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Cuz's Corner By Bagley

Thank You For The Biscuits

You probably remember my mentioning this friend of mine in last week's column, fellow named Bill Wishon. Well, me and Bill sure have a lot in common. You know how that is. With people like that it is mighty easy to be friends with 'em.

I'll tell you what all we have in common. I write this column and he reads it, and that's it. But as far as I am concerned that's a right smart. Oh yeah, one other thing. I noticed that he gets his hair cut just like mine. Why I bet you a pretty we have the same barber and just don't know it. I mean to check up on that next time I see him.

Anyway when we were talking the other day he began telling me about some of the plays he used to see when he was a youngster. One was "The Sewing Machine Girl." He named some others I don't recall right now. However, I do remember the prices he said he had to pay to get in the theater. Ten cents got you a seat where you could see a little of it. For 20¢ you could see about half, and the top price of 30¢ got you the best seat in the house where you could see the whole shebang.

He talked about how sad some of 'em were. Said if you didn't cry and squawl the play was a flop.

Now if you are a youngster you sure don't remember anything about things like this. Of course, I don't either and I am not exactly what you might call any spring chicken. But I have a mighty good reason for not remembering anything about stuff like that. It's because of where and the way I grew up. We just weren't overly blessed with a lot of culture. To tell you the truth, we just didn't have hardly any. Well, now we did, too, have a right smart of culture. But it was a lot different from Bill's. Most of ours was AGRICULTURE. You can sneer if you want to but even the kind we had was better than

none a tall. 'And besides that, Mama sure taught us some good table manners. If there was anything she was particular about it was that. Of course, she was sure mighty particular about a lot of things, but etiquette at the eating table was a great concern of hers.

First of all there was the blessing, or grace, and she insisted that we bow our heads way down and shut our eyes. You'd be surprised how many times I caught Evelyn and Virginia peeping, yes, and Ray too. I was sure tempted to tell on the girls but I didn't feel like it'd be right to tell on them and not on Ray. He was the baby and the only brother I had, and I just wouldn't have told on him for nothing, I didn't care what he did.

When Papa said "Amen" we didn't say right off, "Pass the biscuits, please", or anything else for that matter. What we said was, "Thank you for the biscuits"---or thank you for whatever dish we wanted. If we left off this thank you introduction, we got ignored. Having this happen a time or two when you needed something pretty bad had a mighty stimulating effect on our memories.

There were occasional lapses, though. Like one time when Ray said, "Harry, chunk me a piece of cornbread," and I did.

Now this was the kinda thing that Mama sure didn't approve of. I don't reckon she would have gotten quite so perturbed. Actually she didn't get perturbed, what she got was madder than a wet settin' hen. But I really don't think she would have been nearly as mad if that brother of mine had caught that piece of cornbread. Instead he let it hit right in the middle of a big bowl of tomato soup. You'd be surprised how tomato soup will spatter all over a pretty white table cloth when a hunk of cornbread gets thrown into it. Why he didn't even try to catch it. You should a heard him laughing when Mama blew sky high at me.

She made me leave the table and she just shamed Ray a little bit. When I got up without saying anything she made me sit back down and say, "I enjoyed my dinner". It's probably a good thing she didn't hear me add, sorta under my breath, "What part of it I got to eat." Mama was sure mighty strict about our table manners. Yes sir, that was my Mama, up one side and down the other.

Now when we went to Grandpa's house our table manners took an awful beating. He wasn't too religious, at least it never showed any at his table. He'd say, "Yawl set down, the bleein' was said when the hawg was killed. Yawl see what there is, help yourself to it. If you can't reach it, holler for it."

I can remember Mama making a mild protest about this once. Grandpa said, "Aw, Ider (spelled Ida) now don't worry none about things like that. I want everybody to enjoy their vittles."

Grandpa ate his peas with his knife. I never did catch onto that, but I sure tried. Mine would roll off nearly every time. I asked him once why he ate his peas, and nearly everything else, with his knife. And he said, "Cause boy, I have to use my spoon to stir my coffee with." I can't remember what he used his fork for --- if anything.

Now I guess you know why I'm like I am. I just didn't get exposed to enough culture. I do think, though, that I'll kinda study up on that subject one of these days if I can find a condensed book on it and get the time.

BACKWARD GLANCE

40 YEARS AGO JUNE 20, 1924

Misses Mary Jo McCombs and Addie Leatherwood left last week for Knoxville, Tenn. where they are attending the University of Tennessee.

Miss Edith Dickey spent Tuesday and Wednesday night with friends in Andrews.

Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Sasser, who have been visiting relatives and friends at Brookhaven, Miss., will return the latter part of this week.

30 YEARS AGO JUNE 22, 1934

Miss Mildred Hayes of Asheville is the guest this week of Miss Sarah Ruth Posey.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ingram announce the birth of a son, Saturday, June 16.

Mrs. Thelma Dickey and little daughter, Nettie, spent the weekend with relatives in Canton, Ga.

Russell Ivie of Clayton, Ga. and Miss Sara Singleton of Blairsville were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Ivie.

Master Walter Carringer is visiting relatives and friends at Maryville and Knoxville. Messrs Edwin Cooke and

Mrs. S. D. Akin, Harvey, and Miss Mary Akin spent the week end in Charlotte with Mr. and Mrs. George P. Powell and with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schofield of Statesville. They were accompanied home on Sunday by Mrs. Powell and daughter, Susan who will visit with them for several weeks.

Those from Murphy First Methodist Church who will attend the North Carolina Conference of W.S.C.S. to be held at Lake Junaluska on next Tuesday through Thursday are Mrs. J. H. Hampton, Mrs. R. C. Mattox, Mrs. H. G. Elkins, Mrs. W. F. Elliott, Mrs. Roy Fuller, Mrs. Merle Davis, Mrs. W. H. Taylor and Miss Adella Meroney.

Mrs. W. H. Murray while in the yard, fell and broke her left leg and was carried to Memorial Mission Hospital, Asheville for treatment. Her address is Room 102, Memorial Mission Hospital, Asheville.

Idris Adams were visitors Sunday at Cartersville and Canton, Ga.

20 YEARS AGO JUNE 22, 1944

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Madden of Little Rock, Ar., announce the birth of a son on Thursday morning, June 22. Mrs. Madden is the former Miss Margaret Witherspoon, the daughter of Mrs. Margie Witherspoon and the late Don Witherspoon.

Mrs. Paul Schofield and children, Patricia and Paul Akin arrived here last week from Lenoir and are occupying an apartment with Mrs. Schofield's mother, Mrs. S. D. Akin.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wilson spent last weekend in Smyrna, Ga., visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Harshaw arrived here Sunday from Richmond, Va., to spend the summer at the Harshaw Farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Coker of Atlanta, Ga. were week end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Coker of Hayesville. They were accompanied home on Sunday by Mrs. Coker's brother, Johnny Moore who will visit them this week.

Mrs. Frank Morgan and mother, Mrs. Willa Bell Posey of Montevallo, Ala., arrived Saturday for a weeks visit here.

Dr. and Mrs. Breece Brelan and daughter, Melissa spent the weekend at Oak Ridge with Dr. Brelan's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hildreth.

Claude Hampton of Lenoir, N. C., and three sisters, Mrs. Bonnie Bryson, Mrs. Mae Wilke and Mrs. Lucille Sanders and sons, Jim and Jack all of Newton, N. C., spent the weekend here. While here they were Sunday guests of Mrs. J. W. Dyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Sneed and Mrs. Sneed's sister, Mrs. Helen Weeks spent last Thursday in Chattanooga, Tenn. Mr. Sneed and Mrs. Weeks returned home that night and Mrs. Sneed remained for a longer visit with her son-in-law, Randall Colvard and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. William Townson of Edenton who had been to Gainesville, Ga. to get their daughter, Barbara who has been in College there stopped enroute to their home to spend the weekend with his father, W. D. Townson and other relatives here.

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Wednesday	6:30 Huntley-Brinkley 7:00 Ripcord 7:30 International Show 8:30 Bob Hope 9:30 Harry's Girls 10:00 Jack Paar 11:00 News 11:30 Johnny Carson	6:00 Cheyenne 7:00 Ron Cochran 7:30 77 Guns! Strip 8:30 Burke's Law 9:30 Farmer's Daughter 10:00 Bowling 10:45 Bowling 11:15 Movie	6:00 Walter Cronkite 7:00 Amos 'N Andy 7:30 Great Adventure 8:30 Route 66 9:30 Twilight Zone 10:00 Alfred Hitchcock 11:00 News 11:15 Movie
Thursday	6:30 Flett & Scruggs 7:00 Porter Wagoner 8:30 Jovy Bishop 9:00 Movie 11:00 Checkmate	6:30 Football Scoreboard 7:00 Hootenanny 8:00 Manhunt 8:30 Lawrence Welk 9:30 Jerry Lewis 11:30 Movie	6:00 Country Boy Eddie 7:00 Grand Ole Opry 7:30 Jackie Gleason 8:30 Defenders 9:30 Phil Silvers 10:00 Gunsmoke 11:00 Movie
Friday	6:00 Meet The Press 6:30 Deputy 7:00 Bill Dana 7:30 Walt Disney's World 8:30 Grind 9:00 Bonzi 10:00 Best On Record 11:00 Movie	6:30 Rescue Eight 7:00 Sea Hunt 7:30 Jamie McPheters 8:30 Outer Limits 9:00 Laughs For Sale 10:30 News 11:00 Five Fingers	6:30 Mister Ed 7:00 Leslie 7:30 Favorite Martini 8:00 Ed Sullivan 9:00 Judy Garland 10:00 Candid Camera 10:30 What's My Line 11:00 News 11:15 Movie
Saturday	6:30 Huntley-Brinkley 7:00 Trails West 7:30 Movie 9:30 Hollywood 10:00 Sing With Mitch 11:00 News 11:30 Johnny Carson	6:00 Cheyenne 7:00 Ron Cochran 7:30 Outer Limits 8:30 Wagon Train 10:00 Breaking Point 11:00 News 11:15 Outlaws	6:30 Walter Cronkite 7:00 Amos 'N Andy 7:30 To Tell The Truth 8:00 I've Got A Secret 8:30 Lucy 9:00 Danny Thomas 9:30 Andy Griffith 10:00 East Side-West 11:00 News 11:15 Movie
Sunday	6:30 Huntley Brinkley 7:00 Rifleman 7:30 Mr. Novak 8:30 Redigo 9:00 Richard Boone 10:00 Andy Williams 11:00 News 11:30 Johnny Carson	6:00 Maverick 7:00 News 7:30 Combat 8:30 McHale's Navy 9:00 Greatest Show 10:00 Fugitive 11:00 News 11:15 87th Precinct	6:30 Walter Cronkite 7:00 Amos 'N Andy 7:30 Biography 8:00 Red Skelton 9:00 Petticoat Junction 9:30 Jack Benny 10:00 Garry Moore 11:00 News 11:15 Movie
Monday	6:30 News 7:00 Dragnet 7:30 Virginian 9:00 Espionage 10:00 Eleventh Hour 11:00 News 11:30 Johnny Carson	6:00 Cheyenne 7:00 News 7:30 Ozzie and Harriett 8:00 Patty Duke 8:30 Price Is Right 9:00 Ben Casey 10:00 Cheating 11:00 News 11:15 Surfside 6	6:30 Walter Cronkite 7:00 Amos 'N Andy 7:30 CBS Reports 8:30 Glynis 9:00 Beverly Hillsbill 9:30 Dick Van Dyke 10:00 Danny Kaye 11:00 News 11:15 Movie

Stork Market Report

BEAVERS

A son, Gregory Clark, to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Beavers of Rt. 3, Murphy, May 29, at Providence Hospital. Mrs. Beavers is the former Miss Barbara June Dockery.

REECE

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Caswell Reece, of Rt. 1, Warne, June 6, at Providence Hospital. Mrs. Reece is the former Miss Geraldine Jones.

SMOTHERMAN

Rev. and Mrs. Dorris Smotherman announce the birth of a son, Michael Lee, on May 9, at Knapolis, N. C.

Rev. Smotherman is a former pastor of the First Methodist Church in Andrews.

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