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HOMES IN PLACE OF WAR

Several pages of the Congressional Record show just what the world war cost us in money and men without a single dollar or acre of land from the millions and millions of loot divided at the treaty of Versailles.

According to the best statistics obtainable, the world war cost 30,000,000 lives and \$400,000,000,000 in property. With this amount we could have built a \$2,500 house and furnished this house with \$1,000 worth of furniture, and placed it on five acres of land worth \$100 an acre and given all this to each and every family in the United States, Canada, Australia, England, Wales, Ireland, Scotland, France, Belgium, Germany and Russia. After doing this, there would have been enough money left to give to each city of 20,000 inhabitants and over in all countries named a \$5,000 library and a \$10,000,000 university. And then out of the balance we could still have sufficient money to set aside a sum at 5 per cent interest which would pay for all time to come a \$1,000 yearly salary each for an army of 125,000 teachers, and addition to this pay the same salary to each of an army of 125,000 nurses. And after having done all this we could still have enough left out of our \$400,000,000,000 to buy up all France and Belgium and everything of value that France and Belgium possess—that is, every French and Belgium farm, home, factory, church, railroad, street car—in fact, everything of value in those two countries in 1914.

But what would the poor armament people do for a living?—Star-Clipper, Traer, Ia.

WORSE THAN WAR

Whatever else may happen during 1934, it is a practical certainty that more than 30,000 Americans will be killed in traffic accidents, and another 750,000 injured.

It is strange that the awful death toll of automobiles does not serve as a warning to drivers and pedestrians alike, but it appears that it does not. Many persons who worry over germs or minor dangers of other sorts will take chances on the highways which are bound to sooner or later end in disaster.

As recent statistics show, three times as many casualties result from automobile accidents in a single year as were suffered by United States forces during the entire World War. The war cost more lives, but the automobile is responsible for more injured.

Among the yearly automobile deaths are those of about 7,000 children of school age, the greatest number being between the ages of six and twelve years. The greatest number of accidents occur between five and six o'clock in the afternoon. Drivers and pedestrians are about equally at fault in their responsibility for accidents, according to the best estimate available.

While the automobile is an indispensable convenience of modern life, it has already caused the death of almost as many persons as were killed in battle in all the American armies since the founding of the Republic.—Reidsville Review.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE LEAVES IN THE PARK?

To those who have not been through New-found Gap in the Park during the fall when the leaves are turning, we suggest that the trip be made immediately. The beauty of nature as seen from points all along the route will be something long to remember.

Then too, the road on the Tennessee side will be closed after November first until next spring, as the heavy grading on the road near the line in Tennessee will be underway.

Just to remind you, there are only sixty-one more shopping days 'till Christmas.

A DISTINCTION FOR THE HAYWOOD HOSPITAL

The Haywood County Hospital was again this year placed on the list of approved hospitals in the United States and Canada by the American College of Surgeons. The local hospital being one of 2,480 hospitals that were approved. Sixty-five were approved in this state.

The definite requirements as laid down by the American College of Surgeons includes the maintenance of organized medical staffs of ethical, competent physicians; competent medical records; adequate laboratory and x-ray facilities; and a thorough review and analysis of the clinical work of the hospital each month so as to carefully check up the results of the professional activities within the hospital, analyze, and seek to improve them.

With the exception of three hospitals in Asheville, one in Murphy, the local hospital is the only one listed in Western North Carolina. To be able to maintain the standard the Haywood County Hospital is credited with by the international institution is a distinction worth while and one that every Haywood citizen should be justly proud of those in charge of the hospital which is a county institution.

BROKEN TOYS WANTED

Oscar Briggs has already repaired, painted and stored away 230 toys which he will distribute to unfortunate children this Christmas. All this is being done on his own time, and the only remuneration he gets for it is the satisfaction that he makes children happy.

There are a lot of other things he could do in his spare time, but he prefers to be at something that will spread happiness.

Now since Mr. Briggs is doing his part, if there are any old broken toys around your house take them to the fire station for him to repair. He'll be glad to get them, and certainly the children will on Christmas morning.

A HAPPIER ENDING

The harvest season is nearly at a close in this country and reports from all sections are to the effect that far more bountiful yields are being realized than were predicted along in the summer. Three months ago one of the worst droughts in history was sweeping the land. Then forecasts were freely made that this or that crop would prove a total failure. Nature went right on about her business, however, and today in many sections yields are actually normal, instead of being total failures, as has been predicted.

It shows how man proposes and nature disposes. Now we are commencing to hear the forecasts of amateur weather prophets around Reidsville. As usual, their predictions are for a long, hard winter. It seems the amateur weatherman always feels this is his best guess. But the average citizen is not going to forget that these same prognosticators switched last year and predicted an "open winter," when just the opposite was the result. They haven't forgotten that it was an exceptionally severe winter, so they are not going to place very much stock in the predictions of those who missed so badly last season.

Since there is no law against it, why not a "new deal" in weather forecasting? How about every fellow serving as his own weather prophet, since one man's guess is usually as good as another's.—Ex.

DEBT

Your government at Washington is going into debt at a rate said to be \$7,600 for every time your watch ticks a minute off.

That might not be even worth noting if the government were some day to be able to reach up in the magic air and pluck from ethereal trees the funds necessary to settle this account.

But when the fact is that it will some day reach into the pockets of its taxpayers for that money—well, that makes you knit your brows.—Julian S. Miller in Charlotte Observer.

FREE SEED

The federal government, it is announced, has no idea of abandoning its policy of giving away free seed—an announcement that will, of course, make the heart of your congressman jump for joy.

In the meantime, however, what about a little fertilizer to go along with them! And what would be the chance to chip in the labor required to work the crop? Also, what would be the further prospect of getting government aid to harvest it, if any?—Julius S. Miller in Charlotte Observer.

For once, every store in Haywood County will close on Armistice Day, or at least observe Sunday hours—that's already been decided.

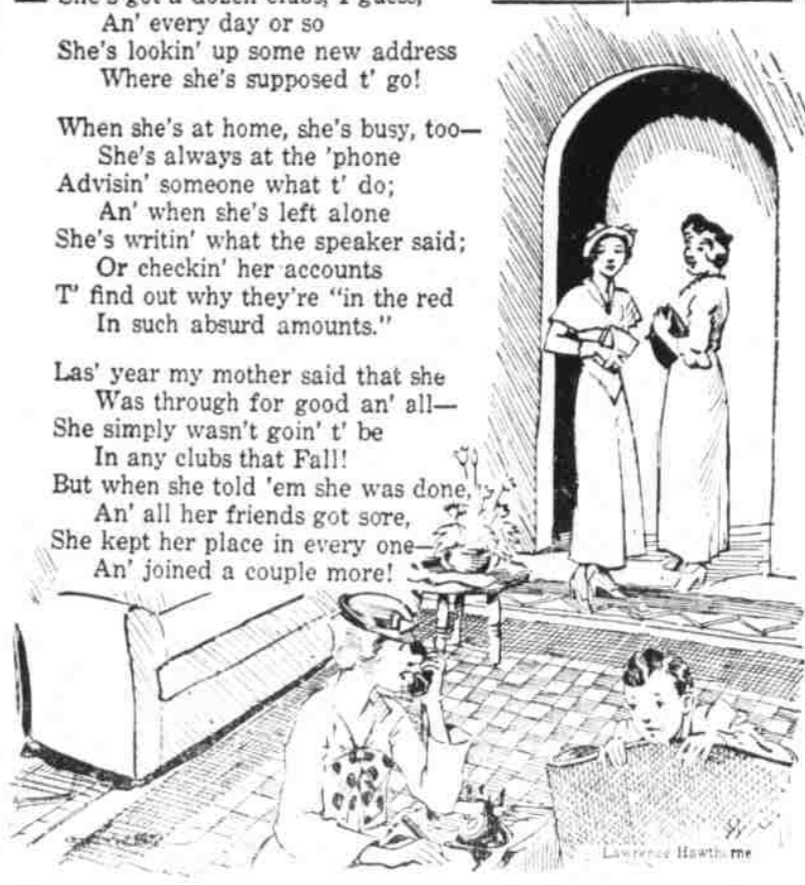
Mother and Her Clubs

by
LAWRENCE HAWTHORNE

My mother's at the club today!
I don't know jus' which one;
But, anyhow, she's gone away
To have a lot o' fun!
She's got a dozen clubs, I guess,
An' every day or so
She's lookin' up some new address
Where she's supposed t' go!

When she's at home, she's busy, too—
She's always at the 'phone
Advisin' someone what t' do;
An' when she's left alone
She's writin' what the speaker said;
Or checkin' her accounts
T' find out why they're "in the red
In such absurd amounts."

Las' year my mother said that she
Was through for good an' all—
She simply wasn't goin' t' be
In any clubs that Fall!
But when she told 'em she was done,
An' all her friends got sore,
She kept her place in every one
An' joined a couple more!



Random SIDE GLANCES

By W. CURTIS RUSS

I thought I liked oysters better, than anyone in the world, but I find that Frank Miller and C. B. Aikinson can go on one better on them. Neither of them eat raw ones, while I thrive on 'em.

It must be nice to be a banker and know just how much money people have in the bank. I imagine it would be amusing to stand on the streets and watch how some "booke people" splurge.

What has happened to all those stories that began with "Once upon a time?"

Last week a farmer with three little boys, stopped his truck in front of the office for a few minutes, and during the pause, a stranger in town wearing golf knickers walked past. The three boys snickered and had all kinds of fun laughing at the man with "short pants."

About the cutest thing to happen in these parts for some time, was the way the children at Allen's Creek acted last Friday when an airplane landed on the golf course. The entire student body left school during the recess and visited the plane—many falling to get back to classes on time.

Now, I ask you, what is there in books that would interest a boy more than a real airplane in the mountains? And what could a grammar school boy learn from a book with an airplane on the ground several hundred yards away? 2

My answer is, nothing.

Today everyone of those children can tell you more about that airplane than they can about what they went over in books in five days—but it wasn't as painful as to learn from books because all three teachers in the school applied the rules of obedience with switches on the kids after they returned to school.

Of course, I know the teachers had to be stern with the students, but I betcha they even laughed at the incident.

An airplane in these bar hills is a scarce article.

Talking about books and learning, I will remember as long I live how I wrestled with a certain arithmetic problem which had to do with laying carpet, and how much it would cost. Also a similar one on papering a house—I felt like it was all nonsense.

It was only this week that I had practice example of it, and that was when my wife decided to have new coverings for the floor. Once she made the decision, I did not even argue about it, but started figuring on it.

Now figuring the cost was simple—we let the salesman do that, but when it came to putting it down that was something I had not studied.

The madam, in her easy chair, gave directions for putting it down, and the first thing I knew, I was under the rug trying to get it pushed under some stationary object in the room. It did not take long before I was in a summer sweat. And soon after that I got lost under there and that didn't help a bit. I think I could have finished the job without losing my temper if it hadn't been for the fact that during one of those trying and straining moments of trying to lift a piece of furniture weighted down with

22 Years Ago
in
HAYWOOD

(From file of October 18, 1912)

Mrs. Chas. Quinlan was a guest to Asheville on Wednesday.

Col. W. J. Hannah was in Transylvania last week in company with Congressman Gudge speaking in the hall of democracy.

Hon. W. T. Lee who has been in Washington and New York on business returned home on Tuesday.

Misses Roberta Turbyfill and Wanda Edna McCracken were the guests of Miss Fannie Pearl Campbell of Dellwood, last week.

The young ladies of the Baptist church are entertaining with a Japanese tea this afternoon.

Little Miss Jennie Reeves celebrated her birthday on Tuesday. The children played games on the lawn and enjoyed themselves very much. At the close of the evening delicious refreshments were served.

Miss Nina Howell left this morning for Atlanta, where she will enter Davidson and Fisher Sanatorium training as a nurse.

Mrs. J. W. Norwood beautifully entertained the bridge club last Wednesday afternoon. The highest score was made by Miss Gleson who was presented with a lovely hand of a chet job. Those present were Mrs. Seavers, Mrs. Camp, Mrs. Graves, Mrs. Rotha, and the Misses Gleson, Jessie Rogers, Willie White, Bette Hyatt, Charline Lee, Robert Miller, and Jennie Ray. A delicious salad course was served.

ONCE lived like an Arabian Knight Prince—now eating in a cheap restaurant. Red the king of the mighty fashion king of Paris who was reduced to poverty. One of the many interesting illustrated stories in the American Weekly the magazine which comes with the BALTIMORE SUNDAY AMERICAN, issue of October 21. Buy your copy from your favorite newsdealer and newsboy.

peanut, that you have to have when writing?"
"Don't tell a soul, but as long as I have company hanging around, I keep all cats in my desk drawer—just an old Scotch custom, doncha know?"

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