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Welcome Back

We greet with pleaslure the return of Col. Wayne Corpening, veteran who returned to his post in the county farm agent's office this week.

As a farm agent in the days of peace Col. Corpening made an excellent record. It was duplicated in Africa, and in Europe. He plowed a straight row over there through enemy lines, as he had shown our farmers here in Haywood how to make the most of their opportunities.

With the confidence of the citizens of Haywood county of his ability to do a good job he will continue to render service to his country-this time along the home front.

To Test Or Not To Test

We have seen much written about whether or not the greatly discussed atomic bomb test should be made. There have been many appeals made to halt the test which we understand will not take place for some weeks, later than first planned.

There has been a plea from the Order of Purple Heart-America's battle wounded expressing the peace-longing of a peace-loving people. They argue that "the armada should be sent on a good will tour to the shores of the countries harboring evil governments."

They further claim that the bomb demonstration "can be construed by other nations as a vulgar display of fiendish strength." Their appeal closes with "Save these precious American ships-they may be needed sooner than you think."

But to most Americans the test means an

Army Day

Saturday, April the 6th, is Army Day, set aside by Congress to do honor to the men who have made and who make up our army. It is the first opportunity we have had in six years to celebrate Army Day in a war-free world.

Army Day, as well as Navy Day, has a real significance here in Haywood, where the distinction still holds good that this county had more volunteers in service, according to population, than any county in the nation.

This April is quite a contrast to April of last year, when our great forces were bending every effort in the European theater to break through the German lines and out in the Pacific they were battling with the Japs all in one mighty offensive to stop the war and bring peace back into the world.

It is fitting that in this or any other country the people should have one day a year in which to salute their valiant armies, who have protected their people. This year we should put special emphasis on the debt we owe these men. They have done their job, and now it is our

turn. Are we going to be wise enough, diplomatic enough, and far seeing enough to stem the tide of another war? Is the part we are going to play in the UNO, as one of the leaders going to be effective enough to hold the peace so much desired?

Then there comes another pertinent question. Have we kept the faith with these men who braved danger and life itself? Have we kept the faith with those men who are buried in the countless graves scattered over Europe and on the islands out in the Pacific? Could we give them an account of our efforts with the same pride that they can?

We regret that if we face real facts we will turn aside with apology. Our idle manufacturing plants stand as condemning evidence that we have not kept the faith. The internal agitation in our country today is poor proof of the appreciation that we should have and should show.

Traffic Laws Ignored

T. Boddie Ward, Commissioner of Motor Vehciles took a big dig at the state's lower courts last week for their lack of cooperation in meteing out sufficient punishment to violators of motor vehicle laws.

At the time Mr. Ward lashed out at the courts, he issued a report which revealed that 82 persons were killed and 483 were injured forts bring lasting peace to us allon the streets and highways of North Carolina during the month of February, as compared with 44 killed and 242 injured during the same month last year.

"If sentences were meted out for speeders, reckless and careless drivers, on a real deterrent basis, such as forbidding the violator from operating a motor vehicle for at least 60 days for the first offense, an appreciable decline in accidents would shortly make itself manifest, based on experience where such measures have been put into effect," said discharged during the past week Mr. Ward.

sist telling Pvt. Parton that he The rate of driving, Mr. Ward pointed out is a matter of habit, it is much easier and admittedly less dangerous for one to drive at a moderate rate rather than a high rate of speed. Of the 82 persons killed during February. 71 of the fatalities occurred in the rural areas and only 11 occurred in the cities and towns of the state. These figures remind us that only two weeks ago four persons were injured on a birthday party, as they received, Haywood highway. They might have lost their lives, all because of disregard of the laws of the highways. During the war it was considered and rightly so a great tragedy when four men were wounded, yet we are inclined to take accidents on the highways as "all in the day's run of events." "I have yet to hear of a mass meeting for the purpose of curbing the continued unnecessary slaughter of human lives, on our highways and streets. And yet if a small fraction of as many lives were being lost due to some new and incurable disease there would probably be mass meetings throughout the state to arrest and control them," Mr. Ward is reported as having said. Mr. Ward is right to demand stricter recognition of the laws by the lower courts of the state, for often it is with the first offense that many drivers learn their lesson which ultimately results in more careful driving, but if their misdemeanor is considered in a casual way, the offenders will naturally take the matter lightly.

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in the tax. We have good news for (ourselves) and those on the "plump REMARKABLE!

side," The Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics is claiming that fat folks are the Harmon won on a bet a dollar bill lucky ones these days-for the on a bet that he would not pass very good reason that they can his physical examination for inducreduce, which is desirable for health's sake, and they can help the starving millions abroad by cutting down on their intake of fats. sugar, pies, cookies and such. For back to this place and was recoga reducing diet keyed to the times, the fat ones are told to eat almost was shown to him by a cashier at

per cent reduction recommended cookies, you can take off another his widow.

100 to 300 calories, because so much sugar and fat go with the flour in them." But the Bureau warns about letting your sympathy

a copy of March 30, and read

from Fort Bragg. We could not re- ing without a physician's guidance

The sap is rising. The furnifore page ture company wants their bed Every 1.16 of Pre-market Tr yacht the When asked if the atomic homb tests would be made in May, a government official Bet many a fellow replied. "Nothing shaking!" in the primary 140 A. A.

WALTER ALLISON

Dartie -

Devel Fait

Nothing strange

She started to m

LAFF.A.

HAMLET

THURSDAY, APRIL

The Big Three today are nylons nen's dress shirts, and a place to phonograph at 4 4 8

If Haywood county has a softball league this summer, many fellows should reach home before 10 p. m.

Wayne-ville ment ing his store even "Where are the shingles going He's just setting) in this country"" asks a builder the road.

Any little boy who cats off a man-Miest alcohors or There's no danger of coal broken patient booking at

ever changing it's color. John L. Lewis loves to keep things looking dark.

kethall player, but bim down because If Waynesville has a recordget the proceedes h areaking season, we hope she hole in the baskst mashes Sinatra's, and hangs on to Bing's.

One of the best ways to keep your windows open this summer is to have them built out of green lumber.

When they re-surface Main street, many veterans with the paving company will feel at home when they go over the top.

The little girl who had a stomach-ache last night says she can't understand why Rusria wants more oil.

It's not hard to find garden seed. in Waynesville. That is, the neigh bor's chickens say it isn't.

You can see the Northern Lights most any night. Some families never get to bed be-

to other groups, but no increase

Crawfordville, Ind. -- Charles tion into the army. He decided to keep it "as long as I live." Eight months after he was killed in Europe, the bill found its way nized by Robert Barton when it no grain food, and (we) they will the light company office, where it be doing even better than the 40 had been received from a farm

woman who said she got it at a by the Famine Emergency Com- hatchery. Harmon had written his mittee." By substituting fruits and name on the bill and listed the custards for baked desserts, such places where he had been stationed as cake, pie. rich doughnuts and His handwriting was identified by

MAN. 87. LOSES \$14,700

Chicago-An 87-year-old retired streetcar conductor, William Farrun away with you and start diet- rar, recently told police that two men waylaid him in the vestibule -that is if you are over 20-tand of his West Side home and robbed under that are much con- hin

Central Press Writer LATEST DISPATCHES from Australia tell of a man down nylons." April showers

there who stood on his head and drank 10 steins of beer This puts to shame those engineers whose feat was to force just water to run uphill,

A Romanian murderer is accused of killing 32 taxicab drivers. This is carrying pedestrian vengeance too far.

First the shirt tail disappeared, then the shirt. It's a neat trick but we don't care much for it.

You can tell an old-fashioned speaker, says Grandpappy Jen-

cided to take the job place. Horseshoes, we h tographs, come ma sizes and shapes W toned jobs for sum



HAMLET

"Sap-yelling 'auth after the play s

NOW

LAYING

YOU'RE TE By WILLIAM RITT -

kins He still says hot cakes" insta

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moment, they also

This is the time of

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how in the world

assurance of peace and the damaged ships. many of which are said to be obsolete, will go down in a worthwhile attempt to show us what we would need in a navy in the atomic age. Observers from other nations have been invited, so this should dispel suspicion on their part, as this should alone prove that we are merely building a world "concept of law and order, and the machinery and implement of it."

The time has come when we must not be swaved by sentiments, but look with clear vision to a future where peace will be assured.

Grin and Bear It

We always grin to ourselves when some public speaker or civic leader starts enumerating the "things this community needs."

We know the list by heart, and as far as we can recall, it hasn't changed one bit in the past fifteen years. The honored list is always brought out at every annual Chamber of Commerce meeting and repeated with zest and renewed energy, and then carefully laid aside until the next annual dinner, except occasionally some civic leader will bring it forth, but always the same old list.

An amusing thing about our "list of needs" is that everyone is ready and willing to add to the list, but so precious few will do anything about it.

We have said so before, and repeat it now, that before any item on the "list of needs" will become a reality, the community leaders must adopt a priority system, and finish one job at a time. There are too many ideas, too many opinions to successfully adopt a page full of projects for each year's work.

When we stop this child's play of wanting everything at once, and center our thoughts and attention on one thing at a time, and accomplish that job, then we will begin to whittle down our "list of needs." Until we adopt such a business-like basis, the timehonored list will remain intact, and we can continue to grin and perhaps bear it.

Finger bowls are returning to some of the tonier hostelries. It is years since these were twice and the first time, she had last seen, except when served under guise of a clear soup .- Detroit News.

Headlines: Men's Summer Suits to Have Lace Insets. Whither are we drifting, fellows, whither are we drifting-Scanlan in comes to us. Buffalo News.

Experience is a dead loss if you cannot sell it applied to one hard to get item it for more than it cost you .- Northwestern now-Maybe we would have more National News.

either held great affection for that little white dog or his wife, and maybe both, at which he smilled as If we might be on to his secret. The dog is one year old, and for all appearances seems very much at

must have given those who opened

the box a keen sense of their re-

sponsibility---as well as respect for

"May I, who have had the privi-

lege of fabricating this ballot box,

"May God be with every mem-

A German toy spilz was holding

court last Saturday morning on

Main street as passersby stopped

to admire the pet of Mrs. Marvin

Parton, of Hazelwood. "Peter" was

brought by her husband. Pvt. Par-

ton, who has been in the European

theater for 31 months, in Germany,

He paid 1,500 German marks, in

American money \$150-and ship-

before Pvt. Parton, who has been

ped it to his wife at the cost of

The dog arrived three days

ber of the United Nations Organi-

zation and through your nobel ef-

the maker.

east the first vote?

all over the world."

home here, with his new mistress. The likeness of Mrs. John N.

Shoolbred and her sister, Mrs. Horace Frost has always furnished

abundant surprise and conversa-Post, we recommend that you buy tion, but the night of their 80th wearing the same model gowns and flowers, their resemblance seemed more marked than usual. As proof that it is not the imagination of their friends. Little Billy Shoolbred, is said to have gone up to one United States" of them and said "Aunt Rachel, will you please do this" and then he looked at her a second time and he said in disgust with himself, "Oh, Pshaw Grandmother"

He calls himself "a politician by act of Congress, and a spectator While we sometimes think of gosby act of God." ip as a thing spun of malicious dull sentence in the article. He intent, it is often merely an accumulation of circumstantial evi dence, patched together. Edna Mc-Kay, clerk of the draft board, wrote to a mother about her son. Not so long after her assistant, Edna

McCracken, also sent the same information about the son. She mother a card about some routine signed her own name. It had been rumored in the mother's community that a certain Mr. McCracken was to be married. She heard one of the neighbors talking about itand she found out the girl was from the same area as Edna Mc-Kay, so she at once volunteered the information that she was sure it must be Miss Edna McKay, at the draft board office, because she had heard from the draft board

signed her name Edna McKay and the second time she had signed it Edna McCracken. Many a story has in time become an "established fact," which all goes to show how hazardous it is to believe what we hear-no matter how innocently it

Rationing has held restrictions for housewives, but we wish that of it-SOAP - How can we do Spring cleaning without plenty of

of \$14,700. The victim said cerned with surplus fat). In this he had kept his money hidden in war and its effects the civilians his house until three months ago, have been given some pretty stiff when he started to carry it with assignments. Who would have him because he feared thieves. A thought we would have been asked gold ring set with a one-carat diato reduce for the sake of feeding mond and a one-fourth carat blue the world so many months after it sapphire which Farrar pulled from the finder of one of them as they was supposed to be over?

There is not a

grappled with each other is the In case you are not a regular most important clue police have. reader of The Saturday Evening

COLD CAUSES MISTAKE

Milaca, Minn. - Convicted that What I Learned About Washingthe strange animal he spotted runton" by Jonathan Daniels, as he ning for cover under a woodpile expresses it "somewhere between was a mink. Joe Schmitz, suffering the human swarm and the constitutional abstraction, there is, I am from a severe head cold and watery convinced a government of the eyes, investigated and quickly dis-, and with his covered his mistake. The animal background of experience he found he killed was a skunk and, while the answer which is revealed in Joe received 75 cents for the pelt. he spent many times that amount this fascinating story about Washfor his dry-cleaning bill, ington and what makes America.

> Book publishers urged to curl lewdness' by a code of ethics.

points out that regardless of scien- and the problems of people comtific discovery that "the republic ing together for government may of the atomic age is still the gov- still be more significant than disernment of a very human people integrating the atom



Demo Senators Confident Truman Will Run in 1948

Broadcast From High

Special to Central Press

 WASHINGTON—Democratic senators high in party confident that President Truman will be a candidate! nation in 1948, and some of them are predicting bey that he will get it.

This view was voiced recently by Senators Lister Ha bama, the Democratic "whip," and Carl Hatch (D) d Senator Kenneth McKellar (D) of Tennessee, who s Truman as presiding officer of the Senate, comment man who tries to beat him in 1918"

hard fight on his hands

At the same time, a number of \$ crats are reserving opinion on the They point out that a lot of that in the next two years, that the l Truman's nomination will depend of handles the reconversion problem marked political changes may occur be an economic upset

Commerce Secretary Henry A Wa ment that he would not oppose Mr the nomination or resign from b taken at face value by some Demos

President Truman However, others contend that the potential candidate of the De

wing" for the presidential nomination and that he w ture the nomination if the political climate is favorable

 SCIENTISTS NOW ARE EXPERIMENTING with 8 ing of television and FM (frequency misluiption) for at an altitude of 30,000 feet.

Initial experiments are being carried out by the corporation, whose experts insist that the broadcab and also that the use of a plane eliminates construstations and booster points at frequent intervals

According to these men, eight such specially equ ing in lazy circles high above the earth could provid FM cheaply and quickly to most of the nation's I Broadcasts from one plane could cover several large

JOHN L. LEWIS already is wielding a powerful AFL, into which he returned with his independe Workers a month ago.

When AFL President William Green dehvered and White House steps against restoration of wage of were puzzled. It was not like Green to be uttering go the executive mansion.

Later the information "leaked" that Lewis had affair. Green's statement and the official viewpoor coincided almost word for word.

THE GOVERNMENT IS PROMISING to get clothing onto the civilian market, but keep your fingers crossed.

The government has been endeavoring to do this for exactly a year.

Now it is starting anew by allowing price in creases on cotton in the hope that the manufacturers will begin volume production.

But it will be, well to wait and see what happed decide to throw away any old clothes.