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Aunt Ida, The Dancer

There has been many, many a good dancer in this community, and a "good crop" coming on. But we doubt if there is one now, or ever will be one that enjoys shuffling about and cutting figures any more than Aunt Ida Mullis.

Last week Aunt Ida was given a loving cup by the Jaycees for her interest in square dancing.

Nothing that she has received in her 73 years has pleased her any more than that recognition. Up to this, nothing pleased her more than to have someone tell her she was a good dancer and a good Republican. Now the cup holds first place over everything else.

Welcome, Admiral and Mrs. Thomas

This community is fortunate in having Rear Admiral and Mrs. William N. Thomas to make Lake Junaluska their home, now that they have decided to retire from active service. Admiral Thomas was chief of chaplains of the United States Navy when he retired on September first.

Both of these fine people have been coming to Lake Junaluska for a number of years, and it is only natural that they selected this as their home when they retired.

They will be a distinct asset to the community, and this newspaper extends them a cordial welcome as Haywood citizens.

Science Promises Easier Living

A college professor recently estimated that the modern industrial civilization of the United States presents to each American family the mechanical equivalent of four hundred slaves. The professor maintains that science promises us an even finer kind of living than the wealthiest potentates of the past ever dreamed of.

We would remind everyone, however, that with this utilization will come new dangers of the moral fiber of individuals, with some persons degenerating into flabby indolence and soporific stupefaction. This does not mean that we should slow down industrial progress because of the dangers that attend its development. A people, blessed with such benefits along material lines, must keep their spiritual natures ahead of gross materialization, if the nation is to live and be powerful.

-The Mt. Airy News

Certainly, People Are Interested In the Work of the Church

A lot of people would have us believe that the world is not as interested in religion as in the "good old days."

We don't know so much about that. It appears to us, from local reports, that the people are interested in religion, and the activities of the church.

Did not Lake Junaluska have a banner season?

The Haywood Baptist Association had the largest attendance in its 65 years.

The Methodists have set up high records for the year just ending.

Revivalists report good attendance at their meetings.

Missionaries here last week visiting Baptist churches report much interest.

Two churches, costing well over \$100,000 each, are now being constructed in Canton.

Numerous other Haywood churches have on building programs.

The First Baptists here raised almost \$10,000 in one week for their building program.

All this tends to prove to us that there is a lot of interest in our churches. Much more in fact, than some of the pessimistic leaders would have us believe.

Beauty Contests Increasing

You have to hand it to Americans for being able to take what may come in the usual stride, without becoming duly upset.

As safety councils started predicting the horrible death toll for Labor Day week-end, the promoters of beauty contests swung into action. It seems that more than the usual large number of beauty contests have been held during the past week, including the big one in Atlantic City.

And of course it goes without saying, that the picture of a pretty girl in a bathing suit gets far more attention than headlines about death on the highways.

So it seems that Americans always have a way of covering up some of the misfortunes with an appealing program.

Lethal As a Bomb

The cigarette—that harmless looking little tube of paper filled with tobacco—can be as lethal as a bomb.

Last year, in New York City alone, smokers were responsible for more than 5,600 fires which did a total damage of some \$3,285,000. Tobacco was the biggest single contributor to the city's total loss of just under \$20,000,000.

We can't blame the weed for this sorry record—and it is a record which is paralleled on a smaller scale in many other American cities, towns, and villages. The offenders are the people who do the smoking. They smoke in bed. They lay cigars and cigarettes and hot pipes down and forget about them. They discard butts without seeing that they're extinguished.

It has long been known that carelessness with matches and smoking materials is a prime cause of forest fires which have destroyed millions upon millions of acres of forest over the years. This is one of the worst of all tragedies fire causes—buildings can be erected in a comparatively short time, but burned trees cannot. One cigarette, one match, is all that is needed, when conditions are "right," to destroy for generations a natural wonderland.

How can such waste be stopped? Only the individual smoker has the answer. It lies in accepting the responsibility that is his every time he smokes.

-The Sylva Herald

They'll Do It Every Time



WHY SOME M.D.'S WISH THEY'D TAKEN UP TREE SURGERY
THANK TO MRS. JUNE FAGAN, 303 GREENUP ST., COVINGTON, KENTUCKY

Looking Back Over The Years

15 YEARS AGO: Dr. Margaret Elizabeth Lineberry Owen, Haywood's first woman practicing physician, will practice with her husband, Dr. Robert Owen in Canton.
10 YEARS AGO: The preliminary organization of the Waynesville High School Band is completed.
5 YEARS AGO: Cpl. Salem Wyatt, back from the Aleutians, spends furlough at home.

Capital Letters

By EULA NIXON GREENWOOD

Said the newspaper which most nearly represents Gov. Scott's opinion on fiscal matters last week: "But one thing is certain, the 1951 General Assembly will have to add upon Governor Scott's recommendations for increased taxes which were dodged by his predecessor."

Herb Singletary: Do you believe the voters will approve the hospital bond issue October 1? The Haywood County people will miss a good chance for a better hospital if they turn it down.

Miss Mary Medford: Why do you call it The Voice of the People?

Miss Sarah Fulbright: Now that a stop light has been put up at the corner of Main and Academy, why doesn't the city build places where motorists can turn?

W. E. Senne: Why are there so many more accidents on the highways?

BINGO NOT LUCKY: FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—Amos L. Clannan, 56, was going home from a church bingo party when he was hit by a car. Three weeks later, the same thing happened.

OFF THE CUFF: Here are some of the games of the gridiron which will be carried over N. C. stations... 40 of them in all...

STORK CLUB MISSES OUT ON VITAL STATISTICS: BOWLING GREEN, O. (UP)—When John James and Dean McMurray took over the Bettsville (O.) Community Weekly, they created a "Stork Club" standing head-line to appear over birth announcements.

UNHAPPY HUNTING GROUNDS: A cartoon showing various political and economic terms like 'UNFINISHED BUSINESS', 'FAIR DEAL MUST', 'IMPENDING LEGISLATION', 'APPROPRIATION', 'IMPROVEMENT', 'ATLANTIC PACT', 'TAKE HEARTY RESOLUTION', 'WANT NOT BURNED', 'DO NOT BURN'.

Navy Announces Naval Reserve Prospects

Young high school graduates have the opportunity to get a free education, a Navy reserve commission, and a salary all at the same time.

Recruiting Officer S. A. Roe of the Navy's Asheville station today pointed out a Navy Department announcement to that effect concerning youths from 17 to 21 years of age.

The announcement says "any young man (in that age bracket) who is a high school graduate and unmarried" may apply for the Naval Officers Training Corps.

It adds that a young man who passes the requirements for this training may select the college he wishes to attend.

The government will foot the bill for his textbooks, uniforms, and other attendant expenses, and pay \$50 per month.

Young men who are interested in this training, in furthering their education, and becoming a commissioned officer in the Naval Reserve are requested to contact the Navy Recruiting Station, Room 29, Post Office Building, Asheville.

Fines Creek C. D. Club To Meet Friday

Fines Creek residents will hold their next Community Development Program meeting at 7:30 P. M. Friday at the Fines Creek School.

The program and recreation committees have planned an entertaining evening for both young folks and old folks.

Everyone is invited to attend. Community Chairman Charles Duckett will preside.

Rambling 'R'

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

We recently heard of the one-armed man who was reported to be a guest in a hotel reported to the desk that some one was going up and down the hall, knocking on the doors. Investigation proved that the "knocker" had evidently imbibed a bit too much and had gotten into the wrong address. He was told to leave immediately or he would be dealt with unmercifully. He obeyed—but the hard way. He clambered down the stairs and fell down the fire escape.

A friend is some one who doesn't know whether it's raining, sleeting or the sun shining... if you need him.

The most beautiful eyes are those that have the color of friendship in them.

A visitor from Florida told us a few days ago she found it necessary to make a frantic New York dash about the time hurricanes might first strike us in Florida. Remembering the bad situation of one hurricane through which she passed, she hurried to the airport to catch a plane for New York. She was told that the plane was full and she would have to wait for the next one. She was told that the plane was full and she would have to wait for the next one.

SCOTT'S SCRAP BOOK



GUATEMALAN INDIANS PAY HOMAGE TO THEIR ELDERES. THEY VENERATE AGE AND FAMILY TRADITION.

Inside WASHINGTON

MARCH OF EVENTS

U. S. May Speed Up Action on Pacific Pact

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—Rapid recent developments in the United States quarters to believe the United States should abandon its wait-and-see attitude and enter into a stop the onrush of Communism in Asia.

President Elpidio Quirino of the Philippines has a profound impression on Congress with his offer to urge such an alliance.

Despite the fact that the State department is not ripe, it is known that the United States ambassador to Manila, Quirino—is convinced a Pacific coalition, and told Secretary of State so.

Another portent is the fact that the United States ambassador to China, who arrived a day after the administration steps were taken, or all Asia will be lost.

Still another potent force is the Navy high command's experience, knows the Pacific situation as well as veteran admirals.

It all adds up to: North American-dominated Reds, but the U. S. has saved, and only quick action can turn the tide.

NO WELFARE PAY?—Some coal operators' idea of stopping payments to the United Mine Workers reportedly has advised them that the action in view of expiration of the old soft coal contract last June 30. John L. Lewis has ordered the mine days a week until a new pact is signed.

However, coal industry attorneys contend that the old contract, which called for a 20-cent-a-ton increase in the operators' part in the UMW fund would certainly bring an end to the UMW fund.

One of the reasons for Lewis' decision to stop the work was to maintain a flow of money into the UMW fund. The fund's expenditures have been exceeding the UMW chief is extremely reluctant to do anything to the union to completely halt benefits to retiring workers.

WHEN?—Sentiment ranges between optimism to when Congress will adjourn and House Speaker Martin of Massachusetts says he was being urged to adjourn until Thanksgiving. "Those who are pessimistic say we won't adjourn until Dec. 30."

However, Democratic leaders in the House have little hope to salvage something by unanimous vote until the Senate can act on the three-day recesses until the Senate can act on the measure.

It was anticipated that the three-day recess would be followed by a week of adjournment. The House disposed of the arms bill and the measure. Final adjournment of Congress is dependent on the House completes its work, as the House can stop the short order.

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



Does rage make you truthful?

Answer: It unquestionably makes you say things which you otherwise would not say, but these are not necessarily truthful. The desire to hurt someone (which you feel when angry) may tempt you to lie to falsehood or exaggeration than the wish to please him. Any strong emotion makes it hard for you to know what is true, let alone say it, since an intense feeling always tends to blot out facts or ideas that are opposed to it. When a child tells you he hates you, he is being "truthful" at the cost of making himself forget that he also loves you.

By LAWRENCE GOULD Consulting Psychologist

Interest in life but him. But marriage and motherhood should no more be a woman's only interest or source of satisfaction than a man's job should be his. Together or separately, both need "hobbies" and should be free to enjoy them—the woman her movies or afternoon bridge club no less than the man his golf or fishing.



Is psychosomatic disease preventable?

Answer: Yes, by changing "sociomental attitudes," writes Einhard von Domarus, anthropologist, in the American Journal of Psychotherapy. A study of contrasting societies—for instance, those of Tibet, Guam, and Okinawa—shows their people to be subject to quite different types of mentally-caused illness, with the Okinawans suffering practically none whatever. If we in this country gave up our devotion to the ideal of competitive success in business, it is probable that many types of illness (such as stomach ulcers) would cease to exist.

Will a wife's "outside interests" wreck her marriage?

Answer: They may under two conditions: (1) if they come to take first place in her life—which won't happen if she's really happy at home, or (2) if her husband is so childishly possessive that he does not want her to have any in-