# Every charitable act is a steppingstone

-Henry Ward Beecher.

### **Travel Counselors** Visit Area

Yesterday inaugurated the-first group of travel experts into the area for the current season. The group is making a tour of Western North Carolina to get first-hand information relative to the scenic beauties of the area. The visitors from 22 states, are counselors of the AAA.

The State News Bureau, in commenting

on the trip, said:

"The vacationland visited by the AAA Counselors will spon be accessible by new and improved roads. Another major highway to Western North Carolina via Tennessee and the Ohio Valley is now under construction along the Pigeon River, entering North Carolina near Waynesville and fanning out toward Asheville over U. S. 19. Under Mission 66, the Blue Ridge Parkway will fill in its gaps and provide an additional entrance to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park east of Cherokee. The present U. S. Highway through the park, U. S. 441, will be partially relocated and vastly improved. North Carolina State roads are forming interestule new loops tying into new Parkway construction, particularly at this time the high altitude Wagon Road-Beech Gap section west of Mt. Pisgah, Unfortunately, time will not permit the AAA Counselors to visit the newly opened scenic area on this tour."

# Steadily Growing

The Haywood Electric Membership Corporation continues to expand, and with the recenturant of \$600,000 plan to push facilities which will enable them to add 450 more

Since REA brought power lines into all corners of this county, and seven other counties, we have found a vast difference in the lives of those living in the rural areas.

None of us would be willing to go back to the days before the rural electric lines were installed, and be without all the advantages afforded by the unseen energy which flows so swiftly along the copper wires.

The addition of 450 more users will mean over 4,500 customers for the REA here, which is a far cry from the day the first little 50 watt bulb was turned on at Cruso, denoting the beginning of a new era for Haywood and the seven other counties served by the Cooperative.

# Cathirds Say It Is Spring

The latest news about the Haywood apple crop as encouraging, and gives new hopes for a normal crop. Some of the Red Delicious trees in lower elevations were nipped pretty hard, orchardmen say, but even some of them are expected to yield a good harvest of fruit, because of the extremely heavy bloom.

Now that catbirds have made their apearance it means, so we are told, that spring is definitely here, and no need of further worry about cold weather. This, we shall eagerly accept as a fact-and hope.

# 30 Days Hath September

A teacher, having given what she thought was a clear and simple explanation of the intricacies of the calendar, asked. "Now tell me what month has 28 days?" After some thought one of her small fry answered brightly, "They all have."

-Fort Myers (Fla.) News-Press.

Nearly half, or 46 per cent of all cars in the United States are parked outdoors overnight, according to a recent manufacturer's survey. Seems like those two-car garages of the early thirties are slightly overcrowded.

# From Gatlinburg

An expression often heard on the farm

tourist business or not, are affected by the money brought into the area by visitors, which means that we are all concerned with the extent of the tourist season, and the ex-

The Raleigh editor, in "putting the fodder down low", gave us this to chew on, for our own good, as he wrote:

The spring has been late but the delicate dogwood now marks the fresh green coloration of the mountains which is almost as varied as the gold and red of autumn. Soon the laurel and the rhododendron will be blooming on the steep slopes and by the swift streams. It is no wonder that those who count visitors as tangible assets in the economy of the state can depend upon counting them by the thousands.

The very satisfactory statistic is that more Americans every year visit the Great Smoky Mountains National Park than any other such park in America. But it is not very satisfactory to have to state that North Carolina seems almost laboring to persuade visitors that the bargain in the enjoyment of its beauty lies in Tennessee and not North

Those who study the difficulties of this state in comparison with others can nowhere find any better dramatization of North Carolina failure than in the magnificent drive between Gatlinburg, Tenn., and Cherokee, N. C., across the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. At both ends and all along the way the beauty of the great mountains is worthy of the interest and the eagerness of the thousands who come to them. God did not deal more kindly with Tennessee than with North Carolina. But there is just no comparison between what men have done to give welcome and please visitors in the two states on the two sides of the park.

It is perfectly true that visitors do not come to the Great Smokies to see hotels, restaurants, shops and recreational facilities. They come to see the mountains. But it is just as true today as it was long ago when Dr. Samuel Jahnson said that any landscape is improved by a good inn in the foreground. And Gatlinburg at the head of the cove through which the Pigeon River runs has been developed in good taste and charm for the comfort and pleasure of people. It has a profusion of excellent inns, motels, restaurants, stores and every other tourist facility. And its architecture and landscaping are still more enhanced by the fact that North Carolina's entrance to the park looks too much like a honky tonk built in a cow pasture.

Undoubtedly there are good facilities on the North Carolina side. They are still too few and too much obscured by tawdry appeal to tourists to stop at unattractive places. The character of North Carolina's offering, indeed, seems symbolized by the final degradation of the Cherokee Indians as barkers before shops in fantastic feather headdress which must have been made in Brooklyn, Standing on the roadsides, giving tourists the come-on, they seem less members of the tribe of great Sequoyah than members of some Coney Island tribe.

# To Cherokee

was, "putting the fodder down low so the calves could reach it" is applicable to the recent editorial in the Raleigh News and Observer. The editor of the Raleigh newspaper must have made a recent trip to this area, because he touched on so many things that he could hardly have gotten except through a first-hand visit to the scene. And in this instance, the "scene" was from Gatlinburg to

Everyone of us, whether we are in the penditures of the visitors.

Nobody can put all the blame for the Caro-

# VIEWS OF OTHER EDITORS Making Jury Duty Attractive

Superior Court Judge Dan K. Moore feels many people duck out of jury duty by swearing that they are opposed to capital punishment.
Undoubtedly Judge Moore's point is well taken,

# THE MOUNTAINEER

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for there are entirely too many people who will do almost anything to avoid serving on juries, Much of that feeling, of course, stems from a desire on the part of individuals to avoid "being bothered".

It is a very serious situation, for trial by jury is one of the bedrocks of our system of government. All good citizens, if they stop to think for just a moment, will realize that, and Americans have proved time and time again that they will shoulder their responsibilities as citizens,

Many people who have observed our courts in tion feel that the courts themselves could do a lot more to make jury duty less of a burden. Lawyers are not noted for the speed with which they try eases. A lawyer, of course, must do his best for his client. But, the things which sometimes are done in the name of justice for a client do not sit well on the stomach of a conscientious man who is trying to do his duty as a juror,

And, there have been men who were called for jury duty, who arranged their business to be away m it for a week, reported for duty only to find that the court, instead of working a whole week, will feld up after a much shorter session.

It is undoubtedly true that citizens must take

their duties as jurers seriously and must serve as grors when they are called. And, it is just as true that the courts must make

easant as possible for a man to do his duty, -Raleigh News and Observer.

# GERMAN MEASLES



# Looking Back Over The Years 20 YEARS AGO

Mrs. L. E. Phillips of Black Mountain buys Gordon Hotel.

Women will serve on precinct committees for the first time.

Woman's Club and Community Club hold joint meeting and discuss plans for merger.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Killian visit friends in Chattanooga

Dr. R. S. Truesdale, Methodist pastor, will give commencement

# 10 YEARS AGO

Clifford E. Brown is named chairman of Haywood Democratic Committee for the fifth consecu-

Dirt is being moved on new Dellwood

Betty Frances Tuttle is new president of the Haywood County Methodist Youth Fellowship.

# 5 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Lucy Jones is re-elected county superintendent of educa-

Hooper Alexander, III, is tapped for membership in Scabbard and Blade, national honorary military fraternity.

Miss Mourine Carver is crowned May Queen of Waynesville High School at May Day Dance.

Mrs. Hilliard Atkins is new president of Woman's Golf Asso-

line-Tennessee contract along this important tourist route on the Cherokees, however Their reservation is at a strategic point. Perhaps, having been robbed of so much so long by the pale faces, they suspect that pale faces will take anything. The simple fact is still that the park entrance which they occupy and the North Carolina road beyond their reservation, too, comes off a poor second best with the manner in which Tennessee has developed its park approach for the comfort and the appreciation of visitors.

Undoubtedly there are flaws in Tennessee developments for tour-sits. Also North Carolina has a vastly greater expanse of beautiful mountain country. In some other areas better facilities for visitors are provided. But at this time when the Board of Conser tion and Development has been holding its meetings at various places, it might not be a bad idea if it met in Gatlinburg and came home with ideas for the im ment of hospitality in North Caro-lina, Certainly today on this most important mountain scene Tennes-see is doing a job which deserves

# My Favorite Stories

We were in a jamb; no question

party: Mr. and Mrs. Penn Marshall, Mrs. Frank Thompson, and my wife and I; all from Raleigh. We had wandered down through Florida as far as Miami

and were desirous of taking a boat trip over to Havana, but it looked as though our desires were in vain. The man at the ticket office said there was absolutely no chance; that all reservations had been taken and that there were 150 people on the waiting list,

Even if there were some cancellations," he said, "we've got all those other folks ahead of you.'

Needless to say, we were wholeheartedly disappointed. However, I've found that if you only keep thinking long enough, you usually can find someone in a town whom you know personally or with whom you've got some kind of indirect contact.

We were sitting gloomily in our hotel room and I was fingering the telephone directory, trying to think of somebody who might our of our dilemma, when all of a sudden my thoughts turned to the Southern Bell Telephone Company itself.

So I called up the Miami office and got in touch with one of the officials, Mr. Dan Anderson, I mentioned to him that I knew some of the folks in the main office in Atlanta and asked him if he couldn't help us get over to

"Well," he said, "maybe I can. The traffic manager of the P. & O. Line is a pretty good friend of mine. You stay right there and we'll see what we can do."

In a few minutes the telephone in our room rang. It was the man at the ticket office. "Mr. Anderson just called up,"

he said, "and maybe we can get accommodations secondclass. I'm afraid though that you won't particularly like to travel

I hurriedly put the proposition

#### up to the women folks, and they insisted that we accept it, "Any There were five of us in the way-just so we get to Havana,' was the way they expressed it.

reservations for us and that I'd be down shortly to take them up. Everybody was happy. In ten minutes the phone rang

So I told the man to hold the

again. It was the same man at the ticket office. "You're in luck," he said,

"What happened?" I inquired. 'We've just had a cancellation of one of our first-class suites and if you and your party want it,

I'll save it for you."
"Want it!" I exclaimed. "You're dog-gone right we want it. Don't turn it loose under any circum-

And then I hung up. 'What's happened now?" demanded Mr. Marshall

I told them what the man had just informed me; and you should have heard the gasps of delight. "A suite!"

"Parlor and bedrooms!" "Just too perfect for anything!"

Of course, it cost us a few dollars more, but nobody objected, and we all agreed that the extra comfort and style of a suite were well worth the price.

We got aboard the boat that evening at 6 o'clock. One of the room stewards took us in charge. He looked at the tickets which I

'Yes sir; Suite 0," he said. "Follow me, please. We followed him up a flight of

steps, down a corridor and finally stopped in front of a door with "0" lettered on it. "Here you are ,sir," said the

steward. He unlocked the door and flung it open with a flourish.

We entered. We looked about us. The room was small; very small. At one end was a bed. At the other end was a bunk, and

over that was another bunk,

tiny bathroom opened out of one

HORNS OF A DILEMMA



# Rambling 'Round

By Frances Gilbert Frazier

Whewee! Do you see what we see? We are referring to the new picket fence on Main street above the parking lot. It's a sturdy and attractive piece of workmanship and fills something that has long been needed.

The "brow-beaten" railing that has been an eyesore so long was also a menace to passers-by because of its insecurity. Now if the city fathers will forbid the nailing or posting of any advertising on the fence and will paint it a soft forest green to harmonize with the mountain background, it will be a most pleasing attraction.

May we suggest that green benches be placed along its entire length so that our summer visitors can comfortably enjoy the passing scene and the lovely vista of mountains in the distance?

#### -1-Fleecy clouds playing tag with a boisterous breeze.

Well, what next? We listened over the radio to a news commentator tell of his experiences in the very latest "travel" gimmick, Of course, the traveling was done in a strictly up-and-down direction, for the mode of locotion was an elevator. But what an elevator!

This elevator rose OUTSIDE of the building and was entirely enclosed in glass, thus eliminating all danger of fire being sucked through an open elevator shaft within the building. We cannot definitely say where this demonstration took place as static interrupted the program but we believe it was San Diego. California

Just imagine how unruffled you will be when you reach your dentist's office if you have watched the beautiful scenery for 'steen

ele ele ele Heard in passing: "If she wears her shirts any shorter, she will be wearing just a wide girdle."

We had the delightful pleasure last Sunday of a motor trip to Gatlinburg. The day was the first approach to Spring and was perfect. The mountain sides were strewn with the confetti of dogwood, interspersed with the new red growth of maple trees. The valleys lay serene and cool with their carpets of lush green, broken by brown spaces where the earth had been turned for spring planting.

they had congregated around a highly scenic bear. But they stayed at a safe distance from any affectionate maneuverings of the animal in search of food Gatlinburg was well filled for so early in the season and all along the road we passed picnickers who could wait no longer for

We passed several massed groups of motorists and invariably

the gerat outdoors. Shorts, too, were very much in evidence, As we rolled along on our way home, dusk slipped into twilight and motels, gift shops and eating places blazed out their lights to welcome visitors. It was a wonderful trip and we will long remember the dogwood trail of Sunday afternoon.

> How nice 'twould be if only we Could set a thermostat, To regulate our ups and downs, And leave it just like that,

side of the room, "This," I said, "is the suite?" The steward bowed, "Yes, sir;

this is the suite.' "Er — all of it," I inquired.

He looked surprised; also slightly hurt. "Assuredly," he

Mrs. Marshall looked at Mr. Marshall. Mrs. Thompson looked at Mrs. Goerch, And then they all looked at me,

"Where -" they started in con-"Yes, yes; I know. Where are we going to sleep? Well, we'll

have to see what arrangements can be made." However, we quickly discovered that no other arrangements could be made. We were informed that our suite was a very nice suite indeed and we encountered some manifestations of astonish-

ment when we protested that it

was rather small for five people. You probably can imagine what took place. Around 11 o'clock that night, Mr. Marshall and I bid the three ladies a very polite goodnight. With each of us carrying a blanket, we wandered up on deck, where we were fortunate enough to find two vacant deck chairs, Mr. Marshall settled himself in one; I settled myself in the other. And the last thing I heard before lapsing into unconsciousness was a grunt from Mr. Mar-

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#### SIMILAR WORK

The speaker at Thursday night's Rockingham-Hamlet NCEA banquet told a story of an error which caused a certain state dally newspaper no end of embarrass-

It happened in the obituary columns. There was one that read like this:

"Joe Dokes, 75, died at his home last night. He is survived by his wife, nine children and 23 grandehildren."

And then came the bombshell, the next line of the obituary read: "He was noted for similar work in sichmond, Virginia." The paper didn't get into a law suit about the mistake but they did some profuse explaining.—Hubert Breeze in Richmond County

# TWO-WAY STREET

Barbers in an Ohio town decided not to take any more tips. New if they'll just stop giving them.-Tulsa Tribune.

"You and your damned suite!" Imagine wanting to go on a boat trip, finding yourself unable to obtain any accommodations whatsoever and then having a lovely suite set aside for your personal

use. It was quite an experience.

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