

Give freely to him that desires and asketh nothing; and that is a blessing to himself.—Euler.

Editorial Page of The Mountaineer

TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Then Daniel answered and said before the king, Let thy gifts be to thyself, and give thy rewards to another; yet I will read the writing unto the king, and make known to him the interpretation.—Daniel 5:17.

Typical Haywood Hospitality

Despite the lack of cooperation on the part of the weatherman, the meeting of District 3 of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs here last week was a marked success. The event was, perhaps, the biggest of the year for women in Haywood County.

Although it was raining felines and canines and an occasional pitchfork outside, the spirits of the women at the First Methodist Church and later at Camp Schaub were not dampened.

Congratulations, then, are due Miss Mary Cornwell, home demonstration agent, and members of all 27 of Haywood County's HDC clubs for furthering this county's reputation as a gracious host or hostess.

And to our guests from Henderson and Transylvania County, may we say we enjoyed having you here, and hope you'll return soon.

Tractor Vs. Horse

As everyone knows, the horse and the mule are no longer the staple sources of work on typical American farms. Agriculture has turned to machines—the remarkably effective products of the farm equipment industry.

A study made by economists at Cornell University shows the reason for the change. According to this, it costs \$282 a year to maintain a team of horses on a farm, including feed, bedding, the labor required to care for the animals, and so on. So, as the Fowler, Kansas, News, observes, "When one considers the low cost of tractors and figures out the hourly cost of using a tractor, he can see that it compares favorably with the cost of using a team of horses, or even mules. That, in short, is the answer to the question of why farmers have been turning from horses and mules to tractors and mechanized equipment."

On top of that, there is simply no comparison between the amount of work modern farm equipment can do in a given period of time as compared with that of even the best and strongest animal teams. The tractors and all the other machines and attachments are in no sense a luxury. They are a necessity to profitable and business-like farming.

The Deadliest Killer

Every American was horrified at the ghastly death toll of the Korean War.

Yet last year alone accidental deaths accounted for three times as many victims as that war. Some 95,000 people died unnecessarily—traffic accidents being the Number 1 killer with 38,000—and 9,600,000 were injured. The economic cost to the nation is estimated at more than \$9,000,000,000.

The president of the National Safety Council made a memorable commentary: "We do not believe that any civilized nation can long endure this tragic and disgraceful waste of manpower and resources from accidents that are avoidable."

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This is just one of the scores of broken places in the pavement on Highway 411 between Cherokee and Newfound Gap.

Plain Dangerous

The above photograph shows the condition of many areas of Highway 411 from Cherokee to Newfound Gap—the only highway which crosses the Smokies.

It is easy to see the dangerous condition of the highway, which is steep and has many sharp curves.

Park officials have made public statements time and time again that the highway is dangerous, and not suited to handle the heavy traffic which is using the road.

The road was built in the early thirties, and was constructed for light traffic. As traffic increased, and heavier vehicles used the road, the sides of the paving began to crumble and break away.

The elements at the high elevation also have worked continuously against the road, with freezing and thawing proving a constant source of wear, plus the steady pounding of traffic.

The road was built by the State of North Carolina, and this road was part of the contribution which the state gave the Department of Interior along with thousands of acres for the Park itself.

The highway situation is becoming critical, and it is apparent that visitors cannot drive safely over such a highway and enjoy the scenery at the same time.

While this area is pushing and seeking a greater influx of visitors, we should be aware of such conditions as exist on the only highway across the Smokies.

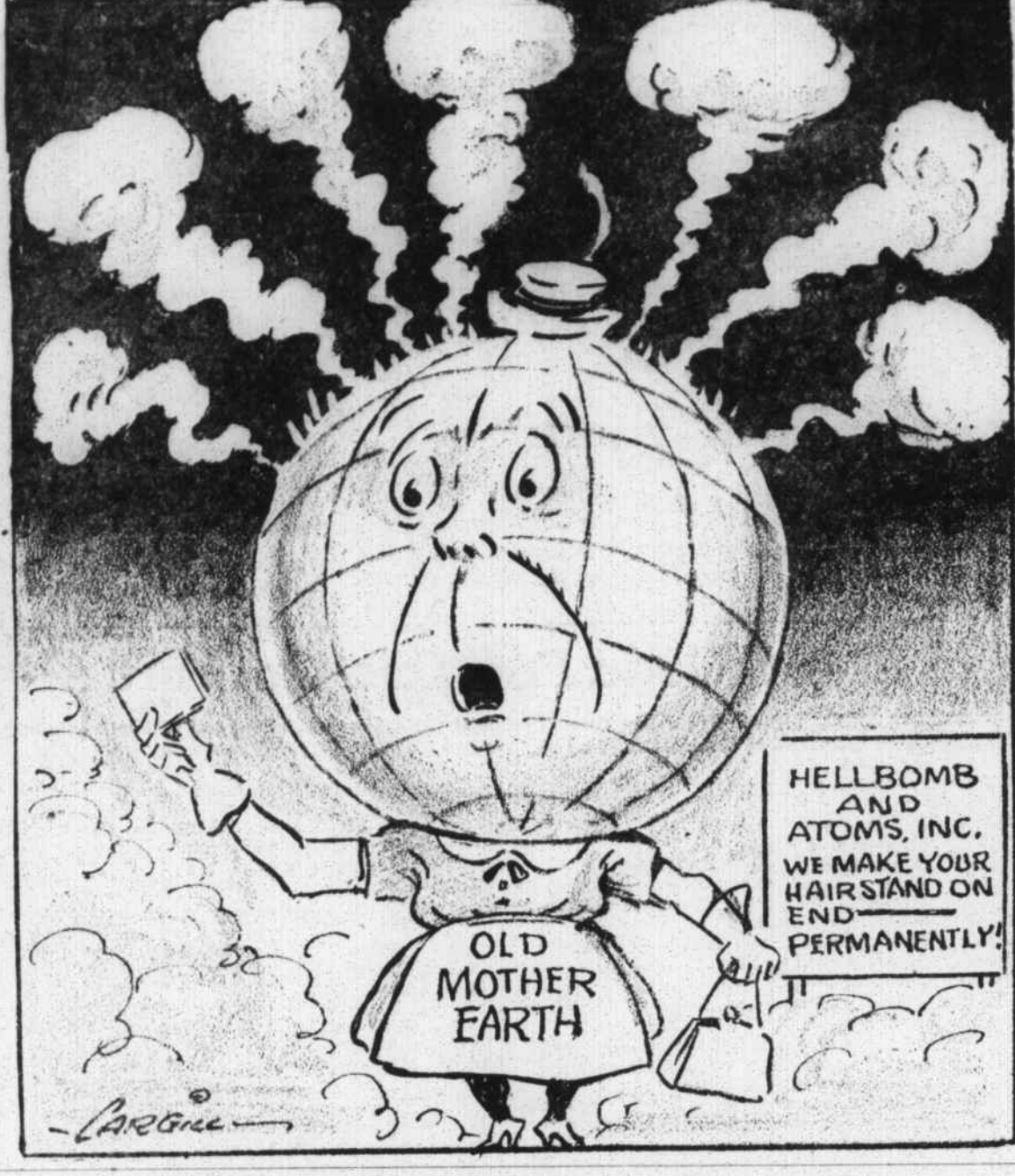
The resurfacing of the present road would provide temporary relief, but not permanent. About the only permanent relief to the dangerous situation is the early completion of the Pigeon River Road to handle the heavy commercial travel, and let Highway 411 take care of those seeking just the mountain scenic trip.

Unless something is done at once, this area will be in a position to get a lot of criticism until the highway is repaired.

Whence Come The Tourists

Ohio sends more tourists to Western North Carolina than any other state, a survey by the Asheville Chamber of Commerce shows. Following in close order are Florida, Virginia, South Carolina, New York, Illinois and Tennessee. The Chamber's survey indicated that the tourist dollar spreads rapidly through the entire economy, being broken down as follows: meals 29c, lodging 20c, transportation 21c, amusements and admissions 12c and retail purchases 18 cents.

'NEW LOOK'



Looking Back Over The Years

- 20 YEARS AGO**
M. H. Bowles is re-elected superintendent of Waynesville Schools.
Men are working day and night to complete the building for the \$25,000 creamery to be established here.
Dr. R. H. Stretcher is named president of the Rotary Club.
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Massie entertain with bridge dinner in celebration of their tenth wedding anniversary.
- 10 YEARS AGO**
Ralph Prevost is elected president of the Chamber of Commerce.
Charles Ray heads Rotary Club for the coming year.
Miss Sue Willard Lindsley returns from trip to Orlando, Fla.
Mrs. H. C. Ferguson returns from a visit with relatives in Washington, D. C.
Mrs. L. J. Cannon of Beaverdam Township assumes duties as secretary in the office of the county home demonstration agent.
- 5 YEARS AGO**
Mrs. N. M. Medford is hostess of a miscellaneous shower honoring Miss Eloise Martin, bride-elect.
Hilliard D. Moody is building house for 40,000 chicks on the Dellwood Road.
Robert Platt is elected adjutant of the American Legion Post No. 47.
Jean Ann Bradley is elected secretary of the Brenau College Student Government Association.

Views of Other Editors

SASSAFRAS IS SIMPLER
To those who, fed up with high price of coffee, to the point where they feel action is in order, it may be comforting to know that there is a way to beat the growers, importers, speculators, or others responsible for the high price of America's favorite beverage—and maybe make a few dollars in the process.
Of course, it will take a bit of doing, and a bit of time, too, but there is good reason to believe that if it becomes necessary residents of this area can grow their own.
A Bolivian district farm agent, Claudio Salinas Perez, visiting recently in Spartanburg, let the word out there that he was sure some varieties of coffee could be successfully cultivated in the Spartanburg area, even though most varieties do best in the tropics.
Climate here being substantially the same as in Spartanburg, what with the Thermal Belt, it would seem that Rutherford counties could, in about five years, and with a considerable amount of rather tedious labor, be producing their own coffee.
On the other hand, a simpler solution for those of us for whom coffee is setting too expensive would probably be to convert to sassafras tea.
—Rutherford County News.

UGLY ROADSIDES
In an editorial entitled "Ugly Dangerous Roadsides," the Winston-Salem Journal says:
The State of North Carolina is spending millions upon millions of dollars to modernize its highway system. Yet the state is doing little or nothing to protect its new multi-million dollar roads from unsightly and dangerous developments.
We spend millions on our roads; we spend millions to attract tourists. But we spend little or nothing to make those roadsides attractive, or even to allow them to be as attractive as nature made them.

NOT TILL ELECTED
The story goes that the late Mr. Phil McRae of Western Harnett was named at a county Democratic convention for surveyor.
One of the boys who had previously been elected to the legislature undertook to razz Mr. Phil.
"Why, Mr. Phil, you are not a surveyor," he said.
Mr. Phil came back with: "When I'm elected I will be. You were not a legislator until you were elected, were you?"
—Harnett County News.

IT PAYS TO GIVE
It costs the state of North Carolina approximately \$1,000 a year to handle and supervise a juvenile delinquent, according to qualified sources of information. It costs approximately \$10 a year to keep a youngster actively engaged in Boy Scout work.
Youngsters who are active in Scouting seldom, if ever, become juvenile delinquents. In the light of those facts, donations made to the Boy Scouts are excellent investments, a good thought to keep in mind when the Scouters come around soon to request gifts for their work.
Nearly 700 boys and young men of Rutherford county enjoyed the activities of Cub Scouting. Boy Scouting and Exploring during the past year. Thirteen troops attended the Piedmont Council camp last summer. More than 1,100 advancements were earned by Rutherford Scouts, including merit badges.
These boys and young men were being kept busy in a healthy activity that left no time for the idleness that breeds delinquents. At the same time they were receiving the moral training and leadership that builds good citizens. They represent a program that deserves strong support.
—Rutherford County News.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE
What do you think of the idea of charging an admission fee to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park?
Ed Hawkins, Jr., co-owner, Price & Hawkins Gulf Service Station, Canton—"I think it would be a grand idea if the money is used accordingly."
Mrs. Betty Gold, manager, Mountain View Inn, Asheville Rd.—"It would be nice. The Government has put a lot of money into the Park and should get something out of it now that it is well established."
Mrs. Frank Hietter, manager, Oak Park Motor Inn, Waynesville—"I would think charging would keep the great masses of people out who now visit the park. It would especially stop those who had seen the Smokies once. They wouldn't be too likely to come back whereas now many people go through the park every year. It's sort of hard to charge for the things nature gives us."
Mrs. Pritchard Smith, Jr., Balsam Rd., Hazelwood—"I'm not in favor of it. I think it would keep some of the people away and wouldn't be good for this whole section which is trying to attract the tourist trade."

U.S. AND RUSSIAN STEEL
Annual World Steel Production 255 Million Tons

U.S. 111.6 Million Tons
U.S.S.R. 41.8 Million Tons

SOURCE: AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL INSTITUTE

Rambling 'Round

—Bits Of Human Interest News—
By Frances Gilbert Frazier

We are going to break an unwritten rule with us. We are to repeat an article we wrote several years ago, but it is just right to tell it over again. This is a trial story.

A little girl about six was anticipating the Easter morning feverish anticipation. Her wardrobe for the occasion was a brand new dress from the store; and to make it all the more so her little Easter dress was an exact replica of the dress that one her mother was to wear, and the little girl could hardly get in the Easter parade.

But alas. One of those freak snow storms descended and Easter morn dawned dark, dreary and gloomy. Her mother's disappointment, her mother let the little girl out on her own and wear it all day. But the child spent the day sitting in a window in a futile hope that the sun would come forth and one would come in. As the daylight closed in a darkness, the little child opened wide the front door, and with a "Please, just one person go by so I can show them my best dress."

The little red hen, scratching in the scattered feed lot as a plane swept majestically overhead, "What beats me soliloquized, "is where those things find trees big enough to in."

Little Mary was interestedly watching her mother's eggs. As the brilliantly colored eggs were lined up on the table, she quired, "When are you going to make the black ones?" Her astonished, repeated: "Black ones? Why, honey, and name of eggs black." The child looked puzzled, then she said, "I don't know, mie, it says on the package 'very (vari) colored'."

Inconsistency of life: A fly will travel miles and miles, and down a window pane trying to get out. Open the window and a dumb thing will travel miles and miles, up and down, and get back in.

One of the most interesting, to us, programs on the radio we accidentally stumbled on while scouting over the radio one night. It is called "The author meets the critic," and consists of selected people of literary repute who act as panel and are chosen for the criticism. The author also is present and at time to defend his brain child. It is a most enlightening and interesting program, and gives the listener an opportunity to side information on a new book and its author. It also gives intense desire to read the book and determine whether you or a con.

FOR EXCHANGE: A nice warm radiator for a nice refrigerator.

Letters To Editor

AGAINST PARK TOLL
Editor, The Mountaineer:
Dr. Kelly Bennett of Bryson City, chairman of the North Carolina Park, Parkway and Forest Development Commission is entitled to the highest commendation possible for the bold stand he has taken against tolls for admission to the Great Smoky Mountain National Park.
It is regrettable that much of the beauty and grandeur of the natural world about us is being commercialized. We pay tolls for admission to many of our National Parks. We pay tolls for admission to the Mammoth Cave, with its store of dazzling beauty and wonders. We pay toll for admission to the Natural Bridge in Virginia. We pay tolls for admission to Chimney Rock in our neighboring county.
Here in Western North Carolina and specifically within the area of the Smokies, we have some of the most beautiful and the grandest awe-inspiring natural scenery in the world. Not even excepting that of Switzerland.
Dr. Bennett is right. We should let the visitors go into the Park and behold the beauty and glory of our mountains without a charge.
R. E. Sentelle.

APPRECIATION FOR EDITORIAL
Editor, The Mountaineer:
On behalf of the Haywood County Medical Society I wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for your recent editorial concerning the Day. At a time when the profession is under frequent unfavorable comments by other groups or another group, it is indeed a pleasure to have your praise and feel that some of our members are indeed appreciated. Please accept our thanks.
Yours very truly,
J. Frank Hammon,
President, Haywood County Medical Society

Anybody Seen Fish No. MO-1000?
PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—to fish in the Colorado River Chamber of Commerce has led a reward for the trout with tag MO-1000. It's all part of a scheme by Arizona Fishes Dick Wagner. He has placed trout in various parts of the state. Most of the fish have been released.
The purpose of the plan is to gain information on migration distance and plus the ability of these raised fish to assimilate food.
The one with tag MO-1000 weighs 3 1/4 pounds and is inches long. It was released by Davis Dam.

CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
1. Watchfulness
5. Nocturnal birds
9. Coin (Gr.)
10. Worry unnecessarily
11. Struck
12. A five-dollar bill (slang)
14. Part of "to be"
15. Ovum
17. Glacial snow
18. Animal's pelt
20. Citizens of New England
22. Boy's jacket
24. Chum
25. Rock garden plant
27. Household spirits (Rom. myth.)
31. Cry, as a cow
33. Mend, as a hole
34. Coverlets
38. Man's nickname
39. Heed
40. Confer knighthood upon
42. The (Fr. article)
43. Indian coins
45. Kind of pine tree
47. Acts (L.)
48. Shower
49. Anglo-Saxon court
50. Pieced out
- DOWN**
1. Ride back and forth to work
2. Finnish method of learning
3. Method of learning
4. Funeral song
5. Away
6. Creased
7. Artificial river embankment
8. Man's nickname
11. Strongboxes
13. Thing, in law
16. Breach
19. Pole
21. Scold persistently
23. Count by numbers
26. Extinct bird (N. Z.)
28. Seize
29. Former name of Erie
30. Inside
32. Strange name
34. Chinese silk
35. Of punishment

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They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

JONQUILL IS AN EXPERT ON LABOR RELATIONS—CUPID HE PLAYS TO LABOR AND MANAGEMENT...

BUT ON THE HOME FRONT HIS BATTING AVERAGE IS STRICTLY NO HITS, NO RUNS, NO NOTHIN'!!

THIS IS JONQUILL

I QUIT!! I DON'T HAVE TO TAKE ANY GUFF

B-BUT--

THAT'S THE THIRD MAID WHO'S WALKED OUT ON US IN TWO MONTHS!

THANK AND A TIP OF THE HAT TO WM. TERMINELLO OF BELMONT DR. LIVINGSTON

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