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Cherokee Drama Grows

Hardly does the curtain roll down on one season of the Cherokee drama before many letailed plans are being made for the next season. Already the dates for 1957 have been announced - June 25 to Sept. 1.

With the '56 season showing a decrease of about 5,000 in attendance, largely due to the three fewer performances, plans are beng made to follow through on a larger scale on the program started last year of having tickets available at a number of motels in the area. The Gatlinburg box office was off this past season, but tickets at several selected motels throughout the area showed good

A bright note in the season was the \$18,000 increase in revenue from the tickets to the Indian Village, and ticket sales to the Indian Museum were up \$300.

Harry Buchanan, chairman of the Cherokee Historical Society, also pointed out that plans were being made to open the 35-acre tract of land, near the Village, which has been a project for three years in developing an arboretum, featuring all native shrubs, flowers, plants planted along interesting trails. The plan is designed to be one of the most interesting in the country.

Instead of resting on their laurels of past accomplishments, the leaders of the Cherokee Historical Association are steadily working for a bigger and better program ahead, and from those new projects being developed, it would appear that their plans are fast materializing.

Haywood County Hams

North Carolina is making quite a name for herself when it comes to ham. In the recent National Ham Show, held in Chicago, North Carolina hams took 9 out of 10 prizes.

Here in Haywood, much interest is centering around the first annual ham show to be staged next spring. The project actually got under way last April when a group of interested Western North Carolinians met here and discussed a regional ham project. At the meeting was Dr. Christian, of State College, who gave the group some valuable information relative to curing and marketing

Properly cured country hams are in great demand, and it appears that the public is willing to pay the price of a piece of genuine quality country ham.

Just the thoughts of a piece of country ham, with gravy, hot biscuits and hot coffee is enough to make anyone forget a mere an expenditure of about \$600,000. trifle like a price tag, and reach down deep in the purse to own that kind of good eating.

Later Than You Think

A cartoon published recently interested us more than usual, as it showed a campaigning candidate leaving a home, where he had spent some 30 minutes, and as he told a companion: "I shook hands with all the voters, kissed the babies, bragged on the wife's rooking, and passed out cigars. When I asked them to vote for me, the old man said meekly: 'We ain't registered'."

likely be many people who will want to vote, but will find out "We ain't registered."

The last time to register for the November 6 election is Saturday - and those who fail to get their names on the books by that time must forego voting.

Two Football Teams Deserve Honors

Two of Haywood's four fooball teams are setting outstanding records this year, and no doubt, sports historians will refer to the 1956 teams of Canton and Clyde for a long time to come.

Clyde is doing themselves proud, and have turned in an excellent record for the year. They are well on the way to bringing back to Haywood the coveted Skyline Conference Championship cup. Due to their spirit, and determination to win, they well deserve the honor, and many others.

Canton is assured of the Blue Ridge Conference award, and along with that deservng honor should go one for team spirit and cooperation. Besides consistently winning games, the team has demonstrated time and time again the importance of cooperation, and teamwork. Perhaps there have been other teams at Canton just as powerful, and just as good as this 1956 edition, but right at the moment we do not recall any.

It looks like two Haywood teams might win top honors in their respective conferences this year-both teams deserve the recognition-they have been outstanding in many ways.

CDP Year Nears End

Another year is drawing to a close for the annual Community Development Contest. Scrapbooks from the participating communities must be in by noon Saturday, which means that the final judging period is not far away.

There is always a lot of interest in the final close of a year on the CDP program, and surprisingly enough, every community finds that there has been more accomplished than just an off-hand guess might reveal.

Among the many fine features of the CDP program is the gradual progress that is made every month, year in and year out. And when the final reports are in for this year, we expect them to show many fine projects have been accomplished.

Another REA Expansion

The Haywood Electric Membership Corporation has signed contracts for \$186,858 for expanding their facilities in the area. There are other plans for extending the expansion program in the making, and contracts are slated to be awarded soon on them. In all, an expansion program calls for

Several sub stations are included in the program, which will enable the cooperative to render more efficient service, and to maintain the steadily increased demand for

The progress of the Cooperative is in keeping with the progress in the 7-county area it serves in two states.

J. P. Brady, news editor of The Franklin Press, in his interesting column, wrote during one of his more lighter moments a possible solution (according to Brady) for solving overcrowded schools. Brady suggests:

"The answer to overcrowded conditions in When November 6 rolls around there will the high schools might be in letting the girls sit in the laps of the boys. Its success could be measured in increased attendance among the boys of the county, and, with the right pairing, it could raise the level of education by subjecting the boys earlier to the strong will of a woman.'

VIEWS OF OTHER EDITORS

Yes, Americans Can Save

From the business pages comes a statistic that can give great encouragement to those Americans who believe in old-fashioned thrift. The Securities and Exchange Commission reports that individuals in the United States saved some seven billion dollars during the first half of 1956, which was five times as much as they saved in the corresponding period a year before.

This change is attributed to "rising personal in-

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come after taxes, together with some slackening in the growth of individuals' debts," While increased income was the larger of these elements, Americans did manage to hold onto much if not most of that increase

Another factor is that people have been paying off debts on their homes and cars or appliances and not incurring new installment debts so rapidly. That restraint is a healthy contribution to the battle against inflation. It helps allay the doubts of some who had begun to wonder if Americans at large could read the warning signs against a possible overdoing of consumer credit,

Moreover, the savings themselves which are put away in securities, savings institutions, and life insurance help meet the need a speaker described at the latest convention of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America, Sherwin C, Badger of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company said the apparent tightness of credit is due not merely to reserve bank policy but to the fact that businesses, consumers, and governmental units are "seeking to borrow at a rate that is higher than the creation of new savings."

The matter of capital formation is an acute question in many countries. West Germany and Italy have made remarkable strides under rather special conditions. Communist dictatorships provide industrial capital by hidden taxation through a monopoly of trade, Underdeveloped countries wonder just how they are ever to supply their own capital. Some critics of the graduated income tax once thought if would stiffe capital formation in the United States. A very widespread application of common sense seems to be diminishing that fear.

Views of Other Editors

PETS REALLY HAVE IT MADE

If dogs and cats could vote, the politicians would have a happy sector of the electoriate to appeal to this year. The animals have never had it so good.

The Wall Street Journal followed a chic French poodle into a New York shop the other day and reports on the fall wardrobe she bought. It included a "gray flannel coat, a knit sweater with angora collar and beret to match, a cocktail hat and a washable ousecoat a rhinestone collar . . . trench raincoat with hood, rubber boots, snow suits, flannel pajamas" and other odds and ends, Total cost-\$170.

Another New York shop sells tuxedos and top hats for gentlemen dogs and custom made hats costing \$35 to \$100 for lady dogs.

Over the country, dogs can get tooth brushes, vitamins, sedatives, most of the miracle drugs, inhalants for colds and asthmaand even a plot in a pet cemetery, complete with perpetual care endowment.

They can get such fancy hairdos that, as one pet beautician puts it, "you'd have no poodle and no dog, only a hairdo to lead around the park.'

Cats and other pets have equally lavish vistas open to them. There are even ranch style eages for parakeets

A New York pet shop operator reports customers who spend as much as \$3,000 a year with him on their favorite pets. Pet care has become a three-billion-dollar industry. You can even buy dry biscuits in six shapes and flavors liver, cheese, meat, vegetable, chicken and milk,

The standard of living for pets has gone up tenfold since 1936. experts estimate - while people have barely doubled the money they spend on themselves. As with people, pet life spans

have been increased by better food, drugs and care. In 1930, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals estimates, dogs lived an average of seven years. Now they live 12 years.

But it isn't all steak bones and platinum hydrants for dogs. The pace of prosperity and modern life has increased their tensions and neuroses - and the number who need mental treatment. They're getting it, too, in special hospitals Darwin might have a slightly

altered theory if he lived today. If things keep up, dogs will evolutionize into people.

-The Milwaukee Journal,

THE THREAT OF INFLATION

In the last few years, most of our people have experienced a real gain in pocketbook health

While the purchasing value of the dollar was holding steady, the personal income of a majority was increasing. This was a net gain in spending power, and a major factor in the prosperity now self-

But in recent weeks, there has been a growing concern that the gain may be lost to an old and too-familiar threat-inflation.

The sudden surge in prices has dramatized the threat. There is a good chance the uptrend is not at a peak-many wholesale price increases are not yet reflected in higher retail prices

It would be hard to measure the stimulus given to this trend by the wage-price increases in the steel industry which followed the summer strike. But it is a fact that the spiral now so apparent dates from the steel settlement.

Government agencies, much more keenly alert to inflationary signs than in the past, have taken conservative steps to flag the trend. These steps will provide a restraining influence, but not necessarily a quick stopper

We have learned, in recent years, how easy it is for the Government to promote inflation. But checking it is far more difficult.

One way not to check it, as we learned so bitterly, is to step up government spending, and borrowing. Yet that is precisely the advice we now are getting from some of the anti-Administration 'economists" who were in office during the postwar rampage of

Whatever else we do, this is one bunch of "experts" we had better ignore.-Cleveland Press.

WILL THEY KNOW? With the tang of burning leaves

in the air and a full moon in the sky, I've been wondering why bonfire parties are completely out-of-date for the teenagers.

Won't the lads ever know how lovely their best girl's face looks in the fire light? Won't they ever know how potatoes taste which have been baked in the embers? Won't they ever blend their youthful voices to the strains of "Harvest Moon" or "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" while sitting in the fire light? Won't they ever know the gorgeous smoke drenche dsmell that lingers in their

Boy Scouts to Get Out the Vote



The nation's 4,175,134 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Explorers and heir leaders, in cooperation with Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, are busy in a nonpartisan Get-Out-the-Vote campaign.
One and a quarter million of these posters are being placed
on display to remind citizens to register and vote. Just before
Election Day, November 6, the Scouts will place Liberty Bell
hangers on the doorknobs of 35,000,000 homes urging every

clothes and is mingled with their as nine cents out of each dime a thoughts the next day?

I know the answer will never know about this fall time magic because well maybe it would seem dull compared to speeding in a modern automobile . . . but I still wish they knew.-Florence Laffer, in the Washington (Iowa) Evening Journal

INCOME TAX CUTTING DEEPER

No subject is more frequently discussed than the federal income tax. Yet, a good many people still don't realize just how deeply this tax cuts into our income.

The tax begins at 20 per cent, on the first \$2,000 of taxable income. Then it progresses upward, reaching a top figure of 91 per

Several weeks ago the National Association of Manufacturers offered a plan for tax reform, Under the proposed plan, over a fiveyear period, the tax rates in all brackets would be gradually reed. At the end of that period the maximum rate would be 35 per cent.

In a poll taken on the proposed plan, a majority of those contacted favored it Many of those polled expressed surprise that the tax rate went as high as 35 per cent. When told that it now goes far higher to 91 per cent, they "could hardly believe it.

The peak tax rates are paid by a relatively small number of people with big incomes. That, however, does not mean that the rest of us are in no way concerned. The National Association of Manufacturers argues, and with considerable logic, that the main reason why tax relief is needed is to make more money available for industrial investment and expansion-which is a necessity if jobs are to be created for the 1 -000,000 additional workers who enter the labor force each year. Tax rates which take as much

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man earns certainly don't encourage this kind of investment.

It will be the many, not just the few, who will gain the most from tax relief - if and when we ever get it.-Stanly News and Press.

SPELLING IS IMPORTANT

with Gloria Lockerman?"

Frankly, we wouldn't, and we suspect there are thousands of other school-age boys and girls whose ability to put the right letters in the right order surpasses ours. On the other hand, we have seen some products of our present-day school system who could profit by a little better acquaintance with their spellers and the dictionary

sign of intelligence or ability to earn a living. We have known some smart and wealthy persons who would flunk a fifth grade spelling test, but we happen to believe that spelling is important, and we hope that what Franklin is doing will inspire an interest in words which will last far beyoud the present contest,

-Oregon Journal (Portland)

too late to live.

AMERICA'S

INDUSTRIAL

Some older folk say today's youngsters can't spell.

This may be a canard, and it lends itself to the challenge "How would you care to tangle

Something is going on at Frank-

lin high school to stimulate this acquaintance. It is a school-wide spell-down, handled by the English classes. Room eliminations are in progress. So interested are the students that some of them conduct their own little practice spelling "bees" on their lunch hour, one English teacher happily reports. We are told this activity is unique among Portland schools. Being able to spell is not a sure

We should live and learn; but by the time we have learned it's

THE AMERICAN WAY

Pulling Together

Rambling Round

By Frances Gilbert Frazier

I open wide the swinging gates, And watch the troop of yesteryears Come marching through, with laughter gay, While keeping pace with hidden tears, I hear again the school bell's chime, And live once more those happy days, But now those friends are scattered wide,

I march along with passing years, To higher scope of life's quick change; Mature conflict on ev'ry side,

For all have gone their diff'rent ways,

Brings deeper thoughts within my range And then I close the swinging gates, Deep in my heart a song of praise That I can walk down Memory Lane,

Heard in passing: "If I had my way, she sure wouldn

And live once more those carefree days,

We once heard a photographer tell a lady: "Don't ever wear a hat when you are having your picture taken. Nothing so dates a per-

son as a hat." We have always agreed with that advice . . . until

Surely you must know some one who has a cherished album of faded snapshots of Aunt Minnie (and perhaps of yourself) and if you will take a quick look you will notice that the headgear might be of Anno Domini 1956. Yes, that's what we mean. Styles can do a return engagement if you don't watch out. And take those willow plume numbers! Weren't they a scream? But don't scream too loudly for you are apt to meet them in the next issues of your favorite fashion

We have a vivid recollection of owning a hat that sprouted not one but two of those gorgeous willow plumes. And did we feel our importance! We did, until one of the unwieldly monstrosities broke loose from its moorings one windy day, and made a direct descent in front of our horrified eyes. No matter how we tried to anchor the dangling obstacle, it persisted in drooping pathetically. And to make matters absolutely perfect, it clung tenaciously to its fellow plume with a persistence that proved the stoutness of heart (and thread) of the milliner. We still can feel that surge of embarrassing blood that

rushed up to greet the offending off-shoot of an ostrich But as long as there are women, there will be hats. And as long as there are hats, there will be women to wear them . . . be they scuttles, toques, turbans, berets, beanies or sun bonnets.

wrap themselves around them in caressing obscurity

The mountains standing in stately silence while the clouds

Looking Back Over The Years

20 YEARS AGO.

Steve Cathey of Bethel wins second place in the National FFA live stock judging contest held in Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Walker attend circus in Asheville,

Mrs. James W. Killian gives

contract party

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boyd return to their home in Dallas, Tex. after visiting the former's sister,

Mrs. Oliver H. Shelton

Mrs. M. H. Reeves and Mrs. Rufus L. Allen leave for week's visit in Washington.

10 YEARS AGO Miss Laura Mae Clauson is honored at tea given by Mrs. Hilliard Atkins, Miss Helen Ray, Miss Frances Ray, and Miss Rosalyn

J. T. Harrell is honored at a surprise dinner on the occasion

Mr, and Mrs. Hallet Ward honor their son, Hallett, Jr. at a dinner at the Lodge in celebration of his birthday.

R. L. Burgin, Jr. and Richard Bradley return from visit to Bal-

timore, New York, and Buffalo. 5 YEARS AGO

Mark Galloway receives injuries when train hits his ear

Pvt. Forest Parker of Clyde

Margaret Rogers is elected president of the Girls Auxiliary of the First Baptist Church,

gets Purple Heart,

Jimmy Swift, student at Georgia Tech, spends weekend with

this parents. Mrs. Michael Pizzuto honors Mrs. Michael Becker at party.

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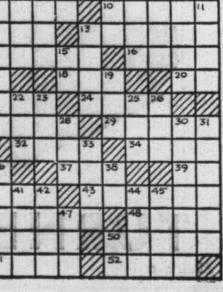
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