

The Week in Washington

A RESUME OF GOVERNMENTAL HAPPENINGS IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Washington, Oct. 24.—Regardless of the announced purposes for which the President has called the congress to convene in an extraordinary session on November 15, it seems certain that the international situation created by the administration's outspoken attitude toward Japan, and American participation in the Nine-Power conference in Brussels on October 30, will hold the attention of the senate to the exclusion for a while at least, of the specific legislation which the President has asked.

While there has been no open opposition in congress to Secretary Hull's activities, there has been a strong feeling among a large group of senators that any sort of international cooperation by the United States held the seeds of possible "entangling alliances." This isolationist feeling resulted in the neutrality law, which the administration did not want, at least in any such form as it was enacted, and which Mr. Roosevelt ignored completely when he took the steps which have led America, for the first time since the peace conference at Versailles 19 years ago, into an international conference in which a war and its possible consequences are the subject of discussion. This is not at all to the liking of many senators, who feel that it may be a first step toward bringing this country into European quarrels, if not into membership in the League of Nations. They are expected to voice their protests loudly and vigorously as soon as the senate meets on November 15.

Davis Ready to Trade

But Ambassador Norman H. Davis, who has been named as the United States representative at the Nine-Power conference, will have some material in his luggage, which may be used effectively to further the program of Secretary Hull and the administration, and result in improved foreign trade conditions for this country. And that is the prize which Mr. Roosevelt hopes to grab off by American participation in the Brussels conference.

There is no desire or intention on the part of the administration either to put an embargo on trade with Japan, or to do anything which would involve the nation in an armed conflict. Even if there were a situation calling for armed intervention in China, this country could not undertake it without the co-operation of Great Britain, and the British navy is busy at home, keeping guard of its country's Mediterranean route to the Far East. But if the other members of the Nine-Power conference choose to adopt Mr. Roosevelt's suggestion of a "quarantine" against aggressors—meaning Japan in this case—Ambassador Davis has authority to agree on behalf of the United States. And a unanimous agreement by the nine powers to isolate Japan from all foreign trade intercourse would, it is believed here, speedily end her aggressions in China.

Why Japs Would Quit

For Japan is not in financial condition to carry out her plans for the conquest of China if her foreign trade is cut off. It might hurt American trade for a short time, since Japan is our largest customer for cotton; but cotton is being supported chiefly by the government now, and further support would add little to the present distress. A Japanese economic quarantine would shut off practically all of this country's supply of silk, which would result in a boom in the rayon market. But lacking her supplies of cotton, oil and metals which she has to import, and the cash from her sales of silk in which to pay the cost of maintaining an army in China, Japan would, officials here believe, throw up her hands and cry quit, on any fair terms the other nations laid down.

It is quite definitely believed here that no international consideration of the Japan-China situation would have been possible if the United States, as one of the signatory nations to the Nine-Power Treaty, had not been willing to participate in the Brussels conference. Realizing this, the state department began some months ago to bargain with European nations, especially Great Britain, as to the price of our participation. If they really wanted us to help settle the Japanese mess, coming at a time when they were busy trying to keep Europe from breaking out in a new world war, what would they pay us for our help?

What did we want? they asked. The answer, conveyed quietly to the British foreign office last summer by the under secretary of state, Sumner Welles, was that we wanted a trade agreement with Great Britain and her colonies and dependencies, so far as they are controlled by the crown, which would bring about substantial reductions in world tariffs and remove trade barriers which now give the British too great an advantage in world markets.

You don't rent a thing in England—you hire it.

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COMING UP WITH THE MOUNTAINEERS



EARL HINSON BACK

Coming up from the second string of last year, Earl Hinson has won and is holding a place among the football greats of Appalachian State Teachers College. At Lenoir-Rhyne College he was a feature with his brilliant runs and laudable blocking. He was slated to take the lead with Wilson and Angell in the Appalachian-Elon game Saturday, but was out on account of sickness. However, he is coming around in fine shape, and will be fighting in the Southern Conference race next Friday night at Tusculum College, Greenville, Tenn.

AID FOR BLIND IS TO BE DISCUSSED

Representative of Blind Commission to Address Lions and Give Aid to Blind

Mrs. Inez B. Wall, district representative for the North Carolina Commission for the Blind, will address the Lions Club at its regular meeting on Tuesday, November 2. Miss Marguerite Miller, county welfare officer, announced today. Mrs. Wall will also be in Miss Miller's office at the courthouse Wednesday and Thursday of that week to interview any person who is blind or having defective vision that is not receiving aid for the blind.

It is hoped that each person will make an effort to interview Mrs. Wall, as Miss Miller is very anxious to contact each person in Watauga county that has defective vision in order that some plan may be worked out to rehabilitate these persons.

Mountain Section Is Visited by Early Snow

For the first time within the recollection of most residents, Watauga county and this entire mountain section was visited last week by an October snow storm, which, should the ground have been dry would likely have attained a depth of from five to six inches in the vicinity of Boone. As it was the ground was thoroughly covered, and many lovers of winter sports turned out at Banner Elk to try their luck at skiing. Visitors to the Baptist convention, many of whom had never seen so much snow, were delighted with the scenery afforded.

Stunt Night and Halloween Party

Stunt night Halloween carnival and pie supper will be held at the gymnasium of the Cove Creek High School Friday evening at 7 o'clock, and Mrs. Clea Jones Harmon, who announces the event asks that there be a large number enjoy the evening's entertainment.

A skating contest will be a feature of the evening, and prizes will be offered under these classifications: Best boy skating, best girl skating, most graceful couple, best skating stunt.

All who bring pies will be admitted free, while others will be charged an admission of 10 cents.

Many Local Youths Go To CCC Camps

Ninety Watauga youths were sent by Miss Marguerite Miller, county welfare officer, to North Wilkesboro last week for preliminary examinations, looking to their admittance to the Civilian Conservation Corps. Of this number 73 passed the tests and were sent to various camps in the state. This is the largest number of boys ever to leave Watauga county for the CCC service, and the portion of their pay which will be sent back home will amount to \$1,825 per month.

The public school system was adopted in Japan in 1872.

MANY WATAUGANS AT CONFERENCE

Local Visitors Say Methodist Gathering Successful; Townsend Returned

Boone Methodists are particularly grateful for the return of Rev. Paul Townsend to their church. Rev. Mr. Townsend has been here only a year, but during his ministry has become unusually popular with the denomination and with the people generally. Likewise members of churches comprising the Watauga charge are gratified that Rev. J. W. Parker has been returned to his successful ministry.

Watauga county was well represented at the recent Methodist Annual Conference in Asheville. Rev. Paul Townsend and Rev. J. W. Parker, pastors of Boone and Watauga charges, respectively; Rev. J. M. Downum, superannuate member of the conference; Dr. J. D. Rankin, secretary of the board of missions; Mrs. J. D. Rankin, Mrs. N. L. Mast and Mrs. Don Horton, delegates from the Marion district.

These all returned Monday and report one of the best all-round conferences ever attended. The laymen of the county are rejoicing over the return of their respective pastors who themselves went to the conference expecting to be returned.

Rev. P. W. Tucker, whose service as presiding elder had expired under the laws of the church, was replaced by Rev. J. W. Moore, who is an experienced man in the eldership, having served previously in the Charlotte district. Mr. Moore is already well represented in the county by his nephew, Mr. Leonard Eury, librarian at Appalachian State Teachers College, and by his niece, Miss Margaret Eury, a popular member of the present senior class.

The Avery and Elk Park charges were transferred from the Asheville district to the Marion district bringing them into the same group with the Watauga charges.

Car Is Stolen From Minister At Meeting

A brand new Buick eight automobile, the property of Rev. Walter F. Binns of Roanoke, Va., was stolen from the street at the Baptist church Friday evening, as the visiting minister was participating in the B. S. U. convention. The first of the week the car was located in Johnson City, Tenn., where it had been wrecked, but no trace of the thief has been found.

Rev. Mr. Binns parked his car, it is said, placed the ignition key in his overcoat pocket, and upon entering the church, a stranger offered to take his coat, which offer was quite naturally accepted. The stranger, who claimed to be a delegate to the convention, arrived on a bus carrying visitors, and his unbecoming conduct caused him to be suspected, and Officer Ollis had been called to the church. When the policeman arrived, however, the visitor had disappeared and so had the car belonging to the minister.

Legion to Sponsor Halloween Event

The American Legion and Auxiliary will sponsor a box supper and Halloween party at the Junior Order hall Saturday night. The public is invited. Everybody come, bring a box and join the festivities. Wear a costume, or just come with your bare face hanging out.

In addition to the boxes there will be apple cider and ginger bread. The proceeds will be used on the Legion hut.

Merchants Will Be Hosts To Employees

Members of the Boone Merchants Association will play hosts to their employees at a banquet to be held at Caro-Jean Inn tonight (Thursday) at 7:15. A full attendance is urged at this gathering, which was arranged Wednesday by the special committee.

FIGHT PICTURE COMING TO PASTIME THEATRE

Mr. A. E. Hamby, manager of the Pastime Theatre, announces that his show-house will present the official film of the world's heavyweight boxing championship between Joe Louis and Tommy Farr on Wednesday, November 3. This film is said to be one of the best fight pictures thus far offered the theatre-going public and Mr. Hamby believes there will be a record attendance.

Sunflower seeds are good bait for rat traps.

Fighting Fullback Shines in Grid Game



Pictured above is big Len Wilson, fighting fullback of the Mountaineers who outclassed Elon's much touted Abbutt in his finest football feature. With such performance as the Lenoir-Rhyne and Elon games to his credit, he should have no difficulty in finding placement on the All-Conference team.

Local Gridmen Take Lead in North State Conference

By GENE WIKKE

Driving with power thrusts that would budge any football line in the state, the high spirited Appalachian State Mountaineers pushed through for three touchdowns in each of the first three quarters and two in the final period to down the favored Elon, Abbutt and all, by 31-0.

With undefeated record and uncrossed goal line slated to the Mountaineers' credit, the Appalachian team is now leading in the championship race of the North State Conference. Should the Brewermen pass the next three encounters without defeat, Catawba College on November 19 will be the stiff contender to the crown.

Teaming with Hudson, Angell and Walters in the Elon fray Saturday, Len Wilson was at the height of his playing since he entered the local roster, and staged a football display of line plunges, passes and kick-offs that rated second to none yet featured on the college field. Though he never accounted for any touchdowns personally, he carried the pigskin for the major gains and blocked for his team to score after reaching touchdown territory. Not once did he let up until the third quarter at which time he was taken from the game on account of injuries.

But Wilson is not to be mentioned alone. The Mountaineers featured an unbending line made stable by Edwards and Smith, ends; Turbyfill and Rotrock, tackles; I and P. Smith, guards and Hummie Adams, center. The local enthusiasts are still singing the praises of these men who not only caught the Elon men behind the scrimmage line but allowed but 56 yards gain by rushing during the entire game. Of this amount, nine yards was the most gain on one play made by the opposition.

When only two minutes of the last period was left, Coaches Brewer and Stewart sent in a second team that allowed the scoring to suffer no let-up, but instead shook little George Corn and Ernie Safrif loose for one touchdown each. Seemingly as good as the first string aggregation, this team played bangup football to show that there are more than a few good men on Appalachian's squad.

And the mighty Abbutt, much touted as the fleetest and best back in the state, had his horse-racing pace slowed to a canter by Earl Smith, Adams and others who hit him for consistent losses behind their line. On the kick-off he looked threaten-

BAPTIST GROUP ENDS MEETING IN THIS CITY SUNDAY

Convention of Baptist Student Union Draws Delegates From Every College in State; Visitors are Greeted by October Snow Storm

The state-wide Baptist Student Union conference held at the Boone Baptist Church, came to a close Sunday, after messages from Dr. Herbert Gertzel of Greensboro and Furman University; L. L. Morgan of Raleigh and Rev. Harold Scholy of Brazil and Wake Forest College.

Farewells were said by more than 100 visiting delegates to the Appalachian State Teachers College contingent.

Religious Secretary W. Perry Crouch of Raleigh, speaking at the morning service, challenged the students to "join with me in backing up your words with your lives."

Rev. Charles B. Howard of Buise Creek, previously had given a student conference report to the effect that students on campuses doubt Christ because Christians are not living right.

Previews of next year's work were presented at the closing session Sunday afternoon by Miss Lucie Hartley of Boone, Donald Moore of Wake Forest, Miss Francis Cuthbertson of Greensboro, Miss Mildred Marshbanks of Campbell College. Sunday's services were led by Dr. W. K. McGhee of Thomasville.

On Saturday morning, although the ground was covered with snow, 30 students climbed to the top of Howard's Knob to hold a sunrise service. The service was a most inspirational one and held in sight of numerous snow-capped mountains.

WATAUGA CALVES TO ENTER SHOW

Asheville Fat Cattle Exhibit to Feature Number of Watauga Baby Beeves

Seven baby beeves from Watauga county will be entered at the Fat Cattle Show in Asheville on Wednesday, November 3.

Six of these calves are owned by 4-H Club members. The names of the boys are as follows: Joe Brown, Deep Gap; James Greer, Vilas; Council Henson, Vilas; Gene Reese, Vilas; Earl Edmisten, Valle Crucis, and John Edmisten, Sugar Grove.

The other calf is owned by Mr. Tom Lawrence, Vilas.

The calves will be judged on Wednesday morning, November 3, and sold at auction in the afternoon. This year's show is expected to be larger and better in every way. Practically every county in western North Carolina will have entries in the show. It is hoped that a good many Watauga farmers and 4-H Club members will attend this event and show the ones who are exhibiting stock that they are pulling for them to win.

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Halloween with all its mystic and ghastly splendor is arriving to collect its just dues. To celebrate this great occasion, members of the Methodist Church Epworth League are planning a Halloween carnival for the entertainment of young and old alike. You can't afford to miss this opportunity to enter into the spirit of ghosts, goblins and witches—one full evening of fun and frolic. Come, try your luck in the fishing pond; see what your future fortune will be; compete with others in the many and varied games! All the drinks and foods that are associated with Halloween will be at hand. A German band under the direction of Mr. Nash will furnish the music.

This Halloween carnival will be held in the basement of the Methodist church Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock. Admission to the general entertainment will be only 10c to outsiders, to league members 5c. There will be free entertainment for all. A charge of 5c will be made for fishing in the pond, or having your fortune told. Sandwiches, hot dogs, and witches brew will also be on sale. And don't forget to come in costume. A prize will be given for the most appropriate and original costume.

GIDEON WALLS

Mr. Gideon Walls, aged 78 years, died last Thursday at his home in the Baird's Creek section and funeral services were conducted from the Mount Lebanon Baptist Church Sunday by Reverends Will Cook, W. D. Ashley and Vilas Minton. Interment was in the neighborhood cemetery.