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## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1932

#### DEMOCRATS DETERMINED TO WIN

The Democrats of Western North Carolina, in an executive meeting here last Friday, displayed more optimism and a determination to win one hundred percent in every county than at any previous time. Eleven of the twelve counties of the Eleventh Congressional District were represented, and several had up to ten delegates, and an optimistic report was heard from each county chairman and other Democratic leaders. These talks were not just surplus hot air being blown off, either, it was real honest-to-goodness facts.

The state Democratic leaders have always looked upon the counties of this section as being a little hard to depend upon because of the many Republicans living in this section, and even some counties have been under Republican administration for many years, but according to the official reports made to J. W. Winborne, chairman of the state Democratic executive committee here Friday, the trend is for every county in the district to support Roosevelt and all the Democratic nominees for the county offices in the coming election.

Haywood County is usually rated as a 2,-500 to 3,000 Democratic majority county, but the prediction this year calls for a majority of 3,500, and the Democrats making that prediction did not just think up that figure, but actually investigated the "feeling as it now exists" in each precinct in the county. Other counties made similar reports.

We do not think that it would be just to the Democratic party to play up the part that everything is a path of roses ahead, because, as it was brought out at the meeting, the Republicans are fighting hard but against the odds. The meeting was warned against over-confidence, and the warning was well received, but the determination to poll more votes for all the Democratic nominees next November than ever before in history over-shadowed all the little cloudy spots that were brought before a meeting of serious minded Democrats from twelve counties that are famous for their ability to accomplish what they are determined to do.

# WE NEED A WELFARE OFFICER

To us the outstanding question confronting Waynesville and Haywood county at this time is the matter of distributing food and money to the needy of this community during the coming winter, and the only solution we have to offer for the problem is an efficient county welfare officer, and charity organization.

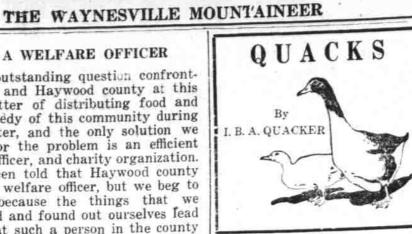
We have been told that Haywood county does not need a welfare officer, but we beg to differ on this, because the things that we have seen, heard and found out ourselves lead us to beleive that such a person in the county during the coming winter would save the citizens of the county hundreds of dollars and would see that those not deserving help would not be encouraged to become professional beggars.

The duties of this welfare officer, we think should not be just to give out food, clothing and donations, but to assist those that are unfortunate and try to find a way to help them work out their own living. The way, it is now being handled is to "dish" it out to them and when that gives out come back for more. We are speaking particularly about the Red Cross flour which has been distributed here by the carload. For those handling the distribution of that flour we must heartily congratulate them for their work and assure them that we have no criticism whatever for what they did, but they know themselves that that flour was not distributed all together where it ought to have been-why?-because they were handicapped in not knowing just who was deserving and who wasn't.

We maintain that an efficient welfare officer could have investigated every case before giving out one pound of that flour and that one third the amount would have done more actual good than the several carloads that were distributed in the county.

If there had been a central charity organization in the county headed by a welfare officer we believe that every few of those that got donations of flour would have passed the "severe test" that should have been given before getting their share. Let it be understood that it is not our motive to make it hard for a deserving person to get donations from charity, but it is our aim to see that only deserving cases are helped not just everyone that happens to think he can get something for nothing.

At this time an instance comes to mind that actually happened in this office not long ago. Mr. W. C. Allen, chairman of the Red Cross of this county, makes this office his headquarters at times, as he is circulation manager of this paper, and then it was that we had an opportunity to observe the people that were seeking donations. This certain young man, who gave his age at 27, healthy, strong and able to work, was asking for help. Upon being questioned it was found that he lived in a certain community near here that is famous for its fine farming land. This young man had sat at home all spring waiting for some good "public works" job to turn up and had not planted one seed in the ground, although he had access to several acres. He was given flour, and immediately he wanted to know when he could get more. He was willing to let charity keep him up. Now if there had been a welfare officer on the job he could have investigated further and let that abled-bodied beggar go hungry a few days and then he would have been will ing to plant something on those acres that had been left idle for the weeds to thrive in. Then there are other reasons why we should have a welfare officer. The professional beggars know the ropes. They know how to work on sympathy and get the necessities of life from people while the true down and out person is usually turned down and goes hungry. A welfare officer could see that this situation did not exist. Then too, the churches are always helping families and many times the same family will claim to be of every religious faith in the community in order to stand in with the poor committees.



This column will try to appear each wak, and I hope it will not be weak-er by week. I have not yet passed my fiftleth birthday and have been in the newspaper work less than one-half my life. If at any time you have ny suggestions to offer, type them in ... on white paper; then place in the lope and address to me at Bombay n care of Gandhi. I'll know then that our letter will be some paper that not on the lot between Matney's Stable and Ray's Store. . . . The Rep-publicans held their first county neeting in front of Bill Fry's filling station. When adourned ong entered the filling station, the other one re-turned home. ... Then, too, I saw an old Cherolet with a Hoover sign on it... speaking of politics, I saw Asbury Howell and Horace Ferguson this is not the one you were telling me about at the Taxi Stand) going up the street together. It takes a good hand shake to win a political office. One may come back when he developes a left like Dempsey. . . . we have no dcpression, 150 people at church Sun-day and 18 cars in front. My Chev-volet was the worst. . . a Packard the best. . . Laughing Bill has at last broken in on Main street. . . . Frog Level will miss the voice of People's Supply. . . They tell me Dave Hyatt took the fancy out of Walter with his left mit down at Tuscola's Academy's boxing ring. I depression, 150 people at church Sun- if my wife was at home, she would Tuscola's Academy's boxing ring.

do hope some more will attend these

(Ed. Note-Mr. I. B. A. Quacker,

too seriously and at times too lightyl,

"is fifty year old news-getter. The purpose of this column is not to get

across any points for any political

party or any organization, but merely

another feature of The Mountaineer for our readers' sake.)

I LIKE THE

scause we expect great things from

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county each week.

and not feel that you are wasting valuable time. I like the depression. 1 am getting acquainted with my neighbors. In the last six months I

have become acquainted with folks and have been living next door to me three years. I am following the liblical admonition, "Love your neighors." One of my neighbors has one of the best looking wives I have ever scen. She is a dandy. I am getting acusinted with my neighbors and learnto love them. Three years ago, I ordered my cloth

from a merchant tailor-two and ce suits at a time. All my clothes were good ones. I was always dressed But now, I haven't bought a suit 10. two years. I am mighty proud of my nday-go-to-meeting clothes. When dress up, I am dressed up and I don't mean maybe. I like the depres-

my wife was so busy that we didn't ety last Friday evening when much of each other, consequently ve sort of lost interest in each other. I never went home to lunch. About ce a week I went home for dinner at 6:30 o'clock. I never had time to o anywhere with her. If I did go on party. I could never locate her, since three was always a "blond" or a "red head" available I didn't much worry about it. My wife belonged to all the clubs

in town. She even joined the young mothers club. We don't have any chiliren, but she was studying-and between playing bridge and going to clubs she was never at home.

We got stuck up and hifalutin. We even took down the old family bed and bought a set of twin beds-on the inst ilment plan. When 1 would come home at night,

We are enjoying life. Instead of takng a hot water bottle to bed these d night, she sticks her heels in ny back just like she did before Hoov-

free lessons of Mr. Hyatt's. . . . Mar-ied men take note. . . . . Something must be done. The government must was elected. aid if necessary. The Royal must not lore. Trade should be good enough I haven't been out on a party in 18 months. I have lost my book of teleo get a radio for the ball games his fall. . . . yes, D.A. H. has obtainphone numbers. My wife has dropped all the clubs, I believe we are falling d another position with the state. 1 love all over again. I am pretty wel He is now jail inspector, . . . of all the big things on "Red" that could atisfied with my wife. Think I will seep her at least until she is forty have been injured and his last wreck and then if I feel like I do now, I may celected his little finger. . . . before I rade her for two twenties. eave, who is that old gentleman with-

I am feeling better since the deout a tie and the short cigar who just left the bank? Please stand by pression. I take more exercise. I walk until Gene Alley and Walt Crawford to town and a lot of folks who used ing the theme song. . . Mr. F.D. F., to drive Cadillacs are walking with me. I like the depression.

My digestion is better. I haven't been to see a doctor in a year. I can eat onything I want to.

o they call him, has been given a column in The Mountaineer each week I am getting real, honest-to-goodto write the things that come to his ness food. Three years ago, we had mind and the interesting events he filet mignon once a week, now we have sees as he rambles the streets and round steak and flour gravy. Then we The publishers had roast breast of guinea hen now we trust our readers will enjoy this colare glad to get sow-bosom with the umn and in no wise take any of it uttons on it

> I like the depression. My salary has ocen cut to where I can't afford to buy letturce and spinach and parseley and we can't afford to have sandwiches and frozen desserts and all that damfoolishness which has killed more good men than the World War. I like the depression. Three years ago, I never had time to go to church. I played golf all day Sunday and bedes I was so darned smart that there a preacher in CAST

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fore long.

# 24 Years Age in

HAYWOOD

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29. 19

Mps. Andrew Moore, of Gasty who is a member of the Dorent Love Chapter D. A. R. will be m the delegates at the state conven of the D. A. R. in Morganton

The residence of  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\text{and}}\,\operatorname{Mr}_{k}$ T. Crawford on Branner Avenue on. Three years ago I was so busy and the scene of much pleasure and Crawford entertained in honor of Crawford's secretary, Mr. R Flack. In the hall the guests received by Miss Lovell Davis Miss Olive Boone. In the d room Mis: Clarine Lee and Miss McCracken served derhous in and wafers. About one hundred fifty people were present for the delightful evening

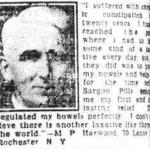
Jack Frost visited this commy Tuesday and Wednesday morning

22 YEARS AGO IN HAYWOO Misses Sydie Moore, Nam Jones, and Georgia Miller spent eral days in Asheville this week Col. and Mrs. James W. B. announce the engagement and proaching marriage of their day Mary Caperton, to Mr. Willia Dole, Jr. of Columbia, Tenn. wedding will be solemnized at

Presbyterian church. Mazzie and Albright are having

auction sale of 150 men's suits on Saturday at their place of built near the depot.

"I Had To Take Sor Kind of a Laxative Every Day, "He Say "Sargon Soft Mass Pills Regula My Bowels Perfecti



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### WHAT IF WE HAD THIS LAW

If our states were suddenly to pass laws similar to those of France, which make a property-owner whose carelessness causes afire responsible for damage done to other property, fire loss would drop overnight to a new low.

There is not much danger of such a law coming into being. But it would be a good thing if we pretended it already existed, and acted accordingly.

The first step would be to check up on wiring, chimney and flues. Are they in the best possible condition? Will they pass a rigorous test? Then we would have to lay plans to prevent carelessness with matches, cigars, waste, rags, inflammable liquids and similar "household menaces." If we were putting up a new building, we would see to it that the construction was of the highest standard-the few dollars inferior construction might save would not compensate for possible loss in the future. We would look into fire prevention seriously-and once we learned something about it, we would retain the information. It wouldn't go into one ear and out the other as, in too many instances, it does now.

The American is the most wasteful and careless and ignorant person in the world when it comes to fire. He is the most inept in preventing it. It is about time we applied some of our much vaunted American efficiency and intelligence to the fire problem.

Of course, the beauty of the flowers at the Dahlia Show were beyond all phrases that could describe them, but we believe one of the outstanding features af all was the expressions on the faces of visitors that do not live here and do not grow dahlias. One person, in particular, lingers in our memory. He and his wife were standing to one side simply gasping for breath. They could hardly believe such flowers actually grew in these hills. The old gentleman did, however, overcome his enthusiasm long enough to explain, "if anyone had told me such flowers grew here I would have thought him crazy. I'm from \_\_\_\_\_, Florida, but we can't grow anything to compare with these. Why man alive, why don't you folks here advertise these flowers in Florida. Why we love things like this and will come to see them." There is something in that statement of this Floridian worth pondering over.

The present method of helping the needy in Haywood county is most critical, ship-shod, inefficient and detrimental. It is a situation that calls for immediate action.

Then another thought. The county of Haywood has appropriated \$13,900 for the coming year to be used for the poor. Not all of this is distributed to individuals, however, but a large portion is. The county commissioners do not have time to investigate all cases coming before them, although they are furnished with proof that the subject is worthy, but many times some that are deserving are entirely left out, because as we said above, they do not know the ropes. This is not the fault of the commissioners, however.

We are convinced that if \$1,500 of this \$13,900 were given to pay the salary of a welfare officer that by next year the poor fund would be cut to at least \$10,000 including the salary of the welfare officer.

To continue at the present method we see the situation summed up like this; encouraging and raising beggars of certain people; slighting those needing help; feeding those able to work; and patting ourselves on the back for paying a five cent tax levy to promote this situation.

Now the question arises, who is going to start this movement? We are reprinting the last sentence of an editorial we published in this paper last March, which was along the same line of thought as the above, it said, "We suggest that one of the women's civic organizations of this city start this movement and organize an associated charity organization. It would be one of the best ways to render a real service to this community." We meant it then, we mean it more than ever now. Something must be done, and that right early.

Now that we have grass on the court house grounds instead of red clay probably the county books will not be in "the red."

# DEPRESSION

#### (Reprinted by Request)

What threatens to become a Newspaper Classic is a piece, "I Like the Depression," written by Henry Ansley, of the Amarillo (Texas) Globe-News which has not only been going the rounds of the press of the Lone Star state, but which is now being widely reprinted outside its borders. In case you havin't seen it, here it is:

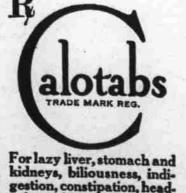
I like the depression, No more prosperity for me.

I have had more fun since the depression started than I ever had in my life; I had forgotten how to live, what it meant to have real friends, what it was like to eat common every day food. Fact is, I was getting just a little high hat.

Three years ago, only one man of the News-Globe organization could be out of town at a time and he had to leave at the last minute and get back as soon as possible. Many times I have driven 100 miles to a banquet, sat through three hours of bunk in order to make a five-minute speech, then drive the 100 miles back so as to get ready for work the next morning. Nowadays, as many News-Globe employees as are invited make those trips and we stay as long as we want The whole outfit could leave the office now and it wouldn't make any

difference I like the depression, I have time to visit my friends, to make new ones. Two years ago when I went to a neighboring town, I always stayed at the hotel. Now I go home with my friends, stay all night and enjoy homecooking I have even spent the week-end with some of the boys who have been kind enought to invite me.

It's great to drop into a store and feel that you spend an hour or two or three or a half day just visiting



gestion, constipation, head-ache, colds and fever. 10¢ and 35¢ at dealers.

ould tell me anything. Now I am going to church regulary, never miss a Sunday. He Never Has And if this depression keeps on, I will be going to prayer meeting be-

To Take Laxatives > Of Any Description Used Cathartics Atmost Dally fore He Took Sargon Pills



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Draught for constipation for a long time," writes Mw. Frank Cham-plon, of Wynne, Ark. "If I get up in the morning feeling dull and siuggish, a dose of Black-Draught taken three times a day will cause the feeling to pass away, and in a day or two I feel like a new person. After many years of use we would not exchange Black-Draught for any medicine." P. S. — If you have CHILDREN, give them the xev, pleasant-tasting SYRUP of Thedford's Black-Draught. This Remarkable Medic may be obtained from

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