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Teaching 'em Young

The State Magazine recently had a pointed editorial about children taking care of their infirm and destitute parents. The editorial was forceful, and pointed out that children should take over this responsibility instead of placing it on the county, state or federal government.

The State comments further on the subject this week in another editorial, in the following manner:

In connection with this editorial, one of our readers sent us a quotation from a book entitled "American Government," written by Frank Abbott Mayrader. This book is on the supplementary list in our schools in North Carolina, although we have been informed that only a comparatively small number have been ordered. It also is in use in other states. Here is the quotation:

"Need for Old-Age Security.—Modern science and hygiene have enabled an increasing number of people to reach old age. But, as the average of man's life has been lengthened, his working years have been shortened in many industries because mass production requires speed and endurance—qualities of young men.

"Because of sickness, accidents and occasional unemployment, it is difficult or impossible for a laborer who has reared a family to save from his meager wages. And it is MORE JUST to place all the burden of supporting those who have been unfortunate, or even shiftless, upon everybody instead of upon some dutiful son or daughter who is not responsible for the condition. Moreover, an assured reasonable income for the old increases the purchasing power and helps make jobs for the young."

So you see, this sort of doctrine is being placed before our children while they are still young. By the time they grow older, chances are that they will be thoroughly inoculated with it.

National 4-H Club Week

Saturday marked the opening of National 4-H Club Week, and certainly here in Haywood, we will be aware of the accomplishments of these boys and girls, as they develop their talents towards making this a better county, state and nation.

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



Are a man's tears a sign of weakness?

Answer: A man's shedding tears may mean one of three things: That he is emotionally unstable; that he is suffering in mind or body to a degree that would break down anybody's self-control, or that he is relatively independent of conventions and so can express his feelings naturally and spontaneously. The average man's fear of display or "softness" is an outgrowth of the civilized male's secret doubt of his own masculinity. In ancient times, the most celebrated heroes wept for joy as well as for sorrow and were not ashamed to be seen doing so.



Are twins prone to suicide?

Answer: No more so than anyone else, report members of the staff of the Psychiatric Institute, New York. Though investigators found twenty-seven cases in which one member of a pair of twins committed suicide, there

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were none in which both did so. Again, suicide is no more frequent in twins than in the population as a whole. The psychiatrists conclude that even if both of a pair of twins should take their lives, it would reflect chance rather than any hereditary predisposition. In fact, it is doubtful whether such a predisposition could exist.

Will "doing nothing" rest you?

Answer: Probably not unless you are asleep or seriously ill. Otherwise the only time when mind and body can remain inactive is when two opposing impulses conflict—when you want to do two different things and try to escape from choosing between them by doing neither of them. As long as you live, you will be driven by your natural impulses to seek pleasures or satisfactions and if your interest in one form of activity is exhausted, the thing to do is to find another. Trying to do nothing will merely create nervous tension and frustration.

Our Next Congressman

The announcement by Representative Monroe M. Redden that he will not seek re-election next term, gave The Franklin Press an opportunity to renew their contention of 1946—wanting a congressman whose home is west of Balsam.

The Press points out that since the white man began to settle the country west of Balsam 150 years ago, there never has been a representative in Congress from the southwestern part of North Carolina—namely Jackson, Macon, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, and Swain.

Bringing the matter on down to the present, The Press editorial continues:

"In the 46 years since the turn of the century, whether it was the Democrats or the Republicans who won the elections, every man sent to congress from this district has come from the three counties—Henderson, Haywood, or Buncombe.

"Why this disproportionate representation? In the past, we have been reminded of the greater population of the eastern end of the district. But today this trans-Balsam region, comprising Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Swain, Macon, and Jackson counties, contains more than half of the district's land area, six of its ten counties, and 30 per cent of its population.

"If the representation in congress is to be passed around on the basis of population—and that apparently has been the theory—then this western region is entitled to name the district's congressman for the next 50 or 60 years.

"This newspaper has no candidate in mind, and it certainly will not advocate the election of a man solely because he comes from a certain region or strictly on a basis of population. The character, ability, and views of the man always should be the prime consideration. It does believe, however, that this forgotten land to be the west is entitled to representation.

"And it refuses to subscribe to the thesis—apparently held farther east—that only the populous counties are capable of producing men of congressional stature."

The editor of The Press makes a rather forceful plea. We are not going to say we wholly disagree, neither are we going to say we heartily agree.

For our part, we are more concerned with the ability of a Congressman to serve his district, and a willingness to truly represent the people, than we are in his home address.

No Cause For Alarm

One can put their own interpretation on the fact that Haywood is losing about 100 farms every five years, according to the government census. Yet such a statement of fact should not in any way alarm us.

Many a small farm is being merged with others, and other farms are being cut up into such small tracts that they cannot be any longer called a farm.

In some of our rural areas, houses are being built almost as close together as in town. Travel into almost any section of the county and one will find that this is the trend in many a neighborhood.

We are growing rapidly, and the actual decreases of farms by no means reflects that we are going backwards.

A Generous Response

We felt it in our system all the time, that there would be a large number of people venter to give blood when the bloodmobile was here last Wednesday.

The 106 pints for the day is an excellent record.

Such a response is gratifying to all concerned.

They'll Do It Every Time

MOST OF BOSSO'S MAIL IS STOWED AWAY AND FORGOTTEN IN THAT BOTTOMLESS ABYSS, THE MIDDLE DESK DRAWER...



FORGOTTEN, THAT IS, TILL HE'S TAKING OFF ON A VACATION. THEN IT ALL HAS TO BE ANSWERED JUST BEFORE HE SCREAMS...



- 15 YEARS AGO: Miss Doris Colkitt gives birthday party at home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Colkitt. J. R. Boyd buys two Main Street business lots next to bank from Sam Welch. An addition is being made to the office of the Waynesville Laundry. Community Safety League with Oscar L. Briggs, chairman, holds meeting with John M. Queen, principal speaker, and Frank Davis, toastmaster. The topic for discussion was "parking on Main Street".
- 10 YEARS AGO: Methodists of the District raise \$1,154. Derry Norman opens new garage in Hazelwood. Mrs. William Hannah is elected president of Woman's Club. R. L. Wilson wins medal in 33rd annual DAR event. Major Harry Crawford visits his mother, Mrs. W. T. Crawford. County Agent J. C. Lynn says more time should be devoted to Haywood County pastures.
- 5 YEARS AGO: Haywood County enjoying spring weather with a high of 74. Lt. Roger Walker gets honorable discharge from U. S. Navy. Dr. Thomas Alexander of Springdale goes to Germany as Government adviser. Fathers' Night observed at Hazelwood PTA. Charles Underwood, Woodrow Campbell, and Edward Moody constructing automotive and machine shop on Montgomery Street.



RALEIGH Round-up

TEN YEARS AGO—Here is an item which should come under the Feeling of Futility Dept.: Ten years ago last week a bill was introduced in the Legislature calling for a Statewide referendum on "absolute prohibition" of liquor except for medicinal purposes.

Another crack newspaperman, C. A. (Abie) Upchurch, who handled Frank Graham's publicity in that ill-fated campaign of last summer, has a bad ticker, as they say, and the doctors have ordered him to take an extended rest away from his arduous duties related to cleaning up beer joints in North Carolina. He is missed around Capitol Square. Said to be getting along fine. We hope so. Abie has done a bang-up job on beer and wine control.

BLUFF OR BOULEVARD?—Like it or not, even critics of Governor Kerr Scott must admit that in years to come he will likely be remembered in many sections of North Carolina as the "good roads Governor". The red mud in the roads of the Haw River region of Alamance County used to squish through his toes when a boy and later made it necessary for him to have his car washed on every trip to Raleigh when he was Agriculture Commissioner. All of this contributed to his being something of a fanatic on all-weather roads.

He is still plumping for a huge, futuristic four-lane toll turnpike through Piedmont North Carolina. Meantime, roads are being built in this State as never before.

Shortly after he became Agriculture Commissioner, Scott visited the Coastal Plains Test Farm about eight miles east of Rocky Mount on the old Rocky Mount-Tarboro road. Approximately four miles of this road between Rocky Mount and the farm was in terrible condition.

Agriculture Commissioner Scott began his program to get that road paved. Propaganda came first. There was talk about the tremendous value of the farm to the Rocky Mount-Tarboro area; and how much it could mean to farmers in Northeastern North Carolina. This softening-up process went on for some time. Nothing happened. Then he dropped a pretty strong hint that the State Board of Agriculture would have to move that farm to a location on a better road. The commissioners of Edgecombe County got busy on the highway people and soon had the road in question at the top of the list for paving. To this day nobody knows whether Kerr Scott was kidding about moving the farm. The Edgecombe people were sure he was not fooling. The road was widened, paved, and generally improved.

For several years, and it still may be so, Scott's friends referred to the highway as Scott Boulevard. His not-so-friendly acquaintances called it simply Bluff Road. Be that as it may, Kerr Scott got what he went after.

GETTING BETTER—Bill Sharpe, the fellow who has done more than any other North Carolina writer to get the good name of this State spread in national publications, has been pretty sick for the past three-four weeks. Something wrong with his tummy.

Voice of the People

What's your pet cold remedy? George Williamson: "Stay at home and keep away from school."

Mary Cronser: "I take the juice of four lemons and a spoonful of soda and four aspirin."

Anonymous: "Wash your hair and go in swimming—only don't tell your mother about it."

Mrs. Dorothy Evans: "Aspirin and fruit juices."

Fred H. Saunders, Jr.: "I sleep if I can do it—but I use almost anything as an excuse for sleeping."

W. W. Clark: "Drink plenty of good hot lemon juice, then go to bed."

County Health Department: "Plenty of fruit juices and plenty of rest."

Mrs. Elaine Gill (County Health Department): "As a rule that's what I do myself, until I wear the cold out."

DEER WISDOM LOUISBOURG, N. S. — (AP)—The deer-hunting season is past and one deer knows it. Daily a stately buck swims the harbor here, saunters along the site of a new wharf and wanders through the back part of the town.

Three weeks ago when it said the education forces were not driving for a decrease in North Carolina's heavy teaching load. One of their bills (SB 125), introduced for them by Irving Carlyle of Winston-Salem points to the need for teachers having fewer pupils in their classes.

Rambling 'Round

Bits Of Human Interest News By Frances Gilbert Frazier

The lady had purchased a new car and was trying to master the intricacies of driving. She had progressed splendidly but still felt she needed the assurance of an experienced person along. So on this beautiful Sunday afternoon she had invited her family to take a ride with her, and had her older brother sit beside her in case of an emergency. When she had driven as far as Balsam, traffic became heavier, so she turned the wheel over to her brother. Then from the rear seat came a deep-seated sigh of relief as her young-est brother commented with great feeling: "Thank the Lord, that's over. Now I can enjoy the rest of the ride."

The horn that a man toothed for himself usually blows a discordant note to the listener.

Two ladies were making a call on a new arrival in the town, and when about ready to leave, one lady picked up the purse and gloves from a small table nearby. She noticed that her hostess looked at her curiously for a second but said nothing. After the usual lengthy remarks that always happen after one is ready to leave, the lady of the house stepped over to another small table and taking from it a purse and pair of gloves, extended them to her guest as she laughingly remarked: "These are yours, Mrs. A—and you have mine, I'm sure the exchange wouldn't

Little Johnny noticed father's white T-shirt showed a tiny bit of sweater sleeve. "Oh, Dad, cried in dismay, 'you're showing on your arm.'"

You can't see the shadows; no one seems any more; you feel an aversion to talking to anyone if you do slip into a state it seems as though every a viewpoint to discuss exact opposition to the think about it. Your class seem to fit or feel right, know that you're being attacked against in a cruel world. If all these things penin go you, don't feel are exclusive. You're just down with a cold and a hundred more like you.

"If wishes were horses, probably not be satisfied we had a tally-ho outfit."

The teacher was trying to press upon little Mary and five did not add up to... but Mary had her own on the subject and did change her mind. A bit the whole affair, little Mary ed the argument by saying be five and five do make there's sales tax to be added.

"Bless' be the tie that and stays well tied."

Letters to the Editor

DESERVES GOLD MEDAL Editor The Mountaineer: In your issue of February 19, The Mountaineer has broken new ground. Your write-up and pictures of the Community Development program of Allens Creek has given that community the biggest lift it has ever had, and I have known it for about 80 years. Think what you will have done when the whole county has been covered. You will deserve a gold medal suitably inscribed. Best wishes from E. W. GUDGER. New York City.

THANKS FOR PUBLICATION Editor The Mountaineer: I would like to take this tunity to thank you for the ity given the Blood Bank their recent visit to Haywood sponsored by the Hazelwood orial Post of The American Sincerely yours ROBERT H. H. Commandant

IN LOUISIANA Pvt. Jack Reece of Ballou been assigned for training 45th, the famous "Tank Infantry division at Camp Louisiana. Pvt. Reece left Waynesville on January 30.

Inside WASHINGTON

MARCH OF EVENTS GIs Prove They Are Able To Fight a Primitive War Korean Conflict For Of New-and-Old Wars Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—Things are more cheerful these days at the tagon, the nation's military nerve center, and curiously not only because of the anticipation of effective new armaments but also because Uncle Sam's warriors are demonstrating that can fight a primitive war right here in the Twentieth Century they have to.

Strategists here conjecture that never in the history of science has there been such a set of opposites as exists between is taking place in Korea and at the atomic grounds in Nevada, the two places where atomic ingenuity at fighting are on trial.

GI Joe is learning how to handle atomic weapons and to defend against the possibility of such weapons-of-tomorrow in enemy hands, at the time that he turns the calendar backward to the Chinese Reds on their own terms.

Jet pilots are being rotated to assignments Korea so that valuable battle experience ultra-modern aircraft may be shared, while of the military planners wonder if the strategy was put out to pasture too quickly because the big help they might have been on terrain.

Such extremes may be farther apart today ever before, but clash between the present past are not unusual in military history. During the century the British were defending a global empire, they often were by foes who capitalized temporarily on outmoded methods.

NOW THAT the United States has to meet opponents all over world regardless of the stage of their civilization, its strategy figure that they may have to take a leaf out of John Bull's The English looked pretty stupid at times, but usually managed adjust in time to win that crucial last battle.

Some of the outcomes were not so fortunate for the British the time when in 1814 they sent a fine army fresh from the of Napoleon to conquer the Mississippi valley, and Andrew's rude frontiersmen put it to complete rout.

Even the United States has had similar experiences. The Massacre in 1876 by Indians led by Chief Sitting Bull at the of the Little Big Horn. Civil war tactics, which involved some of highest strategy up to that time, had to be unlearned before Sioux were subdued.

In Korea, the Chinese have used to great advantage their of foot soldiers, pack animals including even camels, and cavalry. Jet plans found it hard to spot the earth-colored personnel which "froze" into immobility at their approach.

However, American officers now are proud of the way they have learned to meet these tactics.

SOME STRATEGISTS here are recommending a rebirth of cavalry if many fights with Asiatic forces are in prospect. Miles in the East, including the Russians with their mounted ally the traditions of the Golden Horde of 700,000 mounted warriors. However, there is a limit to the value of looking backward successful tactics, most Pentagon strategists agree, and there are present plans for reactivation of horse cavalry.

Instead, the aim is to use mechanized units with the imagination of Generals "Jeb" Stuart, "Light Horse Harry" Francis Marion, "the Swamp Fox." The late Gen. George Patton converted horse cavalryman who became a master of the increasingly an idol of the United States Army.

One great blessing in disguise of the Korean situation which is cited here is the great opportunity it provides for unparalleled training of American military men under combat conditions that cannot be duplicated in the most rigorous peacetime training.

Much of the fighting in Korea has constituted "learning the way" for American officers and their troops, but the best viewed around the Pentagon as indications that Uncle Sam's role of John Bull's successor as a world policeman also can be winning the last and most important battles.

TODAY'S SPECIAL AT HARRY'S PLACE

