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Heart Warming, Too

The "house warming" at the new Cartoogechaye school last week was heart warming as well. It was community spirit at its best.

It was a demonstration of a community looking forward. The Cartoogechaye folk were not content merely to show off their new school; the event was an effort to start improving it at once. A benefit affair, the funds raised will go to equip the lunchroom.

It was a fine example of community selflessness—it was reported that almost every penny taken in at the supper was clear profit, because virtually everything was donated. It is worth remarking, too, that some of the women who worked hardest on the supper have neither children nor grandchildren in the school.

It was proof that mountain hospitality still lives. The Cartoogechaye women put on a "company" supper that many chefs who serve hotel banquets would have done well to see and profit by.

Finally, it showed a community pride that extended the community far beyond the valley of Cartoogechaye creek. It wasn't simply Cartoogechaye people patronizing a Cartoogechaye event—people came from far and near in Macon County, to admire the new school, and to share with Cartoogechayans pride in this tangible evidence of a Macon County that has its eyes to the future, and is moving rapidly forward to a better life for all.

Who Serves Best?

Someone recently raised the question: What man or woman has contributed most to Macon County in the past five or ten years?

This piece, of course, is not going into the realm of personalities. Its purpose is to pass along some additional questions the first question seems to raise.

What type of service is of most value to the community? The erection of a building or the development of a business needed by the community? Generous contributions to worthy causes? Leadership in community endeavors? Raising the intellectual and moral tone of the community? Development (in the home and in the school) of the minds and characters of children?

And who knows how much or how little any particular individual may be contributing?

And how often do we give credit in the wrong place?

Whatever the answers to these questions, SOMEbody has done a lot of contributing in the past. The good community we live in didn't just happen. Much of our boasted progress today has grown out of the thinking and the efforts of those unselfish men and women who labored here decades ago.

A Case In Point

There appears to be no limit to the heights to which the human spirit can lift men and women—heights of heroic courage, of steadfast devotion to a cause, of selfless service to others. This spark of the divine within men is demonstrated day in and day out—in the fighting in Korea, and in homes and on street corners throughout the world.

But if human beings often are only "a little lower than the angels", they are capable, too, of becoming lower than the devils.

The story in this week's Press about men who prey on the emotions of the grief-stricken families of Korean dead to grab unearned and unconscionable profits is a case in point.

Some Modern Definitions

Watch the use of these words, and see if these are not today's definitions in the popular mind:

Prejudice: Disagreeing with a noisy minority.
Progress: Becoming exactly like others.
Education: Getting a superficial knowledge of everything and a thorough knowledge of nothing.
The American way: Making more and more money to buy more and more gadgets—and finding less and less contentment.

Our American Civilization

Spending so much time attending meetings to solve the problems of modern living we have no time left to do something about the problems before they develop.

Others' Opinions

LOOKED O. K.

Then there's the yarn about a Marine vehicle being driven overboard in the Inland Waterway canal. Out came the driver sputtering to a youth sitting on the shore. "I thought you said the water wasn't deep and I could drive through."

"That's funny," said the youth. "A duck made it and the water was only up to his waist."—Billy Arthur in Jacksonville (N. C.) News and Views.

SO THAT'S IT

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Westmoreland, Rural Hall, Route 1, weren't feeling so good the other day, but are now fully recovered.

Early one morning, Mr. Westmoreland said his head was swimming, and Mrs. Westmoreland complained that her glasses were pinching her nose.

He went to the doctor and got some medicine.

About mid-afternoon they found out they had been wearing each other's glasses all day.—Winston-Salem Journal-Sentinel.

SORRY, BUT...

Why anyone will continue to live in a city and stubbornly refuse to avail themselves of the many good things incident to life in such parts as we live, is a mystery for us, and we refuse to even try to figure it out, even though we in our fullness and plenty simply can't help feeling sorry for them.

It's almost time now for backbone and spareribs, collards and—oh, well, we'll just go on living happily and let the city dwellers make out the best way they can.—Harnett County News.

MIGHT WORK

There are three ways, at least, of balancing the federal budget:

- Increase taxes.
- Decrease the value of the dollar. (It looks like 30 cents now.)
- Economize.

We have been working overtime on the first two methods to the point where people may say, "Thus far shalt thou go and no farther."

But why not try the third plan? It might work!—Coopersville (Mich.) Observer.

THE REAL NEED

The admonitions and appeals to automobile drivers by highway safety departments, law enforcement officers, and editorial writers, and the efforts of safety committees and insurance companies to effect a reduction in accidents, are praiseworthy and ought to be kept up, because they do some good. But all these activities add up to nothing more than a pecking away at the problem. The disheartening truth is that men and women have got to be made over, in mind and heart, they have got to have far more sense and decency than they now have, before they stop killing and wounding themselves and each other with automobiles. With a large element of the people such nitwits as they are, and with another large element of people so selfish and reckless as they are, and with both these elements numbering millions of people, free to drive high-powered cars, every one of which is a potential engine of death, it is ridiculous to expect any considerable falling-off of death and destruction on the streets and highways—Chapel Hill Weekly.

COW PEAS

A supply of "cow" peas, a little late for New Year's Day, but just as good for any other day, came to me early in January. Unfortunately I am unable to thank the donor because, when she came into the office with them, I was occupied on the telephone, and the girl at the desk did not get her name. Evidently she had read of my inability to have one of the traditional dishes for the first day of the year. "Wouldn't black-eye peas do just as well?" someone asked. Not for me—cow or clay peas top my list in the dried peas and bean line. For some reason, for which I have found no satisfactory answer, a once plentiful article of produce has practically disappeared from the local market. There are a number of substitutes (all of them imported, I think)—Great Northern white beans, lima (large and small), pea beans black-eyed peas, and others—but it has been years since I have seen in the local stores any of the old-fashioned clay or cow peas, which were among the staple articles of winter-time food at our house when we were growing up. Joe Poteat has been in the habit for several years of furnishing me a "mess" for New Year's, but was unable to get

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

OF THE BOYS, BY THE BOYS, FOR THE BOYS

BOYS JOIN THE SCOUTS BECAUSE THEY WANT TO—BECAUSE THEY LIKE THE IDEAS AND IDEALS THE SCOUTS STAND FOR, AND THE FUN AND HEALTH AND SELF-RELIANCE THAT SCOUT TRAINING MEANS.

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any at any price this year, he said. Somebody who may have been an authority offered the explanation that the yield on these little brown peas is scanty, that they are hard to grow and that they are difficult to shell—in other words they are no longer a profitable crop.—Miss Beatrice Cobb in Morganton News-Herald.

FEDERALISM, ANSWER TO COMMUNISM

As a man who has studied, lived and practiced war, Dwight Eisenhower—a repeated denouncer of war as a method of international settlement—is remarkably well-suited to advise how war might best be eventually outlawed.

Unlike Douglas MacArthur, who says he is a champion of peace but declares a holocaustic war must be fought (apparently at irregular intervals) to achieve peace, Ike Eisenhower in his stand against war has declared there is no such thing as a preventive war and that war only aggravates the issues it seeks to solve.

As a first step in the elimination of war from the global society, Eisenhower has borrowed from the original well-head of American democracy. He has proposed the federation of free European nations—the pooling of lesser sovereignties into a greater and far more effective united sovereignty, in the same manner as our first states abandoned their weak and separate sovereignties to join in a union whose collective strength—economically, socially, militarily, diplomatically—achieved proportions which no mere alliance of individual states could ever have achieved.

On Tuesday Eisenhower urged that a constitutional convention should be called for the purpose of drafting a constitution which would unify Europe in a United States, melding the spiritual, economic and military resources of the various European states into a common strength and purpose.

This challenge must be accepted and achieved, the general declared, if the cold war is to be ended and the threat of Russian expansion brought to a halt.

We are told that the Western European countries hold great faith in General Eisenhower. His accomplishments in the past year, in the face of the gloomy pessimism which met him upon assuming supreme command of NATO forces, support that view. We earnestly hope, therefore, that his call for a constitutional convention for Western Europe will be heeded.

If it is, the United States of America must exert every encouragement and assistance to bring the United States of Europe into being. When a common flag is raised over the capital of the U.S.E. democratic government will have entered a new era. The force of united action, the creation of a common law, a common police, a common welfare, a common franchise greater than the law, the police, the welfare and the vote of the particular state or the peculiar region, is the only alternative man has ever devised to international anarchy.

To have the Atlantic Ocean flanked on the east by the United States of Europe and on the west by the United States of America, each governed by its own people under a constitution, would not only end the cold war without resort to hot war, but would be an irresistible example to the remainder of the world not yet enslaved by Stalinism.

The economic and political benefits of federation become quickly apparent and there is no doubt that some nations which might hesitate or decline the original invitation to form such a union, would soon be knocking on the door and asking to join. It would soon become apparent that a new and revitalized force was abroad in the world—federalism, the answer to communism, the real hope of men who seek opportunity, dignity and peace, who now are desperate but desire an alternate choice to the sham promises of Communism.

And America, which conceived this political faith, must begin actively to propagate and sponsor it.—Cleveland (County) Times.

Business Making News

By BOB SLOAN

There is a large area in Franklin which contains at least 19 business establishments and a hundred or more homes which is not served by a sewer line. The area is Loganville and Bonny Crest. The residents and businessmen in this area are charged the same tax rate as we more fortunate citizens who do not have to maintain septic tanks. There are undoubtedly other areas within the city limits where the same is true, but we believe this is the largest area and are certain that it contains the most business establishments. If these taxpayers are not furnished water and sewage disposal—the minimum that any municipal taxpayer has a right to expect—then we think they should receive and make adjustment in their tax bill equal to the cost of maintaining and building their only sewage disposal units.

We are very gratified at the favorable comment we have received concerning our New Year's resolution to work for tax reductions in Macon County during the year 1952. Last week we proposed to bring this about by asking for an equalization and revaluation of the property valuations in Macon County by outside firm of impartial tax appraisers. If any person will ask themselves if they would sell their business for twice what they have it listed for taxes for I believe that they will find the answer to whether or not our property valuations have kept up.

With the construction of another feed mill here by the Purina feed company it looks like business people think that the dairy and chicken business here is still on the upswing. This new plant is going up next to the Franklin Feed mill, in Loganville. The building being constructed on U. S. 64, west next to Macon Motor company is being constructed by W. C. Burrell and will house his tire recapping shop which has been situated in the rear of Burrell Motor company.

We hope that with the routing of a publicized North-South route through here (U. S. 441—the Uncle Remus route) and the building of a hard surfaced road through Wayah gap to Nantahala lake that local tourist businesses will really get together and spend money to publicize and put Franklin on the map. You get what you pay for and you can't spend \$10 for advertising with the chamber of commerce and expect \$50,000.00 worth of business. However, if each tourist business in Franklin and surrounding territory would spend \$100 to \$200 to publicize this area they would be surprised at the results. If you don't believe it try it some time.

LEGAL ADVERTISING

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as administrator of Hattie Jacobs, deceased, late of Macon County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 27 day of December, 1952 or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 27 day of December, 1951.
LEE POINDEXTER,
Administrator.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as administrator of Frank Miller, deceased, late of Macon County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 16 day of January, 1953, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 16 day of January, 1952.
JAMES MILLER,
Administrator.

J24-6tp-F28

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as administrator of Lawrence Myers, deceased, late of Macon County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 16 day of January, 1953, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 16 day of January, 1952.
A. G. CAGLE,
Administrator.

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