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The "Forgotten State"

We feel that North Carolina would be justified in spending every cent asked for an education, if it would get just one thing cleared up for once and all time.

Too many people in and about Raleigh, including too many state officials, think the western state line is the French Broad River. Little do they think—or remember—that the North Carolina line is some 125 miles west of the French Broad.

The Raleigh News and Observer in discussing the appointment of a successor to the late Senator Broughton, said in typical Raleigh lingo: "Somewhere east of Asheville a future U. S. Senator..."

The 1940 census shows a population of 136,104 in the counties west of Buncombe, and west of the French Broad. In 1946, more than 41,270 votes were cast in the Congressional race in these counties—Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Swain, Clay, Graham, Cherokee and Transylvania.

We have not included any of Henderson or Buncombe, although a large part of both counties are west of the French Broad.

The officials in Raleigh always make it a point during election time to well remember that there are upward towards 50,000 votes in this "forgotten State" west of the French Broad.

Yes, we feel the money that is being asked for the education fund will prove a good investment, in that those now in school may not continue to make the error their parents are making, in knowing the boundaries of their own state.

Goodbye Stray Dogs

It looks like the days are numbered for stray dogs, and their owners face a stiff fine, according to a warning from the police department.

The records show that more complaints come into the department about stray dogs than any other one thing. There is an ordinance that points out that stray dogs must be disposed by officers, if the owners fail to keep them up.

This is not an idle warning on the part of the police—they mean business, and the business they mean is to clear the streets of stray dogs by using bullets, if necessary.

Designed For Better Living

From now until noon Saturday, the third annual appliance show will be in progress at the Armory.

This year promises to bring on display, the latest in the appliance field, together with programs from specialists who know how to make for better living with the modern inventions of man.

For the past two years the show has featured water systems for rural farm-families. Hundreds of rural homes now enjoy the advantages of water. Others will be installed this spring.

Now that REA lines run into almost every nook and corner of the county, there are but few families who are deprived of the advantages of electricity. The full use of electricity, of course, is not realized until the home has an ample number of appliances.

All indications are that a large crowd will be on hand to see the latest development in the electrical field, and one fine feature of the show, there's no charge for looking.

Elbow-Grease Where It's Needed

The Waynesville Jaycees have undertaken a project that has long been needed in this community—that of cleaning up and reviving the City Park on East Street.

At one time, there was a lot of civic interest shown in the park, and it had great possibilities. The park was built as a WPA project, with assistance from the Town of Waynesville, Chamber of Commerce, and if memory serves us right, the Rotary Club built the wading pool.

The Jaycees are spending their Wednesday afternoons working on the park, and plan to make it an ideal place for picnics as well as recreation. Among the projects is the resurfacing of the tennis courts, which are sorely needed in the community.

We like the manner in which the Jaycees have gone about this project—they rolled up their sleeves and went to work, instead of doing a lot of talk, and telling others what to do. Their actions have proven their sincere interest in the project, and their determination will see it through.

The organization has started a good project, and no doubt, will see it through to completion, and then we hope, they will see that it is kept up and maintained.

"Uncertain Times"—Bosh

When a speaker starts out a talk by calling our attention to the "uncertain times" right then and there we lose all interest in what he has to say.

Can any speaker point to any era in this world's history that was not "uncertain"? Life itself is uncertain.

It is uncertain just how long this world will continue to revolve around the sun.

Of course, we know the average speaker is trying to impress his listeners with the fact that the future is a mystery. Certainly it is—even today is a mystery.

Oh yes, we are concerned about the future, but why hang crepe on something until we are positive it needs the funeral shroud?

These speakers that dwell on these "uncertain times" could much better afford to instill in their listeners the importance of learning to enjoy living today, and get the most out of life, and then no matter what the morrow brings, one will be better prepared to take the joys or sadness as it comes.

Sure, these are "uncertain times", but what are you going to do about it? Your worry won't help. And doctors are too busy to treat any more ulcerated stomachs.

They'll Do It Every Time By Jimmy Hatlo



Looking Back Over The Years

15 YEARS AGO: Haywood County is made part of the Sanitary Health District which the United States Public Health Service is setting up in Western North Carolina.
10 YEARS AGO: Rabies reporters are appointed in every township in the County to avoid the serious situation of last year.
5 YEARS AGO: Tom Alexander assumes duties in Washington as consultant on prices of pulpwood.
L. J. Porter Frady spends 10-day leave at home.
Truman Williams and his brother, Robert Williams, meet aboard ship during a battle in the South Pacific.
The building formerly occupied by the Green Tree Tea Room is being torn down.
L. Sam McElroy receives commission as second lieutenant and pilot wings at Seymour, Indiana.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Would you prefer the inauguration of the Community Chest plan here, or the continuance of individual drives for worthy causes?
A. P. Ledbetter: "There are so many causes that cannot be included in a Community Chest, I don't think it would work. If the Community Chest could take care of all causes, it would be fine."
Dick Barber: "I prefer the Chest Plan. It would save a lot of work and a duplication of effort in seeking funds for a number of local benevolent purposes. Of course, we would still have the national drives, but the local drives could be cut to one."
Mrs. Ethel Hayes Fisher: "I definitely would like to see the Community Chest. It would eliminate so many drives and so much begging from the same people. I'm sure as much of our money would be given to people who they wouldn't be asked again for local drives."
Mrs. Virgil Smith: "I would approve of the Chest plan if it did not conflict with the national drives for Red Cross and Pops. There are too many drives coming too close together."
Mrs. Billiard Atkins: "I think the Community Chest plan would be a relief if it would eliminate so many drives."
J. E. Massie: "I don't believe in a small place like this the Chest plan would work. We would still have to carry on the National drives and I don't believe we would get as much money in any one drive for the local charities."

Opinions of Other Editors

A TRIBUTE TO PROFESSOR S. C. CLAPP: With the admiration, affection and respect of the farm people of Western North Carolina and of the State, Professor S. C. Clapp retired on March 1, 1949. His life has been a service of inestimable value to the farm people of this state and to the cause of agriculture. Gifted with keen powers of observation, his natural ability was enlarged and intensified by his study of soils, plants and fruits. He trained himself to observe the enemies of plants and thus learn how to prevent and destroy these enemies. Starting with the Agricultural Department of the State of North Carolina in 1907, he spent 10 years as State Nursery and Orchard Inspector. He set up the first spray pump in the state for orchard demonstration. All this time, he was observing and learning. In 1917, he was made Superintendent of the State Experiment Station at Swannanoa. For 22 years he was in charge of that station, trying out new varieties and experimenting with practices that would increase the yield of known varieties of plants and thus learn how to prevent and destroy these enemies. Starting with the Agricultural Department of the State of North Carolina in 1907, he spent 10 years as State Nursery and Orchard Inspector. He set up the first spray pump in the state for orchard demonstration. All this time, he was observing and learning. In 1917, he was made Superintendent of the State Experiment Station at Swannanoa. For 22 years he was in charge of that station, trying out new varieties and experimenting with practices that would increase the yield of known varieties of plants and thus learn how to prevent and destroy these enemies.

Letters To Editor

BUT THESE ARE HONORABLE MEN! Editor The Mountaineer: If I understand the purport of Senator Byrd's letter in your issue of March 8, he means to instruct the voters of North Carolina on how their representatives in Congress should be instructed to vote. Senator Byrd it seems is all for economy in matters pertaining to social welfare. That I suppose goes for education too—the kind of economy that has put Virginia schools next to the bottom on the national list. I note that Senator Byrd did not hesitate to vote for the 70-group air force in the 80th Congress, an economy under which it was proposed to shovel specie from the National Treasury into freight cars for the benefit of six super-colossal airplane factories. Senator Byrd, however, is consistent; throughout the course of his long public career he has always been against everything in the interest of the plain people, and for anything that would bene-



Rambling 'Round

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

She had two attributes that made her the most popular woman in her set. She was a good listener, and she was a good conversation-starter. All she had to do was to tell or start something about herself... then sit back while she watched the conversation switched from her and the race for distance started across the bridge of 78. Upon returning from a three-weeks visit to Florida, a lady opened up her reserve pantry and was a bit embarrassed to find that mice had emptied a new box of dry cereal, a box of pancake flour, two boxes of crackers and a box of rice. Only the vacated boxes with a left-tale hole in the corners were left. The man waited patiently until the watering wagon had passed, then made his way across the street only to have a heavy truck come suddenly around a corner and hit the only puddle that could possibly splash on the gentleman's trousers... which is what happened. Perhaps we are a bit old-fashioned.

Capital Letters

By EULA NIXON GREENWOOD
NEW MAN: Governor Kerr Scott was having the time of his life last week. Just when things were looking darkest, he became again North Carolina's most powerful political figure. Like Mohammedans bowing toward Mecca, thousands of Tar Heels slammed in the direction of Raleigh, and the man who two weeks ago was being virtually ignored by the Legislature, at least—suddenly became somebody. The reason for the about-face was clear. The Governor, and only the Governor, had the power to name a new U. S. Senator to succeed the late J. M. Broughton. He could name whom he chose... anybody. Although the term would run only until next year, the man who received the nod would have his foot in the door as a candidate for the next full term. Broughton had been dead less than two hours when the storm began. Telephone calls, telegrams, then letters. In all, Governor Scott received upwards of 4,000 telegrams urging him to appoint this man or that man or that woman to the U. S. Senate. WASHINGTON: Reports in Editor's office that the mass of appeals for the appointment of William B. Eastland as the major surprise of the week. Many of these telegrams came from men who beat the bushes for J. M. Broughton in his battle with the bad-luck spins, and there were rumors that there were five men—yes, supporting Eastland for every one of the next in-line. Capt. Wagnick of Rock Point, about this, only Scott and his secretary, Charlie Barber would ever know. CANDIDATE IN 1950—One thing is sure, however, William B. Eastland, the man who was edged out by Broughton is now a candidate for the U. S. Senate. The Republican Mary a campaign that it was a fine, able, and job were running. Another concern was that "only" could defeat this. "There is no light might beat Broughton." William B. Eastland. Lines are already for 1950. AGAINST: More than six months ago, nick has been against the U. S. Senator of North Carolina. He noted her, and she was in the line. A year ago, you will have every count, but for short, it is a guess and for both Scott and Broughton. Wagnick and Capt. Barber. J. M. Broughton, Mr. Broughton's husband died in 1934. He was in the line of the Broughton. It was Broughton's the "senator" of Broughton. In years past, he was the man with a hand on the line.

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



Can a wife try too hard to please? Answer: Yes, not only for her own good, but eventually for her husband's, much as he may enjoy being treated as if his least wish were her law. For living to please another person and ignoring your own feelings and needs ultimately creates inner conflicts which will haze their effect even though you don't dare let yourself be conscious of them. It is not unusual for this sort of wife to turn into a "chronic invalid" because that seems to her unconscious mind to be the only way of getting the attention and consideration she's been craving.

By LAWRENCE GOULD Consulting Psychologist



Do school "awards" make good citizens? Answer: They have little effect, one way or the other, judging by a study of the later history of high school students in Ames, Iowa, reported in the Journal of Experimental Education. For years it has been the practice of this school to give "efficiency certificates" to pupils who showed qualities thought likely to make them good citizens, but the records of recipients of these awards over some twenty years showed "no outstanding difference" between them and their classmates. Like charity, good citizenship "begins at home."

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for horizontal and vertical words. Clues include: 1 Lint, 5 One of two equal parts, 9 Particle, 10 Elaborate solo-part (Opera), 11 Place of worship, 12 Castings, 14 Perched, 15 Tell, 16 Continue in progress, 19 Of age (abbr.), 20 Away, 21 Placed, 23 Impulsively, 27 State of mind, 28 Metal, 29 River (It), 30 Animal jolly, 34 Commission, 37 Wine cup, 38 Any climbing vine, 39 Marshal, 41 Pack, 42 Side of stage platform, 43 Female fowls, 44 Comfert. Vertical clues: 1 Thread across field of view, 2 Game of chance, 3 The eye; in symbolism, 4 Organ of hearing, 5 Turned to the left, 6 Inland sea (Asia), 7 Coin (It), 8 Species of pigeon, 11 Viper, 12 Shabby, 15 Denied, 17 Girl at a co-educational school, 18 Lizard, 21 The moon-goddess (Rom. Relig.), 22 Roman pound, 23 Urge forward, 24 Pertaining to the Moors, 25 Petty officer (abbr.), 26 Lubricate, 30 Chews.