

As the World Turns

A Brief Survey of Current Events in State, Nation and Abroad—the Facts Boiled Down to a Few Pithy Lines.

JAPS LEAVE LEAGUE SEATS

In protest against a unanimous vote of censure of Japan's military policy in Manchuria, the Japanese delegation to the league of nations assembly walked out of the Geneva meeting Friday. Military leaders declared the nation's firm intention to proceed with the campaign in China's Jehol province.

MARYLAND BANK HOLIDAY

Declaring recent heavy withdrawals from Maryland banks without justification, Governor Albert C. Ritchie on Friday declared Saturday, Monday and Tuesday legal holidays for all financial institutions in the state and thus provided time to check the withdrawals.

FEDERAL JUDGE IMPEACHED

The house of representatives voted 183 to 142 on Friday to impeach Harold Louderback, federal district judge in California, and to request the senate to sit as a trial court on charges that he committed misdemeanors in handling receivership cases. A two-thirds senate majority is required to convict.

FORMER BANKER KILLS SELF

Despondent over inability to get a job, William D. Harris, 36, former vice president of the Central Securities company of Asheville, shot himself to death at his step-mother's home near Sanford last Thursday. Mr. Harris, who was a World War veteran holding a commission as lieutenant colonel in the field artillery reserve corps, served as director of the state department of conservation under Governor McLean. In one of a series of trials arising out of failure of the Central Bank and Trust company and the Central Securities company of Asheville, he was acquitted on a charge of using the mails to defraud.

ENGLISH ARMS EMBARGO

Great Britain on Monday adopted a provisional embargo to prevent the shipping of arms and munitions to either China or Japan during the present conflict over Manchuria. Senator Borah, chairman of the U. S. senate's foreign relations committee, declared opposition to an American embargo on the grounds it would be unfair to China.

RECEIVES LARGE FORTUNE

Under the will of Samuel E. Moorhead, of New York, his daughter, Mrs. Edith Moorehead Bryant, of Asheville, receives \$907,278, the biggest part of the estate.

\$2,038,000 FOR N. C. RELIEF

The Reconstruction Finance corporation on Saturday authorized \$2,038,000 relief funds for March and April distribution in North Carolina and the state's relief chiefs are allotting the funds to the 100 counties.

BRUMMITT RENEWS ATTACK

Asserting he had furnished plenty evidence of election frauds in Surry county which "assail government at its very source," Dennis Brummitt, state attorney general, on Saturday declared Solicitor Carlisle Higgins did not follow the statute in writing the bills recently rejected by the Surry grand jury and sent in only one of the witnesses whose names were furnished by Brummitt after a probe of the June primary in Surry county.

BANK POWER FOR PRESIDENT

Congress last week rushed through a bill giving the president tremendous powers for one year over national banks, specifically "any powers over national banks that states in which they are located may exercise over state banks." The authority will be used to meet banking emergencies in Michigan and other states.

U. S. ENDORSES LEAGUE STAND

Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson was speaking for both old and new administrations on Saturday when he cabled to Geneva the United States' approval of the league condemnation of Japan's military policy in Manchuria.

FORD OFFERS BANKING AID

Henry Ford brought his millions to bear on the Michigan banking crisis last week-end, offering to subscribe total capital stock of \$8,250,000 for two new banks to take over liquid assets of the First National and the Guardian National banks. Banks say the plan would permit payment of about 35 per cent to depositors.

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COUNTY'S FARM PROGRESS CITED

Macon Receives Favorable Publicity in Atlanta Constitution

USED AS EXAMPLE

Five-and-Ten Year Program Results Reviewed In Editorial

Macon county received much favorable publicity in an editorial in the Atlanta Constitution on February 22 reviewing the agricultural progress in Western North Carolina since inauguration of the five-and-ten year farm program. What has been done in this county under the program is cited as an example of "the extent to which agricultural conditions were revolutionized." The Constitution's editorial follows, in part:

FIVE-TEN-YEAR FARM PLAN

Interesting and encouraging progress is reported for the five-ten-year farm program launched by the southeastern council, in western North Carolina last spring. The first year's operation of the program, according to H. Arthur Osborne, chairman of the regional council in charge, has brought increased interest in soil improvement, in pure-bred live stock, in better farm buildings, in subsistence farming and in cooperative efforts of all kinds.

The movement is being sponsored by the newspapers of this section of North Carolina and more than 60,000 persons attended the various agricultural meetings held during the year.

At these meetings the doctrine has been stressed that the cow, hog, steer, sheep and hen, with timber fruit and special crops can be so fitted into the agricultural production program that their products will stand for a prosperous community. To further this end the farmers are urged to lend their acres to the organization of a program of balanced diversion of farm lands and crop allotment.

The 48 counties comprising the area in which the movement was undertaken saw the importation up to January 1 of 51 beef bulls, 33 dairy bulls, 33 dairy cows, 121 sows, 52 boars and 53 rams, all pure bred; the increase of lespedeza planting from 3,588 to 12,206 acres and the construction of nine new standing silos and 13 trench silos.

The extent to which agricultural conditions were revolutionized in these 18 counties as a result of the adoption of the five-ten-year plan is illustrated in the report of Mr. Osborne by the following recital of progress in the single county of Macon:

The Macon county organization carried its program to 1,800 people during the year. Two fairs were held. New outlets for farm products were developed. Cooperative sales were arranged. New live stock placed in the county included 26 pure-bred Poland-China sows, 14 boars, 6 Guernsey bulls, 2 short-horn bulls, 4 Hereford bulls, 6 Hereford heifers and 4,000 pure-bred chicks. An increase of 500 per cent in the acreage in peas and other soil-improvement crops, an increase of 100 per cent in the acreage planted in soybeans for hay, and 25 per cent increase in pasture improvement; erection, in accordance with plans supplied by the state, of 15 farrowing houses, two sweet potato curing houses, five brooder houses, and three brick brooders. Twenty-five bushels of certified seed corn were distributed. Forty-seven community groups were organized. Greater interest is being taken in such activities as home beautification and standardization of grades of produce. There has been "a marked decrease in food and feed importation."

Between \$600,000,000 and \$700,000,000 is being sent out of the south each year for agricultural products which can be raised as well in this section. If this huge sum or the greater part of it, were kept in the south it would mean that this would be the most prosperous agricultural section of the country.

Box Supper To Be Given at Holly Springs

On Saturday night, March 4, a box supper will be given at the Holly Springs school for the benefit of the Holly Springs community baseball team. Music will be furnished by the Young brothers string band.

Rewards of \$300 Offered For Capture of J. R. Bell, Outlawed Coweta Gangster

The price on the head of J. R. Bell, outlaw, has been boosted to \$300. That is the amount that will be paid for his capture, dead or alive.

Under the outlaw proclamation posted at the courthouse door, any citizen on seeing Bell may demand that he submit immediately to arrest and, should he resist, to shoot him down.

Bell is wanted on warrants charging murder and first degree burglary in connection with the robbery and fatal attack on George Dryman, 83-year-old Middle Creek farmer, on the night of January 23. He is also suspected of having been connected with other robberies blamed on the Coweta gang, of which he was said to have been the head. The band is said to have referred to itself as the "Jesse James gang" and called Bell, "Jesse."

One hundred dollars of the reward offered for Bell was put up by the estate of Mr. Dryman; another \$100 was posted Tuesday of this week by the county commissioners and the latter sum was matched by the state. The money is being held by Frank I. Murray, clerk of the superior court.

All efforts of officers to apprehend Bell have been futile thus far, but they still have hopes of bringing him to justice. He is believed to be hiding in north Georgia. Various rumors that he had returned to this county and eaten meals in certain homes were traced by Sheriff Slagle and his deputies and found to be without foundation.

Fred Cabe, special deputy, who was shot in the arm in the pistol battle between Bell and a sheriff's posse near Bell's home on Coweta, February 16, was dismissed from Angel Brothers' hospital Sunday.

LEADERS NAMED BY FARM CLUB

Cartoogechaye 5-10 Group Elects Mr. Crockett President

A meeting of the Cartoogechaye 5-10 Farm club was held in the Slagle schoolhouse Friday afternoon, with Fred S. Sloan, county farm agent, and Mr. Farnum making the principal addresses.

At this meeting the following officers were elected to serve for the coming year: the Rev. S. R. Crockett, chairman; Mrs. Charles Nolen, co-chairman; Miss Katherine Siler, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Hayne Author, publicity editor and assistant secretary.

The following committee chairmen were also elected: agricultural committee, Laddie Crawford; educational committee, Mrs. S. R. Crockett; home improvement committee, Mrs. Henry Slagle; religious committee, Mrs. Horace Hurst; civics committee, Charles Waldrop; recreation committee, George Crawford; social committee, Mrs. Laddie Crawford; and music committee, Richard Slagle.

The club voted to hold its meeting on the last Friday afternoon of each month.

With Laddie Crawford as chairman, and Mrs. Henry Slagle as co-chairman, last year, the first year of the organization, the Cartoogechaye 5-10 club made a wonderful record. The club was one of the most active and did the greatest amount of work of any club in the county. Besides the fine programs given at the meetings, the club members exchanged garden seeds and did several other things which helped the entire community. Last fall it held the only community fair in the county.

Plan Raleigh Trip

Macon Delegation Going To Jackson Dinner

A group of Macon county Young Democrats is planning to attend the Jackson Day dinner and annual business convention of the North Carolina Young People's Democratic club in Raleigh on March 15. John W. Edwards, president of the Macon county club, is in charge of arrangements for the trip, and all persons interested in going are urged to notify him immediately.

The Macon county club is entitled to three votes in the state convention. Any good Democrat with a dollar in his pocket is eligible to attend the Jackson Day dinner. J. Dewey Dorsett, president of the state Young People's Democratic club, has written Mr. Edwards urging him to round up a good delegation to represent the Macon county club, which won wide recognition for its activities in the pre-election campaign last fall.

Senator Bailey and Reynolds and Stoney Winborne, state Democratic chairman, are expected to be the principal speakers at the dinner, which will be held at 7 o'clock in the evening at the Sir Walter hotel. The business meeting is scheduled to open at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

SATULAH ROAD NOW FINISHED

Top of Mountain Is Now Accessible by Motor

It is now possible to reach the top of Satulah mountain, near Highlands, by motor. This is the first time cars have been able to make it to the top in comfort.

In fact, only one motor until now ever reached Satulah's crest at all. This was a "strip-down Ford" driven by Tudor Hall of Highlands several years ago. This was considered quite a feat, for both car and driver.

The forestry service has had a gang of men at work on the trail, broadening it into a road, and it was opened about 10 days ago.

This will probably make a great difference in the popularity of the mountain for summer tourists. Until now Sunset has been the favorite mountain for picnics, weenie roasts etc., because of its accessibility by motor while Satulah was only visited by those who enjoyed the long hike from the Esgrigge Gate. The making of the road is the preliminary step of building a forestry service tower on top of Satulah. This is expected to begin in the near future.

Farmers Warned Against Northern Oat Seed

The U. S. department of agriculture has received reports that high quality northern white oat seed is being shipped into the south. It warns southern farmers that the sowing of these northern varieties results in low yields and grain of poor quality and urges them to sow the red oats commonly grown in the south.

Although the northern oat seed may be of high quality, it will not produce a satisfactory crop in the south, the department oat specialists say. These northern white varieties are more subject to diseases, ripen prematurely, and usually produce grain of light weight under the warm climate of the south.

Only seed of red-oat varieties such as Fulghum, Red Rustproof, and Burt should be sown for grain production in the south.

Clyde Wood Arrested, Not Clarence Wood

It was Clyde Wood, not Clarence Wood, who was arrested on charges of burglary and murder in connection with the robbery and fatal attack on George Dryman, 83-year-old Middle Creek farmer, on the night of January 23. Through an unintentional error The Press erroneously stated last week that Clarence Wood was being held as a defendant in the case, along with other alleged members of the Coweta or "Jesse James" gang. It was Clyde Wood, Clarence's brother, who was arrested.

TWO DIE IN BURNING PLANE

An airplane hit high tension wires two miles east of North Wilkesboro Monday afternoon and crashed burning to the ground. Dying in the flames were the pilot, Bryan Sanborn, 19, Black Mountain and his sister, Evelyn, 17.

BACK TAX BILL GIVEN SENATE

Patton Introduces Measure Authorizing 5-Year Payment Plan

PUT ON CALENDAR

Ingram Seeks Validating Act for Collecting Delinquencies

A bill designed to relieve delinquent taxpayers in Macon county by authorizing installment payments over a period of five years on all back taxes, has been introduced in the upper house of the general assembly by Senator R. A. Patton. A similar bill was introduced in the lower house earlier in the session by Representative J. P. Randolph of Swain county. Senator Patton succeeded in having his bill placed upon the calendar, thereby eliminating the danger of an unfavorable committee report.

Terms of Measure

It provides "That all delinquent taxpayers of Macon county, and of any municipality or other sub-division of government of said county, shall have five years from the date of the ratification of this act, in which to pay all such delinquent taxes which have been heretofore levied and assessed against them, upon condition that all such delinquent taxpayers shall, within each year of the said five-year period, pay one-fifth of such unpaid and delinquent taxes now owed by them, and shall hereafter promptly pay during each fiscal or tax year, all taxes levied and assessed against such taxpayers for such fiscal or tax year.

"That all delinquent taxpayers of Macon county, and of any municipality, or any other sub-division of government in said county, whose lands have been sold for taxes and purchased by the county or other municipality or sub-division of government to which such taxes are or were due, shall have five years from the date of the ratification of this act in which to pay all back taxes upon said lands, and six per cent interest per annum upon all such delinquent taxes from the date when said lands were so sold.

"That all unpaid and delinquent taxes in Macon county, and any municipality or other sub-division thereof, except such as those upon which tax sales have been had, or tax foreclosure suits brought, shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from and after June 30th, subsequent to the time when such taxes became due and payable.

"That all taxes in the county of Macon, and any municipality or sub-division thereof, shall be payable at the face amount of such taxes, if paid before June 30th, immediately subsequent to the date when such taxes are due and payable, and thereafter such delinquent tax shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum."

Another Tax Bill

A bill introduced by Representative C. L. Ingram, of Macon, which has already passed the house, is designed to validate the collection of back taxes upon which the time for advertising and foreclosure proceedings has expired. The measure provides "that all sheriffs and tax collectors, who by virtue of their office, have had the tax lists for purpose of collection of taxes for Macon county in their hands for 1928, 1929, 1930 and 1931 are hereby authorized and empowered to collect arrears of taxes for each of the years aforesaid, under such rules and regulations as are now or may hereafter be provided by law."

The last report of Macon county financial condition showed a total of \$145,187.75 in delinquent taxes for 1928 through 1931. Time for foreclosure proceedings to collect these arrears expired last fall.

The Ingram bill, after passage in the house, was referred to the senate committee on finance.

Dewey Rochester's Eye Injured

Dewey Rochester was struck in the eye with a hot piece of steel while working in his blacksmith shop Monday. He was taken to Angel Brothers' hospital, where medical aid was administered, but it was feared he would lose his sight in one eye.

Meetings Called To Discuss Farm And Relief Work

Composition by Macon Girl To Be Broadcast

A new musical composition, "Under the Light of the Western Stars," by Miss Carolyn Nolen, of Cartoogechaye, will be on the air for the first time Thursday, March 2. It is to be broadcast from Hollywood, Calif., over radio station KMTR at 4:45 o'clock, Pacific standard time, or 7:45 eastern standard time.

Miss Nolen is the daughter of the late Frank H. Nolen and Mrs. Nolen, of Cartoogechaye.

INAUGURATION ON SATURDAY

Roosevelt Announces His Cabinet, Including One Woman

Franklin Delano Roosevelt will become the 32nd president of the United States at inauguration exercises in Washington Saturday.

Mr. Roosevelt already has completed his cabinet, announcing his last appointments Tuesday of this week. He broke precedent records by naming a woman to the cabinet for the first time. She is Miss Frances Perkins, New York state commissioner of labor, whom he appointed to the post of secretary of labor.

The full cabinet list follows: Treasury, William H. Woodin, of Pennsylvania and New York. State Senator, Cordell Hull, of Tennessee.

Attorney General, Senator Thomas J. Walsh, of Montana.

War, George H. Dern, of Utah.

Navy, Senator Claude A. Swanson, of Virginia.

Agriculture, Henry A. Wallace, of Iowa.

Interior, Harold I. Ickes, of Illinois.

Labor, Miss Frances Perkins, of New York.

Commerce, Daniel C. Roper, of South Carolina.

Postmaster General, James A. Farley.

Robert W. Bingham, Louisville publisher and a descendant of North Carolina stock, is slated for appointment as ambassador to Great Britain; but Mr. Roosevelt has announced that he will not make public his foreign assignments until after he has been inaugurated.

Books Needed

Library To Open Soon; New Volumes Asked

The Franklin library in the Masonic hall has been put in shipshape condition and soon will be reopened to the public for the first time in several years.

Reorganization of the library association is expected to be completed at a meeting to be called within a week or so. As soon as this is done and monitors are named to supervise the lending of books the library will be open one or two afternoons each week.

A small committee has been working on plans for the reopening for the past month and Mrs. J. A. Ordway, who volunteered her services, has done yeoman's service in cleaning the library room and dusting several thousand volumes on the shelves. Red Cross materials formerly stored in the library and reading room have been removed to the old farmers federation building.

The library committee has requested that any persons having worthwhile books which they no longer need at home to donate them to the library. Children's books and modern fiction are especially needed. Such gifts may be left at The Press office or handed to Mrs. Lattie Kelly Cunningham, Mrs. Ordway or John W. Edwards. Proper recognition will be given for all book donations.

Plans for Distributing Seed Packages To Be Outlined

EXPECT SEED SOON

Every Family Receiving Relief Aid Must Plant Garden

The agricultural outlook in Macon county for 1933 and plans for emergency relief activities during the coming months will be discussed at eight community meetings called for next week by Fred S. Sloan, county farm agent, and Miss Rachel Davis, welfare director.

Miss Davis and Mr. Sloan, working in cooperation with the governor's office of relief, will have supervision over the distribution of garden and other seed among needy families. They plan to discuss the allocation of seed packages at the meetings next week.

Seeds Expected Soon

The seeds are expected to arrive about March 10, but as yet Mr. Sloan and Miss Davis have not learned how many packages will be sent to this county. Under the plan of distribution recommended by the state relief agency, seeds will not be distributed free of charge. Each person receiving seed will have to be recommended by the local relief committee and will have to work for them. The cost, however, will be small. For instance, the state relief agency has advised, a package of seeds sufficient to plant a garden for three persons, may be sold for approximately 23 cents. The cost of seeds will be deducted from the county's relief fund appropriation by the state. The county, in turn, will deduct from the food and clothing requisitions issued to those working on relief projects a sum sufficient to cover the cost of seeds issued to them. Every family receiving relief aid will be expected to plant a garden sufficiently large to supply their own needs. Unless they do, relief aid will be cut-off.

Purpose of Meetings

Mr. Sloan will advise farmers attending the community meetings as to what crops are best to plant this year and also how they can conduct their farms most economically under present conditions. The whole purpose of the meetings is to make the county and its farm families as nearly self-sustaining as possible, so as to reduce the amount of relief aid that will be necessary not only during the spring and summer but also next fall and winter. The tenor of the program is not merely to give charity to the needy but to help the needy to become self-supporting.

All persons receiving emergency relief aid or expecting to receive it are especially urged to attend the community meetings next week, but others living in the communities also are asked to attend.

3 Meetings Held

Three community meetings already have been held—at Pine Grove with 140 present, at Higdonville with 87 present, and at Lotla with 97 present.

Following is the schedule of meetings for next week:

Tuesday, March 7, 10 a. m.—Salem school; 2 p. m.—Clark's Chapel school.

Wednesday, March 8, 10 a. m.—Oak Grove school; 2 p. m.—Cowe school.

Thursday, March 9, 10 a. m.—Otto school; 2 p. m.—Mulberry school.

Friday, March 10, 10 a. m.—Holly Springs school; 2 p. m.—Oak Ridge school.

Episcopal Services To Be Resumed Sunday

The Rev. N. C. Duncan, who has been spending his annual vacation at Lincolnton for the past month, was expected to return to Franklin Wednesday or Thursday.

He plans to conduct the communion service in the Church of the Incarnation, Highlands, at 11 a. m. Sunday, and to hold evening prayer in St. Agnes church Franklin, at 7:30 p. m. A schedule of Lenten services will be announced in next week's issue of The Press.