



THANKS WHERE THANKS ARE DUE
 With string bands to the right of us and string bands to the left of us and string bands hovered overhead, it was only natural that we became a little confused at the Amateur Contest last Friday night and forgot to thank Smith Williamson, electrical expert with Harris Electric Co. here, for the hard work he did in rigging up the speaker system and installing a microphone in the helmet of "Mekko," the Mechanical Man."

Smith worked hard to get things right, and he and Garland Morrison kept an eagle eye on the controls during the entire program. We appreciated it very much and are sorry that we overlooked expressing our thanks publicly.

The amateur show was too long, we thought, and if there's ever another it will be shorter. However, all who took part did a

good job and the Merchants association owes them a lot of thanks.

Personally, we think WBT at Charlotte didn't increase their stock of good will as far as Elkin is concerned by the way they

messed us up on the radio program. Of course they were powerless to act without the O. K. of the Charlotte Federation of Musicians, but they could have at least notified us that there were restrictions on such programs before we went ahead with the advertising.

As it was, we were informed that we could have the time for the program. As a result, plans were made and advertising done. Then—right at the last minute—they wrote about the restrictions and the secretary of the Charlotte Federation of Musicians didn't lose any time at all in turning us down when we went down there last Thursday morning to see if we could get their okay for the program.

So there we were with no radio station to perform over. Have you ever needed a radio station right bad? We came home, conferred with the president of the Elkin Merchants association a moment, and hurried down to Winston-Salem. There we conferred with the program director of Station WAIR, putting all our trouble and woes before him. And we'll say here and now that we've never been treated nicer. He told us he'd be glad to give us 30 minutes Sunday afternoon. So—well, this is being written on Saturday—tomorrow afternoon we are going down to act on the radio. Goodness only knows how we will come out.

And while on the subject we'll say that in all our days we've never seen a funnier comedian or a more perfect nitwit on the stage than Byron Bryan. That boy is good—and how!

IT'S DANGEROUS
 Although many times in the past we've made a nuisance of ourself harping on this subject and that, we're not the only one who sees need for improvement in this good little town of Elkin. A local citizen was talking to us the other day concerning the danger to high school students on Elk Spur street as they walk to and from the new high school building. Due to the lack of sidewalks, they have to walk in the street. Some day, this man said, someone is going to get killed. Let's hope he is wrong—but a sidewalk is needed and needed badly.

Another local man—and a person who holds a high position here—asked that we make mention of the fact that the town trash dump is located within a few yards of the highway leading in from Mount Airy. He also pointed out that there is a law making it unlawful to dump trash within 50 yards (we believe that's what he said), of a state highway.

This called to mind the efforts of the Elkin Kiwanis club to get through a project which calls for the beautification of highway 28 from Elkin to Roaring Gap. But why beautify one highway and make a trash dump of the other? Just as much—or more—traffic comes into Elkin over the Mount Airy highway as comes in from the north over 21.

Why greet one with roses and the other with garbage?

AFTER THE BROADCAST
 It's now Monday evening and the amateur broadcast over WAIR, Winston-Salem is over (thank goodness). But before we close up about it, we want to take out hat off (it's a new hat, too), to Miss Lena Sale and Miss Virginia Lineberry, who had to switch songs at the last minute due to copyright restrictions on the numbers they had intended to sing, and which they had practiced for days. Faced with the new experience of going on the air with songs they had not practiced, both girls came out with flying colors, and more power to 'em says we.

And we want to pay compliment to little Miss Mabel Billings, 11, who marched up to the microphone and sang as calmly and with as much ease as if she had been used to going on the air every day.

Ruth Beulin and Edna Billings, like the Gold Dust twins, harmonized delightfully in spite the racket our knees were making nearby, and both the string bands did themselves proud, as did Anne Ippock, 10, who ranged all over the keyboard of the big piano.

Jerry Weaver, a mighty nice little lady in case you haven't met her, did even better than during the amateur show here. We thought, while Miss Ethel Saylor, faced with being the first on the program, sang beautifully, Byron Bryan, with his banjo, red wig and all, was his usual nitwitself. All in all, old grandpa was mighty proud of his flock.

And as a last thought—if ever again we have anything to do with

an amateur contest here, we promise everyone interested it will be only about half as long. We got sort of tired, too.

PLEASANT HILL
 Saturday night and Sunday being our regular meeting time, Rev. Isom Vestal, our pastor, preached two very interesting sermons. Sunday's service was very impressive, as it was Communion Day.

The primary department sang two songs when we reassembled for preaching hour Sunday. Mr. D. W. Day sang a solo during the preaching hour Sunday. The prayer service Sunday night was in charge of Mr. Eugene Couch.

The "Happy Day" quartette sang at Macedonia church Sunday night.

Next Sunday night Rev. Richard Day is expected to preach at our church. The fifth Sunday night Rev. J. L. Powers will preach at our church. Miss Hallie Waddell of Elkin, was the week-end guest of Miss Mae Cockerham of this community.

The right side of the brain governs the left side of our body and vice versa. In other words an injury to one side will affect the other side.

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Pat O'Brien
 in
'The Great O'Mally'
 Selected Short Admission 10c-25c

NEXT WEEK—TUESDAY MIDNIGHT—
"THE LAW OF THE RANGE"
 Admission 10c-25c

NEXT WEEK—WEDNESDAY—
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