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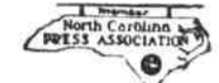
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## Man Still Ahead

Woman may have gained equal rights with men and they have certainly proved that they are capable of doing a man's work in many cases just as well as she might do, but even so the confidence in the men seems to still be far ahead in certain fields.

In a recent Gallop poll in this country, 66 per cent of those polled stated that they had rather ride with a man driver and only 12 per cent with a woman. Could it be that men are losing their chivalry, or were most of those polled women?

## Merely A Suggestion

We noticed recently that a candidate for governor in one of the mid-western states is going to drop 150 pairs of nylons from an airplane in hopes that they may fall into the eager hands of prospective voters. The would-be-governor may have something there.

Certainly from all the fuss that a woman makes over the lack and the acquiring of a pair of nylons, one is bound to come to the conclusion that, if she happened to be lucky enough to get the hose, she would never have the heart to vote against such a generous man.

The time is short, Haywood candidates, but the idea has great possibilities.

## Another Industry

We offer our congratulations to Franklin on the proposed establishment of the textile mills by the Van Raalte Company, Inc., a nationally known manufacturing company, famous for their hosiery, underwear and gloves.

The location of the plant is another recognition of Western Carolina by the nation's manufacturers and will offer new fields of employment and opportunity to the people of Macon County. We can understand and fully appreciate what the plant will mean to that section, for we, too, have had additions to our industrial life in Haywood county, which have brought not only material compensation but also new and desirable citizens.

## Your Vote

We are not trying to tell any Haywood County citizen how to vote, but we are insisting and urging each and every one of voting age to take advantage of the ballot.

It is your duty to your country to try and put the best qualified man in each elective office, whether it be local, state or federal position.

With the unrest and chaotic conditions which exist today in America, it is necessary that everyone take a definite stand. The ballot is the chief way in which the individual can exercise his influence for better government.

The privilege of voting is one of the strongest and most obligatory features of a democracy and when a person shirks this duty, it is an act of disloyalty to their country. This privilege of a voice in the affairs of our government has been a vital factor in making America one of the great nations of the world. The privilege of the ballot has fostered individual freedom.

When we fail to vote we have failed to support our country.

## A Forward Step

President Truman is asking the traffic chiefs to halt murder on the highways by barring "nuts and morons" from the driver's seat. His appeal to curb the nation's road death toll—now said to be mounting to the equivalent of three army divisions a year—was laid before the opening session at a recent meeting of the National Highway Safety Conference.

We have often advocated the keynote of the President's theme, hence we fully approve his idea—that is the need for uniformity in state automotive requirements. He insists that the system of minimum state license essentials be set up for the whole nation, applicable to all motorists who drive across state borders.

As the President pointed out this would not be a move to encroach upon the rights and responsibilities of the states, and that Congress should not stand idly by if the toll of disaster continues unchecked. It would be a united effort to save life on the highways.

## Alarming Signal

The defiance of the Germans in their trials together with the recent seizure of 1,000 Germans suspected of trying to revive Hitlerism would make us believe that Nazism is not dead. We wonder if the Germans are actually being educated to the crime of war making with sufficient emphasis.

It is natural at this stage for most of us to try to push the war away from us. We want to look forward and forget the terrible years; but when we read of the foregoing attitudes and more recently the fact that families of our American occupation forces have been shot at in trains in Germany, if we think, we are bound to be alarmed.

We have heard a lot about the re-education of Germany in the post war plans. We have often wondered just what is taking place in the schools in Germany today. While the thought is not welcome, it looks as if the best plan would be to occupy Germany for at least one generation—before we could safely leave the people to themselves. Surely in one generation a new ideal could be set up for the German youth that would supplant the threat of a revival of Nazism.

## Goes To Semi-Weekly

Haywood County has a just reason to be proud of its county newspaper, The Waynesville Mountaineer, and its progressive editor, Mr. Curtis Russ.

Last week's issue of The Mountaineer announced plans to become a semi-weekly, effective Tuesday, May 21. This is indeed an achievement worthy of congratulations. For many years, The Mountaineer has been one of the outstanding weeklies in North Carolina, both from the standpoint of community service and general excellence. Its coverage of the news, plus splendid features, has been the envy of many publishers in this state.

Now that Editor Russ and his staff have decided to step-up to the semi-weekly field, it is with great pride that the staff of this paper highly commends and congratulates The Mountaineer on this progressive step. The citizens of Haywood County can justly be proud of its paper and with the continued support given the paper by its advertisers, we are sure that The Mountaineer will grow even more popular than at present.—The Marshall News-Herald.

## It Paid Out

We notice that the governmental agency The Home Owners Loan Corporation is going out of business and is returning its capital investment to the U. S. Treasury plus a moderate return. We recall when the agency started right here in Waynesville. If we are not mistaken it was operated from the office of the late E. L. Withers.

Back in those days of the economic struggles of this country when hundreds of thousands of families were losing their homes, they had dreamed someday of calling their own, this agency was inaugurated by the government and changed a bleak and dreary future into hope.

THE HOLC started two or three years after the peak of the depression and helped adjust back payment and started the loans to families that eventually paid out. It is said that there were more than 1,000,000 loans made during the period of the agency, which not only helped would-be home-owners, but also prevented the collapse of many banks and lending institutions.

This alone would have vindicated the establishment of the agency, but now with the liquidation in sight, with no loss but money made, shows how much the loans were needed—and appreciated.

We have heard the usually dumb rabbit squeal in emergencies, but we wish some naturalist would explain to us how a weasel goes pop.



## HERE and THERE

By  
**HILDA WAY GWYN**

Mrs. Wallace Marley, the former Jacqueline Coulsen, native of Hull, Yorkshire, England, who had made a place for herself as a ballet and tap dancer on the English stage, and spent the greater part of her life during the war in London, is now making a place for herself here. While she is too gracious to dwell on the subject, we feel sure like our returned veterans, she is going through an adjustment period with our unfamiliar ways of living and our American expressions. We have an idea however that her nostalgia for England is softened by her sense of humor and her own personal happiness.

We are sure that she will adapt herself to our ways in a most admirable manner and become a part of our life here—first because she is the adaptable type—and then she has so much charm, and beauty, along with a keen sense of humor and plenty of sense to say nothing of being extremely fond of the American she married.

Growing up in England during the war years she has learned to accept changes and while Waynesville is far removed from London, we are counting on her being able to cope with her problems of adjustment and find that she has conquered all our strange ways of living. As one example on which we base our predictions with such assurance... Once during a blitz her

company of 50 with 15 extra in the orchestra, in New Cross Theater, London, played straight through while the buzz bombs went over every two minutes. There were only six people in the audience who dared out that night. Two of the Scottish pipers would play their pipes and then leave the theater while the performance was going on to assist in removing the bodies from the buildings near the theater... and while the comedian was working the front of the stage, shrapnel fell through the roof on the back.

Mrs. Marley has been dancing since she was six, and at the age of 14 won professional recognition when she carried off the honors in an audition in London, passing the professional tests. Six weeks out of each year since 1940 she has given to the ENSA (our USO) and helped entertain soldiers in camps in England.

"Yes, history repeats itself. My mother was on the stage and she gave it up for my father, a chief engineer, and even went farther away from home than I. She went to India with him to see his people," she said with a smile.

"The first blitz struck England in 1941. I was living in a house 15 yards from a building which caught fire from a bomb. It was our first experience and it came just before midnight. I was so frightened for there was no shelter



The Capitol

● THE SOVIET UNION has its own system of setting up commercial airlines. The Russians are going to provide the personnel for commercial airlines they plan to set up in Europe.

Arrangements already have been made with Poland and negotiations with Hungary are about completed. In each case, Russia supplies the pilots, ground crews, operators and equipment. The other countries, joining with Russia in the establishment of airlines, furnish only the airfields.

Moscow's aggressiveness gives her a jump over other commercial lines in the European countries. And, the fields are important to any defense system in eastern Europe.

● ONE OF JOHN L. LEWIS' favorite pastimes is to needle the soft coal operators about their "luxurious mode of life" and their membership in country clubs. On a recent occasion, the gag backfired.

Lewis caustically asked Harry Moses, of Pittsburgh, United States Steel representative in the coal negotiations, about his country club memberships. Moses replied: "I belong to two country clubs, John, one at Lynch, Ky., and the other at Gary, W. Va. They're both small outfits and the membership is 90 per cent miners."

"In fact, at the Gary club the champion is a 22-year-old miner who plays 18 holes every afternoon after his regular shift in the mines."

Lewis, who eats in the swank Carleton hotel and smokes expensive cigars, quickly dropped the subject of country clubs.

● IT TAKES A LOT OF LIPSTICK to keep the American women kissable.

The Civilian Production Administration says that they use about 470,000 pounds a year. This means 130,000,000 individual lipsticks are purchased annually by United States women.

## VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Would you approve of the President of the United States serving for a 6 year term and not be eligible for re-election?

R. N. Barber—"Yes, I think that would be a good plan."

Dan Watkins—"I would say 'no,' for we might get a bad president and we would have to wait 6 years to have another, but with the present setup if we get a good one, we will more than likely elect him for a second term."

J. R. Morgan—"Yes, I think that six years is long enough for a man to be president of the United States. He would then concentrate on his duties as President and not on his re-election."

Grover C. Davis—"No, it all depends on the man as to how long we want him to be our president."

Henry Davis—"Yes, I would approve of a six year term and that he not be allowed to run for re-election."

Zeb Curtis—"No, I would not approve. I believe in getting a good man and keeping him, or getting rid of him in four years."

here in London. But as time went on we got accustomed to them. During the latter part of the war we walked casually through the streets as we heard a buzz bomb going by. It sounded like a motorcycle, but when the engine stopped we looked up with concern to see where it would fall. We called the first robots, 'planes without pilots.' They would usually come one at a time in relays of ten," she explained.

"I doubt if you Americans could exist on what we have to live on even today in England. What you have for an ordinary meal would be a feast in England. We would have such food only on a very special occasion," she said.

"Our food is still rationed so closely that we have one ounce of lard, two ounces of butter, 25 cents worth of meat per week for each person. No white bread, only a brown greyish bread. No fruits or nuts, and only a pint of milk every other day for two people," she continued.

"As for clothes, unless you did some business with the black market, you could not dress decently or comfortably in England. We have 24 coupons a year, and it takes 18 to buy a coat," she commented.

"I was amazed at the conversation of the women in America. It was a shock to me. They talk and

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## Capital Letter

By THOMPSON GREENWOOD

HEARD AND SEEN—Seven national magazines have articles on North Carolina this month... and you can throw that bouquet to Bill Sha-pe, director of the State News Bureau... You can buy nylons—as many as three pairs at a time—from a hosiery mill in Siler City. Sorry we can't give the name here, but it's a good firm. Delivery by mail is about three weeks... You missed a honey if you didn't read Bob Thompson's editorial (High Point Enterprise) backhanding Governor Gregg Cherry for his policy of making appointees squirm before announcing their reappointment...

There were so many Shriners in Raleigh for two days last week that the Wake commissioners passed a resolution offering free beds in the county jail to the visitors... Charles Parker isn't going to take that public relations job with the State Highway Commission... \$3,720 per annum wasn't enough money.

RALEIGH IS TALKING ABOUT—The fine way Mrs. L. Y. Ballentine is helping her husband along with his political ambitions... The N. C. Dairy Products Association's plan to take to the air on a state-wide radio network attacking the OPA milk policies... The attack on E. C. "Deacon" Greene's political ring in Buncombe... by veterans. They are trying to beat Greene's Man Friday Brandon Hodges for the Senate, which would lay the quietus on his Lt. Gov. plans... but can they do it?... The fight in Raleigh and Durham against Eastern Airlines... They say it is almost impossible to get out of Raleigh on their planes... too much through traffic... The fine FCX paper being put out by M. G. Mann, Jr., and John Marshall, former city editor of the Raleigh Times... How the Elizabeth City and Oxford bands stole the show at recent events held at Raleigh and Wallace.

JOKE—That old joke about rampaging expenses made its appearance again last week. Although the statements—one before the primary and another after—are sworn to, they sometimes represent only a small per cent of what was actually spent by the candidates. Since it is all a lot of boohwah, why run them at all... they tell nothing.

For instance, a gubernatorial candidate can spend only \$12,000... but many of them have spent five times that amount in one way or another... You aren't supposed to spend more than the salary of the office for one year. The way to do get your friends to spend the money in the race. Report that you spent 1,875... and then within the next two or three years repay the \$15,000 your relatives and friends forked out for you. But be sure you repay.

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### It Is The Patriotic Duty Of Every Citizen to

# VOTE

This institution is not satisfied until you vote on Monday's primary. We leave the decision to you, but we realize that over the importance of a qualified voter casting his lot in this election.

This is an American privilege enjoyed by so few peoples on earth, that we should exercise the right, and vote.

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