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A GOOD PIECE OF WORK

The local post of The American Legion is passing a splendid piece of publicity for Waynesville and community. This week individuals and business firms are being offered book of label-maps which show Waynesville's location to the park and the distance to nearby towns as you as the highest altitude in the park.

The label-map is 1 1/2 by 3 1/2 inches, and contains a J. W. Seaton, general manager, and president of the American Legion. The book is a most desirable detail.

The label are printed on a standard paper and are available in quantities from 100 to 100,000.

A well printed label-map is a valuable advertising medium, and all that is made will be sold at a very low price.

The label-map is supposed to be used on each letter going out of Waynesville, and as the cost is small, the American Legion officials feel that the community can afford at least a thousand of the labels and use them freely.

This is a bit of inexpensive advertising, and we feel that much good will result from it.

FEAR SEEMS TO BE GONE

When the First National Bank opened last Thursday morning a number of depositors were waiting to deposit their money, and throughout the entire day depositors carried their money there to be deposited, and at the close of the banking hours, the books showed that a net gain of \$12,000 had been made, there being \$28,000 deposited and \$16,000 withdrawn.

J. R. Boyd, president of the institution was well pleased with the actions of the people. He stated that everyone was very calm and showed no sign of fear. Only one person wanted to withdraw his entire balance, and before leaving the bank decided it would be better there than anywhere else.

Mr. Boyd stressed the fact that the trend of the day was that better times were becoming a reality. Everything indicates that the country has reached the bottom of the economic situation and a gradual rise is seen.

In conversation with patrons of the bank during the past few days, Mr. Boyd has found that the people have abandoned the fear that they had three weeks ago, and that they have more faith in the country and banks than they have had since the fall of 1929 when so many financial institutions were forced to close their doors.

When conservative bankers like Mr. Boyd make statements like the one above we feel that we really have something other than the general talk of an optimist to base our beliefs that times are surely on the upward grade.

While 5,000 banks were failing in the country, Canada had 2 to close, and that without a loss of a dollar to a Canadian, and in Europe not a one has failed. Under President Roosevelt's plan we believe that the United States will soon have records to equal that of Canada and Europe.

Divorces in this state may now be granted on two year's separation instead of five. This will enable some folks to get two divorces in the same time it once took to get one, perhaps.

It is reported that Ivar Kreuger, the match king, was in debt \$225,000,000 when he died. No doubt that is the record, but it looks as if some people are trying to duplicate his feat.

There are more ways to boost a community than talking.

THE JUMBLE AT RALEIGH

Three weeks ago it seemed to this newspaper that the present general assembly of North Carolina had gone about its work with extraordinary intelligence. Now the situation at Raleigh has become one of the greatest confusion, the worst jumble that any one is apparently capable of recalling in the State's legislative history.

At the 1931 session the general assembly sat for five months and it was deadlocked during a considerable part of this time; but the issues which divided the lawmakers then were relatively simple and easily understood. The present conflict is complicated by serious misunderstandings on the part of the members of the general assembly and on the part of the public of what is actually being attempted.

During the past week there were two major developments at the State capitol. Governor Ehringhaus appeared before the general assembly and presented a message in which he urged the adoption of a sales tax and a radical new program for the public schools. His sales tax recommendation has met with fierce opposition and his plan for the schools has not yet been grasped by many of the legislators. Persons at a distance who have studied it out see clearly that it would put every city school system in the State on the rocks.

The message of the Governor has had the effect of intensifying the activities of the opposition bloc and of bringing fresh support to that bloc. The second major development of the week was the passage by the House, under the leadership of Representatives Bowen and Berry of an economy bill that has cut out spasms of aid to the administration forces and to many others. The senate was set to back the Governor in his school proposal. It was unfortunate that the performance in the house to bring the matter to vote. There is no hope for the charter district schools in either the Bowie-Cherry program or the Ehringhaus program. The Bowie-Cherry plan is to provide for a six month school term for all schools and to prohibit charter districts from levying any local taxes for school support. The Ehringhaus plan is for an eight month school term for all schools and to prohibit charter districts from levying any local taxes for school support. - Asheville Citizen.

REAL SPRING FEVER

It is impossible today to doubt that spring is here—not "just around the corner."

The weather bureau's contention that Spring arrives on March 1, and the astronomical theory that the vernal advent occurs on March 21 have ceased to figure. The arrival or non-arrival of the robins, the flights of wild fowl northward and all other determined factors which command popular favor are negligible.

No matter what the mercury in the thermometers registers, no matter whether the skies are blue or gray, no matter whether the atmosphere is balmy or chilly, it's spring.

Spring is the season when everything lives, or dependent upon the living owes it as a duty to wake up from a hibernating sleep, and this spring finds the community and all other communities in the land turned to wakefulness, such as no other spring in recent years were witnessed.

It is time for business to hope to wake up, business to beginning stirring industries to revive and jobs for the jobless to open.

Genuine spring fever is not a state of languor as many persons illogically suppose; it is a state of renewed activity and hustle. Now it the time for everybody to catch the real spring fever and help to make the wheels go round. - Baltimore News.

March 7 marked the fifty-ninth anniversary of the issuance to Alexander Graham Bell of a patent on the invention of the telephone, but apparently everybody was too busy talking over it to talk much about it. Ex.

Two social fraternities in the University of Missouri have merged for economy, and perhaps the benefits could be increased by merging the fraternity and nonfraternity groups into one large brotherhood. Ex.

In one week \$327,238,000 in gold was returned to reserve banks in this country, or an average of about \$2.75 for each person in the United States.

The wise tell us to think twice before speaking. They might also add this, "think twice before hoarding."

The way out of the financial stress is discussed in every home and on every corner; thus does depression make economists of us all. Ex.

LETTERS to the Editor

Dear Editor: I would like to take this opportunity to put before the students and the parents an idea that has been discussed some in meetings of two or three at the time.

I do not believe that there is a school in the State of North Carolina that has any more musical talent in proportion to the total enrollment than has Waynesville. Yet, at the beginning of the present school year we had only an eight-piece orchestra. I believe that with just a little more work, and certainly a great deal more pleasure, we could just as well have a thirty-eight piece orchestra. With a little added interest and a little concentrated effort, Waynesville can go to the State Music Contest at Greensboro and bring back the cup. Why not? She brings back the cup in other fields, does she not?

One of the greatest steps backwards that North Carolina has ever taken was the cutting of public school music from the grades. True, music is not a necessity, it is an art, so is literature, but we teach it. There are more people who enjoy good music than those who enjoy good literature, yet we cut music out of the school for a few meager cents in taxes. In spite of this there is no reason why we can not work up some music clubs here that will at least show the people are interested.

I would like to see upwards of fifty boys and girls in the Waynesville School take part in a band, with the different bands in the different schools. If that were done, the music of these fifty boys and girls would be just a little bit more than the present one that we have in the school. The boys will have a chance to show their talents, and the girls will have a chance to show their talents. This is a step towards the future of the school. I am sure that the school will be a better school if it has a band. I am sure that the school will be a better school if it has a band. I am sure that the school will be a better school if it has a band.

Woman Is Restored Use Of Paralyzed Limbs By Quake

Mrs. Lillian Jackson, 103-year-old widow of Portland, Ore., whose hands and lower limbs were paralyzed, was doing from her chair in Long Beach by the recent earthquake. A moment later she had fled from the residence and was walking along the beach without the aid of crutch or cane.

Since then she has been able to use her limbs with considerable freedom.

DIVIDENDS AWAIT—FOR "GOD'S BANK AIN'T BUSTED YET"

The bank had closed, my earthly store had vanished from my hand. I felt there was no sadder one than I in all the land. My washwoman had lost her little mite with mine. But she was singing as she hung the clothes upon the line.

"How can you be so gay?" I asked. "Your loss, don't you regret?" Yes, ma'am, but what's the use to fret? "God's Bank ain't busted yet." I felt my burden lighter grown, her faith I seemed to share.

In prayer I went to God's great throne and laid my troubles there. I thanked God for her simple words: "God's Bank ain't busted yet." And now I draw rich dividends, more than my hand can hold. Of faith and love and hope and trust and peace of mind untold. I thank the Giver of it all, but still I can't forget my washwoman's simple words: "God's Bank ain't busted yet."

O weary ones, upon life's road, when everything seems dreary, And losses loom on every hand, and skies seem not so clear; Throw back your shoulders and lift your head and cease to chafe and fret Your dividend will be declared: "God's Bank ain't busted yet." - Alice P. Moss

Ethyl—Hazel told me that you told her that secret I told you not to tell her. Methyl—She's a mean thing! I told her not to tell you. Ethyl—Well, I told her I wouldn't tell you she told me, so don't tell her I did.

An editor was dining out. "Would you like some more pudding?" his hostess asked. "No, thank you," replied the editor, absent mindingly. Owing to tremendous pressure on space I am reluctantly compelled to decline.

Jones: "How do you spend your income?" Smith: "About 20 per cent for shelter, 30 per cent for clothing, 40 per cent for food and 20 per cent for amusement."

Jones: "But that adds up to 120 per cent." Smith: "That's right."

Mistress: "I forgot to put a stamp on the letter, Ann. I hope you didn't post it without." Ann: "Yes, I did, ma'am. I thought you were economizing."

PATRIARCH FORCED TO EAT

The 14-day hunger strike of Joseph St. Peter, 78, patriarch of Edmore, Michigan, ended last Friday when a physician and a deputy sheriff forced him to eat.

Eastern Star To Serve Supper Tonight At Seven

The Order of the Eastern Star will serve a supper tonight at the banquet hall of the Masonic Temple at 7 o'clock for all members of the Eastern Star and Masonic organization, together with their families and friends.

A program of entertainment has been arranged consisting of songs, readings and other amusements. A small charge of 25 cents per plate will be charged.

The officials expect a large number to attend. The invitation is not just confined to Waynesville, but also all those living near here are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Ruth Green, worthy matron of the Waynesville chapter announced the following appointments of officers to serve for the ensuing year: Marion Hyatt, Adah; Lollie McLaughlin, Ruth; Dollie Ferguson, Ester; Ethel Bradley, Martha; Louise Leatherwood, Electa; Precious Campbell, Chaplain; Grace Queen, Marshal; Anna Nobels, organist; Joe Schenck, sentinel.

Gets Divorce After 40 Years Separation

Forty years after Henry Bacon of Chicago disappeared on his way to work as a guard at the Chicago Columbian Exposition of 1893, Mrs. Margaret Bacon, seventy-two, obtained a divorce from him.

The divorce was granted yesterday by Circuit Judge Dennis J. Neerbach on grounds of desertion. "For 40 years I worried about Henry," said Mrs. Bacon. "The last I saw him he was going to work at the Chicago Columbian Exposition. Recently I read about the 1893 world's fair and I thought I wanted to be a free woman."

New Officers Of Bethel Grange Are Recently Installed

When the 18th of the Grange held its general public installation program at the high school auditorium on Friday night, Members of the Bethel Grange attended in a body and the change of the installation of new officers.

The following officers were installed: Van Wells, master; Jack Burns, secretary; G. C. Benson, treasurer; Henry Evans, steward; Virginia Wiley, assistant steward; Mrs. J. D. Wells, clerk; Mrs. E. D. Wells, reporter; Mrs. Cora Welch, door; Mrs. Carl Edwards, pomona; R. O. Kelley, secretary; and G. E. Stamos, treasurer.

The Bethel Grange is a newly organized club for the purpose of bettering farm and home life generally. The club now has approximately 60 members who are taking much interest in the club's activities. Following the general business meeting and installation program, refreshments were served by the ladies of the community.

"The man who is singing carols in the street wants to know if you can help him, Sir." "Impossible! I can't sing a note!"

24 Years Ago in HAYWOOD

(From the file of March 19, 1909.) It is not generally known, our way is the case that Haywood county is just one hundred years old this month. On the fourth Monday in March, 1809, the county government was organized by the election of justices of the peace of the county and the regular county officers.

Mr. Guy V. Ferguson, of Oklahoma, arrived Saturday and has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Ferguson, on Crabtree.

Mr. J. M. Noland, our clever reporter of deeds, under great tribulation, came an esquire in the order of Knights of Pythias last Tuesday night. Miss Grace Bowles is building a commodious bungalow on Haywood street near the Graded School Building.

Mr. J. W. Reed left Tuesday for a business trip to New York.

The seventh meeting of the Waynesville Club was held at the home of Mrs. C. H. McDowell on Main street Thursday afternoon, the subject being "The Astors." Very interesting papers were read by Miss Mary Ector and Mrs. E. S. Harrod.

The T. S. C. Society met at the home of Misses Hattie and Esther Whitaker Wednesday afternoon. The subject presented were: Truce Lunan, John Mook, Mary Turbill, Lydia Struthers, Annie Snodgrass, Carrie St. Aubin, and Hazel Killian.

It was whistled among those who know that wedding bells will be rung in a certain neighborhood for many months. The announcement will come at the Center when the date is 1939.

22 YEARS AGO IN HAYWOOD

(From the file of March 24, 1911.) Headlines: Chattanooga Management Active and Enthusiastic—Lake St. Home Transformed—Dr. Cannon, Mr. Pepper, and George Stuart Here Tana, Inc. Contractor and Architect Also Here.

We have been asked about the teaching law that was passed by the recent legislature. There were two important prohibition measures passed of state-wide application. One prohibited the sale of beer and the other prohibited the barter, sale, exchange, or handling in any way of liquor.

Mr. Leon Killian has returned to Hendersonville after a short stay at home. Mr. Cleveland Kirkpatrick of Raleigh is visiting his parents at Crabtree.

Dr. W. I. Kirkpatrick, of Paeolet, N. C., has returned home after a visit to his mother at Crabtree.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hyatt will leave next week for their home in Tacoma, Nevada, after an extended visit to their parents here.

Mrs. Tom Stringfield and Master Spedham Stringfield will return next week from an extended visit to Mrs. Stringfield's parents in Birmingham, Ala.

GARDEN SEEDS that really produce at Hyatt and Co., at the Depot.

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ALEXANDER'S QUESTION BOARD How can I learn to be a Red-Cross nurse? Answer: - Fit up a first-aid cabinet in your own home! NO. YOU DON'T have to be red and you don't have to be cross to join the first aid home guard nurses. We sell a certain number of reliable home remedies that belong in your home. Buy a complete assortment from bandages to arnica, from quinine to peroxide. Alexander's Drug Store PHONES 53-54