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The influence of weekly newspapers on public opinion exceeds that of all other publications in the country.—Arthur Brisbane.



POPULATION DATA (1930 Census)

Table with 2 columns: City, Population. Includes Salisbury (16,951), Spencer (3,128), E. Spencer (2,098), China Grove (1,258), Landis (1,388), Rockwell (696), Granite Quarry (507), Cleveland (435), Faith (431), Gold Hill (156).

JAPAN THE INCOMPREHENSIBLE

Nothing that we have read or heard throws a stronger light upon the difference between the Japanese and every other nation in the world than the consternation in Japanese officialdom because the police guard attending the Mikado took the wrong turning the other day and piloted the Imperial car along a street which had not been properly prepared for his coming.

That is a situation incomprehensible to the citizens of a democracy. Back of it lies the insurmountable difficulty of dealing with Japanese diplomats on level terms.

Just now Japan is demanding naval equality with Great Britain and the United States. It has refused to recognize the right of any other nation or of the League of Nations to raise any question about its occupation of Manchuria.

MAY GET A BREAK The Lexington Dispatch points out that maybe the members of the next legislature who will be faced with the problem of finding money with which to raise teachers' salaries and meet other necessary governmental expenses, may get a break after all—and it will be tobacco money at that.

If the courts find a way to settle the Smith Reynolds estate, then the State treasury will be boosted by about two million dollars from the inheritance tax, and it does not require a teacher of mathematics to figure out how much that would help, and any teacher can easily tell you where it ought to go.

It is not of record that any candidate was bold enough, in his pre-election pronouncements, to say that the teachers are receiving a fair wage and that there is no need for relief for them.

It is perhaps a fact that the day after election, those named to the legislature, felt their responsibility more than before; they realized that they had promised something that will be hard to fulfill.

From now until the legislature meets in January the legislators will spend many weary hours pondering the vexing question of tax source, and if this two million dollars of tobacco money is dumped right in their laps, they will hardly be inclined to doubt that there is a Santa Claus.

TODAY AND TOMORROW

—BY— FRANK PARKER STOCKBRIDGE

BRAINS . . . they're scarce In the long run, brains rule the world. The principal thing that holds humanity back from perfection is that there are not enough first-rate brains to go around.

At a social gathering the other night the question came up as to who, by the power of his brains alone, had most widely influenced the course of mankind.

If I were to come down to recent times I would add Karl Marx and Charles Darwin, as the foremost brains of our times.

IDEAS . . . put to work The value of original ideas is that they set so many unoriginal people at work trying to see whether the ideas will work or not.

An idea is no good unless it is put to work, no matter how original it is. Clerk Maxwell, the English mathematician, originated the idea that all matter, visible or invisible, moves in rhythmical waves.

One idea of an obscure mathematician has thus given work to millions, cut down time and space, and gives enjoyment and information to hundreds of millions.

TOOLS . . . aid to muscles Brains and their product, ideas, are tools. The highly-skilled highly-paid workers of the world earn big pay because they add those tools to the mechanical devices with which the ordinary worker has to do his daily job.

Industrial progress began when men began building brains into the tools of production, making machines which could be operated without the use of brains.

Many boys here in North Carolina are convinced that home is a slow old place, and they must get out and see the world, but if they propose to accomplish that end by hitchhiking, they are likely to see the inside of some jails first.

And, on the whole, the product of the machine is far better than the product of the hand-working government.



THERE'S A certain young man in TOWN WHO is attempting to CONVINCE A well-known young WOMAN THAT she should marry HIM. YOU know both of them, BUT WED' be breaking a rule if WE GAVE you even a slight HINT OF whom they are. They WERE DISCUSSING the matter. "YES, PROBABLY your income WOULD BE enough to keep us BOTH, IF only you hadn't such EXPENSIVE HABITS," she said TO HIM. "What expensive habits HAVE I got?" he asked in a PROTESTING MANNER. "Well ME, FOR example," she replied. I THANK YOU. craftsman. PATENTS . . . and ideas You can't patent an idea. All that you can patent is the machine or device that makes the idea work. Ideas, once made public, are common property for whoever can make use of them.

My friend, the late Glenn Curtiss, had an idea which would make it easier for an airplane to fly. He tried it, it worked, and he got a patent on the device.

They thought they had patented the idea of flying. Inventors frequently claim that someone else has stolen their idea.

What they mean is that some other man beat them to it making a machine that would work. And even then, the inventor has to give everybody the right to make his invention after 17 years.

The word "patent" means to make public. Government protects him in the use of his device for 17 years in consideration of his making it public.

Otherwise, he could keep it a secret forever.

COPYRIGHT . . . its purpose There is a big row brewing over the rights of authors to the profits of their brain work.

Under the copyright law the author of a book, a story or a song, or the composer of a piece of music, can copyright it, and sue and collect damages if anyone uses his material for profit without his permission.

That is the fairest sort of a law, but the radio broadcasters and the motion picture people don't like to pay for the right to use popular music.

So the authors and composers got together and are charging a small fee to picture theaters and broadcasters.

Now the Government is suing them as a monopoly! That seems absurd to me.

But the world is full of pirates who make a living by stealing other people's property, and maybe they'll get away with it.

The automobile authorities warn the people about the danger of skidding on fallen leaves, which warning is well heeded by those who would be careful anyway, but very little attention is paid to it by those needing the warning.

The people are urged to preserve their beauty spots, but just now, one that seems most beautiful is a ten spot.

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Some folks feel depressed when they don't get invitations to weddings but Father, who had been figuring how he should buy the wedding presents, will probably be able to conceal his grief if he is not included.

The bandits and gangsters are having extensive celebrations of Old Home week in the cemeteries.

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PICAYUNES

Q. Is the word cheese plural or singular? A. It is singular; the plural is cheeses.

NATIONAL PARKS Q. What is the area of Grand Teton National Park and Yellowstone National Park? A. Grand Teton—150 square miles; Yellowstone—3438 square miles.

AUTO DEATHS Q. How many persons were killed in automobile accidents in the U. S. in 1933? A. Approximately 29,900.

GARY'S WIFE Q. To whom was Gary Cooper recently married? A. Sandra Shaw.

U. S. S. WYOMING Q. Is the U. S. S. Wyoming in commission? A. It was withdrawn from active service under the London Naval Treaty, and is now used as a training ship.

PRINCE OF WALES Q. How old is the Prince of Wales? A. He was 40 years old on June 23, 1934.

LEGAL Q. Can a person named as beneficiary in a will be the executor also? A. Yes.

PEWTER Q. When was pewter in general use for tableware in America? A. It was much used in the early Colonial households, and some of it dates from the 17th Century; but the period which marked its greatest production was the 100 years between 1750 and 1850.

NEGRO OFFICIAL Q. What position in the Federal Government does the Negro, Robert Vann, hold? A. He is one of the Assistant Attorneys General of the United States.

THEME SONG Q. What is the theme song of the motion picture, "Dr. Monica"? A. "When Tomorrow Comes," by Kahal and Fain.

REVOLUTION Q. Which is considered the decisive battle of the Revolutionary War? A. The victory of the Americans over Gen. Burgoyne at Saratoga in 1777.

PHYSICS Q. Is water compressible? A. Slightly.

COMMENTATOR Q. Is Boake Carter a native Englishman? A. He was born in Baku, South Russia, of Irish-English parents.

ARMY AND NAVY Q. Are men who have taken out their preliminary naturalization papers accepted for enlistment in the Army and Navy? A. Only American citizens are accepted in the Navy, but men who have legally declared their intention to become citizens are accepted in the Army.

TOUGH Q. What do prize fighters use to toughen their hands? A. They soak them in brine or pure grain alcohol.

The wild red man of former days couldn't teach the modern girl much about the use of war paint.

We are warned to beware of folks who sneeze, but some of them were perhaps trying to pronounce those queer names over in Europe.

Some babies are said to be born with gold spoons in their mouths. With this new gold law in operation Infant Willie should spit it out just as soon as he can, and order his parents to turn it over to Uncle Sam at the earliest possible date.

The people who complain about their neighbors' bonfire, will also probably kick if rubbish is left around the yard.

Amending the constitution said to be too difficult, but it is much easier than amending people's conduct.

Claimed some voters don't know whom they vote for, but this seems to put them in a position where in any case they can claim to be on the winning side.

The old political warhorses may be scorned, but they don't climb the fence when they see a piece of paper in the road.

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WITH OTHER EDITORS

DISTRIBUTE THE CREDIT Not only North Carolina but the people of the entire nation should feel grateful to Secretary Ickes for routing the great Scenic Parkway over North Carolina soil. It has been placed where it ought to be, and upon merit alone, as anyone must conclude after reading Secretary Ickes' report.

In presenting North Carolina's claims for the eastern entrance to the Great Smoky Mountain Park, the whole of the State's congressional delegation and the State administration had a share yet one Raleigh correspondent creates the impression that Governor Ehringhaus deserves the credit for charting it through North Carolina. It is a victory that should be shared by all, and doubtless Governor Ehringhaus has no desire to hog the show.

If the credit is to be analyzed and distributed then Congressman Doughton would come in for a big share. It is not generally known that he was responsible for bringing the route as far as Blowing Rock, thus giving this State an advantage from which it could work for further extension through this state.

In his far-sighted, long-headed way he had Washington officials committed to the charting as far as Blowing Rock, before the Tennesseans knew what it was all about. Yet Congressman Doughton has not done any bragging about it.

In this achievement there is enough credit to go all the way around, but if it is to be turned to personal political profit, then all the factors entering into the selection of the route should be parcelled out in accordance with the influence exerted to bring it here.—Statesville Record.

A REVOLTING MESS A little cash can subdue a lot of stench, so perhaps those engaged in the battling over the Smith Reynolds millions can go right along without holding their noses. There are some phases of the thing that must be a bit revolting to other folks though.

Perhaps the most bizarre turn in the legal angle is the insistence on the part of a bank headed by the father of the first wife that said wife did not secure a legitimate divorce out in Reno before Reynolds married the Holman girl.

This contention, if upheld, would bastardize Baby Christopher and make his little half sister the probable heir to the whole pile. And she would still be his half sister, presumably.

Money rows can certainly be nice.—Lexington Dispatch.

Extracts Bullet In Head For 18 Years Wilkes-barre, Pa.—Mrs. Joseph Bevilacqua, 36, of Simpson, is making her rounds without a bullet she had carried in her head since she was 18 years old.

The bullet lodged in the woman's head during a shooting affray along a street in her native village in Italy. She suffered no pain until recently and doctors decided to operate. The missile, of a steel composition, was found flattened against a bone near the base of the brain.

Many people are trying to reduce their hips, but anyway ours aren't being swelled out by any over fat purses in the hip pocket.

Rockwell News

Mr. Bill Willette, a student at Lenoir-Rhyne college, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Willette, at Rockwell.

James Shuping, of near Shuping Roller Mills, is making preparations to build a new home. Bernard Lentz who operates a saw mill is doing part of the sawing for the building.

A fine rain fell here last Friday which was very much needed.

Grandma Fowler, of near Kannapolis, visited her son, Mr. Baxter Fowler, of near Organ church the past week.

Miss Mildred Willette, of Rockwell, who was suddenly attacked with appendicitis and was taken to the General hospital in Salisbury where she underwent an operation, is now at home and is doing finer her many friends will be glad to note.

Mr. Luther Goodman, of Rockwell, is in a Salisbury hospital where he underwent a most serious operation for appendicitis. Reports are that he is doing as well as could be expected.

Messrs. A. B. Saleeby, Dr. Foust of Salisbury made talks at the Rockwell Methodist church last Wednesday night in the interest of Baraca classes in the churches of Rockwell.

Mr. L. Willette and family, of Rockwell, are making preparations to move to Salisbury sometime in January, 1935. Mr. Willette has been superintendent of the Cannon mills at Rockwell the past 5 years and was a member of Rockwell school board, and a member of the Rockwell Methodist church, which position he filled with much honor and ability and won the love and respect of all in whom he came in contact with. Rockwell and vicinity regret very much to lose Mr. Willette and family but hope him much success in his new position as superintendent of the Kesler mills in Salisbury, which is also a link in the Cannon chain of mills.

Much farm work has been done the past few weeks by the farmers who have finished picking cotton and seeding grain.

In the passing of Harvey Stirewalt this community lost one of the most outstanding young men in the community. One who loved his family, his church, his community and his friends—one who lived a quiet life. Funeral service was conducted from Organ church last Wednesday afternoon by his pastor, Rev. Paul L. Miller, assisted by Rev. Charles Ridenhour, of China Grove.

Many friends paid their last tribute of love and respect to the remains which was laid to rest in Organ church cemetery. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

The hunting season has opened here and many are enjoying the sport as the sound of the hound and roar of guns can be heard most any day at this season of the year.

Members of Washington Camp No. 12, P. O. S. of A. are making preparations to hold their annual fish and oyster supper sometime near the close of the year, 1934. Last year about 90 members were present and enjoyed the event. Notices will be communicated each member when the plans are complete and date set.

The churches of this vicinity are busy planning and arranging their Christmas program which is only a short time off.

Prof. and Mrs. Edleman Kale and family, of Stanly county, paid Mr. Kale's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Kale, at Rockwell a most pleasant visit some days ago.

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

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so he accepted the invitation. The Administration has been following his financial plans and ideas for nearly a year now. And as Governor of the Federal Reserve Board he will be pretty near the big boss of all banking in America.

Mr. Eccles' ideas are all in the direction of Government control of credit and currency rather than banker control. The big banking interests don't like that at all, but he holds the whip hand. Among other things, he is all for compelling the Federal Reserve Banks to support the Government bond market, for a bigger program of spending for public works and non-competitive Government enterprises, and against direct doles from the Federal Treasury to the unemployed.

Unemployment insurance got a boost when the President declared himself for it, under a system of contributions by employees, employers and perhaps, by states, but the fund to be controlled and managed by the Federal government.

Old Age insurance advocates felt disappointed when the President said he wasn't sure the time was ripe for that, but those close to the Administration say he is for it, but his experts haven't yet presented a workable plan.

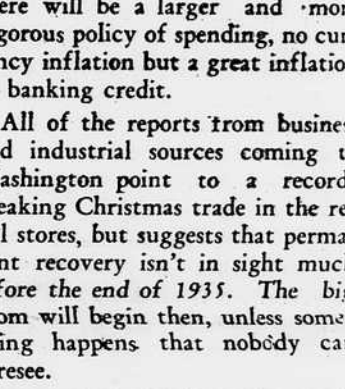
There is a strong swing of business support to the Administration since the election. Business is afraid the new Congress will propose wild and radical schemes, and even those who do not wholly agree with the Roosevelt policies are beginning to feel that he will try to hold the middle of the road, and so are coming to his support.

The slowdown on the Administration's program of legislation is that there will be a larger and more vigorous policy of spending, no currency inflation but a great inflation of banking credit.

All of the reports from business and industrial sources coming to Washington point to a record-breaking Christmas trade in the retail stores, but suggests that permanent recovery isn't in sight much before the end of 1935. The big boom will begin then, unless something happens that nobody can foresee.

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