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THURSDAY, MAY 2, 1946

Gas On Sunday

We are gratified that the gas station managers have complied with the request of the Merchants division of the Chamber of Commerce and at least one station will remain open on Sunday.

There are going to be too many visitors enroute to and from the Park who will travel this way, for the town to have all facilities closed.

Year-Round Fair

Last week Governor Cherry approved the project to convert the North Carolina State Fair from a six-day farm exhibit to a permanent state exposition, embracing all phases of North Carolina governmental, agricultural and industrial activities.

The idea is to have a year-round display of the activities and products and to use the place periodically for livestock shows.

It looks like a fine set-up, for anyone who has ever visited the state fair knows that the money expended on the carnival features could be put to some permanent good.

Longing For Peace

The following excerpts from an editorial passions for war than the passions for peace, Christian Advocate sounds an encouraging note at this time.

"If you say it is easier to mobilize the passions of war than the passions of peace," said Senator Borah in speaking for the Peace Pact.

"This observation by our great senator years ago is most encouraging today with the world wide effort of the United Nations to win peace and security so much desired.

Wallace Was Right?

About the time of V-J Day, when most people thought that millions of men would be looking in vain for jobs, Henry Wallace said there would be 60 million jobs for peacetime economy.

Wallace's dream of full employment becomes an early prospective reality.

The scoffers no longer scoff. Those who reviled him and sought to ridicule his figures now have cause to regret their words.



HERE and THERE

By HILDA WAY GWYN

We see where five of the New England States, New Jersey and parts of New York and the Chicago area have inaugurated daylight saving time, starting at 2 a. m. Sunday.

After reading the story, we thought what a splendid time for the teachers in our schools to be in the political campaign.

Here we go again on the Pageant of the Cherokees. Every time we see where they are recalling some historical event at some point in the state we get all worked up.

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Who was the second person to fly across the English Channel? Harriet Quimby, an American.

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Voice OF THE People

What do you think of Truman's record the first year as president of the United States?

R. L. Prevost—"First he advocated too many things and asked Congress for too much. He should have had his program in mind, but should not have tried to get it all started at one time.

W. G. Byers—"He has made a wonderful record against many odds, including the opposition of members of his own party, who presumed to know more than he or General Eisenhower about conditions.

Rufus Ratcliff—"Personally, I think the job has been a little too big for the man, otherwise he could have been able to carry Congress along with him better than he has."

E. C. Waerfeld—"Considering all he had to contend with, I think he has done mighty well."

George A. Brown, Jr.—"He had a tough place to fill and I think he has done mighty well."

C. N. Allen—"I think he has done a very good job considering what he had to face."

C. V. Soback—"He has advocated things that should have been enacted into laws but Congress

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POINTED PARAGRAPH

By WALTER ALLISON

April showers bring forth May weeds.

You don't have to know people to have had connections. Have you ever tried to keep a sport shirt tucked in?

Even if there wasn't a lumber shortage, Monroe Redden's platform for Congressman would still be rock-bottom.

Why not deviate saving time? It's about the only thing a person can save nowadays.

We don't believe it, but a fellow over in the Smokies says he killed a rattler last week with seven buttons and a couple of hooks and eyes.

No doubt when a hot dog man leaves the army he's mustard out.

Failed to cooperate with his program.

Col. J. Harden Howell—"I think he has done as well as any other man could under the circumstances."

J. R. Boyd—"I would say that the year was not as favorable in the ending as it was in the beginning."

Mrs. Stanley Grading—"He stepped into a very difficult job, but I wish that he would be a little more decisive, even if his decisions turned out to be wrong."

YOU'RE TELLING ME

By WILLIAM RITT Central Press Writer

A PARIS DESIGNER has introduced a wrought iron umbrella. Don't tell us they've revealed that natural law that metal attracts lightning!

One advantage about an iron umbrella is that it's so heavy a thief wouldn't bother to swipe it.

Now it's the city slicker who is trying to buy a golden clock off the farmer, says Zadok Dumps—a golden brick of butter.

A bottle of home-made gunpowder exploded in the hip pocket of a Los Angeles resident.

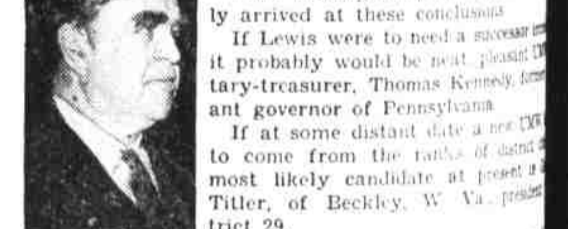
Inside WASHINGTON

Who'll Pick Up Reins Of John L. Lewis's? No Logical Groomed

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—The United Mine Workers has had "one-man" show and burly John L. Lewis is that man.

Observers of the 1946 coal wage negotiations, still in progress though Lewis has called a nationwide walkout, have seen spare moments speculating on the interesting issue of what into the great "John L.'s" shoes when he lays down the law.



After looking them all over, Lewis technique, his booming voice, his use of sarcasm and ridicule on opponents, the way UMW official lacks the polish and finesse of Lewis developed.

BRASS HATS IN THE NAVY department still are expected to win the battle to scuttle or shelve pending legislation of the armed forces.

For a while the Army was far in the lead and it was with President Truman's support, the Army would push the bill through Congress.

However, the Navy lobby has been working hard and has succeeded in keeping the bill bottled up in committee months.

Top-ranking Army officers admit there is a good chance measure will be delayed until Congress reconvenes for the session that happens, the Navy will have obtained a 1947 authorization and there will be little prospect of an early measure.

ADMINISTRATION LEADERS on Capitol Hill are optimistic over the prospects of the British loan. They feel they have a good chance of approval, probably without the fight that was at first predicted.

There is strong opposition to the loan, but backing the proposal is helpful rather than harmful to the nation. They point to recent endorsements of the loan by important members of the nation's business life and from at least one organization.

Latest indications are that House Republicans may be organized front against it.

THE ACTION OF WISCONSIN'S Progressives in the GOP after 12 years of independence was not taken to assure the re-election of "Young Bob" LaFollette to the year. He was regarded as certain to win.

The Progressives' action looks toward the convention to nominate a Republican candidate for president in 1948.

Back Again

We are pleased to see that farm tours are coming back, and the farmers in the county and other interested citizens will have an "official" opportunity to observe various agricultural practices in the county.

We recall the farm tours that were enjoyed before the war and what a stimulus they were toward better farming practices as well as home improvement.

Who Will Take Their Place?

Compulsory retirement looms for 70-year-old State employes and teachers as a result of a mimeographed letter received last week by the heads of State departments, agencies and superintendents of administrative school units.

It was pointed out that "if department heads desire to keep any of these employes they must give an extra good reason and must show that the employe is essential and cannot be replaced at present by a younger man.

It is estimated that around 500 teachers in North Carolina will be affected by this order. This offers a serious problem, with the teacher shortage now so apparent in every community in the state.

Consider, Now, The Pasture

It may be our imagination, but it seems to us that we have never seen the pastures of our Haywood farms quite so green—quite so early in the season.

The part that the pastures play is a big one, not only to the farmer, but to others which is shown in the following editorial from the Christian Monitor.

America's untilled acres these days are teeming with four-legged life as vast numbers of cattle are being turned out for grazing. While this activity gets but a few lines in country weeklies and seldom finds its way into big-city newspapers, the annual renting of pastures to livestock operators has a very important bearing on the economic life of the United States.

For a nominal sum, the cattle owner is enabled to feed his herd economically through the summer and ready it for fall marketing through an intensive grain-rationing process, thereby achieving maximum poundage at minimum cost.

Because it doesn't produce bumper crops of corn or wheat, the pasture, to the layman's eye, may seem a "frozen asset." But this is far from true. Through feeding millions of cattle, it indirectly provides employment for hundreds of thousands, from packing house, tannery, and shoe factory workers down to the village cobbler who repairs footwear.