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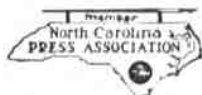
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HAYWOOD QUIET ON STATE POLITICS

It is quite interesting to note how people living in other sections of the state coming here are surprised to find such little comment on the governor's race.

Of course, those who are more politically-minded, are discussing the developments in the race, but the average voter thus far has shown but little interest, and after all, it is this "un-expressed element" that usually holds the deciding ballot.

It will take a good warm campaign speech, and a little more handshaking from candidates for local office to get some of the Haywood voters in the mood to discuss politics as far away as the governor's race, but when they do start talking, the opinions will come thick and fast.

BETTER LATE HERE THAN ON TIME IN THE HEREAFTER

Speaking of safety, Irvin Cobb, nationally known humorist and philosopher, observes:

"I've run a temperature in at least two hospitals and I also met up with quite a few legless, armless and otherwise badly messed up folks. There's a whole lot of mighty serious accident contemplation going on in our hospitals.

"My observations have taught me that it is much better to think about accidents before they happen than to brood on them afterward. Take it from an old campaigner, the best kind of hospital bed is the one that is permanently empty.

"And personally, I'd rather be late for dinner tonight here than to be on time for breakfast in the next world in the morning. Haste makes waste of a lot of good human material."
—Morganton NewsHerald.

A THOUGHT FOR EASTER

From the beginning of time, men have hailed the coming of Spring as the resurrection of the earth from the death of Winter. Long before the Christian Era began, every religious cult celebrated in one way or another the returning season of growth and sunshine, with its promise of life beyond the grave. If the dead trees and grasses could so demonstrate immortality, why should man alone die to rise no more?

In a few days the whole Christian world will join in testifying, on Easter Sunday, to its faith that death is not the end, that life goes on forever, in new and unknown but more glorious forms, that we earthbound plodders can no more imagine than can the maple tree or the wistaria, shedding its scarlet robe of Autumn under the killing breath of Winter's frosts, imagine the glory of the Springtime garments of green which it will wear in its new life.

The belief that this is true, that there is a life beyond death, a life of release from toil and sorrow for such as truly believe and strive to live up to their belief has been the most powerful force in the history of our modern civilization. In this faith men have found a common tie of mutual service for the common good. All of the concepts of duty, honor, self-denial, self-respect and loyalty upon which great nations have been founded derive from the faith which is the very root and heart of Christianity.

Let no one say that the faith of our fathers is outmoded, that it no longer has its old power to inspire our lives. We are living in troublesome times, and those of little faith are crying aloud that the old truths have failed, the old beliefs are dead. But even as they scoff, spring brings her perennial symbols of the eternal life. And this coming Easter Sunday millions upon millions of believers will meet to testify anew to the truth that their faith is a living faith, that it still rules the heart of man.
—Burke Free Press.

NO PARK OPENING THIS YEAR

If you are to take Mr. Arno B. Crammerer, national park director, at his word, there is no possible hope for the formal opening of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park this summer. In fact the director holds out that until 400,000 acres have been acquired, that the government cannot accept the park.

In almost the same breath, the park director said, that approximately \$750,000 would be required to purchase the necessary additional land.

Many people of this section had high hopes of the park opening this summer, but they have also been mindful of the fact that Mr. Crammerer has taken the position from the very first that he did not expect to give his approval for the opening until the entire 400,000 acres had been acquired. Evidently he is working on the assumption that it is better to have the land than the promise from North Carolina and Tennessee that the land will be acquired after the formal acceptance of the park.

Anyway, as long as the park will not be formally opened this year, it does give the adjoining communities another twelve months in which to prepare for the opening, and thus far there has been no preparation on the part of this section of the state for an opening as elaborate as such an event should demand.

So after all, it might be best that the opening has been delayed.

OVER-FED ON SENSATIONAL NEWS

As a general rule the American people crave excitement and sensational news stories, but we believe that they have been over-fed on the Hauptmann trial until they are now in a frame of mind to take over and digest something of a deeper nature.

A number of local people have expressed themselves as having been "fed up and disgusted with the whole thing" even several days before the execution.

This just goes to show, that anything can be run into the ground, even when sensational events are involved.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF DRIVING

The Sanford Herald reports that A. M. Huggins, director of service for the Carolina Motor Club, in an address there recently outlined the following as the ten commandments of driving:

1. I will think ahead.
2. I will always be careful.
3. I will assume responsibility.
4. I will give pedestrians the right of way.
5. I will always slow down.
6. I will obey traffic regulations.
7. I will always have my car under control.
8. I will especially watch the children and old people.
9. I will give the other fellow a chance.
10. I will observe the Golden Rule.

Commenting on the seriousness of the situation and the need of an action to put a stop to the slaughter on the highway the Herald observes:

"Talking, thinking and pledging don't go far in reforming a world—or even a small portion of it—unless there is some action.

"The reason some men are greater than others is because they are able to think out a plan and put it into action. Some men can reason a course of action. Some men can execute it. That is why there are field generals and company captains.

"In the nation-wide attempt to reduce the number of accidents on highways, each man must be his own general, putting into action a plan of safety.

"If all men followed the ten commandments of the Bible there would be no sin.

"If all men followed the ten commandments of safe driving there would be fewer accidents."
—Morganton News-Herald.

Ibsen, the great Norwegian novelist, always so bold and outspoken on his theories on matrimony, lost his accustomed poise when it came time for himself to propose. He solved the problem in a simple manner. He placed his proposal in writing and arranged a time to call for his answer. If, he concluded, when he called, the object of his affections was "at home," it could be construed as a favorable answer.

When he called he was shown into the best room and asked to wait. This puzzled him no little; but after waiting two hours he lost heart and made for the door.

A peal of laughter rang through the room and, as he stopped in his tracks, the voice of the future Mrs. Ibsen settled the matter: "I just wanted to see how long a lover's patience would last."

THE OLD HOME TOWN by STANLEY



Random SIDE GLANCES

By W. CURTIS RUSS

Oscar Briggs brought in a card last week, which had a picture of a negro with a spade, and right above it in quotations: "Man ax me is Ize a WPA worker or jus' got de ole spring fever."

And speaking of spring fever brings to mind the many doses of sulphur and molasses that was forced down me in the years gone by.

There is something about a first Monday gathering at the court house that appeals to the human nature—so many different types of folks, and all that goes with the usual crowd who come to town once a month.

Monday morning the main topic of conversation was first the weather then the June primary and the candidates that are and those that are to be.

Everyone was expressing opinions except the candidates or those who knew that within a few days they would be in the race.

It is all very interesting. A lot of people don't like politics, but it affords a subject for study that never grows old, and a subject that is ever changing.

One of the readers of this column sent in these three squibs, saying perhaps they might be worth a space in this column—so here goes:

"Love is a good thing, but without money it is too much like food without salt."

"Some people judge a town by what they can see from the railroad."

"There is no more hopeless domestic combination than a sappy husband and a snappy wife."

Add to the things we could do without—people who insist on looking over one's shoulder while writing notes.

This is a horse-loving community. Any time of the day you will find a group looking at the ones at Bramlett Stables.

There are few things that look more lonesome than a white church on a hill on a cold night about midnight.

One of the biggest disappointments in my life took place when seven years old, on Christmas morning, when I was certain Santa Claus was going to bring me a goat, but he didn't.

Two well known women, with new outfits, met each other on the street Tuesday morning. As they passed, both looked back for a second glance—and were they embarrassed?

Mrs. Tugman, of New Orleans, stopped in to tell how the Rotarians in her city enjoyed reading the recent account in this column about the "Boston negro" program staged by the Waynesville Rotary Club. And to Uncle Abe, she expressed a keen interest in his department.

Marriages

(As Recorded to Monday Noon of this Week)

Roy R. Mathis to Daisy Vallire Clontz, both of Canton.
Robert Sanford to Neil Hawkins, both of Canton.

22 STATES MEET STANDARDS
State old-age assistance plans meeting the standards of the Social Security Board now exists in 22 states.

FACTS from Washington

From The United States News, Washington, D. C.

More cash is held by the Treasury than ever before. The huge amount of funds, totaling more than enough to have paid all Federal expenses for three years of the Civil War, has been accumulated by borrowing operations to enable the Treasury to meet bonus and work relief demands later this year.

Production of light airplanes of the private owner type, Commerce Department figures show, was a third greater in the United States last year than in 1934.

A vegetable breeding laboratory, the first of its kind in the world, has been established near Charleston, South Carolina, by the Department of Agriculture. The purpose of the laboratory which the department has set up in co-operation with southern states, is to breed high quality, disease-resistant vegetables adapted especially to the South.

Despite the issuance of more than 2,500 patents during the past fifty years for railroad crossties to be used as substitutes for wooden crossties none has been adopted. In the opinion of forestry experts it is improbable that any satisfactory substitute for the wooden tie will be developed.

This country is becoming the world's leading tree planter. In a comparatively short time an area equal in size to about half of Massachusetts has been planted to trees by various Federal agencies.

Delivery of bonus bonds and checks will begin June 15. They will be mailed from the Federal Reserve Banks and the Treasury.

Nearly six million hunting licenses for which sportsmen paid a total of

23 Years Ago in Haywood

(From the files of March 28, 1913)

Miss Julia Brown, of Clyde, spent Thursday with Miss Olive Boone.

Miss Georgia Miller went to Asheville on Thursday to hear Bond.

Dr. James Cannon was in town for a few hours on Wednesday.

Miss Nita Davis has recovered from an illness and is back at her old place at the Paris.

Mrs. Leon Killian went to Hendersonville Tuesday to visit her sister, Miss Bessie and Miss Cling Aiken.

At the last meeting of the Ma, the initiatory degree was conferred upon Miss Ruth Wyche.

Mrs. F. K. Berry, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Hugh A. Loya for the past month will leave Monday for her home in Galion, Ohio.

Last Saturday evening Miss Jennie Ray delightfully entertained with a dinner party at the home of her parents.

Next Tuesday evening at the academy hall there will be an advertising carnival for the benefit of the public library. There will be a spectacular display of ads as nearly all of the young ladies in town and many of the young men will represent some business enterprise.

This paper is glad to see that the ladies of the town are offering prizes to the girls and boys for the prettiest flower beds. Now isn't that fine? Our city will truly be "Waynesville the Beautiful."

Miss Clarine Lee was the charming hostess of the Bridge Club on last Wednesday afternoon. The highest score was made by Miss Willie Willis, who was presented some lovely handkerchiefs.

The heavy rains and high water and consequent damage are not confined to the great floods in the Ohio valley. Trains on the Southern Railway yesterday morning ran no further than Waynesville or Hazelwood. Bridges and trestles beyond Balsam have washed out or many of them been damaged, so that trains cannot run between Balsam and Murphy.

This paper is glad to announce that the Southern Railway will put on the coming season, a through sleeper from Memphis, via Chattanooga and Morristown to Waynesville. It will arrive here at 4:51 P. M. and will leave here at 12:05 P. M.

GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS

Monthly Government expenditures may reach a new peak late this summer, when bonus payments reach a maximum and public works construction is at its height. The total of all payments is expected to be nearly half a billion dollars a month.

TRADE REPRIEVE FOR FRANCE

The United States and France are on the home stretch in the matter of reciprocal trade bargaining. The possibility of war in the not too distant future, is being given some credit for the speeding up the Paris side of the negotiations.

more than nine million dollars, were issued in the United States and Alaska in 1934, the latest year for which records are available. Pennsylvania was first and New York was second, both in receipts and the number of licenses issued.

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