



LOOKING BACKWARD

Feeling a little more stupid than usual this week and with a faint headache lurking toward the back of our head, we're turning backward to February, 1932 and lifting bodily from the Gab Bags of that month enough items to fill this column just to show how time stands still for no man. Do you remember?

Extra! Extra!

Elkin, Feb. 11. (1932)—(Assassinated Press)—It was learned today from red paint dispensers here that the red paint business during the latter part of last week was the best in their history.

"The outlook for 1932 glows rosily red," Mr. Jasper Flutterwich Timplenose staved Thursday morning as he proudly pointed up Main street where huge signs loudly proclaimed a Banner Bargain Sale, a Going Out of Business Sale and a Fire Sale, "and if we can induce other merchants of the town to fling a sale of some kind or other, we should be able to retire after a few months."

"There is really no doubt but that we are putting out the best Sale paint to be obtained here. Note the glow of those signs as they flap in the breeze, Especially sign number 16 over McDaniel's. That sign is painted with our best eye-dazzling, come-and-get-the-bargains green, trimmed in vermilion. The sign over Ray & Gilliam's is Fire Sale Red, No. 366 1/2."

Mr. Spainhour insisted upon Banner Bargain Red, number 422678-373458645. It was a special order. "We also have in stock," Mr. Timplenose continued, "a huge quantity of Shoe Sale Pink in assorted shades; Pre-Bankrupt Sale Red, in lavender and flesh, and other assorted sale paints. We await the future with confidence."

This and That Business of thanking Mr. Duck Burcham for the beautiful handmade imported blue necktie he presented us with last week. It will

be on display as soon as our blue shirt comes back from the laundry.

A local man was observed coming out of the Bank of Elkin Monday clothed in a dazed look. Could it be that he had secured a loan?

Patrolman Lentz can rest from his efforts, if any, in trying to catch us driving our flivver, Calamity, with 1931 tags. Although we have often fixed a breakdown with a piece of string, we have never been able to coax it to run without gas.

Other towns have experienced the same thing Elkin is now going through, and emerged. (The Elkin National Bank had just closed).

Pardon this crack: It looks as if Louis Mitchell is bringing the picture, "Over the Hill to the Poorhouse" to the Lyric theatre at a very appropriate time. (The receiver hadn't even come yet).

Remarks and Remarks Oswald H. Gumbertnitz, candidate for something or other, was in the office today and regaled us with a discussion of both pros and cons—mostly pros. Oswald states that the only dark side he can see in the closing of the Elkin National Bank is the fact that his campaign funds were there and now he can't get at them he will have to withdraw from the race. That should be encouraging to everyone.

Of course everyone knows how the local barbers took advantage of the situation by going up 10c on shaves. But looking at it in a fair manner discloses the fact that the barbers really could not make a profit by shaving the long faces around here for a mere 20 cents.

As we see it, from now on it will be "inexcusable for anyone around here to start bellowing hardtimes. The bottom has been reached (that's what we thought then) and the only way to go is upward. As Mr. Gumbertnitz so aptly remarked Tuesday while crying on Gene Spainhour's shoulder (they're some kind of cousins), "To be or not to be? Ah, that's the question!" And then he rushed madly out upon the street in search of stray cigar butts only to find that other leading citizens of the town had beat him to them.

Every cloud has its silver lining. (Weren't we spreading comfort, though). Just what this cloud's silver lining is or where it is, we don't know, but it must be about some place. At any rate, before the trouble came on the bank, people worried about it, fearful that it might happen. Now it has happened and folks at least won't have to worry on that score anymore.

NOW BACK TO 1937 In turning through the February, 1932, file, we noticed a full page ad headed as follows: "Full Steam Ahead, Damn the Torpedoes." It was an advertisement sponsored by leading stores and business men in an attempt to bolster morale and check loss of confidence. The following issue told of the failure of the Elkin National Bank, leading some wag to remark that it looked as if one of those torpedoes had hit something.

It's interesting to go back through the files of years gone by, especially those years not so far away. And it shows a fellow that events which at the time held nothing but worry and darkness, are soon forgotten as time marches on.

Perusal of these files of yesterday also have a sobering effect as we read of the doings of this or that person, alive and filling his niche in life then, but today resting up in Hollywood cemetery, remembered only by his closest friends and relatives and the fading ink of musty newspaper files.

But why go on? Anyway, it's time to quit for the day.

CYCLE

Mr. Roddham was assigned to the U. S. S. Taylor, to do duty in Panama, Canal Zone.

Mrs. Roddham is visiting relatives at the present. She will join her husband in May.

Oak Grove Sunday School will open next Sunday. Everybody come.

Mrs. Vermelle Roddham and Mr. James Pinnix made a business trip to Elkin.

The last series of the West Yadin basketball team will be played Tuesday night. They are playing with Elkin.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Pinnix and Miss Ola Pinnix visited Mrs. James Shore Sunday.

Mr. John Day and family will move in their new home the latter part of this week.

Mr. J. B. Roddham, Chief Petty Officer in the U. S. Navy and Miss Vermelle Pinnix, former-

ly of this community motored to South Mills, N. C. and were quietly married recently.

Miss Beulah Cook of North Wilkesboro is spending the week-end with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wint Sparks of Cycle are visiting their son in Greensboro.

The earliest apartment houses in the United States were built in New York city between 1870 and 1875.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE Having qualified as administrator c. t. a. of the estate of H. F. Gray, deceased, late of Elkin, Surry county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned within one year from date hereof or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This the 3rd day of March, 1937.

W. M. GRAY, Administrator c. t. a. of H. F. Gray, deceased.

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Get rid of it When functional pains of menstruation are severe, take CARDOL. If it doesn't benefit you, consult a physician. Don't neglect such pains. They depress the tone of the nerves, cause sleeplessness, loss of appetite, wear out your resistance. Get a bottle of Cardol and see whether it will help you, as thousands of women have said it helped them. Besides easing certain pains, Cardol aids in building up the whole system by helping women to get more strength from the food they eat.

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COMING MARCH 18-19— "One In A Million" MARCH 22-23— "Pennies From Heaven" Lyric COMING MARCH 25-26— "Theodore Goes Wild" MARCH 29-30— "Born To Dance."

Today Only—(Thursday)— • BULLETS CRASH AND FISTS FLY IN RACKET WAR!... Daring G-GIRL poses as tough gangster's girl to unmask Big Shots of Crime Trust! SWORN ENEMY Drama Packed with Fury and Dynamite. Story "The Racket Smashers" with JOSEPH CALLEIA FLORENCE RICE ROBERT YOUNG LEWIS STONE

NEXT WEEK Monday - Tuesday— Joan Crawford Clark Gable LOVE ON THE RUN "WE HAVE HARDLY TIME TO STOP FOR A KISS NOW AND THEN!" The romantic comedy bit of the year... two stars at their gayest... with W. S. ("San Francisco") Van Dyke making every laugh and thrill count! YOU CERTAINLY MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR OPPORTUNITIES, MR. GABLE! FRANCHOT TONE Reginald Owen a W. S. VAN DYKE Production Produced by Joseph L. Mankiewicz News Cartoon Adm. 10c-30

News -:- Adm. 10c-25c

Friday Only— IF THEY COULDN'T FIND TROUBLE...THEY MADE IT! Reporter and 'dick' look for a mystery to solve and get more than they bargained for! MURDER Goes to College A Paramount Picture with Roscoe Karis - Marsha Hunt - Lynne Overman - Larry Crabbe Also Selected Short Adm. 10c-25c

Friday Night— MIDNIGHT SHOW 12 o'Clock "The Accusing Finger" Also Select Short Subjects Admission 10c - 25c

Saturday— BUCK JONES - IN - "BOSS RIDER OF GUN CREEK" Cartoon - Serial - Comedy Admission 10c - 30c

Tuesday Night, 12 o'Clock— MIDNIGHTSHOW "Nancy Steele Is Missing" Also Selected Short : Adm. 10c - 25c

Wednesday— Family Show ROBERT YOUNG - FLORENCE RICE - IN - "THE Longest Night" Also Selected Short Admission Only 10c To All!

"I PUT EMPHASIS ON GOOD DIGESTION," SAYS THIS FAMOUS BOXING COACH JOHNNY BEHR says: "With Camels, my digestion works smoothly." Camels speed up the flow of digestive fluids—alkaline fluids. Camels Costlier Tobaccos! FOOD EDITOR, Dorothy Malone, says: "The smart touch is to have Camels on the table from hors d'oeuvres through dessert. Camels add a world of pleasure to eating."

"It's pretty hard to beat NATURE" Mighty Mules Hitched to a dynamometer (a strength testing machine) these powerful mules record their strength for the photographer. HERE is a famous pair of mules—mighty creatures with the pulling strength of a pair of four-legged giants. At a recent university test, they threatened the world's pulling record. What makes these mules unusual? Mother Nature gave them something—her own natural balance of many elements; strength, staying power, the willingness to work. So in actual value, these sturdy mules stand out from ordinary mules—there's just no comparison. And Nature gave a natural balance to Natural Chilean Nitrate, too—a natural balance of

Natural Chilean NITRATE of SODA NATURAL AS THE GROUND IT COMES FROM With Vital Elements in Nature's Balance and Blend RADIO—"UNCLE NATCHEL & SONNY" FAMOUS CHILEAN CALENDAR CHARACTERS See announcements of leading Southern Stations