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RESULTS ALREADY!

Work on the Fowlers Bend dam project is still in its infancy—but its effects are being felt.

In the first place we see many men who had no means of making a good living for themselves and their families at regular, honest work drawing down a nice salary.

More than that the merchants are turning their goods faster, and the whole town appears busier and brighter.

From our country correspondents we learn: "we are glad to see the TVA work going ahead here". It's a simple statement, but it means a lot.

Only recently one Knoxville daily carried a feature article on the towns in the Appalachian area. Regarding Murphy the writer termed this "the town of many automobiles".

The signs are right. Things are looking good.

BANK FAILURES—THEN AND NOW

A fickle public forgets easily. Even some who suffered from the epidemic of bank failures that swept the country prior to 1932 need to be reminded of the figures in this particular—cold, undisputed facts. From 1920 to 1932 failures each year ran from the low mark of 367 to the alarming high of 2,294. In the light of these statistics the country should consider with approval and hopefulness the report of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation—only 36 failures in the entire country for the nine months ending June 30 of this year.

Total deposits in banks for the first period that failed ran from 93 to 1,690 millions annually. Total deposits in banks closed since last August, nine million dollars. And whereas the earlier period deposits sometimes lost all, in the last period all deposits up to 99 and a half per cent were made good by the deposit guarantee. The half per cent lacking was on deposits over and above \$5,000 the highest sum guaranteed under the deposit insurance law.—Morganton News-Herald.

BIG NEWS! PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, CANDIDATE LONDON MEET SEPT. 1ST.

Newspapers over the land seem to be making a great-to-do over the fact that President Roosevelt has invited Governor Landon to a governors' conference at Des Moines, Iowa, on September 1. So what?

Why should not the president invite the governor to the conference at which governors of four other states will gather in conference over the drought situation? Wherein is the big news?

Why should not the governor of Kansas be glad to join in with a group of chief executives to study the question which confronts many states since the crop failure? Why is this news?

Just because President Roosevelt is the head of the Democratic Party, and Governor Landon is head of the Republican Party is no cause why there should not be a conference. And the fact that these two leaders of the nation are joining forces to give whatever succor or advice is best for a stricken area should not be anything out of the ordinary, certainly no more than the people whom each of the men aspire to lead for the next four years should expect.

If President Roosevelt had not invited Governor Landon, then that would have been news. And, if Governor Landon had refused to accept the invitation, that would have indeed been news.

If the president and the five governors work out any semblance of plan that will be of material assistance to the stricken area, that will be real news, the kind of news that should be made.

There has been too much of the party-itis in this country for the good of the people. There have been too many things done "for the good of the party" by both Democrat and Republican regimes, with too little

regard for the good of the people as a whole, and the sooner political leaders begin to realize that things pending to be good for all people instead of "for the party" the sooner will conditions be better for all concerned.—Transylvania Times.

WE SHOULD GIVE CAREFUL STUDY TO PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

At the general election to be held in November five proposed amendments to the State Constitution will be offered to the voters for adoption or rejection. The great trouble, as usual, will be that probably not one voter in ten will pay any attention to the amendments. It is well to begin to try to educate the electorate in the proposals and for every good citizen to give thought to what they may mean to the State.

Pointing out that some of the amendments are of vital importance and that others should not be adopted, the Roxboro Courier has reviewed them as follows:

"The first is a revival of the old question by which different groups of property can be made to take different rates of taxation. As an instance of this, money in the bank could be taxed at a lower rate than, say, real estate. Also different kinds of real estate could take different classifications according to their productivity.

"This will be opposed by many because, they will say, it is discrimination, and this charge is true, but time has proven that it is simply impossible to get money in a bank on the tax books, and it is argued that if this money was not taxed so heavily it would not be so hard to get those having the money deposited to list it. For instance, money deposited in the bank on a saving account yields only about two and a-half per cent, while the taxes if he is a resident of some town or city, with county taxes included will be more than his interest rate; and this money would not be taxed as real estate, for it would be taxed at its actual value, dollar for dollar, while every one knows that little real estate in the average county is taxed at more than two-thirds its actual value. Again, it never has been fair to tax an acre of woodland, which brings in nothing to the farmer, at the same valuation of a rich productive acre.

"The second change proposed would increase the present income tax from a maximum of 6 per cent to 10 per cent. We expect to see this adopted by a large majority as few voters pay much income, and those whom it will materially affect are largely in the minority.

"The third would limit the state, counties and municipalities in the issuance of bonds, or the contracting of debts. The new amendment would hold a given year's new debts to two-thirds of the reduction in the total debt of the year before. The result would be an eventual wiping out of all debts unless the additions were made by a vote of the people.

"The third we hope to see adopted, for the time should come when tax payers will not be paying on bonded debt, and we believe this is possible only as a constitutional amendment.

"The fourth is a revival of the proposal to increase the state supreme court from five members to seven.

"The fourth we do not think makes very much difference, for while our Supreme Court Judges may be overworked, there is nothing compulsory about any one accepting this office, and while there may be a demand for more members, still, the State has had not trouble in finding good men to hold the office.

"The fifth is the proposal for a taxation exemption of \$1,300 on all homesteads.

"The fifth is probably where the bitterest fight will take place, for the county officers are aware that if it is adopted there is going to be a tremendous cut in valuation in every county, town and city, which will inevitably cause a considerable increase in the tax rate. We do not know just how this might work, but it would appear on the surface that the farmer and the wage earner who happens to own a little home would materially benefit by its adoption, while the man with bonds, and the manufacturer with a large plant would catch it in the neck. If the second proposition and this could be linked together and the county get the increased receipts from the income tax, it might work out satisfactorily; but the trouble is, the counties do not figure in the receipts from income taxes, but are almost entirely dependent upon real estate for funds with which to run county affairs.

"To sum it all up, we would say the second, third, and fifth seem to have a good chance to be adopted, while the other two are problematical."

S. Jerome Wimbrow, 68, recently appointed to the state board of boxing commissioners by Governor Nice of Maryland, may or may not be well qualified for his new duties. Anyway, up to the time of his appointment he had never seen a boxing match and had never even heard one described over the radio.

TURNING BACK HISTORY'S PAGES

10 YEARS AGO

Friday, September 3, 1926.
Misses Elizabeth Ford and Mary Bell left Thursday for Asheville.
Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Bayless and sons, spent several days in Atlanta last week.

Mrs. A. J. Martin and Miss Nan Dixon were shopping in Atlanta, Tuesday.

Col. and Mrs. Bud Anderson of Hayesville, motored to town, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Lovingood motored to Knoxville and spent the first of the week.

Misses Della Meroney and Eloise Fain are the guests in Asheville of Miss Helen Mason.

Ty Cobb, Jr., of Detroit, is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Nora Cobb White at her country home near Bellevue.

Mr. W. S. Green and son, Bobby, spent the week-end in Ducktown.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Williams, of Asheville, have been visiting Mrs. Williams parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McD. Harshaw.

Misses Juanita Evans and Emogene Axley are attending the house party in Ball Ground, Ga., Miss Ruby Hendrix is entertaining.

20 YEARS AGO

Friday, September 1, 1916
Attorney J. N. Moody is in Robinsville this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Axley returned to their home in Statesville yesterday after a pleasant visit here with relatives.

Editor Ferebee of the Andrews, Sun paid us a very pleasant visit Wednesday.

Miss Iris Jackson has returned from a pleasant visit with relatives at Tryon.

30 YEARS AGO

Tuesday, September 4, 1906
Miss Sue Pearson, of Morganton, N. C., is the guest of Miss Nina Axley.
Miss Cora Pannell, of Greensboro,

OAK PARK

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Allen returned to their home in Pennsylvania Sunday after visiting friends and relatives here.

Those who enjoyed a picnic on the river Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Quinn and son Carl.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Raper and daughter Willie Lue, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Quinn and children Francis, Jessie and Quince and Miss Nena Mae Bishop and Mr. and Mrs. Auther Payne spent the week-end at Hiawassee with Mr. Payne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Hamby and daughter, of Marietta, Ga., returned home Sunday after spending a few days with Mrs. Hamby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Raper.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Raper had as their guests Wednesday night, Mr. and Mrs. Auther Payne, Misses Hazel Horton, Nina Mae Bishop, Francis Quinn and Mr. Willard Horton.

Mr. Skilor Stiles was the Sunday afternoon guest of Mr. Claud Kelley.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ledford, of Liberty, were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Stiles.

Mrs. Columbus Coleman was the Friday afternoon guests of Mrs. Milton Coleman.

Miss Bessie Mashburn spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mashburn.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beavers were the Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Horton.

Miss Hazel Horton was the Sunday night guest of Mrs. Gillie Mae Raper.
Mr. Wayne Trulove was the guest Wednesday of Julius Reid.

is here visiting her uncle, J. H. Dillard.

Rufus Morgan, of Waynesville, spent Sunday here with his father, Alfred Morgan.

Misses Lucy and Laura Morgan left yesterday to enter school at Hickory, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Clark, of Lenoir, N. C., are here visiting their son, A. S. Clark.

Mrs. F. J. Axley, of Statesville, is here visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Phillips.

Mercer Fain will leave tomorrow for Asheville where he will enter Bingham military school.

Mrs. A. R. Bell and children arrived Friday night to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cooper.

Mrs. R. E. Howe of DeSoto, Ga., is here for an indefinite visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Cunningham.

The following young ladies of Murphy left yesterday to enter Davenport College at Lenoir, N. C.: Misses Lula and Fannie Fain, Ada and Mamie Harshaw, Lillie Mae and Winnie Brittain, Lillian Bryson and Mary Patton.

43 YEARS AGO

Tuesday, September 5, 1893
Sam Stewart was down from the Valley yesterday.

Col. Sam Bryson, of Andrews, was down the past week and stayed all night.

Mr. Thomas Butt, and sister, Miss Sallie, after visiting their sister, Mrs. Dr. McCombs, of our town, returned to their home in Blairsville, and she with them to visit her parents.

E. H. Kinsey, of Hiawassee, was in town Thursday evening.

Miss Janie McDermott, of Knoxville, Tenn., is visiting, Mrs. Capt. Herbert, of this place.

Miss Mary Lee, of Asheville, is visiting Miss Ruth Patterson, of our city.

William Kirby and Francis Kike, of Hiawassee were in town Wednesday.



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