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#### SMOOTHING THINGS OVER

One of the best pieces of public work done on the streets of Waynesville in recent weeks was the leveling of the street crossing at the depot. For sometime the asphalt has been wearing away from the rails of the tracks, and unsuspecting motorists got a jolt that often threw them to the top of their cars.

The rough places are now fixed so that motorists traveling within the speed limit hardly realize they are crossing a double railroad track,

#### "POOR AL"

The fact that Al Smith has announced that he will not vote for President Roosevelt is not news. That has been expected. But the fact that he did come out and say he would support Gov. Landon was the unexpected news of last week's political field.

There are many differences of opinion as to the result of his stand in the November election. Of course no one knows, but it now seems that the Democrats are smiling over his decision, and the Republicans are at a loss to decide whether to smile or cry.

A generally accepted opinion, seem, however that his opinion is not going to carry much weight either way.

### TAKING THE OATH

We are often impressed with the careless manner in which witnesses in court take the oath when they are sworn to "tell the truth and nothing but the truth so help me God," and kiss the Bible, a custom of long standing. In practically every instance the words are mumbled, and the witness kisses the Bible in the most perfunctory manner.

The taking of an oath and kissing of the Bible was planned to impress the witness with the serious ceremony, and the importance of telling the truth in his or her testimony.

We believe that if the oath were more seriously and solemnly administered, as if the officer were exacting a serious promise from another, that the witness might be more impressed and more eager to tell naught but the truth.-Ex.

### EDUCATION PAYS

Your boy and perhaps your girl is ever and anon remarking, now that they have gone back to high school, they can see no use in all such tomfoolery as is enforced upon them in the classrooms,

What's the use of studying this and that? They are never going to be of any practical

And why not go on out now and get a job -begin to make money? Is that not the end of all things, anyway?

It's not difficult to answer such a philosophy of futility as it has to do with education.

Anybody with eyes wide open can see what education has done for society, what it has done for individuals who have made the most of it. Such is the most effective logic in disposing of the issue of the value of education.

The Continent of Chicago has made a careful study of the successful men of that city, with the conclusion that the person who graduates from the high school has 11, the graduate of a business college or a normal school has 15, and the graduate of a classical college, 35 times the chance of success of the one who stops with the grades.

Only one per cent of our men are college graduates, but that one per cent furnishes 46 per cent of our congressmen, 75 per cent of our senators and members of the Supreme court and nearly all our Presidents.-Charlotte Ob-

#### PERMANENT FAIR GROUNDS OR NO FAIR

Unless there is a decided change on the part of the directors of the Haywood County Fair Association, farmers, business men and county agent, there will not be another county fair held in Haywood unless permanent buildings and grounds are provided.

For three consecutive years, the officials of the Fair Association have spent a lot of time, energy and money in staging a fair each fall. and while the fairs have been all that could be expected under the temporary set-up, no great progress has been noted during the last twe years. The Association has made a little clear money each year, but the cost of providing temporary quarters has eaten too deep into the profits for the present plans of operation to

Public sentiment is now to the point where the fair officials believe that permanent quarters should be provided, and they are ready to take what has been made in the past three years to apply on buildings on permanent fair grounds.

From what we can learn, the county commissioners will be called upon to provide a suitable site for the fair grounds. The argument that will be used will be that the county owns a number of pieces of land, and that this land be given in exchange for a suitable fair site.

Farmers have not exhibited in the past two fairs as they would if better quarters had been provided. They were afraid to exhibit valuable live stock in the improvised quarters, and the means provided for exhibiting farm exhibits were not all together satisfactory, an I hence a reduction in the total number of ex-

For the first two years, the carnival company received fifty per cent of the gate receipts. This year they received only thirty-five per cent, and from that provided the two exhibition tents and half of the cost of the free act, and also some advertising.

If permanent quarters were established, the fair association would get all of the gate receipts, and at the same time could in many ways control to a better and more satisfactory manner some of the shows or amusements that are a part of the carnivals.

Few people know it, but some trouble was experienced this year in closing a side show which was declared far from being fit to be seen by the public. It was only after much persuasion and the issuing of a warrant that the show was finally closed. Such instances would be much easier handled if the fair were operated independently of a carnival.

Since the fair officials and all others that we have discussed the matter with are definitely decided upon doing away with the annual fair unless permanent quarters are provided. this one question arises in our minds. "Is a county fair worthwhile?"

The question was put to W. D. Smith, secretary of the fair association and county farm agent. His answer was emphatically "Yes, by all means,"

He explained further that a county fair was one of the best ways to stimulate interest in better farming and better stock raising, Mr. Smith also said that he was through with the fair under the present set-up, but was willing to go the limit in doing his part in establishing a bigger and better fair under permanent quarters which could be called "our own,"

In the three years that the fair has been operated, there has been more than enough spent on temporary structures to build a decent permanent building. But that cannot be counted as a total loss. It has been well spent, And we say that for this reason-it has enabled those responsible for staging the fairs to find out whether or not the people of Haywood, County wanted a revival of a county fair. Their answer has been in the affirmative, but with one provision-yes, we want a fair that is "homeowned and locally controlled."

From all indications, there seems to be a need for a "home-owned and locally controlled" fair in this county, and unless there is a change of mind before next fall, we believe that is what Haywood will have-or no fair at all.

### WHAT GOOD IS CAMPAIGNING?

We just wonder if all this campaigning that is being done by the major political parties is worth all the time and money. We are of the opinion that few voters are swung by all the campaign ballyhoo, Instead of being swung from one party to the other, we sometimes feel that voters who do not take their politics seriously are just disgusted with it all and decide not to vote.

Some campaigners are so desperate to get across their side of questions that they go beyond all means of reason, and in so doing leave the true facts out of the picture. The sooner the dyed-in-the-wool politicians realize that all the voters are far from being politicians, the better impression they will make with their campaigning.

### YOU DID A FINE JOB, JIM, THANKS MISTER

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by STANLEY

THE OLD HOME TOWN



# HERE THERE By HILDA WAY GWYN

I hear it reported from none other than himself . . that the tieless president of the First National Bank . . in order to take in the sights of the Golden West . . not only purchased himself a tie . . but wore it while attending the meeting of the American Bankers neld recently in California . . it just shows what lenghth a body will go to when away from home , , the story as told by the president . he and another North Carolina banker wanted to take in a entrance they were told that gentlemen could not enter the club without the formality of a tie . . directions were given to a purchasing center. where upon the president hunted up the place and invested in a fifty cent tie . . wore it . . . returned to the night club, was admitted and wit returned to the nessed the wicked night life of Hol lywood . . . which I feel sure was worth the price and discomfort of breaking the habits of a life time, .

There is something about the midway of a fair that gets one . . you may be quite sophisticated about such ordinary amusements in fact you may suffer terribly with a superior complex . about mixing with crowds . . you may abominate the lowly hot dog, piece de resistance of the merus of all eating joints . . but just a whiff of them dressed up in mustard and onions . . mixed with the frying fragrance of their running mates, the versatile hamburgers . . on the breeze of a cool night . . . and it does mething to even the mojaded appetite . . . you exclaim over the size of the pumpkins and the corn . . more than likely they are no bigger than last year you merely had not given the matter any thought since then . . and are impressed again you give some wistful hungry looking little urchin, who hasn't a cent to rattle in his pockets. had only the price to get in . enough change to buy an ice cream cone, and a ride on the merry-go-round . . and you begin to warm up . . you take a chance on something you have no earthly use for . . and wouldn't buy as a bargain . . then after walking around and around you decide as a joke . . of course , that you'll ride something yourself . . . suddenly you find you are a sympathetic part of the jostling crowd . . . and what a perfectly swell time you are having. . .

Have just finished reading two articles in one of the nations big dailies, under one title, "Two cam-paigners meet the people," . .I liked very much the description of both Roosevelt and Landon. . . Of Roosevelt the writer said . . facing 35,000 people or 1,000 people the president makes felt his own conviction that his stewardship has been good" . . . and of Landon the au-thor said, "His ability to convey an impression of sincerity, is his strongest asset, the audience feels that he means what he says," words they are both strong bets electioneering for their own cause. . . .

Meaning no disrespect to our churches . . . but presidential campaigns always make me think presidential of good old fashioned revival just as some permeetings . . sons seem oblivious of the blessings of Christianity except when under the stirring influence of an evangelist . . so does it take the fight for the presidency to arouse many a person to any responsibility of citizenship . . . what a wonderful land we would have if we could hold that interest during the intervening ears . . hundreds of persons, both men and women . . who seem to feel no civic ties . . will be found up in the political mourners bench along in October and November every four years shouting with great glee . . and the rest of the time apparently don't give a hoot what kind of a local or state

government we have. . .

CLEANLINESS NEXT TO GODLI

Uncle Abe's remarks on this subect, in the issue of The Mountaineer for September 24, strikes a responsive chord in the writter. And as a result I crave space for a few remarks on the subject.

When I was a boy, the Haywood country folks rarely came to town other than on Saturday except for matters of pressing business. When they did come, like me they generally wore home-made shirts of domestic sheeting (bleached by washing,) but these were clean. Coats and trousers were made of homespun jeans (as were mine,) but they were clean. Faces were clean snaven and boots we all wore them in those roadless days) were clean and freshly blacked-possibly greased with suct mixed with lampblack. Every effort was made for cleanliness.

Now in these days of concrete in hotels, boarding houses and roads. I saw last summer jostling taurants, whose standards of our summer visitors on our sidewalks. countrymen wearing overalls which had never been washed since they crowded off the sidewalks by had never seen brush and blacking. Face, nad not been shaven in a week, and bodies had apparently been innocent of soap and water for an equal with a very bad taste in their m or greater length of time. Now any This we should do all in our man who works must get dirty, but to prevent. there is no necessity for any man to tay dirty.

One of our principal crops is our next to godliness is tourists, and one of our problems is to get them to come earlier and to Natural History Museum. stay later. During our all too short

# 23 Years Ag in Haywood

(From the files of Sec.

Hon. Zeb Weaver, of Asher spent Sunday in town as of Mr. Ed Battle.

Mrs. William J. Da her nome in Columbia. spending a month with h Mrs. Delos Crary let ing for her home in Elan after a visit to her family

Mrs. Gerald West, of Ga., is the guest of her M. L. Mitchell, Mr. Way Kinsland went to s Tuesday to attend the Jacks to

Mrs. A. S. Anderson laffor Gastonia, where she

friends. Mr. Howell McCracken and Henderson Jones left Saturday attend the Knoxville Fair

Dr. J. R. McCracken an Mr Plott attended the Jackson ( Fair in Sylva on Wedneday, Miss Alice Quinlan returns on Wednesday after spending summer in New York.

Hazelwood wants to be of "Greater Waynesville," The dary line between the two tow only imaginary and should be ished.

The race is growing more each day between the different testants in this paper's great \$10 Popularity Contest for handsome diamond rings to be aw ed next Saturday, Oct. 4 Thomas, Ethel Woody, Blanche gelle are leading their respective

tricts this week. Mr. W. T. Snelton, a S. J. Shelton, and formerly of nesville, is down where he is successfully engaged school work. Supt. Sheltor panied by his wife recently Farmington to see his Nava play ball against Farmington

"There are more homicide wood county than in Lond the judge, in pronouncing on one of the men sentence here this week. London ha five million people within th its, more than twice the numb ple than in North Carolina

But when they ar rising. of alleged humanity as Uncle Abe graphically described, our tour sure to go away from Wayn This we should do all in our p And to conclude, another

season, we are taking care w

man who believes that cleanlines-

# "Smoke Camels for Digestion's Sake"



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