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Asks to ask, but to dust, if we don't elect a president, Congress must.

Dear Father: Please send me another check, your rising son.

Dear Son: Nothing doing, I have already set.

The war is over at last. Now who ever says "war is hell"?

Orator: The greatest thing in the world is a woman's vote.

Candidate: You're all wrong, it's her vote.

Mary: Germany would join the League if she could pay her dues.

Men never know what they can do until they try. Women never know until they cry.

It's getting to be so one-half of the world doesn't care whether the other half lives.

We are now scrapping over whether we shall scrap the battleships that we used to scrap with.

All the mud thrown in this campaign, would if collected, build a good many adobe houses.

The paramount question with a lot of women is what to wear to the polls. For one thing we suggest a smile.

With all these demands made by the producer and consumer it's about time something was done for the poor middleman.

The reason so many parents can't be found at home is that they are afraid their children will ask them to help with the algebra lessons.

After all the different kinds of government the Europeans and Asians have tried out it is strange they don't try the U. S. brand one.

Just as we were about to accept the theory that there is nothing new since Homer we read of another reason why we should use a certain kind of tooth paste.

Cleopatra: "And how I shall die like a queen and go to my departed Antony? What? No booting whiskey in the place? All right, bring on the asp! It's a slower death, but maybe it will do."

That hermit in Arizona who threatened to whip the postman for not bringing him all other merely expresses our feeling that we would like to whip the postman for bringing us so many letters the first ten days of each month.

A scale in the U. S. bureau of Standards is so delicate that it will register the added weight of the crossing of a "t" on a piece of paper. It makes a lot of difference what we write.

A late report says the Chinese continue fighting regardless of the rain thus breaking an old custom. What China needs is a life long ruler during whose "reign" they wouldn't do any scrapping.

UNITS OF VALUE

Every store, bank or business institution of any kind in Boone is a unit of material value in the growth of this community. Each legitimate enterprise contributes its proportionate share in the prosperity of Boone, now strong these units will be depend upon the patronage that is given them locally.

It is our duty to support these units of value to the fullest extent wherever and whenever possible. Every dollar spent here at home encourages the local business man to increase his service and enables him to carry a wider selection of merchandise. Thus we help ourselves when we help the fellow townsman engaged in business.

This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

NATION OF IMBICILES. GOOD START, BAD END. WASHINGTON'S TEETH. RELIGION IN SCHOOLS. TO BE RICH AND USEFUL.

At Dayton a light airplane carrying a small airplane, as a hawk carries up a fish, was seen to fly up the little airplane was released by the big Zeppelin and went flying off on its own account. That's interesting in the country which has made no preparation to meet the danger of invasion through the air.

Imagine a similar machine, ten times as big, leading the coast of Asia, or Europe, carrying beneath it a dozen high powered bombing machines. Imagine that big ship coming out of the early morning sky, releasing its brood of swift destroyers to bomb the mother ship and the little ships subsequently landing on the island ground in Cannon.

This nation will have the world's greatest fighting force of airships soon, or the United States of 1924 will be known in the history as "THE NATION OF IMBICILES."

In the Middle Ages not only men but animals were tried for murder when they killed a human being and, if "guilty" were executed. On a certain morning a sow, with her litter of sucking pigs, had killed and eaten a young child. The sow mother and her offspring were tried in court. The sow was condemned to death, the little pigs were spared, on the ground that "because of their extreme youth they could not be held responsible."

Some murderers have been hanged in the United States, with intelligence.

SEND THE NEWSPAPER

What are we doing to sell Boone and the country at large to the outside world. There are many methods of advertising a community in order that others may know of the advantages to home-seekers, but some of these methods are expensive as well as sometimes of doubtful results.

One of the best ways to let the world know is to send the home newspaper to your friends and acquaintances who live elsewhere. Besides being a very inexpensive method of advertising, it is one of the surest ways of giving the stranger a quick and comprehensive glance regarding the resources of our community. A newspaper is a good index to the area of its local circulation. It is found advertisements of local business houses, general news, editorials, and local news, what the schools are doing, the church notices and announcements, dinners of the ladies, clubs, and other civic organizations, a complete survey of your home town.

If you have friends, relatives or acquaintances whom you believe might be interested in making Boone their home, send them a copy of the Watauga Democrat.

THE WORLD'S PROGRESS

The news of a day is an interesting study. Anatole France, literary embodiment of a nation, passes by the great beyond, President Emeritus Laurens Clark Soebye, first president of Smith College, is found dead in bed. Professor E. L. Larkin, world famous astronomer meets the great adventure after 77 years of useful life. As those noted men embark for the sphere of mystery, Professor C. W. Eliot, President Emeritus of Harvard University, repudiates the theory of a heaven where mankind can be at rest.

"Such a place would be unthinkable," says Eliot, outlining his thought regarding what he believes to be a necessary new religion. Parenthetically, we cannot see much need of a new religion, our belief being that the Christian religion will prove to be quite a success when it is tried.

The passing of these great beacon lights in the world's progress however—save for a little editorial endorsement—is received by the public with little or no comment. Rather it has its vision fixed on the discoveries of the moment. As one great mind ceases to function another announces the solution of a smuggling problem by an X-ray machine which discloses the contents of all baggage. Another expert tells us he can now fix his machine so that any observer may peep into any home through the wall.

With its sense of the grotesque always on tap, the American says: "so passes the bootlegger and with him our petting parties and midnight fro-

licking pie spiced by medicine.

Among letters by George Washington to be sold in London, one to the Philadelphia dentist tells how much trouble Washington had with his false teeth. They were strung on wires and got loose. They looked about as natural, when he wore them, as a set of small gold balls, being cut out of solid ivory.

Optician does not realize what it does to dentists and oculists, good false teeth and good spectacles.

Think of the ancient Greeks, to whom false teeth and eyeglasses were unknown. The marvel is that so many of them lived to be old.

In Calvin's decision, the State Assembly forbids, in public schools, even the Lord's Prayer, in the way of religion. There is no doubt that the public school system should teach the three R's and other positive knowledge, leaving religious teaching to the discretion of parents.

It is wise to keep all religious teaching or favoritism out of public schools. On the other hand, it is unwise, and an outrageous interference with the rights of parents, to tell them that they cannot, at their own expense, send their children to private or parochial schools where religion is taught—provided that educational requirements are met.

Young man, do you want to be rich and useful? Learn something about electricity and try to invent a light storage battery. Electricity, which in itself weighs nothing, will not always be carried about stored in heavy metal, weighing as much as the vehicle that the electricity propels.

Don't be discouraged by the fact that you are not an electrical engineer or a scientist. Sometimes knowing too much about a thing prevents seeing its possibilities clearly.

The man who invented the sewing machine couldn't sew. His whole idea was putting the needle's "eye" at the point of the needle instead of at the other end. An expert seamstress would have said, "That's nonsense."

A Filipino laborer, working in the Hamakua sugar mill, is dead of bubonic plague in Hawaii.

Three rats infested with the plague have been caught.

How soon will our excited civilization, which gladly spends thousands of millions to kill other human beings, spend the few necessary millions to get rid of rats and their disease spreading vermin?

WITH THE FINANCIAL PROBLEMS SOLVED

War like politics makes strange bed fellows. The United States and Germany, many out of commission in the great struggle for world freedom, now side in scattering Germany to her place in the sun, it is hoped with chastened spirit.

Simultaneously with the floating of the great German loan in this country there started from the other side the giant Zeppelin ZR-3, built in the German yards for the American government. The contract for the building of this great monster of the air is looked at askance by the man on the street, who considering the terms of our peace negotiations, recalls the stipulation that the Zeppelin works should be put out of commission, and German aircraft production be limited to craft suitable only for commercial use. Some folks wonder if the Zeppelin trip across the ocean to our shores is just a case of possibilities.

It may be regarded as certain now that Germany will stage the greatest "come back" in the history of the world. Those who are close to the situation believe that five years will see her firmly on her feet. Every German factory is intact, not one bullet has injured so much as a chicken house as a result of the war and German land is fertile, unspoiled and intensely cultivated. Her only difficulty has been one of finance and now that is largely removed. While some fear is held by those who have suffered severely by the war, belief is held that the German people now see the folly of ambition and that it will be many a day before they are again led blindly into an international struggle.

THE BIGGEST MAN

Here is a hard slam at our colleges. One of our contemporaries tells us that in his state the biggest character on the college campus is the football star and the biggest event is the annual football games, and the best college is the one that wins the most games. Scholarship has become a tame affair. It is heels up and heads down or in the language of Woodrow Wilson, the side-show has swallowed the circus. This is a bad business and is true elsewhere as well. Just recently we read of a young man who was denied his diploma on the ground that he had not taken the first half year of athletics.—Exchange.

lick." Jovial as is this thought it has in it the germ of greater truth. It heralds the compulsory perfection of the race. Mankind must perfect itself. It is the inexorable law of nature.

Poem by Uncle John

I love to meet the flivver as she spins along the pike, with the happy little family aboard. There's nothing quite so joyous as a benzine-buggy haul, in a speedster that you really can afford. When distance tests your civilization—like the duck race to do when Old Dobbin says the power is for the throng—the happy little windshield with the scales "a-shine" through the haze hold of a distinction all its own!

Smile! through the windshield is a mighty happy fad, if we meet appreciation on the way.

Smile! through the windshield—O, it drives away the damps, when a feller gets to steppin' on the gas—when the little buggy chuckles at the holders, hills an' stomps, let me yell a "Hallelujah" as they pass! No use a-celin' sorry when there's happiness to spare, where the thistle-purple decorates the road,—there's health an' wealth an' freedom in the crisp October air—God bless the little flivver and—its load!



The Judge's Josh

THE MOST EXCITED WOMAN IN THE WORLD HAS BEEN FOUND. SHE POWDERED HER NOSE WITH A SALT SHAKER!



WIRELESS Hostess: "Oh, Mr. Smith, please have another helping of meat."

Mr. Smith: "No, thanks, my wife is looking me under the table."

BLOND BESS OPINES "I like fellows who say 'hook sweet enough to eat'—because I know every good restaurant in town."

THEY ALWAYS ARE Two men were crossing a street. First one: "What is a 'jay walker'?" Last one: "A jay walker is a guy that takes a short cut to a hospital." First one: "Wrong. A jay walker is a person that—?" Then came a taxi.

SWEET OF HIM The most considerate person in the world has been found. He got killed in front of an undertaker's establishment.

PERFECT COMPANIONSHIP She came home with her hair bobbed and he immediately went to the barbers and had his head shaved and also his mustache. She went him one better and had all the sheep clipped and used the money to keep her hair waved.

ED PURDY'S PHILOS "There's many a lurch twixt the gal and the church." Most of them are.

WANTED—A flat topped student's desk. Address A 11, care of Republican—From Rutherford N. J. Republican.

ROUGH VOYAGE Doleful gent: "Well, my ship of matrimony has been wrecked." Sympathetic one: "Too bad old boy. What was the cause?" Doleful gent: "Permanent wave."

TRUE TO FORM She: "Does your husband take you into his confidence in regard to his business problems?" Wife: "Yes indeed—every time I buy a new hat."

CATTY THING Co-ed: "How long were you in the far north?" Freshie: "I wasn't in the far north." Co-ed: "Excuse me—I thought you were dancing with your snow shoes still on."

ATTA GIRL, RUTH Fond mother: "I'm very much surprised at Ruth—she never liked house work. Now she must have taken up Domestic Science—according to her last letter from school." Friend: "Yes." Fond Mother: "Yes, she writes she made the scrub team."

Give Me Your Attention My Friends

The great sale which has been in progress during the month has been a wonderful success from two points of view:

FIRST—The wonderful patronage of those who appreciate the extremely low prices at which our great stock of general merchandise has been offered—has enabled us to realize the cash we so much needed to pay our debts, protect our credit, yes credit—the most wonderful, the most magical, the most far reaching word in all this great commercial world—without which all business fails, the great mills and factories of our country stand idle and silent, and want and misery stalks with boldness and without fear throughout the land.

For this great manifestation of the cooperative spirit of our friends, we feel and are most profoundly grateful.

SECOND—Those who have availed themselves of the wonderful saving have been benefited. This alone is worth all it cost. My patrons are my friends, and my friends are my great banking reserve. Every purchase MUST BE satisfactory.

ON THE 31st DAY OF OCTOBER 1924 THIS GREAT PRICE REDUCTION SALE COMES TO AN END

Winter With its Snows, Storms and Blizzard is Knocking at the Door. Will you heed the warning? Finally my friends let me beg you to come to our great stock of merchandise, and select and buy your winters shoes.

Yes Shoe for the whole family—the very best standard brands built to wear like steel of good solid leather. They look right, fit right, are made right and are right.

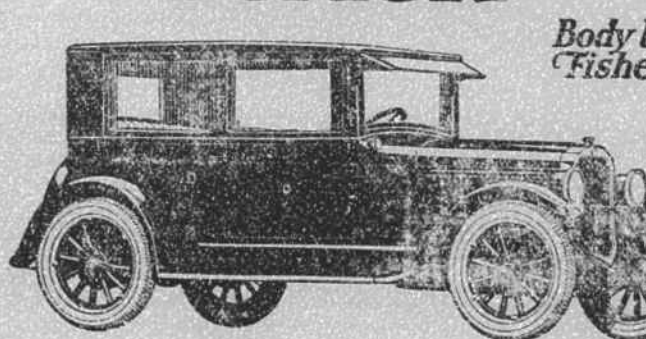
CLOTHING

Men and Boy, the very best quality. Woolsen Suits the kind that keep you warm, no matter how cold and Overcoats, that great necessity at prices so low you will be astonished and wonder why. Ladies coats, Dresses and Skirts—the latest styles, very best materials and workmanship, lower in price right here in our store than the same can be bought in the cities. Come and get them. You are entitled to this great saving. I want you to buy them and be comfortable, dressed up and happy.

Hundreds and hundreds of articles are going at prices that really are so much lower in price at our store than the same can now be bought at wholesale. Prices are rising in the great markets. ACT QUICK, ACT TODAY We are glad to see you always. Make our store your headquarters when in Boone. A real welcome always awaits you here.

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