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A Whopper That Stayed Hooked

We say without hesitation that Ernest Suttles was the most envied man in all this area last Thursday afternoon. He is the man who caught the 27-inch trout at Cataloochee. The Clyde fisherman's name was on the tongues of more sportsmen last week than that of any other man. Every sportsman had a different version of how the fish "had" to be caught, and almost as many pointed out what they would have done had the 5-lb 4-oz. trout got on their hook. This is evidence that there's trout in these mountain streams, provided you know how to get them. We're glad Mr. Suttles' fish did not get away.

Putting Money Where It's Needed

The Boosters Club will again this year stage a big Fourth of July celebration, in fact it is a week's observance, at which time a program of recreation as well as education will be presented. The money made from the rides which are brought here is used by the club in various civic projects. Among the projects receiving the largest share of the money has been the high school band. Other organizations to share are the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts, as well as the parent-teacher association. The Club does not allow any gambling, dances or any side shows, or places of chance. Only good rides are permitted. The small charges for admissions to the ball games played by the local teams goes to help cover the expenses of the teams. All in all, the club is doing a good piece of work in sponsoring the event, and the profits certainly go into worthwhile projects.

Silo, A Farm Asset

We must admit we never realized that Haywood county had 50 per cent more silos than any other county in the state. For this information we credit our county agent, Wayne Corpening. We have perhaps been like the rest of the citizens of the county in taking a silo as a matter of fact, and looked upon it as just part of a farm. Since we know that Haywood leads in them, we shall look with greater interest and pride on the pillars of concrete near so many barns. Silos play a bigger part in the economic life of the farm than the average person realizes. A silo enables cattleman, dairymen and farmer to store silage in the early fall that will feed his cattle through the long winter months when the animals have to be taken off the pasture. Silage can be grown cheaply, and is a nourishing feed. This is just another "first" for Haywood, and the fact that a concerted effort and program is under way to build a lot more silos proves that Haywood farmers are going to use them even more than ever before.

You Name This Editorial

Here is a very interesting news item: "The city recreation park is getting a face-lifting, including re-painting of the swimming pool, improvements to the dressing rooms, and tennis courts." Doesn't that sound good? Sounds like real progress at the city park, and sounds like there'll be plenty of activity there this summer. The above recreational center is in Sylva. Unfortunately, this community does not have such a park.

A Great Big Chimney

Many a time we have looked at the towering smokestack at the Champion Paper and Fibre Company, and watched with interest the slow blue smoke pour out. To us the smoke always seemed to have a "proud way" about it as it emerged from the tall stack. The smoke seemed to leave the impression that it had turned wheels, helped make paper, had done its duty and was now free of further obligation. It had served the business world. Never once did we realize in all the hundreds of times we looked at the stack that it was the highest industrial stack in North Carolina, being 254 feet high. Engineers tell us that 1,100 tons of concrete plus numerous tons of steel, went to make up the huge stack. The stack rests upon a solid concrete block 38 feet square, and 10 feet thick, and this rests upon 200 piles. The stack at Champion will have a different meaning, now—it will seem taller, it will appear larger, because it is, and then again, through this gigantic chimney for years has poured the smoke from boilers that have operated one of Haywood's most valued economic assets.

Will It Be One?

That is the title of an editorial in which the Morganton News-Herald brings up the timely subject of numerous drives and the often-forgotten community chest plan. Morganton is in just about the same predicament as the towns of Haywood. We do not have a community chest, but have been pondering the idea over and over in our minds. Here is what the Morganton paper has to say in discussing this current problem: "A recent headline in a recent issue of the Hickory Daily Record read: Hickory Civic Groups Asked To Sponsor Only Approved Fund Drives. In the story under the headline a letter from the executive secretary of Hickory's Community Chest to the presidents of the various civic groups had this to say: 'Now after operating fairly successfully for several years, we find the purpose and intent (of the Community Chest) being defeated through campaigns for funds being conducted for agencies which should be incorporated in the Chest.'"

There is a strong movement afoot in Morganton at present to bring about the establishment of a Community Chest with the hope that much effort and money could be saved because of the consolidation of all agencies dependent upon public subscription under one head. During the past year we saw perhaps a record number of subscription drives—launched and by the end of May the public had been wheedled out of more money for various charitable purposes than ever before in the county's history. It's not a matter of begrudging the money which has flowed into the coffers of these national charities, but rather a matter of being solicited so often. "Yet if we do adopt a Community Chest plan here with the backing and support of the various civic bodies, what assurance have we that the ill we seek to eliminate will not still be rampant? It is said that the five major national charities will not under any circumstances join in our local Community Chest programs. Their reasons are logical. They can get more money by staging their own drive than in sharing in the total take of a Community Chest drive. The news story from Hickory referred to above is an illustration of the plight of a young Community Chest which so far has failed to give Hickory one, all-inclusive charity drive. Perhaps the Hickory chest's appeal to the civic clubs to sponsor only the approved drives (and we can't help but get the idea that those which are not approved would in a sense be under an unannounced boycott) may turn the trick. The News-Herald is already on record as favoring one drive for charities, regardless of what it is to be called. But if after setting up this agency we find that we have merely created another fund-soliciting group which will be competing with a half dozen others, we shall have defeated our purpose."

Grace In Receiving

It's not easy to be at the receiving end," writes a conscience Briton in reference to Marshall Plan aid. Here is something for Americans to consider. Professional drum beaters sometimes conjure up a picture of greedy Europeans dancing with triumphant glee over the booty they have torn from hapless American taxpayers. Put against this another picture; Europeans who have prided themselves on their democratic independence reading of prunes and powdered eggs shipped at Marshall Plan aid, conveyed by rumors that the United States will insist on desocializing their countries as the price of its charity. Then it will be seen that it takes grace to receive as well as to give.—Christian Science Monitor. The steam being generated in the second primary to date gives the impression that perhaps this second will have more zing than the first.



Rambling 'Round

Somehow, it wasn't a very pleasant sight and left a most unpleasant memory. He couldn't have been more than fourteen and his pinched face drew our attention as he looked at the paper through our front windows. Then he lifted his hand and put a cigarette into his mouth and drew a deep inhalation, blowing the smoke out through his nostrils. The perfection with which he carried out this feat showed that he had much practice, and it wasn't a lately acquired habit. In sharp contrast, is a bright youngster of about the same age who waits a paper route... and from his wide-awakeness should prove to be a real salesman. Coincidences happen outside of story books! We were advised that a Mr. Leggett from Atlanta would be in to see the head of the firm. That he was rather tall, and slender and when he came to ask him to wait, please, Mr. Leggett came in according to schedule but he was anything but tall and slender. A perfect five-by-five if you (Continued on Page Three)



WASHINGTON LETTER By JANE EADS (First of two articles) WASHINGTON — The largest single collection of fingerprints in the world is on file in the Identification Division of the FBI here. More than 108,000,000 fingerprint cards, representing the fingerprint impressions of approximately 72,500,000 persons are filed there. There are some duplications because some persons have been fingerprinted by different agencies at different times. The cards are divided into two major groups: 1. Criminal, representing about 7,500,000 persons who have been fingerprinted in connection with arrests. 2. Non-criminal, representing some 65,000,000 persons who have been fingerprinted as members of the Armed Forces or as Government employees or as employees in national defense plants, together with the cards filed for private citizens upon their request. "These figures," says the FBI, "point up the fact that the use of fingerprints has outgrown the sole purpose of identifying criminals. The vast majority of fingerprints on file with the FBI are non-criminal."

Looking Back Over The Years

- 15 YEARS AGO: J. L. Stringfield is named head of the Police Department. Frank W. Miller is named on State Highway Board. Smith's Drug Store opens with many special prices. Workmen complete the first of a series of interior improvements in C. E. Ray's Sons Department Store. Thomas Price completes improvement on his rustic camp on Lickstone Mountain and will spend most of his time here in the future. Miss Rosalyn Ray is Rotary Club sponsor at Rhododendron Festival, where they have taken a cottage.
- 5 YEARS AGO: Record is broken in shoe business as customers seek to use stamp No. 17. Bond sales pass half-way mark for June. Rosemary Herman is selected to attend "Girls State". Mrs. Killian calls for volunteer Red Cross knitters. Workers are required to have statement of availability before they can obtain jobs elsewhere.
- 10 YEARS AGO: 325 stones are received by Masons from all parts of the world for the marker at Black Camp Gap. W. Thomas Reeves receives M.A. degree from Duke University. 9,300 votes are cast in primary. Mrs. Jack Messer and children, Mrs. Felix Stovall and daughter, and Mrs. Dan Watkins and children go to Wrightsville Beach.

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



Do college students worry about being attractive? Answer: Yes, say Stuart D. Loomis and Arnold W. Green in the Journal of Abnormal Psychology. Study of more than 100 visitors of a college mental hygiene clinic shows that, no matter what problems a student may formerly have had, these are soon translated into conflicts over "campus values" such as popularity or prestige. Lack of physical attractiveness is the greatest conscious cause of maladjustment as well as of damaged self-esteem, for nothing is more important at this age than being able to get a "date" when you want one. Is it normal for a woman to hate housework? Answer: There's certainly nothing strange about a woman's feeling that other pursuits are more inspiring than bed-making or dish-washing. But a woman who hates housework to the point (Copyright, 1948, King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

What do you think of using the words "guests" and "visitors" instead of "tourists"? Mrs. Sam Knight: "I think the people who spend some time here or who have summer homes here are guests or visitors. However, there is a group of people which can still be called tourists since they only stay for a short stay while touring the Park." Jim Kilpatrick: "I think the suggestion is excellent and would certainly promote a better relationship." Col. J. H. Howell, Sr.: "I think the best policy is not use either one and treat the people who come here like home folks." Miss Elsie McCracken: "I think the use of these words would make people feel better. I don't think I would like to be called a tourist if I were visiting somewhere. Most people who come here are summer residents or visitors—not many are transients." Dr. F. S. Lave: "I think it would be a distinct improvement because people who come here are truly our guests and we want them to feel that way about it." (Continued on Page Three)

Capital Letter

By EULA NIXON GREENWOOD NOT WAYNICK—In the event W. Kerr Scott is elected governor Capus Waynick will not be chairman of the State Highway Commission, contrary to what you may have heard. Scott says that Waynick has not been offered any position whatever... and does not want one. AT LEAST SIX — Ed Martin who handled Wayne Albright's campaign in Asheville and Buncombe county, will assist Scott's from here on out. At least six Albright county managers have joined Scott since May 29. FAVORING JOHNSON — There will be few local contests on June 15.

Inside WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON — The "most" Army offers its brightest prospects in United States military point is being stressed by the increasing to look formidable peacetime strength. In the post-war officer integration program 112,000, 60 per cent of whom started as enlisted men, permanent regular Army commissions. The Army still has 9,000 vacancies for regular commissions to fill these out a 10-year plus the vacancies created by the will permit 10,000 more commissions. Instead of the West Point which produces 10,000 a year as an addition to the regular Army commissions, civilian colleges. Moreover, the Army is paying attention to the training of a large number of able-bodied men. CAN, alone withstood a 10-year period of rent law by giving strikers the right to work boards which in many ways are more strictly paid. The youthful Washington House conferees who were attending the House boosts and decorated with a ribbon. Cain, after a bitter 10-year struggle, House members on the committee to the States emergency court of appeals, and wide rent actions. Even the housing experts... ANTI-JIM CROW ISSUE — heralded showdown in the... trouble centers around the... is in the province of the... establish, to the satisfaction... is substantially different... Senator James O. Eastland... reinforcements as a result... Anti-poll tax legislation... for action. However, a... to tackle the matter... fight for this session. WASHINGTON CO-OPERATION — Democratic administration... considered that a presidential... is a good chance that a... "In such a situation, it... Congress would be both... the "outs" may well be... months. Look at the striking example... in rushing through foreign... Also Congress is expected... terms of atomic energy... endorse a presidential statement... western union. CLAM DEVELOPMENT —... when the Senate passed... service of the Interior department... industry. More than one... Homer E. Capehart (R)... Lodge (R), Massachusetts... purpose of the bill. Lodge said the idea was... Capehart asked his New... about the measure. Green disclosed that there... Senate probe; merely that the... ways "to develop the clam industry to a greater..."

