

# Mountaineers Cherish Freedom, Says Jim Perry

When West Virginia took as its motto "Montani semper liberi" (Mountaineers are always free) they were making a gross understatement, or maybe they just hadn't seen our North Carolina variety, Jim Perry writes in the current (June 20th) issue of The Saturday Evening Post.

The author says he has been living in the Blue Ridge Mountains for twelve years, having retired from the practice of law in Columbia, South Carolina, and is still marveling at the Fourth of July characteristics of these denizens of the hills.

"For sheer rugged independence and don't-give-a-darn-what-the-rest-of-the-world-thinks attitude, they do beat all and, though I find them difficult at times when I would like to make them see a few things my way, I can't help secretly admiring their freedom of spirit which refuses to conform to modern notions and customs," the author says.

"Many of their sons have been drafted in two World Wars and yet they still feel free enough to eye the Government with a good deal of suspicion, and don't want it to be meddling too much with their business, which, contrary to public belief, covers a wider range than the making of moonshine."

Perry explains that his mountaineer friends near Hendersonville are not so much "agin" the Government—they just ignore its existence as much as possible, be it moonshine, income tax, hunting licenses or what have you. They are also more independent of the almighty dollar than seems possible in this money-mad age.

Perry believes that these people would rather reduce their needs to a few and live in meager splendor than bow the knee to anybody or anything. One result of this magnificent independence and sense of adequacy, he finds, is that you can hardly find a mountaineer with an inferiority complex.

The Post article, entitled "How My Hired Man Handles Me," includes numerous anecdotes about Bud Camp, from whom Perry learned the hard way that Blue Ridge men don't "work"—they help a fellow out—always payable, however, in coin of the realm.

When several hours late for work, Camp is apt to explain, "Won't make no difference a hundred years from now." And an offer of Perry's power saw to cut a winter's supply of wood brought a refusal, accompanied by an explanation, "I might die and that'd be a lot of work thrown away for nothing."

Perry says that in spite of all his hired man's contrariness, he could not have stuck it out in the rugged surroundings this long if it had not been for the faithfulness of Bud and his brother, Hoyt, "who is surely the ait of the earth, too."

**FINGERPRINTS STILL TELL**  
Cleveland, O.—James M. Dunn, 49, was recently held by police for his connection with the theft of \$4 made twenty-four years ago. Fingerprints Dunn made recently on a cab-driver application led to his arrest.

## When They Meet

- Junior Order  
1st and 3rd Mondays
- Lions Club  
1st and 3rd Tuesdays
- Veterans Foreign Wars  
2nd and 4th Thursday nights
- Chamber Commerce  
2nd Tuesday, 12 noon
- Dames Club  
Second Tuesday
- B. P. W. Club  
3rd Tuesday
- Rotary Club  
Every Thursday, 6:30
- Worthwhile Woman's Club  
Home and Garden, 2nd Thursday  
Lit. and Ed. Dept., 1st Thursday  
Music and Art Dept., 3rd Thurs.  
General Meeting, 4th Thursday
- Gardenerettes  
3rd Thursday, 6:30
- Junior Woman's Club  
1st Thursday  
Civil Air Patrol  
1st, 3rd, 4th Fridays
- Snow Chapter 220, Order Eastern Star  
Second Monday nights

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## Yonahlossee Camp Announces A New Venture

Camp Yonahlossee for girls, located three miles north of Blowing Rock on the Shulls Mills Road, opened its thirty-second season with a new venture. Because of the great demand for a short period, a two weeks session was offered this year. The response was very assuring for without special promotion work the enrollment filled right up and ran over with 1125 girls. This period closes Sunday the 21st. The regular season begins on June 24th with 1135 girls with no places left for late applicants. The campers for the short per-

iod are mainly from North Carolina but there are others from South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Virginia and Ohio.

In the main season of eight weeks where all stay for the whole period about half are from North Carolina and the others come from some twelve different states. Blowing Rock is represented by two, Linda Lee Jones and Janice Irene Robbins. Boone is represented by Barbara Matheson.

The staff for the short period is made up of thirty young women and ten in the service staff. The counselor staff come from North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Florida. The counselor staff for the long period will be about 36 with the service staff of ten. Horses for the two periods, twenty-two in number, come from the Alamance Saddle Club of Elon College, North Carolina, Mrs. Verdie Caddell, instructor.

Total U. S. agricultural exports are expected to drop about 28 per cent in 1952-53.

There is little or no value in grinding corn for calves as the additional cost usually offsets any advantage.

North Carolina has about 60 livestock poisoning plants. But only about 10 are responsible for most deaths.

Foreign-aid spending next year will exceed this year's, the Treasury and Mutual Security Agency estimated.

Atlas wheat, introduced in 1948, has averaged seven bushels per acre more than the two most widely-grown older varieties.

Silage made of corn, cane, grasses or legumes, preserved in the trench silo is increasing in popularity as a winter feed.

## BISCUIT SANDWICHES SERVE WELL FOR SUMMER LUNCHES



When you hear the thump of small-fry's feet on the front porch coming in from summer play with the cry "what's for lunch", make them a nourishing sandwich of bacon, tomato and cheese over fluffy biscuits.

**BACON TOMATO CHEESE SANDWICH**  
2 large 3 1/2-inch biscuits made of

1 cup self-rising flour  
1 1/2 tablespoons shortening  
1/2 cup milk (about)  
4 slices cheese  
4 slices tomato  
8 slices broiled bacon  
Sift flour once before measuring. Cut fat into flour until texture of coarse corn meal. Add liquid all at once and stir until all flour is well dampened. Knead lightly. Roll to 1/8 inch thickness, cut with a large 3 1/2-inch cutter, and bake on ungreased baking sheet in a hot oven (450-F.) for 12 minutes. Break biscuits in half. On each half place a slice of cheese, then a slice of tomato. Broil just enough to soften cheese. Garnish with broiled bacon. Yield: 4 servings.

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