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Those who had purchased their spring finery in time for Easter had a chance to exhibit it in fine style last Sunday. An ideal spring day provided the principal topic for conversation, as memories were searched for an Easter when the elements were so favorable in the mountains.

The proposed plan of the Relief Administration to spend future sums largely in the form of fertilizer, seed, etc., for destitute farm folk, is being greeted locally as the finest move since the Administration undertook to care for those in distress. The new program enables an overwhelming percentage of relief families to provide for themselves during the growing season, and thus people who have been receiving direct aid will be able to re-establish their independence in short order.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO (Morganton News-Herald)

Progress is to some extent a matter of comparison. Nobody living today can remember a hundred years ago, but history records conditions which existed then. A. M. Loy, of Shelby, has taken the pains to collect a dozen or more interesting facts one hundred years old and publishes them in the Cleveland Star.

One hundred years ago the banks in North Carolina had suspended payments, and nine-tenths of all the land was for sale.

The Governor in his inaugural address called North Carolina a country run down by the hand of adversity; the land is worn out; real estate has so depreciated as not to possess a fixed value; people are emigrating from the State; manufacturing advantages are unimproved; our schools and colleges are languishing from neglect.

Governor Swain said it cost more to run a session of the Legislature than was spent for any other one thing.

One hundred years ago, the politicians said there is too little tax on the rich and too much on the poor.

The Governor declared that the main trouble with the State was ignorance. About one-third of the people could not read or write.

The University at Chapel Hill had 120 students.

One hundred years ago a newspaper published in Rutherfordton contained this advertisement: "Teacher wanted: Will pay \$200 a year for a man who can teach English, Latin, etc. It is also desirable that he should understand vocal music."

The property valuation of the State was \$43,000,000, almost the same as that of Cleveland County today.

The first denominational college was chartered.

Judge Gaston delivered the commencement address at the University and declared that slavery was the greatest evil affecting the South.

One hundred years ago, Judge Henderson died and Judge Ruffin became Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

The Legislature passed a bill to put on a new roof on the Capitol at Raleigh and the same year, just as the roof was completed, the building burned.

One hundred years ago the first free school in the State was opened in Johnston County.

One hundred years ago the "stars" fell and prayers were offered by people who never prayed.

THE WEATHER

The following weather report for the month of March was compiled by the Co-operative Station at Appalachian State Teachers College:

- Average maximum temperature, 53 degrees. Average minimum temperature, 29 degrees. Average temperature, 41 degrees. Average daily range in temperature, 24 degrees. Greatest daily range in temperature, 42 degrees; date, 15th. Average temperature at 6 p. m. (time of observation), 44 degrees. Highest temperature reached, 68 degrees; date, 24th. Lowest temperature reached, 7; date, 11th. Total precipitation (including melted snow) in inches, 8.31. Greatest precipitation in 24 hours, 2.29; date, 27th. Total snowfall in inches, 7.00. Greatest snowfall in 24 hours in inches, 3.00; date, 10th. Number of days with 0.01 inch or more precipitation, 15. Number of clear days, 14. Number of partly cloudy days, 5. Number of cloudy days, 12.

Facts About Our Schools By GUY H. HULL

Those who have attended the meetings of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Boone High School have shown that they are vitally interested in their children and in their children's welfare. The question arises as to what can the individual do to make the situation better for the child. The burden of this article shall be to show some of the things that have been done in a concrete way and what are some of the things that can further be done to make our school a better school and our community a better community.

In the first place, our picture show operator here in Boone has offered to select pictures of an educational nature provided we as parents and teachers will co-operate in the selection. Not only is this true, but Mr. Hamby is bringing to Boone on his own responsibility pictures that are wholesome and uplifting for our children. I do not mean to say that all shows are fit for our children to see—in a circuit the picture show manager does not have the choice of selecting all of the films—but I do mean to say that the specially selected films are worthy of the patronage of all of our children of school age.

Last week Mr. Hamby busied himself to bring "Alice in Wonderland" to the screen for our children to see. He not only offered the show to the children at reduced prices, but he gave the schools fifty per cent of the proceeds. This in turn will be spent for books for the libraries. We hope that the books we purchase will in turn be put on the screen so that the children may see them. It is thus that we appeal to their aesthetic and appreciative lives and give them some of the ideals that we hope to fix in them. The amount received from the show by the high school was \$13.75.

Something might be said as to whether the children gained as much from seeing the show as they would have gained had they been in school. This question can never be answered accurately, but it is certain that the children need all of the types of experience that would be involved in a full and complete life. In this case the picture show is simply supplementing what the school is attempting to do.

One other instance of helpfulness was that done by the Worth White Club of Boone. On their own initiative this group of interested women brought to Boone a very clean, wholesome play and presented it on three different occasions for the people of Boone and vicinity. This play was not only worth while in itself, but it afforded many people an evening of harmless pleasure, gave opportunity for the development of local talent, and enabled both the high and elementary schools to increase and enrich their libraries. Other instances could be mentioned, but the writer must turn to something that he should like to suggest to the parents and patrons of Boone High School.

If we could produce situations for our children of varied nature during their waking hours we could be assured that they would keep out of crime and that they would learn to do the things that they should do better. If we assume then that the school is creating these situations for the children and that they sometimes go astray when they are not in the school, would it not pay us as patrons to increase the length of the school year? One of the definite requisites of the standard accredited agency known as the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools is that a secondary school shall operate nine months. This is the greatest hindrance at the present time to Boone High School's entrance into this association, and incidentally this is one of the ambitions of the principal of Boone High School that this high school become a member of this association.

Now to meet this requisite will cost the taxpayer some money. The approximate cost for operating the school an additional month would be \$1,100. This means that it would cost the taxpayer about \$4.50 per child for the additional month or about 22c per day per child. This amount would include supplies, transportation, instruction, cafeteria service and all the other services that are now being extended to the children. Your principal respectfully invites discussion of this suggestion pro and con. It seems to him the experiment would be worth while attempting.

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CARD OF THANKS We want to thank our friends for their many expressions of sympathy during our recent bereavement. May God bless each of you. Mrs. Ralph G. Bingham and Family.

One other suggestion for betterment is a first-class park or playground for our children. Incidentally adults could spend time there with profit. This might be undertaken as a chief project, and the value to be derived from it in every respect is incalculable.

Talk these suggestions among yourselves, parents, and stockholders in your schools, and let your final decision be prompted by the need of the children.

In the citizenship study that is being made at the high school the definite attributes of character as expressed by the faculty and student body have been compiled. At the next meeting of the parents and teachers it is hoped that we may be able to ascertain those attributes that are most desirable from the standpoint of the parents. At the culmination of the study the report card will be revamped so as to show what progress is being made by each child in each attribute monthly. Definite means for attaining these desirable attributes are also being worked out by the faculty.

VALLE CRUCIS NEWS

Dr. and Mrs. R. O. Glenn entertained the Kutups Klub on March 24, honoring Miss Nancy Taylor's birthday. Soon after arriving the guests were invited into the dining room where the beautifully appointed table was laid with an exquisite Philippine luncheon cloth, and was centered with a lovely birthday cake with lighted candles. While Miss Taylor cut the cake, Mrs. Glenn assisted by Mrs. R. A. Olsen, served delicious ice cream and coffee.

On Saturday night, March 24th, the girls of the Mission High School gave an interesting entertainment. Prior to the entertainment Misses Ricard and Basom gave a splendid exhibit of domestic art.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Olsen entertained the Kutups Klub on Tuesday night. Games were enjoyed for quite awhile, after which dainty refreshments were served.

Relatives and friends of Dr. and Mrs. Howard Mason, of Freehold, N. J., were grieved and shocked to hear of the death of their son, Thomas, age 2 1/2 years. The cause of the death was an infected throat.

Miss Wilhelmina Shull of Gastonia arrived in the Valley to spend Easter with her parents.

Messrs. Ray Farthing and Ralph Church of Mars Hill College spent the week-end with their parents.

Misses Frances and Laura Farthing were visitors in the Valley for Easter.

Messrs. Arnold Mast and Ray Baird left Sunday for Asheville where they were signed up with a CCC camp.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Davis on last Friday, a daughter.

Mr. Howard Mast of Boone has returned from Florida where he spent the winter for h's health. He seems greatly improved, much to the delight of his many friends. He and his family spent Easter in the Valley.

We were indeed sorry to hear of the automobile accident of Messrs. Joe and Arthur Mast in Statesville Sunday. They were on their way to Concord when the accident occurred. Details have not been learned, but neither was seriously injured.

Mrs. C. D. Taylor and Mr. Gilbert Taylor spent the week-end with friends in Winston-Salem. They were present at the Moravian Easter services.

Miss Gertrude and Johnny Perry of Boone spent the week-end at the home of the C. D. Taylors. Bishop Gribben spent Monday night at the Valle Crucis School.

The Family Doctor

By DR. JOHN JOSEPH CAINES

COUGH—A SYMPTOM

Most everybody knows that a cough is not a disease—it is merely a symptom of a disease of the air-passages. Coughs are of many varieties, due to the character of the irritation. A dry, painful cough, common in children, certainly needs an expectorant. With dry, painful coughs there is most certainly fever at certain hours—and fever is a symptom which should always be heeded. The baby

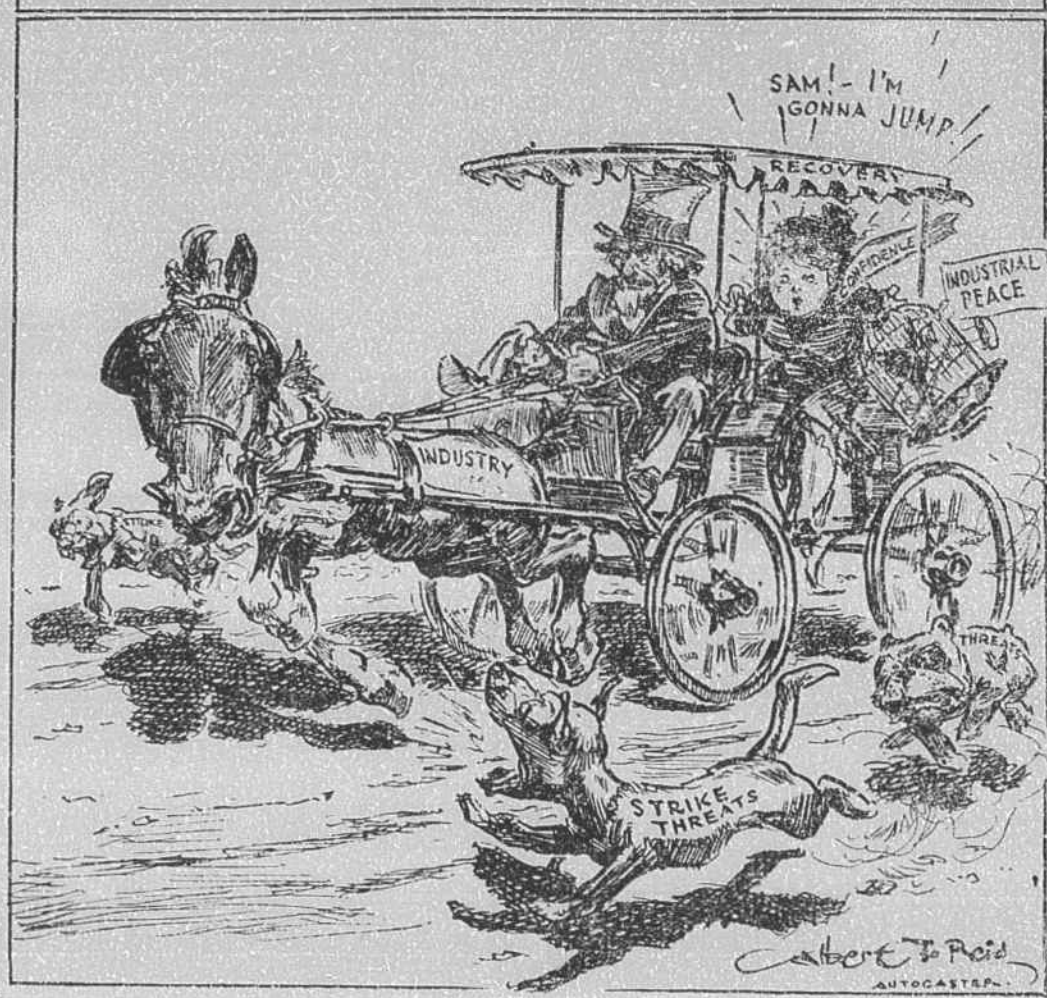
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Out On Recovery Highway By Albert T. Reid



with a loud "barking" cough, that makes the little fellow cry from the pain after the paroxysm, should be attended to at once. An ounce of syrup of ipecac should be kept where there are children in the family. To give baby from three to ten drops every two hours, should relax the irritated bronchial passages and promote free loosening of the secretions; ipecac is an expectorant of old and established value.

In event of marked feverishness, call the doctor—you may have a case of pneumonia, where there is always

fever and painful cough. Adults with cough without fever need not as a rule be alarmed at a bit of bronchitis. It may be nursed into recovery by observing the strict rules of staying in bed, keeping the body and feet warm, and taking stimulating hot drinks at bedtime. Sweat it out—and don't venture out into cold wind, or over sloppy ground until you have fully recovered.

But watch the cough that "hangs on." There is nothing more treacherous. The cough that persists. Consult your doctor and follow his advice. If your bronchitis invades the smaller air-tubes it may become formidable. I don't like coughs that hang on till spring—they may be dangerous. If the cough is loose, don't waste time with expectorants; something to quiet the spasms of coughing is needed. I can think of nothing better than codeine for a distressing cough that keeps the patient awake nights. Many

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BARGAIN WEEK To Matinee Shows

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cough mixtures contain codeine, and they may be taken with good results; no danger of habit.

Hebrew Money The monetary system of the Hebrews was based upon the Babylonian system of weights. The ratio of the value of gold to silver was 1:13 1/3 and prevailed over all western Asia.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Having qualified as the administrator of the estate of E. R. Eggers, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them within twelve months from the date hereof or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will come forward and make settlement.

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