

As the World Turns

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

UPTURN IN EMPLOYMENT
Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins reports that 730,000 workers were returned to jobs in August and a 612,000,000 increase in payrolls resulted. She noted, however, that employment remained 28 per cent and payrolls 48 per cent below 1926 level. George A. Sloan, president of Cotton Textile Institute, reported that textile mills had put on 145,515 additional workers up to September 1. The department of labor reported North Carolina's employment level for August but 2.3 per cent over July but payroll increases amounted to 14.8 per cent for the month.

CUBA UNDER DICTATORS
The government headed by Ramon G. San Martin has announced a virtual, but benevolent, dictatorship of Cuba until the island republic is returned to normal conditions.

HUGE LOSS IN STORM
At least 15 lives were lost in Friday's terrific hurricane which swept down on the central and northern Carolina coast country doing millions of damage in wrecking buildings and destroying crops. Carteret, Pamlico, Craven, Hyde, Tyrrell and Dare counties were heaviest hit. The \$350,000 bridge over the Neuse at New Bern was badly damaged.

WOULD FINANCE FARM LOANS
The reconstruction finance corporation has announced a loan of \$150,000,000 to aid in the financing of farm mortgages through federal land banks.

2 DIE IN STUNTING PLANE
John L. Grimes, 17, Lexington, not a licensed pilot, took James T. Dennis, 19, also of Lexington, aloft on Sunday. While doing stunts in his plane near High Rock lake, Grimes' machine crumpled and plunged 1,500 feet to the shore, both boys dying instantly.

VICTIM OF AUTO ACCIDENT
A car occupied only by Morris Dominetz, of near Biltmore, plunged from a highway curve into 40 feet of water at Lake Lure on Sunday. Dominetz's body was later recovered.

LAMSON IS CONVICTED
Ending a trial which attracted national attention, David A. Lamson, 31, executive of the Stanford university press, was on Sunday at San Jose, Calif., found guilty of the murder of his wife. The fight for his life will go to the higher courts.

MEXICAN STORM KILLS 100
Striking at the City of Tampico and penetrating 300 miles inland in Mexico, a tropical hurricane on Friday killed at least 100 and caused vast damage.

SOFT COAL CODE SIGNED
After a long and bitter controversy, General Hugh Johnson on Saturday secured final approval of a recovery code to govern the bituminous coal mining industry, the last major code to be settled.

\$612,068 FOR SCHOOL BUILDING
School building improvements in the year ending June 30 cost the state \$612,068, with 62 school buildings and 69 other buildings erected and other improvements provided.

16 SHOT IN MINE WAR
Signaling last week's opening of a "holiday" by 30,000 miners in the Pennsylvania soft coal fields, 15 miners and a deputy sheriff were wounded by gunfire at three mines near Union town and more than a score were beaten.

\$75,000 HEART BALM VERDICT
A jury at Los Angeles last week awarded to Mrs. Marian Y. Read, a verdict for \$75,000 damages from Claire Windsor, former movie picture star, for the alienation of the affections of Mrs. Read's husband.

SOUTHERN DROPS SHOP CREW
Between 1,000 and 1,500 shop employees of the Southern railway will lose their jobs, it is estimated as result of the vote by the shopmen to work 40 hours per week instead of 32 and decision of the road to maintain its present total of shop work hours.

Mrs. R. M. Waldrop and Mrs. Florence Hampton came up from Bryson City Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Eliza Kelly. William S. Johnson left Monday for Pittsburgh, Pa., where he will enter the Carnegie Institute of Technology.

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MACON EXEMPT FROM DOG LAW

County Unable To Settle Claims for Sheep Slain by Dogs

DOG TAX REPEALED
Measure Enacted by Last Legislature Brought To Light

The statewide dog law no longer applies to Macon county, whose representative in the legislature in 1919, the late J. Frank Ray, obtained its enactment with the hope that it would encourage sheep raising, especially in his home county.

As the matter now stands the county commissioners have no authority and no funds to pay indemnities for sheep, or other farm stock, killed by dogs. Hitherto, claims for farm animals killed by dogs have been paid out of the dog tax fund; but now the county cannot collect a dog tax.

Applies to Clay
Clay county also has been exempted from the dog law.

The county commissioners were informed of this situation at their last meeting. Prior to then they had been under the impression that the dog law as it applies to this county had been exchanged only to exempt from taxation one dog for each family. Both Senator R. A. Patton and the late Representative C. L. Ingram had announced they would seek passage of a measure in the legislature to this end.

After the legislature adjourned Senator Patton said such a bill had been enacted. When a complete volume of the 1933 public laws was received here, however, it was discovered that Macon county had been entirely exempt from the dog law.

Bad for Farmer

If the repealer is constitutional, which is doubted in some quarters, a farmer who raises sheep and chickens is at the mercy of prowling dogs. He has not even the legal right to shoot a dog caught in the act of chasing his cattle or killing his sheep or chickens. Should he kill a marauding dog, the owner of the animal has grounds for a damage suit, if the dog has been listed as personal property for taxes. The fact is, a man even lacks legal authority to kill a mad dog belonging to someone else.

Of course, if a neighbor's dog kills a farmer's sheep, the farmer can hold the dog and claim damages from his neighbor; but usually in such instances no one will admit ownership of the dog.

Hold Reunion

McGahas and Tippetts Hold Annual Gathering

The McGaha-Tippetts clan held its third annual reunion at the home of W. T. Tippetts Sunday with approximately 150 relatives and invited guests present.

The day was spent in renewing old acquaintances. At the noon hour a picnic dinner was spread on the lawn and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

The reunion next year will be held at the home of Miss Monterey McGaha at West's Mill on the third Sunday in September.

Local Labor To Be Hired To Build C. C. C. Quarters

Some type of permanent quarters are expected to be built at Civilian Conservation Camp No. 9 on the outskirts of Franklin and perhaps also at three other C. C. C. camps in this county. The Press-Maconian has learned. Local labor is to be used as far as possible in this work, according to an authoritative source, and recruiting of workmen is expected to begin in a few weeks.

Employment of carpenters and other workers needed in building the permanent quarters will be handled through the newly established federal Reemployment Service, for the government has announced that no one can be employed on a public project financed with federal funds unless he is registered with the Reemployment Service.

The local Reemployment office is

'God's Cure for Depression' Is Flanagan's Sermon Topic

The depression was blamed on man's failure to keep pace, spiritually and mentally, with his material development, in a sermon by the Rev. J. A. Flanagan at the Franklin Presbyterian church Sunday morning.

The sermon attracted considerable attention and members of the congregation requested The Press-Maconian to report it. "God's Cure for the Depression" was Rev. Flanagan's topic, and he said America will have to follow the course of the Israelites to bring back prosperity, observing four things—Humility, prayer, worship and repentance.

Reviews Changes
"America, in the last one hundred years," Rev. Flanagan told his hearers, "has gone through many remarkable changes, but through none of them has she passed so rapidly as the economic revolution through which she is going now. So far the revolution has been without violence or bloodshed. It is the hope of its leaders that it may continue thus."

"The president, with his advisers, has proposed a scheme whereby the nation can be led back into days of prosperity, and peace, and plenty. Under the N. R. A. the whole nation is being lined up into one great organization to carry out this great plan. The first reports are just being received as to the progress made in this direction. Whether there will be success for this venture or not, is yet to be determined. The nation is lining up behind the N. R. A. because no other plan has been offered and because it has confidence in its president to carry forward this great plan to a successful plan."

"Let us look back for the moment that we may be able to go forward with a better understanding of the situation and its need. In the year 1830, America had 23 miles of railroad; by 1840 this had increased to 2,818 miles; today we have over 250,000 miles of main line trackage, with an additional 150,000 of spur and side lines."

"In this time the postal business increased from \$1,919,000 to \$599,591,000 in the year 1925. The population of America has grown from 12,866,000 in 1830 to approximately 125,000,000 in 1932. Division of Wealth. In 1830 the total per capita wealth of the nation was \$550; while in 1927 it had grown to

\$3,784; and today, it is estimated at approximately \$3,000. "America became the richest, the strongest, the most influential nation in the world during these years. In her vast surpluses of manufactured and raw materials, she counted 500 million bushels of wheat, 24 million bales of cotton, 60 billion dollars of frozen assets in the banks (since this estimate was made many of these have been released) and other billions of dollars worth of materials.

"In these one hundred years the average horse power of the individual has increased from one-fifth of a horse power until today, with all of the marvelous machines and instruments, it is estimated to be about three hundred horse power—an increase of 1,500 per cent in 100 years.

"President Coolidge in an address at Fredricksburg, Va., in October, 1928, said: 'Enterprise and industry have made it possible for the United States with 7 per cent of the land of the world, and 6 per cent of the population to produce 50 per cent of the grains and other basic materials used in the world. One man can take as much seed from cotton with the cotton gin as 28,000 women did in the days before the cotton gin's invention. Today one woman can produce as much yarn as 4,500 women did in Colonial days. Mechanical power has been increased until it is equivalent to the work of three billion additional employees... or more than 350 extra helpers for each wage earner of former generations.'"

Ten Millions Idle
"In the face of all this wealth, increased power, mechanical inventions, we have today more than ten millions of unemployed workers in our country, representing approximately 40 millions of our total population, many of them without the necessities of life except so far as they are supplied by the government, churches, municipalities and other organizations caring for them. A terrible indictment for any nation that it should have one-third of its population living at the point of starvation and at the same time be burdened with these vast resources of food and raw materials."

"The trouble has been that our spiritual and intellectual development has not kept pace with our material development."
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Elect Officers

Young Democrats Meet at Holly Springs

The Young People's Democratic club held a meeting at the Holly Springs school house Saturday night with a large and enthusiastic crowd present.

James Hauser, C. Tom Bryson and John W. Edwards were the speakers of the evening. Officers elected for the ensuing year were:

Mary Berry, chairman; Walter Taylor, vice chairman; Elnor Dalton, secretary and treasurer. The next meeting will be held at the Ellijay school house on Saturday night, September 23, at 8 o'clock.

Speakers on the program for the evening will be: Miss Elizabeth Slagle, James Hauser, C. Tom Bryson and John W. Edwards. Music will be furnished by the Young Democratic string band.

LYLE SELECTED BY REPEALISTS

Nominated as Wet Candidate For Delegate to Convention

VOTING EXPLAINED
Two Ballots To Be Voted On in Election November 7

Dr. S. H. Lyle has been nominated as a wet candidate for delegate from this county to the proposed state convention on repeal of the 18th amendment.

More than 120 names, considerably more than necessary, were signed to the petition nominating Dr. Lyle. Circulation of the petition started last Saturday and it was only a short time before a sufficient number of signatures of qualified voters was obtained.

Alex Moore, former sheriff, was nominated as dry candidate for delegate to the convention at a meeting of prohibition advocates in the courthouse Sunday, September 3. J. R. Morrison, chairman of the county board of elections, said a petition for him would not be necessary.

As no one has announced as a candidate in opposition to either Dr. Lyle or Mr. Moore, it was accepted as a foregone conclusion that their names would go on the Macon county ballots for the repeal election.

The following explanation of how the election is to be conducted has been received by The Press-Maconian:

On November 7, next, the people of North Carolina are called upon to vote on the question of repealing the 18th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. The general assembly of North Carolina submitted this question to the people of the state in the form of "convention or no convention" to which delegates are to be elected upon the basis of representation of each county in the lower house of the general assembly. These delegates are to be voted for at the same time the question of convention or no convention is voted on.

Two Ballots
Thus there are two ballots to be voted in each of the counties, and each delegate so elected must cast his vote in the convention in accordance with the vote by which he or she was elected. There will be 120 delegates in the convention, each county being represented as it is represented in the House of Representatives; some counties such as Mecklenburg, Forsyth, Guilford and Wake will have three delegates each. A number of counties will have two delegates and each county will have at least one delegate. These delegates will be elected on a ticket either "For Repeal" or "Against Repeal," in other words if a county votes against repeal its delegate or delegates in the convention will vote to sustain the 18th Amendment and keep it a part of the Constitution. If a county votes for repeal its delegates will vote to take the 18th Amendment out of the Federal Constitution.

Any elector holding an official position either state or federal, can offer for delegate, holding office is no bar to being a delegate in the convention; any person desiring to be a candidate for delegate shall

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Work Expected To Start Shortly On Prison Camp

Idaho and New Mexico Vote for Repeal

Idaho and New Mexico lined up in opposition to prohibition Tuesday, becoming the 30th and 31st states to vote approval of the 21st amendment, which in effect repeals the 18th.

Approval of five more states is needed to carry the new amendment, and eight more are scheduled to vote—Virginia on October 4, Florida on October 10, and North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Utah, South Carolina and Kentucky on November 7.

In view of the fact that not a single state thus far has voted against repeal, wet leaders predicted an easy victory, some predicting they would carry three more states than necessary.

New Mexico voted approximately three to one for repeal, while in Idaho the wets had a commanding lead with only a few precincts united for a.

NRA CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED HERE

40 Names Posted on Blue Eagle Honor Roll At Postoffice

Forty names are posted on the NRA honor roll in the Franklin post office and more are expected to be added as a result of a concerted drive for more members which was organized at a mass meeting in the courthouse Monday night.

Two committees were appointed at the Monday night meeting, one to enlist more employers under the Blue Eagle emblem and the other to obtain pledges from consumers to patronize stores which have subscribed to a fair practice code. W. T. Moore is chairman of the employers' committee and Harley Cabel is chairman of the consumers' committee.

Warning Sounded
A warning was sounded at the meeting Monday night against the failure of anyone displaying the Blue Eagle to live up to the NRA pledge under which it was obtained. Non-compliance, it was stated, might result in removal of the emblem.

Most of the major business houses of Franklin have subscribed to an NRA code, but a few have withheld compliance on the ground they would be subject to special trade codes, rather than one of the two blanket codes, and they did not care to pledge themselves until they knew its provisions and felt they could honestly abide by them.

On Honor Roll
Following is a list of the names appearing on the honor roll in the postoffice:

Foster's, Roy's, Grocery Store, Bryant Furniture Company, Jome Motor and Tractor Company, Mr. Chevrolet Company, Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, Crisp's

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Old Camp Ground Property Selected as Site For Camp

PROTESTS FILED

Buildings To Cost \$25,000 And Give Employment To 100 Men

Oscar Pitts, an official of the state highway and public works department, announced here Tuesday that work probably would be started in about two weeks on a permanent convict camp for Macon county.

Although no official announcement has been made of the purchase of a site for the camp, it was learned that negotiations were nearly completed for the transfer to the state of the old camp ground property on the edge of Franklin. The tract, consisting of a hundred acres, mostly of wooded land, formerly belonged to Lee Barnard, but now is owned by Harry Higgins.

The purchase price was unofficially reported at \$3,500.

Residents Protest

When it was learned several weeks ago that the highway and public works department was considering location of the convict stockade on the camp ground property a number of residents in the vicinity protested that it would injure their property by making it undesirable for residential purposes. Some went so far as to state that should the state attempt to locate the camp near the highway they would take legal action with view to protecting their interests.

A number of other sites were offered to the state, on which they said to be very good farming land for a price of \$10 an acre.

Despite the objections of nearby residents, it was learned this week that the highway and public works department intended to go ahead with the purchase of the camp ground site. A deed for the property has already been drawn and sent to Raleigh, but Thursday morning it had not been returned for recording. The deed, however, was expected to be completed in a few days.

To Cost \$25,000

Highway officials have announced that plans for the camp call for brick buildings costing approximately \$25,000. Work on the buildings, it was stated, will afford employment to about 100 men. The camp will house between 75 and 100 prisoners. A superintendent and guards, about one to every eight or ten men, are to be employed locally. The convicts will be used on highway work.

Although the state has not yet gained title to the property, the highway department has started work on a road evidently intended to lead to the camp stockade.

Second Annual Smith Reunion Held

The second annual Smith family reunion was held September 10 at the Stiles school house in Burningtown township. Music was furnished by the Stiles choir and short talks were made by a number of members of the clan, including some very appropriate remarks by C. C. Welch.

A large number of members of the clan and also many visitors were present.

The time for the next annual gathering of the family was changed from the second Sunday in September to the fourth Sunday. The meeting place will be the same.

Officers elected by the clan were: W. E. Smith, president; Sanford Smith, vice president; Mrs. Dwight Rolland, secretary; the Rev. Judson Smith, historian.

Womanless Wedding Set for September 29

The Woman's Missionary society of the First Baptist church will sponsor a womanless wedding at the courthouse at 8 o'clock Friday night, September 29. The entertainment will be in the form of a three-act play with all the parts played by prominent Franklin men and boys.

Low Electric Power Rates Forecast by T. V. A. Action

Electricity rates said to be the lowest in the United States for domestic consumers have been proposed by the Tennessee Valley Authority for the sale of power generated at the Muscle Shoals dam in Alabama. These rates, President Roosevelt has announced, will constitute a "yardstick" by which to measure the rates of private utilities.

Although Muscle Shoals is a long way from Western North Carolina, it is expected that in time rate schedules for power generated there will have the effect of reducing rates throughout the whole Tennessee valley, with a resultant impetus to industrial development.

Many are inclined to think the rates announced by the T. V. A. will bring about lower electricity rates all over the country. In announcing the rate schedules for Muscle Shoals power, David

F. Lilienthal, director in charge of power for the T. V. A., explained that they "are based on the board's policy that Muscle Shoals shall be entirely self-supporting and 'bankable' in other words, a business enterprise."

The computations included what is termed a fair "present value" of the property; allowed for interest and repayment of capital, depreciation charges, operation and maintenance, distribution costs; and provided for the payment of taxes equivalent to those paid by private utilities.

Wholesale electricity rates for 1,000 horsepower and over were quoted at \$22.50 per horse per year. The schedules for domestic consumers, including rural as well as urban residents, ranged from 3 cents per kilowatt hour for the first 50 KWH to four miles per

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CONNER-BARNES

Miss Laura Conner and Robert spent the week-end here with his quietly married in the courthouse Tuesday afternoon, with John W. Edwards, justice of the peace, officiating.