

# H. Y. Belk

## AND HIS NEWS OF NEBO VALLEY

I met Dewey Falls in the city Saturday. It had been a long time since he and I had met.

I went to see brother John West today. John had been all but mad at the Editor and Mr. Belk. John went to the office and renewed his paper. Some one working in the office, by mistake, put the new card in the old box. John's paper stopped for one week. There came a type written letter, long and furious from John. We regret making the mistake. John is o. k. now. He says we are the best bunch of men he's ever met. We love you John, too.

Brother Lum Gantt handed me two dollars and said send my paper without further notice. We did.

Hord Herndon and Brand Barber called to visit friends on the Western Front last week.

Grady Cole, says no one man ever has six friends at one time. Who would care for so many at one time. When the money gets low in your pocket, they switch. If I can't claim but one lasting friend, other than my old dog. They call him Henry Y. Belk for short.

It has been said truly by men of old, that civilization begins with the plow and ends with the plow. We then must agree its the greatest calling men have ever known. When the plow stops nations starve. That's what's wrong with starving Europe today. Hitler stopped the plow and millions to starve for bread, the staple of life. At the time of Christ's short stay on earth there didn't appear to be any shortage of food. After the death of Solomon much of Europe went on starvation. The Nomads people had no love for the soil. Their flocks, sheep, goats and camel soon devoured all vegetation, then the soil wasted away. The destinies of all nations have been determined by the way the people have handled the soil. The ravages of war on most all the other nations is causing us to feed millions.

I have never been able to understand why God had no respect for Cain's offering to Him. Cain was a tiller of the soil. Abel was a keeper of sheep. Yet God had no respect for Cain's offering. Then I read that God is no respecter of man. All look alike to Him—the rich, poor, and the beggar. I get flabbergasted.

Dear old Moses issued one of the oldest land use regulations ever

known. Six years shalt thou sow thy fields and prune the vineyards, and gather in the fruit. But the 7th year unto the Lord shall be a Sabbath of rest. Then I will command my blessings upon you in the sixth year and it shall bring forth fruit for three years. Its a shame to waste the soil. A sin to let it go to waste. Before the Civil War our father worked the land with free negro labor. The soil washed away. The scars are everywhere to be seen.

The South has had a hard lesson to learn since the once virgin soil washed into the river. Leaving us poor. The productivity of the soil in any country determines how well the people live. I have gone through several counties in North Carolina that looked to be so poor a crowd wouldn't venture to fly over it. The people what few there were, how they existed is another mystery. Poverty and ignorance go hand in hand and those people had both.

Dear old Wise Solomon once said that there were three or four things that were too much for him—the way of an eagle in the air, the way of a ship in the midst of the sea, and the way of a man with a maid. The wise old hero never saw an airplane doing its stunts, but he sure did love women, tho'.

I once heard of a primitive race of people who shedded their teeth when they began bothering them, and they grew a brand new set. It sure would be a blessing if we could grow a bunch of new teeth, but what would the tooth fixer do? Go out of business, and let us grow our own plates.

Do any of you readers of this sheet know the whereabouts of a Pig? Killer by the name of Hen Wallace? I haven't heard a thing.

Truman's proposed budget would build 4 temples like Solomon's Temple, the most costly building the world ever built.

Talk about ignorance. I met a man on the bus who lives in the South Mountains. We were talking about the election. He said he didn't vote because he didn't know who was running, but he heard Truman got in. I asked him did he know Henry Pig Killer Wallace. No, I never heard the name. I told him this man Wallace came down south one time and plowed up every third row of our cotton, then took 6 million pigs from the pens and drowned them. Where did he drown so many in the river? No, I said he took the whole works out on the ocean and let them out.

He said, the damn rascal, if he had of come to my hog lot, I would have shot him. He got all excited and asked what did we do. Nothing I said. Hoover sent him and he took the pigs for toll. Then he asked was that why shirts went up to \$4 and meat to \$1 a pound? I said yes indeed. He said I've been in Morgantown 8 years, just got out before Christmas. The doctor sent me. They said I was crazy but I wasn't. I killed a man and got by, by playing foolish. It's all over now, I said, By.

Paradoxical as it may appear on the surface, farmers still want high prices and subsidies. Workers still want more pay for no more work. Now when business men all their prejudice to the collection, we get

into a beautiful mess-up. You can scratch it on the wall, notch it on the gate post, that the fate of Goebbles, Himmler, Tojo, and Hitler, once mighty war lords, should be a lesson to Molotov and old Joe Stalin. They now speak with atomic energy. If let alone, they, Joe and Molotov, may try to blow the earth into an ash pile like some prehistoric scientist did the moon.

What went with Hitler and his old sweet heart. Time may tell. I've tried and wondered what became of the man all Germany loved so dearly, and all the rest of the world hated. Where he's gone, he's gone to stay. One day Joe will go to stay and come back no more, and Molotov will pull the rope and be no more. Hitler led the way.

We are wondering, how long after the beer gives out on the 8th of March, till the dries put in whiskey stores? I have long hoped that Kings Mountain would never stoop so low. If left to a vote Kings Mountain will never have a whiskey hell shop, now they have moved the slot joints.

It has often been claimed that Pilgrims Progress has, no other Book except the Bible, been so great, and the immortal John Bunyan while he wrote the Book languished in Bedford jail.

Many great men have looked out between prison bars when the other man should of been looking over the bars.

I'm not many on gambling, but I bet a dime the Jap cutthroats will never stage another Pearl Harbor while the world goes around and time goes by. Would you like to take a chance on this gamble?

A neighbor tell me that money is getting tighter every day. Why not, money can not save the world.

When a preacher stays at your church 10 or 20 years its hard on the preacher, hard on the people of his little flock. The preacher has to dig down each week to bring the goods up for the members to be able to digest on each Sunday morning and night. If he has it wrote off he must be very careful lest he forgets and leaves the scrip at home, or misplaces it after he starts his discourse. He can't call at other churches and go back to his church and quote the preachers. His flock will say he's borrowing words from the preacher he just visited. So if he holds his congregation spell bound he must dig down and come up with something new and fresh if

### By Way Of Mention

Lois Beattie

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Riley had as their guests Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Towery of Oak Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cline had as their guests last week Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Irvin of Statesville.

Mr. Leo Beattie and daughter, Lois, were recent visitors in Gastonia. They went especially to attend the funeral of Mr. Grier Beattie.

Mr. and Mrs. Deane Payne announce the birth of a daughter, Patsy Yvonne.

Mr. Charles Riley of Hickory spent Sunday afternoon with his brother, Mr. Boyd Riley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Blanton spent

the week end at the job and causes many to flock into the fold. Hiram

The same is true of a news reporter. One must not quote other writers else they say he copies his junk. Its hard for a news reporter to come up with new fresh stuff 52 weeks each year. We must do that; let the reader public thumb past your scrip. Soon the editor discards you, and no job, you say?

I'm closing my scattering jinx and ending today's session with a better rhyme.

You never though, I'd be a poet; The sun hath fought its tumultuous way,

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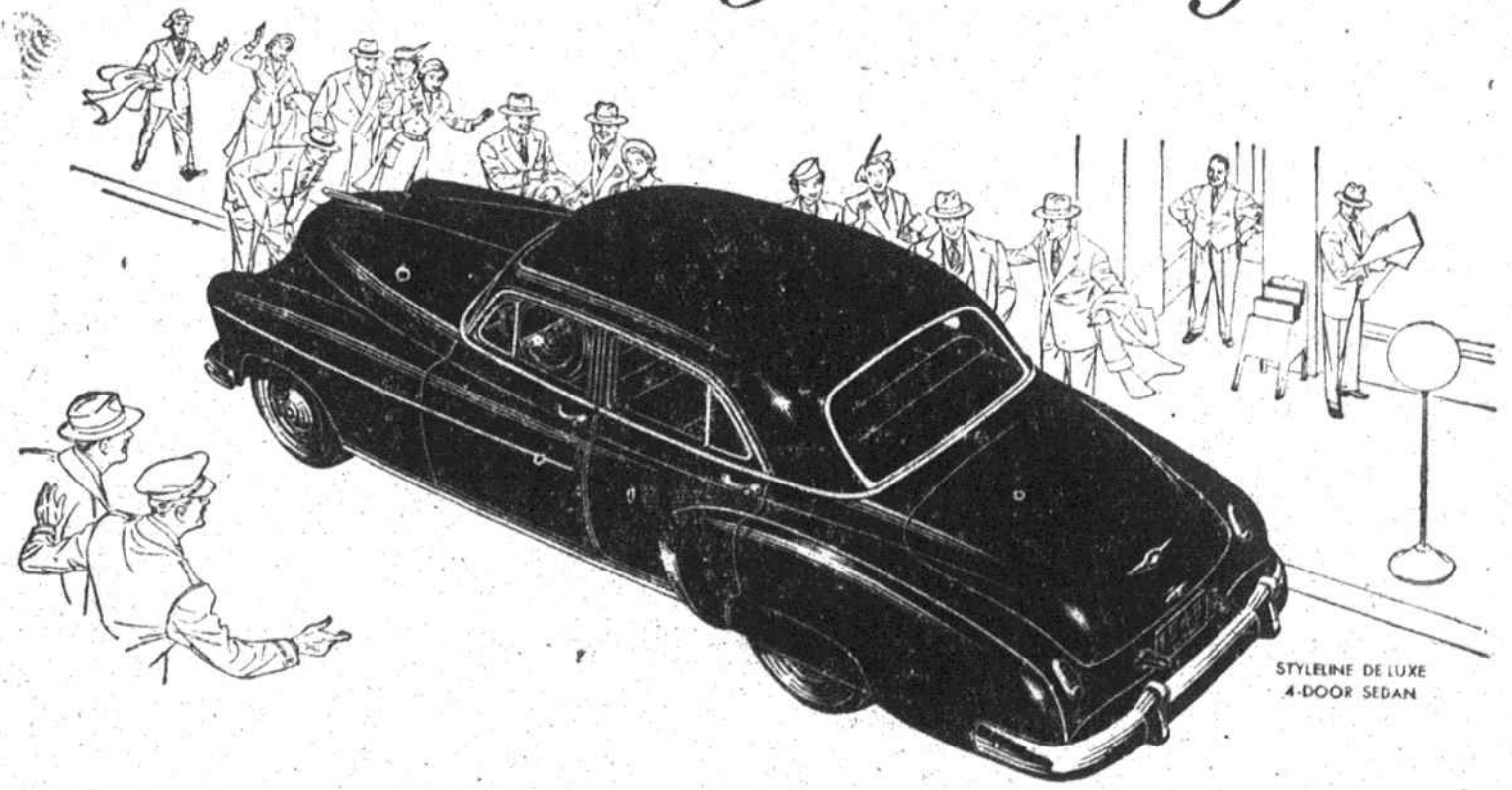
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