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ARE WE GETTING OUR SHARE?

According to an estimate of the National Park Service, approximately 15,122 people visited the Great Smoky Mountains National Park during February. This represents an increase of 41 per cent over the same month last year.

The same report shows that about 12,000 of these visitors were from North Carolina and Tennessee, leaving 3,000 from the rest of the country. To be exact, 9,502 were from Tennessee, 1,870 from North Carolina, 469 from Ohio, 347 from Illinois, 267 from Michigan and 239 from Georgia, and 54 from Ontario, Canada.

There are two important factors revealed in those figures: first, people from the mid-west seem to be more interested in our section than any other group. This is particularly true of Ohio, Michigan and Illinois. That means we have a possibility awaiting us in those states that we believe exceeds that of the states south of us.

The mid-western states have larger incomes per capita, than do our southern states, and for the most part, appreciate our section more than some other groups.

In looking back over the report of the Park Service, and finding that 3,000 travelers from afar or more passed through the park, and probably Waynesville, we just wonder how many of these stopped in our community and spent either time or money?

If we did not get a fair representation from that 3,000, then there must be something wrong with us, or else travelers through the Park will not mean as much to us as we might believe.

If we got our share of the 3,000 during February to stop, then we should be spurred on to prepare for greater crowds. If we did not get our share of these 3,000, then it is high time that we do something which would enable us to get them to stop—or else stop beating our chests in anticipation of the time when the "Park opens up."

THE WISER COURSE

It is encouraging to know that Eastern Carolina farmers are aware of the dangers of over-production of tobacco. This same warning has been issued in the burley belt, but we understand some farmers have failed to heed the warning.

Under the caption, the wiser course, the Bertie Ledger Advance recently said:

"It is apparent now that tobacco growers of this county and section are intending to raise much more tobacco this year than in the past several seasons. And everywhere else, in the tobacco areas, the same thing looms. And the result will be lots of tobacco on the markets to sell at lower prices, for much of it will be of inferior grades.

"That is the point at hand: If the growers of Bertie as well as other counties of this area, will make up their minds that they are going to "stick to their knitting" this year—in other words, raise a moderate acreage, and make the finest grade tobacco they possibly can raise, they will not be squealing as loudly next fall at the prices they get, as the "raise-all-I-can" growers who set out too much to take good care of, and whose leaf is of poor quality, generally. The wiser farmer plans to set out just what acreage he is sure he can care for well, and cure well, and grade well, and then he gets a good price for his crop, and is happy, and not 'worked to death' in the mad struggle to get rich in one year."

Local option votes are always unpredictable because of the amphibian element in the population—those who vote dry and drink wet.—Charlotte Observer.

ASLEEP AT THE SWITCH

For more than ten years, the citizens of Western North Carolina, and the State, have dreamed of the day when the Federal Government would take over the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and develop it into the "center of the garden spot of the world."

During the past five years, renewed interest has been created by the Blue Ridge Parkway. Obstacles of every nature were overcome and actual construction begun. The construction work, however, has been done on the other end of the Parkway, mainly because of the necessity of an Act of Congress which would authorize the exchange of Park lands for certain Indian lands for the right-of-way of the Parkway.

During the last session of Congress, a bill was introduced which would authorize this exchange. The bill was late in getting into Congress, and failed to pass.

Last June, the voters of the eleventh congressional district, were assured by Congressman Zebulon Weaver, then a candidate to succeed himself, that as soon as the present session of Congress convened that he would see to it that a proper bill authorizing this exchange, would be introduced and pushed to ratification.

The voters were confident that this would be done, by the congressman who had already served the district for about 20 years. Needless to say he was elected by an overwhelming majority.

The voters were apparently satisfied that their interests in Washington were being well taken care of, but no assuring word was received to substantiate their faith.

Officers of the Chambers of Commerce began writing letters to Mr. Weaver asking for the status of the Park bills and related matters. The letters were courteously and promptly answered by Mr. Weaver, as was the case of the one received by the president of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce on February 23rd, which read in part: "I am assured that the bill (the bill calling for an exchange of land) will be favorably reported from the Public Lands Committee, and I will keep in touch with you in regard to it."

As stated above the letter was written on February 23rd, and exactly two weeks later, Congressman Weaver "learned" that the very bill he was so confident would be favorably reported on, had NEVER been introduced.

That is the story, in brief, of the bill, and the lack of action on it to date, except to say, that Congressman Weaver, with his face wreathed in blushes, and embarrassment, introduced the necessary bill just in time to get similar action in the state legislature.

The Indian Tribal Council on Monday voted down the proposal of the Parkway passing through the reservation. No doubt their action was based largely on the fact that there has been a lack of interest shown in the matter by those who should have led the fight.

The completion of the Park will mean so much to the State of North Carolina, that the citizens cannot afford to let the Congressman from the Eleventh District continue to "doze at the switch."

A closer watch will be made on Mr. Weaver's activities by the people "back home" and he might prepare to get into and stay in action to meet their requests—and to keep his obligations. This is no time for a man who has important work to do to "doze."

SENATOR SMATHERS ON THE ALTAR

In a recent editorial, The New York Herald Tribune says that Senator William H. Smathers, of Atlantic City, and a former citizen of Waynesville, is on the altar, and "bids fair to become the most distinguished martyr to Democratic party regularity that this quarter of the U. S. A. has produced in a long while."

The Herald Tribune goes on to say:

"Elected a United States Senator in November by the Hague organization, the luckless Smathers has not only been denied hitherto the superior emoluments, perquisites, privileges and dignities to go with a suite of offices on Capitol Hill, but has had to expose himself to a constant fight of stinging quips and jibes by sitting tight in Trenton as a loyal son of his political alma mater, the dear old Hague machine.

"Having now served his usefulness in Trenton, he is about to proceed to Washington to incur there the bitter animosity of every intelligent citizen of the State of New Jersey, as the Hague machine's special packet of tribute to the Roosevelt-Farley machine. He will leave his humiliating post in Trenton as a sit-down Hague striker against Republican control of the State Senate to support in Washington President Roosevelt's raid on the Supreme Court. That responsibility to the New Jersey electorate which he has so far failed to assume in Washington because his boss needed him at home he is now ready to discharge by functioning as the Hague sacrifice on the Roosevelt altar."

THE OLD HOME TOWN



Random SIDE GLANCES

By W. CURTIS RUSS

Have you ever thought what an important part milk plays in our everyday lives?

Perhaps, you will be interested to know—

THAT some two million people in the United States are alive today largely because the milk they drank as children was pure.

THAT you probably owe your life to a safe milk supply when you were a child.

THAT when the Hebrews of Biblical times pictured the Promised Land, they made no mention of gold, gems or precious jewels, but promised that "it was a land flowing with milk and honey."

THAT when Homer smote his lyre he sang of milk.

THAT there are 46 different substances in milk.

THAT if you bought the foods in a quart of milk separately at a chemist's, he would have to charge you more than \$44 for them.

THAT a quart of milk has as much energy value as a pound of steak and twice as much as a pound of chicken.

THAT 98 per cent of the milk you drink is digested—and in about the same time as vegetables.

THAT death rates are lowest in those countries which consume the most dairy products.

THAT milk helps you dodge diseases.

THAT woeener diet with plenty of milk will add several years to our lives.

THAT Americans who won in the Berlin Olympics trained on milk.

THAT milk is the most perishable food known.

THAT dairy farmers were paid \$1400 million dollars in 1935.

THAT one-fifth of all agricultural income comes from the cow.

THAT milk is by far the farmer's biggest "crop"—and his surest, as it does not have to depend on foreign markets as do wheat, cotton and other crops.

THAT out of every dollar paid for milk by the consumer, the farmer gets 48 cents.

THAT 18 billion quarts of milk are used each year for making butter.

THAT two billion quarts of milk are used each year to make evaporated milk. This helps maintain the price.

THAT a billion quarts of milks are used each year to make ice cream.

THAT in 1900 Americans ate 25 million gallons of ice cream. Today over 200 million gallons are consumed.

THAT it takes two a half billion quarts of milk for cheese.

THAT twenty years ago our consumption of cheese was 2½ pounds per person. Today it is five pounds.

THAT I did not know all of the above about milk and allied products until I read a booklet titled: "Herdsman of Health," prepared and sent out by N. W. Ayer & Co., Philadelphia.

IN WASHINGTON

By ROBERT R. REYNOLDS



United States Senator

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been given such standing by the eminent Supreme Court Justices, and here is the basis of the current and widely-discussed issue.

Let me quote what others have said. The illustrious Abraham Lincoln, declared in his first inaugural:

"The candid citizen must confess that if the policy of the government, upon vital questions affecting the whole people, is to be irrevocably fixed by decision of the Supreme Court, the instant they are made ordinary litigations between parties in personal actions the people will have ceased to be their own rulers, having to that extent practically resigned their Government into the hands of that eminent tribunal."

The great Justice Holmes, who ever held aloft the light of justice for all said:

"It must be remembered that legislators are the ultimate guardians of the liberties and welfare of the people in quite as great a degree as the courts."

Again Justice Holmes said:

"The first requirement of a sound body of law is that it should correspond with the actual feelings and demand of the community. "The courts were intended to endure for all ages to come and consequently to be adapted to the various crises in human affairs."

These quotations from great students of our government deserve study and thought as our people stand at the crossroads of national affairs. These statements were not made in the heat of debate. They were made by men who enjoyed national confidence, and by men whose deeds merit that their words be remembered. I cite them now because they are timely.

Is the President correct in his contention that the Supreme Court has not given due respect to the legislative will of the people? Are the opponents of his program in their contention that the Supreme Court has always been right? Answers to these questions will be found when the people on farm and in factory understand the issues involved and thunder out their views. They, and they alone,

19 Years Ago in Haywood

(From the files of March 21, 1918) The school closed in Haywood Friday night, with appropriate exercises.

E. L. Withers has leased the Par home on Haywood street and moved there.

Dr. Sam Stringfield and family Sunburst, were here Friday in new Overland.

Our devil went fishing with Taylor on Monday, and they did get a bite.

Mrs. Emma Willis has returned from a visit to her son and daughter in Atlanta.

We understand that Editor H. Sentelle has sold the Canton (Ga.) to a northern gentleman, the consideration being \$4,500.

Emma Lenoir, colored woman, greatly assisted the Red Cross, by voluntarily doing all the washing and ironing of garments made in the local Red Cross work rooms.

Ford is still behind with orders. The local dealer has a dozen unfulfilled orders, and has received only one since last September, and that was a truck for Blackwell-Bushnell.

Among the visiting soldiers here this week from Camp Sevier were Charles Francis, John Jones, R. Coble, Tom Carver, Linwood Gray and Lt. Henry MacFadden.

Albert C. Walker, of Crabtree, in town on Monday and made a pleasant visit. Mr. Walker has thought of being a candidate for the legislature, but has changed his mind.

Miss Delia Childress, of Jackson county, who was formerly a part of the household of Mr. Felix Albee, was a visitor in his home on Saturday and Sunday.

The road between here and City and the road between here and Long store have been dragged and are in fine condition, as many could testify on Sunday afternoon.

Two weeks ago we published a list of 135 men who had been accepted for service, and today we print an additional list of 105 accepted by the Haywood county board.

A message of importance to the people of Haywood county. Let every body in this section hear Governor W. T. Bickett at the graded school building at 2 o'clock on Monday afternoon—everywhere he goes in the state the people are informed as to what to do in our great world crisis.

must answer. Their rights must come first. And the effort to put the rights first precipitated the present momentous issue.

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How to recognize your ailment, restore you to good health and keep you well.

It takes years of preparation for him to be able to do this. Every time you consult him he gives you the benefit of the latest scientific methods, his own personal experience, and the experience of others.

Your Doctor wants to make and keep you well. Cooperate with him, follow out his instructions, and you will be better off physically and mentally.

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