

Reflections

By Jack Greenwood

I have been accused of protecting the weaker sex. The reason: two weeks ago when I told the young miss who knocked over a parking meter in front of a courthouse, backed out into heavy College street traffic the busiest time of day without taking time to look, and ran the "rubber bums" in the middle of the street at the intersection of College and Valley, I wouldn't tell the whole story. I told her eagerness to get into the courthouse and report to the policeman about the little old bent over, she locked her keys in the car, and a patrolman had to be called to Black Mountain to get another set before the test would start or the car door opened. I told her that it's all out I hope that she who goaded me into telling the full story will sympathize with me when I'm using beefsteak for breakfast and bruised eyes.

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There was one tragedy connected with the appearance of the Legion-sponsored carnival two weeks ago. A Black Mountain man took his small daughter to the circus and when he or the daughter became interested in what was going on that they forgot to go home when the rain started. As a result when the father started to get ready to take the family to Sunday school the next morning he found he was a victim of "baggy pants." In an attempt to fix that he just barely missed the Sabbath, mind you, and the results were disastrous. He scorched his one and only pair and didn't get to church for all.

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Continuing the story of Black Mountain men. What well-known popular man, and smart on most occasions, pulled the boner of the two Sundays ago? Finding a fire flat on his car when he was ready to start to church, he quickly jerked out his tools, rolled up his sleeves, and thought to himself—"I'll fix that in no time." Several minutes later the same rang in the home of a sergeant station man and a voice on the other end of the line pleaded: "Can you come up here and see what on earth is wrong with my car. I've taken all the bolts out of the wheel seems to be locked. Please come and see what the trouble is so that I can get to church."

Arriving on the scene the sergeant station man had no trouble finding the trouble. The owner of the car had left one of the bolts in the wheel. He has threatened suit if his identity is revealed. But if he doesn't have any more luck finding the office of the court than he did that great bolt, I'm not worried.

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The world is full of willing people. Some are willing to work and the others are willing to let them.

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It was a serious group of dignitaries, on the most part, who attended the 33rd annual convention last week in Asheville. There were the usual stories of a handful of Yanks held off and annihilated divisions of Japs and Huns, of how the different services won the war, the branch that did the job depending entirely on the connection the GI had in service.

Although the delegates politely cheered the speech of the national commander, Earle Cocke of Georgia, individual members were disappointed in the tone. They did not approve of his calling for the military to overrule the civilian government. Cocke, who was wounded several times during the campaign in Europe, executed and left for dead by the Germans, is being groomed for the governorship of Georgia. A dynamic personality with a ready, friendly smile and a genuine interest in people, Cocke will, according to the best information, make a strong case if he should choose to make the race.

It seemed that this group of dignitaries had definite ideas about politics and how things could be run. Some from the eastern part of the state complained bitterly about the action of some of the public servants that part of N. C. Look for more on this later, of a very serious nature.

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At the meeting of the Wannanoa Men's Club Monday night, Roy Luckadoo and I had an interesting discussion regarding corn bread. As one

who has eaten his share of this most delicious of delicacies, I was in complete agreement when Roy pointed out that corn bread must have lots of nutritious value: some families use it as the basic food, and make meals on corn bread, milk, onions, and butter.

As an indication that the majority of those present agree, you should have seen the hands reach for the bread when the women brought around plates full of corn muffins. Every one who could do so, without attracting attention, took two the first round and then called for seconds.

BROAD RIVER

The tourists are coming back to Broad River.

Mrs. T. W. Kirby and son, Paul, of Ormond Beach, Fla., are at their cabin at Kirby's corner.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas George of Green Acre City, Fla., arrived

here last Saturday, joining their son, Bob George and Bob's friend Bob Beard, who spent the winter at their cabin in this community.

Naomi Elliott of Black Mountain spent the week end with Hazel Vess.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ledbetter attended the singing at Oak Grove last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Holly Elliott of Asheville and their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hines and little son, Bill, of Columbia, S. C., visited Holly's relatives on upper Cedar Creek last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Vess and children, Shirley, Wilma, Theodore, Roy and Genes, went fishing in Broad River last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Taylor, Mrs. Lou Lytle, Miss Essie Taylor, and Robert McGalliard of Broad River, and Miss Emma McGalliard of East Marion attended the camp meeting in Greenville, S. C., last Sunday.

Miss Emma McGalliard is visit-

ing her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Taylor this week.

Fletcher Elliott visited Tommy and Sarah Davis, his aged cousins, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith had as dinner guests last Sunday the Rev. Franklin Justice and daughter, Nona, of East Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Elliott had as guests last Sunday Mr. Elliott's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Blanton and son, James, and Mrs. Otis Jolly of Cliffside.

The Rev. Millard Hall of Murrell's Cove had a truck load of lumber laid down at his cabin on upper Cedar Creek last week. Mr. Hall is building more rooms to his cabin.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gilliam and children visited Howard's aunt Mae Gilliam and his sister, Miss Pearl Gilliam, Saturday evening.

Three bus loads of boys from Kannapolis, N. C., arrived at the Elliott Y. M. C. A. camp on upper Cedar Creek last week.

Tea And Topic Club Hears Mrs. Aleshire

The Tea and Topic Club met June 1 at the home of Mrs. Roy A. Taylor. Those present to hear Mrs. Mary Aleshire speak on "Near East Panorama" were Mrs. R. T. Greene, Mrs. J. L. Holman, Jr., Mrs. Richard Oulahan, Mrs. John Ramsay, Mrs. Alfred Tyson, Jr., and Mrs. W. W. White. A social hour followed the business meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Zack Smith received word that their son, Paul Smith, is now in Korea.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ledbetter went to Marion last week on business. While there they visited Mrs. Dan Elliott who has been ill for sometime.

The farmers of Broad River have been blessed with good rains for the last few days. The rain was badly needed.

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