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SUPPORT THE NEW PRESIDENT

The November winds have blown the smoke away; the roar of tens of thousands of political speeches have faded away, and for four long years the U. S. will travel along unmolested by another presidential election unless something unforeseen happens.

The president of the United States has been elected by the people, although he was not the choice of all, he was the choice of the majority, and now it is the patriotic duty of every citizen in this country to get behind Herbert Hoover and support him until he leaves the White House next March fourth and then to stand squarely behind Franklin D. Roosevelt from then henceforth.

What is a president? He is only a human being that has been selected from the millions of people to guide them and look after their interest in governmental affairs. He is not a king. He can't make demands that have only selfish motives behind them. The president of the United States is a hired worker of yours. You help pay his salary to look after your interest, and if you are constantly criticizing his work sooner or later the outcome will be unsatisfactory to all concerned.

A CLEAN CAMPAIGN

Few political battles have been fought as clean as the one which just ended Tuesday. Both parties did their best to get the most votes, naturally, but we believe it can be truthfully said of both parties that only clean wholesome tactics were used. Of course, there might have been a few individuals that tried to pull little things that were not becoming to the party of their affiliation, but this was done without the sanction of the party under whose name most of this type of work was pulled.

We believe there were more real honest-to-goodness facts and principles used in this campaign than in any campaign in many years prior to this. There was little mud-slinging done except by a few minor politicians who were trying to crash the front pages with their remarks, but this was hard to do. The harsh politician this time found it hard to get many newspapers to print anything except clean-cut facts.

So after all has been said and done, the voters of this country owe to the politicians a bow for the cleanliness and fairness of the recent election. May the same continue through the years, and the old mud-slinging, lambasting method be forgotten.

THE FARM PAGE

Haywood County farmers will find this week in this paper a page devoted to things of general interest to them. Each week the page will contain facts and interesting articles which the publishers trust will be read. Special emphasis is being placed upon the exchange of ideas of farmers. That is one of the best ways of learning to do things better—talking over problems with those who are constantly confronted with similar ones. If you have a problem which you have solved to your satisfaction send it in to this paper for the benefit of your farmer friends of this county.

Cheer up. The election is over and Christmas is 38 shopping days off.

AMERICA NEEDS TO SIGN ANOTHER ARMISTICE

Fourteen years have passed since the guns on the Western Front were silenced, but only two days have passed since America stopped fighting. Not with guns and implements of Warfare, but with phrases, letters, speeches of all descriptions, radio talks, newspaper comments, and even straw votes.

With these fourteen years and two days behind us, America should now combine all forces together and go after the only reward of peace—happiness. The government can't do it alone, the states can't do it, neither the county nor city, but the individual must work out to his or her satisfaction what really constitutes happiness.

In 1918 the general belief was that if Germany would sign the armistice, the whole world would be forever happy; but we were not. No sooner had the roar of the crowd vanished than we were engaged in another war—not firing but fighting among our selves for the almighty dollar—the curse of any nation.

Immediately after the war prices soared; men thought there would be no end to the prosperity era; then came the slump, and in '24 and '26 a rise, and then another slump and from then down, down went prices with millions being thrown out of employment, and thousands of bread lines formed to care for the hungry.

On this Armistice Day we can get a lesson from the soldiers who fought for their country during the war. When they got over into foreign soil they were fighting against the odds, but they did not give up. On and on they went until they forced Germany to sign the Armistice—Needless to say, they won the fight, because they knew they were fighting for the right, and with fear and selfishness left behind they went forward through the opposing line.

If America today would leave fear and selfishness entirely out of this battle with the economic situation, it would take only a short time until the front lines of the depression would be shattered and again this country could add to her victories that of defeating one of the worst enemies ever known to attack this country. The battle cannot be won with fear and selfishness predominating, however.

HAYWOOD'S TOBACCO CROP

The tobacco farmers of this county should be encouraged over the present tobacco crop. Indications are that prices will be about the same as last year or better, and with a fair crop this year the farmer will realize more than most of them did last year when the grade was not so good. The quality of this year's crop is superior to that of last year, according to Asheville tobacco men who made a trip through this county last week on an inspection tour.

Tobacco is a tedious crop to handle properly, but those who understand it thoroughly and with favorable weather, usually always see a balance at the end of the season. We venture to say that before many years have passed, tobacco will be one of Western North Carolina's greatest money crops. It is feared that once the farmers begin to realize large profits from their tobacco crops other crops will be dropped from their list and many will plant tobacco exclusively. In that case the tobacco crop in this country would not be so valuable.

One of the best boosters for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park is "Tours In The Great Smokies," edited by J. L. Caton, at Knoxville. Thousands of these bulletins are sent out each month to different parts of the nation telling of the wonders to be found within the park area.

Even to us right at the park, there yet remains much for us to learn about what nature has bestowed upon this section of the country.

It is publications like Mr. Caton's that will eventually make our dreams about the park come true.

Radio authorities predict that the air will be cleared of static for the rest of the winter after November 8th. Anyone that has been keeping up with the election could have guessed that.

QUACKS



Well the ballots have just been counted around here. It is just as I predicted. George Buchanan has been elected again. What a crowd it looks something like the gathering of football fans. If I'm not mistaken there were one or two who had been drinking something besides this clear, sparkling water that bubbles from our glorious mountains which so many politicians mentioned in the various speeches. Like Will Rogers I hope it isn't a tie. Here's a little inside on the election. Roosevelt will, I believe, carry Georgia. Heard much about Fred Crawford this week. He's getting the publicity. Don't worry boys because he has All-Southern in the bag. But here's my team. The All-county Drug Store eleven, etc. ends: Helmick, Massie; tackles: Coman, Larner; guards: Shelton, Ferguson; center: K. Clark; qb. Doc. Robinson; rh. Fish; lh. Long; Line, Sentelle; Back, "Ripley". Dr. Joe Liner Trainer, Jeff; Cheer leader Joe Welch; Sponsors—"Babe" and Price. So the high school better consider my team before they start claiming the championship of this county. Depression is over. Also, for lower taxes and on back taxes why not cut them in half since money is worth twice as much now as a while ago. That was a good speech Mr. Alley. And the largest crowd we have had. I wonder if the Brevard scribe would call all of us that were there criminals. To be fair some of us were. We voted for Hoover one time. Well Mr. Alley when Brevard hears from Haywood then he can see that we do not require all the jail boys to win. We realize now that a Democrat who split his ticket is like two roosters that peck themselves as the servant takes them out to cut off their heads. From the shouts and the yells the Democrats must have won. I told you so. Will you please hold the line while I get my lawn mower to sell to Waynesville so they can mow the grass from the streets. I'll lose my post-office job, but what a fortune I'll make in the lawn-mower business. How does this sound. L. B. A. Quacker Street Mower Co. This is early Tuesday. I am I too far ahead. I must hurry. The grass is already high.

Recollections from the last week and later:—Two prominent Waynesville lawyers standing on the grass on the court house lawn. One was telling the other a yarn and kept pushing him back until they were both standing on forbidden ground. A big crowd in town Saturday. Looked almost like the day before Christmas. The topic wasn't Santa Claus, however. A crowd playing marbles at the little amusement stand in Alexander's. It is amusing isn't it? I stand there and spend a dime and get a 400 score. The next fellow got 3900 on one cent. For the sake of our dear County won't someone give Janitor Patton some oil for the court room door. The one on the left going up stairs. Ask J. C. Welch how annoying it is when trying to listen to a speech. That door squeaks like a new pair of shoes and it is misleading and confusing. The Mountaineers in Black Mountain didn't have much luck at dice. Rolled their seven then came the Black Mountain eleven. Seven come, eleven they said in the army, but be sure the eleven is points. Wonder why Homer Davis looks so down and out these days. Someone said he lost a quarter on the chocolate market. Cheer up Biddix, it might have been worse. Sightseeing bus passes filled with people headed for the park. Two men crossing the street arm in arm, while wife of one looks jealousy on. Here's how I got my freckles. Walking down Main street facing the wind and right in front was two farmers. Chewing. Mouth filled. They both did only natural thing to do at the same time. Yes, thank you, it washed off easily. Isn't liquid Brown Mule frightful? This told on Gene Alley that he told a hell hop if he would shine his shoes he would give him a tip. Rastus finished. "Whar's ma tip, sah." "Here's a big one for you Rastus. Save your money." Instead of saving my money I'm leaving now to invest in a cup of George's coffee to kill the taste of second-hand Brown Mule. Will you come along?

FAVORING HIM

Two little boys had misbehaved in school and as punishment the teacher told them they would have to stay late and that each must write his name 100 times. On hearing this, one of them burst into tears. "Tain't fair!" he cried. "Hi name is Lee and mine's Kestenbaumenstein."

PRIMARY LESSON

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler said at a Columbia reception: "The college graduate has a lot to learn after graduation." "A business man asked a college graduate: "What qualifications have you for this job you are applying for?" "My A. B." said the young man. "Well, the job will teach you the rest of the alphabet," said the graduate.

24 Years Ago in HAYWOOD

Headline: Waynesville Must Continue Forward. The panic is on but the town must grow. After election thoughts on the needs of the times. Politics has nothing to do with the progressiveness or non-progressiveness of a town. Everything depends upon the business spirit and enterprise of citizens. Taft has nothing to do with it. Nor would Bryan if he had been elected. It's the business activity that tells. This is not the wrong time to advertise. Waynesville must either go forward or backward. There is no sitting still. Let us start now to let our light shine. Don't wait until the spring or summer. This is the first time that a panic was not followed by the defeat of the party in power in the nation. Miss Frederica Quinan entertained a number of friends last Thursday afternoon at her home on Pigeon street in honor of her guest, Miss Stevens, of Towanda, Pennsylvania. A delightful salad course was served. Rhinehart and Turbyfill have just received a car load of Columbus wagons. Call and examine them. Following is the honor roll for the Graded School for the month ending October 30, 1908. Eight Grade—Frank Haight, Emily Harold, Margaret Willis, Reeves Noland, Arthur Rickett, Horace Wyche, Homer Clark, Robert Francis, Edith Williams, Anna Boone. Ninth Grade—John Frazier, Frank Lindfors, Lucile Blackwell, Hazel Kilian, Anna Lee, Louise McFadyen, Iva Ownby, Marguerite Sloan, Esther Wharton, Mary Sjler, Fannie Paxton. Tenth Grade—Annie Shoelbred, Beatrice Underwood, Hattie Wharton, Olive Boone, Jennie Sentelle, Marguerite Briggs, Joe Turbyfill, Edward Hyatt, Lewis Wharton, Troy Wyche, Noble Garrett.

22 YEARS AGO IN HAYWOOD

It was a crisp, clear, healthy morning that dawned on election day. The voting began early in Waynesville and interest was tense, though the people were quiet all day. A special wire had been provided to receive the election news at the club rooms in Waynesville. Old Haywood is democratic all the time. Hugh Love's majority is biggest, 830. Felix Alley next, 790. Entire ticket by over 725. North Carolina carried democratic by 50,000. Mr. David J. Kerr, the chief electrician of the Champion Fibre Company, is a full fledged Irishman, having left the Emerald Isle when he was only fourteen years of age. He has been in America since; for sometime in Canton. He is a fine type of man and a democrat of the right stamp. He has been the manager and organizer of the young Men's Democratic Club of Canton. Miss Eugenia Salley of Orangeburg, S. C. and Misses Maud Gudger and Lilian Fletcher will be the guests of Miss Bessie Sloan next week. Misses Hazel Killian and Carrie Sue Adams spent the week-end at Hominy. Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Killian have returned from an extended visit to relatives in Georgia. Mrs. J. E. Johnston, who spent the summer here with her mother, Mrs. I. J. Brown, left Friday for her home in Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Fred Howell happened to a painful accident in the Waynesville-Asheville School football game last week, in sustaining injuries to his collar bone. Last Monday morning about 9 o'clock a freight train was wrecked between Willets and Addie. Seven box cars and the engine were overturned, but fortunately no one was hurt.

Just Arrived

Summer Boarder: "Have you seen anything around here worth shooting?" Farmer Brown: "Not until you came."

Wide Choice

He was a new boarder and was not used to the ways of the house. However, when prunes turned up for dinner for the third time, in succession he felt that he was entitled to make a complaint. "Miss Jardbake," he said to the landlady, "I'm not very fond of prunes. Have I no choice?" "Yes," she said, "you can have your choice. Either take them or leave them."

KNEW HIS STUFF

Wedlong: "My dear, it's no use for you to look at those hats; I haven't more than a dollar in my pocket." Mrs. Wedlong: "You might have known when we came out that I'd want to buy a few things." Mr. Wedlong: "I did."

LETTERS to the Editor

Mr. Editor: Secret and unjust propaganda—Much has been said through the papers and magazines concerning the American World War Veterans and the burden of taxes on the people. False figures have been used in order to incite the people and prejudice them against the soldiers and their various organizations; and to make it appear to the ordinary public that they are the cause of heavy tax burdens upon the general public. The heavy taxes placed upon the people are levied by the State and county, and not by the Federal government. The people who are responsible for the rotten propaganda are the big business men who profited most through the war and through excess profits, became wealthy, nothing was said by them about the cost of the war and the maintenance of the army when the soldiers were needed to sacrifice, every thing to fight for the honor of their country's flag and to protect the big capitalist who is the one that has leached the people's money, and is now trying to persuade the people that it is the disabled soldier that is the cause of heavy taxes, which is utterly false. Should the big financier succeed in removing the burden of the disabled soldier from the Federal government, then would the ordinary citizen have an extra burden of taxes. The small tax payer is not the one that pays the soldier bill, there are only a few in this Haywood county who pay income tax to the Federal government and it is this source that the soldiers get their compensation for disability, and who has more right to meet the expense that those who are enjoying large salaries. I wish to say the soldier did not leave his home and a profitable occupation to join the army for \$1.00 per day, but to fight to vindicate the honor of his country; nor did the soldier ask for compensation unless he was justly entitled, and was only granted on a sufficient evidence of his physical condition being such that he needed resistance. Among these propaganda slingers mostly against the veteran are those who are wanting to give to European countries twenty-two billion dollars which Europe owes to the people of the United States, but insist that these foreign countries pay back the loans made by private bankers of this country. I wish someone would explain why these people are more concerned over making these presentations to Europe, than they are of meeting their just obligation at home; it may be that some of these great philanthropists will visit the Court of King James, London, and receive an Honorary Degree for their kindly consideration. The war was none of our making, we went to France and finished the war for them at a terrible cost to the American people, and now a few would-be-aristocrats in order to gain the good will of Europe would have America pay for the entire war, let France, Italy, Great Britain free from any burden of the war. Let us get back to good old plain American Democracy.

FRED A. FERGUSON.

Fund Being Raised For Marker To Late Mr. W. E. Detweiler

Last week in this paper there was an article about the death of W. E. Detweiler, former citizen of this city, who died in Michigan recently.

This week this paper received a letter from one of the deceased's friends, and the daily paper of that city, stating that Mr. Detweiler died practically penniless, and that a fund was being raised in order that a marker be bought for his grave.

As he has many friends here it was requested that they be informed of this and given an opportunity to contribute towards this fund. Any funds sent in will be taken care of properly if sent to the editor of the Luddington News, Luddington, Mich.

Use This Laxative made from plants

Theford's BLACK-DRUGHT is made from plants that grow in the ground, like the garden vegetables you eat at every meal. NATURE has put into these plants an active medicine that stimulates the bowels to act—just as NATURE put the materials that sustain your body into the vegetable foods you eat. In Black-Drught you have a natural laxative, free from synthetic drugs. Its use does not make you have to depend on cathartic chemical drugs to get the bowels to act daily. Now you can get Black-Drught in the form of a SYRUP, for CHILDREN.

HOW ABOUT THE CHILDREN'S SHOES?

Get out last year's school shoes and send them to us and we'll return them to you good as new, and the cost will be very small. Don't wait until cold weather sets in—sent them today.

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