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If the Democrats of the town or the citizens generally know of a better group of men to handle the governmental affairs of the city than the present incumbents...

THE ELEMENT OF TIME

The members of the Legislature are finding it hard to suit both their homelocks and the lobbyists. They go home on week ends and come back and boldly vote the way their folks want them to on Monday.

PERMANENT BENEFITS

With the approval of the President's stupendous work relief bill, nigh on the five billions of dollars is going to be expended for improvements municipal and otherwise...

A BAD ROAD

People of Watauga County in general and folks served by the Laurel Creek highway, in particular, will be intensely interested as to whether or not the present Legislature will release sufficient funds to modernize some of the lateral highways...

Mr. Mast states that "conditions are such that unless something is done without delay by those benefitted the route will have to be amended so as to avoid the neglected roads, or if this cannot be done that discontinuance of the service will have serious consideration."

quired by the Postoffice Department to make a report at the end of thirty days as to what action has been taken, and make a report.

The road in question was to have been developed into a highway of first rank importance, connecting towns in Carolina with those in Tennessee by a railroad grade, eliminating the crossing of two great mountains...

THE BOOK

... the first line of which reads "The Holy Bible," and which contains Four Great Treasures

By BRUCE BARTON

NONE GREATER BORN

JOHN THE BAPTIST saw his own disciples go away from him to follow Jesus, and, unselfish as he was, we may be sure that it was not easy.

Even he did not realize perhaps how fast his following would diminish, nor how soon the authorities would think it safe to seize him without precipitating a popular uprising.

Suddenly he found himself in the darkness of Herod's prison, no contact with the outside world except through a handful of still faithful disciples.

Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?

The inquiry must have cut Jesus to the quick. He did the only thing possible; He pointed to the results, hoping that they would carry convincing testimony.

Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

Did the answer satisfy John? Did he die with the inspiring assurance that his short life was in the noblest sense successful, that he had delivered his message and that it was true?

When Jesus heard of it, he departed thence by ship unto a desert place apart.

He summoned no battalion of angels to save His friend even as, a few months later, He summoned none to save Himself.

Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist.

Next Week: Saint Paul

CARD OF THANKS We wish to extend sincere thanks to the people of this section for their kindness and sympathy during the illness, death and burial of Robert F. Coffey.

CARD OF THANKS We wish to express our thanks to our friends for their kindness shown us during the sickness and death of our son and brother.

CARD OF THANKS We wish to express our appreciation for the kindness shown by our friends during the tragic death of our little girl.

PIE SUPPER A pie supper will be held at Mabel school house on Saturday night, April 13, beginning at 8 o'clock.

J. F. Smith of Morganton Route 4, Burke County, has sprayed, cultivated and fertilized his apple orchard of 500 trees and reports a full crop of blooms.

OPEN FORUM

Readers are invited to contribute to this department. Profit may be derived from these letters. Name of writer must accompany all manuscript and brevity is urged.

THIS GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Will you allow me space in your time-honored paper to say a few things? I am an all-American and an all-life-long supporter of the Administration as she now stands.

What is it all about? "But why should we ever use these five words?" In taking a retrospective view of the situation or let's just say an American citizen, one who is not interested in anything particularly...

But in view of the fact that we, as American citizens, have unquestionably stood by with our arms folded, and with glasses on (colored) to give just the right tint desired...

What does the word Government stand for? Thumbs down, mostly. Observing the trend of things by "A visitor from Mars, or some other country." I suspect that they would probably think the old U. S. A. needs to open up some several opportunity schools inside our borders for the sole purpose of giving special lessons on governmental affairs.

Facts are stubborn things, and they have to be met with squarely, sooner or later. Figures don't lie, but "figures are apt to, and there has been a devil of a lot of figuring done that's not on record, or at least that most of the American people don't seem to know anything about, and don't give a whoopedodeo.

We don't have to give our country back to the Indians yet, however, it looks as though we have reached the zenith; but there is still a fighting chance to make it livable for us and our children. Any ordinary citizen with ordinary sense, knows after a few moments' careful consideration...

As I stated at the first of this article, I am just one of the bunch, nosing around, never able to smell anything it seems. But I am personally interested in our Government to the extent that I would like to see each and every individual get a fair and square deal.

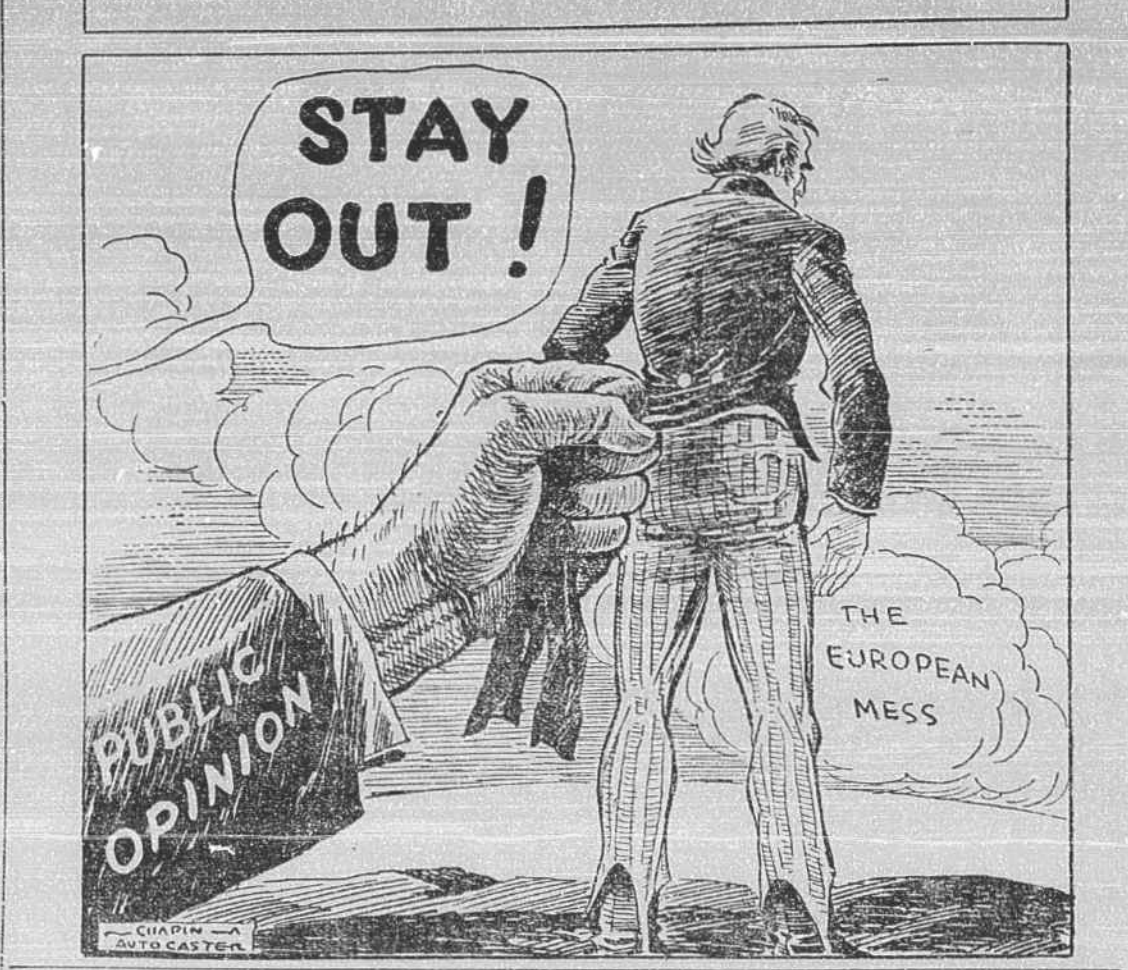
We, as Americans, have been fed up on this ROUGE-ET-NOIR stuff until we have become so COCK-EYED and sourly sophisticated over it, that it takes some terrible catastrophe of some sort to knock us into any degree of sensibility at all.

Suppose we go at it in this way: have the publishing houses, and all the big dailies of the country come out fair and square, with big front-page headlines—telling our sugar-coated PAPAS at Washington, D. C. where, and just what, the trouble is.

I would like to dive further into the discussion of facts and details of our affairs, but to save my countrymen from entertaining the idea that I might belong to the REDS, COMMUNIST or some other PROPER-GANDER club, I shall leave this article as is.

History Making Value! WHILE THEY LAST... SKILLETTS LIMIT: ONE TO A CUSTOMER. Special THIS WEEK 19c EA. DEALER'S NAME IN THIS SPACE FARMERS HARDWARE & SUPPLY CO. Boone, N. C.

In No Uncertain Tones — by A. B. Chapin



Public Opinion

As is. However, before time is called on me, I would like to make one more little addition—the name "DICTATOR" sounds mighty sweet to me. THEN IF HE NO DICTATE THE WAY WE WANT HIM TO DICTATE, WE SHOOT HIM IN DE PANTS.

J. OSCAR COOKE Boone, N. C.

PARENT TEACHERS UNDER WAY AT BETHEL SCHOOL

Much enthusiasm was manifested at the regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association last Thursday evening. This was evidenced by the attendance and participation on the part of the members in the problems concerning the school and its needs.

The current topic for general discussion was an article presented to the association and supplemented by Mr. O'Neal, chairman of the program committee. The article dealt with suggested changes for the curriculum in our schools.

PASTIME THEATRE BOONE, N. C. "PLACE OF GOOD SHOWS"

Program for Week OF APRIL 15th:

MONDAY, APRIL 15 A Night at the Ritz with WILLIAM GARGAN and PATRICIA ELLIS

TUESDAY, APRIL 16 Girl O' My Dreams with MARY CARLISLE and CREIGHTON CHANEY

WED.-THURS., APRIL 17-18 The Little Colonel with SHIRLEY TEMPLE and LIONEL BARRYMORE

FRIDAY, APRIL 19 Times Square Lady with VIRGINIA BRUCE and ROBERT TAYLOR

SATURDAY, APRIL 20 The Big Stampede with JOHN WAYNE

Special Bargain Matinee, 10c, 15c Night Shows, 10c and 25c. EVENINGS, 7:15 and 8:45 MATINEE AT 3:00

have to be unlearned if the present needs are to be met.

Members of the Association, in turn, contributed to the discussion which was brought to a close with a probable solution for the "evils." This was that practical Christianity be taught as a cure for selfishness, thereby bringing about a better understanding in human relations.

Last, but not least in importance, was an agreeable surprise waiting at the close of the meeting. A delicious course of refreshments was served by Mesdames Clyde Perry, Roby Vines and Carter Farthing. Needless to say, everyone went away satisfied.

Aboard a battleship only one man is allowed to whistle. He is the boatswain, who signals the crew with his "pipe."

ADLEE WALKER AND EARL JOHNSON WIN HONORS

For ranking highest in scholarship among the Seniors at Bethel High School for the past four years, Adlee Walker was awarded the honor of delivering the valedictory address this spring at that school.

Earl Johnson, president of the Senior Class, won the honor of presiding the salutatory.

"You earn your wages" THAT handy servant, the telephone, is a go-getter. He chases after groceries, runs to the drugstore, carries messages here, there and everywhere, and only asks a few cents a day as his wages. SOUTHERN BELL Telephone and Telegraph Co. INCORPORATED

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