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The Week in Washington

A RESUME OF GOVERNMENTAL HAPPENINGS IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Washington, March 6.—There was practically none of the anticipated oratorical fireworks when the bill to authorize the President to continue negotiating reciprocal trade agreements was debated in the house of representatives.

A million or more words were spoken by friends and opponents of the measure, in order that the arguments for and against could be printed in the Congressional Record, but except for the members who happened to be doing the talking at any particular moment, there were practically no listeners, either on the floor of the house or in the galleries. It was a forgone conclusion that the President's powers would be continued by a strict party vote, and that is what happened.

This is one of the few issues coming before congress on which there is no division between New Dealers and old-fashioned conservative Democrats. The tariff has for more than seventy years been the traditional major issue dividing the Republican party from the Democratic party.

In the days before the World War, when the United States was still a debtor nation, owing money to all the world, the high tariff policy generally prevailed. Since the World War, when every nation began to owe us money, most of which has never been repaid, the idea has been growing among politicians that America ought to buy more commodities from foreigners to enable them to pay something on account of what they owe us.

As this idea is in line with the traditional Democratic policy of low tariffs, the old-line Democrats have not had any trouble in accepting the President's program which makes it easier for other nations to sell their products in this country and at the same time removes some of the obstacles to their purchases of our products.

The law authorizing the negotiation of reciprocal trade agreements was enacted in 1937, and the time within which the experiment could be tried was limited to three years. Therefore, if the authority granted to the executive is not renewed at this session of congress, no more such agreements can be affected.

The administration has been very anxious to have its authority continued, not only as a matter of party principle but because negotiations with several nations have been suspended partly because of the uncertainty as to whether they can be carried through in the absence of renewed congressional sanction.

The action of the house is not, of course, final. The senate has still to debate and vote upon the reciprocal trade agreement program. There is likely to be much more heated debate in the senate and a stronger show of opposition, for two reasons.

There is the senate's jealousy of any infringement upon its prerogatives, for one thing. A considerable number of senators of both parties have expressed the belief that these trade agreements, negotiated by the secretary of state, are actually nothing more or less than treaties with foreign governments. The constitution provides that the executive must obtain the advice and consent of the senate to make a binding treaty with any other nation. Therefore the senate wants to have a finger in these trade agreements, and

SPORTSMEN MEET SATURDAY NIGHT

Movement Under Way to Replenish Quail in This Area; Another Meet Announced

A number of sportsmen of the town and county gathered at the Junior hall last Saturday evening to discuss the replenishment and protection of game birds in the county. Mr. Grady Farthing, district game protector, and Mr. Wm. Casey, county game warden, were present and the meeting was harmonious and helpful. It was agreed that most of the quail in the county were frozen during the severe winter weather and it was voted to request birds from the state to replenish the dwindling coveys. Mr. Farthing spoke very encouragingly on this subject.

All the sportsmen were of one accord in agreeing to hunt only in open season and in taking no more than the bag limit, and enthusiastic support was tendered Mr. Farthing in his efforts to preserve the game.

The formation of a club was discussed and a meeting for its further consideration was called for March 12. The meeting will be held in the Junior hall at 7:30 o'clock and all the sportsmen of the area are urged to attend.

Surveys Europe



Sumner Welles, under-secretary of state, shown as he began survey trip through Italy, Germany, France and Great Britain. He will report back personally to the President.

TRAVEL EDITION TO FEATURE BOONE

Wilcox Says Boone and Blowing Rock Story Acknowledged By Highway Traveler

H. W. Wilcox, president of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, is in receipt of a letter from Highway Travel magazine acknowledging receipt of an article on Boone and Blowing Rock which will appear in the next edition of that publication.

R. E. Cochran, editor of Highway Traveler, states that the story is well written and well illustrated. When the magazine is off the press a number of copies will be available throughout this section.

Gene Wike, publicity director of Appalachian College, is the author of the article, while pictures have been gathered from the college, Chamber of Commerce, individuals and the Boone Photo Shop.

Mr. Wilcox also reports that there is possibility of another story, prepared by members of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, appearing in the Trailway magazine at an early date.

Mrs. Sarah E. Krider Dies On Wednesday

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Krider of Todd, mother of Miss Mary Krider of Boone, died at the home Wednesday night of last week. Funeral services were conducted from the late residence Sunday at 11 o'clock and interment was in the Todd cemetery.

Survivors include the following sons and daughters: Fred Krider and V. B. Krider of Todd; Mrs. Maude Scott of Girchow, Wyo.; Miss Mary Krider, Boone; Mrs. James Barber, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Florence Bare, Salisbury; Miss Etaniche Krider, Winston-Salem; and Mrs. Laura Jordan, Salisbury.

Camp Fire Girls Hear National Leader

The Tawanka Camp Fire Girls of Cove Creek attended a meeting in Boone Monday, at which time Miss Wahstrom, national Camp Fire worker, spoke to members of the organization from Lenoir, Boone and Cove Creek. An interesting part of her address was the discussion of her display of articles made by girls throughout the United States. She also introduced some new Camp Fire songs to the gathering.

The evening ended with a tea served by the Boone Camp Fire girls.

50 KILLED AS REDS BOMB HOSPITAL IN FINLAND

Helsinki, March 6.—At least 50 persons were killed and scores wounded in a small south central Finnish town yesterday when Russian planes executed one of their worst bombing raids of the war.

Five direct hits were scored on a hospital, and one bomb dropped on an air raid shelter.

The raiders, diving out of the out of the clouds to 1,400 or 1,700 feet, swept over in two flights 50 minutes apart.

Fifteen of the bombs struck in the vicinity of a military hospital and one big explosive missile went directly down the stairway from the top of the four-story building to the bottom.

Twenty-five persons, nearly all of them women, were killed when a bomb hit the top of the air raid shelter.

AMERICAN LEGION MEETING

A regular meeting of the American Legion is to be held Friday evening at the Legion hut, according to an announcement coming from Commander Charles Rogers. A full attendance of the membership is requested.

MAYORS' TRIP TO FLORIDA SUCCESS

Mayor Robbins of Blowing Rock and Gene Wike of Boone Return; Plan for Second Tour

Messrs. Gene Wike of Boone, and Grover C. Robbins, mayor of Blowing Rock, report the first annual mayor's tour of Florida which ended last week, a success, and already plans are under way for a similar tour next season.

On March 16, the delegation of 56 mayors and chamber of commerce representatives who made the Florida trip, will meet in Asheville to lay plans for the organization of a Western North Carolina association.

All told, some 2,000 miles were covered by the recent tour. Traveling by buses furnished free by the Queen City and Smoky Mountain Trailways, the delegation left Charlotte and Asheville February 13, and returned Saturday, February 24.

It is reported that publicity was obtained through some 750 copies of newspapers, 18 radio broadcasts at various towns visited, not to mention the 21 features which originated from station WBT, Charlotte, pictures and front page plays were common in every section visited, and banquets and luncheons characterized every stop.

Following are towns visited by the delegation: Augusta, Ga.; Macon, Ga.; Valdosta, Ga.; Lake City, Ocala, Isella, Clearwater, St. Petersburg, Tampa, Palmetto City, Bradenton, Sarasota, Fort Myers, Miami, Fort Lauderdale, Pompano, West Palm Beach, Fort Pierce, Vero Beach, Sebring, Avon Park, Lake Wales, Winter Haven, Lakeland, Kissimmee, Orlando, Deland, Daytona Beach, Ormond Beach, St. Augustine, Jacksonville, Florida; Brunswick and Savannah, Ga.; Columbia, S. C.

J. Polk Todd Dies At Lancaster, Wash.

J. Polk Todd, brother of Mr. W. G. Todd of Boone, and well remembered by the older residents of this section, died at the home in Lancaster, Washington, February 22. Mr. Todd's illness with heart trouble and complications, was brief, but it is stated that his general health had been poor for a long time. He was 77 years old.

Funeral services were conducted in Lancaster on the 24th and burial was in that town, however relatives here have not been apprised of the funeral details.

Mr. Todd was a son of the late Col. J. B. Todd and was born in Boone. He located in the state of Washington in 1903 and had been back to Watauga county only twice since that time. He visited here briefly in 1910 and in 1935. Mr. Todd engaged in farming here as a young man, was educated at Globe academy and remained a member of the Globe Baptist church throughout his adult life. In his adopted state, he was engaged in the operation of grain warehouses, buying large quantities of wheat, and was successful. He was a citizen of the most substantial kind and had large numbers of friends both in this area and in the state of Washington.

Mr. Todd was first married to Miss Hattie Shull of Burke county, and two daughters by this marriage survive: Mrs. J. Roby Hayes, Charlottesville, Va., and Mrs. Mary Jones, who lives in the state of Washington. The widow, who survives, was the former Miss Mary Moore of Mulberry, and their three children survive: Joe, Ruby, and Jim. Moore Todd, all residents of the state of Washington. One brother, Mr. W. G. Todd of Boone, survives. An only sister, Mrs. Finley Moore of Globe, died a year ago.

Clyde Greene Now Trustee Jr. Home

Clyde R. Greene of Boone, was chosen, without opposition as a member of the board of trustees of the Junior Order Home at Lexington, at a district meeting of the Juniors held here Monday evening. Representatives of the different councils throughout the district were unanimous in their endorsement of Mr. Greene for the position.

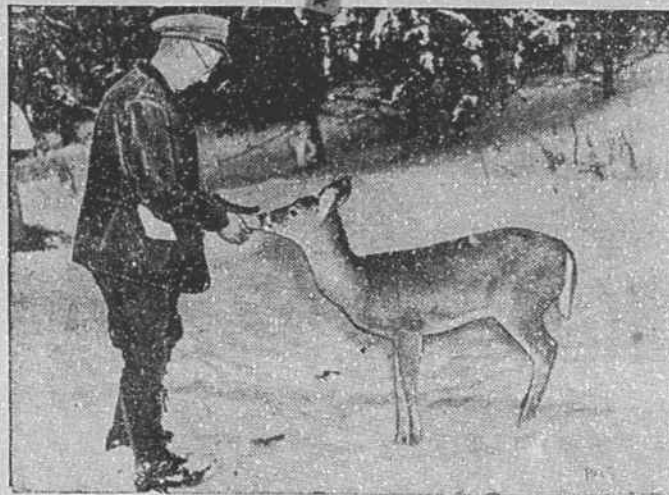
The Junior Orphanage which had been previously operated by the National council, has been turned over to the state Juniors. It is to be governed by 16 trustees and five state officers.

SAWYER'S BASKETEERS WIN STATE CONTEST

George L. Sawyer, Jr., son of Prof. and Mrs. Sawyer of Boone, who is athletic coach at Walnut Cove high school, further distinguished himself by carrying his team to the state basketball championship in a contest at Chapel Hill last week, Cary being the opposing team. Mr. Sawyer's team beat Paw Creek in Winston-Salem to entitle his team to represent the west in the state contest, while Cary was selected from the east.

Sawyer's team made a record this year which could scarcely be duplicated. Seventeen games out of 18 were won prior to gaining championship honors.

Hunger Tames Deer in Roosevelt Preserve



Near Portsmouth, O.—Charles Hopkins, game protector on the Roosevelt Game Preserve near Portsmouth, feeding one of the deer that came close to the lodge on the preserve in a search for food. The unusually heavy snowfall this winter has reduced the available food for deer and other wild life. This fawn seems to be enjoying the special service.

MANY CANDIDATES FILE FOR OFFICES

R. H. McNeill Only Republican Officially Listed For Governor; Doughton Pays Fee

Raleigh, March 4.—Robert H. McNeill of Statesville, paid \$105 to the state board of elections today and filed for the Republican gubernatorial nomination in the May 25 primary.

Unprecedented primary battles in both Republican and Democratic ranks appeared certain with 12 days left during which candidates may file for congressional and state offices.

Nine Democrats have announced for governor, five more than ever entered a primary in the state. Five Republicans have declared their intention to run, and that is also a record.

Representative R. L. Doughton of the ninth district, paid his \$100 filing fee for renomination. Doughton reconsidered an announcement that he would retire. Representative A. L. Bulwinkle of the tenth district, also filed for re-election.

Democrats who have already paid their filing fee in the gubernatorial fight are: Lieut. Gov. W. P. Horton of Pittsboro, J. M. Broughton of Raleigh, A. J. Maxwell of Raleigh, and Arthur Simmons of Burlington. Announced candidates who have not filed yet are L. L. Gravey of Rocky Mount, Paul D. Grady of Kenly, Thomas E. Cooper of Wilmington, Bryant Thompson of Hamlet, and Edwin P. Hale of Leaksville.

McNeill is the only Republican officially listed, but announcements have been made by George M. Pritchard of Asheville, former congressman, and William H. Jordan of Entfield, John R. Hoffman of Burlington, and Forrest Witten of Salisbury.

The only other Republican filed so far is Monroe Adams of Statesville, who is unopposed for the G. O. P. nomination for congress in the ninth district.

Essay Contest To Be Held By Legion

The third annual American Legion national high school oratorical contest has been announced by Watauga Legion Post, and the Watauga county competition will be held in Appalachian high school auditorium Tuesday evening, March 12th, at 7:30. High school students from Boone, Blowing Rock and Cove Creek will take part in the contest locally.

The subject of the essays will be, "How the U. S. Constitution Benefits America and Its Citizens."

Watauga post American Legion will give a medal to the winner in the county, while the winner in each of the four sections will be given a gold medal.

The national winner will be given a \$4,000 four-year scholarship and an engraved watch. A watch will also be given the runners-up in the national competition.

Local Legion officials are anxious that a large number of people come out to hear the young speakers.

N.C.E.A. Group To Meet On Saturday

The sixth meeting of the Watauga unit of the N. C. E. A. will meet at 2:30 Saturday, March 9, in room 34 of the administration building at Appalachian College.

The meeting will be on the subject of "Professional Relations." A practical and interesting program will be conducted by Dr. Amos Abrams. It is hoped that every teacher will be present and participate in the discussion.

VA-CAROLINA AND RIVERVIEW WIN IN LOCAL TOURNNEY

Fifteen Teams Supply Competition in Appalachian High School Basketball Tournament; Increased Interest and Record Attendance This Year

Competing with 15 teams from Ashe, Avery and Watauga counties, Riverview boys and Virginia-Carolina girls captured championships in the fifth annual Appalachian High School Association tourney which ended here Saturday.

Professor E. E. Garbee, director of the tournament and president of the association, reported success in every phase, with increased interest and a record-breaking attendance.

In the girls' bracket, Virginia-Carolina won the right to face West Jefferson in the finals by virtue of a close 20-19 victory over Lansing in the semi-finals, and Riverview downed Nathans Creek, 46-34 previous to the final contest. West Jefferson girls and boys slid into the final rounds after taking Fleetwood and Cove Creek, respectively, in the semi-finals, and fought bravely before losing to the tournament champions.

Trophies Awarded

As a finale to the tournament various honors were awarded: Cup to Jefferson for winning from Bethel in the regular season inter-county game for girls; boys, statue to Riverview for winning from Cove Creek in the inter-county game for boys; white basketball to West Jefferson as runner-up to Virginia-Carolina girls; trophy for Virginia-Carolina girls as tournament champions; white basketball to West Jefferson boys as runner-up to Riverview; championship trophy to Riverview boys, presented by Watauga Democrat and Skyland Post; sportsmanship trophy, presented by B. W. Stallings to Cove Creek for having a percentage of 991 out of a possible 1,000.

All-Tournament Teams

All-tournament were selected as follows:

First girls' team: Forwards, Gentry, West Jefferson; Baker, Virginia-Carolina; Hartzog, Fleetwood; Guards: Campbell, West Jefferson; Patton, Lansing, and McNeil, West Jefferson.

Second girls' team: Little Jefferson; Angel, Boone; Gambill, Nathans Creek; Guards: Bare, Jefferson; McConnell, Cove Creek, and Taylor, Boone.

Boys all-tournament team: Elter, forward, Riverview; Hartzog, forward, Riverview; Stuart, center, Riverview; Lewis, guard, Cove Creek, and Grayson, guard, West Jefferson.

Honorable mention: Cox, Todd; Baker, Healing Springs; Adams, Cove Creek; McMillan, West Jefferson; Ward, Nathans Creek, and Roland, Riverview.

Stuart, center from Riverview, was voted the outstanding player of the tournament, based on ability and sportsmanship.

MUSIC CONTEST TO BE HELD MARCH 29

Four Counties Have Been Added to District; Twice Usual Number Entries Expected

The annual music contest will be held in Boone, the district center, on Friday, March 29. It will be held in the college auditorium and in the music building at Appalachian College.

In previous years there have been 14 schools participating in the contest. These schools were from Ashe, Alleghany, Avery, Mitchell and Watauga counties. This year the district has been enlarged with the addition of Alexander, Caldwell, Wilkes and Yancey counties.

It is expected that this year there will be twice as many schools entering and twice as many entries. Judges for the event will be sent out from the state department.

Miss Virginia Wary, district chairman, urges that all entries be sent in by March 15th, which is two weeks before the contest date. If any teacher who desires to enter students, has not received entry blanks from the state department, drop a postal card to Miss Virginia Wary, district chairman, Boone.

NEW AUTO SUPPLY STORE OPEN SOON

Mr. G. E. Anderson, former resident of Burkville, Va., is soon to open a Western Auto Associate store in the Boone Drug Company building, but the date for the opening has not been decided upon.

A complete line of auto accessories and kindred lines are to be handled and a more complete announcement about the new business enterprise will appear in a later edition of this newspaper.