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## Schools Closing

This week two of the high schools in Haywood county will close their year of work. Vacation time will make them free to help with spring chores at their homes and some of the most persistent of the students will be presented a piece of paper that can rightly he cherished a high school diploma. The other schools in the county, which are a month later in starting their classes, will be could through the same process the latter part of next month.

For a number of reasons it is a widespread belief that schooling is something that is not supposed to be liked. Many students, if not the majority, do enjoy attending school and realize that they are getting something fine; enjoying one of the American privileges, a part of "our way of life" that hopes to achieve equal opportunities for all. Still it is common, and has been for possibly as long as there have been schools-or will be, to believe that many of the subjects taught have no practical use, that schooling isn't worth the time and trouble to attend, and that a boy or girl should quit as soon as possible and start doing something useful, at least more enjoyable. How else can be explained the  $\mathrm{Large}$  number of young people who drop out of school before completing work on a dip-Jorna?

We do not wish to go into the many advantaces of formal education. However, it is our intention to point out that schools should, and most of them do, achieve two goals. First, they teach knowledge . . . facts and ceneral information, and enough of it so that a small percentage will be remembered. Secunitive they teach the habit of thinking, of taking the knowledge learned and applying it in personal ways. The more subjects a stucient exposes himself to, the wider will come his range of thinking, and the better ability he is building to enter the more complicated lite of present day. There are striking exceptions to the rule. but records show that ability to earn money depends to a great deal on the amount of education possessed. A successful life is not to be measured by a person's bank account, but the educated thinking person, who is willing to use his knowledge, can also be of the greatest service to his fellow man. We salute the graduating classes at Fines Creek and Crabtree and hope that all students in the grades below will be determined to follow in their footsteps and also receive their high school diplomas.

## Is American Family Life On Its Last Legs?

Is the American family system cracking up? We have had some alarming divorce statistics of late which would suggest an affirmative answer. The divorce rate in 1946 shattered all records, indicating that one of every three marriages in America will end in total collapse before the 15th year of married life. It is learned from a survey of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company that this is double the divorce rate of the period just before World War II and triple the rate prevailing 25 years ago.

The threat to American family life was clearly pictured by Rev. W. Perry Crouch of Asheville in his messages at the Christian Home Clinic conducted by the Baptist here recently. Mr. Crouch observed that the sharp increase in the rate of divorces was a part of the aftermath of war. Wartime marriages, he said, broke up because they had been entered hastily or because of difficulties of postwar living such as the housing shortage. The Asheville minister effectively made use of these divorce causes in seeking to guide young people into unshakeable marriage.

The 1946 divorce figures, of course, present a gloomy outlook for American home life. But fortunately the 1946 rate is not being continued, later statistics are showing and this fact should dispel some of the pessimism. It should put new courage into the hearts of those who recognize that a stable home life is the foundation stone of our, civilization.

The Metropolitan's survey reveals that preliminary figures for 1947 indicate at least a 25 per cent reduction in the record-breaking there seemed to be nothing we divorce rate of 1946. There was a 34 per cent could do. He was his own worst drop in Nevada divorces, a 21 per cent de- enemy and had to take the consecline in New York City, more than a 20 per cent reduction in Florida. Michigan and he might have The inst one never fair maiden on the sidewalk, it Texas.

The new statistics seem to make it clear was any within reach the continued plete make-up job. that the American family system is not yet until he was stuffed. He was such on its last legs. But the encouragement a fine character with only that one should not be a cure for relaxation of efforts weakness chip" addiet in family life training. There is still a threat.

In one of his messages at the Baptist church, Mr. Crouch presented some revealing statistics that ought to show the way for a strengthening of family life in America. After noting that in the postwar era divorce was ruining one of every three marriages. the minister declared that figures compiled just before the war showed that only one of every 117 marriages in which the parties were Christians, were winding up in divorce. He expressed the opinion that, even after making allowance for the unstable wartime mar-

ably no worse than one in 50. A church background, it seems, means tional Art Gallers to see the famed they are returned to Germany simply taken the collection into much in the success of marriage. Youth con- seums now on display -These are have seen them,

It Made Good Reading

amazing that they become pathetic.

stitutions, and lower taxes.

are simply amazing, and yet, some are so

was too late to get his name off the ballot

If Mr. Stanley could have shown a practical

way to have carried out his platform, he

would not have had to have any financial

backers. The voters of the state would have

almost nominated him by acclamation. But

failure to explain how he could fulfill all

his proposals as set out in the platform was

nize that. Churches, instead of resting on mans before the war-not those tion were found in a salt mine at nize that. Churches, instead of resting on their laurels, should be so encouraged by The taxi drivers, government Patton's Third Army in 1945. The taxi drivers, government Patton's Third Army in 1945. The very by General

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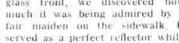
powders. Spring cleaning! While we were admiring our new

quences. It was the first one that glass front, we discovered how always undid any good resolutions much it was being admired by a sufficed and called for one more served as a perfect reflector while

and more Ve long as there she fixed her hair and did a com-

"Coming events cast their sha-

dows before" the old adage runs. We think of that when we see housewives going by loaded down



Seen passing: a very dignified in this is "polato attorney with both hands ex-

> tended to their limit with a full supply of Coca Colas,

The gathering of the clan: sunshine brings together again the (Continued on Page Three)



By JANE EADS stand what makes them great WASHINGTON Lots of tolks Whether they understand them of Lake and ocean fishing are fine, nections to help him. For the tone say they just don't understand art, not, the paintings have drawn rec- but I don't think either can beat riages, this rate in the postwar era is prob- say they just don't understand art, not, the paintings have drawn rec- but i don't think e Some of the e tolks are in the ord crowds to the National Gal- our mountain trout. throngs that fock daily to the Na- lery. It is estimated that before

old masters from the Berlin Mu- more than 300,000 persons will protective custody when it was de templating marriage would do well to recog- pictures that belonged to the Ger- The 202 pictures in the coller- many were not satisfactory.



Are pictures more interesting than words?

Answer: Yes, at least to most newspaper readers, reports Bert W. Woodburn in the Journalism Quarterly. Experiments show three times as many men and four times as many women "read" the average one-column picture as the average news story, while one three-column picture will "stop" three-fourths of all readers. Early habits always remain stronger than those acquired later, and all

of us liked to look at pictures before we learned to read. I wonder how many of you would look at this column if it were not illustrated.

VOICE

OF THE

What type of fishing do you like

a civer bank holding a pole, with

a good shade tree near by.

best?

fue ever done.



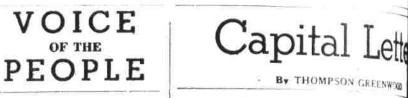
TUESDAY

Ry LAWREN

Does being bald make a mon stingy?

Answer: No. That's one of the most curious ideas I've yet here suggested. The one possible entry of baldness on a person's di j... tion might be to make house conscious, and a man when

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EFFICIENT - Men who plan it. some time to run for Gaverna should not fail to visit the Charlie Johnson headquarters for a limit Ernest Duvall: Trout fly fish- in efficiency in organization

ing. That's the best sport there strictly business . . . with a tra-, a rope in some cases ning into every county in North Jimmy Brackett: "I'd rather cast Carolina ..., and then little -iterfor bass than any type of fishing out into the precincts. So the set is being formed a proton with a

difficult for you to escape it the D. F. Whitman: "I like to sit on in some cases . . . say the terms the organization is tracting right down into city block.

Since Johnson is a very training L. G. Elliott: "My kind of fishly, easy-going fellow, In Ira mode ing is lake fishing, with an old friends through his long range

ment for the State. As a fragelic 1 VITEN auditor many years ago, to used Roy Parkman: "Trout fishing, contacts with clerks of rough and where you can keep moving and other county officials in court don't get impatient when the fishcounty in North Carolina, Depair the fact that many of the court are now out of office, they L. N. Davis: "Fresh water trout maintain their affection for the is the greatest sport fishing of all. lie and are using their politication

one former clerk of court in .

# *Inside* WASHIN

Ike's Second Refusal **Big Aid te Truman** 

Letters

## Growing Together

In last Friday's edition of The Mountaineer, the news was carried that the Southern Bell Telephone System "looks with favor" on building rural lines into the lower end of the county. This comment came after an official had looked over the list of 305 names of citizens in that area requesting telephone service.

Today we are publishing a letter from the vice president of the same corporation, commenting on a recent editorial we had in which we pointed out the faith Southern Bell had in this county and community. The official confirms this faith in his letter, which we are happy to have received.

We have every reason to believe that Southern Bell will push forward on this rural project. We realize that it will take time, and that such things just do not materialize overnight.

We are happy too, that Southern Bell realizes that Haywood is progressive, and one of the best balanced counties in the south today.

We are also confident that Southern Bell is anxious to grow along with Haywood, and be a vital part in the progressive development which lies ahead for this county.

heir past contributions to stable family life clerks homeymooners. Army sent the collection to the tery (everal weeks ago, so that that they will seek to be of even greater school children, farmers say they United States for "safe-keeping un- Americans could have the opporvalue in the future in guiding their people don't quite "get the patch," but til it could be returned to its right-they like the partings. They crowd ful owners," There was some pro-were here. The collection is estimthrough successful married life. There should in groups before them. They look test that the paintings should nev- ated to be worth at least \$80,000. be more programs such as the one recently at the pictures a long time, as if er have been removed from Ger- 000, it includes 15 Rembrandts, five conducted by Smithfield Baptists. - The they were trying hard to under- many. The Army argued that it had Smithfield Herald.

## Looking Back Over The Years

15 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mry, W. T. Lee relebrate The platforms of some of the candidates 50th wedding anniversary.

Columbia University of New

10 YEARS AGO

Take the platform of W. F. Stanley, of Grace Dean Is atherwood is vale, Kinston, who announced and filed as a can- dictorian of school class. Mildred new college camp where students Crawford Phillips is salutatorian, will study natural science. didate for governor. He proposed open bars. Jane Troy Wyrle makes superbetter schools, \$3 license tags, bonuses for all for rating among 400 musicians Waynesville shigh school to get in Charlotte.

After the million and a half state ballots Mayor Way is in on clean-up week had been printed. Mr. Stanley found his backers wouldn't put up the necessary fin-

IF YOU DON'T,

PUT YOU IN

JAIL .

THE JUDGE WILL

ATTORNEY

TA

LAW

ances, so he tried to withdraw, but alas, it Birchwood Hall,

acre farm situated on Pigeon River for the purpose of establishing a Young

IN THE CLINK

WILL MAKE

Commencement exercises 1 or

The new district Chamber of

ing the graduates of '33

Mrs. Carl Rateliffe leaves for York leases Springdale, a 1,500 Indio, Calif., to be near her hus-

cided storage conditions in Ger-

Mr and Mrs. John Rogers, of the Crabtree section are given surprise family reunion when they had with

legislative body of the student gov

turn after a visit to Northern cities

band who is stationed at Camp

5 YEARS AGO

(Continued on Page Three)

Dorothy James is elected to the

WHAT? THE DOUGH?

I KNOW WHERE I

CAN RAISE IT!

GET ME OUTA

HERE!

HANK AND A TIP OF

THE HATLO HAT TO

JOHN PURCELL

BEARINGER BLOGO

MICHIGAN.

ernment of Asheville College. Zeb Moody leaves for Palo Alto

Eisenhower cohectly: grist for the Moscow proj-The amendment gives the say what United States + curtain countries:

More important, it p receive no aid if they refuse on goods the United States The focal point of Moscow

has been the charge that P to "imperialism" and interferen countries.

United States government used by Moscow to "substat and other ERP countries w no business legislating the Some Capitol Hill observe

amendment will result in its all is in the joint conference state

• STASSEN BIDS FOR CALLORNIA nouncing he will not enter th has made an open bid to Earl Warren withdraws at 11 It is considered likely Wat

"catch on." In that event. ever candidate they choose Political observers thusk

breaks with Taft, Dewey chance of snaring some of a

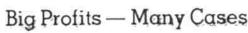
• STALIN'S "NO COMMENT sippi, is telling friends on the Stalin reacted to an invitation States and "talk things " Truman.

Colmer said he extended the when he visited Moscow committee studying econo The Mississippian said

to come to the United States dent. I said if he did so it we could do business.

and shrugged his shoulders. He don't sit

Let's all resolve during the coming tourist season to do our utmost in every way to keep the town as clean as possible.

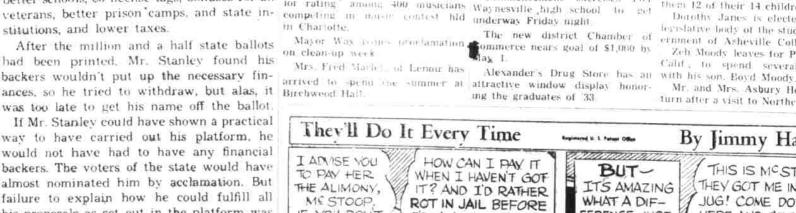


something else.

prohibition laws.

Although the Asheville ABC stores have sold enough liquor since last December to realize \$133,000 profit to date, it has not put a stop to the operation of stills in the hills, as evidenced by the work of a group of Haywood deputies the other night, when a

55-gallon "copper" was cut down. And according to the police record in the capital of Buncombe, there appears to be an unusually large number of cases brought before the bar of justice for violation of the



ID GIVE THAT WOMAN

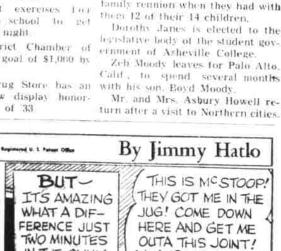
ANOTHER CENT IF I

DID HAVE IT! OKAY!

LET EM ARREST

ME! LET THE AD!

COUNTY FEED ME!



#### Special to Centra

WASHINGTON-Gen. Dwight D. (Bei Est nouncement through his they fire that he would refuse a Dense tobe was good news to politically to b It buoyed Mr. Truman's hope nowhere else to go. Many mite Tra are) hopeful that Ike might to gave Republic

> servers billey against Mr T They have delegatis. south, an support 17 Hawever

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