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Troubles, Troubles, Troubles.

Troubles seem to be a dime a dozen, or even cheaper, for the state administration these days.

Just a week or so ago, one Scott appointee resigned from the Safety Division after it was learned he had spent the state money unwisely.

The day before the Elections Board met to undo what they had done a few days before, a grand jury in Beauford county brought a bill of indictment against the head of the highway patrol for illegal use of his siren among a group of citizens attending a funeral.

However, all this is causing more than passing anxiety in and about the governor's office.

No Mechanical Umpires Needed

Some baseball officials are checking, and plan to try out an "electric-eye" umpire in exhibition games. If the plan works as well as previous tests indicate it might, then, the mechanical umpire might be utilized throughout the season.

Already there is a wave of protest arising from the suggestion. While the fans realize that the "electric-eye" might be more accurate than the human eye in calling strikes and balls, who would get any fun out of boing an electric gadget?

The American baseball fan wants the privilege of tossing abuse at the umpire just as much as seeing the game. In fact, the average fan feels this sport would be ruined if he could not express himself to the umpire.

It is all right to use the gadgets for practice, but no gadget, no matter how perfect, will ever take the place of a thick-skinned, stubborn umpire.

Another High Record

Twice in recent weeks the record has been broken in this community for amount of blood given the Red Cross in this district.

On January 31, the bloodmobile went away with 101 pints for a new record. Red Cross officials away from here questioned to some degree, just how such a remarkable job was accomplished. The project was sponsored by the Lions Club.

Last week the January record was surpassed when the same bloodmobile left here with 104 pints. This time the event was sponsored by the Hazelwood Boosters Club.

It is interesting to note the increase in volunteers—in January the volunteers numbered 123, and last week in Hazelwood the volunteer list reached 155. Out of the 155, there were 51 who were temporarily rejected, because of recent colds, or flu.

Through the cooperation of the AFL union at Unagusta and the Company officials, about 80 per cent of the volunteers were from this one concern.

We expect it will be a long time before any place in the entire mountain area will go beyond 104 pints, unless it is this community that will break its own record again.

There are a lot of practical lessons to be derived from such a program, such as cooperation, community spirit, feelings for one's fellowman, and many others, which all boil down to what we have enjoyed saying many, many times before—"it is things like this that help make this a good place to live."

An Edition Of Merit

The gigantic edition of The Citizen-Times Sunday took us back 80 years, and by thorough coverage of the period with well written articles and pictures, brought us up through the years to today.

The undertaking of publishing such an edition can only be understood and fully appreciated by those who are familiar with the vast detail, and amount of hard work entailed in "putting out" such an issue.

The entire staff of the Asheville newspapers can well feel proud of their efforts, and the fruits of their labors will live long after they have become rested for their mental and physical toils.

The citizen was only "sweet sixteen" when The Mountaineer was born. Perhaps in journalistic terms, that makes the Asheville paper a "big sister" to this publication. Any way, we offer hearty congratulations to our neighbor attaining her 80th birthday, and look forward to the day, when we can "dress up" in a big 164-page edition as beautiful and stunning as "sister" blossomed out in Sunday.

Haywood Sons In Politics

Another of Haywood's sons, now living in another state, has thrown his hat into the political ring.

The latest is Edward J. Robeson, Jr., of Newport News, Va., who is seeking a seat in Congress. One of the slogans being used in Mr. Robeson's campaign is "A new—different type of candidate for Virginia." Another of the slogans on his campaign folder is: "Vote for Robeson and you vote for better government."

Besides Mr. Robeson seeking a place in Congress, there is Rep. George Smathers battling away in Florida for a place in the Senate. The last issue of Life Magazine carried pictures of Rep. Smathers and his opponent Senator Claude Pepper.

Haywood will watch with interest the political races of these two sons.

They'll Do It Every Time By Jimmy Hatlo. De Wolfjs always had the world's cream o' the crop secretaries... Till he up and married one of them... WHY, BOSS! WELL I'LL BE! YOU LUCKY CUSS! CONGRATS, PAL! THANKS, BOSS! YAS I'M VERY HAPPY TO TELL YOU THAT FAUNA HAS CONSENTED TO BE MY WIFE. AS SOON AS SHE FINDS A SUCCESSOR FOR HERSELF SHE WILL BE AHEM... RETIRING... DEAR-THIS IS URIAH CREEP, YOUR NEW SECRETARY WHO I SELECTED OUT OF ALL THE APPLICANTS. THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS HE CAN ATTEND TO THAT A WOMAN CAN'T-Isn't THAT TRUE, DEAR?

Looking Back Over The Years

- 15 YEARS AGO: T. J. Cathey is named county auditor for the next two years. M. H. Bowles, Jack Messer, Miss Mary Stangfield, Miss Mary Barber, and Miss Gussie Martin attend annual state convention for teachers in Winston-Salem. Miss Virginia Campbell of Dellwood is married to Richard O. Wilson of Sylva. Mrs. F. H. Marley returns to Oak Park after spending the winter in St. Petersburg, Fla.
10 YEARS AGO: J. M. Broughton, candidate for governor, names T. Lenoir Gwyn as county campaign manager. Highway through East Waynesville is being widened. Alvin T. Ward is re-elected chairman of the Haywood County Republican executive committee. Miss Sarah Welch is selected the best-all-round girl in the senior class at Western Carolina Teachers College.
5 YEARS AGO: Ten bills introduced by Glenn
C. Palmer, Haywood representative, are ratified by the General Assembly.
Basketball tournament is planned for elementary school.
Merchants meet for study of new rationing rules.
Building and Loan Association reduces interest rate to 5 percent.
Clothing is collected in the Waynesville area for war victims.
Waynesville and Hazelwood plan paint up, clean up drive.

Capital Letters By EULA NIXON GREENWOOD

FIRST ONE OUT—Jeff Wilson of Biscoe and Durham, who has done a fine job of making the people safety-conscious during his short time as head of the Highway Safety Division, has resigned. Jeff, fat and good-natured, used his expense account too freely, embarrassed the administration, and is moving on. The first one to go. He visited two or three places about the State as a Lion and a Young Democrat and let the State pay his expenses. Wilson reported that he also attended to State business while on these trips. It may be that Wilson was in the wrong, but if every State employee who attends to other business while on State trips were to resign, Governor Kerr Scott wouldn't have enough assistants to open up tomorrow morning.

NOTES—Although a few of the Congressmen now have opposition, none of them... with the possible exception of Eighth District Congressman C. B. Deane... should have much trouble returning to Washington for another two years. Sanford's Bill Horner came within 355 votes of receiving the nomination in 1946. He did not run in 1948. Horner refers to himself as a "middle-of-the-road liberal," while Congressman Deane is regarded as the most liberal of North Carolina Congressmen.

Any opposition costs the incumbent money. Any old opponent is so much worse than no opponent at all. Now in the Fifth District, Congressman Thurmond Chatham must take on Archibald Daniels, mayor of Draper and Dare County native, and Congressman Carl Durham has Ernest R. Williamson of populous Durham on his hands.

A rule in politics is never to underestimate the opposition, whatever it may be... Sen. Harry Byrd of Virginia, the conservative, but just as sincere in his conservatism as is Frank Graham with his liberalism, spoke to delegates attending the N. C. Citizens Association annual meeting here last Wednesday evening. He made a good speech for his side of the argument, praising William B. Umstead, former U. S. Congressman and U. S. Senator and a likely candidate for Governor in 1952. He lauded the intellect of the late Sen. Josiah William Bailey and he liked Sen. Clyde R. Hoey, but naturally refrained from mentioning the name of Sen. Frank Graham, who had his day at the Jefferson-Jackson Dinner.

Sen. Byrd made one statement that shocked the audience virtually out of its seat. He said that out of 42,000,000 people in England, only 71 last year earned up to \$16,000 after taxes had been deducted. Sen. Byrd stated further that out of the 42,000,000, only 320,000 of them earned as much as \$2,800 to \$5,000 after payment of taxes. This left 41,680,000 people earning less than \$2,800 for the year. There was at least one doubter in the crowd, and he concurred a U. S. Government fiscal expert who had spoken earlier in the day on the Social Security laws. This statistician said Sen. Byrd was correct.

QUESTIONNAIRES—Some of the candidates for the Legislature are reporting that they are receiving questionnaires as to their positions on various matters which are likely to come up in the 1951 General Assembly. These queries are directed at the candidate's position on taxes, etc. Meantime, Gov. Kerr Scott says he wants the next Legislature to leave here with a balanced budget—and if it requires extra taxes to balance it, all right. The trouble in North Carolina and in the Nation seems to be that everybody wants to cut spending, but "don't cut on me!"... "reduce their appropriations; we don't have enough to operate on as it is." Some members of Congress frequently make windy speeches about reducing our spending, but let the reduction begin in their districts and they yell to high heaven. In the past, the rule in State departments here has been to spend all the money appropriated—otherwise the boss might think the department's program has not been properly carried out.

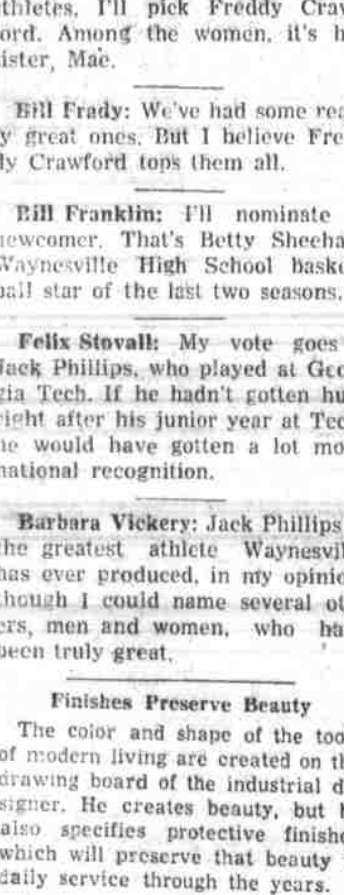
"Stupid" Children May Just Need Doctor CHICAGO (UP)—"Stupid" children may need a doctor more than they do a new teacher, one expert believes. Dr. George E. Park, of Northwestern University medical school, reported his findings on 215 cases of children who were unable to learn to read properly. Among the physical difficulties found in the children were impaired Treatment depends upon the loss, eyesight defects, glandular defects and emotional disabilities. ead breathing facilities, hearing correction of physical disorders and the ingenuity of the physician, Dr. Park reported.

Finishes Preserve Beauty The color and shape of the tools of modern living are created on the drawing board of the industrial designer. He creates beauty, but he also specifies protective finishes which will preserve that beauty in daily service through the years.

Voice of the People

Who was the greatest athlete Waynesville ever produced? Phillip Queen: Either Freddy Crawford, All-America tackle at Duke in 1933, or Jack Phillips, Georgia Tech fullback and quarterback. It's a toss-up. Herman Francis: I guess it's Freddy Crawford. He made the biggest name. Elton McGee: Among the men athletes, I'll pick Freddy Crawford. Among the women, it's his sister, Mae. Bill Brady: We've had some really great ones. But I believe Freddy Crawford tops them all. Bill Franklin: I'll nominate a newcomer. That's Betty Sheehan, Waynesville High School basketball star of the last two seasons. Felix Stovall: My vote goes to Jack Phillips, who played at Georgia Tech. If he hadn't gotten hurt right after his junior year at Tech, he would have gotten a lot more national recognition. Barbara Vickery: Jack Phillips is the greatest athlete Waynesville has ever produced, in my opinion, though I could name several others, men and women, who have been truly great.

STALKING



Rambling Round Bits Of Human Interest News By Frances Gilbert Frazier

We know the error has been made many times in careless conversation but it came as a distinct shock to hear a certain young lady make the blunder. For this grammatical expert took great pride in correcting people in their slips, and took greater pride in the fact that she was letter-perfect in English. We had been discussing the attractive light displays on Main street when the young lady joined in: "Oh my yes! Those numerous NYLON lights shine out like good deeds in a naughty world!"

If we could only put on rose-colored glasses when looking at the faults of others—and magnifying glasses when viewing our own.

She was a natural-born worrier. She crossed bridges that had never been built... in fact there was no stream for them to be built over. When things went so undeniably right, she began worrying for fear that was just a preface for a REAL worry. Then, all of a sudden one day there appeared the unbelievable fact that there was nothing she could worry about... the world was perfect. Happily she settled down to read a magazine... and the first words to meet her eyes were: "WORRYING TAKES TEN YEARS OF YOUR LIFE AWAY. STOP IT NOW!!"

Instead of thinking a little daughter's Easter perfect replica of her was quite delighted with suit. She visualized girl's pleasure in being like her mother and wait for her daughter's. She felt a little let-down lack of enthusiasm when she was laid out for her... but was enlightened when she heard her daughter another little girl. "What think? My Mommy liked so much that the company made one for herself just like me!"

Indecision is like the house three times he open the front door. You out before you get in. Some books are like pearls strung on a string of ribbon.

Letters To Editor

VALUABLE PUBLICITY Editor The Mountaineer: On the basis of approximately seventy-five percent of final and tentative reports from county chairman, the 1950 March of Dimes campaign in North Carolina will realize, we believe, somewhere between \$850,000 and \$900,000. For the past eight years—since the beginning of my association with the infantile paralysis work in this state—our weekly newspapers have given unstinting support to our annual fund-raising drive. I am convinced that your cooperation has contributed in a very large measure to our continuing success in persuading the people to give generously to this cause. Please accept our sincere gratitude for your help. Cordially yours, Mrs. Phillips Russell, Director of Organization, North Carolina March of Dimes.

Inside WASHINGTON MARCH OF EVENTS

To Spend Fifty Million For Air 'Warning' Fence U. S. Locks Jet Transport For Atom Age Co. Special to Central Press WASHINGTON—The Air Force is going all out to complete a defense network for the United States and Alaska. To get the first phase in workable shape as quickly as possible the AF has taken \$50 million dollars, earmarked for other needs, and pushed it into the warning "fence." Need for the kan warning fence is obvious, since Russia can be seen across narrow body of water from such spots as the cross the narrow Bering Straits into Alaska territory in a matter of seconds, not minutes. The warning system would probably prove effective for Alaska alone, but would provide worth in setting up a warning of invasion other parts of the continent, including the States itself. Of the \$50 millions now set aside for project, \$18,800,000 will be used for construction of facilities in the United States. The remaining \$31,200,000 is being devoted to the Alaska. The AF funds are coming from the department's regular 1950 appropriations. Undoubtedly will get a chance to rush more funds into the before it goes home this summer.

NOT ENOUGH JET TRANSPORTS—Top government authorities are gravely concerned that a war emergency will demand the United States without the fast air transport an atomic conflict will demand. Their worry hasn't been broadcast but a paragraph in the report of the Air Co-ordinating Committee tipped it off. ACM—representatives of leading aviation branches of the armment—told Congress something should be done at once to building jet-propelled transports. The air group and other aviation leaders have pointed out United States supremacy in jet combat planes could be meaningless if this country doesn't have the jet transports to port the combat operations with troops and supplies. The catch is that no plane-building company has enough to finance construction of the first prototype, which might cost millions.

THE PRESIDENT AND SENATOR DOWNEY—The Democratic command won't say but President Truman and Democratic National Chairman William Boyle had something to do with premature announcement that Senator Sheridan Downey (D), California, would not seek re-nomination. As soon as word got to the White House that Downey was considering stepping out of the primary, where Rep. Helen Gahagan Douglas (D), California, is seeking the senatorial nomination, president was delighted. Downey for some time has been sort of a thorn in the side of administration, whereas Mrs. Douglas has gone 100 per cent the line with the Truman program, and, as one politician put it, "then some!" So an administration leader in the Senate started word Downey was going to quit. A few hours later a Democratic leader from California declared, emerging from the president's office, that Downey had decided not to run again. This produced in the president, somewhat stubborn Downey an angry eruption. He changed his mind, and announced that he had not yet decided on his political course. Chances are he now will run. Result is that the California Democrats are split wide open coming into the 1950 campaign. James Roosevelt, son of the late president, wanted to run for governor with Douglas on the ticket as senatorial candidate. With the result in doubt, Republican-Democratic Gov. Earl ren. 1948 GOP vice presidential candidate, appears a shoo-in to succeed himself to Sacramento.

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



Can a "male flirt" love his wife? Answer: He can and often does love her as much as he's capable of loving any woman; it's just that one woman's love or admiration is not enough for him. His real, if unconscious trouble is doubt of his own attractiveness or manhood which is compelled to counteract by repeated demonstrations of his power to make women like or love him. A wife who can "take him for what he is worth" may find him a considerate and (in his own way) devoted husband, but trying to "tie him down" will usually only irritate and infuriate him.

By LAWRENCE GOULD Consulting Psychologist

had no other treatment kept away from liquor for an average of one year, while those who also had psychotherapy remained sober indefinitely. The value of the "conditioning" is that it interrupts the alcoholic cycle long enough to let the patient face his problems with the doctor's help and find better ways of handling them.

Does routing conventions "show your independence"? Answer: Quite the contrary. Because acting in ways that your neighbors disapprove of always invites unpleasant consequences, a maturely independent person who decides to live according to his own rules does as little as he can to draw attention to himself or his behavior. It's the man who at heart still takes other people's ideas seriously who feels driven to prove to himself that he can get away with defying them by "telling the world" that he intends to do as he pleases and that "if you do not like it you can lump it."