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#### FROM WAYNESVILLE TO MANTEO

Last week we made a trip to Manteo, which is on Roanoke Island where the first white people ever set foot on the North American continent, and also the birthplace of Virginia Dare, the first white child born in America. Not only does Dare County have the distinction of being the birthplace of the nation, but also of aviation.

One of the outstanding traits of the citizens of that coastal country is that every one knows in detail the history of their county from the time the lost colony landed there 349 years ago to this date. The outstanding events, of course, are that of the lost colony and the first airplane flight made by the Wright brothers 27 years ago from Kill Devil Hill.

It is quite interesting to learn from Sheriff Victor Meekins, of Dare county, that He has an empty jail, which is not unusual and that his county averages a homicide every ten years. Next year is the year for a murder.

Sheriff Meekins serves a county which has 85 miles of ocean frontage and also several islands. In some parts of his territory there are sections where there are no automobiles or roads, but according to the crime statistics of that county the people seem to know how to behave themselves.

The 5,000 inhabitants of Dare county depend largely on fishing for their living, while a large number are employed by the government in the coast guard service, which is essential in that part of the Atlantic coast which has become known to seamen as the graveyard of the Atlantic. Within a stretch of beach of less than a mile we saw the remains of four ship wrecks. While the ships are a total loss, few lives have been lost. This is due to a large extent to the ability of the coast guard stations who maintain constant watch for vessels in distress near the coast to render help in time of need.

Speaking of fishing brings to mind what one fisherman told as down there. He averages catching 500 pounds of fish daily, and eats less than 5 fish a year. He said he could not stand the flavor, but was not content at any other work but easting his nets and packing the eatch in ice for the market. He has been fishing for the past 30 years and can't swim three feet. We have often heard people speak of fitting ourselves for our work, if we are to succeed, this man seems to prove that is isn't always neces ary.

The greatest handicap to that section of the state is toll bridges. Some of the bridges are now owned by the state but a toll is still collected. The longest bridge there is the Wright Memorial Bridge, almost 3 miles long over the sound. The people of that section ac: looking forward to the day when they will be released from the bondage of toll bridges.

The Wright Memorial is a historical place that is fast becoming known throughout the world. This memorial is a granite monument on top of Kill Devil Hill and marks the place where the first airplane flew. The marker it-

self cost the government \$250,000. It might be interesting to the mountaineers of these hills to know that the hill on which this memorial is built has moved over a half a mile from where it was 27 years ago. The hill was nothing but fine white said and the constant blowing of the wind caused the sand to blow over the top and down the south side, and during the course of years the hill had just "blown south" a half mile.

Before the government started building the memorial, engineers spent months studing

the best methods to anchor the hill. After some time, a thick mat of grass was planted on the hill and now the winds have no affect on Kill Devil Hill. It cost the government \$60,-000 to keep the hill from moving away.

A visit to the eastern part of the state would not be complete without a stop at Edenton, an old city with modern ideas. Edenton does not only live in its past, but also in the future. The lowly peanut which grows in profusion near Edenton has made that city one of the best places from a business standpoint in the state. Every day there are 80 million peanuts parched and shipped from that city. The peanut mills are working day and night to keep up with orders.

Not only do they depend on peanuts, but their watermelons have a ready market up north as well as their cantaloupes.

The crops from Raleigh to the coast are said to be the best that they have had in years. The tobacco crop is exceptionally pretty. The corn is going to make a good yield, while the cotton is far better than the average crop. We were shown fields of cotton over two feet high that will soon be plowed under because of the government's contract with the farmers to have a smaller crop. Almost \$3,000,000 will be paid North Carolina farmers for plowing under part of their crop. In many instances, we learned that the government had loaned the farmer money to buy fertilizer to make his cotton crop. The cotton farmers seem ready to cooperate and ready to begin plowing at the signal from the government.

One would be led to believe that those people living on the islands, and more or less cut off from the rest of the world until a few years ago, would be indifferent towards strangers, but they are just the opposite. Their hospitality is beyond words. There are no strangers in their midst. They don't allow it. A more cordial reception could not have been given any group than was given the North Carolina Press Association.

The Great Smoky Mountains National Park is nothing new to folks down "east". The know all about it. While Waynesville is not as well known as it should be, it is easily linked with Lake Junaluska which is on the tip end of every Methodist's tongue, and some other denominations also.

We had to travel 528 miles to get to Manteo. The same mileage would have carried us to seventeen states of the union and the District of Columbia. This goes to show that North Carolina covers a large area which embraces everything from lofty mountain peaks to the rolling Atlantic.

When the politician wants to speak of North Carolina in flowery terms and tries to emphasize its length, he yells forth, "from Manteo to Murphy," and only a few of us comprehend his meaning.

The trip from Waynesville to Manteo will give you an idea of just what he means,

### THE DRY LEADER

During the past several weeks the press has come out in the open against Bishop James Cannon, Jr., as leading the drys in the state. The opinion of the press seems to be that Mr. Cannon will do more harm than he will good for the dry side.

The Cleveland Star says:

"That near\_suppressed chuckle you heard may have been the repealists patting themselves on the back when they heard that Bishop Cannon was coming to North Carolina to fight for the dry cause. The bishop is more than ever a good vote-getter-for the other side."

Right on the heels of that statement, The Polk County News feels that Bishop Cannon, Jr., "will hurt the cause," and under that heading writes:

"We read that Bishop James Cannon, Jr., dry crusader, may be moved into North Carolina to aid in the wet-dry war which is soon to break loose in this state. The "drys" would do well to think twice before drafting the Bishop for service in the repeal firing line. We do not question his sincerity of purpose, but we do question his effectiveness on this question with the gre t majority of the American people. The Bishop's conduct in recent years has cost him much of his effectiveness on this and other questions. There are other dry crusaders available for service who would have far greater influence in keeping North Carolina dry after November 7."

These facts cannot be denied, and if the dry forces hope to carry the election on No. vember 7 they should line up behind a leader who can convince the voters he's worthy of their support.

## ODD THINGS AND NEW—By Lame Bode



## An Open Mind LEONARD A. BARRETT

Should a time-tested idea be quesloned? Some students of life's problems emphatically



affirm that truth does not change. It is therefore static Statements which express convictions, made from discoveries in the past are to be accepted as true today. A bigoted philosophy goes even further and demands that authority for one's acceptance of any

statement of truth can only be found in the experience of the past-"that there is nothing ew maler the sun.

Does it not seem strange that no eal scientist makes so bold a state ment? He would not be permitted to retain a chair in any accredited college if he made so audacious a claim in behalf of his specialty. When we close the door to trath we sacrifice the intellectual respect of our associates. Truth is veter static. It is at ways dynamic. The science of the past is not the science of today, and the science of today will not be the science of a half-century hence. Not so very long ago the atom was consid ered the smallest particle of matter Today no scientist believes it. The atom has been split up into electrons science cannot afford to affirm that be cause an eminent scholar makes a statement it is therefore the final revlation of truth. The door to knowl dge must always be open if truth is to become dynamic. Shut that door and it at once becomes static.

New truth, revealed through the findings of scientific investigation, has done much for the advancement of civilization. We need only refer to the remedies now applied for many of the diseases which in former years were dreaded as sure forerunners et death. Many of the comforts of our modern life have been made possible because some minds refused to be sat isfied with the limitations of the past and discovered for themselves new se crets in nature. The application of electricity to labor and time-saving devices fully attests the value of recent investigations

No person need be afraid of truth The world is too hungry for reality to permit anyone to stultify the spirit of research. This hunger cannot be sut isfied by any attempt to substitute feelings for thoughts, or passing values for facts. Perhaps we have only begun to touch the fringe of a great scientific world. What about the future? No one knows. Truth, however, need give us no cause for fearlet it ever lead us on.

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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST

Under and by virtue of authority ontained in a certain deed of trust xecuted by J. C. Sorrells and wife, to he Citizens National Bank of Raleigh, N. C., Trustee, on the 20th day of July 1927, recorded in Book 21, Page 121 Registry of Haywood County, North arolina, default having been made in he payment of the indebtedness secured thereby, the undersigned Com-missioner of Banks, having succeeded to the rights and duties of the North Carolina Bank and Trust Company, Successor Trustee. will offer for sale, at public auction for cash, in front of the Haywood County Court House door on Monday. August 21st, 1933, at twelve o'clock noon, certain pieces of land lying and being in Haywood County. State of North Carolina, and described and defined as follows: Lying and being in Beaverdam Township. Haywood County, North Carolina, on Crabtree Road about 21/2 miles Northwest of Canton N. C., and bounded on the North by the

# to the Editor

Cove Creek N. C., July 21, 1933. To the Editor of The Waynesville Mountaineer:

I am writing this to ask you to corect some false statements made in treat your paper of July 20, 1933 in regard to the statements of the State witness. es in the Jenkins case

You made the statement that Jim Harrell admitted being convicted in federal court of selling liquor which not true. Jim Har ell has never been convicted of selling liquor and never made any such at tement. Jim was convicted of being in possession of whiskey and given a suspended

One other false statement made is that several of the state witnesses admitted having served sentences in the State prison for various crimes. stealing chickens, automobile, breaking into store, robbing a bee hivebootlegging, blockading or hauling liquor and that some of them confess ed that they had been bootlegging and blockading since they had been con-

This statement is false and miseading. Only one of the twenty-one witnesses has ever served a sentence in the State prison and no other wit- Sorrell admitted that he had been condeted of stealing. The other consictions were for violation of the pronibition law.

don't think the public press should make such statements so proniscuously for more than one-half of the witnesses for the State were men and women of excellent character and their past record was not quesioned by the defense in this law suit Signed

JOHN HOWELL.

Editor's Note:-The Mountaineer egrest very much that the statements vere made and is glad to make this cerrertion.

ands of K. O. Carswell, on the West by the lands of K. O. Carswell, on the auth by the lands Rateliff Robinson. n the East by the lands of Will Sorells, and more particularly described

BEGINNING at a stake in the cene of Crabtree Road corner of K. O. arswell lot No. 14 and runs thence South 8d degrees East 24 poles, sur-East (magnetic)

## 24 Years Ago HAYWOOD

(From the file of July 30, 1909.)

It is reported that our dignified county superintendent of schools Prof. R. A. Sentelle was discovered out fox hunting one day last week Major and Ms. Hugh A. Love r.

turned Wednesday from Galion Oh where they have been on a visit of wo months. One of the most enjoyable occa. sions of the season was the party given Friday night by Mrs. Charles McDowell at her home on Main street

to her gnests, Miss Edna Lynch and

Miss Mary Sue Ray of Fairview. The opening ball at the Haywood White Sulphur Springs Thursday night was a decided success. Among those present yere: Mesdames Shuford, Stone, Sloan. Mitchell. Barne Quinlan Misses Killian Britt, Wills Knight, Ferguson, Smith, Inman, Satterthwait. Messrs. Krouse. Plott. Streeter. Blake, Sheets, Hillsman. At ... kins, Sloan, Lefridge, Ray, Satterthwait, and the guests at the hotel,

22 YEARS AGO IN HAYWOOD (From the file of August 3. 1911.)

Miss Annie Shoolbred entertained fuesday evening with a lawn part n honor of her house guests. Mis-Eugenia Agers, of Bristol and Misse

Hattie and Esther Wharton, of Crus-It is acknowledged by everyone that there are more visitors in Waynesville now than ever before in the history o Miss Josephine Gilmer will give

ong recital at the Academy had Tuesday evening. Miss Gilmer posesses a wonderful soprano voice and her recital will be a most delightful The marriage of Miss Ruth Knig

and Mr. Joe Graves which was emnized Thursday afternoon at the Presbyterian church came as a surprise to their many friends in Waynesville.

Mrs. R.L. Allen is entertaining this afternoon with a bridge party in honor of her guest, Miss Cabiness of

19.28 poles to a stake; thence South 86 degrees West 12 poles to a stake; thence South 4 degrees West 5.52 to a stake; thence South so de-West 11 poles ti center of Crabree Road; thence with center of said oad North 2 degrees 30' West 2180 oles to the beginning. ot No. 11 of the T. C. Dobson survey of the T. N. Bonham land, dated March 7, 1919 as per map of record n map Book A, at page 89. Haywood County records of maps, and being the same land described in a deed from K. O. Carswell and wife to J. C. deed dated June 18, 1927, and regitered June 23, 1927, in Book 75, Page

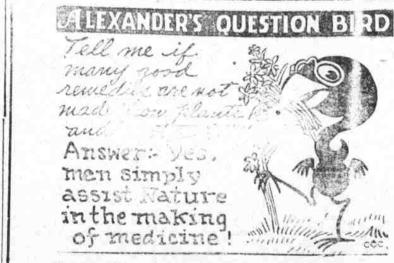
Also a part of the lot No. 12 of the above mentioned survey and being ame land described in a deed from L. L. Brannon and wife to J. C Sorrells and wife. ells, dated October 6, 1924, and -ogstered on the 30th day of December 924 in book 66, page 248. Haywood

ounty records of deeds. Dated this 14th day of July, 1933. GURNEY P. HOOD, Commissioner of Banks, on Re-

lation of North Carolina Bank and Trust Company. Successor No. 83-July27-Auy.3-1 )-17-

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