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### Eagles Nest

In a recent letter to the editor Chas. E. Ray, Jr., wrote of "rediscovering Eagles Nest." We are glad that Mr. Ray has called our attention to this attraction, that for so many years was the chief "mountain trip" of this section.

It is doubtful if any one resort did more to publicize Waynesville than the old Eagles Nest Hotel owned by the late S. C. Satterthwaite. The hotel burned many years ago.

It drew a discriminating patronage from all over the United States. Many persons stopping in Asheville, who had no desire to stay anywhere else would take one day off and come to Waynesville to take the trip to Eagles

Since the burning of the hotel and the bpening up of other scenic areas by paved highways, Eagles Nest has not been as popular as in other years. But Mr. Ray is right, there is a distinct charm about the place, its interesting plant life, its panoramic view for miles, and its altitude are there, even though the hotel is no longer there to attract visitors.

We join Mr. Ray in hoping that sometime in the near future some major development will be stimulated and bring this area once again into its proper place among the points of interest in Western North Carolina.

### The End Of The Road

One good turn, so they say, deserves another. This seems decidedly true of the recently completed road job in widening the Asheville Highway in East Waynesville.

No one can question the great improvement that has been made, but the abrupt ending of the wide section just below the Francis house, is both unfortunate in appearance and unsafe for the traveling public.

The first day, as we recall that the road was opened the barricade at the end of the improvement was knocked down and broken.

It is to be hoped that an effort will be made to get another project approved so that the extension will reach the forks of the road going to Ratcliff Cove. This would be a natural ending for the wide pavement and greatly add to the safety of travel.

### Clarence Poe

We would like to add our support to the endorsement of Dr. Clarence Poe, of Raleigh, for the appointment of secretary of Agri-

Dr. Poe has been a student of agricultural problems in North Carolina and the South for years. Brought up on a farm he learned in early life the hardships and also the joys of rural life.

He has worked for years in the interests of the farmers of this state and of the South. He deserves this recognition of his achievements in behalf of agriculture.

If the South is economic problem number one as it has been so called, then the appointment of Dr. Poe as secretary of agriculture would help the government solve in some measure this problem.

### Not Enough Advice

"Stop before you swat" is the new slogan of the State Highway safety division, in warning motorists to resist the natural impulse to swat a bee, hornet or any other insect that flies in a car while driving.

Of course, it is timely advice, and we all readily agree that it is much safer to come to a dead stop and then try to rid the car of the pesky stingers, but no advice is offered from the safety division as to what to do when the unwanted guests light and sting you before there is even a hint they're about,

### Hugh Massie, Alderman

We wish to congratulate the city officials on their selection of W. Hugh Massie to fill the vacancy on the town board of aldermen, caused by the sudden death of Sam H. Jones.

Mr. Jones had served the town for twelve years in this capacity and was familiar with all the details of the town affairs. He had been identified with many of the city im-

Mr. Massie is one of the leading business men of the town. While he has never held a political post before, he has been prominent in civic affairs for several years, and has given his support to every progressive movement.

We feel safe in making the statement that his appointment will meet the hearty approval of the public in general and especially the friends of Mr. Jones, who will feel that he will carry on the duties of the office in a satisfactory manner.

## Clans Begin To Gather

Notices of family reunions are beginning to appear in this paper and in other papers throughout the state. Each year we have dend checks should help. noted there seems to be an increase in the number of families that take this method of getting together.

We like the idea. The principle behind it is marked by a sense of loyalty and pride that is basicly the roots of our nation. A "Fifth Column" could not thrive much in the atmosphere of a family reunion.

In a recent copy of State Magazine, Editor Carl Georch in writing of family reunions, has in part the following to say: "We have all kinds of conventions, political conventions, industrial conference, church gatherings, women's clubs and various other civic organizations, but to our way of thinking the greatest conventions of all are now beginning to get underway in various sections of North Carolina.

"We refer to the family reunions.

"Nowhere else in the United States is there so much stress placed upon occasions of this kind. Usually the gatherings are all-day affairs. Kith and kin begin to assemble at some designated homestead early in the morn-Everybody brings something to eat. Then there are speeches. New points of they are outlining for themselves interest in connection with the family his- a pretty big job . . . that some of tory are set forth. A big picnic dinner is us older ones have failed at . . served outside.

"Thank God for conventions of this kind, for they are the most genuine and the most friendly of our assemblages."

### If They Were Yours?

in Great Britian. Their plight has touched ing her first dinner party . . . and the hearts of people all over the world. Their for her in-laws at that . . . and help Waynesville and Western fort and speed, in addition to the idea for us to conclude safety has been from the beginning of the who could blame him . . with North Carolina, but whether the fact that it is the safest mode of live and transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to transfer our to the interval of the safest mode of live are to the safe safety has been from the beginning of the war a grave problem.

When hostilities were first started the notchers . . the affair gives promise government urged parents to send their chil- of going off with a bang . . . but dren to the country districts to "safety areas." They soon found there were no "safety areas."

The plan did not work from many angles. Many parents did not wish to be separated from their children. The idea also suffered history . . but regardless . . . we a setback when Wales was bombarded the want to give the Enterprise Club day after a large number of children from the metropolitan areas had arrived there.

Recently offers from Canada and the United States have poured into England, to take care of refugee children, and give them a home during the duration of the war.

the English government has also stated that it would not assume the responsibility of this aid . . . so the advantages, we their safe transportation.

Under the circumstances, at best the exodus to America will be a "mere trickle" to the number who will be left behind in England.

But you can depend on the English to devise some means of meeting the emergency. Mothers realizing that Nazis bombs may diversions . . . then we resort to our attack at any time, are training their children thoughts . . . . but we can't think to meet the terror with the true spirit of the English.

The children are being taught to use gas presses "ride" masks, and as they go into hiding spots away from bombs they sing "Here we go down the clicking out their metal lines . . . steps again." They are being taught to play "The Big Bang Game," in which they clap their little hands to drown out the roar of the deadly sounds of warfare.

You can't conquer a people who can take it on the chin like that. We should understand in America, for we came of the same tomed to things . . . we don't sit stock, and we have shown on more than one occasion that we are a chip off the old block.

From a state newspaper, we read of a recent bride, whose name was Mrs. Strong Boozer. But that brings no more smiles than the name of the man who registered with the state employment service. His first name to Norma Jones, of Waynesville, was Kindness. His last was Long, and so route 1, was his grin, the registrar reported. But neither of these can compare with that of John Dumbell, who is doing some fine writ- both of Canton. ing on national questions for leading newspapers. After all, what's in a name.

HILDA WAY GWYN

We reprint from the front page of the Philadelphia Record the following exchange of letters that have not only a local interest, but also gives a slant on how campaigns are going forward. . . .

Tellier and Company Investment Securities,

42 Broadway, New York City. Dear Friend:

The word "Liberty" is on the front of every 25-cent piece.

Wendell Wilkie gets enough of these as campaign contributions that word will mean something in this country.

Will you please send him a quarter, and write the same letter to three of your most personal friends? His address is 1010 Fifth

Ave., New York City. Every person who owns a bustness is employed or receives divi-

Trusting you will do this small Very truly yours, (Signed) Walter F. Tellier.

Mr. Walter F. Tellier, Wall Street Broker,

42 Broadway, New York City. Dear Sir :-

Your letter advising me that the word "Liberty" is on the front of every 25-cent piece and asking that I sent a quarter for Wilkie's campaign is before me.

The only reason that "Liberty' is still something for you to be writing about today is because of the social and economic reforms of the Roosevelt Administration. On the issue of whether we turn the Federal government over to the control of the utilities-I beg to advise you that I will give no quar-

(Signed) Wm. H. Smathers, United States Senator from New

We would like to offer our congratulations to the Enterprise Club . . recently organized group of young men of the community . . to furnish amusement for the summer season . . . as this is being written . . . the day before the great occasion . . we do not know . how the crowd will "turn out" to hear Duke Ellington and his famous orchestra . . . but we are feeling much sympathy as we write for Bill Ray, president . . . who was There are 10,000,000 defenseless children as nervous this morning the 19th) . . . as a young bride givsuch responsibilities . . . the stage is set . . . the performers are top there comes up the question of weather . . for how many people will drive 100 miles in a downpour ... even to dance to the strains of Duke Ellington's music . . . But ere this is read . . . it will be past community for their courage in sponsoring the event. . . .

One of our pet peeves in life . . is having to sit under a dryer in a beauty shop . . . yet we suppose it's a case of every rose must have A shortage of vessels is now reported, and a thorn . . . for how could we moderns unlucky enough to be born with straight hair "get by' without admit outweigh the time lost . . but we still think it the poorest way we know to kill time . . . we often look at the women about us

. . some knitting . . . crocheting even darning socks . . . reading . . the heat gets the best of our eyes . . . so we are denied these to the steady sound of the swirling current of air about our heads . . . and yet on the other hand when the . . . in the press room under neath our desk . . . and the linotype machines are and one is often compelled to raise one's voice above the combination of sound . . . we are never even conscious of it . . . instead when there is utter silence in the shops . our thoughts seem to go on a strike . . . which of course goes to show it is all in being accusunder the dryer as often as we hear the presses ride and the linotypes

### MARRIAGES

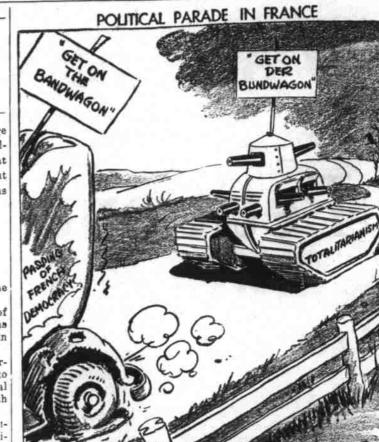
Aaron Winchester, of Hazelwood,

Lloyd Pharr, of Canton, to Tulon Norris, of Waynesville route 1. Eldon Burnette to Agnes Fish,

Harold Massie, of Waynesville, to Marguerite Fuquay, of Daytona

### Here and There

-By-



# Voice of The People

Would it help Waynesville and service for the railroad is another Western North Carolina for the Southern Railway to re-establish service on the double passenger Murphy Branch?

C. C. Francis-"As far as the people are concerned, I think it would befit the traveling public to not travel one way on a train, they have a double daily passenger ser- usually take a rout that they can vice, for as it is with a one way go and come on," passenger service it does not serve the people as it should. But from the standpoint of the railway I do not know whether it would pay to have two passenger trains a day."

J. S. Black-"I think it would be more convenient for the people, if they had two trains, and I feel that it would also benefit the rail-

Homer West-Clyde-"I think that one train a day is less than a half service, and that it would help both the railroad and the public to have a double passenger service, One train a day in a progressive section like this is not in keeping with our improvement in other

do not think it would ehlp any There are too many other ways of travel, which make the trip much

Dr. R. Stuart Robeson-"No I

amount of travel would justify the travel yet known."

question."

James B. Neal-"Yes, I think it would help the people and the rail road both to have a return to the double passenger service each day, on the Murphy Branch. People do

Noble Garrett-"I don't see that it would help any. The buses and cars bring everybody who want to come into the town, and they also take all those who do not like it and wish to leave."

J. Dale Stentz-"Yes, I think it would help both the traveling public and the railroad-that is at least during the summer season."

R. T. Messer-"I believe that would be of great benefit to Western North Carolina and to Waynesville to have more than one daily passenger train on the Murphy Branch. Of course people will never travel the railroads as they did, but they would take the train more if the service took them anywhere in the same day, on the Murphy Branch."

Alvin T. Ward-"Yes, the traveling public is getting back to trains, T. J. Cathey-"It certainly would because of service of greater com-

### Gasoline, Sales And Income Taxes **Bring In Fifty Millions To State**

RALEIGH-As North Carolina's tax revenues this fiscal year reach Mark Kirkpatrick a high they have never previously attained, it is of more than passing interest to note that three tax a rising vote of thanks for the schedules—gasoline, sales and income-will come within a gnat's hair of reaching \$50,000,000 this year, if indeed they fail at all to make that figure.

The regular standby, North Carsources from which further gas tax | degree this year. revenue is due.

ince its imposition-will pass \$12,tax collections were pushing \$12,month average will be reached before the books are finally closed.

With the chance still open for there is at least a strong possibilthree of Tar Heel tax sources.

year has already been fulfilled. The prediction was made on the

lections would at least equal those they will exceed last year's sixth month by at least half a million Creek high school this fall.

PRODUCTS

carrying on projects and keeping records up to date, reports M. Edmund Aycock, assistant farm

In Sweden, people on the "dole" are at the state's disposal for work on public utility projects.

## **Awarded Carolina** Farmers Degree

Mark Kirkpatrick, who has been an active member of the Fines Creek F. F. A. club for the past olina's 6 cents a gallon levy on gas- three years, was awarded the Caroline, will, as ever, total more than olina Farmer degree at the state the other two big tax producing meeting of the organization held levies. On June 26 there had been at State College , Raleigh, last collected for the fiscal year which week. This degree is the highest will end Sunday, no less than \$25,- awarded by the state association 895,020 plus. That will likely be the and is coveted by all vocational final figure for the year as there students of the state and only about appear to be no more outstanding sixty met the requirements for the

To be awarded the Carolina The sales tax-for the first time Farmer degree a boy must meet the following qualifications: The 000,000 for the year. On June 26 completion of at least two years that stood at \$12,000,000 and some instruction in vocational agriculodd thousands; while the income ture with outstanding supervised practice work; at least two hun-000,000 so closely there still re- dred and fifty dollars earned and mains a chance that the million a deposited in bank or otherwise productively invested; a minimum sav ing account of fifteen dollars; outstanding qualities of leadership more sales and income receipts make an average of grade of 80 or above on all high school projects ity that the combined total will and pass FFA test supplied by the reach the \$24,105,000 needed to state executive secretary; be able make up \$50,000,000 from the big to lead a group successfully for forty minute; be an officer in local The prediction of this bureau chapter; make high school judgsome days ago that total revenues ing or public speaking teams; and will pass \$75,000,000 for the fiscal receive a majority vote of delegates present at state meeting.

Young Kirkpatrick is the son of assumption that this June's tax col- Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Kirkpatrick, of Fines Creek. He is an outstanding of June, 1939. As a matter of fact student in vocational agriculture and will be a senior at the Fines

### DOUBLED

Turning under green soybeans on Almost 10 per cent of Johnson his land last year has resulted in County's 4-H club members are twice as much wheat on the land this year for S. H. Hicks, of Snow Hill, reports Greene County Assistant Farm Agent J. W. Grant. .

been drinking was involved in one out of every 44 fatal accidents during 1929.

Oh, yes. When spective new \$4,000.00 of fighting craft affa during 1929.

### Stewart Says Danger Looms

If We Withdraw Pacific Fleet

By CHARLES P. STEW Central Press Colum JAPAN has its onversations



tive of an underlying grab everything available Far East while the Occident busy elsewhere to make it tions to such a program.

The miliado is well as Uncle Sam is dead again sort of a Jap graide State Secretary Hall be so plainly. He's warned that we Americans would any Jap gobblings of the wers' Oriental possession ulated to demoralize all nternational relationships Pacific area

Action, Not Words

The mikado, on his per nade no bumptious and hese representations His are interpreted as speaking han words, however.

He began by announcing he Germans were busy ng Holland, that the la couldn't acquiesce in any of the ownership of the East Indies. That was all with Uncle Sam. So far as h concerned, he didn't intend to the archipelago. He simply ed to feel sure that some country didn't seize it, may ting off America's greatly a supplies of tin and rub which we're very dependent these particular islands mine What your Uncle Samuel

was that Herr Hitler, having quished The Netherlands, claim them. He feared still that the Japs, forestalling Nazis, would do the claiming the Japs' declaration that the sired only to have all out keep hands off the Dutch of was entirely satisfactory to

Japanese Good Fath I don't say that the mi good faith wasn't son doubted by the state depart Nevertheless, what he actual

sounded o. k. In fact, some of our legit on Capitol Hill began to fi policy of Japanese They thought it would be 1 ling us to transfer our su from the Pacific, through the ama canal, to the After coast against the possibility tempted Nazi-Fascist dity

from Europe. This, of course, was but the naive supposition that a Japanization of the entire ern hemisphere at the e ourselves, the British, probably the Germani

sians also, and, indeed of the Occident. But before we got around appeasement the Name

Pascists had France on the Allies Too Busy

It had looked all along with Herr Hitler on their the British and French much toward defending the ings in Asia, Frances evidently didn't leave nese in any further doubt Inside a few hours they ing big Jap forces on the mainland all around Britis

keng and French Indo-Con The impression is that take Hongkong and Fred China while they're about while the British are too! Europe to protect Hongare the French won't signify ready licked by the German Then, presumably, the

Afterward, it's taken for ed that he has an eye as pore, the Dutch East India

tralia, New Zealand and ha militarists have talked about a generation or two. Our Own Hemis With all this going on the day Japan's ambassade in

its ministers to Mexico Cuba, Venezuela and Cara with Jap Ambassador in Washington, to plan a nopoly of trade with the dians and all the Latin It's very suggestive swer to Uncle Sam's prop

American trade "cart hatching under our

totalitarians?