

Behold, now I have opened my mouth, my tongue hath spoken in my mouth. —Job 32:2.

But words once spoken can never be recalled. —Wentworth Dilton.

Editorial Page of the Mountaineer

Something Else We Often Take For Granted

Among the many things we take for granted in the present every-day line of conveniences, are open highways. After a snow we take for granted that the highways will be open even all during the snowfall. And due to the determination of highway forces this is the case, the highways are freed of snow as fast as equipment will travel.

What No Snails And Rattlesnake Meat?

Having just delivered itself of the declaration that "we'd bust at one further bit of arrogance from Virginians, South Carolinians, and other less-pretentious neighbors," the Greensboro, N. C., Daily News modestly confesses to the ensuing: "North Carolina produces the following delicacies which are not to be matched by those of any State, district or nation on earth: hams, bacon, chitterlings, turkeys, hens, fryers, capons, guineas, ducks, geese, shad, herring, assorted roes, scallops, oysters, shrimp, flounder, trout (Brook, Brown and Rainbow), venison, rabbit, bear, and o'possum."

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The Big Losers

So far, of the many contestants who have appeared on the country's most popular TV program, "The \$64,000 Question," only two have taken the risk of trying for the top prize. The others have stopped at \$32,000, \$16,000, or still lower levels. One reason for this is obvious enough — the terrific bite that the progressive income tax takes out of large incomes or winnings. For example, if a single man with other income of \$4,000 were to actually clear \$64,000, after taxes, the prize would have to be an incredible \$448,711!

A Little Bit 'Nuts' Is Normal

A University of Utah psychiatry professor was quoted as saying that a neurosis can be a great asset. Theoretically, he explained, "a perfectly well-balanced individual wouldn't have any ambition but would be content just to sit around doing nothing." This was a highly encouraging observation, but just to make sure, we checked with a Richmond psychiatrist. Exactly right, he said, a small insecurity neurosis, for example, could be just the thing to spur a man on to work hard and earn good money. The neurosis would be serious—and the man would be mentally sick—only if it grew to such size that the man woefully neglected his family or otherwise went "nuts", so to speak, over making money. A completely balanced person would have no motivation to do anything, explained the Richmond psychiatrist. So the next time hubby tries to take a Saturday afternoon snooze and the little woman starts pestering him about tackling some of the many jobs which need to be done around the house, he will have a wonderful excuse. "Go away," he could tell her. "I'm perfectly balanced."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Spirit Of The Press FREE IDEA FOR FOOTBALL COLLEGES.

With not one string attached, we offer a new idea to hard-pressed college presidents—especially those pressed by the impact of a costly football team on the school budget. It came to us as we watched the Michigan State University band, homeward-bound from the Rose Bowl, march, toot and boom through St. Louis streets by courtesy of Oldsmobile. If one automobile manufacturer can send the band on such a trip, why cannot another one send the team? For that matter, why cannot a Pittsburgh steel-maker, a Chicago pork-packer or a Hawaiian pineapple-canner pick up the tab for all football expenses? They need not even set up a "foundation." Who will argue that what is good for education is not good for General Motors? —The St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

WHAT ABOUT THE ALUMNI

A psychologist has applied for the job of head football coach at Rutgers. He explains that he knows little about football, but feels sure he can handle the players. Maybe so, but how well could he handle the alumni? —Winston-Salem Journal.

HELP WANTED COLUMN



Letters to the Editor Just Looking Around

MINISTERS LIKE CHRISTMAS FEATURE Editor, The Mountaineer: At the last regular meeting of the Haywood County Ministerial Association favorable mention was made of the Christmas Service carried on the front page of the Waynesville Mountaineer at Christmastime. The association heartily and unanimously passed a motion expressing appreciation to you and the Mountaineer for the prominent front page coverage given this service and for your cooperativeness in general. Therefore, on behalf of the Haywood County Ministerial Association, may I express our sincere appreciation for this valuable and inspiring Christmas Service, the prominent place given it, and the other services rendered to our county by you and the Mountaineer. Yours very truly, J. G. Goodwin, Jr., Secretary Haywood County Ministerial Association.

PROJECTS SUGGESTED Editor, The Mountaineer: As we enter the year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Six may we resolve to give our service, minds and hearts to help bring about Statehood for Hawaii and Alaska; justice and recognition for our American Indians! These goals might well be realized were we to take a pen in hand and write to our Congressman today. Respectfully yours, Margaret Gordon Amityville, N. Y.

Back Over The Years 20 YEARS AGO Miss Johnnie Russell, who has a position with the government in Asheville, spends weekend with her mother, Mrs. Dave Russell. Miss Wilda Fincher entertains N.Y.L. Club. Mrs. W. B. Evans of Pittston, Pa., arrives for an extended visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Richeson. Miss Elizabeth Kitchen spends weekend with her family in Mills River. 10 YEARS AGO Wallace Marley opens studio in Waynesville. J. C. Galusha will manage new Book Store here. Ernest Edwards is discharged from the Marine Corps and is

again associated with Garrett Furniture Store. W. Curtis Russ is elected president of the North Carolina Weekly Newspaper Association. 5 YEARS AGO Paul Davis is named president of the Merchants Association. Robert H. Gibson, Jr. receives degree in Engineering at Clemson College. Miss Nancy Anne Kirkpatrick weds Kenneth H. Hannah. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Henry, Miss Edith Summerrrow, and Ray Whisenant spend weekend in Raleigh and attend basketball games. Miss Mildred Medford returns to Brenau College after visiting her parents.

Rambling 'Round

By Frances Gilbert Frazier

Here we are on the brink of another month, the shortest month in the year. February brings us ground-hog day, Lincoln's birthday, Valentine Day and George Washington's natal day. Quite an array! It also brings us twenty-nine days nearer Spring. We begin to watch for the first tiny green leaves that herald the coming of warm days; the cooing of birds as they make arrangements for motel accommodations for the summer days ahead. We eagerly examine the beautifully illustrated flower catalogs and we envision colorful gardens while we dreamily inhale the exquisite fragrance of roses. We picture ourselves in the filmy, habiliments and festooned hats of sunny days, white gloves and gay ribbons. We read travel guides and make vacation plans. We slip off into the slumber of ecstasy lulled by the gurgling music of rushing streams. . . . and we wake up to find the ground covered with snow, water pipes frozen and a full realization that February still remains the third month of winter.

There's always a reason for what we do, but sometimes it's hard to find it.

Hap Hazard was the sort of person you always find drifting around any town. No evident form of income yet he never seemed to want for any of the necessities of life; he accepted few favors but was always willing to extend a hand if called upon. No one could really remember when Hap first appeared on Main street, nor could they ever remember being on Main street (or any of the adjacent streets) when they didn't run into him somewhere.

He was never offensive nor aggressive, neither was he the sort of a fellow you'd give a friendly slap on the shoulder or ask to have a cup of coffee with you. You just took him for granted as you did the mailbox on the corner or the broken place in the sidewalk. Even his name would have been obscure except for the brashness of a youngster who frankly asked him what it was.

So accustomed was everybody to his presence that his absence was not noted for some time, and even that was dimmed by the passing of time as the months grew into a year.

Then, suddenly one morning, the whole town awoke to find themselves distributed over the printed pages of a magazine with more than two million circulation. The caption of the article was: "How a Small Town Lives" . . . and the by line was Hap Hazard.

Songs selected for a snowy, sleety day: "The Sunshine of Your Smile"; "Sunny Side of the Street"; "Brighten the Corner Where You Are," and "Throw Another Log on the Fire".

A daffodil of molten gold, With Spring wrapped in its heart; A gentle hint of tender green, Make this a world apart. A tiny wisp of drifting cloud Across a velvet sea; The soft, sweet hush of rising sun . . . A lovely sight to see. With quick'ning beat of hearts atune, An accolade we sing. Alleluia! To life and love . . . The rhapsody of Spring!

Farewell to Janus . . . the god with two opposite faces.

The snow scene was beyond description, especially along the banks of streams, and the Swan-annoa river. The necessity of slow driving enabled one to see much more than the usual pace would permit. At Oteen one driver, in too big a hurry, slipped past at about 45. We expected to see him leave the glazed surface, as he was without chains — even his tires looked slick. He skidded over a wide area, which fortunately was clear of other traffic—and went (Continued on Page 6)

Inside WASHINGTON MARCH OF EVENTS

Pressure Is on to Replace Lodge as U. S. UN Envoy American Delegate Blamed For Recent Loss of Face Special to Central Press Association

WASHINGTON—The Eisenhower administration is under growing pressure to replace Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., as United States ambassador to the United Nations. There are even some officials within the administration who are unhappy about the job Lodge has been doing recently.

Lodge is blamed particularly for the loss of face suffered by the United States in the recent "package deal" for admitting new members to the UN.

First, Lodge said the United States was opposed to Russia's insistence on including Outer Mongolia in the "package." Then, it was decided that the United States would "abstain" from the voting. When Nationalist China threatened to veto Outer Mongolia, the United States urgently asked the Formosans not to do that.

In other words, while the United States was basically opposed to the admission of Outer Mongolia, it refused to stand publicly for its principles and, in fact, was privately acting in a completely opposite direction.

Lodge's critics concede he undoubtedly was carrying out administration policy. However, they feel he must be replaced to erase the bad taste left by the whole situation. Overall, Lodge has been regarded as an effective spokesman at the UN in his own right and is highly respected by President Eisenhower.

OLD AGE—House Speaker Sam Rayburn says his doctor has checked his health and advised him he'll probably live to be 90 or 100 years old. The rugged Texas Democrat will be 74 years old Jan. 6, but looks much younger. Rayburn already has established a record for serving as speaker longer than any other man. He has also served longer in the House than any other living member.

Rayburn was sworn in as a United States representative on March 4, 1913. Only one man who took the oath before him is now in Congress. He is Carl Hayden of Arizona, who became a House member two years before Rayburn. Hayden is now a United States senator.

POLITICS—The White House is leveling its big guns at only one Democratic presidential aspirant so far—New York's Gov. Averell Harriman, who has not yet announced he is running. A short time after James Hagerly fired at Harriman as the "Tammany nominee," President Eisenhower reportedly told GOP congressional leaders with a chuckle that the New York governor is a "Park Avenue Truman."

Why Harriman is being singled out, when Adlai E. Stevenson is the Democratic front-runner, is somewhat of a mystery. It may be that Mr. Eisenhower is set to wage a more vigorous campaign—either as the GOP nominee or in support of some one else—against Harriman than he would if Stevenson gets the nod.

RISKS?—The Senate investigation of discharges of federal employees for security reasons has produced some surprising figures from key agencies. The State department, which long has figured in congressional probes of Communism, is a case in point. Its own figures reveal that from May 28, 1953, when the Eisenhower security program went into effect, until June 30, 1955, four persons were dismissed as security risks.

There were six other persons ousted against whom some adverse information had been given, but they were not removed as security risks. Figures Bring Surprise

Cartoon titled 'They'll Do It Every Time' by Jimmy Hado. It depicts a busy office scene with various characters and humorous dialogue. One character says, 'MR. FISH IS EXPECTING ME! HI, JOHNNY-LONG TIME NO SEE! HOW'S THE WIFE AND KIDS?' Another says, 'HE'LL GET A BIG ORDER! GET OUT! AND STAY OUT!' A third says, 'THIS'LL BE GOOD—OL' BACHELOR JOE JUST LOVES TO BE CALLED JOHNNY—' A fourth says, 'WINDY CAN'T READ OR TELL TIME—RING UP ANOTHER AND SALE FOR THE PERSONALITY KID—' A fifth says, 'JUST BEFORE THE HIGH-PRESSURE COOKER PICKS OUT THE WRONG BURNER—' A sixth says, 'I THANK AND PRAISE THE NAT'L UN'T TO RAISE LOYALTY, AMERICANISM, AND HONOR—' A seventh says, 'J. PIKE PURCHASING AGENT HOURS 9 TO 11 AM DAILY' A eighth says, 'MISS WILDA FINCHER ENTERTAINS N.Y.L. CLUB.' A ninth says, 'MRS. W. B. EVANS OF PITTSBURGH, PA., ARRIVES FOR AN EXTENDED VISIT WITH HER SON-IN-LAW AND DAUGHTER, MR. AND MRS. L. M. RICHESON.' A tenth says, 'MISS ELIZABETH KITCHEN SPENDS WEEKEND WITH HER FAMILY IN MILLS RIVER.' A eleventh says, 'WALLACE MARLEY OPENS STUDIO IN WAYNESVILLE.' A twelfth says, 'J. C. GALUSHA WILL MANAGE NEW BOOK STORE HERE.' A thirteenth says, 'ERNEST EDWARDS IS DISCHARGED FROM THE MARINE CORPS AND IS' A fourteenth says, 'MISS JOHNNIE RUSSELL, WHO HAS A POSITION WITH THE GOVERNMENT IN ASHEVILLE, SPENDS WEEKEND WITH HER MOTHER, MRS. DAVE RUSSELL.' A fifteenth says, 'MISS WILDA FINCHER ENTERTAINS N.Y.L. CLUB.' A sixteenth says, 'MRS. W. B. EVANS OF PITTSBURGH, PA., ARRIVES FOR AN EXTENDED VISIT WITH HER SON-IN-LAW AND DAUGHTER, MR. AND MRS. L. M. RICHESON.' A seventeenth says, 'MISS ELIZABETH KITCHEN SPENDS WEEKEND WITH HER FAMILY IN MILLS RIVER.' A eighteenth says, 'WALLACE MARLEY OPENS STUDIO IN WAYNESVILLE.' A nineteenth says, 'J. C. GALUSHA WILL MANAGE NEW BOOK STORE HERE.' A twentieth says, 'ERNEST EDWARDS IS DISCHARGED FROM THE MARINE CORPS AND IS'

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