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THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 1916

Stock Clinic

The stock clinic which has been in progress in the county during the current week is another one of the many services which are being given the farmers in Haywood county through the county farm agents.

Commendable

We see that Dr. David Worcester, new president of Hamilton College, New York, wants no caps, no gowns, no speeches which go to make up the formal ceremonies for the usual inaugural program of an incoming college president.

Rural Expansion

We read recently that an estimated \$1,130,000 will be annually expended in the next five years by American farmers on building and remodeling homes and farm structures, according to a study released by the Tile Council of America.

Again Honored

J. R. Morgan, local attorney and prominent Baptist lay leader has again been named to the board of trustees at Mars Hill College. We congratulate authorities of the institution for their judgment in renaming Mr. Morgan to the board.

The Draft Board

We take this occasion to add our congratulations to those already heaped upon the members of our local draft board by the U. S. Government. It has not been an easy task, week in and week out to go through the files of the registrants and select from the possible ones those who should be sent from month to month in the call for the quotas from this area.

Welcome Change

We understand that the eight-cents-aunce domestic air-mail rate for first class mail which became effective in March, 1914, is to slip back to the former rate of six cents—one-half year after Congress declares the formal end of hostilities.

American Imperialism

Regardless of the merits of the controversy over the return of our soldiers from Europe and Asia there is a lesson in the dispute for all Americans who hold imperialistic ideas. It is that little popular support could be found in this nation for the use of American military power to dominate foreign countries, no matter how much their supposedly benighted condition might be improved by our theoretical superiority.



HERE and THERE

By HILDA WAY GWYN

We attended the winter session of the North Carolina Press last week in Chapel Hill, the largest ever held. The newspaper publishers and editors, like all others who face the future in business, are alerted to the new pattern of things.

The out-of-state speakers, nationally known, were a bit depressing, we might say, yet we knew if they told us the truth they could not be otherwise.

William R. Devlin, executive secretary of the government's advisory reconversion board, spoke at the luncheon Friday given each year by the University.

There were a good number of women in the group. Women who have put their brains and efforts into newspapering and have made good just as the men.

One meets many interesting people at a press gathering. Mr. Josephus Daniels, the grand old man of journalism was there.

Voice OF THE People

Do you favor the U. S. Government taking over such public utilities as telephone, telegraph and electric companies in cases of strikes?

Bob Fie— "Yes, I think the government should step in and operate the plants while the trouble is being adjusted by labor and management."

R. E. Sontelle— "Yes most certainly. I think the government should take over the companies and give continued service."

Theodore McCracken— "I certainly would approve of the government taking over."

Hugh Shelton— "I am in favor of the government taking over so that business can be conducted continually."

Felix Stovall— "I think the government should take over such utilities, because the public should not be inconvenienced."

Doak Howell— "I have come to the conclusion that every body should strike when the utilities strike and let us all learn what it means."

Leon Henry— "I think the government should be considered and business should be right on."

A. E. Ward— "No, is my answer and I can make it as quickly as I can say the word."

Zeb Curtis— "Yes, I think the government should take over as business must go on."

E. J. Lillis— "Yes."

Letters To The Editor

Editor The Mountaineer: When a good job is being done by my community by my friends I cannot resist the urge to express my appreciation.

Please accept my hearty thanks for the service you are rendering the First Baptist Church through your paper.

I am so delighted with The Mountaineer that I want my father to enjoy it—so please put him on the subscribers list.

What Are American Soldiers Doing In The Philippines? Manila, P. I.

There are a quarter of a million of us over here. According to the War Department's demobilization plan, only a few thousand will leave during the next few months.

But WHY do we need so many troops in the Philippines now, and why should we need almost as many four months from now?

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POINTED PARAGRAPHS

By WALTER ALLISON

The way this winter is acting, you might just as well look under the bed for spring.

We thought creamery butter was ration-free, but we bought a carton yesterday and there was four points on it.

Wars or no wars, Waynesville never retreats, but always moves to the front.

No use using flood lights. It hasn't looked very dark around the coal yards this winter.

If roads are kept in good condition, a county seldom gets in the rut.

Things shouldn't go so hard with our President. Any man who can play the piano is used to facing the music.

Traveling salesman wired ahead for a reservation, and six hundred Indians came to the hotel to see him.

Many Waynesville stores advertise oxfords this winter, but

The Everyday Counsel —By— REV. HERBERT SPAUGH, D. D.

The most certain thing in life is change, and yet that is the most difficult thing for most of us to accept. The circumstances of life and our attitude towards them change daily.

Some months ago I related a beautiful old Jewish legend which was given me by a correspondent, which I am giving again by request.

Shortly after the coronation, King Solomon announced a great banquet for his chief officers of state and military leaders.

When some great warrior mightily river, flows the life with peace-destroying and dearest things are sight forever.

Should prosperity, popularity and success come upon him to such an extent that he became proud and forgetful of God, a glance at this ring should remind him of his danger.

The more he thought of the im-

Inside WASHINGTON

See Schwellenbach Shunted Into Background by Truman Doubt Whether Government Housing Program Will

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—Capital observers are wondering if Secretary of Labor Lewis Schwellenbach is going to be shunted into background on government labor matters, as was his predecessor, Frances Perkins.

Like Roosevelt, President Truman appears more and more acting as his own labor secretary, with the advice of John L. Lewis, former director of the conciliation service.

THE GOVERNMENT'S new housing program is just so much talk thus far. Still, the government intends to give preference in sales or rentals of new housing \$10,000 or less, and channel 50 per cent of these dwellings.

It is generally believed that only homes will be built in 1946. Most buildings are inclined to build homes to top ceiling levels.

AMERICA'S MAJOR COMMERCIAL AIRLINES are in for the big race to see who will be the first to carry the number of passengers in the shortest time between major cities.

EMILIO GARCI GODOY, Dominican ambassador to the States, looks like a poet—and is one, although official Washington is unaware of the fact.

ONE OF THE CURRENT RUMORS about Navy Secretary James Forrestal's expected resignation is this: That he wants to stay on to fight President Truman's proposal of the armed forces.

An outspoken opponent of unification, Forrestal believed action would subordinate the Navy.

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By STANLEY

