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PITY THE EDITOR'S NECK

If you happen to walk up the street some morning and see the editor of this newspaper ambling around with his head flopped 'way over to one side or hanging down on his chest, or maybe hanging between his shoulders, you will know that a certain gentleman of Brevard has been up before His Honor, Mayor Ralph Ramsey.

This particular "friend" of the editor has emphatically declared that the next time his name appears in The Transylvania Times that he will break the editor's neck, and we have no way of knowing just when this catastrophe is going to overtake the poor fellow who has no more sense than to go right on doing as he pleases about printing names that appear on the mayor's docket.

There have been times, several of them in fact, that this paper would like to have omitted certain people's names from the list of those carried from week to week who have the hard luck to break the law and get caught at it—or better stated perhaps—those who fail to get away with their violations. However, we have printed them along with the colored man who got caught with a pint of joy-water, and along with the other folk who have offended, the dignity of the law and have had to appear before the mayor.

And, what's more, the next fellow who is tried and convicted in the mayor's court will have the honor of having his name printed in The Transylvania Times, no matter who he may be. The Times has been carrying these names at the request of the mayor and the board of aldermen and also at the request of numerous other people, who feel that publicity may help to prevent violation of the law down.

Let it be understood, The Times is not carrying the names of people tried in mayor's court "just to fill up space," nor for the reason that it enjoys printing this sort of public record. But inasmuch as we have been printing the names, and the further fact that it is now an established policy of the paper, we shall continue to print every person's name that is convicted in mayor's court, no matter who it may be. When the time comes that we shall be forced to stop this, the office will be closed and there will be no more Transylvania Times under the present management.

And let it be understood, fully, that no amount of neck-breaking threats, or intimidations, will stop the practice.

WHO GOT THE MONEY?

An interesting sidelight on Tuesday's election in South Carolina was the persistent questioning of J. D. McCullough, seeking the seat of Congressman J. J. McSwain. For some time before the election the congressional aspirant continually asked this question of his opponent: "Who got the money?"—referring to certain monies paid to the Congressman's wife and a student at the University of South Carolina which McCullough claimed nepotism.

If the statements published by McCullough are true, he is doing his people a favor by going about his campaign in what would ordinarily be termed a "mud-slinging" way. We believe it would be a good idea for all voters of the entire country to take the trouble to find out from their congressmen and senators just "who it was that got the money" spent in the past several years by the law-making bodies in Washington.

Goodness knows there was an abundance of money trickling around for somebody to wet a whole lot, and the people who pay the taxes are entitled to know just who received the tremendous amounts and why. If the people of the United States will inquire diligently they will be able to learn why it is that so many "would-be servants of the people" can afford to spend more money to get elected than their salary calls for over a period of two years.

We hope that there will be many more McCulloughs seeking office in the coming campaign, and that they will dig down to the bottom and find out just "who got the money."

SOUTHERN PEOPLE WAKING UP

Southern people, whose industrial independence depends to a large extent on cotton, are waking to the fact that to maintain their place in the world demands legislative recognition by Congress. Movement is being started now that will gain impetus by the time Congress meets, and cause the lawmakers to give consideration of the fact that a million bales of cotton per year are being crowded off the markets by cheaply imported jute. The Charlotte Observer sums it up as a "Self-Defense Movement" in the following editorial:

"The Post Office Department placed a large order with a Hickory manufacturing concern for twine to be used for binding wrappers, when the jute trust got busy and brought about cancellation of the order, because jute twine could be provided at a little less cost. That action aroused Southern cotton interests to the importance of aggressive action in behalf of cotton materials for that and other purposes, especially in the matter of bagging cotton. Mr. B. E. Gossett, president of the American Cotton Manufacturers Association, gives word of a coming campaign in the South for development of a sentiment that would exercise some influence on Congress to legislate in this big interest of the South and of the country. He makes estimate that substitution of cotton for jute in various ways would take at least a million bales of cotton off the markets—and of course that would be a big item in Southern prosperity. Cotton consumption could be increased to a total value of \$70,000,000, and surely that is an item that should enlist the consideration of Congress. This desired situation could be brought about by laws giving the Southern staple protection from the importation of the cheaper foreign article. This could be legitimately called a protective movement in self-defense."

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GREATER WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

Concerted action like that taken by representatives of the counties bordering on the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in their meeting last Wednesday, is the first step toward making of Western North Carolina a place that will be known far and wide. It is indeed gratifying to note that the feeling of animosity so prevalent among the sister counties of this section in the years past has been put aside, and that the people here have come to realize that to grow and prosper there must be a spirit of co-operation among all the sections if the individual communities are to prosper.

People are not quite so much interested in what the governors of the Carolinas once said to each other as they are in what the governor of New York said to the mayor of New York.

HISTORIANS CONTINUE TO ARGUE ABOUT WHO STARTED THE WORLD WAR

Historians continue to argue about who started the World War. And it looks more and more as if whoever started it did the American taxpayer a dirty trick.

THE VIEWS OF OTHER EDITORS

Genevieve Herrick, writing for the Chicago Tribune describes for the edification of taxpayers a tidy bit of federal elegance which under stress of financial difficulties could have been done without. The United States senate garage is too well for words. It is pale green and expensively ventilated and rests quietly beneath the capitol building for the benefit of those who haven't their own chauffeurs.

This convenience, which is nice but dear, is a recent acquisition and came from that appropriation of \$772,000 for the "torace, fountain and garage," which in turn was part of the appropriation of \$1,722,500 for the "enlargement of the capitol grounds."

Its actual cost is difficult for a private citizen to arrive at but it is estimated at coming close to \$100,000.

Of course when the house of representatives glanced across the building and realized that they didn't have any such grand garage they at once began to work hard to get one of their own. The economy drive delayed their plans, so the representatives will have to remain hard pioneers for a few more years and get rained on once in a while.

No, really, the gentlemen whom we all pay to represent us in Washington will have to curb their appetites for spending. The taxpayers would rather have the use of all this money themselves.

It seems incredible that when we buy a stamp, make a long distance telephone call or cash a check we are contributing to garages, Congressional Record appendices and expenditures for the personal gratification of our elected representatives.

Thanks just the same but we would rather keep that money ourselves. We've earned it.—Sheridan, Wyoming, Press.

GLANCING BACK AT BREVARD

Taken from the files of The Sylvan Valley News, beginning 1895, through the courtesy of Mrs. W. B. F. Wright.

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We have found on our editorial table the address card of William Edmond Breece Jr., of Asheville, on which was written, "Sorry you were out, Mr. Minor." The same card has been in the possession of neither the editor nor the editor saw him. We must have had a lone-some wait. We are usually at home except court week.

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Judge Merrimon, who was advertised to speak at the court-house on Wednesday, disappointed many from the upper end of the county who were anxious to hear him. He was reported by telegraph as very sick at his home in Asheville. He has a wide interest in Transylvania, and his absence was considered by many in the light of a disaster.

We have some sidewalks in Brevard that we hardly think the judge has tried to pass over, or he would have found the road over-seer on the south side of Main Street in the corner of Caldwell to Min Aiken's restaurant. The fresh dirt which has been recently added is left just as it was dumped from the wheelbarrows, no effort being made to level it or make it passable. Won't it be a nice exhibition for our Asheville visitors today?

The Brevard roller mills seem determined to give the farmers an opportunity to help themselves. They have received a car load of June wheat, raised, cleaned and threshed by the county of Caldwell in Buncombe county, and by being acclimated, will be the best possible for our farmers to sow. Mr. Jenkins says that it will sell well without profit for cost and a price. Those who are competing for any of the prizes offered by the mill can by this arrangement all get the same variety.

The entertainment at the court-house on Thursday evening was a very enjoyable theatrical event and was well patronized. A large audience of Brevard society were present to encourage and cheer our local talent in its effort to entertain. The music and singing were excellent and the farces, "Box and Cox," and the farce comedy, "All in a Fog," were enjoyable and highly appreciated. It is evident that our town is enjoying a season of high talent, and that Mr. A. E. Boardman is a success as theatrical manager. We sincerely hope that our people may have numerous future exhibitions by the native talent we possess.

W. J. Bryan, candidate for president, will be in Asheville next Wednesday and speak on campaign issues of the day. The superior court of Transylvania county convened on Monday immediately after the arrival of the train from Hendersonville.—Judge Bryan's charge to the grand jury is spoken of in terms of approbation by those competent to judge. He is a man of high character, pointed and extensive. The following visiting attorneys were present: V. S. Lusk, Geo. W. Justice, G. A. Shuford, W. E. Breece and W. E. Shuford, Asheville; W. A. Smith, A. E. Pusey, T. J. Ricketts, Hendersonville; C. B. Meshburn and W. W. Zachary, Marshall.

FOREST FIRE LOSSES REDUCED FOR JULY

RALEIGH, Aug. 30.—Forest fire destruction struck a low level in counties organized for fire protection, the "Red Deer" in July, the monthly report of the division of forestry of the department of conservation and development reveals. Fire damaged forest in co-operating counties only to the extent of \$3659 during July, and only 1460 acres were burned over by 34 forest fires.

Smokers were the greatest offenders in starting fires during the month with more than one-third of the total assigned to their recklessness. Seven of the fires were classified in the miscellaneous group; four were started from brush burning; three were classed as being incendiary origin; two each were assigned to campers and fishermen; and to unknown origins. An unusual occurrence was the fact that two of the fires were traced to lightning bolts into the least known configuration known in the state.

Next to July, the next least disastrous period for forest fires in the state during the year was June when 55 were recorded as having done damage amounting to \$6986 and to have burned over an area of 4570 acres.

CUT IN POWER RATE OPPOSED

Hearings at Raleigh To Be Resumed Friday Morning

RALEIGH, Aug. 29.—The cost of auditing county school funds has been reduced almost \$23,000 this past year compared with the cost in 1929, before the general assembly provided that no school fund audits should be made without first securing the approval of the local government commission, figures secured at the office of the county auditor today.

The cost of school fund audits in the various counties for the year ending June 30, 1932, was \$83,717, while for the year ending June 30, 1933, the cost of these audits to the counties was \$60,606. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1930, the cost of auditing school funds was \$88,004, a saving of \$12,000 the first year after the new law went into effect. For the year ending June 30, 1931, the cost was \$38,547.

The first law, enacted by the 1929 general assembly upon the recommendation of the then county government advisory commission, provided that before any county official or county agency, including the board of education, could have any audit made, it must first have a written contract with the county government commission. The 1931 general assembly amended the act so that in addition to applying the law to county agencies, it also approved all bills for payment for services rendered by auditors.

This same act says now to all the divisions of the counties, as well as to cities and towns. Charles M. Johnson, director of local government and secretary of the local government commission, said: "When the figures from all these are available, they will show that the local government commission, through the enforcement of the law, which has reduced the cost of auditing local units far beyond the total cost of operating the local government commission, which amount to only \$39,000 this year. This, of course, is only a small part of the savings effected by the commission in all its various activities."

HAZLIP WINS BENDIX AWARD

Cuts Time From Los Angeles to Cleveland to 8 Hours, 19 Minutes

CLEVELAND, Aug. 30.—Jimmie Hazlip of St. Louis was today crowned king of the air in a speed flying yesterday in the feature of the third day's program of the national air races. Hazlip shot his trim and monoplane over the home pylons in the \$15,000 Bendix trophy race to edify all previous records for the 2,041 mile trip across desert mountains and plains from Los Angeles.

He arrived here at 3:04 p. m., with an elapsed time of 8 hours, 19 minutes and 45.79 seconds. His average time for the flight was 245 miles per hour. The previous record was nine hours, 10 minutes 21 seconds set by Jimmie Doolittle last year.

Mrs. Mae Hazlip, his wife and a noted speed pilot herself, was overjoyed. "I was not awfully surprised, however," she said. "Because he is one good pilot and he had one swell ship."

Second to arrive, but third in the feature, was Roscoe Turner, of Los Angeles, who flew the distance in 9 hours 2 minutes and 25.23 seconds.

After Hazlip had reared on to the finish line, the plane in the final standings was Jimmie Weddell, from Patterson, La. His elapsed time was 8 hours 47 minutes and 31 seconds. All of the first three races to arrive were Weddell's entries.

Fourth and last-place went to Leo Gehlbach, Mt. Clemens, Mich., who flew the distance in 9 hours 22 minutes and 45.79 seconds, carrying the same engine which he flew with in the Thompson trophy race last year.

SAY OFFICIAL COUNT TO FIX TEXAS WINNER DALLAS, Texas, Aug. 30.—Mrs. Miriam Ferguson had a lead of 1297 votes over Governor Ross at the close of the election. Returns to the Texas election bureau revealed the vote complete from 224 of 254 counties in the state gave Ferguson 474,930, Sterling 479,238.

PROPOSAL FOR STATE TO MAINTAIN HIGHWAYS IN CITIES IS BEING STUDIED

RALEIGH, Aug. 29.—The plan proposed by the State Municipal League for an allotment for the cities and towns of the state from the state highway maintenance funds for the maintenance of streets traversed by state highways, is now being studied by the state highway commission, according to Chairman E. B. Jeffress. It is apparent, however, that this plan is not being looked upon with favor in official circles here, despite the fact that the highway commission has not completed its study of this proposal to determine how much money the official estimates are that this plan would probably cost the state several million dollars a year.

WALKER LOSES PLEA TO HALT HIS HEARING

Court Holds Governor Free of Judicial Control in Executive Matters

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 30.—Sumner A. Court, Justice of the State last night denied the application of John J. Curtin, counsel for Mayor James J. Walker, for a writ of prohibition restraining Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt from conducting a hearing on charges of corruption against the mayor.

In reply to Curtin's contention that Roosevelt did not have the power to remove Walker, Justice Stanley wrote: "The governor has no power on his person and they cannot commit him for a disobedience of judicial process. For errors, if any, of law or of facts in the proceedings, now pending, the court is not responsible, not to the court, but to the people and his own conscience."

Stanley appeared for his chambers with a handful of copies of the decision, which he reserved for a month of waiting newspapermen. He made public the decision after a conference of more than an hour with Curtin.

The decision means that the hearing will go on at 1:30 p. m. Deferring further the governor's position on the case. "While the practice of a writ of prohibition has no place in our system of government, the judicial authority is clear and well established in the functioning of the departments of government. Executives, legislative and judicial, the constitution has enumerated the powers and defined the limits of each. It cannot encroach upon the other and the balance of power preserved."

The respondent, as governor of the state, is immune from interference by the courts in the exercise of his executive powers. A sphere of duty has been established for the executive and within that sphere he cannot encroach upon the other and the balance of power preserved."

In upholding the governor, Stanley declared a number of cases not only in the statute books of New York but also of those of Pennsylvania and Michigan. Informing of the decision, Roosevelt declared: "I cannot say until I have had an opportunity to look over the document."

The decision was composed of 12 closely typewritten pages. Stanley held that the basis of the authority of the governor to act in the Walker matter is contained in section 122 of the constitution of New York City. The section provides: "The mayor may be removed from office by the governor in the same manner as sheriff except that the governor may direct the removal provided by law to be conducted by the attorney general; and after the charges have been received by the governor he may, pending the investigation, suspend the mayor for a period not exceeding 30 days."

111 Aircraft Are Owned in State

RALEIGH, Aug. 27.—North Carolina has a total of 111 aircraft of various descriptions, according to a report of the U. S. Air Commerce Bulletin of August 3.

Of the listed aircraft, 67 are classed as being licensed by the Aeronautics division of the U. S. Department of Commerce and 44 are classed as being unlicensed. In addition to the regular pilots and gliders are residents of the state.

New York heads the list in total ownership of aircraft by its residents, 1,232 being reported by that state with California pushing the Empire state in number with 1,162. Other states having large numbers of planes include Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Pennsylvania.

Florida heads the Southeastern states in the number of planes with 207; Maryland comes next with 121; and North Carolina is third with 111.

The Old North state's 104 licensed pilots are classified as follows: The following groups: transport, 40; limited commercial, 14; private, 50. There are two gliders listed. The report lists a total of 18,069 pilots in the United States, including 520 women, in the United States. California is at the head of the field in total number of pilots by a wide margin, with 8,497; and New York is second with 1,815 or slightly more than one-half the number of the Golden Gate state.

SLEEP WALKER DROWNS

WILLOWS, Cal.—John Posen, habitual sleep walker, drowned from his bed late at night and hiked four miles. A sheriff's posse found his body in a creek about 11 miles from his home. He had still been apparently asleep when he stumbled.

DOG CATCHER SYMPATHETIC

NORTH PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Resigning as dog officer, Joseph Catlow explained he was quitting because "it's not so easy to walk into a man's home, grab his dog, and then try to get it out of the prospect of losing their pet."