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Extension

We note that the Pet Dairy Products Company has made another extension of lines, giving additional milk producers an opportunity to sell milk direct to the plant without the expense or time out of bringing the milk into the plant here.

These opportunities have added greatly to the rural life of Haywood County, and have brought to our farmers and their families a steady cash income that promises to continue to increase, that is and should be appreciated by both the farmers that enjoy first hand and the entire county at large.

The Lists Grow

Although traffic deaths in North Carolina decreased from 69 to 59 during May from the April record, the number of persons injured on the streets and highways increased from 482 to 515.

T. Boddie Ward, State Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, commented that, "The decline in deaths in May as compared with April is probably due to the current National Police Traffic Safety Check, which was in existence a good portion of May and is still in effect. If your motor car is defective, have it repaired immediately and put it in a safe driving condition. Don't wait. Tomorrow may be too late."

Right Next Door

We again call attention to the outstanding speakers who are appearing on the programs at the Methodist Assembly at Lake Junaluska. Coming at the busiest season, both for the town and the rural people, it is often hard for the Haywood County folks to attend these programs at the Lake.

Of special interest are the speakers this year as many of them have come from foreign posts and are familiar with conditions and situations of which we are reading about every day, but would be of added interest to hear personally from those who have actually made the contacts.

Progressive Cherokee County

Last week-end the citizens of Cherokee County, the Town of Murphy, and Miss Addie Mae Cooke, publisher of The Cherokee Scout, entertained the Western North Carolina Press for a two-day session.

The citizens of the "dam country" have the art of dealing out true Southern hospitality at its best. They have the knack of showing their visitors their country, and especially the many recent modern improvements such as the TVA dams, schools, work in forestry and agriculture.

The members of the press were shown every phase of life in the "dam country," from the work in schools, farms, industry, mining and even the religious activities.

The extreme western development of this state really started with the construction of the dams along some of the rivers, and today, a spirit of progress prevails throughout the area. Giant dirt-moving machines are building an airport, huge transmission lines carry enough electric current over the county to do anything that power can accomplish.

One does not have to linger long with the people of Cherokee County to be completely "sold" on that section of the state. And the best part of all, is that they really have something worth selling.

An Opportunity

The prices paid at the lamb pool conducted by the farm agents at the Clyde Stock Yards last Saturday should prove of interest to the sheep growers and others in the county, for it was proof of what can be accomplished along this line in the county.

Livestock authorities have all felt that there should be more sheep raised in Haywood County, both for the wool and meat market. The fact that the pool held at Clyde was the best in the state this year according to the agricultural leaders who came here to conduct it is indicative of the opportunities in this field.

Haywood's Baseball Team

Baseball is an expression of the American spirit that loves competitive athletics and good sportsmanship. This explains the game's popularity in Haywood County, with two good teams—one at Hazelwood and one at Canton.

Hazelwood's team, ably managed by Tom Blalock, has amassed a proud record in the Industrial League, remaining undefeated after nine regular games. Like the Canton team, Hazelwood's roster is composed mainly of men who have been off to war and have returned to peacetime work and play. There has been little time for baseball the past few years and a dearth of players. Now that men are returning in numbers from service uniforms, many step into one of a different kind—get on the ball team to represent the home town against one and all.

The abilities of the players is admirable. No more so, however, than the fact that they "play by the rules." It has been observed that it requires more sportsmanship to be a good winner than a loser. So Hazelwood's excellent baseball team deserves our heartiest congratulations and complete support for their sportsmanship and hospitality to their friendly rivals.

The Limit

We have followed the strikes through the press for the past few years with increasing concern in the causes and the results, and we must confess declining sympathy. The recent strike in the assembly lines of the Dodge passenger automobile section is to our mind the limit.

It made us fear that Americans are getting soft, to an alarming condition, when 86 men can simply complain of the heat and throw 5,800 men into idleness, as they did in Detroit last week.

The spokesman, of the 86 men who refused to work because of the heat were in the major fixture department of the body plant, explained that when they walked out 1,300 employees were sent home at 9:00 a. m.

Then lack of bodies forced the shut down of the paint, trim and final assembly lines at noon with another 4,500 workers going home. Only the machine shop at the Dodge plant continued to operate.

There comes a very serious question, to our minds, do these men, who accept a job as they did, have the right to stop their work and throw thousands of others out of work. Such actions are offensive to one's sense of justice, and make one feel that it is high time the tide swung in the other direction.

Which Way Will It Turn?

There seems to be a difference of opinion as to how the public will react if the complete control of prices is lifted.

Some are of the opinion that consumers will stage a strike, in a concerted protest if prices are sky-highed into unreasonable inflation.

There are others who feel that as long as the American public has cash in their pockets they will buy what they want, if they can find it.

They feel that during the past few years they have had to battle and hunt so much for what they want, have had plenty of money, and the habit will be too strong to break, until the funds are gone.

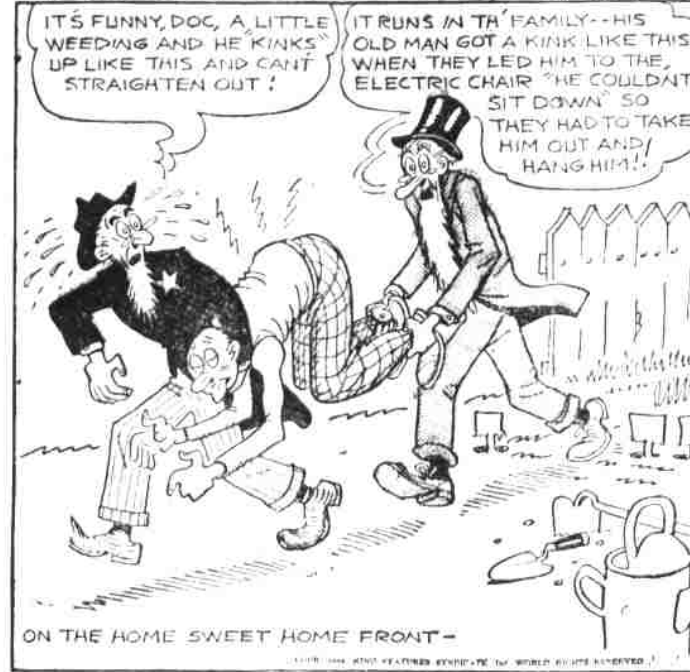
In the first place it would be hard to organize a buyers strike, for there will always be people who will get things. We see that in every day life. The Black Market is a definite answer to this.

Yet on the other hand with civilian production coming back we have noticed there is a growing tendency on the part of the public to hesitate a bit now and in many cases decide to wait a little later. They have done without so long, they can take it a bit longer.

At any rate it will be interesting to watch, for we will see right here in our own stores the reaction of high prices if they come, which we hope they will not in any noticeable measure.

It was gratifying to learn from the survey made by The Mountaineer the first of the week that all local stores contacted were desirous of doing their best to hold down prices, feeling that if each did his part, the much dreaded peaks of inflation would not overtake us, and that the process of returning to normalcy would be gradual.

THE OLD HOME TOWN



HERE and THERE

By HILDA WAY GWYN

Barbara Haviland Seaman, daughter of Mrs. Lucie Boffelthwaite Haviland, and the late Comdr. Bradley Haviland, U. S. Naval Air Corps, former home service secretary of the Haywood Chapter, American Red Cross, is having one of the most colorful and interesting post-war experiences of anyone we know—and we know few people incidentally who could get more out of her opportunities than Barbara, for with her love of people, her capacity for observation, enjoyment of life and work, she is bound to hit the jack pot in her contacts.

Formerly with the Red Cross, Barbara volunteered for overseas duty. In the meantime the war ended and there were no more workers being sent overseas, but she was recommended to the Government for a post for which one had to stand a stiff competitive examination. Being a graduate of Ieland-Stanford University, with a high scholastic rating, naturally Barbara had no trouble in making her grade.

From her first experience she hit the high spots of drama. She flew to Europe on the same plane that carried General Walker of the Italian Campaign home, back to European theater after many weary months of service on the sad mission of attending the funeral of his old friend General Patton. Two hours out of Washington the plane caught on fire. After a last getting on their way, their first stop was in Newfoundland, in a dome for at night, where they found a hot supper waiting for them. They soon were on their way and the next morning had breakfast in the tropics, such is the routine of the planes to Europe.

Inside WASHINGTON

Naming of Vinson, Austin Meets With Capitol O. K. Stettinius May Not Run For Senate From Virginia

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON — President Truman's decision to appoint Treasury Secretary Fred Vinson to be chief justice of the United States and Senator Austin (R) of Vermont, American representative to the United Nations Security Council, is reported to be a real political compromise. As it turned out, they appear to be the most popular appointments of Mr. Truman's tenure.

There were compelling reasons and some pressures on the White House to name a Republican to the supreme court following the death of Chief Justice Harlan Stone. In the interest of harmony in Congress, the natural tendency by Mr. Truman was to follow this course. But Vinson was Mr. Truman's original choice for the bench.

The resignation of Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., from his UN post gave the chief executive a golden opportunity. He wasted no time in selecting Austin to succeed Stettinius in a post involving foreign affairs, a sensitive spot where non-partisanship is now needed more than elsewhere.

By naming Vinson to the court at the same time, the two appointments balanced each other. For the most part, Republicans lauded the Vinson appointment. Only a few noted that it might have been more desirable to have a Republican named to the bench.

Incidentally, some political observers regard the Austin appointment as a backhanded slap at some of the congressional New Dealers. Senator Claude Pepper (D) of Florida had called loudly for the nomination of Commerce Secretary Henry Wallace to the post.

OBSERVERS ARE LESS CERTAIN now than they were earlier that Stettinius will be a candidate for the Senate from Virginia. When he stepped down from his UN post, the report was widely spread that he hoped to enter the Senate race from Virginia to fill the spot vacated by the death of veteran Senator Carter Glass. However, Virginia politics are not that simple.

Candidates are usually chosen by the machine and, on the general record, nominations are given to those who have been active in local and state politics over a long period of time. The senatorial post is generally regarded as the reward of long and distinguished service. This is compensated by the fact that it's usually "once a senator from Virginia, always a senator from Virginia." Stettinius has lived in Culpeper, Va., for many years since coming into government service early in the New Deal.

He was educated at the University of Virginia. He is also a registered Democrat in Virginia. But his background is big business and he has never held elective office. In view of this situation, observers doubt that he can win the post.

LABOR OBSERVERS DOUBT that the committee for Maritime Unity will have a long lease on life. Ostensibly the CMU is to become the big international union of maritime workers, but insiders do not believe the six CIO members and one independent will stick together.

The organization exists in name only and has not yet been legally formed. Its paid advertisements during the maritime dispute have been signed merely Committee of Maritime Unity.

Most observers believe that the CMU will do well to hold together during the current crisis. The owners would definitely like to split it apart. Reports of disunity have leaked out of the CMU councils and a strike, it's believed, would probably finish the "unity."

For one thing, there are too many "strong men" among members of CMU—Harry Bridges of the longshoremen, Joe Curran, National Maritime Union, and Joseph Selly, American communications association—to weld a solid, lasting international organization of maritime employees. The lone independent, V. J. Malone, Irish boss of the Marine Firemen, goes pretty much his own way in negotiations, despite public protestations in behalf of a united front.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

What is your ideal way to cool off on a hot summer day?

Henry Fox—"I take my shirt off and head for the shade."

R. E. Fore—"Upon Cataloochee with a rod and reel."

Orville Noland—"Take a good swim, if you can find a place to swim."

R. R. Campbell—"Head back for a mountain stream fishing. Or go out to the top of Clingman's Dome. It's usually five degrees cooler there than any place around here."

Oscar Smathers—"I like to get in the shade."

his daughter to the memorial."

Outside of visiting the memorial one of the top highlights of her stay so far was attendance at the luncheon given by the French government for the last meeting of the Big Four in Berlin. She was the only person not participating in the business of the meeting present. She had the honor of sitting next to Mr. Kovel, the Russian representative and reports he is a most entertaining person. She found out that he had a special weakness for American chewing gum and promised to send him some.

Mrs. Seaman left the States some six months ago and was assigned to the Economics Division of the Military government as a typist-clerk and since then has been promoted to assistant chief clerk of the secretariat and has six girls under her supervision. Like most veterans returning she fears that we Americans do not understand just how bad conditions are in Europe.

She recently wrote that some weeks were like "Old Home Week" back home. She has met many people "who know somebody who she knows." She recently met Col. Jack Lynn and they had a grand time talking about Waynesville and Haywood county, for in her work Barbara covered the county. We are sure her associates in the secretariat will hate for her leaving date to come, as the county office personnel did here in the court house, when she left for Washington, for Barbara always makes a place for herself.

Wax Worm There are two different species of moths known as wax moths, the larvae or caterpillar stages of which live on or in the wax deposited by the honey bee. So far as is known, the worms or larvae of these moths never attack woolen materials but live only on the wax produced by the honey bee.

NOT YET—The name of Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer and a native of Chatham County, comes up now and then in connection with the gubernatorial race in 1948. This was true of L. P. McLendon of Greensboro in 1943, 1944. But neither man has ever been able to receive enough encouragement to induce him to throw his hat in the ring. Both are smart and both are sons-in-law of the late great Governor Charles B. Aycock.

ILL—Comptroller General Lindsay Warren is ill in Washington—though not seriously, it is believed. But seriously enough to prevent his assistant, Dudley Bagley of Moyock in Currituck County, to resign on July 1, as he had planned.

Some folks around Raleigh have said that Bagley is merely coming

Capital Letter

By THOMPSON GREENWOOD

SAFETY—A number of daily and weekly newspapers in this state will soon publish special sections urging more careful driving. Around a dozen have signed up for this feature, and the number is expected to run to 25 or 30. The life-taking pictures to be run (some of the worst wrecks in the State) tell a story which no article could put across.

TOURS—With many of the war's traveling handicaps at an end, bus tours are springing up again. One large bus company has begun overnight trips to the "Lost Colony." You buy a ticket which entitles you to ride to the play, see the show, spend the night, and return to Raleigh. You buy your own meals.

HERE I COME!—Scores of Tar Heel farmers will spend most of December this year in the West. The annual National Farm Bureau Convention, which usually attracts around 200 folks from this State, will be held this year in California.

SPUDS—The Irish potato situation in Northwestern North Carolina was in its worst condition in years, last week as farmers piled them up in the woods awaiting Government delivery. The commercial market petered out long ago—and by the time you read this a plan may have been worked out whereby the farmer gets paid for his spuds whether he digs them or not. For several days last week around 150 cars per day went directly from the Government to liquor manufacturers, but now even this has been slowed down because of strikes in the distilleries.

Meantime, potatoes are bringing about three cents a pound on the retail market. California spuds are about two cents higher than those produced in this State. They actually look better, for they are handled more carefully and are washed, but they are gummy. Buy the North Carolina potato every time!

JEFF—Just he around Raleigh starts talking Jefferson, who was a Gov. Broughton been tendered but wouldn't take.

HAPPY—He seemed rather a Durham and Job out for Congress were against Char but being the hate to see a take it on the a great deal in and the boys in stand it. Now it better, are priced and a bit the apparent success enemy Dr. Ralph showed.

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Report Of Condition Of The First National Bank of Waynesville, North Carolina At the Close of Business on June 29, 1946. Assets: Cash and Due from Banks \$1,448,074.32, U. S. Bonds 2,545,837.50, N.C. & Other State Bonds 87,800.00, County and Municipal Bonds of N. C. 145,000.00, Total Cash and Bonds 4,226,711.82, Federal Reserve Bank Stock 3,300.00, Loans and Discounts 1,418,910.36, Banking House 18,270.57, Furniture and Fixtures 23,977.22, Other Real Estate NONE, TOTAL ASSETS 5,691,169.97. Liabilities: Capital Stock, Surplus, Undivided Profits, Reserve for Contingencies, Total Capital Funds, Deposits, TOTAL LIABILITIES, Member Federal Reserve System, Member Federal Deposit Insurance.