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## Community Development Program Not New To Haywood

The community development planning presented by the group of Tennessee gas builders here last Thursday night [illegible] a comprehensive program.

But nowhere in the entire meeting was seen anything that could be termed exactly new to Haywood county farmers. The different phases of the program have been well known projects in Haywood for many years. The general idea of improved farms, better homes, improved livestock, pasture, more food for home use, and support of schools, churches [illegible] is nothing new to Haywood.

The single difference [illegible] is that of coordination [illegible] concerned in a given community [illegible] program.

The whole thing, [illegible] —working together on a well planned, and constructive program.

Such a program will [illegible] development of any community. This county has for many years enjoyed the freedom of modern and practical farming. Cooperation is not a new thing [illegible] and since the proposed program [illegible] suggested program of Eastern Tennessee farmers, hinges on working together [illegible] projects, it gives us cause to believe that a similar well [illegible] ful plan can be instituted here.

We have the foundation [illegible] determination. We [illegible] such a plan is workable [illegible] All Haywood needs now is to [illegible]

And going ahead is nothing [illegible] Haywood for farmers. They have been [illegible] ahead for many years.

The whole plan looks to [illegible] be one of many means of making [illegible] place to live, and the [illegible] any such program. This plan [illegible]

## REA Broadens Out

Haywood Electric Membership Corporation once again starts extending its lines this time to reach 690 families. This is a [illegible] people, more than 3,500 in all.

REA has done a good job and indications are they will keep right on going forward.

## 391 More Families

Only on rare occasions does this newspaper bring matters from its business office into the editorial columns. Today, however, we are breaking over, because we feel our readers will be interested in this piece of actual circulation.

The circulation department, in 45 days (from January 1 to February 15) added 391 subscribers to our ever-growing list. This is almost 400 new families added to our group, that read the paper twice-a-week. In fact, by the time this reaches print, the figure will be well above 400.

Basing our PAID circulation on government figures for the number of readers per copy, each issue of this newspaper is read by 20,000 people.

We realize the magnitude of our responsibilities to that many readers. We are glad these responsibilities have grown steadily during the past 18 years, and not thrust upon us all of a sudden. Our determination is to print the news, and give you good clean wholesome features, and a newspaper that the entire family can and will enjoy, and profit by reading every issue.

To our 391 new families, we are happy to serve you twice a week.

## A New "Crop" Of Tourists

News coming out of Florida indicates that it is the middle class of people that are making up the bulk of the tourist business there this season. In fact, a new "crop" of tourists. People who have not been vacationing heretofore.

According to a United Press writer, the places of business that cater to the middle class of vacationers are the ones that are doing a good volume this season. The high priced places seem to be having less business, the report showed.

The fact that the middle class are again vacationing should give us a new ray of hope here in Waynesville and this area. We are not prepared to cater to the extremely rich or wealthy vacationer. Our places of business were designed, and do make a business of taking care of the middle classes.

During the flush war years, a lot of places made a bid for the wealthy, who had gotten rich overnight. There are so few of those kind of people any more, that it is a wise community, such as ours, that caters to the masses.

This community should see the handwriting on the wall, if we are interested in more tourist business. Note from the Florida report—a new "crop", new faces, the majority never took a vacation before. The report also pointed out a large percentage of western farm families.

The pendulum is swinging back, after having reached the zenith in war years—things are getting back toward normal even the vacation business. We have a great opportunity here, but we must realize that the "new crop" does not know this community as a vacation center.

They must be told, and "sold" when they get here.

## Five Million Dollars

That is a lot of money in any man's language, especially when it is realized that that sum was paid Haywood farmers for their farm commodities in 1948.

Before one can start figuring the average income of the Haywood farmer, he must take into consideration that many work at industrial plans and farm on the side.

If we had the facts, we believe we would find Haywood farmers have a much higher average income than the average in the South.

## MIRROR OF YOUR MIND

By LAWRENCE GOULD
Consulting Psychologist

**Can a "nice girl" love a criminal?**

**Answer:** Of course. There are many instances on record of criminals having wives or sweethearts who were decent, law-abiding women. But whether she's conscious of the fact or not—and frequently she isn't—at bottom the woman usually falls in love because the man's lawless behavior gives a second-hand expression to part of her character which she has always repressed and believes she disapproves of. And the criminal in turn may see in a good woman a side of himself which still survives despite his efforts to destroy it.

**Is feeble-mindedness hereditary?**

Answer: Inherited weakness is not the main factor in most cases. Mental deficiency is not a disease; it is a symptom which may be produced by many causes, among which heredity is relatively minor. These causes may include early mental illness, injury before, during, or after birth, and glandular disorders. Nor can the degree of the defect be estimated by "intelligence tests" alone, but by study of the entire personality, including the extent to which thinking ability is paralyzed by fear, or by a feeling of being "rejected."

**Do "subconscious" and "unconscious" mean the same?**

**Answer:** No, though the two words are frequently confused in popular writing on psychology. While psychiatrists seldom use it, "subconscious" describes the memories and ideas which are not "in your mind" at the moment but are where you can recall them if you want to—like your first impression of the girl you married. Your "unconscious" mind contains a mass of fears and urges you know nothing at all about and can be aware of only if somebody shows them to you. The real reasons why you fell in love were probably "unconscious."

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## They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

## Looking Back Over The Years

**15 YEARS AGO**

W. A. Grahl and T. L. Bramlett retire as mail carriers after thirty two years of continuous service.

Greens on the golf course are being improved by J. M. Long.

The man who bought liquor from a well known bootlegger with an old Confederate ten dollar bill, is still at large.

Mrs. R. H. Stretcher is new Community Club president.

Carl Snavely, new head football coach at the University of North Carolina, will speak at alumni meeting here.

**10 YEARS AGO**

Dirt is being moved at Wagon Road Gap section of Blue Ridge Parkway.

Affidavits reveal 161 aliens on WPA rolls in Haywood.

Roy Rogers gives log cabin to F.F.A. boys of Pines Creek to be used as a chapter house.

Mrs. G. C. Plott has affair quilting party.

Mrs. Grover B. Hedgpeth hostess at Valentine party at her home in Iron Duff.

Mrs. Glenn Palmer is spending this week with Representative Palmer in Raleigh.

**5 YEARS AGO**

Baptist ministers of Haywood plan 5-day conference at Rateliffe Cove church.

Mrs. Roger Walker and small son go to Greenville, S. C., to reside while Mr. Walker is in the service.

Bill Milner receives wrestling letter at Duke.

Mary L. Palmer is married to Sgt. W. F. Duncan.

Mrs. R. H. Plott is given a surprise dinner party on her 89th birthday anniversary.

## VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

**Would you like for North Carolina to have an election on the Liquor question.**

**Emmett Valentine**—"Yes, I certainly would and would like to see North Carolina go dry."

**Carl Ratcliffe**—"Yes, I would."

**Herbert Gibson, Jr.**—"No, it would be a false issue. But I guess the bootleggers would like to see one."

**Mrs. Virgil Smith**—"Yes, I think it would let the general public know as to how the county would feel about it. Personally, I don't approve of the liquor."

**Mrs. Hattie McCracken**—"Yes, I think so. It would make the liquor situation easier. Better for I'm sad sure that it would. I would definitely like to get rid of the liquor though."

**Mrs. Claude Rogers**—"Yes, I would, because if the people could vote on it, I believe they would vote North Carolina dry."

## UNCLE ABE'S LETTER

### In The Wilderness, Trying To Cure Appetite

It wuz the Hermit at yer door, as I thewt an he had come in person in anser to my express desire to see him as soon as possible.

"My name is Joe," he said "jes call me Joe. Some folks call me Hermit Joe. I'll anser to rather one of a dozen o' ore G-d Luther's hah-hah!"

He is a small man about the size o' Squar Nolan's, his age is around 70, I'd say, but he seems to be as ackthe as most men at 50. He is dark-complexkted with deep-wrinkled face an' crack, as semblin' of cracked leather. He's settin here in his cabin with no "comfortes" I do this letter in which I'm a-goin' to try to tell you of the events of the past 3 firs.

We left my place early in the afternoon about 1:30. I'd a-spent a makin' ha ty preparess-tions for the 20 mi. trip, an' arrive I here some after dark. The trip could hev been made in some less time. Hermit Joe exkplained fed for the lack that the mule which we hi ride part of the way, "ain't jest red an' slow an' we had to get him re-t 3 times. I rode in front on an ol' saddled blanket an the Hermit rode behine me.

"Well, whit air we a-goin'" some yelled.

"To the Wilderness o' Wes' Bunkum," I anserd, "to git k-ured of a 'normous Appytite—3 Appytites in 1."

An' so we rode, on an' on, fer about 15 miles, as the proopyla-shun got thinner an' thinner an then thar wuz no house to be seed fer about 6 mi—until we reacht Hermit Joe's place. His one-room log cabin, whitch kaint be seen until you're right up on it, is nested way back at an entrance to a deep-wooded cove an' is reacht only by a ridin'-trail. As we approach', the Hermit's ½ houn' - ½ cur dawg let out a plaintive howl, whitch wuz answerd by the hoot of an owl back in the dark recesses of the Silent nts. Hit made the creeps come over me, good peeple; an' now, you children out thar in Haywood Co., whoose parints air readin' this to you, can 'magine what Uncle Abe is up a-ginst: Hits wild in here, lonesum an' sceery—an' the Good Lord only knows how long I'll have to be here, an' whether I'll git out alive or not. Hermit Joe tells me very little 'bout what his plans air. He sets about the far parts silent, most of the time an' lookin' down into the flowin' coals an' if I ax him he only smiles an' sez:

"Hit's the onlyest k-vore for you mister, the onlyest k-vore." What he means by that I don't no—he kaint told me a thing 'bout how he a-goin' to treat me. All I no is I've got had a bite to eat since 8 o'clock this mornin' the woodn't give me time to eat 'fore leavin' 'ere an' he sez I'm not to have enything 'cept a cup o' coffy till 7 o'clock t'mor' mornin'. An' since I'm not to eat, he won't eat nothin' hizself, he sez—allus fasts with hiz pa-shents.

It's now 10 o'clock an' the Hermit is kivverin' up the far—he sez it's past hiz us'al bed time. An' it looks like he intends fer us to sleep t'gether, caze I don't see but one bed—a ruff, ho'-made bed back in the corner. The Hermit sez he'll take this letter to a Mr. Watson, hiz nearest naybor, who lives about 5 mi. frum here; Mr. Watson is a-goin' to town A. M., Joe sez, an' will mail this letter. I hope you git it, Mr. Editur.

Will write at least onct more frum here soon.

Uncle Abe

## Views Of Other Editors

**IMPRESSIVE MARGINS**

The fact that the dets are winning off of the county-wide elections on the sale of wine and beer is impressive. Much more impressive is the margin by which the victories are being won.

In the last two counties to vote Lincoln voted dry by a margin of 12 to one and Union by more than four to one. Similar showings have been made in a number of other counties.

Aside from the sentiment on the question itself, the wets are contributing to the vote against them by the stubbornness with which they resist all elections on the question.

—Raleigh News and Observer

## Letters To Editor

**2 PER CENT OF POPULATION FEEBLEMINDED**

Editor The Mountaineer:

A Commission of the North Carolina Legislature estimated that 2 percent of our population were feebleminded. If this is true and if they have children at the same rate as do other North Carolinians, there were 17 children born in Haywood County last year to feebleminded parents. Do you with your intimate knowledge of the citizens of your county consider that this estimate is approximately correct?

Some of these children will inherit the limited brains of their parents. Others may appear normal. None of them, however, will be brought up under satisfactory conditions, since a feeble minded parent cannot give them the sur-

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## UNDERGROUND RESISTANCE

# Rambling 'Ro

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

She was young and inexperienced, and this was her first day as a clerk. But she was anxious to please so when her first customer came in and asked for a mousetrap she eagerly vouchsafed the information: "Yes, indeed, we have mousetraps. Ten cents each or two for fifteen." The customer told her that she would take one and took out a dime. The clerk, now doubly ambitious, smiled sweetly: "Better take both" she sugerted, "you might have two mice." The understanding customer bought two mousetraps.

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**We listened to a conversation the other day and tried to count the number of times that the capital I was used. We never were good on figures after they passed the million mark . . . so we gave up counting.**

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The clouds hung low and the deluge seemed likely to descend at any moment. But the sun suddenly shone brilliantly when a friend, in passing, said: "I hope you have a fine day all day."

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**Will the class in punctuation please open their dictionaries**

and look up the [illegible] "Data" and [illegible] surprised? And [illegible] eliminated" is [illegible] also.

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A lady returning [illegible] parts last Satur[illegible] found it at the [illegible] the street at [illegible] shoes said the [illegible] were not over [illegible] like mud-day on [illegible]

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A gentleman [illegible] interested in Na[illegible] the birds went [illegible] much earlier [illegible] before. He said [illegible] morning he h[illegible] than a dozen di[illegible] birds in his p[illegible] has bird both [illegible] tions for his fe[illegible]

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Just one mo[illegible] make her debut [illegible] come in with a[illegible] her ears and [illegible]

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To some peo[illegible] the fun of bee[illegible] anticipation of [illegible]

# Capital Lette

By EULA NIXON GREENWOO

DRESSER—As Commissioner of Agriculture, Kerr Scott was not known as a fashionable dresser. In fact, some of the women of the State Agriculture Department used to complain at times because their boss seemed to care so little about his personal appearance. The hats he wore looked like they had just been pulled out of the barn loft and his suits as if he had slept in them.

Not any more. He is beginning to look much more like a Governor than a dairy farmer. His ties now have modern patterns. His suits look as if they had just come from the cleaners. His shoes are always neatly shined. Well, as Governor, he makes $15,000 per year, has servants, etc., where as Agriculture Commisioner he drew only $6,600, had to drive each day from Haw River to Raleigh and back and was not averse to doing a little milking or fetching home a straying cow before leaving for the capital.

THE TIMES—Business in North Carolina in most lines is considerably below that of a year ago. Applications for jo[illegible] offices are highe[illegible] since before W[illegible] means that Nor[illegible] to be moving to[illegible] of employment [illegible] ment Security [illegible] bers here is as [illegible] a job hang arou[illegible] dissatisfied an[illegible] around for th[illegible] Rather, becoming [illegible] the work you [illegible] your employer [illegible] direction if a de[illegible] their reduction [illegible] comes necessary.

The price of [illegible] last Saturday [illegible] cents per pound [illegible] ary. Higher pr[illegible] about 25 cents [illegible] October prices.

It looks as if [illegible] rind is upon us [illegible] be borne in mi[illegible] of January and [illegible] ways at the bot[illegible] employment. [illegible] Textile and hosi[illegible] ing the field in [illegible]

# Inside WASHIN
MARCH OF EVENTS

**Administration May Encounter Unexpected Senate Resistance** | **OK on Inaug[illegible] Makes Party [illegible]**

*Special to Central Press*

WASHINGTON—President Truman may have m[illegible] his legislative program in the Senate than b[illegible] Last Nov. 2, the overwhelming Democratic majo[illegible] looked pretty convincing.

The Southern bloc was still in the saddle to be[illegible] politicos thought the 12-vote margin would be [illegible] complete administration control.

Then the administration got a sudden jolt which [illegible] dent's lieutenants on Capitol Hill [illegible] their position.

Senator Edwin C. Johnson

Ironically, it came on a bill w[illegible] the House handily and which [illegible] thought would be approved by the [illegible] any trouble.

This was the bill to exempt [illegible] from federal tax. Six Democ[illegible] Republican ranks to defeat it. [illegible] the Democrats were Southern [illegible] opposed Mr. Truman's election [illegible] Senator Edwin C. Johnson of [illegible] occasionally bolts the party.

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● **TURN ABOUT FAIR PLAY**—[illegible] hopes for more Democratic [illegible] above to help upset the admini[illegible] Democrats are relying on the Re[illegible] vide enough votes to keep the filibuster tradition [illegible]

Philosophical Senator Richard B. Russell (D[illegible] master-minds the Dixie strategy against civil ri[illegible] hopeful the GOP will rally to prevent approval of [illegible] measure. This despite their ardent espousal of such [illegible] when it appeared the Republicans would again [illegible]

"I've noticed that majority leaders always want [illegible] rules to curb filibusters," Russell says. "They want [illegible] their controls over legislation. As minority leaders [illegible] generally been cool toward anti-filibuster moves. [illegible] is different. They might want to use extended d[illegible] some time."

Russell's reasoning is born out by Minority L[illegible] Wherry (R) Nebraska, whose resolution would [illegible] quirement that a two-thirds majority vote is nec[illegible] "gag" rule on the Senate.

Last spring, when the GOP was in control, the [illegible] ship pledged reforms which would strip filibusters [illegible] valuable parliamentary maneuver—the exemption [illegible] "correcting the journal" from gag-rule procedure.

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● **AND THE FIGHT GOES ON**—The Air Force [illegible] which will control heavy bombardment may not be [illegible] party—but by Defense Secretary James Forrestal.

Forrestal's appointment of the Weapons System [illegible] means that that group will decide on all "[illegible] systems of attack or defense" involving the United [illegible]

This gives the group power to pass on the [illegible] bombing as upheld by the Air Force, as against [illegible] as fought for by the Navy with its 65,000 ton aircr[illegible]

Lt. Gen. John E. Hull, head of the Weapons Eval[illegible] uation Group, is an Army man and therefore [illegible] personally involved in the bitter controversy.

Therefore, it seems assured that the two systems [illegible] with much to be said for each, will get a thorough [illegible] "going over" by an impartial third party who [illegible] seeking out only the best defense and offense [illegible] war comes again.

Indicated is a compromise decision, incorporat[illegible] tures of each philosophy and taking into consider[illegible] atomic and biological warfare may sharply change [illegible]