

I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost.—Romans 9:1.

The Wrong Conception of Fun

It is extremely unfortunate that some Halloween pranksters had to use strong caustic compounds to toss about as a means of having what they thought was a good time.

Their thoughtlessness brought agony, and anxiety to a young woman who recently moved into this community.

The police also had their hands full on Saturday night, as other celebrants, just as thoughtless, removed manhole covers from about town, leaving dangerous holes in the streets for pedestrians as well as motor traffic.

This newspaper believes there is a time for fun, and believes that children should have fun, but never at the expense of harming, or jeopardizing the welfare and safety of others.

The police did a good job by staying right behind the Halloweeners Saturday night, protecting the public as much as possible, and running down clues that finally resulted in solving several mysteries connected with the devastating evening.

Those who cannot distinguish the difference between innocent fun and creating a public nuisance, should feel the heavy hand of the law.

Last Planning Stage For Schools

The last of Haywood's county-wide school expansion programs are in the last stages and on the drawing boards. Pretty soon, the blueprints will be in the hands of the state committee in Raleigh, and once their OK is affixed on the plans, the local groups will be ready to call for bids, and work started.

There are now four major projects under construction — Waynesville High, Central Elementary, Clyde gym, and Bethel elementary. At least five others have been finished, and one other smaller project under construction.

The Canton project of a new junior high is ready for the bidding stage.

And thus the spending of the special two million for the expansion of the school plants in Haywood nears the contract-letting stage.

Why Advertise?

The following is reprinted from the Wynne Arkansas, Progress:

"The late William Wrigley was once riding with a friend in a crack express train from New York to Chicago. His companion was curious to know why the magnate continued to spend so much money on advertising."

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Time To Seek Other Conventions

Waynesville's traditions of pleasing out-of-town visitors was upheld in fine style here weekend before last when the "Mountaineer" chapter of the National Secretaries Association played host to the first state convention of North Carolina chapters.

Although the Mountaineer chapter has only 14 members, Waynesville's young women exhibited a spirit of "Something worth doing is worth doing well."

Many delegates called the convention the most enjoyable meeting they had ever attended.

The beauty of the mountains in the fall, the excellent food and accommodations at the Country Club Inn, warm hospitality, and a well-planned program all combined to give the visitors a very favorable impression of Waynesville in particular and Western Carolina in general.

Letters have been pouring in since the convention, praising the Waynesville secretaries for their excellent work in planning the event. Typical sentiments are:

Rosa Miller of Hickory, newly elected state president—"It was as grand a meeting as I have ever attended and I can't think of a thing that was left undone. You certainly have a wide-awake chapter."

Kitty Nowell of Charlotte, retiring state secretary—"Your meeting was just perfect. You did not overlook a single thing."

Inez Greeson, formerly of Greensboro, retiring state president—"Nothing was lacking—the genuine hospitality displayed by you and your chapter members was a beautiful thing, and the local townsmen who assisted you really gave their best in making us all feel at home. As far as I am concerned, it was the greatest meeting our state will ever hope to have."

Lib Vanhoy of Greensboro—"We enjoyed ourselves so very much . . . it just couldn't have been any better."

Lois Mullen of Durham—"All of you girls went all out to make the meeting a success in every way, and I don't know what more one could ask for: beautiful weather, wonderful hospitality, and food enough to satisfy the hungriest mountain appetite! It was one of the best meetings I have ever attended; thanks to all you Waynesville girls."

Margaret Hall of Hickory—"The Waynesville gals really came into their own this past weekend. Truly, I enjoyed this meeting and learned more about our beloved NSA than any I have ever attended. Perfection was what it was, and it certainly reflects the originality, ingenuity, and interest on the part of all your members."

Waynesville's geographic location in North Carolina is not a handicap to efforts to attract state conventions here. So it would be a fine thing if other civic organizations could follow the lead of the Secretaries and invite their members in other towns to hold a state convention here.

"Your gum is known all over the world," he said. "Why don't you save the millions you are spending on advertising?"

"Wrigley pondered a second and then asked, 'How fast is this train going?'"

"About 60 miles per hour," replied the other.

"Then," asked Wrigley, "why doesn't the railway company remove the engine and let the train travel on its own momentum?"

THE MARK OF THE BEAST



Looking Back Over The Years

15 YEARS AGO

Pet Dairy plans formal opening of new milk plant.

Burnham Standish Colburn of Asheville addresses Woman's Club on North Carolina minerals and Indian relics.

Miss Mary Ashworth Barber entertains with a buffet supper honoring the Stringfield-Allen wedding party.

Jack Toomer resigns as pro at Waynesville Country Club.

10 YEARS AGO

Staff Sergeant William D. Sawyer is awarded a bronze oak leaf cluster.

Miss Mary Ellen Boone is married to Pvt. James Bruce Jaynes of the U. S. Air Corps at the Methodist church in High Point.

Lt. James H. Howell, Jr. arrives "somewhere in Africa."

Mrs. Jerry Liner is re-elected president of the Woman's Society of Long's Chapel.

Ned S. Davis, who is serving in the anti-tank division somewhere in Australia is promoted to sergeant.

5 YEARS AGO

Haywood county voters join rest of the nation as they give President Truman an overwhelming margin in election.

Hugh K. Terrell is elected president of the Pigeon Valley Civic Club.

Commander Jack E. Edwards is stationed permanently at Nanking, China.

Bronson Matney, Jr. is elected president of the freshman class at Western Carolina College.

Voice of the Views of Other Editors

People

Do you have a message for Coach C. E. Weatherby as he prepares to lead the Waynesville Mountaineers to their 200th victory under his guidance? Friday's win over Greeneville, Tenn., was the 199th of his career at WTHS.

Mayor J. H. Way—"I should issue a proclamation for 'Coach Weatherby Day'. He's not like some people who say: 'Don't do as I do, do as I say.' He lives what he tells his boys to do."

Mrs. Elsie Graham, merchant—"There are not enough words to express how we mothers with boys on his team feel about Coach. His fine influence on our sons lives will live with them through the years."

Jonathan H. Woody, banker—"Outside of being a top coach, Carleton Weatherby is a man's man, and always a gentleman. His training prepares a young man for his life's work. He's tops in every respect."

S. A. Dantzer, druggist—"Best wishes and congratulations. He's really doing a fine job."

Mrs. Fred Calhoun, bookkeeper—"The boys' respect for their head coach proves his fine influence and guidance toward the winning of these games . . . also the fine help from Mr. Jaynes and Mr. Swift."

Sheriff Fred Campbell—"He's one of the finest men in the county. If I had a dozen sons, I'd want every one of them to play under Coach. I had the privilege to play on his first team here. I hope he wins his 201st, too." (Editor's Note—Canton?)

Ive Sheptowitch, merchant—"I wish him the best of luck. His record is the result of capable leadership and teamwork."

Kenneth Fry, manager of Station WHCC—"Two hundred is a magic number. And we'll be there to broadcast his 200th victory in his next game."

Jerry Rogers, school attendance officer—"Not only as a coach, but as a Christian gentleman, he is an asset to our community. He is an excellent worker in civic organizations."

Bob Conway, sports writer—"I haven't had the privilege of know-

MONUMENT TO IMAGINATION

Whether they approved of the expenditure or opposed it, North Carolinians have spent \$1,500,000 on the new State Fair Arena, and they may as well enjoy the acclaim it has won as an imposing example of modern architecture. The question of whether this was one of the things the State needed most may never be settled, but in the meantime the building stands at the fairgrounds near Raleigh as a monument to the imagination of men in the building trade.

It has been called a "cow palace," since it was intended primarily for use in agricultural expositions. But it also has been called "America's most modern and spectacular big building," which is a label more likely to attract the attention of tourists. Awards to the designer, architect, engineers and the state have been presented by the American Institute of Architects which ought to know an outstanding building when it sees one.

The same \$1,500,000 would have paved approximately 30 miles of road like highway 74 between Lumberton and Laurinburg. But travelers are accustomed to paved roads, and are not impressed by anything less than a "super-high-

way" any more. It would have built three bridges like the new one just approved at Tar Heel. It would have built several schools, or one mental hospital, like some of those for which North Carolinians recently voted \$72,000,000 in bonds. It is no wonder, even now, that the proposed arena caused a controversy in the 1951 State legislature.

But citizens of this State can be thankful, now that the arena has been built and dedicated, that there is no such controversy over whether it is an architectural masterpiece of monstrosity. It has won the acclaim of critics and, like an expensive new automobile, it has the owner had to go into debt to get something else he needed.

EDIBLE WILD PLANTS

A few days ago I found a book on edible wild plants. It contains a description of more than 100 wild plants, of which the berries, the pods, the leaves or the fresh shoots can be eaten.

The fruit of the Passion Flower, or as many people call it, the "May-Pop," is delicious as a flavoring for sherbet or for making jelly.

The young shoots of the Bracken, or as many of us call it, the "Common Fern," are said to be especially good in the spring just as they are unfolding. The French people and the Japanese people prize these shoots and make soup

Rambling 'Round

Bits Of Human Interest News
By Frances Gilbert Frazier

According to articles in the newspapers, we are again shocked by a "baby sitter" tragedy. We have never understood how parents could enjoy an evening's outing knowing that a child of six (sometimes younger) was the sole protector for their children in her care.

But the safety of the youngsters, both baby and sitter, are of paramount importance. There are many women of mature age and responsibility who would gladly act as baby sitters; women who cooperate with any emergency that might arise and in whose care the child would be safely left.

Heard in passing: "When my wife says she will meet me at a certain time, she always does . . . unless she changes her mind in the meantime."

How nice 't would be if only we
Would look for stars that shine above;
And in our mind if we could find
The room for naught but peace and love.
Instead, you know, we look below
And miss the beam of shining sun.
Let's lift our heart and do our part
To make each day a happy one.

Wishes are the clothesline on which we hang our dreams.

Anger is a tattletale and a scandalmonger. It lets out secrets that have been carefully and painstakingly hidden for years. It poses facts that have been sugar coated so long that their true uncovering sickens the victim as well as the person who hurled the little intimate secrets are boldly tossed out to a gaping public.

The tragic part is that anger can be confined but, unfortunately is allowed the run of the house and freedom to do its deadly work. When anger strikes, it's like a swift cut of a razor-sharp sabre leaves a scar that is never entirely effaced.

A friend is one on whose door you never have to knock twice

from them and also cook and eat them like asparagus.

The lettuce saffrage, or as we call it, "Mountain Lettuce," is used for salads all through our mountains. It grows on the borders of streams and in damp places. The leaves can also be stewed with a fatback and make a delicious dish.

The items above are just a sample of the edible wild plants which grow in our mountains. I should be much pleased if readers of this page would write in and tell about the wild plants or berries they know are good to eat.—James G. K. McClure, Jr., in Farmers Federation News.

Letter To Editor

THANKS!
Editor The Mountaineer:
It was a pleasure to be in Waynesville last week.

I always enjoy visiting your fine city. Many thanks for the excellent coverage which you afforded me in your newspaper.

Cordially,
JEFF B. WILSON
Director of Information & Safety
North Carolina Motor Carriers Association, Inc.

Friens Build Home

WICHITA, Kan. (AP)—Friens workers of Max Sissom at the Airplane Company admire the work of the Wichita, who gets by wheelchair, having been blind since he was 4.

When a windstorm bowled the Sissoms' frame house, he phoned he'd be late to working for a place to live.

He got time off—and a crew of 50 volunteer workers are building the Sissoms a home.

than that of other counties. situation in Cumberland presents a problem that the State Supreme Court has not yet been able to solve by ordering more terms.

Cumberland's heavy crowded docket problem has existed for some time, but has grown worse because of an increasing civilian and military population problem. It is one that should be dealt before it gets beyond Cumberland's natural resources.

Being the mother county of one of the nation's largest military bases combined with the drifters that frequent towns and cities near military bases, Cumberland's criminal docket naturally is larger

CROSSWORD

Crossword puzzle grid with clues:
ACROSS
1. Cutting from a plant
5. Stair with a lid
9. Employ for wages
10. French writer
11. Unpleasantly moist
12. City (Me.)
14. Ova
15. Turkish measure
16. 1st note of scale
17. Silver (abbr.)
18. Cry to frighten one
19. Ancient
20. Intermediate classical school
23. S-shape molding
24. Grass cured for fodder
25. Animal's pet
26. Create, as trouble
28. Communion service plates
31. Cherished animal
32. Com. (Jap.)
33. Each (abbr.)
34. Part of "to be"
35. Open (poet.)
36. Stupor
38. A disease of horses
40. Detest
41. Look stily
42. Dwelling
43. Anglo-Saxon serf
44. Pitcher with a lid
DOWN
13. Floated, as a raft
18. Purchase
19. Monster
21. Letter
22. Audience
23. Exterior
25. Cooling device
26. Resorts
27. Place of worship
28. Part of a hammer head
29. Neither masculine nor feminine
30. Rational
32. Slender blade of grass
35. Baking chamber
36. Exhibit
37. Domestic
39. Roman money
42. 5th letter (Heb.)

They'll Do It Every Time By Jimmy Hatlo



THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY

