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WEEKLY PAPERS
Bob Reynolds in his speech the other day says that prosperity is not measured solely by the powerful corporations of the country but by the condition of the little business enterprises in every nook and corner of the United States; that the wealthy and socially elite do not constitute the backbone of society, but that the mainstay of a nation is in the toiling, milling masses of humanity, the average man; that the great metropolitan newspapers of the country do not have dominion over the thought of the people as a whole, but that the power of printers' ink is mightiest when spread on the little country journals, the weekly newspaper.

In this latter premise we would not be vain enough to rush into tumultuous agreement with Bob, but since he mentioned the weekly press it does come to mind that every daily newspaper of note in the State sponsored the candidacy of Senator Morrison, most of them openly, and he was elected in a landslide. The weekly press stood by Bob, or remained silent. Likewise in 1930 Senator Bailey won the nomination over Senator Simmons in the face of the opposition of the daily press. He was supported almost unanimously by the country journals. This comes in part from the fact that the country newspaperman is in constant personal touch with a large percentage of his readers, while the city brother commends with the folks only through the use of his typewriter. Editorial opinion doesn't govern as of yore. People read the news and are wont to form their own opinions.

FORECASTING THE ELECTION

Wouldn't you like to know who is going to be elected President of the United States this fall?

We are trying to find out, and we are asking you to help us. In co-operation with several hundred other weekly newspapers all over the United States we are asking our readers to record their individual preferences for President. Elsewhere in this issue you will find a straw vote ballot which will only take a minute of your time to fill out. If all of our readers will do this promptly and send their ballots in at once, we will soon have a pretty good idea how this community stands on the Presidency. Then, when our report is combined with the reports from all over the rest of the country, it will be possible to tell pretty closely just who the small towns and rural America want in office for the next four years.

Experience in previous elections has proved that the most accurate advance estimates of Presidential elections that have ever been made by just such newspaper polls as this. In 1928 one nation-wide newspaper poll forecast Mr. Hoover's plurality within 5 per cent. of the total vote. In other elections similar straw votes taken by newspapers have invariably proved to be accurate forecasts of the final result.

There is hardly any more interesting game than trying to predict what is going to happen before it has occurred. Predictions are foolish, however, unless they are based on facts, but when a large group of newspaper editors get two or three million people scattered all over the nation, to tell how they are going to vote it usually turns out that the forty or fifty million people who actually do vote on election day will cast their ballots in just about the same proportion, for one candidate or another.

We earnestly urge every one of our readers to register his "straw vote" and so help everybody to find out in advance whether the next President is going to be Mr. Hoover or Mr. Roosevelt. We insist, however, that no reader vote more than once. By whatever chance a copy of this paper comes into your hands, whether you're a subscriber or not, check your choice. The returns will be interesting.

A. S. T. C.
Appalachian State Teachers College located at Boone is radiating a greater influence for a better educated citizenship in Northwestern North Carolina at present than ever. For years it has been recognized as one of the "up and coming" colleges of the State.

Out of the total enrollment of 875 students in the four classes at the institution, Wilkes, Iredell, Lincoln and Watauga counties send 276. Not all, of course, but a great many of these students, we believe, would never be afforded an opportunity to pursue a higher education than is offered in the average high school.

With that educational gem, Dr. B.

B. Dougherty, as president of the Appalachian State Teachers College has grown up and has been of wonderful benefit to the mountain and foothill people. From the doors of that institution young men and young women have passed out and have taken high positions in the industrial, professional, and home life of this and other states.

Proximity of the school, its remarkable success in securing positions for students whom it puts through the educational mill, a considerate faculty that knows and loves our mountain people, and the fact that a good education is available at a moderate cost, are a few reasons for success of the school.

To appreciate Appalachian State Teachers College is to appreciate and love and respect Dr. Dougherty, for to mention the name of either suggests the name of the other. —W. H. Patriot.

The Family Doctor

By DR. JOHN JOSEPH GAINES

SUNLIGHT

The oldest subject "under the sun." But how important—and how interesting! Wise the family doctor who knows the uses of the God-given elements at his command, within easy reach.

Natural sunlight is just right for the human beings—and for all life on the earth, animal and vegetable. It is a vital necessity. A dearth of it will produce weak bodies, poor blood, inefficient nerves—a weakened race of people. Outdoor dwellers in rural districts are more hardy and vigorous than inhabitants of crowded cities.

Good, bright, yellow sunlight is rich in ultra-violet rays, and here we step into up-to-date stuff. The ultra-violet ray is the agent that converts the numerous lime salts of our foods, into suitable form for appropriation by our bodies. Lime, or calcium is an extremely important tonic for blood, muscle and nerves. It is invaluable for the breathing apparatus, and is supreme in maintaining the alkaline balance in the body. It prevents acid destruction of vital organs, such as the kidneys.

Sunlight is the principal factor in bringing about the marvellous changes necessary to bodily vigor; it doesn't cost anything if you live in its vicinity, and are free to get about in it.

In mountain regions, the nearer approach to the sun gives a much greater volume of violet-ray. In lower levels, the air is more polluted with dust, smoke, and other outside matters, which diminish the active effect of the rays.

Artificial instruments have been invented, whereby the doctor may administer sun-rays to patients in the winter and cloudy times when outdoor absorption is impossible.

ON THE KING'S HIGHWAY

JUST UNDER YOUR HAT

There's a curious place on top of your face
Just under the top of your hat,
And all that you choose to think of
and use
Keeps changing that movable spot.

An inch you will earn as sure as you learn
To add and to spell and all that,
And get what you're needing in writing and reading—
And get it all under your hat.

You'll gain in real weight, you'll gain in real height
By milk and meat, butter and bread;
And if you are wise you're take exercise—
It all adds to the top of your head.

You'll grow high, we're thinking, by water for drinking,
Six glasses a day ought to do;
And your parents both hope you'll make friends with the soap—
It will add to the top part of you!

And you will grow tall in the best way of all
By loving the pure and true,
So get all of that right under your hat,
And we'll take our hats off to you!

—Selected.

It would seem to be hard and uphill work for those who really believe in the surpassing greatness of Christianity to make headway against the widespread unbelief and indifference of the present day together with the strange attitude of compromise on the part of many who are supposed to be defenders of the Christian Faith, but who fail to realize its surpassing greatness.

There is this to encourage us, however, that Almighty God as evidently shown by His works, is fully able to bring to a triumphant consummation, the great and mighty work which He undertook when He sent His Son into the world and after His humiliation "also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a Name, which is above every name, that in the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things on earth and of things under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the Glory of God the Father." (Phil. 2:9-11).—Selected.

Sunday School Lesson

By REV. CHARLES E. DUNN

THE CHRISTIAN'S DEVOTIONAL LIFE
Lesson for October 2nd
Matthew 6:5-15

The heart of our lesson is the Lord's Prayer, a summary, simple and eloquent, of the entire Christian faith. All that we need to know about God and man is contained within its brief compass. It is indeed more than a prayer.



Rev. Charles E. Dunn

It is the creed of Jesus, and also a covenant binding men to God. Prof. Palmer, of Harvard, beautifully calls it "the love-song of the Christian world."

The first phrase, "Our Father, who art in heaven," which Prof. Palmer regards as "the hush before prayer," introduces us to a characteristic doctrine of Jesus, the Fatherhood of God. This idea was not original with the Master, but under His creative touch it came to full flower.

Note that there are six petitions in the prayer. The first three remind us of our obligations to God. The last three are concerned with our relations to one another.

"Hallowed be Thy Name," the first petition, assures us that reverence for God is basic. The modern world greatly needs this reminder, for our age, in certain respects, is shockingly vulgar, indecent, and bad-mannered.

"Thy kingdom come." Jesus preached, as His major teaching, the gospel of the kingdom. This divine realm is both a present commonwealth, and a future hope.

"Thy will be done." This is an apt petition for dark days like those of the present. It was the Master's prayer in the garden of Gethsemane, and of Dr. Grenfell as he drifted out to sea, on an ice pan, with little hope of rescue.

"Give us this day our daily bread." This is a prayer for simple, modest living, a request for bread, not cake.

"Forgive us our debts" is first a confession of sin. For honest contrition there is forgiveness, but it is conditional. Unless we forgive our debtors, God cannot forgive us.

The last petition, "Lead us not into temptation," is a practical reminder of the omnipotent power of the tempter. We are to be watchful, beseeching God that He will not allow us to yield to temptation, and fall into its snare.

Nuts and Kernels

By TROY ISAIAH JONES

If the face is the index to character, a two-faced person must be cross-indexed.

If the eyes are the window of the soul, some people must have the shades down all the time.

The ears are the trap door to the soul.

Get this down in your head. Well, never mind, there will be plenty of room left.

Opportunities are screwed down too tight for a Scotchman.

The automobile has not replaced the "wagon" of people's tongues.

Franklin never went to school but two years between eight and ten, says headlines. That was putting in good time for him, considering the days.

CAPT. HARPER APPRECIATES COURTESIES SHOWN BAND

Editor Watauga Democrat: Just a line to express the appreciation of our band for the many acts of kindness and hospitality we received while we were in Boone on Saturday. The people of your city know how to make their friends feel at home.

I was awfully sorry we could not manage the trip out to play for the fair after our work at the speaking. We attempted to collect the boys and arrange for the trip out there, but the transportation was not available and while we were working on that a number of the drivers of the cars our boys were in got in a great hurry to get home and took their boys and left for Lenoir. Naturally with many of the essential boys and their instruments gone, it was useless to attempt anything further.

With best personal regards, and every good wish for the continued success of The Watauga Democrat.

—JAMES C. HARPER.
Lenoir, N. C.

OPTOMETRIST LOCATED HERE

Dr. R. G. Stone, registered optometrist and eyesight specialist of Laurinburg, N. C., arrived in Boone last week and has rented offices over the Boone Clothing Store on Main St. Dr. Stone has been continually engaged in his profession for more than thirty years, and comes to Boone highly recommended. His family will join him in the near future.

There's A Big Reward For The Rescue — By Albert T. Reid



The Master Executive

By BRUCE BARTON

Supplying a week-to-week inspiration for the heavy-burdened who will find every human trial paralleled in the experiences of the Man Nobody Knows

THIRD SECRET OF SUCCESS

Having gathered together his or collection of contrasts in this maturation, there remained for Jesus the tremendous task of training it. And herein lay the third great element in his success—his vast unending patience. The Church has attached to each of the disciples the title of Saint and thereby some must destroy the conviction of their reality.

They were very far from sainthood when he picked them up. For three years he had been with him day and night, his whole energy and resources poured out in an effort to create an understanding in them. Yet through it all they never fully understood.

In spite of all he could do or say, they were persuaded that he planned to overthrow the Roman power and set himself up as ruler in Jerusalem. Hence they never tired of wrangling as to how the offices should be divided. But Jesus never lost his patience. He believed that the way to get faith out of men is to show that you have faith in them; and from that great principle of executive management he never wavered.

Of all the disciples Simon was most noisy and aggressive. It was he who was always volunteering advice, forever proclaiming the staunchness of his own courage and faith. One day Jesus said to him, "Before the cock crows tomorrow you will deny me three." Simon was indignant. Though they killed him, he cried, he would never deny Jesus merely smiled—and that night it happened.

A lesser leader would have dropped Simon. "You have had your chance," he would have said, "I am sorry but I must have men around me on whom I can depend." Jesus had the rare understanding that the same man will usually not make the same mistake twice. From that time on there was no faltering in Peter.

The Bible presents an interesting

Next Week: The Outdoor Man

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A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.
6:30	9:00	Lv. Chattanooga, Tenn.	9:10
10:30	12:30	Knoxville	4:30
1:55	3:55	Ar. Johnson City	1:00
6:45	7:00	Lv. Johnson City	2:00
6:00	7:20	Ar. Elizabethton	1:40
8:25	7:00	Lv. Bristol, Tenn.	2:25
6:45	7:35	Ar. Elizabethton	1:50
6:00	7:20	Lv. Elizabethton, Tenn.	1:40
8:25	7:35	Hampton	1:25
6:45	7:55	Roan Mountain	1:00
7:25	8:20	Elk Park, N. C.	12:45
7:40	8:25	Heaton	12:40
4:35	8:35	Banner Hill	12:30
4:45	8:55	Valle Crucis	12:10
5:05	9:05	Vilas	11:59
5:15	9:15	Boone, N. C.	11:50
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6:50	10:40	Granite Falls	10:10
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7:30	11:00	Ar. Charlotte	8:00
7:40	11:15	Lv. Hickory	9:45
8:00	11:45	Ar. Statesville	9:00
8:45	12:40	Salisbury	8:25
1:00	2:00	High Point	7:15
1:30	2:30	Greensboro	6:40
2:15	3:20	Burlington	5:45
3:15	4:30	Durham	4:45
4:00	5:25	Ar. Raleigh, N. C.	4:00

Thieves Crack Safe for \$8,000 at State College

Raleigh, N. C.—Thieves invaded the office of the treasurer of State College Saturday night, took \$8,000 in cash from the iron safe, and apparently made their getaway without leaving a clue.

The money represented receipts from late registrations and the football game with Appalachian College Saturday night. The robbery occurred only a few hours after special insurance to protect the college while it has large amounts of cash on hand during registration had lapsed. The special insurance was in effect during the freshmen registration period and expired at noon Saturday. It became effective again Monday morning when upper class registrations began. During the interim when the robbery occurred, the college was protected only by the \$3,000 burglary insurance policy it carries the year round.

Thus the net loss will amount to \$5,000. The robbers did not bother to take about \$50 in change, nor did they molest checks.

The robbery was committed sometime between 11 o'clock Saturday night and Sunday morning at daylight. The safe was forced open without use of explosives.

Entrance to the office was gained by cutting a heavy screen and forcing open the window. The robbery was not discovered until Sunday morning about 9 o'clock when Treasurer A. F. Brown visited his office.

Police, called immediately, discovered no fingerprints or other clues. They said the robbery was not necessarily the work of professional yeggs, that a strong man with a sledge hammer and chisel could have broken into the safe.

STEADY WORK, GOOD PAY—Reliable man wanted to call on farmers in Watauga County. No experience or capital needed. Write today. McNess Company, Department P, Freeport, Illinois.