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A Rigid Test

Those who have taken their driver's test, as provided for under the new state law, point out that it is not as simple as just giving personal data, such as age, color of hair, weight, etc.

The actual road tests are just what they

Many a veteran driver has failed to answer some of the questions, which most have been taking for granted for all the years.

One motorist who has been driving for many years' almost fainted when he had to identify the different meanings of highway

This thing of driving a motor vehicle these days is a serious business-in fact it is a business of life and death, and the state cannot be too rigid in the examinations put to those who get under the steering wheel.

We venture to say that more motorists have been studying highway signs and hand signals since July 1 than in any five-year period.

The program is splendid and the thorough checks of ears goes right along hand in hand with the test for drivers.

Lotteries Are Illegal

Down in Ahoskie the Kiwanis club staged a raffle with a \$3,200 Cadillac as the prize. At the drawing, the name of a 25-year-old Negro drawn, and officials of the club ruled that the contest was for whites only. The Negro had paid a dollar for his 13,000-to-1 chance ticket, and nothing was said about race or creed when the sale was made.

A second drawing was held and the car awarded a doctor.

Protests started pouring in from over the nation. One congressman entered his bitter protest, and a New York newspaper started a fund to raise money to get the Negro a \$3,200 gar.

The club officials called a hurried meeting and decided to give the Negro a car, and also the doctor, in order to bring the matter to a close.

While all this was going on, the attorney general's office in this state received more than 100 requests for a ruling on staging a raffle, or similar drawing. The answer was, "lotteries in North Carolina are illegal."

Since the Ahoskie case brought such a storm of protest, there is a feeling in many circles that fewer and fewer like events will be staged in North Carolina.

Two Seconds To Kill

How long is two seconds?

Not very long. Barely long enough for a pedestrian to say; "I've got plenty of time before that car gets here. Barely long enough for him to take six steps into the roadway, so the Morganton News-Herald points out.

An automobile going 40 miles an hour travels 118 feet in two seconds-and even on good pavement, even with good brakes, the driver cannot stop under 126 feet . . . that means 8 feet beyond the "hit pedestrian."

"Speed of oncoming cars is very hard to judge in daylight-impossible at night. Last year some 130,000 pedestrians were killed or injured between intersections because they guessed wrong or just weren't thinking at all. The place to cross the street is at a crosswalk, and if there is no traffic light, it pays dividends in life and limb to wait until the way is clear. Two seconds is often all the time it takes to die,"

The Signs Were Late

Although late, the highway department has erected signs at the intersection of Highway 19 and 19-A, 23, which should eleminate a lot of confusion that has been existing since the Lake Junaluska cut-off was completed.

Some business people promptly estimate that 50 per cent of the travel coming as far as the Lake now keep on Highway 19, instead of coming on into Waynesville. We haven's any accurate checking figures, but we presume many travelers will not find their destination by the signs, and not take the wrong route. Even then, enough will by-pass Way-

No Income Tax Reduction

The action of the Senate Friday took all doubt out of the minds of American people that next year's income taxes would be lower. Many people have been going along on the assumption that the tax rate would be cut, and gearing their economic life to taking advantage of the cut effective January first.

There is a lot of argument on the matter, but regardless of how one feels, the income tax rate will not be reduced.

The two prevalent lines of thought on the matter seem to be: (1)-Keep the present rate and pay off the national debt; (2) Stop loaning and giving money to foreign countries and reduce the rate.

The average citizen argues the point from the standpoint of his personal advantage, and often fails to take the national picture into consideration when going into the subject.

Family Reunions Start

and from now until fall, scores of families away in search of new adventure; have just ahead of us hardly six will gather around the festive board and or some one has picked it up and weeks of summer then comes the spend the day visiting and feasting.

This is a fine American tradition and we life. Whatever the cause of its ab- mountains is something that will feel the world would be knit closer together sence, there is a broken childish always linger in the minds of those if more old-fashioned family reunions were held more often.

More Applesauce

The Western Carolina Tribune tries to set us right about the apple crop in Henderson county. In an editorial recently we commented on the fact that Haywood had 77,000 apple trees, according to government figures, and Henderson had 50,000.

The Tribune said editorially

"The Waynesville Mountaineer has been shocked from an old assumption as evidenced Kendrick Fisher, first chief of the by its declaration that 'we have taken it for the man who discovered you could but I'm willing to eat the dark meat granted that Haywood led in the production eat rattlesnake meat and live. of apples.' It adds that 'recently a statement | That was long before they startwas published in a magazine that Henderson of \$1 a pound county was the leading apple-producing county in North Carolina.' It then quotes census brated his 92nd birthday eating figures showing that Haywood has 77,000 roast beef at the historic Cosmos leading a party of six, got two Club with a group of cronies, says weeks ahead of the chuck wagons trees, Buncombe 73,000, Alexander 59,000, rattlesnake meat is okay when you Henderson 50,000 and Wilkes 38,000. Old boy haven't got anything else and they've been planting them on every hillside and on top of the Blue Ridge so fast in Hen- he. He prefers roast canvasback derson county it will take another depression with special WPA enumerators to catch up with what we are doing over this way in the making of a million dollar apple crop."

The Mountaineer hopes there will not be another depression, but if it should come, we would not be inclined to accept the count of Oil company bulk plant on Water inghouse Electric company have day from a three weeks trip to WPA enumerators.

How's The Season?

The question that is perhaps asked more today than any other, is "How is the tourist

A perfectly natural question but one that often gets a variety of answers. The answer all depends upon the person answering the to leave this area on Friday for brate with them their fifty-fifth old courthouse clock since the old

This newspaper asked the owner of a business catering to tourists and was told, "Not as good as 1946.

As soon as the "boss" turned his back, one of his employees was queried and the answer was, "All the business we can handle."

We suspect somewhere between those two answers is the correct one for the community as a whole.

With the general prevailing cool weather during June and July in most of the Southern states, many potential visitors have delayed their annual trek to the mountains until later.

Some purposely waiting until September. We believe that when the curtain rings down on the season, some time in October, that most everyone will find it has been a fairly good season after all.

Five times as much vitamin A has been found in the milk of cows fed on good alfalfa hay as in the milk of cows fed on poor tim-

Men who enter West Point Military Academy must be at least five feet, six inches



Rambling 'Round

-Bits Of Human Interest News Picked Up By Members-—Of The Mountaineer Staff—

Have you ever thought of the that summer seems to be a forgotpapers? For instance: "Have you the usual dusty reminder of hot seen a little white dog with a brown days has been noticable by its abear." He was a child's pet and the sence The annual family reunions have started little white dog has just wandered owner is inconsolable." Perhaps the carried it away; or maybe a care- glory that is ours. The fall and less motorist has crushed out its early winter grandeur of these

> weather we have enjoyed this sum- from here along about September have interfered with our comfort

tragedy behind some of the adver- ten season. The rain has kept the tisements you find in the news- foliage in such cleanliness that

And still speaking of weather, we who have enjoyed it. If our summer visitors could only realize Certainly no one can criticize the what they leave when they depart so little really warm days first, we feel sure they would either (Continued on Page Eight)



WASHINGTON - Dr. Albert

ed canning the stuff and selling it

ou're starving

Let the gourmets have it, says anything alive was food, so they of eight feet and weighs as much

5 YEARS AGO

morning and in some undetermined

and caused an explosion which

brought death to five Waynesville

Carmel Hollingsworth, a student

of the Waynesville vocational agri-

culture class, won first place in the

district essay contest sponsored by

the Cotton Cooperative of Raleigh.

induction at Fort Jackson.

GOIN FISHIN!

LUCK, KID. BUT

NAME'S MUDIF

YOU DON'T BRING

US BACK A MESS

OF FISH -

REMEMBER- YOUR

HEY? WELL, GOOD

Sixty-seven men are scheduled

They'll Do It Every Time

manner the fumes became ignited the Park theater.

A storage tank at the Standard

duck, which feeds on celery and has a much superior flavor. "It's not bad eating," says he

"I don't like white meat of any U, S. Biological Survey, says he is kind, and I think chicken is poor, of turkey on Thanksgiving.

> Dr. Fisher retired from government service after 46 years back than half way with Russia already.

It was in 1890 when Dr. Fisher. leading a party of six, got fwo out in Death Valley in California. When they got to the starving is a marine animal inhabiting point the party reasoned that tropical seas; it reaches a length

Looking Back Over The Years

10 YEARS AGO

Special engineers of the West-

street started leaking Tuesday completed the installation of the New York, New England and Can-

latest sound producing system for

several members of the faculty of

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ward were

and their families arrived to cele-

Duke summer 'school

wedding anniversary.

DON'T FORGET

NOW, CHARLIE

FISH FOR THE

SQUATWELLS-

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MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



Answer: In the main, yes. For while on the surface he seems only to be trying to regain his lost youth, the more serious his obsession with "sweet young things" is, the more it reveals a loss of contact with the real world, and especially the fact that his interest cannot be returned. He thus goes beyond the "wishful thinking" in which almost anyone may indulge, and displays the loss of memory of recent events, and the tendency to "live in the past" which are the outstanding characteristics of a



one who is like one of our parents?

At were Mt was haved en, parents, we are pieces certain to do this unconsciously, but according to a study reported by A. Strauss in the American Sociological Review, a resemblance to things up it reloom

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EDDIE ENDS CHAPTER

NEW YORK-When, as had

equally as much a profitable part town

There are few hosts of Leon's

While Eddie Davis' bawdy bal- the names of other

VOICE PEOPLE

OF HOSPITALITY .. tween President Truman and been indicated for some time, Leon of life as dim Fire Premier Stalin of Russia would bet-Enken and Eddie Davis put an end ory for faces and ter relations between the two nato their 20-year partnership in their posed to be of all tions at this time? extremely lucrative night club, caliber Not only Leon and Eddie's, Broadway lost member a name

Howard Clapp: "Yes, Two people one of its most colorful hosts, the town of thousands of can always profit by a discussion aforesaid Leon Enken.

ladry certainly was the main at- customer's home b Henry Hale: "No. I think there traction for Leon and Eddie's in live little host's tri ave been too many conferences. an entertainment way, the effusive deared inm to all Let the situation stand as it is for Leon at the door greeting his Nothing is so acce a while, and let us wait until the thousands of acquaintances was York as the mention Russians approach us.

of their amiable 52nd St. uproar Jim Killian: "I don't know house. whether it would or not. If Truman was as good a diplomat as Roosesuperior style left on Broadway. velt, it would be all right, but I The trend seems to have shifted regular customers doubt if he could come out as well to aloof and accented continentals town who, however in a conference with Stalin." or the extremely efficient headwaiters who act more like frigid, the subtreems p

Joe Jack Atkins: "I have my diplomats accepting an unfriendly doubts that a conference would do

Charles Isley: "Anything is worth try to straighten things out, because the situation seems to be very serious now. We've gone more

Guy Messer: "It ought to establish better relations.

The Luth, or Leathery Turtle.

15 YEARS AGO

Miss Bessie Boyd returned Mon-

Two attractive visitors, Miss Ask-

ing Ivey, of Concord, guest of Miss

Elizabeth Ray, were complimented

last Friday afternoon with a bridge

Hundreds of citizens have ex-

By Jimmy Hatlo

WHY DOES THAT MUG

BRING US THESE VERY

DEAD FISH? YOU KNOW

WE HAVE A ROAST IN

THE OVEN AND WE'RE

GOING OUT TOMORROW

NIGHT. THEY SMELL UP

THE REFRIGERATOR, ETC.

ETC. "SO WRAP THEM UP

AND GIVE THEM THE

OLD HEAVE-HO IN THE

GARBAGE CAN ...

Thankto

HOWARD BERNHARD

SAN FRANCISCO CALIF

The First National Bank has just

party given by Miss Ray.

building was torn down.

On Friday afternoon Miss Fran- Mary Stringfield, and Miss Marion

ces Robeson gave a tea honoring Gibbs, of New York, guest of Miss

given a surprise on Sunday, July erected a large electric clock on

18, when nine of their ten children its building on Main street here.

SO HE BLEW A

FUSE GETTING

THEM A NICE

STRING FOR

THE PAN -

InsideWASHING Mon Wallgren Suggested

As Truman Running Mate

Labor Secretar

Special to Central Press

sans a full year before the Democrats and En moninating conventions.

and close adviser to President Truman, has suggested state's Gov. Mon Wallgren as Mr. Truman's 1948 runnin Political observers in Washington see Wallgren's the

Thomas E. Dewey again, and then pl Stassen for second seat on the GOP Wallgren, almost overlooked in v

tial speculation, is a close friend dent's. Last year Mr. Truman west Truman would like to entice Wall Washington state to preside over the If Stassen shared the ticket with

ex-Minnesota governor would have pull on the pro-labor votes of Wash gon and northern California. Democrats realize that this could

some extent by nominating Wallgreen graphical balance would be unique

 CUT SCHWELLENBACH POWERS—Washington * ing that Secretary of Labor Lewis Schwellenbach son

humor in the remark. Schwellenbach's department is being clipped of many

the Copartment and sets up an independent mediation statute also expands the NLRB as the government

slashes its personnel and trims Bureau of Labor Station of Labor Standards and United States Employment tions.

Moreover, if Congress rejects President Truman's III mental reorganization plan, Schwellenbach will ich entirely and be deprived of authority over the Wast

The Soviet Information Bulletin, published in Was Russian embassy and known as the official voice of red United States, currently features a story on the libert Catholics—including nuns and monks—in the Baltic N western Ukraine, and western Byelorussia.

According to the Bulletin, members of Catholic res "usually wear the apparel characteristic of their

As a further indication of Communist "broadmindedness," the publication says that monasteries

ing local trade channels of the producers' cooperative The Soviet magazine also notes that "monks are as military service—as a rule."

WASHINGTON—The political tight repe-walking Political tight repermental ti

No less a personage than George Allen, erstwhile "

event the Republicans nominate him out in Washington It is belief



vs. Dewey-Stassen campaign Th Truman-Wallgren would have a midwesterner and a far westerner on the no concessions to the east.

only "bureau chief with cabinet status." There is more tions and much of its personnel through the new Tan

and the 1948 appropriations measure. The Taft-Hartley law takes away the conciliation

The new appropriations bill for the labor department

• RUSSIAN "TOLERANCE"-Soviet propagandista treated religion with bitter scorn, now boast of the accorded Catholics in the USSR.

order or society and they have the right to go where ever and whenever they like so attired."

are permitted to operate their own workshops equipped with tools and machinery. The Bulletin obs "The state regards these workshops as industrial which have the right to dispose of their product three