

As the World Turns

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

GANDHI TO FAST AGAIN
As part of his campaign against the Indian caste system which holds millions as untouchables, Mahatma Gandhi on May 8 begins a three-weeks unconditional fast.

PERUVIAN PRESIDENT SLAIN
Luis M. Sanchez, president and military dictator of Peru, was shot and killed Sunday at the close of a review of troops. Abelardo Mendoza jumped on the running board of Sanchez' car and fired several shots into his body at close range. Mendoza was shot down at once. Two soldiers were killed and two civilians wounded in the firing. General O. R. Benavides was named new president.

HOBBSON GETS MEDAL
Almost 35 years after he led a daring group to sink the Merrimac and bottle up a Spanish fleet in Santiago harbor, Richmond Pearson Hobson was on Sunday presented the congressional medal of honor by President Roosevelt.

TORNADOES KILL SIX
Tornadoic winds in southeast Arkansas and western Mississippi early Sunday killed at least six and wounded over 50.

PROPOSES TRADE TRUCE
Through Norman H. Davis, United States spokesman in Europe, President Roosevelt on Saturday proposed to the eight nations organizing the world economic conference, that a trade truce be put into effect with all eight powers refraining from raising tariff rates or further restricting the course of international trade. The truce would go into effect June 12, when the conference opens in London.

DAYLIGHT SAVING STARTS
In 15 northern and eastern states, some 30,000,000 people lost an hour's sleep Saturday night, for at 2 a. m. clocks were turned an hour ahead to put daylight saving into effect during the months of long days, until September 4.

SENATE PASSES FARM BILL
By 64 to 20 the senate on Friday night passed the administration's revolutionary bill to aid farmers to secure higher prices, and to raise the general price level through inflation of the currency. The house will be asked to concur in the many changes made by the senate to the measure as it originally passed the house.

IOWA FARMERS REVOLT
Iowa national guardsmen established martial law in Le Mars and Denison last week after crowds of irate farmers forced a stop to mortgage sales. At Le Mars, a district judge was threatened with lynching if he signed mortgage foreclosures, was roughly handled by a farmer mob. At Denison another mob fought 34 officers and forced a stop to a mortgage sale.

RACERS CHASE BANDITS
Three bandits were foiled in an effort to rob a bank at Wilmington, Ill., last week and as they raced away they were chased by Harry and James Butcher, automobile racing drivers. The Butcher boys caught the bandits after a furious five-mile run, but had to back water when the bandits opened fire with a machine gun. James Butcher was wounded in the shoulder.

TORNADOES STRIKE AGAIN
Following disastrous twisters of early Sunday, May Day tornadoes struck again in Arkansas and Louisiana to kill over 70, injure more than 50 and cause widespread destruction in five towns and a big section of country.

APPROVES REYNOLDS PLAN
At Concord, Monday, Judge Wilson Warlick approved the plan of the Reynolds and Cannon families for a division of the \$20,000,000 estate of Smith Reynolds so that his two children will get \$2,000,000 each and the remainder will be used for a charitable foundation. As trustee for Anne Cannon Reynolds, II, Reynolds' daughter by his first marriage, the Cabarrus Bank and Trust company had sought an equal division of the fortune between the two children. The bank noted an appeal to Warlick's decision.

IMPORTANT POSTS FILLED
Guy T. Helvering, Kansas, was named as commissioner of internal revenue and J. F. T. O'Connor, Los Angeles, as comptroller of the currency, by President Roosevelt on Monday. C. L. Shuping, Greensboro, was a contender for the revenue post. He has been offered a deputy commissionership.

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FRANK RAY ELECTED MAYOR

Bank Now Open Under Restrictions

NOW RECEIVING NEW DEPOSITS

New Order by Gurney P. Hood Makes Reopening Possible

ACCUINTS GROWING

All Deposits To Be Kept Liquid, Subject To Demand

The Bank of Franklin reopened Tuesday noon under restrictions. It can now operate on a very similar basis to that on which it functioned from May, 1931, until the national banking moratorium was declared by President Roosevelt on March 4. It can accept deposits in trust, subject to withdrawal by the depositor on demand; handle collections, make change and lease safe deposit boxes.

New Banking Order

The reopening was made possible under terms of an order issued last week by Gurney P. Hood, state commissioner of banks, and approved by Governor Ehringhaus. The order requires that all deposits be kept liquid, either cash in the vault or on deposit in a federal reserve bank.

The Bank of Franklin, it was announced Wednesday by Henry Cabe, cashier, has complied with the provisions of the new banking order, a copy of which was received by him Sunday, and has deposited a sufficient amount with the Charlotte branch of the Federal Reserve bank for clearance purposes.

Accounts Returning

Shortly after the banking moratorium ended the Bank of Franklin notified depositors in what was termed the "new bank" that they could withdraw their deposits at will. The bank at that time had thirty-odd thousand dollars on deposit. Some of the depositors, mostly those who had their money in the bank for current checking purposes, withdrew their funds; but many others allowed their money to remain on deposit. Mr. Cabe said the bank still had about \$14,000 of these former deposits and this sum was beginning to grow with new deposits. Many individuals who had shifted their accounts to Clayton and other places are now bringing them back to Franklin.

The Usual Service Charges Will Be Continued, Mr. Cabe said.

BIG BANKERS SUMMONED

J. P. Morgan and many others of the nation's biggest bankers have been summoned to appear in Washington May 24 for the opening of the federal inquiry into private banking.

Sutton Urges More Stress On Present, Less on Past

The South needs to live more in the present and less in the past, is the opinion of Dr. Willis A. Sutton, superintendent of the Atlanta public schools, who spoke at a joint service in the Franklin Methodist church Sunday morning. "We of the Southland," he said, "are spending too much time in graveyards. It is true our ancestors were heroes and the past glorious, but our duty is to get down to present day problems and find out the true meaning of life." Christian churches, he continued, are placing too much emphasis on the hereafter and, therefore, the average church member does not fully appreciate the privileges and opportunities here on earth and thinks more about getting to heaven than getting the most out of life.

"The thing that the world needs," he added, "is someone to live the truth." The meaning of life comes

Fishing Permitted In Refuge May 12 & 13

The Wayah Bald state game refuge, which affords some of the finest trout fishing in the country, will be open to anglers on Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13, it was announced this week by Charles Waldrop, county game warden. Wayah Creek, which passes through the refuge, has been closed for four or five years with the exception one or two open days each year. The stream has been stocked from time to time with thousands of trout. The open dates in the refuge were specified by C. N. Mease, chief refuge warden for the state department of conservation and development.

BOTTLED BEER ON SALE HERE

The new legal beer went on sale in Franklin Monday morning and for a while enjoyed good sales, mostly due to public curiosity to see what it was like.

Some oldtimers said it was the real stuff, as good as ever; but most of the younger generation who tasted it were disappointed because it lacked the kick they were accustomed to finding in corn liquor or home brew.

Sales dropped off after the first day, but they are expected to increase later when the price is reduced. Few can afford it at 20 and 25 cents a bottle. It is expected to come down to two bottles for a quarter when the brewers get going in full swing.

Among the places in Franklin where beer now may be bought are Perry's Drug Store, Angel's Drug Store, the A. & P. and the Scott Griffin Hotel. It is also sold at Lake Emory Stores, Inc., on the road to Dillsboro.

Thus far, the only beer available here is in bottles. No one has announced plans for handling it on tap.

Contrary to the expectations of some people, the new beer has created no disturbances. No arrests for drunkenness have been reported.

Fire Destroys House Occupied by L. P. Jones

The house occupied by L. P. Jones and family on the old Georgia road was burned to the ground last Friday night while the Franklin fire company stood idly by, powerless to combat the flames because it lacked sufficient hose to reach the nearest fire hydrant. The dwelling was owned by I. T. Peek, who said he carried \$1,500 insurance on the house and \$500 on the furnishings. Nothing was saved from the building.

Old Ballads Sung

One of the main features was the beautiful old ballads of the sixties sung by a quartet composed of four sisters, all wearing split bonnets and dressed in ante-bellum costumes—Mrs. Howard Valentine, Mrs. J. S. Porter, Mrs. T. J. Johnston, Jr., and Mrs. Don Young. The piano accompaniment was played by James Porter.

Misses Virginia and Rachel Slagle, pages for the occasion, were also dressed in the old time costumes. The Boy Scouts assisted in paring and directing traffic and extending courtesies to the visitors.

The Andrews chapter won the attendance prize of cash for having the largest number of delegates present with the distance considered. The meeting next year will be with this chapter. The Macon county chapter was highly praised, by the courtesy committee, for the royal hospitality shown the visitors. More than 75 delegates and guests were present.

U. D. C. PLANS INDIAN MARKER

Memorial To Red Men Who Fought in Civil War To Be Erected

75 AT MEETING HERE

State President Heard at District Convention At Rogers Hall

Representatives from several chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy of western North Carolina assembled in Franklin Wednesday for their twenty-first annual district meeting.

The meeting was held at Rogers Hall, the beautiful home of Mrs. Sam L. Rogers. The hall and dining room were beautifully decorated with flags and a wealth of lovely spring flowers.

Director Elected

Mrs. William A. Hyatt, of Waynesville, the present district director, presided. She has served for two years, the limit of the office, but according to custom will not retire until October. Mrs. Clinton Porter, of Black Mountain, was elected to succeed her. Mrs. Porter was allowed the privilege of appointing her own secretary to succeed Mrs. O. R. Martin, of Waynesville, whose time also expires in October.

Mrs. James Edward Woodard, of Wilson, president of the North Carolina division, was present and made the principal address. She reviewed the activities of the organization and praised the chapters for the great interest manifested and pride inherited from our forefathers who were always proud to be from the South.

Addresses of welcome were made by Mrs. Carl Slagle, president of the Macon county chapter; J. Frank Ray, new mayor of Franklin, in behalf of Franklin, and Prof. Guy L. Houk, in behalf of the Rotary club.

Memorial Planned

The chief item of interest was a vote to erect a memorial to the company of western North Carolina Indians who fought so valiantly under Col. Thomas H. Thomas, in the 69th North Carolina regiment during the War between the States. Upon request, Mrs. Hyatt will head the committee to make the plans. Those named to assist were: Mrs. J. S. Enloe, of Dillsboro; Mrs. Giles Cover, of Andrews, and Miss Belle Slaughter, of Robbinsville.

Splendid reports were made from the chapters represented. Those were: Asheville, Mrs. Preston Thomas and Mrs. Harry W. Love; Sylva, Mrs. Buchanan; Andrews, Mrs. Giles Cover; Brevard, Mrs. O. L. Erwin; Waynesville, Mrs. J. Harden Howell; Dillsboro, Mrs. Enloe, and Franklin, Mrs. Carl Slagle.

During the luncheon toasts were made by Mrs. O. L. Erwin, of Brevard; Mrs. Preston Thomas and Mrs. L. E. Fisher, of Asheville; Mrs. D. M. Killian, of Waynesville, a woman of the sixties, was guest of honor.

The Nashville, Tenn., chamber of commerce is sponsoring a meeting to be held in the auditorium of the War Memorial building in Nashville at 10:30 a. m., on Tuesday, May 9, by representative citizens of the entire Tennessee valley.

The meeting will discuss the advisability of forming a Tennessee Valley association to cooperate with President Roosevelt in working out the government's plans for the coordinated development of the resources of the Tennessee valley. Several thousand invitations have already been sent out to public officials, chambers of commerce, educational leaders, civic clubs, business organizations, and individuals throughout the entire area of the Tennessee valley. Interested in-

F. M. Reeves To Head Fight Against 'T. F.' Abandonment; New Receiver Is Requested

F. M. Reeves, president of the First National Bank of Cornelia, Ga., will act as chairman of the forces opposing junking of the Tallulah Falls railroad at the hearing to be held in Atlanta next Wednesday on the petition of J. F. Gray, receiver, seeking authority to abandon the line.

A steering committee to direct the fight against abandonment was chosen at a meeting in Cornelia last Friday. Guy Houk was selected to represent Franklin and Dr. Dover to represent Clayton. Mr. Reeves, who was named chairman of the committee, will represent Habersham county.

Gray's Removal Asked

The public's answer to Judge Gray's petition, categorically refusing his reasons for abandonment and requesting his replacement as receiver, already has been filed with the Georgia Public Service Commission, which will conduct the hearing in Atlanta in behalf of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Members of the North Carolina corporation commission have been invited to sit with the Georgia commission. The answer, in the form of a petition, has been signed by the leading business men of Franklin and other communities served by the "T. F." Work is now in progress on a detailed brief to supplement the oral arguments to be made at the hearing.

Plans are under way to send a large delegation from Franklin to the hearing. Transportation arrangements have been made for 76 persons.

Copy of Answer

Following is a copy of the answer to Mr. Gray's abandonment petition:

An answer to the petition filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission by J. F. Gray, receiver of the Tallulah Falls Railway company, for the abandonment of the road, on hearing before the Georgia Public Service Commission and the Corporation Commission of North Carolina, May 10, 1933.

In answer to the above stated petition, we, the undersigned citizens, shippers and business men of Macon county, North Carolina, wish to submit the following facts and figures which have been obtained from reliable sources, and which we believe to be true; and made the following requests of the Commission:

1. The allegation contained in the petition that the public is not now using the said railroad to an extent justifying its operation is denied.
2. The allegation that traffic over the railroad has declined to a point that it is almost negligible is denied.
3. The allegation contained in the petition that the railroad cannot now be operated, except at a great loss, is denied. We have been informed that the loss for

Association To Be Formed To Boost Valley Project

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March, 1932, was \$5,970.54 and for March, 1933, was only \$945.42 a decrease under the same month last year of \$5,025.12. For the period from January 1 to April 21, 1932, 732 carloads were handled over the railroad; for the same period this year there were 917 carloads handled; an increase of 185 carloads or 25 per cent that being handled during this year. This indicates the trend of business.

The allegation that the operation of the railroad is constantly and increasingly lessening the value of the railroad property is denied. The roadbed, trestles and equipment are up to the usual standard; in fact, we are informed that the last inspection by engineers of the Southern Railway found the property in very good condition.

The allegation that the resources of the forests in this section have been exhausted is denied. The United States government is interested in the forests of Macon county and has bought considerably more than one hundred thousand acres of forest lands. The Forestry Service advises that just within the Franklin working circle, and not counting that part of the forest in Georgia, which would also be handled over the Tallulah Falls Railroad, there is the following timber:

Merchantable saw timber, board feet	39,813,000
Acid wood, cords	158,563
Chestnut poles	5,177
Hemlock pulp wood, cords	6,722
Cross ties	346,707
Locust posts	204,792
Tan bark, cords	39,023

Of the above, the Forestry Service sets aside annually a Saw Timber Budget of one million board feet. It is estimated that in addition to this the annual growth of timber on privately owned lands in Macon county is four million board feet. This will be materially increased under President Roosevelt's re-forestation plans.

In the past, a lower freight rate on timber products on the Murphy-Asheville branch of the Southern has deprived the Tallulah Falls of a great part of their natural market; this is a discrimination and puts shippers on the Tallulah Falls at an undue disadvantage in their market. A readjustment of the rates on the Tallulah Falls would stimulate shipments over this road and materially increase the net revenue. This would also draw into this section manufacturing plants which have been kept out in the past on account of the rates and also because of the propaganda to the effect that the line would be abandoned, and there was no use for anyone to do anything.

The expenses of operation of the railroad have been decreased materially, while business is increasing. If this decrease is continued, the expenses can be brought within the income, and there is a

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JONES LOSES BY 54 VOTES

Fouts, Sisk and Pendergrass Elected To Board Of Aldermen

HEAVY VOTE CAST

Patton Retires as Mayor After 6 Years; Ray Already Sworn In

J. Frank Ray was elected mayor of Franklin over his only opponent, R. S. Jones, by a majority of 54 votes in the biennial town election held Tuesday. Despite the stormy weather which prevailed most of the day, a total of 445 ballots were cast, the heaviest vote ever recorded in a town election.

Dr. J. H. Fouts, R. D. Sisk and J. B. Pendergrass were elected aldermen out of a field of six, with Fouts leading the ticket with 343 votes. Both Dr. Fouts and Pendergrass were members of the old board. Mr. Sisk has seen service on the board in the past and is also a former mayor of Franklin.

Ray Sworn In

George B. Patton, who has served as mayor for the past six years, seemed to be happier than anyone, even more elated than Frank Ray, the day after the election. Early Wednesday morning, as soon as the election returns had been certified, he swore in Ray as mayor and turned over to him the town's affairs, somewhat muddled on account of the power plant tangle.

The new aldermen were sworn in today, but as yet a meeting of the new board has not been called. It is thought likely that a joint meeting of the new board and the old one will be held within the next week to discuss the power plant problem. One of the last acts of the old board was to authorize the employment of special corporation counsel to advise as to what procedure should be followed to repossess the hydro-electric system. The firm of Merrimon and Adams, of Asheville, was retained.

Official Returns

The election Tuesday was very quiet, with no disorders reported and a friendly attitude on all sides. The official returns follow: For mayor—R. S. Jones, 190; J. Frank Ray, 244. For Aldermen—Grover Jamison, 122; J. H. Fouts, 344; R. D. Sisk, 275; J. B. Pendergrass 207; J. S. Porter, 176; T. W. Angel, Jr., 153.

PIERSON WINS AT HIGHLANDS

S. P. Pierson was elected mayor of Highlands Tuesday, polling 87 votes to 65 for O. F. Summer, school principal, and 15 for J. C. Mell.

J. E. Potts, town manager, led the ticket for aldermen with 140 votes. Other aldermen elected were: C. J. Anderson, L. W. Rice, J. J. Smith and M. A. Pierson.

Following are the official returns for aldermen: A. G. Spencer, 9; Harvey Talley, 31; C. J. Anderson, 104; W. H. Cobb, 34; E. R. Gilbert, 60; L. W. Rice, 124; J. E. Potts, 140; J. J. Smith, 88; M. A. Pierson, 84; W. A. Hays, 14; W. W. Edwards, 12; F. A. Edwards, 65; G. W. Marett, 30.

Over 1,500 Attend Singing Convention

More than 1,500 people were here Sunday to attend the Macon County Singing convention at the courthouse. Classes from several counties, and also from Georgia and South Carolina, were present and many good musical numbers were rendered.