

As the World Turns

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

BLOODY KENTUCKY VOTE
Over 200 state troops went on duty in Haran county, Kentucky, on Friday, to curb violence at the polls on Saturday. Two men were slain in fights on the eve of the primary.

EXCHANGE QUILTS IN TEARS
The New York stock exchange hurriedly adjourned at noon, Friday, forced to quit by tear gas which had been effectively spread through the exchange by some one who put two gas bombs in a ventilating intake.

MINE STRIKE IS ENDED
The strike of 30,000 workers in the Pennsylvania soft coal field was ended Friday through the mediating efforts of President Roosevelt and his national recovery administrators. A board of mediation was created to settle disagreements pending adoption of a coal mining code of operations at an early date.

37 SHIPS COST \$300,000,000
The navy last week let contract for construction of 21 naval vessels by private shipyards, and ordered 16 ships built in government yards. The 37 ships will cost \$300,000,000 and work on them is to begin at once as part of the federal public works program.

\$1,500,000 FOR SMOKY PARK
President Roosevelt last week allotted \$1,500,000 for purchase of additional lands for the Great Smoky Mountain park, \$500,000 of it going to make up the deficiency in state and private grants needed to match a \$5,000,000 gift by John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

REDUCE STATE INTEREST RATE
North Carolina bankers have agreed to renew \$5,000,000 in state notes held by them and due August 15, and to accept a 1-2 instead of 5 per cent. New York bankers, holding \$5,800,000 have refused to accept the reduced interest rate.

SCOTCH DUNN KIDNAPING
A conspiracy to kidnap Jacqueline Johnson, two, daughter of a wealthy Dunn man, was scotched by police there on Monday with the arrest of Jim Smith, mechanic. Smith denies he tried to induce negro servants in the Johnson home to aid him in removing the child and holding it for \$2,500 ransom.

PICKS EMPLOYMENT AIDES
Capus Waynick, High Point, director of the federal re-employment service in North Carolina, has appointed Mrs. May Thompson Evans, High Point, and W. F. George, Fayetteville, as supervisors to aid him in opening employment offices in every city.

HIGH POINT STRIKE ENDS
High Point's 5,000 striking seamless hosiery workers returned to their jobs on Monday. They had been out since July 17 seeking higher wages and shorter hours. Wages are not increased but hours are cut to 40 per week under the hosiery code.

SET NEW FLIGHT RECORD
Maurice Rossi and Paul Codos, Frenchmen, piloting a plane named the Joseph Lebrun, landed near Damascus, Syria, on Monday evening, after 57 hours in the air in a flight from New York. They flew nearly 6,000 miles and set a new world's distance record.

TROOPS TERRORIZE HAVANA
Thousands rushed into Havana streets Monday night to celebrate the news that Machado was going to retire from the presidency. They were met with a rain of pistol, rifle and machine gun bullets from troops Machado had called into the capitol. At least 25 were killed and hundreds were wounded.

APPROVE N. C. ROAD PROJECTS
The state highway commission on Friday approved 18 highway and street projects for submission to the federal bureau of roads. The state body had previously passed on projects to cost \$988,630 as part of the \$11,000,000 federal expenditures on roads planned for North Carolina.

FOGLEMAN DIES IN CHAIR
Clay Fogleman, Rockingham county man convicted of the deliberate murder of W. J. Carter, in a filling station holdup, died in the electric chair at Raleigh Friday morning. He had won one stay, in a dramatic effort to evade the death sentence.

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COUNTY TAX SALE DELAYED

Hope of Saving Railroad Increases

INVESTIGATION OF 'T. F.' MADE

New Georgia Public Service Commission Re-opens Case

LINE IS INSPECTED
Officials of Two States To Confer on Matter In Franklin

An independent investigation of the proposal of J. G. Gray, receiver of the Tallulah Falls railway, that the line from Cornelia to Franklin be abandoned, has been launched by the new Georgia Public Service commission. As a result, prospects of saving the railroad are brighter than ever.

The new Georgia commission, appointed several weeks ago by Governor Talmadge after he had fired the old commission under charges of subservency to the railroad and utility interests, has indicated it intends to follow a different policy from its predecessors.

The old commission, after conducting a hearing in behalf of the Interstate Commerce commission on the abandonment petition in Atlanta on May 10, pigeon-holed the whole question and failed to make any recommendation whatsoever to the I. C. C., which has jurisdiction in the case. Last month, an examiner for the commission after perusing the bare records, recommended that "Colonel" Gray's petition be granted. It is felt that had the Georgia commission seen fit to recommend against abandonment, chances of continued operation would have been stronger. But the old commissioners did nothing about it; they evidently were too absorbed in Georgia politics. They failed even to put in a word concerning the importance of the "T. F." to North Georgia and western North Carolina, a thing they could have done without bias.

Start Investigation
After the new commissioners went into office they started looking into the matter and decided that the public had not received a fair deal. In a letter to F. M. Reeves, of Cornelia, one of the leaders in the movement for continued operation of the "T. F.," one of the commissioners stated he had "come to the conclusion that the matter is of such importance as to justify making an independent investigation."

Two members of the commission, Mr. Daniel and Mr. Davis, were designated to conduct this investigation, which some persons familiar with the situation confidently believe will shed new light on the receiver's petition for abandonment.

The two commissioners arrived in Cornelia Thursday morning to inspect the railroad and to confer with shippers along the line. Unlike members of the old commission, they are not satisfied with the record as compiled at the hearing in May. They want to get first-hand information.

Expected Here
The commissioners were met at (Continued on page four)

County Baptist Association Meets at Briartown Church; Solesbee Named Moderator

With a large crowd present, the Macon County Baptist association convened Wednesday morning at the Briartown Baptist church for its 30th annual session. The meeting was scheduled to last through today.

The most important business transacted at the first day's session was the election of officers, as follows: The Rev. A. S. Solesbee, moderator; the Rev. E. R. Eller, vice moderator; R. M. Ledford, clerk; E. V. Ammons, treasurer, and the Rev. W. T. Potts, historian. The Rev. Mr. Mayberry, of Sylva, led the opening devotional service Wednesday morning, and the annual sermon was preached by the Rev. James Burrell at 11 o'clock.

'Bobby' Jones To Play In Exhibition Match

"Bobby" Jones, the finest golfer of them all, is scheduled to play in an exhibition golf match at Highlands Saturday, August 19, starting at 2 p. m. Proceeds from the match will go to the churches and civic organizations of Highlands. Bobby's partner in a foursome will be Charles Yates, the Georgia state champion, and they will be pitted against George Sargent, former national champion, and Ernie Ball, southern champion. The match will be played on the Highlands country club course, one of the finest in the south.

DEATH CLAIMS W. D. MCCLURE

Well Known Prentiss Man Dies after Long Illness

W. D. McClure, well known Prentiss farmer, died at 12:30 a. m. Thursday at his home after an illness of seven years with Bright's disease. The funeral was scheduled to be held Thursday afternoon at Clark's Chapel Methodist church, of which Mr. McClure was a member.

Mr. McClure, who was 79 years old, was born and reared on the farm on which he died. He is survived by his widow, four daughters and a son: Mrs. Ed Fulcher, Mrs. Harve Dowdle, Mrs. Wilson Rogers and Otto McClure, all of this county, and Mrs. Tom Brown, of Seneca, S. C.

Smart Family To Hold Reunion August 20

The fourth annual reunion of the Smart family will be held Sunday, August 20, at the home of J. J. Mann about four miles from Franklin on the Georgia highway. All relatives are cordially invited to attend.

Plans for Annual County Farm Tour Are Announced

The annual Macon county farm tour, sponsored by the Franklin Rotary club, will start at 9:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, August 16, at the courthouse, according to plans announced by Fred S. Sloan, county farm agent. The order of the itinerary has not been announced, but Sloan said the following farms would be visited during the course of the day:

J. R. Franklin's farm on R. F. D. 4, where a trench silo will be inspected. Will Barry's farm at Higdonville, where another trench silo has been built. Mr. Barry's purebred Hereford also will be inspected.

SILERS HOLD 82ND REUNION

180 Attend Annual Family Gathering at Home of Mrs. Henry Slagle

A total of 180 persons attended the 82nd annual reunion of the Siler family which was held last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Henry Slagle in the Cartoogechaye section. Short talks were made by the Rev. A. S. Solesbee, the Rev. F. R. Crockett, and the Rev. W. A. Jenkins, all of Macon county, and the Rev. A. R. Morgan, of Columbia, S. C.

A picnic dinner was served and in the afternoon a business session was held at which a decision was reached to hold the next annual reunion at Camp Nikwasi, near Franklin.

REUNION HELD BY RICKMANS

More than 200 Attended Family Meeting at West's Mill

The annual Rickman reunion was held at the home of Mrs. M. L. Rickman at West's Mill Sunday with more than 200 descendants and visitors present. The Rev. Eugene R. Eller, pastor of the Franklin Baptist church, preached in the afternoon, using the text that the late Rev. Merritt Rickman used in his last sermon Hebrews 4-9.

The Rickmans originally migrated from Germany to Rickmansworth in Herfordshire, England, about the year 1657. One may trace the family by the old church records in Rickmansworth, which shows the births, marriages and deaths. The name then was spelled Ryeckman. In 1785 two boys, Jesse and Joshua Ryeckman, made their way from Rickmansworth, England, to Baltimore, Md. Later Jesse came to Cane Creek in Buncombe county. He later married Miss Mary Trantham and to this union were born 14 children, among them, three sets of twins. One of these children, Merritt Rickman, who was born August 6, 1812, came to Macon county in 1853 and settled in the Cowee section. He was one of the pioneer missionary ministers in Western North Carolina. At times he had charge of as many as seven churches. When he died in 1874, he was pastor of the Franklin Baptist church.

This was the first time that the Rickman reunion has been held on the birthday of the Rev. Merritt Rickman.

Officers were elected by the family group as follows: E. O. Rickman, of Leatherman, president; John E. Rickman, of Franklin, historian, and Mrs. Frank I. Murray, of Franklin, secretary; program committee, Sam J. Murray, chairman; Joe Rickman and Sidney Queen.

A handsome Bible, offered as a prize to the one guessing the nearest number of the Merritt Rickman descendants, was won by Mrs. Lyle Jacobs. The correct number, so far is known, is 365.

Rev. Fred O. Dryman 'Resting Nicely'

The Rev. Fred O. Dryman, pastor of The Lake Junaluska Methodist Church, who underwent an operation at Angel Brothers hospital last week, was reported to be resting nicely Wednesday afternoon.

Bryson Reunion Set for August 20

The Macon county Bryson reunion will be held in the grove in rear of the Cowee Baptist church, on Sunday, August 20. All the descendants of this clan are invited to attend and bring a basket of lunch.

Funeral for Highlands Woman Held at Home Monday

Mrs. Guy Paul, 43, of Highlands, died in Angel Brothers hospital Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. Death resulted from high blood pressure.

Funeral services were conducted at the homes on the Highlands-Walhalla road Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Rev. W. C. Reed, pastor of the Sylva Baptist church, the Rev. Mr. Johnson and the Rev. Raymond McCarty, of Highlands, officiated.

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McLean's Now Occupying Home at 'Knollacres'

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McLean, of Asheville, are now occupying their new home, "Knollacres Farm," on the Bryson city road near West's mill.

Mr. McLean recently purchased the home of Mrs. J. L. Bryson, which was immediately torn down. In its place, occupying a beautiful site commanding broad view, Mr. McLean has built a handsome 10-room bungalow.

Send Charity Solicitors To Welfare Officer

Rachel Davis, superintendent of public welfare, requests that all citizens please send anyone coming to their door for help to her. She is trying to do away with house-to-house begging and she wishes to save the people of the county the trouble that so many have had with people coming to their homes for help. She would like to make the proper investigation of all requests for charity.

Injunction Stays Order of Board; 1933 Rate Lower

Countywide Levy Set at \$1.05 in Budget Adopted

VALUATION LOWER
New Rate Is 16 Cents Under Levies of Past 2 Years

A budget calling for a countywide tax rate of \$1.05 on the \$100 valuation was adopted by the county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting Monday. The rate for the past two years has been \$1.21.

The reduction of 16 cents was made possible by assumption by the state of responsibility for the eight-months school term. In view of the fact that the county's valuation has been decreased considerably more than a million and a quarter dollars, the drop in the tax rate was regarded as quite a pleasant surprise.

Unless tax collections improve, however, the possibility of a higher rate next year is seen by county officials.

Division of Levy
The full budget has not been announced, but the countywide tax levy is divided as follows: General county purposes, \$.15; Special Fund (Pauper, 05; courts and jail, 05; health, 05) .15; Debt service (county roads and bridges) .60; Schools .15.

TOTAL .15
Special Levies
In addition to the countywide levy, special road and bridge district levies were made as follows: Franklin township, \$.25; Nantahala township, .40; Highlands township, .10. The county's total valuation is tentatively placed at \$5,593,074, which is \$1,455,055 under last year's valuation. This figure is not final as the Corporation Commission has not yet reported the valuation of corporate properties.

Zone Meeting

Mission Groups Meet at Iotla Church

The third quarterly zone meeting for the Macon County Methodist Woman's Missionary Societies met with the hospitable Iotla people on Tuesday, August 8. Interspersed with the routine of regular business, reports, minutes etc., was a pleasing program of songs, a playlet by the Franklin Juniors, a solo, songs and recitation by the Iotla young people and a beautiful duet by Mrs. J. A. Flanagan of Franklin and Mr. Spell, Young Divinity (Continued on page four)

'Foxes' Win Baseball Game From Cherokee Indian Team

The "Camp Foxes," as the baseball team at C. C. Camp No. 9 has been dubbed, went to the Indian reservation in Swain county Saturday and after a five inning game with the Cherokee Braves emerged with a 6-to-4 victory.

The "Foxes" were accompanied by Captain Mellman and Sergeant Forsyth. When they arrived at the reservation they found that a game was under way between the Indians and the conservation boys from the Smokemont camp, but the Smokemont boys withdrew out of courtesy to the Camp 9 boys. Though the game was for only five innings, it was an interesting contest.

Judge Felix E. Alley Halts Advertisement of 1932 Taxes

PAYMENTS DECLINE
County Prepared To Accept Notes for Taxes Due Prior to 1932

Sale of land for delinquent 1932 taxes, ordered by the Macon county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting Monday in compliance with the new statewide tax law, has been postponed—temporarily at least—by the issuance of a restraining order by Judge Felix E. Alley, of Waynesville.

Advertisement of the tax sale for the first Monday in September was scheduled to start this week. The commissioners sought some grounds upon which they could put off the sale until the fall, when crops come in, but the county attorney, George Patton, advised them that the law gave them no leeway in the matter. So they ordered the names of delinquent taxpayers to be published and the sale of tax certificates to be held on September 4.

Injunction Obtained
Wednesday morning the restraining order was obtained from Judge Alley, who was presiding over court at Murphy, by Mrs. Lassic Kelly Cunningham and R. S. Jones acting as attorneys in behalf of Dr. B. Davis, of Franklin, and other taxpayers delinquent in 1932 taxes. The application for the restraining order was drawn up by Mrs. Cunningham and G. A. Jones.

In issuing the order, Judge Alley forbade Sheriff A. B. Slagle, as tax collector, from advertising the sale and directed that the county commissioners take no further action to bring it about. The order is returnable August 30. Unless a request is filed to make it permanent, it will be automatically dissolved on that date. It is understood that those who obtained the injunction have no intention of seeking to make it permanent, as they wanted only to delay the sale; and the county commissioners are planning to proceed with advertisement and sale as soon as the order expires.

Payments Slow Down
Until word got around that the injunction had been issued, the sheriff's office did a landoffice business. Thousands of dollars poured into the county treasury as hundreds of property owners came in to pay their taxes. Wednesday the payments began to drop off and Thursday morning the office helpers had little to do.

Sheriff Slagle and E. W. Long, county commissioner, advised that taxpayers who are able to pay now, do so immediately. They pointed out that the injunction does not stop penalties and that it is to the (Continued on page four)