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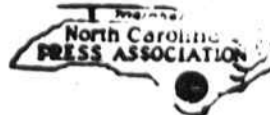
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INSIDE WASHINGTON

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—It is the great single-headed Department of National Defense with ex-Wall Streeter Jimmy Forrestal at the helm, but there is still a lot of griping and grousing over the physical setup of the armed services merger. The "split" of the Army and Navy is still around.

When Forrestal took over the job he promptly moved from the Navy department across the Potomac river to the sprawling Pentagon in Virginia. Close by him are the secretaries of the Army and the Air Force. Back in Washington is the secretary of the Navy and big Navy brass.

Forrestal wants all the administrative officials under one roof and there is plenty of room for them in the Pentagon. He wants all activities co-ordinated, including press relations. He has named genial, efficient Navy Capt. Bob Berry as his top press officer.

However, the Navy high command still stays in the old building. The Navy's brass doesn't want to cross the Potomac, but wants to remain in the old shack-like buildings "temporarily" built for use in World War I.

High-rankers admit that "studies" are going on to place all the services top personnel under one roof. These studies will go on until Forrestal eventually issues an arbitrary order for the Navy to take off for Pentagonville. Then the cries of anguish from the Navy brass and blue will resound from one end of the capital to the other. But not 'til then will the "merger" be complete.

PETKOV REPERCUSSIONS — Bulgaria's execution of anti-Communist leader Nikolai Petkov, despite pleas of the United States, has settled, for the time being, the question of American recognition of the Sofia government.

Had the Red regime in Bulgaria heeded the United States and commuted Petkov to even a life sentence, the chances are that Washington would have decided within six months or so to recognize Sofia's regime.

However, the Red action, bitterly denounced by the State department, has closed the door on diplomatic relations with the Bulgarians for a long time to come.

Further, diplomatic sources agree, it has diminished the faint chances for United States recognition of two other Russian satellites—Albania and Rumania. High sources say that both are "out" in the same manner that Bulgaria is "out." Main complaint against Albania is that is aiding Greek guerrillas.

HUGHES HEARING — Despite his predictions to the contrary, Howard Hughes, millionaire aircraft manufacturer and movie mogul, will enact the role of "the man who came back" this month.

When the Senate war investigating committee's probe of Hughes' 40 million dollars' worth of warplane contracts blew up in a cloud of melodrama last summer, the lanky Texan declared flatly that he didn't believe the hearing ever would be resumed.

However, Senator Homer Ferguson, (R), Mich., says he is standing pat on his plan to reopen the hearing Nov. 17. Preliminary conferences already have been held.

There was plenty of excitement during the summer session of the investigating group, which featured not only the feud between Hughes and Committee Chairman Owen Brewster, (R), Maine, but such added attractions as Johnny Meyer, Hughes' fun-loving press agent, Elliott Roosevelt and a pile of glamor-drenched expense accounts.

Washington insiders expect more of the same. This time, the committee is expected to concentrate on the tax returns of the Hughes Tool company, parent firm of the Hughes financial empire, and the lavish entertainment sponsored by Meyer, once again may figure in the proceedings.

skirt is back, is the high-top button shoe just around the corner?

News that a Canadian town has already had a four-foot fall of snow makes us remember—almost with nostalgia—the horrible heat wave last August.

An Illinois farmer is experimenting with the breeding of cows only weighing 200 pounds. In the hope, no doubt, this will make them smaller targets during hunting season.

FALL MANEUVERS



The Everyday Counsellor

By REV. HERBERT SPAUGH, D. D.

Do you like to stop and watch the trains go by? Many people do, and I am one of them. Sometimes I simply admire them, at other times I am provoked to thought.

Recently I heard the story of another minister, who liked to watch the trains go by. Shortly after entering into a new charge, his parishioners discovered that at a certain hour every day he could never be located. His wife would give out no information. The curiosity of the congregation was aroused to such an extent that the Chairman of the Board of Stewards asked for an explanation.

The minister refused to give out any information, saying that it was a personal matter. This only poured oil on the fire until it became an issue in the congregation. The district superintendent then asked the minister for an explanation, which was again refused.

Finally the whole village made it a matter of talk and circulation, and the congregation carried it to the bishop, who paid an official visit to the church and asked the minister for an explanation.

The minister thereupon asked the bishop to come with him and what he did each day. They walked through the village and out to a high bluff overlooking the railroad track. There they sat down and waited. Soon a streamline passenger train flashed by. The minister turned to the bishop and said, "Now we can go home."

"You mean to say that you come out here every day to see that train?" queried the bishop. "And why do you do that?"

"It always gives me new enthusiasm, and helps me throw off discouragement. It reminds me that there is at least one thing I don't have to push."

Ever since I heard that story, when I see a train flash by I am reminded that there goes one



Services at The Churches

Sylva Methodist
(The Rev. W. G. Grigg, Pastor)
Sunday school will meet at 10 a. m., Gudger Crawford, superintendent.

11 a. m. Morning worship with the pastor using as his sermon subject, "Trust In God".
6:30 p. m., Youth Fellowship.
Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Choir Rehearsal.

Sylva Baptist
(The Rev. C. M. Warren, Pastor)
Sunday school at 10 a. m., Howard Ball, Supt.
11 a. m. Morning worship.
B. T. U. at 6:30 p. m., Carl Corbin, director.
7:30 p. m. Organ recital by Geo. B. Thompson of Asheville.
Tuesday, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting.
Friday, 7:30 p. m. Choir rehearsal.
Each Monday at 10:30 a. m. the Baptist Ministers' Conference meets here.

Cullowhee Baptist
(The Rev. Mark R. Osborne, Jr., Pastor)
9:50 a. m. Sunday School
11 a. m. Morning worship.
6 p. m. Training Union and Fellowship hour.
Wednesday—7:30 p. m. Mid week Prayer service
Friday—8 p. m. Choir Rehearsal

Cullowhee Methodist
(The Rev. R. T. Houts, Jr., Pastor)
10 a. m. church school.
11 a. m. Morning worship service. The sermon subject will be "Dangers Of A False Faith."

The Commodity Credit Corporation has offered to purchase 65,000 bales (more or less) of American growth cotton for export to Japan, the U. S. Department of Agriculture announced.

A new method of processing fresh cut green alfalfa promises to open industrial outlets for such alfalfa products as proteins and the pigments or coloring materials, according to USDA.

Sylva Presbyterian
(The Rev. W. H. Wakefield, Pastor)
Services held in Episcopal church.
11 a. m. Morning worship.

Scotts Creek Baptist
(The Rev. B. S. Hensley, Pastor).
10 a. m. Sunday School.
11 a. m. Morning worship by the pastor.
6:30 p. m. Baptist Training Union
8 p. m. Evening worship.

Tuckasee Baptist
(Rev. Edgar Willix, Pastor)
Sunday School each Sunday at 10 a. m.
Worship service at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. each 2nd and 4th Sundays.

Cashiers Baptist
(Rev. Edgar Willix, Pastor)
Sunday School each Sunday at 10 a. m.
Worship service each 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Schedule of Masses
Bryson City, 1st and 3rd Sunday 8 a. m.
Canton, 5th Sunday 8:00 a. m.
Cullowhee, 1st Wednesday 7:00 a. m.
Fontana Dam, 2nd Saturday 8:00 a. m.
Franklin, 2nd Sunday 8:00 a. m.
Highlands, 3rd Saturday 8:00 a. m.
Murphy, 1st Saturday 8:00 a. m.
Sylva, 4th Sunday 8:00 a. m.
Waynesville, Every Sunday 11:00 a. m.

Glenville Baptist
(Rev. Hoyt Hadaway, Pastor)
10 a. m. Sunday School.
11 a. m. Morning worship.
7 p. m. B.T.U.
8 p. m. Evening worship.

Too Late To Classify

WANTED—To build up a Sylva outlet store which will be known throughout Western North Carolina for its helpfulness to the home-worker; and for the beauty of its unique crafts. We are just beginning, now we can use your rugs . . . hooked, braided, pom-pom, crossstitch, crocheted, or what have you? Bring them to Dorothy's friendly Mountain Shop (formerly Dr. Candler's office). 23

FUN—at noon hour. FUN—at lunch hour. Come and visit "dorothy's friendly Mountain Shop (formerly Dr. Candler's office). Enjoy the lovely colorings, exquisite handwork, and original designs. Become acquainted with your neighbor's talents and bring your work too. 23

Before doing your Christmas shopping come and see our line of antiques, china, glass, furniture and other things. Special orders taken. We also do expert picture framing. Stallcup's Antique Shop. Just off the highway near prison camp. 23

FOR SALE—1931 Chevrolet Tudor sedan. 600.16 tires, heater, fog light, 46 steering wheel, push button starter and cigarette lighter. Does not use oil and very clean. See Ray "Bouncer" Seay. 23

Read for Profit—Use for Results

A moderate decline in hog prices through fall and early winter is likely as marketings of 1947 spring pigs reach their heaviest volume.

thing I don't have to push. But passing trains provoke other thoughts in my mind.

There are passenger trains which carry people from one destination to another—to a wedding, to the bedside of an ill one, to a funeral, to a new position, to visit dear ones, to an important business transaction.

There are freight trains which go by loaded with articles and products for the sustenance and comfort of man. During the War, they carried objects for his destruction also.

Then I have seen, especially in the coal fields, a long train of empty cars rattling back to the mines. These trains always make the most noise. It's because they are empty.

LOOKING BACKWARD

From the Files of The Ruralite of 15 years ago

Work was begun this week on the rebuilding of High Hampton Inn at Cashiers, which was destroyed by fire last May. The new building will cost from \$23,000 to \$30,000 and will contain about 30 bedrooms and a large lobby and diningroom. A number of cottages will be erected near the inn. It will be ready for occupancy by next May.

A widespread campaign of welfare work for the coming year has been launched by the East LaPort Parent Teacher association under the direction of Mrs. C. H. Robinson, Mrs. Earl Henson and Rev. Dee Wooten. Mrs. Roy Mikels is president, Miss Clara McGuire is secretary and Mrs. Hagan Hamilton is treasurer.

Plans were made this week for the Jackson County Poultry show which will be held November 11 and 12. This will take the place of the Live Stock and Poultry show that has been held each year.

Miss Louise Henson, teacher of Home Economics department in the Sylva High school entertained the girls in that department at a masquerade party on Friday evening. The rooms were beautifully decorated with autumn leaves and Jack-o-lanterns and delicious refreshments were served.

I suppose. They always remind me of some people who rattle through life without carrying anything which may benefit others, and even without any apparent destination.

Occasionally I see a single locomotive attached to a caboose. They are carrying some train crew back home. They have possibly delivered a train somewhere. But they remind me of those who have reached the end of their journey in the Father's home. They have waited until the last moments of their lives to accept Christ, or else they have never shared their faith with others.

Think about this column the next time you watch a train go by. It might help your philosophy of life.

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