

Thus saith the Lord, After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem.—Jeremiah 13:9.

Editorial Page of the Mountaineer

In darkness there is no change that enables us to see the difference of things; and it is Christ that gives us light.—J. C. and A.

Asheville Is Showing Spirit Of Being Selfish And Ungrateful

When Mr. Webster compiled his dictionary, little did he realize that his definitions of selfish and ungrateful were not broad enough to cover the unfortunate attitude of some groups in Asheville relative to a highway project in some neighboring counties, especially to the west and south.

Mr. Webster gave as his definition of selfish, "caring too much for oneself; caring too little for others; characterized by or showing care solely or chiefly for oneself."

For ungrateful, Mr. Webster defines it by saying: "not grateful, not thankful, unpleasant, disagreeable."

Using both words in their truest sense as defined by Mr. Webster, and taking the present attitude of some groups in Asheville, it must be assumed that these groups are showing both a selfish and ungrateful attitude in that they are trying desperately to further block construction of the Pigeon River Road by staging a delayed action policy in seeking a hold-up of decision by the Federal Bureau of Public Roads on the interstate route.

We use the word selfish first, because some Asheville groups have said they are afraid some traffic might be diverted around Asheville if the Pigeon River Road is constructed. If these groups would listen to reason, and stick to facts, instead of jumping at conclusions, they would find that the official terminal points of the interstate highway is Knoxville-Asheville.

Their proven attitude of selfishness could be expounded at length, but let's go to the next word, which we have used in describing their attitude — ungrateful.

How many prosperous firms in Asheville today would be in business if it were not for business from west of the French Broad River?

How many wholesalers and distributors could remain in business long if it were not for the steady stream of their merchandise flowing westward to Haywood and adjoining counties?

How many Haywood Street firms, as well as Patton Avenue, and automotive firms would show such volume in business if it were not for the business from across the French Broad?

For an answer, we'll quote the manager of one of the largest retail firms in Asheville, as he said: "If it were not for the business we get from the west of Asheville, we would have to curtail operations more than half, or perhaps close entirely."

Such facts as these only add up to prove that it is bad business judgment to fight the hand that feeds you.

Yet there exists in Asheville a group of people who do not appreciate the fact that the area west of Asheville is keeping them in

It Is Time Asheville Faced Some Facts

Asheville is always seeking more tourists, especially in the fall, winter and spring, yet the very organization that is spending thousands of dollars in an effort to get tourists during these months is fighting the very essential project that will bring the visitors to them.

Does Asheville know that no northern motor club will now direct north-south traffic through Western North Carolina mountains in the winter?

Does Asheville know that the construction of the Pigeon River Road would provide an all-weather, all-winter route, which would be recognized by all motor clubs for travel 365 days a year?

Does Asheville know that there is no other route possible through the mountains from Western North Carolina to Eastern Tennessee that would provide such year-round travel?

Does Asheville know that West Buncombe property would enhance in value because of the Pigeon River Road?

If Asheville knows these facts, then why act contrary to them; if the facts are new, then its time to get busy and face them squarely.

A Job Well Done

Cpl. Pritchard Smith is due more than just a mere "thank you" for his arrest of three men who had staged numerous hold-ups with firearms throughout several states.

The men are in jail, and no doubt will be there for a long time which will at least temporarily stop their lawless ways.

After the men were arrested, it was the diligent work and careful study of every detail by Cpl. Smith and others, which finally broke the case wide open, and confessions began to flow.

There will be more than 20 fairs held in North Carolina during October, we learn through the State News Bureau. The list shows the two largest are the State Fair in Raleigh and the Southern States Fair at Charlotte, but the most unusual is the 38th annual Cherokee Indian Fair at Cherokee, featuring exhibits of Cherokee crafts and contests featuring the blow-gun and Indian ball or stickball.

DEFINED

Matrimony: An institution in which a man loses his bachelor's degree and his wife acquires a master's—The U. S. Coast Guard Magazine.

business, and instead of trying to help that area prosper, and be in a position to spend more money with them, they are trying to curb them; block a progressive move recognized for 34 years as essential.

It is time for Asheville to wake up to their mistakes, and throw off their selfish and ungrateful attitudes.

They might be interested in knowing that the area west of Asheville is tired of being smothered, and being treated as a red-headed step-child. We have become of age.

We have become more independent than at any time in history. We are tolerant, but we are tired of the yoke of oppression upon us.

We are for area development, and hate to have a quarrel with a neighbor, but we were going along peacefully, when they tried a sneak attack aimed at retarding our present and future prosperity. In the language of this area it means stand up for your rights—stand up and fight to the finish, and Asheville might as well realize that this area is presenting a united front in doing just that.

We trust Asheville will come to their senses and realize their mistakes before a reconciliation is too late.

LONGER ROPE



Looking Back Through The Years

20 YEARS AGO

Rotary Club will entertain Boosters Club in first of a series of inter-city club meetings.

Frank Underwood wins engraved gold watch as prize presented by Ford Motor Co. for service rendered during the past few months.

Miss Mildred Crawford and Miss Sue Willard Lindsley spend day in Asheville.

10 YEARS AGO

M. G. Stamey grows pumpkin vine with 19 pumpkins.

Capt. Rufus Carswell receives honorable discharge from the Army.

Flight Officer Richard L. Bradley is honorably discharged from active duty with the Air Forces.

Miss Sarah L. Leatherwood is assigned to Kennedy General Hospital, Memphis, Tenn. with the American Red Cross.

5 YEARS AGO

Vanar W. Haynes, mayor of Clyde, is recalled to active duty in the Air Force.

Moody Rulane, Inc. moves into new home on North Main Street.

Methodist Conference opens in Asheville.

Miss Jane Sherrill Thompson weds George A. Miller in Washington, D. C.

M. T. Bridges attends Graphic Arts Exposition in Chicago.

Highland Flings

By Bob Conway

Several weeks ago while your writer was still a bachelor, we wrote a column deploring the cold shoulder that bridegrooms always get on the society page.

Apparently our complaints reached the right ears because the old Highland Flinger really got the full treatment while we were honeymooning at Snowbird Mountain Lodge.

Returning here last week, we found that Mountaineer staffers in our absence got their craniums together and came up with a deluxe account of our side of the Lake Junaluska nuptials September 10, featuring a picture of your writer edged in funeral black.

The story was a long one, so we'll quote typical excerpts therefrom:

"His pin-striped trousers were tailored to fit by Andre Petain of Paris... his shoes were of black patent leather with individual designing and laces of durable Daeron... in his hip pocket he carried a leather hand-tooled billfold of original design by a crafting firm in Hazelwood.

"Swinging from his left shoulder was a camera bag, equipped with a Kodak camera, an enormous supply of flash bulbs, and a news reporter's memo pad. In his right hand he carried a little brown jug of sparkle water."

"The bride wore a white dress." "After the reception, the couple left for a wedding trip, the groom driving his 1951 black Oldsmobile, which had just been washed and waxed for the occasion."

"For his going-away outfit the groom changed to his Army khaki service uniform and trench coat. In case of emergency, his dunnies were carefully folded and placed in the rear compartment."

"The groom was unable to attend the rehearsal party on Friday night preceding the wedding due to a previous commitment to cover the football game between the Waynesville Mountaineers and the Sylva Golden Hurricanes."

Just which of our Mountaineer colleagues are responsible for this literary extravaganza is something we have not yet been able to determine, but we are continuing an investigation of the incident and expect to break the case within 48

hours. According to unofficial reports, only 50 copies of this special edition were run off the press — far short of the number needed to satisfy the heavy demand.

One bit of advice we'd like to pass on to future bridegrooms concerns the artistic adornment of the newlyweds' car, which is practiced most enthusiastically in these mountains.

In this matter, trust no one—not even your bride, who may be a veteran automotive decorator herself. If you have any plans for hiding your gas buggy, mum's the word.

Above all, don't go around bragging that nobody is going to lay a finger on YOUR car. (We did just that, but raiding parties ambushed our Oldsmobile at midnight on a Friday and at noon Saturday.)

Loans For Teens

CHICAGO (AP)—Teen-age loan seekers are encouraged to borrow from the First Commercial Bank since it established its "Teen Age Loan Fund."

Harold H. Stout, president of the bank, said no co-signers or guarantees of any kind are required and only the integrity of teen-agers is necessary for a loan.

Three teen-agers are members of the fund's administrative board.

Metal for bells often is 74 to 85 per cent copper and 15 to 26 per cent tin.

Although it's not in Haywood County, we would like to say a good word about Snowbird Mountain Lodge, which is one of Western North Carolina's finest rustic retreats. It's on a mountaintop in Snowbird Range—just a possum trot from Joyce Kilmer National Forest, about 12 miles from Robbinville.

Rambling 'Round

By Frances Gilbert Frazier

Once upon a time there was a man who loved money anything else in the world... even more than his own. His transactions seemed to be within the legal bounds of them really had a shady tinge. He would stoop to any trickery to add to his financial gain. People, whose names he wiped out, told him that greed would be his destruction. He laughed and said there was no trouble that money couldn't buy.

He had been too busy making money to get married. He was 43, and had amassed a fortune, he took unto himself in due course of events she bore him a son. Now, the man who had been so busy making money, had time to devote to his idols to worship... money and his son. He lavished upon the boy, bought him the finest clothes and sent him to the best schools and when his son was sixteen, he gave him the most expensive automobile on the market. He didn't wince at paying out, he said this was an investment... one that would repay itself. But he never gave his son any money for he did not want to acquire the habit of spending.

Then came the end of the boy's college career and he graduated with highest honors. His father's pride and satisfaction was bursting point. Now, he'd show the scoffers what money could do. He would take his son in the firm as junior partner and he would command the financial world.

The day after the graduation while the man was over the success of his manipulation of his son's life, he told him his son had been killed... shot as he tried to after fatally beating an old woman and robbing her of her money. Here was one trouble that money couldn't buy off.

An oculist and an optimist have one thing in common: they help to make you see things better.

At the rate these hurricanes are entering into our area it won't be long before we will exhaust the alphabet. As they grow in intensity, the X may prove to be ex-ist.

A spoiled egg is like a piece of scandal; after it is broken there is nothing that can be done except try to get rid of it as quickly as possible.

One of the chief joys of the new magazines are the colored pictures, both with the stories and advertising. The inexpensive food store copies have as lovely exhibits as more expensive sisters.

We have developed a deep-seated admiration for the work of Whitcomb and his work can be found in almost every issue of the magazine. His ability to bring right into your life the personality of the leading characters in the story of illustrating, is uncanny. You just naturally stop and read after seeing the marvelously depicted drawing that strikes the minute you turn the page.

Every one crosses a Bridge of Sighs.

Rain Brings New Snake

PITTSBURGH (AP)—The heavy rains of recent weeks have brought much havoc to this state—and also a new snake.

The Pennsylvania Herpetological Survey, sponsored by Carnegie Museum, discovered the new snake. It was the first such discovery in Pennsylvania in 62 years.

The snake, evidently, only comes out of the ground in very rainy weather. It lives mostly in mountain areas. Rather appropriately it's been named "Mountain Ground Snake" with the scientific tag of "Halda Valeriae Purchra."

Neil D. Richmond of the survey says the snake, never growing longer than 12 inches, is of reddish brown color with black specks.

No Manana

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (AP)—Members of the New Mexico Manufacturers Assn. have advocated the abandonment of the traditional "manana" of New Mexico's Spanish-speaking heritage and advocated making it a "today" state.

The association said recently "every businessman who has seen it to take a membership should fully realize the time to act must be now to promote our great state for what it is."

Riders on the Madrid subway average 241 rides a year compared with 199 on New York and 223 on the Paris subways.

Voice of the People

What do you think of serious driving fault?

Sidney Truesdale: "Of road it is speeding, traffic I think it is through a yellow light."

S. E. Connatser: "So disregard for others."

Mrs. Carleton Peterson: "Lack of courtesy to others."

Mrs. Lester Burgett: "Give signals."

Hub Ruff: "Speeding, other cars quickly overtake."

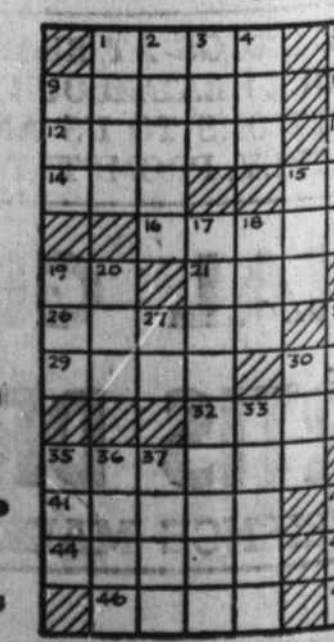
Larry Cagle: "Driving."

Likes 'Em Reg

PULASKI, Va. (AP)—Wright says one of the best is producing fruit like grapes. About 100 are in each bush, breaking the limits of what you know how to stay

CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
1. Moved rapidly
2. Gang
3. Possessing heat
4. Marry
5. Celerity
6. Motive
7. Always
8. Take dinner
9. Malt beverage
10. Block for shaping metal
11. Man's nickname
12. Crippled
13. Settling
14. Hole in a needle
15. Cubic meters
16. Conceal
17. Music note
18. Pole
19. Humble
20. Constellation
21. In what manner
22. Gang
23. Half an em
24. Past
25. Cry of a cat
26. Erbium (sym.)
27. American Indian
28. Sesame as bread
29. Ecclesiastical vestment
30. A rail
31. Small cut
32. Shades of a bright color



They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



FORESTRY—U.S.A.

