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IS OUR FACE RED?

Last week we listed the newspapers that had offered us their mechanical facilities with which to publish The Mountaineer.

The publisher of The Enterprise and his staff were at our office offering every assistance before the firemen left.

We are using their plant almost daily, and would have published the paper there had it not been for the installation of their new newspaper press.

We deeply appreciate the spirit and attitude of our neighbor and close friend, and are indeed sorry that we did not list the paper along with others.

150 YEARS OF SERVICE

The University of North Carolina observed its 150 anniversary last week with a program given in the State Capitol.

Its students have gone out and made names for themselves in North Carolina and elsewhere. Many of the leading citizens of Haywood county were educated at the University.

ERNEST L. WITHERS

The passing of Ernest L. Withers is a great loss to the community. Few men have ever given more of their time and thought to the civic affairs of this community than Mr. Withers had over a forty-year period.

In his contacts in business in the rental department of his firm he met hundreds of people from other sections of the country. He felt it his duty and privilege to sell them on the advantages of this area, not only for the benefit of his own interests, but for the good of the town.

His courtesy at all times made all who knew him his friend. His thoughtfulness of others endeared him to the community. No one was ever in trouble that Ernest Withers was not among the first to offer his sympathy, or if good fortune had smiled upon them he was among the first to extend his congratulations.

No worthwhile or constructive movement was ever inaugurated in the community and is a challenge to us all to fill port. Sunday morning always found him at his church, active in the work.

His going leaves a vacancy in our community and is a challenge to us all to fill the gap with more abundant kindness and interest in our own people and greater courtesy to the strangers who come this way.

A congressman naturally spends a lot of time fixing his fences, because that's where he hits most of the time.—Southern Lumberman.

One question we might ask ourselves here at home in the United States is whether we are constructing a mental home big enough to house the victory our boys are helping to win.

BLACK MARKETS IN BABIES

War brings many ills with it along with many exhibitions of courage and greatness. The worst in this war is the increase in illegitimacy, emphasized in a black market of these unwanted babies.

The rate of illegitimacy has more than doubled in the past year. There should be no price set upon homes for those children who are not responsible for coming into the world. They deserve good homes and many will become good citizens if given the chance they deserve.—Raleigh News and Observer.

PROOF

The fact that over one thousand persons, including adults and school children have participated in the program of the Community Council during the past two weeks is proof of the need of such activities and that when the public is given them they are appreciated.

The program is less than one year old, and yet it has steadily grown in its activities and interest. We hope that it is the beginning of more extensive service, for its wholesome influence in the community will react on the youth coming on as well as give healthful recreation to the grown-ups.

WHICH IS THE WISER?

We have read much recently regarding the conflict between the civilian attitude of wanting to know the facts of the situation in the war theatres and the attitude of secrecy on the part of the armed forces.

Now we realize that in the plans of attack and many features of campaigns in the making the civilian should not be trusted with such information. The temptation to pass on the news to others would be too great and in the end the enemy would profit.

But in the case of the European war theatre in its present condition, it seems to us that what has passed should be given straight from the shoulder. While it was evident that the Germans gave the Allied armed forces a Christmas surprise, the army in that area was not as optimistic as we were back home.

No matter how conditions might "shock" Americans, we feel that it is the better policy to come clean, as far as possible with the news in its true light. We believe that many persons left their war jobs in the late summer because they felt that the war was drawing to a close, who would not have done so, if they could have known that things were not so rosy on the German borders.

We believe that it is much healthier for the morale of the American people to know the real facts and then live accordingly, then to be kept in the dark about the war, and fail to meet emergencies that will come as the result of ignorance.

AN INTERNATIONAL FORCE

We read recently that it has been suggested that when the Allies have won this war, that it would be well to invite every nation to join in establishing one supreme International Force, utilizing the armaments now existing.

The idea of this International Force would be to have it a separate group from every other international problem having one and only one duty, and that duty would be to administer immediate and severe punishment to the nations that fired the first aggressive shot or bomb across the border line between nations.

The proposed international force would be composed of the cream of fighting equipment of all nations, land, air, sea, or otherwise now existing. Every nation that joins in would be required to contribute all units in its possession rating between 80 and 100 per cent of present-day efficiency to the international. The expense and manpower of the international force would be shared by each nation in proportion to its contribution of armament.

Now this sounds very fine, and an ideal set up, but will such an agreement be possible? Will the nations of the world be that close to each other? Will there be such a mutual understanding of the common problems of the world?

We would like to think that we could maintain such a "police force" guarding the four corners of the earth, but we fear that even World War II will not leave us such a heritage of united policies for peacetime routine.

ANOTHER RACETRACK GOING OUT OF BUSINESS



HERE and THERE

By HILDA WAY GWYN

Lake Junaluska Methodist Assembly is not the only place where they observe a Haywood County Day.

We would like to commend the fine work of Mrs. Ben Colkitt, chairman, Mrs. Richard N. Barber, Jr., and the various supervisors for their splendid work in carrying on the program of surgical dressings for the Haywood Chapter of the Red Cross and the women who have made the dressings.

We saw a picture during the week that made us realize anew that outside of war casualties and family separations we know nothing about war's cruelties and horrors here in America, since the war has not been fought on our soil.

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Inside WASHINGTON

New Budget to Be an "If" Affair Due to Nazi Drive

See No Early Return for Blue Tokens in Rationing

WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt is expected to submit a very "iffy" budget to the new 79th Congress.

Therefore, the president is expected to tell Congress that if Germany is defeated by next July 1, the beginning of the new fiscal year, the estimated expenditures and new appropriations required will be such and such.

One thing the budget will not reflect is over-optimism about the defeat of Germany. The United States high command and Washington officials are convinced by this time that they did not help the Allied cause by taking it for granted that Germany was already beaten and that a few more shoves would bring about the end.

DESPITE THE RETURN OF FIVE CANNED VEGETABLES to rationing in its Christmas week-end order, OPA has no plans at present to resume use of blue ration tokens.

OPA explains that there is no necessity now for giving canned products points in anything but multiples of 10.

About 900 million blue tokens were made early in 1944 for use when the token plan became effective last February; another 100 million were made later as a reserve stock.

Their use was suspended in September when the War Food Administration ordered all canned goods off rationing.

A few were sent to Europe last summer for use as a medium of exchange in one country where war had disrupted normal currency; otherwise no use has been found for them.

AGRICULTURAL OBSERVERS CHUCKLED over a proposed Senate agricultural investigation of whether Claude A. Wickard, agricultural secretary, has been shorn of power by War Food Administrator Marvin Jones.

Much like Labor Secretary Frances Perkins, Wickard's status has long been clear to newsmen covering his department.

At news conferences, Wickard declines to answer direct queries on food and farm matters, pointing out that is Judge Jones' department.

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January Meeting Of Woman's Club Held On 18th

The January meeting of the Woman's Club was held on the afternoon at Oak Park following serving as associates: Mrs. Noble Garrett, Mrs. Rudolph Hollaus, and Mrs. Ray.

Mrs. James Harden Howell presided at the afternoon meeting, subject being, "The Islands of the Pacific."

During the business session was announced that the club members had sold and purchased a total of \$58,000 bonds during the Sixth War Fund campaign.

Mrs. Killian, president of the hospital ship, "Lansdowne," which the General Federation of Women's Clubs had purchased.

Following adjournment, a social hour was observed. Mrs. Hall, of Hartford, Conn., special guest of the afternoon.

Mrs. J. H. Howell Will Be Hostess Of UDC Meeting Feb. 1

The February meeting of the Haywood Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held with Mrs. James Howell on Friday afternoon, Feb. 2.

Miss Lucille Bishop has moved to her position in Baraboo, Wis., after spending the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bishop of Clyde.

Charles Burr Way, son of Mrs. J. H. Way, Jr., from Duke University to a few days with his parents reporting for active duty service.

NOTICE SERVING SUMmons BY PUBLICATION NORTH CAROLINA HAYWOOD COUNTY IN THE SUPERIOR COURT RUTH W. BEYER VS. CHARLES W. BEYER

The defendant, Charles W. Beyer, will take notice that an entitled as above has been entered in the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina to obtain an absolute divorce on the grounds of two years separation of man and wife; and the said defendant will take notice that he is required to appear at the office of the of the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina, twenty days after the 3rd of February, 1945, and answer to the complaint filed in action, or the plaintiff will move to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 3rd day of Jan. 1945.

C. H. LEATHERWOOD Clerk Superior Court, Haywood County.

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GERTRUDE P. CLAY, Asst. Clerk Superior Court, Haywood County, North Carolina, No. 1409—Jan. 4-11-25.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Sallie C. Boyd deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate to file same with the undersigned at Waynesville, N. C. on or before the 28th day of December, 1945, or this notice will be in bar thereof. All persons interested in said estate will please prompt payment thereof to be undersigned.

This 28th day of December, 1945.

J. R. BOYD, Administrator of the Estate of Sallie C. Boyd

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Voice OF THE People

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BIRTHS

Haywood County Hospital Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vinson Fisher, of Canton, announce the birth of a son on January 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Walsler Blaine Hawkins, of Canton, announce the birth of a son on January 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Jenkins Pilkington, of Canton, announce the birth of a son on January 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard Houston Rogers, of Waynesville, announce the birth of a son on January 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Spellman Garrett McClure, of Hazelwood, announce the birth of a son on January 20.

Pvt. Hardin L. Price Arrives in Daytona

Pvt. Hardin L. Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Price, of Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 2, has recently arrived at the Welch Convalescent hospital, the army's new conditioning center in Daytona Beach.

Pvt. Price served a year in the European theatre before his return to the States and his recent assignment to his present post. He entered the service in January, 1942.

Jonathan Creek News

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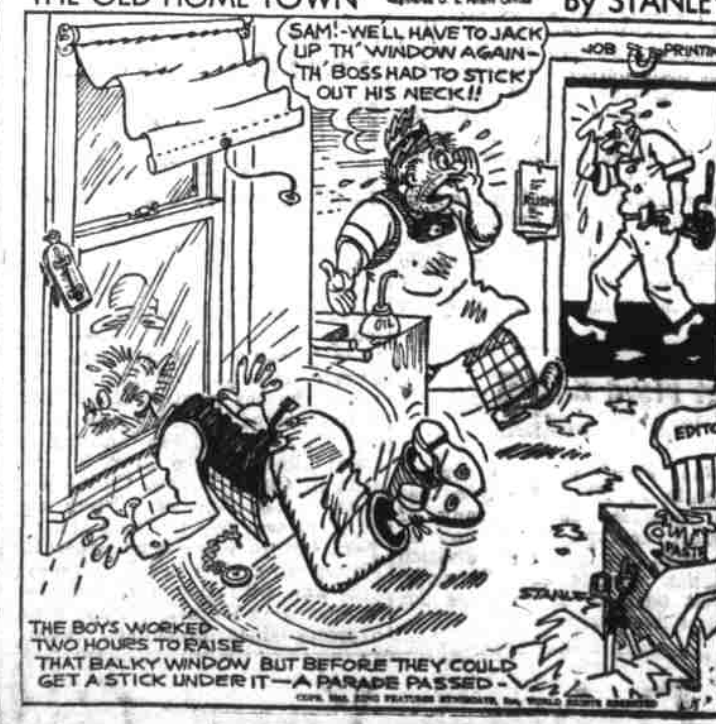
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THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY



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