

cal Mountaineer
Unique Character

Elizabeth Gillespie
have been sung, statesmen
artists praised and heroes re-
but very little has been said
ten about the "Silent Hero",
thern Mountaineer; that is,
le which portrays him as he
True, many writers come in-
mountains, choose a person at
ask him a few questions and
picture of him and his tiny hill-
win. If this particular person
to say "ain't" (which, by the
a good English word) or "I
is perhaps enjoying the feel
ood earth without his shoes, the
ies himself or herself cityward
ns out a perfectly beautiful
out the poor, deprived, ignor-
ntaineer.
true typical mountaineer, like
falo of the western plains, is
appearing. Only a few are
occupies a niche all his own
as distinct and set apart as is
n from another.
ountaineer, I do not mean the
of shiftless, shambly, shoddy
pour into the County Seats on
ys and welfare days, swap
able jokes, gossip on the Court
steps, and decorate the street
with themselves and quanti-
tobacco juice, and perhaps fin-
end the night in the County
type of person is as different
the true mountaineer as the citi-
ward of the city slums is from the
another.
mountaineer is a man of char-
rough and rugged, it's true;
are the mountains from which
derived his existence. He is
kbone of the nation. Only the
ous, fearless the back-breaking
e determination to succeed—
hat may—as possessed by the
ountaineer could have laid the
on of a Democracy like ours.
true to his convictions, stead-
friendship, and square dealing
roversy. Honesty is his pass
simplicity in faith and fear of
is daily bread.
resque, in appearance, but nev-
less gentlemanly he stands out
gathering as a man sufficient
nself. Yet, he blends with the
cent beauty of the mountains
h he is as much a part as the
s of which they are formed or
es which top their crests.
speech may be, and often is,
and ungrammatical as judged
best grammarians, but why not,
it is formed from the skeleton
merous languages. For the
ineer is the product of many
es. The blood of kings flows in
ins. He is beyond doubt, as
ne has said, the only true aris-
of America. To him has been
down the speech, the customs,
ry characters of those first
ss settlers who bravely faced
known, and courageously con-
hardship after hardship in
o become free men.
e to eat, only a few real mountai-
s him left. Year by year another
nother of these staunch pat-
of the mountains pass on and
hem perish a wonderful store-
of folklore, tradition, and in-
ng historical events which will
r prover lost to the coming genera-
Only a few writers have sought
e real mountaineer to drink
is great fountain of knowledge,
nce and romance. But those
e born "a mountaineer of a
ineer" may truly take pride to
ives as having a goodly herit-

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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them that we will, same as in Ecusta, never hesitate to try to improve on our workmanship and quality so as to please our customers more and more.

The same applies to the customers of the ENDLESS BELT CORPORATION, who are practically the same as those who are buying cigarette paper from Ecusta and booklets from Champagne, and if we continue to put our heart and soul into our work, in the quality of our product and service to our customers, I certainly feel justified in promising all of you a bright future.

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I repeat, by unified and honest efforts to succeed, we will build up good-will for all of us — ECUSTA, CHAMPAGNE and ENDLESS—and in the achievement of this, all of you must participate.

While due to my prolonged absence all of you have seen less of me than I would have liked, as soon as I am up-to-date with the work which has accumulated on my desk during my absence, I will resume my regular visits to the plant, when I hope to see your smiling countenances.

Faithfully yours,
H. H. Straus, President

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Ecusta To Have Team
In Softball League

Ecusta has entered a team in the Henderson County Softball League, which is composed of teams from Shipman-Lacross Hosiery Mill, Balfour Mills, Green River Mills, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Coca Cola Bottling Company and Ecusta. Their League is one of the best in WNC and Ecusta should feel honored to have been accepted. The schedule calls for two games per week starting May 20th and ending July 26th.

All games are played under the lights on Shipman-Lacross Athletic Field at

East Flat Rock.

A great deal of interest has been displayed in the team and prospects are promising.

Ecusta has played two practice games with other teams in the league in order to get accustomed to playing under the lights. The first game ended in 3 to 3 tie between Ecusta and Grey's Hosiery Mill. In the second practice game, Ecusta defeated Green River Mills 21 to 4 in a 4 inning game.

The team practices at 5:45 each day on the college athletic field. Those interested in participating in this sport are requested to come out for practice.

Committees On Safety
Organized In Plant

A safety committee has been organized in the plant and is now functioning. The formation of this committee is an organized movement to make the plant as safe a place as possible in which to work and to reduce accidents to a minimum. So far, lost time accidents have been few but the goal is to eliminate them entirely. The officers of the company have installed the most modern safety devices, but no safety device can replace carefulness among the employees.

The Ecusta Committee composed of Messrs. W. P. Tindall, R. F. Bennett, Roland Wilber, Kurt Suter, R. J. Kappers, E. O. Bryant, Enno Camenzind, and Paul Heygel held its first meeting on April 25th. Regular meetings will be held at 1:30 p. m. on the third Monday of each month.

The Champagne and Endless Belt Safety Committee composed of Messrs. O. Goepfert, L. Haswell, O. Keating, H. Golderer, T. Schepkowsky, Charles Steber, Tom New, Luke Harrison and Walter Straus will hold regular meetings on the second Thursday of every month at 5:00 p. m.

Ecusta Wins First
Softball Contest

As the softball season opened, the Ecusta team won the first game in the league race by defeating Green River Mills by the score of 6-3. Bud Case, Ecusta tosser, kept the opposing batter guessing and kept the situation well in hand at all times. McNeil Heaton starred in the outfield by literally "robbing" the opponents of hits. The whole team played a good brand of ball, coming through with hits at the right time.

The game was played in a drizzling rain and the 400 or more spectators who were in the stands when the game began, took shelter in their cars parked nearby.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE SCHEDULE — 1940

First Game Called at 8:00 P. M.

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
May 20	Rotary vs Chipman Greys vs Kiwanis	Coca-Cola vs Balfour Ecusta vs Green River	Coca-Cola vs Greys Rotary vs Ecusta	Kiwanis vs Balfour Gr. River vs Chipman
May 27	Kiwanis vs Gr. River Chipman vs Balfour	Greys vs Ecusta Rotary vs Coca-Cola	Gr. River vs Coca-Cola Chipman vs Greys	Kiwanis vs Rotary Balfour vs Ecusta
June 3	Coca-Cola vs Ecusta Gr. River vs Rotary	Chipman vs Kiwanis Balfour vs Greys	Ecusta vs Kiwanis Rotary vs Balfour	Greys vs Gr. River Chipman vs Coca-Cola
June 10	Balfour vs Gr. River Kiwanis vs Coca-Cola	Greys vs Rotary Ecusta vs Chipman	Gr. River vs Ecusta Balfour vs Coca-Cola	Kiwanis vs Greys Chipman vs Rotary
June 17	Greys vs Coca-Cola Chipman vs Gr. River	Ecusta vs Rotary Balfour vs Kiwanis	Balfour vs Chipman Gr. River vs Kiwanis	Coca-Cola vs Rotary Ecusta vs Greys
June 24	Greys vs Chipman Ecusta vs Balfour	Rotary vs Kiwanis Coca-Cola vs Gr. River	Rotary vs Gr. River Kiwanis vs Chipman	Greys vs Balfour Ecusta vs Coca-Cola
July 1	Balfour vs Rotary Gr. River vs Greys	Coca-Cola vs Chipman Kiwanis vs Ecusta	(No Games)	(No Games)
July 8	Coca-Cola vs Kiwanis Rotary vs Greys	Chipman vs Ecusta Gr. River vs Balfour	Rotary vs Chipman Greys vs Kiwanis	Ecusta vs Gr. River Coca-Cola vs Balfour
July 15	Rotary vs Ecusta Kiwanis vs Balfour	Coca-Cola vs Greys Gr. River vs Chipman	Chipman vs Balfour Greys vs Ecusta	Kiwanis vs Gr. River Rotary vs Coca-Cola
July 22	Balfour vs Ecusta Gr. River vs Caco-Cola	Kiwanis vs Rotary Chipman vs Greys	Balfour vs Greys Coca-Cola vs Ecusta	Chipman vs Kiwanis Gr. River vs Rotary
July 29	Chipman vs Coca-Cola Ecusta vs Kiwanis	Greys vs Green River Rotary vs Balfour	Balfour vs Gr. River Kiwanis vs Coca-Cola	Ecusta vs Chipman Greys vs Rotary

Support Your Team-See All the Games!

Miss Justine Williams, women's Recreation Director, will act in the capacity of librarian and will be on hand from 8:45 A. M., until 5:00 P. M., to issue books. The books will be loaned for a period of one week. However, if the reader requires more time, books may be renewed for an additional week. We have in our files a request list so in the event that you do not find your reading interests on our shelves we should appreciate your suggestions for future book orders. Among the many famous authors

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2500	165.	90.	50.	12.	3000	60.	30.	24.	18.	18.	18.
3000	221.	138.	98.	58.	3500	75.	45.	39.	33.	33.	33.
3500	284.	186.	146.	106.	4000	90.	60.	54.	48.	48.	48.

Mr. A. J. Loeb, better known to Ecustans as "Art" Loeb, recently returned to Brevard. Mr. Loeb is Vice Pres. of the California Central Fibre Corporation and has been located at El Centro, Calif., for the past year. On Nov. 12, Mr. Loeb was married to the former Miss Kathleen Vachreau of Wausau, Wis. The ceremony took place in Chicago and their honeymoon was spent in Florida. We extend our very best wishes to the bride and groom and hope that their stay here will be an extended one.