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The new dealers might welcome that 49th state as another one to take states' rights away from—Sagamore Daily News.

Some of the planks in the platforms of 1932 could be classified among the list of unemployed.—Savannah (Ga.) Morning News.

Europe is noted for some of the finest old railroads in the world. Take France's debt to America, for instance.—Florida Times-Union.

Wearing of the veils by Turkish women has been abolished by government decree. Only the homely women are objecting.—Ohio State Journal.

Social Service Exchange

The Social Service Exchange, an organization looking to co-operation and united effort on the part of organizations dealing in charity and public welfare work, has been formed in Wilkes county.

This is a forward step that should help all the organizations and prevent overlapping of activities, thus enabling a broader field of service with more unfortunates gaining the benefits of a humane society.

Highway Maintenance

It is good news to the motorists that comes out of Raleigh to the effect that \$10,000,000 is to be expended on highway maintenance next year.

Many motorists, and especially those who travel off the main arteries of the highway system, had already begun to wonder what the state is doing with six cents from each gallon of gasoline, not to mention revenue from the sale of automobile tags.

As a matter of fact, North Carolina has many millions in bonded indebtedness for roads already constructed and on which we must pay principal and interest. At the same time we should remember the tremendous investment in roads and not neglect maintenance provisions that will preserve the highways for the benefit of this and coming generations.

Outlying dirt roads, however, are not the only ones needing particular care and maintenance. Many of the hardsurfaced highways can be made useless by neglect and millions could be wasted by costly economy in failing to keep them in good repair.

Of Great Significance

All obstacles in the way of constructing the Shenandoah-Smoky Mountain parkway are being removed and dirt will be moved on the route soon, if Washington reports are correct.

Now comes the announcement out of Washington that the scenic road may be extended from Shenandoah to New England and from Smoky Mountains to Florida, traversing the continent.

This announcement is of much interest to us. As the upside map we recently published shows, the parkway will be along the Blue Ridge mountains in Alleghany, Ashe and Watauga counties in this section. (And by way of explanation, let us state here that the map was furnished by the national park service and they made the mistake of getting the lettering upside down.)

The parkway as originally planned will be a great asset to the counties through which it passes and if it is extended to be a trans-continental road the traffic will be increased tremendously with resultant benefits to nearby towns and communities.

Three state highways through North Wilkesboro will serve to handle much of the traffic to and from the parkway from piedmont and eastern North Carolina. Therefore, the parkway gains added significance because of its proximity and the fact that it will show to the world some of the majestic and panoramic scenery of the Blue Ridge mountains in this immediate section.

Americans and Liberties

People are hearing more about the constitution now than at any time in the past century. History is being made in peacetime as statesmen take the stand to defend the country's charter as an eternal document and others are saying that it needs revision to give the government more latitude in making and enforcing laws dealing with interstate relations.

The constitution of the nation was so framed as to give to each state certain rights of self-government and freedom from regulations over and above certain limitations by the federal government, especially in dealing with commerce from one state into another.

Also along this line we read and hear much about individual liberties. Regardless of laws and governmental regulations we have faith in the American people as a race that they will preserve all individual liberties that go toward making a free country and will instinctively rebel at anything else.

But when it comes to this question of liberty we have something complex to study. It is most certain that the government should take a hand in curbing individual liberty when the right of one individual to act in a given manner impairs the individual liberties of many other people, or perhaps the liberties of a class of people. In order that the nation may have the utmost in freedom for the population as a whole it sometimes becomes expedient that the liberties of some be curbed to some extent for the benefit of all.

This country was settled by people seeking individual liberty and our government was formed by industrious patriots who disliked the ways of England's monarchial rule. It was this same spirit that carried this country successfully through all its conflicts and brought it forward among the civilized nations of the world.

It appears now that the big issue in national politics next year will be whether this nation is to continue strictly with its charter or have an elastic constitution that will give the government more latitude.

The New Deal Democrats, led by Roosevelt, will draw many liberal Republicans on the theory that the constitution and its literal interpretation by the supreme court are out of date and do not fit this age. On the other hand Republicans clinging to the theory that the constitution must be rigidly observed to protect liberties and rights, will draw much support from conservative Democrats, or at least will cause them to be lethargic in the presidential campaign.

Sunday School Lesson

By REV. CHARLES E. DUNN

ACKNOWLEDGED BODY OF BOOKS

Josephus, the great Jewish historian, does not name the books of the Old Testament, but he limits the period of their production to the end of the Persian rule and gives the number as twenty-two, the number of letters in the Hebrew alphabet. This was counting the five books of Moses one, the twelve minor prophets one, and certain other combinations.

The Old Testament books that survived were in the old classic Hebrew. Those that bore a later stamp were received with suspicion, if at all.

The other factor which tended to fix a canon, or acknowledged body of books, was the translation of the Old Testament into Greek by a group of scholars whose work began under Ptolemy, king of Egypt, about two centuries before Christ. In this translation, called the Septuagint, or work of seventy scholars, was included a body of sacred literature already in Greek, the books known to us as the Apocrypha. These were a part of the Bible of Jesus and the apostles and were, of course, held sacred, as were also certain books from which the New Testament quotes, but which have not come down to us. The Apocalypse of Enoch is an example. Jude quotes it in the first chapter of his little epistle, the fourteenth verse.

Thus, while certain books from the ancient Hebrew had come to be accepted before the time of Jesus as entitled to special reverence, the fringes and margins of that collection were still open to dispute and were, in fact, disputed vigorously for two hundred years. For instance, a very early bishop of Sardis who made a journey to Palestine for the express purpose of learning if he could, precisely what books the Jews accepted as canonical, omitted Esther, Ezra and Lamentations from his list. And the question of whether the two books, Ecclesiastes and the Song of Songs, should be accounted sacred was not settled until the Council of Jamnia, about 90 A. D.

We may sum it all up by saying that the ancient books which were most used and gave most inspiration survived and, by being translated, secured a place for themselves in the canon. These include an out-and-out love song which has no religious motive; a book which does not mention the name of God, and another, Ecclesiastes, which is very contradictory. But the selection, made by the process of survival and on the basis of those books which were best beloved, is probably much finer than it would have been if a group of men, however devoted, had set themselves at any one time to assume the whole responsibility.

So much for the Old Testament. How were the New Testament books selected? Again, by the process of use.

Baseball Diamond Locale of Novel Movie Drama For Benefit Show Friday, 26



Comedy, a detective mystery, and gripping drama mingle with the excitement of the baseball field in "Death on the Diamond," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's thriller which is to be shown in a performance Friday night at 11 o'clock at the Liberty Theatre for the benefit of the North Wilkesboro baseball club.

The story deals with mysterious crimes during a pennant race. Gamblers have bet heavily against the St. Louis Cardinals, and when mysterious murders occur in the team's dugout, suspicion falls on more than thirty people. It is not until the final fadeout that the gripping detective mystery is solved. The action is blended with hilarious comedy, and thrills of actual baseball contests enliven the mystery episodes of the unique production.

Great Smoky National Parkway May Be Built To New England

Washington, July 11.—Reports of extending the Great Smoky Mountain National parkway from the Shenandoah park to the New England resort region became something more than speculation today when the PWA announced an allocation of \$2,500 to the National Park Service for making a preliminary survey of a parkway between Washington and Worcester, Mass.

Total cost of the survey will be \$5,000, the bureau of public roads furnishing the remaining \$2,500.

President Roosevelt has always manifested keen interest in the Great Smoky Mountain National parkway and he took a hand in locating it through North Carolina. At the time he told some of his friends that he hoped to see the parkway extended so as to reach from New England to Florida.

Allocation of money to make a survey indicates that the president's wishes may be carried out.

Meanwhile those interested in the parkway are seeking to clear a legal snarl in the legal division of the interior department and

get construction under way on portions of the scenic drive where surveys have been completed and everything is all set for dirt to begin flying.

Secretary of the Interior Ickes at his press conference this afternoon said he knew nothing about the delay in awarding a contract for construction of the 12-mile parkway stretch between Low Gap, Va., and the Roaring Gap section in North Carolina, but promised to look into the matter.

Harry Slattery, Ickes' personal secretary, talked with the legal division later this afternoon and succeeded in having the contract routed to the secretary's desk. This means early action by Ickes.

Highway Commission Will Meet In Raleigh July 23

Raleigh, July 11.—The state highway and public works commission will hold its next meeting July 24, following the letting set for July 23, Capus M. Waynick, chairman, announced today.

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