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DR. H. T. HUNTER

In the passing of Dr. H. Tyram Hunter Jackson County lost one of her outstanding adopted citizens, and Western North Carolina and the field of education a man who has done much to build a better educational system with greater advantages for the youth of this area. Dr. Hunter was a man who looked ahead to the many opportunities afforded by modern education. He devoted the greater part of his life to the things that would help bring better opportunities to more people of North Carolina. The best years of his life were spent in his work as head of Western Carolina Teachers College.

With the observance of its 50th anniversary in 1939 came also plans for a huge development program for the college which, under his direction grew in size and advantages until this year it has the largest student body in history.

Dr. Hunter's talents were not all used at Cullowhee. He gave liberally of his time to civic and religious matters of the entire section, and was in demand as a speaker and advisor on many occasions.

His work in the Sylva Rotary club, the C. J. Harris hospital, the churches and schools of the county will long be remembered.

Dr. Hunter took a personal interest in each student of the college, especially while in school, and as far as possible kept in touch with them after they entered the business world. He could call most of them by name, and was never too busy to discuss their problems with them and to offer his advice and services.

All Jackson County is saddened deeply at the passing of this true citizen and friend and will long remember the ideals for which he strove.

BETTER SCHOOLS FOR COUNTY

We wish to congratulate the members of the County Board of Commissioners and Board of Education on their inauguration of a plan for a county-wide school building and improvement program for our county. This being one of the major needs of Jackson county we feel that the majority of the citizens of the county will receive the news gladly and will be ready to back such a program with their support and influence.

Many of us have realized for a long time that the county is sadly lacking in adequate school buildings and equipment, and that if our county is to remain one of the progressive counties of the state, a building program will have to be adopted. Our county officials have also recognized this need. They have been wanting to do something about it but for various restrictions of materials, funds, etc. have been unable to start the work. They feel, like many others, that we should delay no longer in starting the building program. To be able to carry it through the citizens of the county are going to have to lend their support. The Herald believes that when they are called on they will respond wholeheartedly.

BETTER BEEF IN JACKSON

Jackson County is as well adapted to the growing of high grade beef cattle as any other county of Western North Carolina and should be in a position to measure right up along with the other counties in beef cattle production. However, the beef industry has not been pushed in the county. Our county agricultural leaders realize this and have started a program that will promote the beef industry.

An illustration of what a 14-year old boy can do with a beef type calf is carried in the Herald this week. In less than 10 months R. L. Pruitt, of the Glenville 4-H club produced an 800

INSIDE WASHINGTON

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—President Truman finds himself in the middle of the toughest squeeze play of his white House career as the related issues of foreign aid and high domestic prices boil toward an inevitable crisis in coming months.

White House aides and the top echelon of the administration are busily at work trying to develop a program which will strike a balance between spiraling food and other prices and the necessity of maintaining European governments to keep them from chaos and Communism.

Any course to be pursued will require congressional action unless the chief executive decides the situation is too explosive to bring it up for solution. But inaction, the responsible capital sources believe, may well result either in a runaway domestic inflation or a disintegration of pro-democratic governments in western Europe—possibly both.

Mr. Truman has been long committed to a program of American-supported relief for Europe's ailing economy. Should Congress fail to back his policy, it is likely that commodity prices would halt their upward climb—probably drop sharply to relieve the present clamor against the high cost of living.

The long-term cost of such solution, however, might well be the establishment of an entirely new balance of power lineup in Europe, with Russia in control of the heavy side of the international scale.

POWERFUL POLITICAL WHIRLPOOLS and eddies are churning in the wake of the abortive Eisenhower-for-president boom, disavowed by the Army chief of staff, but thundering louder day by day in Republican circles.

Should a Taft-Dewey stalemate or any other combination of the political numbers result in an Eisenhower "draft" at the GOP national convention next year, the result would be an almost certain "draft" of Defense Secretary James Forrestal as President Truman's running mate.

Obviously, the Democrats would feel that they must counter an Eisenhower ticket with a man whose war record was almost as brilliant. The Democrats will claim Forrestal's record as wartime Undersecretary, then Secretary of the Navy, is as distinguished as Eisenhower's.

Forrestal, in event of an Eisenhower nomination, will have no choice but to run with Truman. He will be told it is his duty. At present, Forrestal is content to be the nation's first defense secretary, but an Eisenhower nomination would change all that.

Strong feeling now exists in the GOP that if "Ike" is "drafted" to head the ticket, either Minnesota's former Harold Stassen or California's Gov. Earle Warren must be his running mate.

Stassen is believed willing to run with Eisenhower. Should Warren decline, certain GOP elements would go after Speaker Joe Martin.

SENATOR ELMER THOMAS (D), OKLA., has returned from Europe convinced that the world would be better off economically if all countries adopted the gold ounce as the monetary unit.

He says the problem now is very much like that of the 13 states after the Revolutionary war. Each had its own type of money. He says some states used nails, others tobacco, still others wampum.

They had trouble because states using nails could not get wampum to trade with wampum states. They cured their troubles by adopting the same standard of money—the dollar.

Thomas declares that if all nations adopted the gold ounce as a standard, European countries would not have the "dollar shortage", ailment from which they now suffer.

The senator has laid his proposal before the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

pound baby beef which sold at a fancy price on the Asheville baby beef show grounds. Other boys in the county can do as well.

With the growing of better pastures the beef industry in Jackson county should become a profitable business.

The Herald extends its heartiest congratulations to young Pruitt and predicts a bright future for him as one of our coming farmers. We also commend the members of the Merchants Association in backing the program by buying young Pruitt's calf.



The Everyday Counsellor

By REV. HERBERT SPAUGH, D. D.

"But I was right, dead right! I was going into that intersection first. I had the right of way — that truck driver should have stopped when he saw me — I was right, dead right!"

"Yes dear - you always were right - the other fellow was always wrong. That's why we're here."

This conversation, reported between two gravestones, appeared in a TOCCOA RECORD (Georgia) advertisement appealing for safe and thoughtful driving on the highway. It is expressive of the reasoning of many who drive our highways, and remind me of an epitaph I once read, "Here lies the body of Dan McKay. He died maintaining his right of way. He was right, dead right, as he sped along. But he's just as dead as if he'd been dead wrong."



THE TOCCOA RECORD is one of many newspapers throughout the nation which is conducting a vigorous campaign for safe and thoughtful driving on our streets and highways. Automobile traffic is one of the nation's greatest headaches. It is filling our hospitals and graveyards at an uncomfortable rate. Too much of it is caused by an attitude of mind reflected in this advertisement.

While we wrestle with selfishness in every corner of life, it seems to become more prominent when we get behind the wheel of an automobile. There are many drivers who are scrupulously polite on foot, but the minute they get behind the wheel of an automobile they leave politeness on the ground. There's many a driver who will stand back to allow another to precede him in entering a door, but when he's in an automobile he rushes unceremoniously ahead. He may even have the legal right of way, but he reaches the hospital and perhaps the graveyard just the same.

Professor Joad, the English

Jackson County Boys Enlist In Army

According to information released by the United States Army and Air Force Recruiting Sub-Station at Franklin, three Jackson county boys have enlisted in the regular army recently. They are Claude E. Winstead and Charlie B. Stanley of Sylva and Billy B. Bradley of Whittier, Rt. 2. All have enlisted for a three-year period.

Enlistments are now being made for direct assignments to the Third Army area. Veterans of the Army, Navy, Marines or Coast Guard may enlist for direct assignment to the European Theatre.

During the year ending June 30, 1947, the Farmers Home Administration loaned 28,297 new borrowers a total of \$33,699,372 for adjustment loans. In addition, 70,940 borrowers already on the program were provided additional adjustment loans to continue or expand their farming operations. These subsequent loans were for \$36,263,829.

Calendar of Events

- Dillsboro Masonic lodge will meet in the Masonic hall, Dillsboro at 7:30 p. m. Ed Bumgarner, W.M.
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17 — The Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet in Allison building at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Harry Hastings, president.
- MONDAY, OCTOBER 20 — The Sylva Home Demonstration club will meet with Mrs. R. U. Sutton at 3 p. m. Mrs. R. U. Sutton, president.
- MONDAY, OCTOBER 20 — The Woodmen of the World will meet in the W.O.W. hall at 7:30 p.m. Jeff Hedden, council commander.
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21 — The Woman's club will meet with Mrs. Paul Kirk. at 7:30 p. m. Miss Hicks Wilson, president.
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21 — The Rotary club will have a dinner meeting in Allison building at 6:30 p. m. Dr. D. D. Hooper, president.
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22 — The Lions club will have a dinner meeting in the high school cafeteria at 7 p. m. T. Walter Ashe, president.
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22 — Ocea chapter, No. 139, Order of the Eastern Star will meet in the Masonic hall, Dillsboro, at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Harry Ferguson, president.
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23 — The Ruby Daniel Circle will meet with Mrs. Felix Potts at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Porter Scroggs, president.

LOOKING BACKWARD

From the Files of The Ruralite of 15 years ago

Jackson County Superior court opened here Monday morning with Judge Hoyle Sink presiding and Solicitor John Queen prosecuting the docket.

A banquet for all former students and present and former faculty members of Western Carolina Teachers College, who attended the meeting of the Western District of the North Carolina Education association, was held Saturday, October 15, at the S and W Cafeteria, in Asheville. Several members of the college faculty appeared on the program.

Five hundred Jackson county people heard Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby when he spoke Monday at the courthouse under the auspices of the Young People's Democratic clubs of Jackson county.

Three hundred and forty-three students have enrolled for the fall quarter at Western Carolina Teachers College. The enrollment increase over the fall quarter of last year being 231. Forty-four North Carolina counties and five other states are represented in the student body.

Three hundred citizens of Jackson county came together in a meeting to hear Jake F. Newell, Republican candidate for United States senator, speak Thursday afternoon at the Jackson county courthouse.

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