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The Wine And Beer Verdict Comes August 12

The Haywood Board Of Elections have formally set August 12th as the date for this county to vote on legal wine and beer sales. On that date the people by their vote, will determine whether Haywood continues to legally sell wine and beer, or whether both will be barred.

The Board called the election, after 2,938 qualified names on petitions asked for the opportunity to vote. Slightly more than 1,500 names are required to call an election.

The election was called after the board had certified the 2,938 names of about 3,500 on the second set of petitions. Earlier the board had ruled that the first petition did not contain enough qualified names to call the election.

On this ruling there has been a lot of dissatisfaction, and some criticism. We feel the criticism was the result of misunderstanding, and nothing more.

The Board acted according to the laws as on the books. They had no alternative, and to have done otherwise would have been a gross violation of the law.

Those who have been prone to criticize the board for their actions on the first petitions still have an opportunity to see those petitions, the signatures therein, and just why the Board took the position they did in the matter.

Now the fact remains, that the election has been set for August 12th. The legal machinery for holding such an election is all set up on the law books. Those who have not registered but are qualified will be given three weeks, in due time, to register, and vote on the issue.

The election on wine and beer cannot be held earlier than the date prescribed, because of laws which do not permit an election to be held within sixty days of another election. And the Democratic primary coming on May 27th is the determining factor at this time.

Now that the date has been set, it is left to the two sides to wage their respective campaigns, and get out the majority vote on August 12th.

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



Do "romantic" people make good husbands or wives?

Answer: On the whole, No, though they may have rapturous moments which a more prosaic person misses. For romantic notions about love and marriage are the chief cause of the "disillusionment" that wrecks so many unions. The romance of Romeo and Juliet is immortal but even in action it led to their suicide, and in real life would doubtless have ended in their being bored with each other, if not seeking new thrills elsewhere. Accept the fact that the person you love is a human being, not a "figure of romance," and you'll be happier in the long run.

By LAWRENCE GOULD Consulting Psychologist

found it less interesting and exciting than those who surprised themselves by achieving what they had thought was impossible. This seems to conform to the psychoanalytic theory that the keenest pleasure is experienced in "the release of tension"—the "tension" in this case being brought about by fear of failure.



Does alcohol "spur imagination"?

Answer: In itself it cannot possibly "spur" anything, since it is not a stimulant, but a depressant or narcotic. Yet the fact remains that poets and artists have found "inspiration" in it, and I have known writers who believed they could not do good work when sober. Behind the apparent contradiction lies the fact that many men's creative impulses are blocked by fear and nervous tension, and that by putting to sleep the part of the mind from which these come, alcohol may leave the urge to self-expression free to function.

They'll Do It Every Time

BURLAPP IS THE BIGGEST SOFTIE THAT EVER SAT THROUGH A SAD MOVIE



By Jimmy Hatlo

THE DOCTOR SAID IF I DIDN'T GET A COMPLETE REST, HE WOULDN'T BE RESPONSIBLE. I FEEL TERRIBLE. OHHHHH!



Looking Back Over The Years

- 15 YEARS AGO: New Burroughs accounting machine is installed at City Water and Light Department.
10 YEARS AGO: Mary Alice Rathbone, leap year baby, arrives at Haywood Hospital.
5 YEARS AGO: Clavin Francis is elected president of the Haywood County 4-H Club Council.

Voice of the People

Which type of concert do you prefer, one as given by Davidson College or the North Carolina Little Symphony?

Editor's note—Today's question was compiled by Anne Bischoff, and the answers are from music students of Waynesville High.

Stanford Massie: "I prefer a concert like that given by the Davidson College Band, because you can always hear a symphony on the radio."

Patricia Brendle: "The N. C. Little Symphony. I like the deeper music."

Mary Osborne: "I don't prefer either one—they are both good and I personally like them both."

Mark Rogers: "I prefer band music to symphony. However, I like both."

Luther Shaw: "Personally, I enjoy one as much as the other, although I feel that symphonic music is more stirring, and creates a deeper sense of music appreciation."

Ann Rector: "I prefer the type of concert given by Davidson College."

Patsy Ezell: "I rather prefer the Davidson College Concert."

Billie Kitchen: "The Davidson College Band. The music was more interesting."

Linton Palmer: "The Davidson College Band."

Florrie Patrick: "I like band music better than symphonic, so I prefer the Davidson College Band Concert."

Letters to Editor

APPRECIATION FROM GOVERNOR

Editor The Mountaineer: Thank you very much for the "open letter" editorial regarding my visit to Haywood. I appreciate the editorial a great deal. I thoroughly enjoyed the occasion and wish to express my deep appreciation for the many courtesies shown me. Sincerely, W. Kerr Scott, Raleigh.

In the state of Delaware, court officials carrying spearlike instruments escort the accused to and from the courtroom during murder trials. The instruments, termed "tipstaves," are painted red on one side and white on the other. During the trial the "tipstaves" are carried white-side forward to indicate the presumed innocence of the prisoner. But should the person be found guilty, the red side is displayed when he is removed from court.

LOADED FOR BEAR



Rambling 'Round

Bits Of Human Interest News By Frances Gilbert Frazier

The very young lady from Florida had never seen snow and came to Waynesville in high spirits that her desires would be granted. But, as everyone knows, our Winter has been one of superlative joy to everyone except those who would snow and cold weather. Then, just the day before the little girl was to return to her Southern home, we had a slight snow flurry and the roof tops and parts of exposed places had quite a sprinkling. The little girl was wild with joy and ran from window to window to get a better view. After looking to her heart's content, she came to her mother and said: "Oh, Mommy, the Angels must have been powdering their faces."

A copper dragon in the western sky emblazoned on a sapphire escutcheon precedes the sunset.

"In the spring, a young man's fancy" ... according to the poem "turns to love" ... but in the lives of the younger set it usually turns to roller skates and marbles. And the two hardly ever get along very well together as one young lady can testify. She had never skated before but was determined to learn. Her brother was very helpful ... but as soon as possible went back to his marbles. Doing all sorts of ungrateful antics, she finally found herself unwillingly propelled toward the marble game ...

You're Telling Me

THE TITLE of that new play, "Hope is the Thing With Feathers," has Zadok Dumkopf wondering if it's about the dove of peace. The town of Owl's Head, N. Y., reports temperature of 36 degrees below zero. That's really a cold in the Head. A Buffalo judge has ruled a man can swear in his own home if he wants to. An old family cuss-om? A member of the House wants the U. S. to set up a substitute capital—just in case Washington gets H-bombed. Talk like that is about all congress needs to get 'em out of theington in an election year. Another thing that Zadok Dumkopf has heard is the news that there is to be an increase in the price of shirts. In New York 350,000 men to see Hopalong Cassidy, fellow always was good draw. These are wondrous times which many strange occur. For instance, a newspaper headlined the of a Florida cold war.

Inside WASHINGTON MARCH OF EVENTS

Nation May Set Record In Good Health in '50 Public Health Service Chief Highly Optimistic Special to Central Press WASHINGTON—On the health front, the state of the Union continues to be the best in its history. Although it is difficult to measure, with complete precision, relative "goodness" or "badness" of a year, Uncle Sam's general, Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, declares: "If the trends in science and care during recent years continue, there is every reason to believe that the nation's health in 1950 should be the best during 1950 that it has been."

The surgeon general, who heads the States Public Health Service, continues: "There are two yardsticks by which health be measured the death rate and the morbidity rate. The data on the latter are not too reliable, chiefly because of the inaccuracy of the reporting methods. "However, it is a measurement that is useful in spotting broad trends. By both measurements, 1949 was a good health year. Dr. Scheele pointed out that during the year substantial progress continued in the acceleration of United States health. He characterized the past two or three generations. That the has been accelerated is apparent from such statistical as life expectancy, which was 45 years in 1855. Today it is 70. The dramatic march of science in prolonging the life of the age American is revealed in Public Health Service reports on the causes of death in the United States in 1900 and 1948. During 1900, the first six causes of death were pneumonia and influenza, tuberculosis, diarrhea and enteritis, heart disease, senility and ill-defined causes and cerebral hemorrhage. By contrast, the first six causes of death in 1948 were disease, cancer, cerebral hemorrhage, nephritis, accidents (including motor vehicles), pneumonia and influenza. The new low of 31.8 deaths per 1,000 live births in 1949 compared with 100 of every 1,000 in 1915, is expected to be surpassed, if not surpassed, in 1949 and 1950. The same applies to infant mortality, which was 11 per 1,000 live births in 1948 and four in 1940. Nearly 3.7 million babies were born in 1948, which was the largest American year, and statisticians estimate that the number was about the same in 1949. Although the nation's over-all health card for 1949 had not been completed, officials report that during the past year the quering march against sickness and disease has not slackened. In this and other statistical measures that the optimistic year 1950 as a peak health year has its solid foundation. America's vast army of doctors, nurses and other health workers, the peoples' health would be the last to claim full credit for the happy forecast. The American people themselves have been to take advantage of scientific information offered them by personal physicians and by their own social agencies and government for erecting their own defenses against illness. Lessons in diet, exercise and other day-to-day aspects of the of the average American have been broadcast from one end of country to the other in a way that must confound those who deem "American imperialism" for its "suppression" of the individual man. Since medicine is perhaps the most democratic of all the goals of its research during the past year continued to be "the greatest benefit to the great number." For example, Drs. Philip Hench and Edward Kendall of the Mayo clinic announced the results of their tests with cortisone (Compound E) and ACTH (adrenocortico tropic hormone) in the battle against rheumatoid disease, from which more than a million people in the United States suffer. With American science and the American people entering the new year in a spirit of full co-operation. It is not only understand why Uncle Sam's statisticians predict more health these and many other sufferers from sickness and disease 1950—and a higher level of health for us all.

Dr. Leonard A. Scheele

Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service, is shown in a portrait. He is a middle-aged man with dark hair, wearing a suit and tie. The text next to him identifies him as Dr. Leonard A. Scheele.