expecting a momentary summons, is not from mental strain or wakeful nights. When he finds the beyond human or scientific help, only the immediate family get more than the Doctor. Of course it is up to the Doctor to show distress, and to keep nerve strain under lash.

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