

A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good. - Prov. 16:29.

The first great gift we can give others is a good example.

Winter Arrival In A Hurry

In the language of a football coach, winter hit hard, fast and low the first of last week. The snow on the mountainsides presented a picture which many people had never seen before, because most of the leaves are still on the trees.

The realistic folk could see more than just the white covering of snow. They could see the snow eventually flowing into wells and springs which have become dry over the extended drought of the late summer and fall.

To the fire fighters in the forests, the blanket of snow meant added protection to the powder-dry leaves which in some areas have been smouldering for weeks.

Somehow, Mother Nature always provides, in time, what we sometimes become so impatient in seeking.

Junoalaska

There were some folks up at Lake Junaluska this summer, according to University Professor Olin T. Mouzon, who lost a maid somewhere, and there is only one mysterious and rather startling clue to her whereabouts. The people had arranged for the maid to come up to their place at Junaluska in June, and she didn't show up. July came and went, and no maid, August passed, no maid.

(Chuck Houser in Chapel Hill weekly)

36 Years After November 11, 1918

Thursday will be Armistice Day, and unfortunately, it will be just another day, except for the observance by the closing of the post offices, banks, and other public offices.

The event of 36 years ago, still means much to many a soldier of World War I, to parents of those men, and to those who were made widows and half-orphans by the conflict.

The wars in which America has engaged during the 36-year period since 1918, has to some degree, partially erased the memory of World War I from the minds of many of the younger generations. But the fact remains, that November 11, 1918 will always remain as an important date in the history of America and the world.

And in the absence of any formal programs, every American should take the time on the eleventh to meditate, and think back to the end of the conflict which has left an indelible mark on the world.

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Monday Afternoon, November 8, 1954

Governor William B. Umstead

In the span of a few short months, North Carolina has lost by death, two U. S. Senators and a governor.

The sudden passing of Governor William B. Umstead Sunday morning came as a shock to the people of North Carolina, although it has been realized for some time that he was a sick man—much sicker than he would let be known, because he was a man who refused to quit.

Governor Umstead suffered a heart attack soon after taking the oath of office in January, 1953, and he has not enjoyed what a layman could call a "well day" since that time.

Governor Umstead took all his duties and responsibilities seriously. He lived his program of progress while in Congress as a representative, and Senator, as well as while Governor since 1953.

His interest and his labors in behalf of the people he represented, no doubt, shortened his life. He knew no other program than to give his best, even his all, for the people and state he loved.

The Mountaineer feels North Carolina is fortunate in having a man with as many qualifications as Luther Hodges to step into the governor's chair, and head this great state.

Sousa's Music Still Causes Us To Pat Our Feet

A deeper appreciation for good music has been acquired here in Waynesville in the past 15 years, due in part, to the interest in the high school band.

At almost every concert, or public appearance of one of the bands, there is likely to be a march by the famous John Phillip Sousa. And in that connection, it is interesting to note that Sousa was born 100 years ago last Saturday—November 6th.

Few men have written band music which stirred men and women like that of Sousa's. Sousa became a member of the Marine band at 13. He told his father he was going to join a circus, but instead, slipped over to talk to the commander of the Marines. He served seven years with the band as an apprentice musician before returning to civilian life.

Later when he became conductor of the Marine Band, he saw many of his marches gain prominence in the musical world, and he acquired the title of "March King."

President Chester A. Arthur requested Sousa to write something to take the place of "Hail to the Chief." The band leader wrote "Presidential Polonaise" for White House indoor affairs, and "Semper Fidelis" for outside reviews.

Sousa was a diplomat, and once while on a southern tour with the Marine Band, found hospitality a bit chilly. He arranged his concert program with "Dixie" between every number, and he had a successful tour, and the South loved him, as did Americans everywhere.

After leaving the Marine Band to become a director for a private concert at more than four times the military salary, he went on tour in Europe, and at one concert had an audience of 152,709 paid admissions.

He re-enlisted for the duration of World War I and after the Armistice, began his 50-week tour a year, and then cut down to the July-December tours. In the off season he played golf at Pinchurst, and wrote more music.

On March 6, 1932, the 78-year-old band leader conducted a band rehearsal. That night he passed away.

One writer of Sousa's life said that the man who created music which stirred the spirit of America in the hearts of millions was patriotic to the end.

He died in the Abraham Lincoln Hotel, in Reading, Pa.

A NEW DAY NOVEMBER 11, 1954 by BRUCE CATTON 1954 Pulitzer Prize Winner Author of "A Stillness at Appomattox" A long time ago, Rudyard Kipling remarked that the soldier is a national hero during a war and a forgotten man as soon as peace comes. In a democracy, that is only natural. We have no militaristic tradition and we do not want one. The citizen-soldier steps forward in emergency to do his duty—doing it so heroically and faithfully, incidentally, that to date he has always turned out to be a better fighter than the hopped-up, over-drilled professionals from the totalitarian states.

Looking Back Through The Years

20 YEARS AGO Fire completely destroys barn of John M. Queen in the Ratcliffe Cove section. The Rev. W. A. Rollins assumes duties as presiding elder of the Waynesville district of the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Medford spent Monday in town. Little Miss Carol Louise Bell has masqueraded dinner party. June Smathers returns from Chicago where he has been residing for several months.

Highland Flings

By Bob Conway

One lone Cub Scout in a large gathering of some 75 Girl Scouts managed to save the day (it was the night, to be exact) for his female compatriots recently. It all happened at the Girl Scout Hut during a candle light ceremony. After giving the devotional for the program, the Rev. James Y. Perry, rector of Grace Episcopal Church, had other matters to attend to and was preparing to leave the building. To his embarrassment, however, he found the latch was apparently broken and the door would not open from the inside. Complicating the situation was the fact that windows leading out on the front porch were barred.

However, somebody had a happy inspiration, so Rev. Perry leaned out a side window and deposited nine-year-old Lanny Rollman, a Cub Scout, on the ground. Lanny then went around to the front door and let the minister out and kept the door ajar for the later exit of the Girl Scouts. The door latch has been fixed now, so Lanny will have to look elsewhere to do his daily good deed.

In the comparatively few years we have been in Waynesville, the appearance of Main St. has been improved considerably and we should be able to expect further improvement in years to come.

However, one thing that can't be said for our main thoroughfare is that it's wide. Thus, it should be obvious to everyone concerned that there's no room for double parking—but some people still persist in blocking traffic and disregarding the rights of others.

True, it is difficult sometimes to find a parking place when you intend to be in a store or office only a few minutes, but if everybody were as thoughtless as the few who

5 YEARS AGO Fertilizer manufacturers from Atlanta, Ga., purchase five acres of the Welch Farm for new fertilizer plant here. Miss Nina Elise DeLozier becomes bride of Joseph Hardy Palmer. Mrs. James L. Kilpatrick goes to New York for a visit with friends. Norma Jane Burgin and Barbara Ann Boyd, students at Brenau College, spend weekend at their homes. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Prevost go to New York for Carolina-Notre Dame

Political Backfire

ROCHESTER, N. H. (AP) — Even a governor can pull a boner. Gov. Hugh Gregg, presiding at a recent toll road hearing, gave the floor to Mrs. Noreen Winkley. Holding her infant in her arms, the woman asked if she could talk from her seat. Richard F. Cooper, former GOP state chairman, came to the rescue, offered to hold the baby. "He will probably grow up to be a good Republican now," quipped Gregg.

Easy Move

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Here's one way to "leave town." Mr. and Mrs. Arnold J. Volkmer petitioned to have their residence, located at the edge of the village of Waverly, Neb., de-annexed from the village. They contended the property was an "isolated extension" of the city limits and that they were paying village taxes deriving village benefits. The Waverly Board of Trustees and Lancaster District Judge Harry R. Ankey approved.

British Railways claim to be the busiest in the world, operating daily 40,000 passenger trains, transporting nearly three million passengers and one million tons of freight.

Library be located in the parking lot between the Haywood Furniture Store and the Western Auto Store. Sounds like an ideal spot.

Here's some new misspellings we've spotted lately (maybe the culprits have been reading Uncle Abe):

"Rhode" for "Rhode" (as in Rhode Island Red); "batnams" for "bantams"; "Appalatian" for "Appalachian" and "Mountianeer" for "Mountaineer."

Rambling 'Round

By Frances Gilbert Frazier

Now that the contestants have advanced, and returned arena has been cleared of torn and battered balloons, the return to normalcy. Not all the dust has settled back into the election speakers.

Many a spoken word has boomeranged back to the speaker. It will be some time before all the bumps disappear.

This election, although not supposed to be spectacular, developed to be as unexpected as even a presidential election. It was a highly advertised occasion and lived up to its promises. But now the shouting is over, so the networks can stop glorifying of the disk jockey and his assortment of records and the rest of us can turn our attention to the next coming of Christmas.

Heard in passing: "I don't see why she should be so. It isn't HER husband."

Little bits collected from the election scrap bag. "If a Democrat answers, hang up." "It's a long, long trail of mud thrown by candidates; the deep breath of appreciation won't have to go through this again for two years. Maybe the candidates will be happier knowing they can now go about their private interests, and probably will live a lot longer than had gone back in office.

Loose papers acting almost human as they swirl in circles.

A lonely leaf swayed in the wind. On a denuded tree. It made a face at the strong breeze. And said: "You can't lose me." The angry wind then blew us hard. The leaf fell down kerplow. "Well, anyway," it softly sighed. "I'm good to the last drop."

Tragedy in a few words: "We once were close friends, any more."

Voice of the People

What impressed you most about your trip to Champion? (Answers by WTHS Seniors.)

Ted Rogers—"The thing that impressed me most was the huge scale on which all the different processes were done, such as the large pulpers, paper driers, and etc." Marguerite Russ—"The thing with which I was most impressed on our recent trip to Champion was the large size of the whole plant in general. I was also much impressed with the quantity as well as the quality of the different types of paper. It is hard to realize

Pauline Inman—"I was impressed by the business of the general and the employees. The courtesy shown to us also impressed me very much. Another thing that they utilized every wood." Don Shaw—"I think the interesting thing was the variety of all the workers' jobs in order to keep production."

Inside WASHINGTON

MARCH OF EVENTS Did U. S. Urge Chiang Not to Try Invasion Now? State's Robertson Visit to Formosa

WASHINGTON—The State department is keeping many reports persist that the United States talked General Chiang Kai-shek out of trying to invade the Chinese mainland this time. Walter Robertson, assistant secretary of state, was seriously dispatched to Taipei, capital of Formosa, Chiang's last stronghold, and his trip was not even announced until his destination.

The department was flooded with questions from newsmen about the matter but each and every query was met with just about the same answer: "No comment." When Robertson returned from his visit to Formosa, he denied that his mission was the generalissimo not to start anything. However, the able diplomat did admit his mission was "very fruitful" and that he would persist in Washington and Taipei that he succeeded in persuading the generalissimo to postpone any invasion attempt for the being, at least.

NO POLITICS—The Eisenhower administration will crack down hard on violators of campaign laws during this year's congressional campaign. Particular attention will be given to persons (such as federal employees) and organizations (such as exempt foundations) that are banned from politics. The tax-exempt foundations are under extremely close scrutiny. A number of them have, in the past, abused their privileged status in various political fights. However, this year they are under a stern warning by Revenue Service Commissioner T. Coleman Andrews. He has his field offices to keep an eye out for violators, reminding the foundations must "not participate in, or intervene in, the publishing or distributing of statements, any political action on behalf of any political candidate for public office." The penalty for violation? Loss of the organization's tax status. And most of them could not exist without it.

PLAYING IT SAFE—Both of the major political parties are more than a little confused at this point. Republican and Democratic national committees have been inclined, as usual, to make statements on any and all developments but in numerous cases appears that both sides are just plain "running scared." This frantic activity was highlighted a few days ago by a usually hurried attempt to get there first with the best news result was that a Washington news agency received an embargoed Western Union messenger bearing the usual bold-face statement. Inside there was a folded sheet bearing the same message on the top. Otherwise, the page was completely blank.

POWER PROBE—Republicans face an all-out investigation of controversial Dixon-Yates power contract if the Democrats take control of the House in the Nov. 2 elections. Democratic leaders believe the investigation would probe the broadened to cover the entire public utilities field. A similar investigation during the Roosevelt administration rocked the nation. The Dixon-Yates contract is first on the agenda, however. This is the contract for private power in the Tennessee Valley Authority area which President Truman ordered the Atomic Energy commission to approve over the objection of three of the five commissioners. Subsequently, one of the commissioners resigned and the AEC gave its approval.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

