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Assured Success

The community field days seem to have gotten off to a good start, and give every indication of becoming a vital factor in the Community Development Program of the county.

The fact that one community serves as host to another, and takes them around to see what is being accomplished, is one of the best good-will and inspiring projects we have yet heard.

The people from different communities are thrown together on common ground—in the field, or on home improvement projects. Then, after a picnic, they devote the afternoon to a general recreation program.

As long as such a program exists, we have no doubt of success.

Learning the Hard Way

Jeff Wilson as director of the safety of the highway division is using practical, everyday language as a means of impressing people with the importance of safety on the highways.

One of his latest questions, with that practical tone, is "What would your chances be of walking away unharmed, after driving your car off a ten-story building?"

Then he quickly tells his audience "The physical effect is the same as if you ran a solid obstruction on the highway at 60 miles an hour—and the odds against your getting out unharmed are about the same."

We feel Mr. Wilson has something in this new approach. We have long ago come to the conclusion that cold figures mean nothing when it comes to accidents on the highways.

But try and make a motorist realize that he is in the same danger when driving 60 miles an hour, as he is when skipping along the edge of the roof of a ten-story building, and immediately you get some serious thought started.

This newspaper has long ago decided that the only way the average motorist can be impressed with the importance of highway safety is to get him to realize that it is serious business, and that it is possible to get killed on the highways.

Preaching and begging does not seem to be doing the job—it is going to take plain old blood and thunder facts to awaken some people, and sad as it seems, there are some that will never heed caution about anything.

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



Can hate be "the tie that binds"?

Answer: Yes. It can hold people together who believe they would do anything to get away from each other. The type of neurotic whose life is unconsciously centered in the need to avenge some wrong suffered in childhood, having found a partner who embodies—and repeats—the grievance, may be as unable to divorce or leave that partner as a normal person would be to retire from a contest which he still had hopes of winning. A man who could never silence a scolding mother may be tied to a wife he hates by the fact that she nags him.



Is there more than one type of deafness?

Answer: Yes. There are at least two very different ones. One is called "conduction deafness," and does nothing but decrease the loudness of sounds, while the other is "perception deafness," which hampers ability to interpret

Millions For a Split Second

Interesting news coming out of Washington is that an appropriation of \$8,500,000 has been approved in order that the Naval Observatory can be moved to a spot less foggy, less snaky, but much cooler than the capital.

Those in charge of keeping the correct time have been complaining about the obstructions in the atmosphere over Washington. It seems that they cannot get accuracy through the congested atmosphere; in fact, the fog and smoke throw the instruments off about one-thousandth of a second in the course of a day.

Of course to Washington, one-thousandth of a second is a long, long time, and a mere expenditure of eight and a half million dollars to correct such a waste of time, in Washington's opinion, is a good investment.

We know of a lot of things that we feel would be more beneficial to the nation than the project which has just been approved. But then, the world is geared to time-saving devices at any cost, and of course the government must take the lead in such a program, even when it means millions of dollars to check the waste of one thousandth of a second. Just imagine breaking the tick of a watch down to a thousand parts, and there you have a thousandth of a second.

The heat wave must have affected more than the time-keeping instruments.

Two-Fold Results

On Monday morning a large group of Haywood folk will start on the annual out-of-state farm tour, covering a number of mid-west states, and seeing everything from large farms to modern industrial plants.

This annual out-of-state farm tour has become a part of the lives of many Haywood farmers and their wives. It is their annual vacation, and is spent looking over new territory, and gathering new ideas. So the time spent is really an investment for the farmers.

This year the group from here will be ambassadors of good will from Haywood, and will carry with them literature and information about the county. They will show pictures, give recordings of a square dance, and distribute some copies of the farm edition as recently published by The Mountaineer, as well as Chamber of Commerce folders.

No doubt this trip will mean a lot in many ways—from a promotion of the county, and an inspiration to those making the trip.

Haywood's Highway Record Grows Worse

Until Monday morning, the highway record as tabulated by The Mountaineer was identical to the same date last year. Then all of a sudden, the figures jumped, and now the record stands one more killed and four more injured than at the date this is written over last year.

There is not much, it seems, that can be done now. The record for Haywood is not as bad as that of the state as a whole, which is steadily increasing in both fatal accidents, and injuries.

The only bright spot we are able to see in the entire picture is the steady increase in the number of vehicles on the highways. Looking at it from that standpoint, the percentage, or ratio, is not as great as last year, but even at that, the number of accidents is appalling. In fact, just plain alarming.

By LAWRENCE GOULD Consulting Psychologist

the meaning of the sounds heard. According to Dr. Goran de Maré of Sweden, deafness of the second type distorts the pitch and relative intensity of sounds, thus turning human speech to a meaningless jumble, and making it harder to distinguish it from other noises. Hearing aids are less effective with perception deafness.



Is facing reality a virtue?

Answer: Yes. In the original meaning of the word, for "virtue" derives from the Latin word for a man ("vir") and first stood for manly strength and courage. It takes a great deal of courage to face facts, particularly when they are unpleasant, even though once we have faced them, they are likely to turn out to be less frightening than we expected. But facing reality is not a virtue in the sense of being something which it is our duty to do, or a form of self-denial, and the motive which should prompt it is the instinct of self-preservation.

They'll Do It Every Time

MARY, MARY, QUITE CONTRARY... WEARS SLACKS WHEN THE WEATHER'S NOT SO AIRY....



By Jimmy Hatlo

BUT WHEN IT'S WINDY, SHARP AND BLOWY... SHE WEARS A DRESS THAT'S FLARED AND SHOWY...



Looking Back Over The Years

15 YEARS AGO
Derek Alex is named president of the Young Democratic Clubs of North Carolina.

Jesse James of Clyde, is named president of the Alumni Association of The Haywood Institute.

Miss Babble Way entertains at luncheon in honor of her house guest Miss Mary Adams Ward of Asheville.

Miss Ola Francis of New York is spending a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Francis.

10 YEARS AGO
George F. Platt is appointed a member of the Haywood County Tenant Purchase Advisory committee.

Phil and Beatrice Medford entertain a group of young friends at a theatre party.

Miss Marjorie Platt who is in training in the Newell's C.P.S. Hospital, visits her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Platt.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cole, and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Russell return from trip through New England and Canada.

5 YEARS AGO
Haywood County passes quota on E. Exp. War Bonds.

Opening date of three county schools is postponed on account of the polio situation.

R. W. Livingston assumes duties as sanitation with the District Health Department.

The Tannery has perfect record for a week in the softball league.

Women's Auxiliary of Grace Church has annual musical tea at Oak Park.

Capital Letters

By EULA NIXON GREENWOOD

THE NUDIST One of the duties of the Employment Security Commission here is to check on employers all over the State, whether they be merchants, drycleaners, or what-have-you, on unemployment benefit taxes.

The story being whispered around Raleigh is that an ESC representative had to make a call last week on the nudist camp out from Durham. It reports had reached ESC that the camp had as many as eight employees and was therefore subject to the tax.

Said employees of ESC finally found the place, went to the gate, and told the official his business. He refused to let him enter. Reason: too much clothing. There was much arguing and some rather harsh words, the representative being an extremely modest man, but the gatekeeper was extremely stubborn. No orders were.

Well nothing else to do, so the modist on removed his clothes, and, wide-eyed, roamed around a while. The scenery, he reported, was not so good. However, he got no information he wanted, found the camp was subject to the tax, and took it as the hero of the office.

His conclusion: People look a lot better with their clothes on.

P.S. The official publication of the Southerners of America, Inc. in its current issue, lists three nudist camps in North Carolina, in Gaston, Durham and Rowan Counties.

A pleasant thought for these hot, humid days.

VISITOR—President Harry Truman is tentatively scheduled to visit Western North Carolina the Asheville area, the latter part of September. Two or three organizations which usually hold their conventions in the fall are awaiting the final word regarding his visit so that their meetings can coincide with the Truman tour. At least one has already requested him for the principal speaker.

NOTES—U. S. Attorney General Tom C. Clark was down watching the greyhounds gallop at Morehead City one evening a few days ago.

Incidentally, the dog track had planned to operate on the afternoon of July 4, but the beaches in that area raised superfecta Cain, saving they would have little or no business, and the race track management dropped the idea forthwith. That's cooperation.

Although there is now apparently no serious criticism of the track, the Morehead City Racing Commission keeps a weather eye cocked on Raleigh, and a blueprint calls for midjet auto-racing (to protect the \$250,000 investment) in the event the Legislature turns thumbs down on the dogs.

THE SURPRISE—The important point in Gov. Kerr Scott's "surprise" package last week has been somewhat overlooked in the various comments which have been made regarding it. There is an iron fist nestled snugly in the velvet glove. You may not remember it, but Kerr Scott as a candidate and as

governor said that franchises should be withdrawn from telephone and light companies which do not reach out beyond their services, and make the facilities available to as many rural homes as possible.

His opponents have a good deal to work with. REA Administrator Guy Price Scott might give the light and power firms a lot of trouble. But said they, what could he do about telephone services?

THE ANSWER The white business hangs around the State Utilities Commission, which has been accused in past years of favoring big business. This body is granting franchises to various firms in effect provides them with monopolies to operate in certain areas.

If these companies' monopoly power on these franchises, do little with them, and use them primarily as a means to keep out of competition, Governor Scott can have the State Utilities Commission call them in and demand of them to buy up their franchises, should not be revoked. This applies to all firms—trucking, bussing, railroading, lighting, power, etc.—which operate under State franchise.

MOVING—During the war, and for three years after the war, materials were difficult to obtain. Despite this, however, light and telephone lines have been further extended into the hinterland. But Governor Scott wants more speed and is determined to get it. With three of his appointments on the State Utilities Commission, he holds the whip hand. Now you may look for vast expansion.

It is true that some of this expansion program was planned before Kerr Scott was even a candidate for governor, but nevertheless, Governor Scott will get the credit for every new mile of telephone and light run in North Carolina for the next several years. Much of the credit should go to him, for the utilities are on the move.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Do you think the stores in Waynesville should remain open one evening a week?

Mrs. C. B. Atkinson: "No. I think people have enough time to shop during the day, and the employees of stores need to have their evenings free."

Mrs. Grayden Ferguson: "Personally it wouldn't make any difference. But I think it would be more interesting to visitors to have the stores open one evening. They could open later on that day to keep from working a hardship on the storekeepers."

Mrs. Roy Francis: "Why, certainly. It would be a great thing for career people and summer visitors and mothers with small children."

Mrs. Dave Cabel: "I don't think a There is plenty of time for shopping as it is and I think people who work in stores need their evenings at home."

Mrs. F. H. Marley: "I think a better plan would be for the stores to stay open until six o'clock each day with the exception of Wednesday when they could close at one o'clock instead of twelve. I don't see any reason for them to remain open after dinner."

Rambling 'R

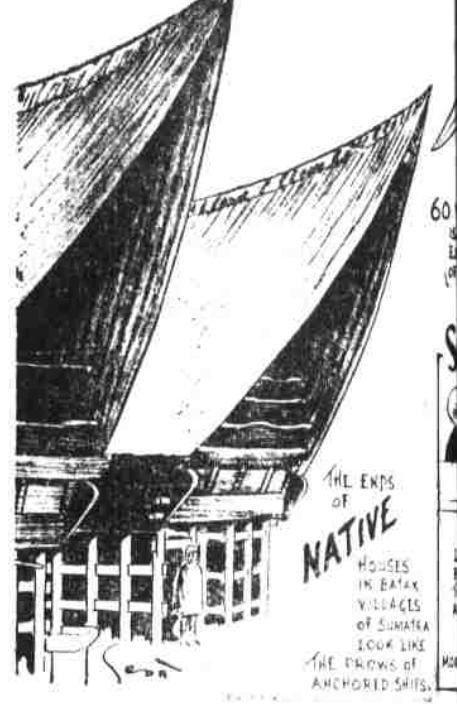
-Bits Of Human Interest News Picked Up -Of The Mountaineer Staff

He couldn't have been a student er and his desk was piled high with the visitor's letters. He had a pleasant conversation with the visitor while the latter was waiting for the visitor to be called to the office. The visitor was a young man who had just returned from a business trip. He had a very interesting story to tell. He had seen several interesting sights during his trip. He had also met several interesting people. He had a very good time during his trip. He was very happy to be home.

Two friends got into a heated discussion over a bride's name one evening and parted a bit angrily. The next morning they happened to meet on the street and one jokingly said to the other: "Well, John, I buried the hatchet last night." ... and John replied: "Yes, I know you did. I felt most of it in my head."

There were four of them in their habits were used outdoors. They usually arrived in a

SCOTT'S SCRAP BOOK



YOU'RE TELLING

By WILLIAM RITT Central Press Writer

ZADOK DUNKOFF says he discovered something mighty fine—that you can't be broke as long as you have a few dollars of your own. He says he has a few dollars of his own. He says he has a few dollars of his own. He says he has a few dollars of his own.

In some areas the petty cash drawer is flush when it's full of shark's teeth, bright pebbles, and some fish.

Fish money! Imagine going away on a vacation fishing trip and coming back richer than when you started!

The island of Yap, we read, is truly the land of the money.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1 In this place
5 Biblical name
9 Metallic rocks
10 Keep
11 Musical instruments
12 A barrel strap
14 Public notice
15 Biblical name
17 Marshy meadow
18 Jewel
20 To howl
23 Right side (abbr.)
24 Hidden obstacle
26 Baby's shoe
28 Leather from a young beast
30 Conjunction
31 Antenna (Insects)
34 Insect
37 Farm animal
38 Praise
40 Compensate
41 Deavored
43 Unit of work
45 Exist
46 Canters
49 Verbal examinations
51 Plexus
52 Weathercock
53 A set of players
54 Send forth, as rays

- 4 Literary composition
5 Donkey
6 Cushion
7 Elliptical
8 Stern
11 Letters
13 Comfort
16 Head (Humorous)
19 Manufacture
21 Gained
22 Come into view
25 A measure
27 Journey
29 A size of eel
31 Young hute
32 To wrest by force
33 Regret

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