

This Week IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Feb. 7 — While there are many questions to come before this Congress on which there will be sharp differences between the Administration forces and the already well-organized Coalition Opposition, there is a great mass of work ahead on which there will be little or no controversy.

To do all that must be done before this first session of the 76th Congress adjourns probably will keep Senators and Representatives busy until well past midsummer, though some of the things which must be attended to call for action before then.

There is a great list of laws which expire by the limitations written into them, some of which must be renewed this Spring if the purposes for which they were enacted are to be continued.

For example, the authority of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to make loans to states and municipalities to aid in financing projects under local laws expires on March 20, this year.

Since this is generally regarded as one of the soundest phases of Government financing there is little doubt that the authority will be renewed for another year or more, but Congress will have to act quickly.

At the end of June the Reconstruction Finance Corporation itself goes out of business unless Congress renews its charter by that time.

On the same date the Federal Reserve System loses its authority to issue Federal Reserve notes against government bonds, unless Congress acts.

Other Powers Expire
At the end of the Federal fiscal year, which is June 30, other powers and authorities which expire by limitation include that of the FHA to insure rehabilitation loans, and the guarantee by Government of FHA debentures; the authority of the U. S. Housing Administration to issue 500 millions of bonds; and the existence of the Federal Service Commodities Corporation.

More important than any of the foregoing is the necessity for this session of Congress to enact a new revenue law or reaffirm the present one so far as it refers to taxes on corporations; for the law passed last year specifies that the corporation income taxes for which it provided shall not apply to any corporate fiscal year ending after Dec. 31, 1939.

The whole tax question is likely to take up a great deal of the time of Congress. It will be easier to handle, in one respect, since for the first time in sixty years all of the Federal tax laws have been codified, indexed, classified and printed in a single volume.

Heretofore there have arisen at every session questions as to what the existing tax laws really are, whether a previous Congress repealed this or that tax provision, and nobody, not even the tax experts of the Treasury, could give a final answer without going through dozens and scores of books and records.

Record of Laws
The other day a bill which no member has ever read passed both houses of Congress, without an opposing vote. It was about the longest bill ever passed by Congress, running more than 500 printed pages. It was the Federal Tax Code, which now sets forth in legal form precisely what the tax laws are, so that members considering changes in the laws can refer to a particular page and section of the Code and every other member will know just what it is all about.

Expert lawyers employed by Congress and by the Treasury and the Department of Justice worked out the Code and checked it and re-checked it, so it may be taken as a complete and accurate compendium of all the legislation now in force on the subject of taxes.

The Treasury's foremost expert on tax matters, Herman Oliphant, died unexpectedly during the Christmas holidays, and no one as well qualified has yet been found to replace him. He was considered to know more about tax legislation than any other man in Washington.

The Opposition forces in Congress are showing their strength by opposing some of the President's appointments.

Notice was served on the President that the Senate would not confirm the reappointment of Donald Wakefield Smith as a member of the National Labor Relations Board, and Mr. Roosevelt has withheld Mr. Smith's name, leaving a vacancy on the Board. Several Federal judges appointed during the Congressional recess are still awaiting confirmation, and some lively fights are anticipated.

Battle Over Amle
The hottest battle so far between the Administration and Congress is over the President's appointment of Thomas R. Amle, former Representative from the First Wisconsin district, as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Mr. Amle served in Congress as a member of the Progressive Party. The Republicans carried Wisconsin last fall, and defeated Mr. Amle for Senator. The vacancy on the Interstate Commerce Commission is caused by the death of a Republican member of that bipartisan board.

There is considerable resentment in Congress over the selection of a Progressive to replace a Republican, but the fire was fanned into flame when the Legislature of Wisconsin, by an almost unanimous vote, adopted a resolution protesting to the President against the Amle appointment, and requesting the Wisconsin Senators to oppose his confirmation.

Charges that Mr. Amle is a Communist sympathizer have been openly made on the floor of Congress.

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Attacks Mrs. Perkins
A visiting minister to a Sunday school was called upon to address the children. Thinking to be facetious, he asked this question: "What would you do before so many bright boys and girls, who expected a speech from you, if you had nothing to say?" "I'd keep quiet," replied the small boy.

NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of a certain judgment rendered at the July, 1938, term of the Superior Court of Surry County in the civil action entitled "Ola Hendrix Edwards, plaintiff, vs. W. A. Hendrix and A. Carl Hendrix, Administrators of W. A. Hendrix and the other heirs at law of W. A. Hendrix," the undersigned Commissioners will offer for sale at public auction on the premises, on the 11th day of February, 1939, beginning at 11 o'clock A. M., the following described lots of land in and near Elkin, North Carolina:

23 lots allotted to the heirs of W. A. Hendrix in the late A. L. Hendrix division as shown on map of same recorded in Plat Book No. 1, at page 142, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Surry County, the said 23 lots being also shown on the Map of Hendrix Heights, recorded in Plat Book No. 1, at page 25 and also the Plat of the A. L. Hendrix Home Place as shown on map of Plats, Book No. 1, at page 123, said lots bearing Nos. on the said Maps as follows: 21, 22, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 56, 57, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78.



WASHINGTON, D. C.—Representative J. Parnell Thomas of New Jersey, who introduced resolution calling for the impeachment of Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.

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Brooks Cross Roads

Miss Pauline Boles, a student at W. C. U. N. C., Greensboro, spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robey Boles.

Dr. and Mrs. Spencer Bell had as their dinner guests Tuesday evening Dr. Frank Finney of Statesville, and Mr. and Mrs. Miles Shore.

The many friends of Miss Gerry Weaver will be glad to hear that she is recovering from a recent attack of measles.

Miss Collie Hinson spent the week-end with Miss Grace Crater at Denton, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin moved from here last week. They are now living in the Shiloh community.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Shore spent last Sunday at Concord, the guests of their niece, Miss Audree Shore.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Byrd and Mrs. J. M. Denny of High Point, visited relatives here over the week-end.

B. C. Shore and daughter, Miss Bessie Shore made a business trip to Elkin Friday afternoon.

Several teachers of the West Yadkin school attended the schoolmasters' meeting at Jonesville last Thursday night.

Joe Killen of Ashe county, has recently been employed as assistant herdsman at Grassy Grove Dairy Farm.

Mr. Frank Seagraves, an aged, well beloved citizen, is quite ill at his home two miles south of here.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Martin and sons, of Raleigh, were week-end guests of relatives here.

Happy Hour Sewing Club Holds Meeting in Winston-Salem

On Friday evening, January 27, several members of the Happy Hour Sewing Club and their escorts motored to Winston-Salem, where they enjoyed a four-course dinner in a private dining room of the Robert E. Lee Hotel. Afterwards the group attended a show at the Carolina theatre.

Those taking part in this delightful affair were: Mrs. Velna Weaver, Dr. and Mrs. Spencer Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Money, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gough, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Shore, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond VanHoy and Dr. H. A. Brandon of Yadkinville.

Stung!
"Your honor, argued the lawyer, "the indictment accuses my client of burglary, and I wish to make clear to the court that he did not break into the house. The accused did not see an open window, inserted his arm, and pulled out the plaintiff's trousers containing \$5. My client's arm is not himself, so why punish his whole body when his arm is the guilty member?"

"You have put up a good argument," replied the judge, with a wink at the clerk. "I therefore sentence the arm to five years' imprisonment, and your client can accompany it or not, just as he pleases."

The prisoner smiled, took off his artificial arm, handed it to the sheriff, and walked out.

Voice of Experience
Boy—What are diplomatic relations, father?
Father: There ain't no such people, son.

179, 180, 181, 182 and 183; also Tract H containing 6.6 acres and Tract M containing 10.5 acres. The two last named tracts will be sub-divided into smaller lots for this sale. These lots will first be offered separately and then the whole will be offered, and the highest bids will be reported to the Court for acceptance.

This sale will be conducted for the Commissioners by The R. L. England Auction Company of Greensboro, North Carolina.

Should there be rain or snow, the auction sale will be held in the Darnell Furniture Exchange building on Main street in the town of Elkin. The terms of sale will be one-third cash and the balance in equal installments due in six and twelve months. No discount will be allowed for cash payment in full.

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