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**LABOR DAY**

Labor Day is more welcomed this year than ever—business economists, for months, have been predicting that after Labor Day, business will begin to show signs of activity. For a long time, the first Monday of September has been looked upon as the end of the summer season, and the beginning of the fall.

There is no need trying to fool ourselves, business during the past six months has not been up to expectations, but if we are to take stock in so-called authentic predictions, then we have everything to look forward to this fall in the way of better business.

Then there is another reason why this section, particularly, should welcome Labor Day this year. We are an ever-growing industrial section, and all indications are that we are just on the threshold of becoming a leading manufacturing center.

But what we are trying to lead up to, was better expressed in this column two years ago, and as the same thing is just as true today, we are repeating that part of our editorial.

Owners of the plants, and their co-workers, will "take the day off" to mingle in fellowship with each other and enjoy the day in general.

Few places in the country can boast of a group of industries where owners and workers have as much in common as here in Western North Carolina. Both groups work harmoniously with each other for mutual good, and it is to this end that has made what industries we have in this area come under the column of "thriving."

The attitude of both groups is to be commended, and may it long continue thus.

**AMERICAN MOBS**

In a community this small, it is hard to realize to just what extent some of our fellow Americans in congested populated areas will do when excited.

When Corrigan, the nifty aviator returned to New York from his Atlantic flight, he suffered his only physical injury of the trip, when a mob rushed him as he entered his hotel. Suffering fractured ribs, he went on, facing the public with a smile.

In Chicago, the other night, a crowd estimated at 200,000 gathered at Soldier Field, and to the tune of 57 swing bands, danced and became a wild mob of "jitterbugs." Five hundred police were helpless. The fences and gates to the stadium and field were ignored, and smashed.

The sod on the field was literally kicked and cut to pieces, and the commissioner of parks asked the debt-ridden city of Chicago for \$4,000 to replace the sod.

Those of us in this section of the nation, marvel at being in well behaved crowds of around 30,000 at football games, and it is hard to understand the why and wherefor of the surging mobs of the heavily populated areas on certain occasions, when they apparently lose all sense of reasoning.

**MORE SCHOOL PROBLEMS**

As some 900,000 to 1,000,000 school children start back to school, we may expect renewed interest, and more discussion of the subject of adding the 12th grade. Naturally, the schools of the state, in spite of expansion, will be crowded, and there will also be more discussion about still larger schools.

But with all the discussion of individuals, the matter will probably become another headache for the 1939 Legislature.

**WHAT'S THAT ADDRESS?**

A post card from Sheza Moron, who is vacationing in the mountains, embarrasses us no little. She writes, "Sleeping under three blankets every night; wish you were here."—Winston-Salem Sentinel.

**NO NEED FOR A FAIR**

Haywood County will not have a county fair this year.

This does not come as a surprise to those of us who have been watching the annual fair for the past several years. The lack of proper facilities makes it impractical to attempt another fair until permanent housing quarters are arranged.

County fairs at one time played an important part in the life of a community. We have a feeling that now, there is no longer a need for a county fair.

We say that for this reason.

We are living in an age that does not require a fair. The principal purpose of a county fair is to instill more interest in better agricultural methods, and cattle raising. Now we have organized farm groups, that meet monthly instead of once a year at a fair to exhibit their prize stock or samples of a prize crop. With the farm tours, farmers and their wives visit other sections of the county, and there see first hand, entire crops, and not just one or two unusual stalks, as shown in fairs. They hear the owners of these crops explain what methods were used. They learn what difficulties he overcomes in producing such crops, and the same applies to livestock.

The women of the county have their home demonstration clubs, meeting monthly, and discussing and producing practical examples of solved problems. The personal contacts are worth far more than that which can be had at any county fair.

The young people have their 4-H Clubs, fat calf shows, and projects in vocational and home economic work in school. They get far more from these, than from any fair they ever attended.

The county fairs of recent years have been put on under extreme difficulties, and these back of the movement were worked almost to nervous wrecks trying to put on something worthwhile, but the results were not worth their efforts, and we say that not as criticism but in a sense of praise, because if they had not gone to the extra trouble, the fair itself would have failed.

In recent years, the fairs have been built, because of finances, around the mid-way.

Hundreds of people attended because of the carnival and not the exhibits—some did not even see the exhibits.

Without permanent quarters, it seems unwise to attempt a county fair, and with our well organized rural sections, working in such profitable harmony, we question the wisdom of attempting to get permanent fair quarters.

**GOING AFTER BAD ACCOUNTS**

A groceryman in Brevard, advertised in a large display space last week, that beginning September first, he would post in his window on Main Street, the names of six people who "have promised and promised to pay their account, but have not kept the faith."

In bold type, his advertisement read, in part: "Come, see the names of those who promised and failed to keep their promise." You'll be surprised when you read the names."

The method to be used by this determined merchant, is that each week he will draw the names of six delinquent customers from a box, and post them on the window. Each week six more names will be added to the list.

We once knew a photographer, who received a bad check for making portraits of a man. The photographer enlarged the portrait to life size, and put it and check in his front window, and a sign underneath: "This man gave us this bad check for making his pictures."

To many people make no attempt to pay honest bills, but make increasing debts at other unsuspecting business places, and live beyond their income, and seemingly enjoy doing it.

We admire the courage of the Brevard merchant. It will mean he will lose some customers, but better that he lose them, than to lose money on the business given him.

All of us have been warned repeatedly about driving safely in school zones. This warning is timely, but along with the usual run of school-opening advice, it might be well for some parents, especially the fathers, to remember that the present methods of doing problems don't always coincide with the methods taught back yonder—and too often, sonny gets in dutch by carrying in the correct 1905 answers.

"All play and no work makes Jack a dole boy."—Office Sage Remarks.

The clock on the county court house at Olney, Ill., recently struck 526. Yes, time marches on.—Christian Science Monitor.

The modern girl's hair looks like a mop, says a bishop. That's O. K. with the modern girl. She doesn't know what a mop looks like.—Berkshire Evening Eagle.

**THE OLD HOME TOWN** By STANLEY



THE STRANDED SHOW TROUPE STOPPING AT MRS. SKIMP'S BOARDING HOUSE LEFT IN THE NIGHT LEAVING BEHIND A \$23 BOARD BILL AND FOUR FEET OF ROPE

**Random SIDE GLANCES**

By W. Curtis Russ

**A FEW MORE LETTERS**

Mr. Bill Chambers, chairman Labor Day Celebration.  
 Dear Mr. Chambers:—  
 It was no surprise when you were named again as chairman of the Labor Day celebration, after the splendid work you and your associates did last year in putting over a successful program.

I note on your program this year, that you have left out speech-making, and have given over to recreation, music and a general good time.

Now a Labor Day celebration with a speech is almost unheard of, in fact most places center their program around some long winded speaker, who is limited with facts, not gifted with public speaking, and recognizes the difficulty of Labor Day speech.

If more program committees would follow your ideas, and have more activities and less "attempted speaking" this old world would be just as well off, and certainly lots more contented.

By reason of your absence of speeches, the attendance at the celebration next Monday should be far beyond your expectations.  
 Yours, for few speeches, always.

Mr. Crom Cole, president Haywood Young Democrats.

Dear Mr. President:—  
 The Young Democratic clubs of this state and nation have the ability to get members, keep them, and create enthusiasm in the work.

You are following a live-wire president—Dave Cabe. He sold heart and soul on the Democratic ideals, and a good organization has put you in a responsible position.

There's not the slightest question but what you'll make good. You, too, have the spirit, and besides all that, have you ever known an organization that was supposed to be catering to the "young" that had so many of the older heads as members?

That's proof enough that the older members of the party are looking to the younger ones for guidance and enthusiasm . . . you have everything in your favor for a successful administration.

Hotel and Boarding House Operators, of the Community.

Dear Fellow Citizens:—  
 Criticism this year has been up to par. In some instances, it has been a little above the average.

No doubt some of the criticism has been justified, while some has to be discounted. The most current, and persistent of all noted this season has been uncomfortable beds. Now, it surely can't be that competent operators of places catering to roomers have uncomfortable beds—yet they say that some do exist.

That is one criticism. There are others, and while you have your side to always explain, it seemstingly, right at this time of the season, for each of you to take stock of the problems which confronted you this year, and begin to make plans to overcome them next year.

Right now while the problems are fresh in your minds is the best time to get the best of them for the coming season.

Directors of First National Bank.

Gentlemen:—  
 According to a news story in this newspaper a week or so ago, you're due to begin work on remodeling and modernizing the interior of your banking house.  
 You should find that the expenditure will prove to be a profitable investment.

**NEWS EVENTS FROM DELLWOOD SECTION**

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Moody and family from Woodstown, New Jersey, were here for the Moody reunion and have returned to their home.

Rev. Ham Hicks has been conducting a revival meeting for the past two weeks at the Olivet Baptist church at Maggie.

Mr. and Mrs. Cassidy and Mrs. Martin and family, from Florence, S. C., who have been spending the summer at Maggie, are returning to their homes this week. They have been most co-operative in local church activities. They will be greatly missed in the church and community.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Platt have had as their guests Dr. and Mrs. Carl G. Campbell and daughter, Joy Elaine,

vestment. Just why, we cannot explain, but such has proven to be the case in every place that has gone into the same plan.

It Takes 12 Months For LABOR DAY To Get Around. . .

But its only a matter of a few minutes after we're called, before our little orange delivery car is at your service.

CALL ONE ONE THREE

**Ivy Host To 100 Children At**

Host to more than 100 children at the Methodist church, Mrs. Ivey, of Charlotte, N. C., presented a most enjoyable and creative young group of children at the playground party given on Friday afternoon.

Mr. Ivey was assisted in the planning by Mrs. Ivey, the playground supervisor, and other workers were enjoyed and refreshments served. Each child received a gift.

Several years ago Mrs. Ivey requested that the playground be "Iveyland" in honor of her husband. She has equipped it with modern ground devices and constantly alert to provide entertainment for the children at the lake.

**Robert Justice Heads Bethel F. F. A. Ch**

Robert Justice, a member of the junior class of the Bethel high school, was elected president of the chapter of the Future Farmers of America, for the coming year at a recent meeting of the group. He will serve with young Justice as secretary; Lenoir York, reporter; Earl Williams, treasurer.

Fifteen new members were inducted into the organization during the meeting since the opening of the school. At the third meeting of the program of work will be set for the coming year. The chapter to hold semi-monthly meetings. McLain is advisor of the group, takes an active part in both the school and the community.

of Union, S. C. Dr. Campbell, pastor of the First Baptist church, Union. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell remembered by many as teachers of the old Haywood Institute 40 years ago.

**BUS MAN'S HOLIDAY**  
 GLOUCESTER, Mass.—Capt. John Sinagra, in part, hired a motor boat—to go fishing.

The motor broke down, and he was rescued barely in time to return and board his schooner, Hope, leaving on a trip for mackerel.

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