



# THE GAB BAG

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## THIS AND THAT

Simpson, returning to Elkin from the beach last Sunday with a five-gallon container of sea water which he intended to evaporate in order to get the salt, stopped along the highway when he saw a tired, perspiring motorist working to fix a tire.

"Got a flat tire?" Simpson asked as he rolled to a stop.

"Oh no," replied the weary motorist, "I just jacked up the car to let the wheel rest."

We reckon when the infantile paralysis epidemic is over the mayors of Elkin and Jonesville will sort of have to unproclamate.

Last week's proclamation concerning infantile paralysis will more than likely keep a lot of grown-ups from church and Sunday school but we'll bet they'll figure there's no danger in going to the movies.

The new service station down next to Turner's goes to show what adequate lighting can do in making a town more attractive at night. Brightly lighted streets are one of a town's best advertisements.

True story?: A man and his wife in a tiny town some 30-odd years ago looked with admiration at their year-old infant.

"Don't you think, dear," said the father, "that it is time for us to start planning for his future? What do you want him to be when he grows up?"

The mother said that she hoped he'd go to college so that he'd be a great surgeon.

"Oh, no," said the father, "I want

him to be a lawyer—he might become a great statesman!"

They bickered and quarreled over it when a knock at the door interrupted them. . . A tramp asked the wife:

Madam, I'm a desperate character—I'm hungry. . . Please give me something to eat?"

She told him to come in. . . While the woman warmed over some leavings for the visitor, he looked in the crib and the baby smiled at him.

Isn't it a nice baby?" said the tramp. "It's the first time in a long time one smiled at me."

"My wife and I were just talking about his future," said the father. "She wants him to grow up and be a surgeon. I want him to be a lawyer, so maybe he can be a statesman"

one day, and we had a fight over it."

"Well," replied the tramp, "I don't like to interfere or take sides, but look at me. I'm a musician. I guess there's not much more I can know about music—and look—I'm just a bum. Don't quarrel with each other about his future. Let destiny take care of him, it will anyhow. I suppose he has a nice name—what do you call him?"

"His name," proudly said the father, "is John—John Dillinger."

—Walter Winchell's column.

They're telling on Simpson that slightly stewed the other night he hailed one of the Carter Cabs and told the driver to drive him around town for a while. "The driver, used to a stew's double-talk and idiosyncrasies, followed orders.

Finally Simpson told the driver to pull over to the side. Informed that he owed \$7.00, he staggered a little, climbed back into the cab and hic-coughed:

"Now drive me back to 25 cents!"

The temperature has gone up three points in the past hour and although now registering only 91, the heat is oppressive due to the fact that the relative humidity is only 44. Arthur Laffoon, chief trouble shooter, fixer and whatnot of the entire Tribune crew, is running wildly about with a bucket of water turning off and on the electric fans and doing this and that in an effort to get the air moist and the humidity up.

But Ot's like that. He'd rather worry about humidity and static electricity than anybody we ever saw. Static electricity is an ailment that causes the paper on the large press to stick together, making it almost impossible to feed. Not so long ago, in an effort to solve the problem (which no one in the entire printing or newspaper industry has been able to do yet in a satisfactory manner), he had the press decorated like a Christmas tree, with tinsel. And all the while the static electricity was making the tinsel sparkle like imitation diamonds in the sunlight.

Still, if one ever expects to discover anything, one must experiment, one must, and there's no doubt in anybody's mind here that Ot believes in experimenting. He's now over there at the thermometer, which also registers the relative humidity of the air, seeing the result of his water splashing activities. And, oh horror, he's succeeded in lowering the humidity instead of raising it!

Personally, if he must fiddle around with something, we'd suggest he work on the temperature.

Just over to look at his latest humidity apparatus, we find it consists of the following: One bucket of water resting on some boards in front of the suction fan which draws air—and the smell of cow hides—from the basement. In this bucket of water is a plank and draped on this plank in the manner of a wick is a towel, one end of which is in the water.

In case you want any humidifying around your house, you might try

out similar apparatus or else call Ot.

Personally, we'd advise just being content with things as they are.

Besides, maybe it will rain.

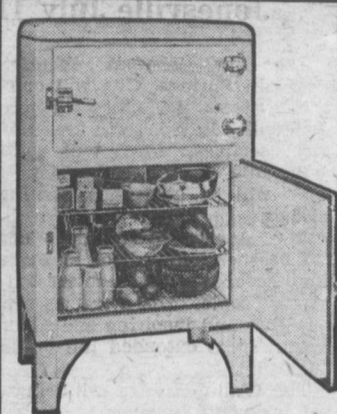
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## Roaring Gap Hatchery Is Stocking Streams

Approximately 200,000 trout of the brown, brook and rainbow variety, have recently been distributed through the streams of Buncombe, Henderson, Mitchell and Yancey

counties in Western North Carolina, from the State Fishery at Roaring Gap, according to W. R. Skaggs, who is in charge of the hatchery.

By request of C. H. Parker of Cincinnati all black was avoided at his funeral and the mourners wore bright colors.



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Firestone High Speed Gum-Dipped Tires hold all world records on road and track for safety, speed, mileage and endurance. These records emphasize the undisputed evidence that Firestone Tires are not only blowout-proof but give greatest protection against skidding.

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1 "Will the tread give me the greatest traction and protection against skidding?"

Recent tests by a leading University show that Firestone High Speed Non-Skid Tires stop a car 15% quicker than any other of the leading makes.

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2 "Are they blowout-proof?"

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Ab Jenkins drove his 5,000 pound car on Firestone Gum-Dipped Tires over the hot salt beds of Utah, 3,000 miles in 23½ hours, at an average speed of 127.2 miles per hour, with temperatures as high as 120°, without tire trouble of any kind. These are most amazing proofs of blowout protection ever known.

3 "Without sacrificing these two important safety features will they give me longer mileage, thus making them the most economical tires I can buy?"

Firestone High Speed Tires not only give you more than 50% longer wear, but also lowest cost per mile. This is made possible by the tough, wear-resisting tread built with higher shoulders and a wider, flatter contour. This thick, rugged, scientifically designed tread is held securely to the Gum-Dipped cord body by Firestone's patented construction of two extra layers of cords under the tread. This is a special construction feature not used in any other tire. Unequaled mileage records by thousands of car owners add undisputed evidence of the longer wear and greater economy of Firestone High Speed Tires.

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**1** University tests show Firestone High Speed Tires stop cars 15 to 25% quicker.

**2** Gum-Dipped cords give greater blowout protection. Gum-Dipping is not used in other tires.

**3** Wider, flatter tread gives more than 50% longer non-skid wear.

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4.50-20

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Gum-Dipped  
Equal or superior to any so-called First Grade, Super or Deluxe line of tires built, regardless of name, brand or by whom made, or at what price sold.

3.50-31	7.30
4.75-39	7.75
5.25-18	6.50
5.50-18	10.40

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Gum-Dipped  
Equal or superior to any special brand tire made for mass distributors, advertised without the manufacturer's name or guarantee.

4.50-21	66.05
5.00-19	7.55
5.25-18	6.40
5.50-17	9.25

Other Sizes Proportionately Low

**SENTINEL TYPE**  
Carries the Firestone name and guarantee. Equal or superior to any tire in this price class.

4.50-21	66.05
4.75-19	6.40
5.25-18	7.60
5.50-19	8.75

Other Sizes Proportionately Low

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4.75-19	5.25

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