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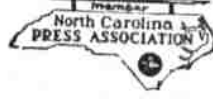
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GIRL SCOUTS

This week marks the 25th anniversary of the Girl Scout work in America.

Few people realize that the organization catering to the welfare of girls has been thriving for a quarter of a century.

The work in Haywood County is comparatively new, although troops were started several years ago, it has not been until the past 12 months that the public in general has been aware of a local unit of the national organization.

The Waynesville troop is sponsored by the Woman's Club, and Miss Mary Strinfield is in charge of the troop. While it would have been impossible to have carried on the work without a sponsor, the major portion of the credit for the good work must go to Miss Stringfield.

When the Girl Scout movement started, public sentiment did not wholly put a stamp of approval on the work. It was thought that Scouting was solely for boys and that girls should be taught other things.

Today, women are in every phase of work in the world. They hold high executive positions. They work right along with men in every field of endeavor. In fact, many of the successful movements of the country are started and managed by women. They are in the business world to stay.

The training given to Girl Scouts is as important to girls as that given boys through the Boy Scout courses.

We are old-fashioned enough to believe that every girl's first consideration should be a home-maker, yet we readily agree that the practical experiences they receive in Scouting will be most beneficial in the years to come.

Waynesville now has about 37 girls taking Scout work. There are dozens of others anxious to join, but limited membership under present conditions do not warrant enlarging the troop.

There is no organization that makes so complete a change in a boy or girl as does Scouting. The Scouting method enables them to leave childhood and enter young manhood and womanhood with ease. They get a different outlook on life through Scouting. They easily adapt themselves to fit occasions.

Those engaged in training the young people in Scouting have a great responsibility. They are doing a noble work. Their sole compensation is the pleasure they get in seeing boys and girls develop into useful young men and women.

This community is fortunate in having two active branches of Scout work.

SOMETHING NEW IN RECORDS

At the present rate, the population of Haywood County will soon be doubled what it is now. Basing our statement on the report just issued by the Health Department, we learn that during the last quarter, there was an average of 4 1/2 births for each death. During the quarter, 222 births were recorded, and 46 deaths.

One interesting feature of the record that will make other sections of the state take notice, is the fact, that in the last three months, only one colored birth was recorded in this county. Of the 222 births, physicians attended 211.

We have no idea how similar records from other counties would compare with this, but we are of the opinion that it would be hard "to beat."

Now that the annual Pisgah deer hunt is in progress, a pun maker suggests that all hunters shoot only at moving objects, and in that way, no WPA worker that happened to be in the forest would be wounded or killed.

HAYWOOD HAS EYE ON JACKSON

Haywood County will watch with interest the progress of the group now at work in Jackson County circulating petitions which would require the board of elections to call an election on the establishment of liquor stores, if sufficient number of voters sign the papers.

The same method was tried in Henderson County several months ago, but the petitioners gave up. There have been several attempts made to get similar petitions started in Buncombe, but so far nothing has come of them.

Thus far, no county west of Durham has voted for ABC liquor stores, and it seems doubtful whether there will be many other elections on the question in this immediate territory, unless Jackson breaks away.

Haywood's western neighbor has long been regarded as a dry-voting county, and now that a group of liquor store advocates are optimistic enough to circulate petitions causes us to wonder if Jackson county voters have made a decided change in their views in the past few months, or whether the petition group is letting their optimism run away with them.

In either event, Haywood will take more than a passing interest in the outcome of the move.

DRINKING AND DRUNKENNESS

In a front page editorial, Charity And Children attempts to explain why there is less drinking at football games this year than in the past, yet it is their belief that there is more drinking throughout the state.

The orphanage paper believes that there is more drinking but less drunkenness—just at football games.

The paper tries to explain that better football teams, and keener interest by the fans has resulted in sober crowds. Perhaps that is right. Yet for our part, we believe that public sentiment, during the past few years has let down the bars as to drinking, and turned up their nose at drunkenness.

But the publication of the Thomasville Orphanage explained it this way:

"It is the general opinion that there is less drinking at football games in North Carolina this fall than in former times. There are few who doubt that there is more drinking in the state at this time than there has been in recent years. That calls for some kind of an explanation. Why is it that there is more drinking generally and less drinking at football games. We think that public opinion is due the thanks. Those who now go to ball games pay real money to see the games. They pay to see a ball game and not the antics of drunks. The hilarious drunk who in former times relieved the tedium of boredom as a few people watched a poor exhibition of the sport is no longer needed. There is today something more interesting and arresting and the intensely interested onlooker does not choose to have his attention diverted by the boisterous carryings on of some one who lacks somewhat of being a gentleman. We have at least two teams in North Carolina that are as good as the best. The other teams are better than good. The ones who attend the games have become real critics of the sport. They follow every move and know that a moment's diversion may mean the missing of a play that will make football history. The college bands help, but only help, make the occasion. Few people go to the games to hear the bands and fewer go to see drunks. There are reasons for that fact that there is less drinking. The college authorities disapprove, the brand of play is better and the public has demanded that drunks be eliminated so that the attendants may see the game."

JUST A HINT

Some years ago a tourist complained to a man who ran a restaurant in a small southern town that he couldn't get service while the waitress danced with local patrons. "These people come here all the time; I may never see you again," the proprietor replied. And he never did.

While there are some business men who argue that the restaurant man was right a majority will doubtless agree that there is much more to be said in favor of treating all customers alike whether they live in one's town or are merely passing through it. The tourist trade has now come to be of great importance to practically every section of this country. And those business places which are profiting most from their trade are those whose purveyors to tourists have learned that impartial courtesy and attention to towns-people and visitors alike plays the largest dividends in the end.—Reidsville Review.

Those who like to use figures for comparison can make much to do over the fact that two weeks ago last Sunday, 1,500 heard Bishop Kern preach, and that afternoon 10,000 attended the circus.

THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY



A LOCAL GLOBE TROTTER IS TAKEN OUT OF CIRCULATION FOR THE TIME BEING—

Random SIDE GLANCES

By W. CURTIS RUSS

While engineers are staying awake at night trying to find ways to cut down on excess noise, there are some people who apparently thrive on it.

Take for example, R. C. McBride, manager of Stovall's Five and Ten Cent Store. He finds he does his best work when the clerk at the phonograph record counter is playing loud music. He gets along fine with his work until the noise stops. At that point he has to pull himself together or he would get a case of the jitters.

C. N. Allen finds that he can go to sleep while listening to a loud radio program, and the clicking of train wheels over the rails is the same as a lullaby to him.

As long as there is a roar to a noise, I can sleep through it, but anything shrill just pulls my eyes wide open. The roar of a big press, or a train don't interfere with perfect slumber, but let a little thing like a mosquito start singing . . . ho hum, sleep's over. . . .

The other day Mrs. Charles Ray, Sr., stood watching her son Charles, trim a children's clothing window, and after a few minutes of meditation, she remarked at the rapid change that had been made in children's clothes. She pointed to a boys' suit, and said that 20 years ago such a ready-made item of clothing was unknown in stores. Everything had to be made for children. The underwear for children, my, my, never heard of the stores having such.

Mrs. Ray briefly, contrasted customs of today with those of a quarter century ago . . . and even those who enjoyed those "good old days" sometimes wonder how they got by.

Right now, Dan Watkins and Tom Rainer have use of perhaps more adjectives than any one in this neck of the woods. Usually, a society editor has a book of adjectives, but when a new model car comes out, the society editors hide their books, and take notes from automobile dealers.

The new 1938 models are beautiful (note adjective)—they are far ahead of anything that motorists a year ago could have dreamed of. Yet, there is one drawback—why is it necessary to use technical terms in describing some of the new features?

And in case you are interested, the engineers are now at work on the 1939 models—of course they will be guided to a large degree at the public's reaction to the 1938 models.

S. H. Stevenson, one-time fire chief and head man of the town's light department, has kindly invited me up to visit him and see the plant where he is now working—a naval powder plant in Indian Head, Md.

Of course, it would be just my imagination, but I'm afraid it would be useless for me to visit in such a plant, because I would have a feeling that any minute there would be a big boom, and I would be listed among those missing. Steve, however, says the powder plant is safe as can be, and no trouble is ever experienced, because of their modern methods of manufacture.

My attention has been called to the worn place in the stone at the door of the First National Bank. Evidently caused by people stopping to open the door and scraping their feet before going in on the tile floor.

The floor right under the stamp window at the post office is also showing signs of wear.

On Monday of this week, Mrs. E. J.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

A statement declares that every treaty is holy. Perhaps meaning shot full of holes.

To a lot of drivers, the traffic stop sign "STOP" don't mean any more than "No Admittance."

The one thing people are sure to learn as the world grows older is new ways of making mistakes.

Here's the latest alibi for the late home coming husband: "I've been sitting up with a sit-down striker."

The last quarter of a century has taught us that war doesn't pay—and neither do the governments which engage in war.

Quite frankly the suggestion of the committee of the League of Nations for a boycott of all Japanese products would, if carried out, paralyze the Japanese.

Hay fever victims may take heart with a scientist's announcement that each tear destroys a million bacteria.

Did you ever hear about the absent-minded prof who fell in while boating and sank twice before he remembered he could swim?

Pillows have been invented to fit around the necks of occupants in the back seats of cars to absorb vibrations. For the Sweet Young Things this will be unnecessary. The young man's arm will suffice.

Everybody wants to jump into a car and go some place. Where do most of them want to go? Principally nowhere in particular.

The trouble is that when people play by ear, we have to listen the same way.

The average man hasn't got the gumption of a one-legged wheelbarrow, and that's why he is the average man.

Scientists say that the new comet travels at the rate of 400,000 miles an hour. It must be trying to keep up the cost of living.

You can tell who are the citizens who habitually scorn and snarl at everybody. They are the ones who are horrified and hurt when snarled at.

Hyatt sold her 100th copy of the Community club cook book. A good saleswoman, with a good product—

Along the POLITICAL FRONTS

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cussions with the chief executive went about routine affairs.

The President is back in Washington now, keeping in constant touch with legislative leaders in preparation for the special session, and to prepare the nation for the voluntary registration of unemployed. The President will make his tenth "fire side chat" over the air on Sunday, November 14th. This is the day before the special session of congress will convene.

Secretary of the Treasury, Morgenthau, has discussed at length, ways and means to finance the government's proposed crop surplus control bill and corn loans without upsetting the budget balancing plans.

The President has one certain objective—balancing the budget during the '38-'39 fiscal year.

Certain was the President of this objective—providing increased purchasing power for that section of the nation which he describes as "ill clothed, ill-nourished and ill-housed."

Not so certain to observers was the method to be used in co-ordinating these two objectives.

But certain was this—that of the 50 subjects discussed, taxes would be No. 1 on the list. And if, as the President intimated to newspapermen, the objective of purchasing power was more important than any revision of the present capital gains and surplus profits taxes.

Third term talk has increased administration circles with signs of business recession. Some high officials feel the President sincerely does not want another term; but would not hesitate to challenge precedent if no other leader for his program emerged.

President Roosevelt is being deluged with advice and with plans for dealing with problems raised by the present recession in business. Word carried back to weaken somewhat in his conviction that balanced budget is the answer to all of the country's present troubles.

Word is being passed that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation is going to demand that many borrowers with maturing loans must go to the banks for money and will not have their loans renewed with the government agency. This is referred to as a rather quick and relatively painless way to get a temporary step-up of income.

The Senate wages and hours bill with which spokesmen both for organized labor and business find fault appears headed for trouble in the special session of Congress.

Changes in the business outlook since President Roosevelt issued his proclamation have given rise to expectations that the House Democratic leadership may be receptive to suggestions for modifying the legislation. This is in contrast with the attitude among the administration officials just after adjournment, when the talk was of eliminating some of the exemptions for industries which the Senate voted.

A recommendation of the whole policy field in the light of the stock market's behavior apparently is under way. For this reason, the President's message to Congress is being awaited with more than the usual interest. Wage and hour regulation probably will be discussed then, it is said, in its relationship to the other major questions placed before the legislators.

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