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Governor Scott's Road Program

Governor Scott in his inaugural message to the General Assembly [illegible] that a $200,000,000 bond issue be set for rural roads, and that a tax of an additional one cent a gallon on gasoline be used for financing the project.

Governor Scott [illegible] campaign issues [illegible] has in all his sincerity urged the General Assembly set aside [illegible] the people of the state [illegible].

The citizens of this [illegible] for more and better roads [illegible] such a project can be carried [illegible] additional taxes [illegible]. The one cent increase [illegible] about five cents [illegible] circulated between [illegible] gasoline.

The people of North Carolina [illegible] mud, and no doubt would [illegible] $200 million bond issue [illegible] Many a person would be [illegible] roads would be worth the [illegible] cent a gallon increase on gasoline.

The present [illegible] will not [illegible] rural roads that [illegible] are. If we are to have better roads it is going to cost money. This program will give the Governor the answer. He [illegible] his plan.

Here Comes The Symphony . . .

The fact that the Little North Carolina Symphony is coming here for a concert on March 17 is welcome news to music lovers of this community.

The symphony is being brought back again this year after three former appearances here. The event is being made possible by several business and industrial firms which underwrote the cost necessary to bring the musicians here.

Such community projects never "just happen". They require hard work, and those carrying on the work seldom get the due recognition they deserve. But such is the make-up of our present-day attitude of "taking things for granted".

This newspaper says many, many thanks, to those who put the project across.

Unduly Excited—Now The Facts Clear The Matter

It is a source of genuine satisfaction that The Marshall News-Record, speaking for the people of Madison County, now has a thorough understanding of the Newport-Waynesville highway and its relation to a proposed road through Marshall.

For several weeks the Marshall newspaper proceeded to take The Mountaineer and D. Reeves Noland, highway commissioner, to task in its editorial columns about the highway. The Marshall editor felt that the proposed Newport-Waynesville highway would take from them the proposed inter-regional defense road, as proposed by the war department.

After two weeks of lengthy editorials the editor of The Mountaineer held a conference with the Marshall editor and this, backed by a full letter of explanation by Mr. Noland, has apparently gotten the matter straightened out.

It was just a matter of not understanding that there are two different projects, neither having anything to do with the other. The whole thing started when a reporter for a daily newspaper became confused and threw explosive statements into an article about the two kindred projects, yet two entirely different projects.

Such things create undue excitement, and unrest, but when the parties sit down and calmly go over the facts, the situation is easily cleared and everyone has a better understanding. That is exactly what happened on these two highway matters. Now everyone is happy—all is forgiven, and certainly forgotten.

As for The Mountaineer, we accept the apologies in a spirit of sincere forgiveness.

A Worthy Investment

We are happy to see that the Budget Commission added some additional money to the fund of the N. C. Park Commission. We trust the General Assembly lets the recommendation stand.

The members of the commission carry on this important work, dealing with parks, national forests and parkways, just for the satisfaction they get out of seeing such worthwhile projects carried out to completion.

Needless to say, there are many hours of worry and anxiety connected with the work, yet it is just a civic job, as far as the financial remuneration is concerned.

Charles Ray, chairman, and his co-workers, are doing a fine piece of work, and the Legislature would do well to let the recommended figure of even a few hundred dollars above last year, standing in the final appropriation bill.

A New Start

What the next four years will bring to all of us as citizens of these United States is as much of a question as it always has been when a president takes office. Perhaps, with the world in such a restless condition, the next term of office for President Truman will offer more problems than usually fall to the lot of an incoming president.

But there is one thing that we all can unite in doing and that is to try and work harmoniously for the good of the country at large . . . and ourselves as citizens. There are bound to be differences of opinions as to methods of procedure in many cases, but good common sense can be brought into use for the straightening out of these problems.

Let us start out this new era with a firm determination to make our United States a united country.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

Looking Back Over The Years

15 YEARS AGO

Carl LaNeve files $50,000 damage suit against A&P Company for tarantula bite.

Committemen from various civic organizations of the community are working on pledges to get a community airport.

C. L. Hill of Crabtree kills hog weighing 787 pounds.

Watkins Chevrolet Company received two 1934 passenger cars.

Mrs. Carl Medford is hostess for delightful all day rug-hooking.

10 YEARS AGO

A new brick building is being erected by J. E. Massie on the site of the residence of the late Dr. M. H. Rogers on Main Street next to the Park Theatre.

Mrs. Newton Cook recent bride is honored at party given by Mrs. Felix Stovall and Miss Alice Springfield.

Alice Fincher of Clyde and Dwight Beaty of Waynesville win first places in the annual Haywood County Elementary Literary Contest held at the Bethel School.

Virginia Kellett is chosen to represent the Waynesville High School in the annual D.A.R. Pilgrimage Contest.

Boosters Club stages box supper for the benefit of the softball team.

Funeral is held here for Mrs. Nancy Emiline Willis of Atlanta and Waynesville.

5 YEARS AGO

The Mountaineer is awarded second place for general excellence among North Carolina newspapers at the nineteenth annual Press Institute held in Chapel Hill.

Boy Scouts start waste paper drive. Guy Massie, scout master, is leading campaign.

High Schools in the county will give driver's course.

Local office of the U. S. Employment Service is moved to the Noland Building on Main Street.

Mrs. C. J. Reece and son, Jeff, are spending sometime in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

What book did you most enjoy reading during last year?

Mrs. James Atkins, Jr.: "I enjoyed so many it is hard to pick just one. 'Running of the Tide,' by Esther Forbes. 'The Big Fisherman,' by Lloyd Douglas, and 'The Bold Galilean,' by Blythe were among my favorites."

Mrs. J. Louis Cobb: "'The Bishop's Mantle,' by Agnes Sleigh Turnbull."

Mrs. B. R. Pilarski: "Uncle Remus Stories. I read them to my daughter and really enjoyed them. I don't have time for books for myself."

Mrs. M. H. Bowles: "'Remembrance Rock,' by Carl Sandberg."

Mrs. A. F. Hunt: "I enjoyed 'The Roosevelt Story,' by James Farley."

Mrs. Tom Alexander: "'Gentlemen's Agreement,' by Laura Hobson. It was not particularly pleasant reading but it gave much food for thought."

Mrs. David Hyatt: "'The Fountain Head,' by Ayn Rand. It is an old book but I didn't read it until last year and thought it was excellent."

Mrs. Ben Colkitt: "The most interesting book I read was 'Remembrance Rock,' by Carl Sandberg. It gives a fine view of American History as well as fiction."

Views of Other Editors

LAUGHTER

Different sections of the country have different habits and customs, and one of the things that is most quickly observed is the expression on the faces of the people. In some places joy and laughter are evident, while in others seriousness and dejection are predominant. Economic, educational and spiritual conditions have their effect on these characteristics.

Joy and laughter are catching, and they work miracles in the meeting of heavy demands upon a person's energy and resources. Men take their problems seriously and try to solve them, but with joy in the heart those problems can be overcome much more readily.

A hearty laugh, not the coarse, loud, horse-laugh of the ill-bred, is the expression of a joyful spirit, and it pays dividends to the individual. Laughter is healthful. Mirth and jest at a meal are recommended for good digestion. Laughter relieves the burden of trials and despair, and puts one's life in tune to overcome them. Laughter

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WASHINGTON LETTER

By JANE EADS

Second of four articles on the Truman Inaugural.

WASHINGTON—The plain man from Missouri who wanted folks to keep his inauguration simple and inexpensive, is going to get the biggest show any president ever had. Notwithstanding the fact that the weather may be foul, practically everybody in town is working to make Harry Truman's celebration the most "stupendous" on record.

You can take your pick of weather predictions. Dr. Charles G. Abbott, research associate of the Smithsonian Institution says there's a good chance Jan. 20 will be fair. He's been predicting for the last 14 years. The Hagerstown (Md.) Almanack, in business since 1874, says flatly the weather will be bad.

Come what may, planners are spending well over $315,000 on the big doings, most of it on the construction of stands so an estimated 1,000,000 Americans can have a look-see, at least, as the two-and-half-hour parade following ceremonies at the Capitol. More than 750,000 visitors from all over the nation, including the governors of most of the states, are expected to come to town. At the last ceremony in January, 1941, some 400,000 viewed the hour-long parade that followed President Roosevelt's oath-taking.

Multitudes will be brought to town over 132 railroads. Over half of the more than 425 Pullman cars, already ordered for service, will be parked in yards here for one or two nights, and passengers will return to them to sleep. The airlines are planning an "inaugural hop" between Washington and Philadelphia where to further ease the local housing problem. 1300 hotel rooms have been reserved. In addition to regular runs, several hundred chartered planes are coming from state capitals.

To provide for the influx of visitors, a housing and hospitality committee has been set up to give information and provide housing facilities for those who need them. Residents are being asked to share their homes with the visitors.

The ceremonies on Capitol Hill will be handled entirely by a Congressional Committee. Its expenses are covered by a Special Act passed by the 80th Congress. Practically everything else is under the supervision of a non-partisan civic group—the 1949 Inaugural Committee, headed by Melvin D. Hildreth, D. C. National Democratic Committeeman.

Cooperating with the committee are 1500 local police stores of Se-

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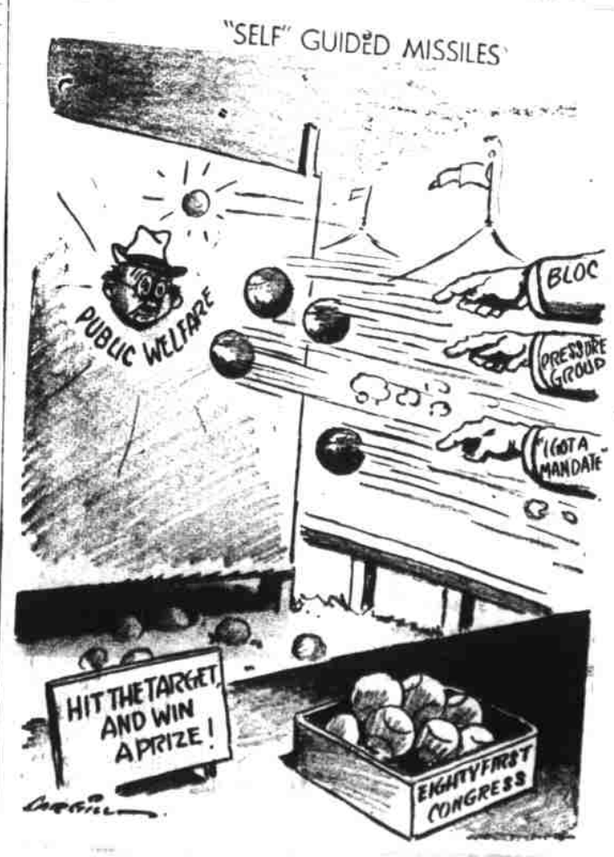

Rambling 'Ro

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

There were six of them in the party at the restaurant . . . father, mother and four children. We learned later that the children's ages were twelve, eleven, seven and three, two boys and two girls. We were struck by their orderly manners and quiet attention to their meal. We complimented the parents later and they said it wasn't any easy manner to get four youngsters under control all at one time.

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One very fine couple who cater to the gastronomic wishes of the public seven days out of the week, enjoyed a holiday on Sunday. They never had a better time and came back on the job Monday in splendid spirits. How did they spend their day off? Well, by entertaining thirty-three relatives at a wonderful dinner which celebrated the birthdays of the host, his father and a nephew. And we also came in for a share of the birthday cakes.

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It will take California a long time to get the snow out of their embarassment. And Florida basking in the sunshine of comparison!

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Washington certainly came out from her long retirement in the entertainment world and did her proudest for the inauguration. There are some who might ques-

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WE WONDER [illegible] ment; So many [illegible] erroneous ideas [illegible] to close a door is [illegible]

Here's a quick [illegible] whether a month [illegible] less. Make a list [illegible] hand . . . the know [illegible] days . . . the spring [illegible] or 28 days. Start [illegible] (knuckle), etc. [illegible] knuckle; then [illegible] knuckle again [illegible]

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LEST WE FORGET [illegible] dark, harrowing [illegible] mer brought [illegible] nouncement of [illegible] infantile paralysis [illegible] given anything [illegible] its advance. Now [illegible] thing. Remember [illegible] been one of [illegible] freely to help [illegible]

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BE THANKFUL [illegible] **CAN WALK TO** [illegible] **BOARD!**

Capital Lette

By EULA NIXON GREENWOOD

WHEN?—When is the lightning going to strike? This is the question everybody around Raleigh is asking as the Legislature and Gov. Kerr Scott go into the third round of a scheduled 15-round bout.

Dark, dangerous looking thunderheads have been hanging there on the horizon for lo, these many months and the rumble of the storm has been heard in the distance, but as of today the sun is still shining and all is sweetness and light on Capitol Square. The governor's inaugural address was ambitious, his budgetary report was not unusual, and his road message is causing no lifted eyebrows, for the Legislature feels it is ready to cope with it.

PROSAIC—As yet, the man who has pointed with pride to "last spring's revolution" has been a rather prosaic governor. The Legislature has been ready for anything, but the bark has been worse than the bite. In fact, everything around Raleigh is ominously quiet. Could it be by any chance that Gov. Scott, farmer that he is, realizes that he has a balky mule on his hands and is planning to come up on the blind side? That seems a fair assumption. Through last week, Scott had handled the Legislature very similarly to a Cherry, a Broughton, a Hoey, or an Ehringhaus. Meantime the bleachers yell for action. Like Hoover prosperity, it seemed to be—just around the corner.

CONSERVATIVE PLUS — Raleigh graybeards say the 1949 Stat Senate is the most conservative to come to your State Capital in several years. What they mean, of course, is that [illegible] exceedingly [illegible] new taxes on [illegible] along the line. A[illegible] with the road [illegible] July 4—this is [illegible] in mind. An [illegible] by this column [illegible] leading senators [illegible] that the State Sen[illegible] a lot of pouting [illegible] make any [illegible] reducing appropri[illegible] nues which [illegible] thousands of dollars [illegible] Treasury.

NOTES—The [illegible] that Revenue Commissioner Gill is on the [illegible] moval July 1 [illegible] office. Gregg Cherry [illegible] cisions on [illegible] the most [illegible] Now Scott is [illegible] death case which [illegible] dreams [illegible] the nights [illegible] man in the [illegible] rymple of [illegible] . . . Veterans [illegible] are former Lt. Gov. [illegible] Person . . . [illegible] Bern . . . E. R. [illegible] tuck . . . W. [illegible] . . . By the way [illegible] about Johnson [illegible] groundwork for [illegible] in Currituck County.

REAR SEATS [illegible] . . . figuratively [illegible] take a back [illegible] olina General [illegible] best any of them [illegible] 100, which [illegible] Wilkes, an able [illegible]

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CROSSWORD PUZZ

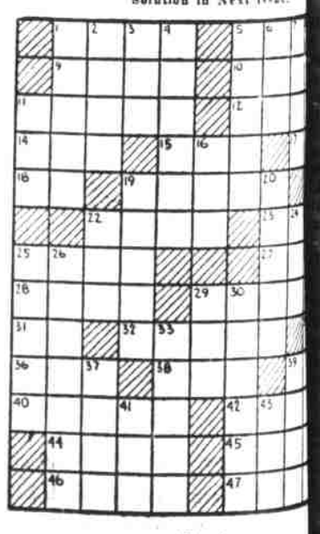
Across

1. Expression of sorrow
5. Scorch
9. Wealthy
10. Long-eared rodent
11. Stream of water
12. Choose
14. Employ
15. Epoch
17. Malt beverage
18. Exist
19. Mine entrances
21. Rough lava
22. Stinging insect
23. Seed covering
25. Box scientifically
27. Sliding pieces (Mech.)
28. Edible rootstock (Tahiti)
29. Like cake
31. Esker
32. Recesses
34. Pronoun
36. Devoured
38. Keel-billed cuckoo
39. Winged insect
40. Examinations
42. Pertaining to Mayas
44. Least whole number
45. Feathered creature
46. Twilled fabrics
47. Excess of chances

Down

1. Ascend
2. Dwell
3. Highest card
4. Tatters
5. Swindle
6. Man's nickname
7. Region
8. Redeem
11. Polish
13. River ducks
16. Tear
19. Biblical name
20. Bags
22. Conflict
24. Beam
25. Ermine with summer coat
26. Famous French chemist
29. Examine carefully
30. Hands on hips and elbows out
33. Malt kilns
34. Chiefs

Solution in Next Issue.



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Answer to Puzzle No. [illegible]

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MIRROR OF YOUR MIND

By LAWRENCE GOULD
Consulting Psychologist

Is a sense of humor a mark of intelligence?

Answer: Not in itself. There have been outstanding geniuses who had very little sense of the ridiculous and were quite incapable of laughing at themselves, however childishly they behaved. But a sense of humor usually indicates emotional maturity because it keeps you from childish exaggeration of your own importance and makes you less apt to get "all steamed up" over trifles. And there's nothing more characteristic of a person who has never grown up than to feel his momentary joys and sorrows matter desperately to him and to others.

Is "blood thicker than water"?

Answer: Not because of any automatic or instinctive feeling. We like or dislike our relatives, as we do anyone else, on the basis of the way they treat us. But because most of us felt more secure with our families as children than we have since, and the stronger our need of security is as adults, the more likely we are to cling to our "blood kin" and feel ill at ease with "strangers". A mature and self-reliant person, on the other hand, will feel closest to the people with whom he has most in common, whether they are relatives or not.

Is it normal for a co-ed to be homesick?

Answer: Not for long, at any rate, writes Annalies A. Rose of Smith College in the Journal of Social Psychology. On the basis of a study of 66 women freshmen in their first five weeks at college, Dr. Rose concludes that "well adjusted" girls, particularly those who have no trouble making contacts with the opposite sex, are not homesick at all. Those who have one attack of homesickness after another are emotionally weak and childish, while the personalities of girls who are homesick only once show comparatively "minor deviations" from the normal.

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