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Let's Solve Parking Problems Now

There were many favorable comments on a recent editorial in The Times in which it was suggested that parallel parking be adopted in Brevard from Main to Jordan street on the west side.

And we repeat that this would widen the street; give people an opportunity to practice horizontal parking and, at the same time, eliminate the possibility, which is often a practice, of one car backing into another.

With the streets now being resurfaced,

this seems to be a most appropriate time for the town to at least try parallel parking in one place. We realize that if the entire business area were converted overnight, that problems galore would be created and the parking situation might become worse instead of better.

And when the streets in the business section of the town are resurfaced, we sincerely hope that the parking spaces will be widened and the angle of parking will not be repainted quite as sharply as now.

Greater Promotion Of Archery

Brevard's outstanding archer, O. K. Smathers, has captured extensive publicity for himself and for this community and his name has made headlines in the press throughout Eastern America.

The Times feels that his fame is certainly worthy of editorial comment, because his chief aim is not personal glory, but the promotion of the sport of archery.

In addition to being president of the North Carolina Archery association, he also heads the Southeastern group, which he will bring to beautiful Camp Harry H. Straus for its annual tournament next June.

In his modest manner, the Brevard

champion teaches young and old the ancient sport of archery. When congratulated by friends upon his return home over the week end from the national tournament in Massachusetts, he was apologetic for being the runner-up and not winning the coveted crown.

Our sincere wish is that next year he will come home with the national crown and then go on to Europe and to Sweden, where archery is the No. 1 sport, for a round with the world's greatest. Just as Ben Hogan proved that an American was the best of all golfers in England, we have the conviction that Smathers can do the same thing in his field on foreign soil.

"Give The Kids A Brake"

Each year at this time we issue the timely warning: "Give the kids a brake."

Next week more than 3,000 Transylvania boys and girls will head back to school for another nine months. From early morning until late afternoon they will be walking and riding on our highways and by-ways.

In this fast, modern age, children dart from all corners, never giving a thought to a possible oncoming vehicle that might be exceeding the speed limit.

The best policy for motorists to follow, particularly when driving in school zones, is to travel at a speed which will allow for stopping suddenly to avoid hitting a child.

More than ever before Transylvania drivers should practice safety. A record enrollment is expected, and more than half of the school children in this county ride school buses. Motorists are again reminded that it is unlawful to pass a school bus while loading or unloading.

Please, Mr. Motorist: be constantly on the alert and "give the kids a brake."

Freeze The Social Security Tax

The President, in his budget message, said that the increase in the social security levy, which under the present law will go into effect on the first of next year, should be postponed. The increase would raise the rate on both employers and employees from one and one-half to two per cent. It would, therefore, amount to an automatic jump in the income taxes of all the millions of people under social security.

The case for freezing the tax rate is a very strong one. Social security reserves are enormous — some \$18,000,000,000. And annual collections are running greatly in excess of benefit payments and expenses.

Moreover, few believe that the present social security set-up is sound and equitable. The House Ways and Means committee has established a sub-committee to make an exhaustive study of the entire social security system — a matter which will take considerable time. Other authoritative non-governmental studies have been started, including at least one which seeks ways for putting social security on a pay-as-we-go basis.

In the light of all this — to say nothing of the fact that the Administration is

pledged to eventual tax reduction, not tax increases — the levy should be frozen. The danger lies in the fact that, simply through inaction on the part of Congress, the automatic provision of the present law will be allowed to become operative and all of us will suffer another tax bite. Here's a case where only specific Congressional action to change the law can do a needed job.

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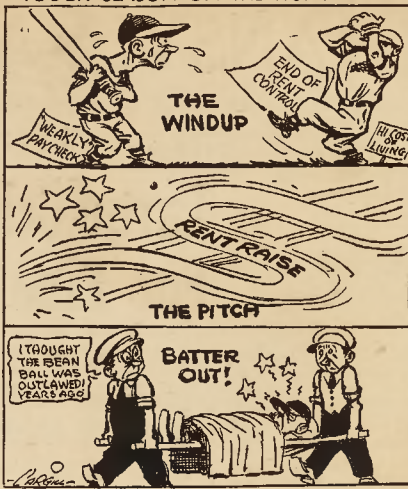
A 360-pound western woman is asking for alimony. That's one suit where the plaintiff really needs support.

If you want months to seem shorter and years to seem longer, start paying for something on the installment plan.

It takes the kick out of being a self-made man when you step on the scales and the pointer says 240.

People who stop to study all the angles in business seldom wind up running around in circles.

TOUGH SEASON ON THE HOME TEAM!



Comments From Our Readers . . .

LETTERS TO THE TIMES

Mr. John I. Anderson, Editor
Transylvania Times
Brevard, North Carolina
Dear Mr. Anderson:

We want to take this occasion to thank you for the publicity which you gave to the various projects of the Western North Carolina chapter of the Society for Advancement of Management during the past SAM year.

You may be aware that one of the ambitions of our local chapter was to win the Harrington Emerson trophy which is awarded on a point basis each year, on chapter performance as measured by the national organization. One of the bases for such point awards are publicity in local newspapers and through radio broadcasting.

While we failed to achieve our objective in winning this trophy, we can take some solace in that we did make a very good showing and ran a close second to a highly industrialized area, namely, Lancaster, Pa. The points awarded to the first six chapters in our class are as follows:

Lancaster, Pa., 7,618 points;
Western North Carolina, 7,472;
Lehigh Valley, 3,665; Hudson Valley, 2,560; Baltimore, 2,139; Charlotte, 2,070.

There is a total of 41 chapters with whom we were competing. Again, I want to thank you for the part you played in making our good showing possible, and I am sure that with your continued cooperation we will come out on top, possibly this next year.

Mr. N. H. Collinson, vice president of Ecusta Paper Corp., and general manager of Olin Industries, our new president, has appointed Mr. W. B. Huger of Champion Paper & Fibre Company as the publicity chairman for the next year. The latter will probably contact you before our activities begin for the new fiscal year.

Yours very truly,
FRED A. WAYANT
Past President Western North Carolina Chapter
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PICK OF THE PRESS IN THE CAROLINAS

CAN GUARANTEED HOUSING SUSTAIN GUARANTEED PENSIONS?

(Evelyn Proffers)
One of the interesting arguments of long standing is whether the hen or the egg came first. Another is whether pensions breed inflation or inflation breeds pensions. You might get off base trying to decide either question. The best answer to the latter question might be that both carried to extremes breed depression and hard times. The other day we noticed where the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America, of New York, was closing on a mortgage on housing project at Orangeburg, South Carolina. Doesn't that have a kind of hen first-egg first atmosphere? We would infer that the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of New York is a place where teachers either voluntarily or by deduction by law put up money for the rainy day or old age and retirement.

A housing project is one of those places where the government builds you a more expensive home than you could build yourself. According to the papers, the government is having to take in a great many of those built in South Carolina. We thought it would, because they are built on the cost plus basis on which nobody but the contractor has any reasonable chance to come out. Now this Teachers Annuity and Insurance outfit, which may be the pension custodian of New York, says, we lend this money, which the teachers pay, on this housing project in Orangeburg, S. C., because the government, by the FHA system, guarantees the loan. If it is a bad loan, which seems to have happened at an early date in this case, the government will pay us and tote the sack. If housing projects continue to go as they have in this state, the sack may be a bigger — Turn To Page Five

FROM OUR FILES GLANCING BACKWARD AT "THE GOOD OLD DAYS"

IS YEARS AGO
Arrangements have been completed for an interesting safety program in Brevard Friday afternoon, main feature of which will be a parade at 3 o'clock demonstrating a "magic car."

A mad dog was killed by Walter Glazener near his home in the country club section last Friday night, after the dog had bitten two of the Glazener dogs.

Elementary pupils of Transylvania county schools will have free school books this year, according to announcement made by County Superintendent J. B. Jones.

Miss Christine Saltz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Saltz, of Brevard, and Claiborne B. Scott, of Asheville, were married on Sunday afternoon, August 8, at the home of the Rev. E. N. Crow-

der, in Rutherfordton. A few intimate friends and relatives witnessed the ceremony.

Enka is still leading the Industrial league, and while the race is not positively sewn up for the second half, the first half winners seem to have first lick at it.

Transylvania county's school enrollment for the year 1937-38 is expected to reach the new high mark of 2,500, preliminary survey reveals.

Announcement has been made of the menu for the chicken supper to be given by ladies of the Methodist church Thursday evening, August 28, from 6 to 8 o'clock in the church dining room.

It seems, from reports made at the board of aldermen meeting — Turn To Page Eleven

BEHIND THE NEWS . . .

From Washington

By GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY



THE PRESIDENT'S POPULARITY

When the congress reconvenes in January or earlier, should a special session be called, its members will have been home to visit with their constituents. They will have a closer appraisal of public opinion on the questions with which they will have to deal. They will be able to measure the popularity of General Eisenhower or which has been an important consideration in the halls of congress.

I have been noting the returns on this subject by "Facts Forum." I select this study over some others because I like the method of gathering data. It seems to me to provide the possibility of a better cross-section of the country than some other polls of opinion.

The question asked was: "Do you favor Ike over the man likely to be the next Democratic nominee?" Frankly, this question bothers me because who knows who will be the next Democratic candidate? How can anyone have an opinion on that subject? I would have asked the question more simply. "Do you still like Ike as much as you did?" However, at this stage, I think the answers would be the same no matter how you ask the question: the president is a popular man.

In January, the president's popularity on this poll stood at 89 per cent; in March, it was 85 per cent; in April, 87 per cent; for July, 80 per cent. It is interesting that when these figures are broken down for the Solid South, they show the July figures break up as follows: 78 per cent for the North; 82 per cent for the Solid South.

I do not believe that there is enough accuracy in any poll for anyone to quarrel about exact figures. What this poll shows is that a continuing test taken of public opinion establishes the fact that the president is an exceedingly popular person.

Yet, this popularity is not reflected in the conversations of the politicians, even of his own party, who worry about their own prospects. For instance, two of the most important Republicans are in a row for re-election. They are Senator Styles Bridges of New Hampshire and Senator Homer Ferguson, of Michigan.

Bridges is president pro tem of the senate and chairman of the appropriations committee; Ferguson is chairman of the Republican policy committee. These senators are respected by their colleagues. Both are in danger.

The Bridges situation is almost without precedent. A man of his seniority and position is usually assured of renomination and, if his state, of re-election.

Yet, Bridges may have to put up a tremendous fight for renomination because the president's chief-of-staff, Sherman Adams, is reputed to desire his position. Those who like Adams say that now that he is ensconced in greatness, he will forego his senatorial ambitions. Those who dislike him say that he has caused the president considerable grief and that his best way out of the White House would be to run for the senate. At any rate, as long as Sherman Adams is a prospective candidate for United States senator, he disturbs the relations between the president and those Republicans who feel that Bridges is about to get a real deal.

In the case of Ferguson, the situation is more complicated. Here is a man of scholarly attainments, a great lawyer, a tremendously hard worker. He was elected chairman of the Republican policy committee by his colleagues, after the death of Senator Taft, because he is the most deserving man for the post.

However, Ferguson is quiet and studious and does most of his work in committee. He avoids sensationalism of any kind. His labors are constructive rather than didactic. His name does not appear in the newspapers every day cussing someone.

Yet Republican politicians, in his state, fear that he has not sufficiently growled in the dust before the lords of power in his particular state. They say that unless he is sure of re-election, they might get him a judgeship and put a more demagogic personality in his place. Should they do that, it would be a pity. The senate has few men of Ferguson's ability; it already has too many empty-headed, blustering speed-makers who not only do not know what they say but do not know what they do. Republicans fear that Eisenhower's popularity will not be sufficient to save their party.

THE EVERYDAY COUNSELLOR

By REV. HERBERT SPAUGH, D. D.



Most people are much more lonely than they admit. It seems to be a kind of occupational disease for traveling salesmen who have to live away from their homes a majority of the time. I have had so many come to me with their problems, particularly that of drinking.

The salesman does well during the day while he is making contacts with people. Then night comes. After he has written up his orders, done his paper work, he is left alone in his hotel room. He either goes out and seeks entertainment or else sits down to read and go to bed. Then loneliness comes upon him. He thinks about his home, his family, wishes he were with them, but he isn't. He even finds it difficult to go to sleep. This is when so many of them succumb to drinking. Some seek other forms of escape from this loneliness.

The natural man without God is lonely. He came into this world alone, goes out of it alone. This sense of loneliness is unnecessary. We make it for ourselves. There is one spiritual element common to all men at birth, the divine spark planted there by Almighty God who created man "in the image of God." That spark is the beginning of man's spiritual nature. It cries out to be fanned into flames. It reaches out for its Creator. For this reason man is innately religious. He reaches out for God, for a sense of divine companionship and fellowship.

It is from that divine spark that the spiritual life comes of which the Bible speaks when it says that man was created "in the image of God." Jesus spoke of that spiritual life when He said that a man must be borne anew from above if he is to enter the kingdom of heaven. He discussed it fully with Rabbi Nicodemus as recorded in St. John's Gospel.

To these with that new life Christ gave the divine promise, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." He re-echoes that promise made years earlier, "My presence shall go with thee and I will give thee rest." We are never alone when we think, live, and even sleep "in the presence of God."

The Psalmist echoes the universal desire of man when he writes, "One thing have I desired, that will I seek after, that I may dwell in the presence of the Lord all the days of my life to behold the beauty of the Lord. . . Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the presence of the Lord forever." As this consciousness comes upon us we realize that we are never alone. And as the divine spark burns stronger in our lives, it draws others to us. We are drawn to them. Ours is a new fellowship as "sons of God."

The natural man without God is a lonely creature, but the new man in Christ has continuing conscious fellowship with his Lord and with his fellow Christians.

No, we never need to be alone.