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'I jes' caught the rascal wh

robbed you. Here's yo valu\_

"Ain't no danger in it, son, an'

The archbishop had just preach-

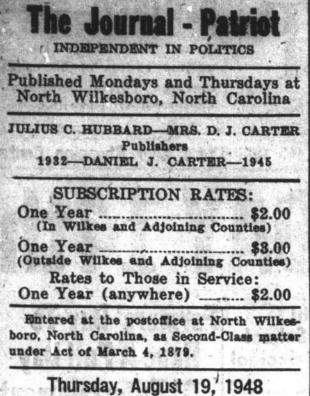
ed a very moving sermon on

married life and the beauties

thereof, Two old Irishmen com-

ing out of the church were heard

it's real excitin' for everybody."





## **City Takes Forward Step In Hospital Plan**

One of the most progressive moves in the history of North Wilkesboro was taken Saturday when the city council passed resolutions leading to the erection of a municipal hospital under provisions of the Hill-Burton act of congress and the Good Health Plan in North Carolina.

. Subsequently, the city called a special election as provided by law for the people to approve a bond issue of \$275,000 as the city's part in erection of a hospital to cost more than \$1,200,000.

The action on the part of the city of North Wilkesboro means that we shall take advantage of the funds, available from the state and federal governments, which will be 77 per cent of the total cost. It would indeed be reckless folly and waste in the highest degree to fail to get 77 per cent of the cost of something which must be done in the near future.

No one can deny the urgent and imperative need of enlarged hospital facilities here. No one can say that present hospital facilities are adequate and no one , always trying to impress you with how can say that the present hospital can care busy they are, and how indispensable they for all those needing hospital treatment in the normal course of sickness and health. to say nothing of what would be the situation in event of any disaster in which even a small number of people were injured at one time. The present hospital is a splendid institution, well equipped and well operated, but entirely too small and inadequate to fill the county's needs. Since the hospital proposal was put forward by the Health Committee of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce the proposal has received unanimous support from civic organizations. First to endorse the proposal and urge that action be taken was the newly organized Optimist club. Later the Kiwanis and Lions clubs gave their unanimous approval, and other groups have joined in endorsement. County conventions of both parties went on record favoring the providing of adequate hospital facilities. With such a preponderance of approval it appears that the voters will approve the bond issue proposal with a big vote on September 28. In order to vote in the special election it is necessary to register, regardless of whether or not you have registered for municipal and general elections.

dictator countries where they are controlled and subsidized. They are not afraid to criticize government, public officials or business.

There can be no free press or individual opportunity without private enterprise.

Communism and socialism kill free enterprise and personal liberty because under such political systems government owns industry, including newspapers, and the individual.

American editors are against communism and socialism, first, because such governmental philosophies destroy political freedom; second, because they destroy a free press.

Any successful move to socialize an industry in the United States, undermines by that much, personal liberty, the foundation of a free press, and the unrestricted opportunity of individuals to choose a line of work or an employer. Under socialism and communism you work for the state and like it, or else.

That is why individuals and newspapers wishing to retain their independence should oppose government ownership of business in our country, while they have a chance. Don't be lulled into a false sense of security by thinking it can't happen here.

Although the Navy's submarine service had less than two per cent of the total Navy personnel, the submarine forces sank two-thirds of all Japanese ships accounted for by the Navy during World War II.



Those who most try to impress us with their importance are the self-important. It has been said that "There is no importance like self-importance." I have just come across a letter on my desk which prompts this thought. How this truth needs to be emphasized now!

"These self-important people who are are to their company or employer, make me sick. We aren't half as indispensable as we think we are. I know this is a blow to the ego, but it's the truth. Recently, I noticed a prominent merchant go out of business in Charlotte and move to another town. He had been a good citizen here for a number of years, and had contributed liberally to the town's philanthropies. He got five lines in the newspaper.

By DWIGHT NICHOLS et al

EARLY FALL BREEZE Used to be that the dollar had

buying power. Now it has good-

when? . . . A chip on the shoulder is indicative of wood higher up . . . The legislator returning from a recent session said it was just like getting out of the pen because it was so tough meeting old friends . . . When a girl reduces she goes out of her weigh to please a man . . . The man who makes his living by his wits may find that he has only half a living . . . An editor calls himself "we" so the fellow who doesn't like what he writes will think there are too many of them

to lick. WOULD BE CAREFUL

Young Harry had made friends th' hill, take off my mask, put does."

byeing power . . . A person who with a new boy from across the [on by deputy star, and meet 'en talks all the time is bound to be tracks, and his mother was a lit- down to the bend. I say to 'emp right sometime, but who knows the worried about it. "Harry," she anxiously inquired, "does he use any bad words?" "No. Mother," Harry replied, "and don't you worry-I'm not

going to teach him any!" LOTS OF FUN-A visitor to the Cumberlands was asking Grandpa Tuggle what he did to break the monotony. "I go down to th' road an' rob folks in autymobiles." "But that's a crime!" the visitor protested.

"Nope," Grandpa said; "jes"

to comment on the address. "Tis a fine sermon his riverence would be after giving us," said one.

ables' "

"It is indade," was the quick fun. See this hairpin curve? reply, "and I wish I knew as Well, after I rob "em, I duck over little about the matter as he

INEXPERIENCED-



Adequate hospital facilities are a "must" in plans of any community for progress. Human suffering cannot be neglected. It is not only an economic factor but a moral issue.

There is a shortage of doctors everywhere, and new doctors are locating where better hospital facilities exist. A modern, 100-bed hospital fully equipped will be a great factor in the future supply of doctors to serve this community and all Wilkes county.

## The Editor's Stake

A free press is made possible by advertising-a thousand and one different advertisements of industries seeking to sell their wares or services to the public.

From such a field in which to seek business the press of the United States can maintain its financial independence-the smallest country weekly or the greatest metropolitan daily has an equal chance. Such financial independence means edi-

torial independence. American newspapers are not creatures/of government as in

"I attended another meeting in which an employee of a large organization was severing his connection after many years of service. He got one or two speeches of appreciation, and as soon as his resignation was announced, the staff went into immediate session to name his successor.

"I know that it is said that it is difficult to find dependable people. That may be true amongst the youngsters, but dependability is to be had only by training and experience.

"There are many men and women chaining themselves down to a job of working long hours, failing to take the proper rest and recreation and marking themselves out for an early grave; and before the coffin is closed the crowd down at the office will be together naming his successor.

"When we step out of life's picture, we leave just about what you find when you pull your finger out of a bucket of water. Try and find the hole!"

The writer of this letter evidently knows whereof he speaks. Perhaps he has had sad personal experience. It is a pity that we Americans either have to take ourselves too seriously, or not seriously enough. - state

To do our best work on any job, we need to have proper food, rest, and relaxation. A brain can't do good work in a tired run-down body. Furthermore, the main-spring of all living is the spiritual life. Far too many people forget this entinely.

Your body must have care, and your soul must have nurture if you are to live well, enjoy your work, render service, and do your job so when you have to step out the other man can step in easily.

There is much in the saying, "The King is dead, long live the King!" Life is serious on the spiritual end, but most of us put the seriousness on the other end.