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Tobacco And ERP

The European Recovery Program, or Marshall Plan, includes among the commodities America will furnish Europe tobacco.

Tobacco is an "incentive" good. To people in lands where food, clothing, fuel and all consumer goods are in short supply, people become depressed in their daily lives.

Tobacco is an excellent source of income to government, our own as well as foreign. Taxes from tobacco sold to Frenchmen, for instance, would help the French government pay for machinery and seed which it will not get an immediate return on.

An adequate supply of tobacco would help break up Europe's black markets. A carton of American cigarettes still brings \$100 in sections of Europe where the product hardly exists.

From the standpoint of returning international trade to peace-time levels, it is important that American tobacco be sent to overseas markets, to countries which are used to it and like it.

Each region of the United States has some product which will be marketed under the Marshall Plan. Tobacco is one that can be exported with no shortage on the home front.

The Pisgah-Smokies Scenic Route

At last Highway No. 276 has a dignified and suitable name. The highway is known as the Brevard Road, the Pisgah Road, the Wagon Road Gap Highway and perhaps other names.

As we have said time and time again, the possibilities of this route for feeding motorists into this area are unlimited. It is just a matter of building up this traffic.

Fortunately every town and city along the route have shown a keen interest in the road, and have pledged their cooperation to get a program underway.

Before long we trust that the leaders of all the towns along the route will get together with a well formulated program and get something underway before early spring.

One Way

It is computed that Americans pay more for government of all types than for food. There once was a Congo tribe that got around this by eating the tax collector.—The State.

Poor Fellow

It was a Georgia youth who mailed his girl two letters a day during a long stay out of town and returned to find her married to the postman.—Labor.

A headline in a farm page says: "Kindness to cows urged as important to output." Something similar to the milk of human kindness, we presume.

Multiple births seem to be the fad today with every edition reporting triplets or quads.



Rambling 'Round

Bits Of Human Interest News Picked Up By Members—Of The Mountaineer Staff—

The fine-looking trailer stopped in front of our office and created much excitement. One of the staff discovered that the trailer contained a casket.

One keeps one eye on their work and one on the street. Perhaps if they had another eye, it would be directed toward the sky.

see if any signs of moisture appear. These days a fellow is always a bit apprehensive of snow. An article in a paper yesterday gave us very little assurance as to March, as it advised a breathless public that only four March months had escaped snows since the weather bureau was instituted in Asheville in 1911.

And to make matters worse, the worst snow storm on record hereabouts was in March, 1916 inches. Brrrrrrrrrr!



ALL SEVEN WOMEN IN CONGRESS ARE AGAIN CANDIDATES. By JANE LADD. WASHINGTON. The seven women members of Congress are tossing their bonnets into the ring again this election year.

Mary Norton of New Jersey, dean of women members of Congress and the first to be elected to Congress by the Democratic Party, says she had wanted to withdraw from politics and get back into social welfare work.



Mary Norton

governor of Maine, SUMNER S. Sewall, a former governor, and the Rev. Alphon P. Beverage, in the Republican primaries June 21.

Mrs. Edith Nourse Rogers of Lowell, Mass., veteran woman member on the Republican side of the House, says she's also running for another term if elected.

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Looking Back Over The Years

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hold all-day meeting here. Schools reopen as measles epidemic subsides.

M. T. Yamamoto, writer and lecturer, discusses the Far East at Rotary Club meeting.

Mrs. Henry Davis and small son return from Orlando.

George Bischoff is newly elected manager of the Hazelwood Manufacturers baseball team.

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They'll Do It Every Time



There's one in every office—thank! and a raise of the Hatlo lid to Clay Turnbull, Carson City, Nevada.

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



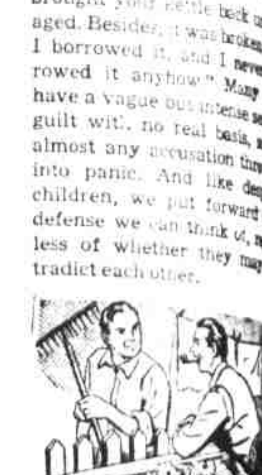
Can lack of feminine companionship "drive a man crazy"?

Answer: I do not believe so, if the man is healthy-minded to begin with. There are several occupations, like arctic exploring, in which men don't see a woman for months or years, yet suffer no serious mental consequences.

Does logic sometimes desert us when we're put on the defensive?

Answer: Yes, observe two French psychologists, I. Meyerson and M. Dambuyant. Being called upon to face even an untrue accusation may drive us to something like the famous argument: "I

By LAWRENCE GOLD



Does knowing psychology make you despise your neighbors?

Answer: Exactly the opposite. The more one knows of human nature and the obstacles it surmounts in learning to adjust itself to the requirements of life, the less he is inclined to despise or condemn those who the task is beyond them. Far from looking on his neighbors as "vipers" one popular author, the psychologist sees the best they can, and sometimes seeing beyond expectations.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

What do you think of the Southern Governors' stand on the civil rights issue?

Lee Davis: "I think all good Southern Democrats should back the stand of the governors."

J. R. Boyd, Jr.: "I think the governors' position is nifty. They want undue consideration for the South."

W. G. Byers: "The southern opposition to the civil rights proposals is premature. The national Democratic convention is the proper forum to hear this issue. The party has made the South, and this section cannot go to the Republicans for relief where civil rights is an issue. The South must work this out in the Democratic party."

Dan Watkins, Sr.: "I'm with the governors 100 per cent."

David Underwood: "Civil rights is a state issue and should be handled by the states according to their own problems. I approve fully of the governors' actions."

Note: In last week's Voice of the People question concerning ABC stores, the W. E. Carter who was quoted is from Canton, and is not the W. E. Carter of Lake Junaluska.

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Capital Letters

By THOMPSON GREENWOOD

NOTES — Ralph Howland, who has been in charge of the Raleigh bureau of the Associated Press for a number of years and who wrote that now-famous article which said Governor R. Gregg Cherry has been applying pressure to his appointees to support Senator W. B. Unstead, has been transferred to the Charlotte office of AP as of February 23.

Cherry has denied the pressure charges, and so have many of his appointees. J. M. Broughton, feeling he is weak in the ninth (Dougherty's) district, will spend more time on organization and speeches there during the next month.

Jim Vogler, executive secretary of the N. C. Food Dealers Association, Mecklenburg legislator, and candidate for state treasurer, is having one million books of matches printed giving his record, platform, etc.

LITTLE HOPE — There's not much about it when it comes to the Democratic nomination. The party is not in a very good position, and any Republican can win the general election this year.

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It may look as if all these planks in their platform would make a whole new state, more help for the town finances, to the state.

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