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Our Byrd is at least part homing pigeon.

Come on up to the mountains and cool off ye lowlanders.

That Democratic meeting in Sylva on Monday afternoon was so harmonious that it was actually unnatural.

Harmonious, but otherwise Democratic, would be a good description of the district meeting held here on Monday afternoon.

We don't know how he got it; but we do know that it is positively indecent for a newspaper reporter to have large sums of money on deposit

A deficit of a hundred million dollars for Uncle Sam isn't so bad when you compare his size with ours and measure our deficit along side of his.

Bet you that you didn't notice that wheat is selling at the lowest price it has reached since 1914 the last time you bought a sack of flour.

With 12 cent cotton, 87 cent wheat, 74 cent corn, 35 cent oats, and 44 cent rye the farmers doubtless feel that all campaign pledges have been kept and that they are sufficiently relieved.

No doubt congressmen and senators think it warm in Washington at this time; but looking back and comparing, next November, many of them will remember these June days as positively frigid.

One thing to keep in mind when passing upon Veterans' legislation is that they kept a very important industry running, a few years back; and that were it not for them, you probably wouldn't have anything of your own with which to pay taxes.

President Hoover and Mr. Mellon are powerfully concerned over an increase of \$102,000,000 a year for the World War Veterans, as provided in the bill just passed; but were distributed not at all at the extra tariff tax on the consumers of this country of a billion dollars a year, for the benefit of a comparatively few owners of production facilities.

ENTERTAINING RURAL JACKSON COUNTY

(By WILLIARD HENSON, President Caney Fork Progressive Society)

There is a crying need throughout rural America for general community organizations of entertainment. Especially is this true of isolated communities. Many such communities are to be found in Jackson county. Such organizations should provide civic leadership, but above all should provide wholesome entertainment. Such programs as these literary societies, uplift clubs or what you choose to call them provide make life much happier for many country men, women, and children.

These organizations should provide entertainment that lies within the conception of local education and should develop the interests of the local people above all things such an organization should not get above its own members. In developing such an organization, always avoid the exclusive club idea. Junior Leagues and Bridge Clubs are all right in their places but certainly not in the average mountain community. But an organization is needed vitally needed; but one that centers around local community activities and interests. Many rural communities have no kind of wholesome entertainment and amusement.

Of course a few localities have little need for such a club. Such a community is Cullowhee, although they have a club that is somewhat different from this type. Western Carolina Teachers College provides splendid entertainment for that community both in winter and summer. But, take Caney Fork; my own township. Our interests are entirely different from those of Cullowhee, and we are isolated by very bad roads and for that reason we organized the Caney Fork Progressive Society, less than a year ago. Just because my mother descended from a Pennsylvania Dutch family is no reason why I should belong to the Dutch Reformed Church rather than the Methodist. Just because the Cullowhee Community needs no such organization as ours is no reason that we shouldn't have one. Just as individuals, communities must live their own lives and develop their own interests. Of course, they are de-

pendent upon each other as neighbors.

I once read of a church in rural Illinois that took upon its shoulders the responsibilities of such community service as this, but most of our churches in this region haven't yet grasped the Western idea of community service. Still (thanks to education) the dawn is coming at last.

Such a society or club should be operated at as little expense as possible. In the Caney Fork Society we don't even have a membership fee. In fact, we don't even have a record membership. Our meetings are open forums, and we try to give the whole community a chance to take a part in the work. A member isn't forced to attend, but we always try to make the programs so interesting, they will want to attend. We try to make an organization that isn't organized to death.

As I said before, expense should be cut to a minimum. The average farm family has little money to spend above the bare necessities of life, and, of course, the whole purpose of such a community club is to bring more happiness and less burden. Costumes and such for the programs can be made in individual homes with no expense to the club as a whole. That is the way we do in ours, although we haven't reached perfection in any part of the work, for our club is still in the experimental stage. Still, we are proud of its record, so far.

We started in what we thought the right way by asking three of our farmers to name the club, and not some Greek philosopher. They called it the Caney Fork Progressive Society. A program is held every other Wednesday evening in the John's Creek High School auditorium. Let me say that we are trying to make our building an institution, and not just a school house. A committee of three works out these programs. Of course most of the work is purely amusement. Since our organization, we have given, among other things, a Womanless Wedding, Old Maids Convention, Mock Trial, and an old-fashioned spelling match from the Blue Back Spelling Book. As high as three hundred of my neighbors have attended these programs. In almost every case local talent is used; but, of course, there are exceptions. One Wednesday evening Prof. R. L. Madison and son, Monro, gave us a beautiful entertainment with their Hawaiian guitars. That is an example.

To give you an idea of how our folks are cooperating in this work, I will give you a list of some of the people who took active parts in one of our chief performances this spring. Taking parts in the Womanless Wedding were a former representative from Jackson county, a member of the local school board, the superintendent of the Baptist Sunday School and the oldest and one of the leading merchants in Caney Fork Township, and you would be surprised to know how these men enjoyed getting up their parts.

We try to make our programs educational as well. For the Mock Trial we secured a lawyer from Sylva to act as judge. This was for the benefit of those in the community who had never attended a real court and knew nothing of court procedure. Many School children are also used in the programs thus giving them an extra chance in the fight against illiteracy and stage fright.

Ordinarily Wednesday night is prayer meeting night. It is when you happen to have a prayer meeting; but this community happens to have none. But, still, we try to take the place of the prayer meeting to a certain extent with the devotional service that precedes each Wednesday evening program. Very often, local pastors conduct the devotional service.

At the beginning of each meeting reports are made by appointed reporters from all the churches in the Consolidated School District. Strong efforts are made toward cooperation with Brassstown and Moses Creek the outlying school communities. Their churches have reporters. A recent local tax election gave these communities equal educational advantages with the John's Creek community. Therefore we desire to give them equal advantages in general community activities. Reports are also welcomed from any other place in the township. Reports are also made from the local Parent-Teachers Association and the consolidated school, and we plan to have a local 4-H Club reporter for the summer season. As can be readily seen, the club acts as a medium of expression for all the activities of Caney Fork township. This strips up that thing that we call patriotic community spirit. An appointed club reporter passes these reports on to the Jackson County Journal, and in this way the whole county learns what we are doing.

Of course we are proud of the Society's civic work. In cooperation with the P. T. A., it has put on a school campus beautification campaign with very pleasing results.

Our organization also sponsors local bird protection, and despite our Socialistic tendencies, a committee was recently appointed to erect suitable signboards at the two local churches.

Our whole object is to make a fuller and happier life for the people of our community. Will some other community in Jackson county join us in this work?



HEIGHT

In flying to a height of 43,166 feet more than eight miles up in the air, Lieut. Apollo Soucek of the U. S. Navy has set a record which will take some beating.

Only by the use of compressed oxygen in a tank, inhaled through a tube, and an oxygen super-charger to insure combustion in the engine, was Lieut. Soucek able to do the stunt at all. Capt. Hawthorne Gray of the U. S. Army, who rose to 42,470 feet in a balloon three years ago, died from lack of oxygen in the rarefied atmosphere of that great height.

All of the talk about voyaging to the moon, whether by airplane, rocket or other device, is so much moonshine, in view of the impossibility of carrying enough oxygen along, to say nothing of the intense cold of interstellar space, somewhere around 460 degrees below zero!

LAND

A young woman of my acquaintance was surprised recently on getting home from her daily work as a stenographer to find a young man waiting to ask her who her grandfather was. When she told him, he informed her that the title company which he represented was prepared to pay her and each of her five living sisters, aunts and uncles \$200 each to sign a quit claim deed to a strip of land one inch wide and eighteen feet long.

That price was a "nuisance value," but there are several pieces of Manhattan real estate which have sold for as much or more per square foot, for office buildings. It no longer pays to build under 30 stories high in old New York. And the reason for the high land value is the growth of population. Every new comer to the city adds an appreciable amount to the value of every foot of land.

COMMERCE

I went into a grocery store in a little Massachusetts town the other day to buy some matches. The salesman handed me a package which was marked "Made in Russia." In the same shop window I saw some canned corned beef, cooked and packed in Uruguay. In a store in New York recently my daughter bought a raincoat made of silk which had first been worn in Japan and then sent to Scotland to be waterproofed. Wearing that, she drove to a country house on Long Island where the refreshments served included tea from India and biscuits from England.

For every dollar's worth of goods the United States sells abroad we must eventually buy a dollar's worth from the country which we buy from. That is the long and short of all the talk about tariffs and imports and the export trade.

SHIPS

The Germans now hold the record for speed of trans-Atlantic ships, but both the United States and England are preparing to take it away from them. The Cunard Line, which is the oldest of all ocean steamship lines, announces that it will build a craft 1,000 feet long, carrying 4,000 passengers, which will make a speed of 30 knots an hour and will cost between 20 and 25 million dollars. A knot, by the way, is a nautical mile, which is 800 feet longer than the land mile; so a speed of 30 knots means 34 1/2 miles an hour.

The U. S. Shipping Board in conjunction with the Post Office Department is arranging with American steamship companies to build two ships even bigger and faster than the new Cunarder. It will take three or four years to build them. They will be good advertising for the United States but probably will not earn their keep. The deficit will be made up in what the Government pays the company operating them for carrying the mails. The mail subsidy of the British government to Samuel Cunard is what put the British flag ahead of ours on the Atlantic, 75 years ago.

HOMES

Savings bank heads say that right now is a more favorable time to build a home than we have had since the war. Building materials are down, labor is plentiful, mortgage money is cheap. Those who are secure in their employment can probably build homes now on more favorable terms than they will be able to a year from now.

The same authorities say that the measure of how much a man can afford to invest in a home is his average income. He is justified in tying up the equivalent of two year's salary if that is under \$10,000 a year, or of three year's income, if he earns more than \$15,000 a year. Thus, a man who earns \$50 a week can afford a \$5,000 home. And from ten to twelve years is a proper length of time over which to spread the mortgage payments.

TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS

I wish to thank the people for the vote given me June the 7th, and will stand by the nominees.

JOHN B. DEITZ

It May Be Urgent



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Castoria is a comfort when Baby is fretful. No sooner taken than the little one is at ease. If restless, a few drops soon bring contentment. No harm done, for Castoria is a baby remedy, most for babies. Perfectly safe to give the youngest infant; you have the doctors' word for that! It is a vegetable product and you could use it every day. But it's in an emergency that Castoria means most. Some night when constipation must be relieved—or colic pains—other suffering. Never be without it; some mothers keep an extra bottle, unopened, to make sure there will always be Castoria in the house. It is effective for older children, too; read the book that comes with it.



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Now listen, we will give you free transportation there and back and pay your hotel bills. If you are interested notify us at Franklin and we will have our car pick you up in Waynesville, Sylva, Bryson City or Franklin, Monday, P. M., at 2 o'clock, on the 7th of July, take you there and back free of charge to you. Let us know in plenty of time. HOME REALTY AND AUCTION COMPANY, FRANKLIN, N. C. R. A. Patton, Manager.

NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of section 2435 of the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina, for charges for repairs thereon and materials furnished therefor at the request of the owner, Tom Mashburn, I will, on the 7 day of July, 1930, at 2 P. M., at my shop in Sylva, Jackson County, North Carolina, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction, the following described property:
One 7 jewel Swiss Watch, Movement Number—
This the 24th day of June, 1930.
RAYMOND GLENN

NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of section 2435 of the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina, for charges for repairs thereon and materials furnished therefor at the request of the owner, T. C. Headen, I will, on the 7 day of July, 1930, at 2 P. M., at my shop in Sylva, Jackson County, North Carolina, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction, the following described property:
One 7 jewel Elgin Watch, Movement Number 13272500.
This the 24th day of June, 1930.
RAYMOND GLENN

NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of section 2435 of the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina, for charges for repairs thereon and materials furnished therefor at the request of the owner, Tiney Russell, I will, on the 7 day of July, 1930, at 2 P. M., at my shop in Sylva, Jackson County, North Carolina, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction, the following described property:
One 7 jewel Elgin Watch, Movement Number 22399441.
This the 24th day of June, 1930.
RAYMOND GLENN

NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of section 2435 of the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina, for charges for repairs thereon and materials furnished therefor at the request of the owner, Arnie Longmire, I will, on the 7 day of July, 1930, at my shop in Sylva, Jackson County, North Carolina, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction, the following described property:
One 7 jewel Elgin Watch, Movement Number 300005.
This the 24th day of June, 1930.
RAYMOND GLENN

The Way of Life by BRUCE BARTON

HERE was one year in my life when it seemed as if everything went exactly wrong. The resulting accumulation of worries and problems, loomed up like a range of mountains. It hardly seemed possible while to try to get on top of one of them because there were so many others beyond.

Wise old Tallyrand, when he could not see his way clear through a difficult situation, used to take to his bed and get out word that he was ill. It was his experience that the difficulties solved themselves if one only let them alone awhile.

Adopting his example, I went away for a couple of weeks and played golf. When I got back the troubles and problems had not disappeared, but I was a different man.

I went down to the office, made a list of all of them, and decided to tackle the toughest one first. I cleaned it up in a day and started after the others.

An amazing thing developed. Some of the worst situations proved to be the easiest, and not one of the whole lot turned out to be worth half the worry I had given it.

The lesson was valuable. I ought to have learned it much earlier in life, for I had been given plenty of opportunity to observe the ways of successful men in such matters.

One of my first bosses made it a rule every morning to ask for the bad news first. He said: "I want to get the tough things off the calendar while I am fresh. I never deal with the same thing twice. When I pick up a paper from my desk I don't lay it down until it's settled. Procrastination is a poison."

An acquaintance of mine is a prominent operator in Wall Street. I asked once if it were true that at different times he has taken tremendous losses.

"Losses," he exclaimed, "I've taken millions in losses. Any man who tries to get through life without taking losses will never make any money. The trick is to take 'em quick and forget 'em. Amateurs worry about them in advance and brood about them afterward. The worry and the brooding break their nerve."

The Book of Proverbs, which said pretty nearly everything that can be said—and much better—has this verse: "The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets."

Worrying about the lion, the slothful man is eaten by fear, which is a more terrible death.

The wise man steps out boldly. And more often than not the lion proves to be just a motion picture lion, with his claws cut short and his poor old teeth all gone.

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