

FOUR POINT PROGRAM

OUTLINED TO CONGRESS BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Congress Convened Monday—Members and Committees Active And Interested In What Is To Come

Washington, Nov. 15.—President Roosevelt warned Congress today that there has been a "marked" industrial recession and proposed that it be combated by quick action on his legislative program, and by revising tax laws particularly to aid small business men, but also to remove inequalities to all.

He said in a message to the legislators as they assembled in special session that the business decline has not reached "serious proportions," and cautioned that with the exercise of "ordinary prudence," there is no reason why "we should suffer any prolonged recession, let alone any general economic paralysis."

But the Chief Executive emphasized, the slump has had the effect of decreasing the national income—and that its a matter of definite concern. The immediate task is to try to increase employment by the use of private capital, he said, adding:

"Obviously, government cannot let nature take its course without regard to consequences. If private enterprise does not respond government must take up the slack." He appealed to Congress and the nation as a whole to cooperate.

To Balance Budget

Mr. Roosevelt reaffirmed his determination to balance the 1937-38 budget; and insisted that while there should be revision of the tax laws, there should be none which would reduce aggregate revenues or increase the burden of those least able to pay.

Shortly before his message was read in the House and Senate, a house ways and means subcommittee studying proposed tax law changes agreed tentatively to grant industry two more "cushions" under the embattled undivided corporate profits levy. One would permit a business man to carry over operating losses for a year to apply against adjusted net income of the following year for purposes of arriving at a taxable rate on his income. The second would lift the burden of the law from two-thirds of the nation's corporations with a net income of \$5,000 or less.

House Majority Leader Bertrand H. Snell of New York, predicting that the nation is in for a "Roosevelt depression," introduced a bill to repeal the profits tax and the capital stock levy. He said that the nation has lost confidence in the administration and that the people want a "stop to this experimenting, this jumping around in the dark."

Recalling New Deal criticism of former President Herbert Hoover's "chicken-in-every-pot" campaign promise, Snell said Democrats "haven't even a blackbird left in the pot under President Roosevelt."

Almost simultaneously, a new threat to the President's budget-balancing plans came from the opening meeting of the United States Conference of Mayors, where Mayor Fiorello H. La Guardia of New York warned that unemployment would rise sharply this winter and said that if the present slump continues, Congress will have to appropriate additional relief funds.

Four-Point Program

Mr. Roosevelt outlined in detail the following four-point legislative program on which he said he hoped for early action "for the sake of the nation."

- 1. An "all-weather" agricultural crop control bill.
2. Wages and hours legislation.
3. Creation of "seven TVA" districts for the conservation and development of the nation's natural resources.
4. Government reorganization.

He projected new housing legislation and strengthening of anti-trust laws for action in the near future.

The Chief Executive noted the Supreme Court's reorganization that Congress can constitutionally legislate to the government to regulate commerce between the states and to tax and spend for the general welfare—a reversal by the tribunal of earlier rulings including invalidation of the AAA—and added:

"I hope and believe that the Supreme Court will not again deny to farmers the protection which it now accords to others."

Although the President's message was conciliatory and devoid of usual criticism of business, he made it plain from the "wide social program" initiated under the New Deal.

As Fury Mounts



SHANGHAI... Charges and counter-charges are being hurled thick and fast as Japanese accuse Chinese, Chinese accuse Japanese, of using poison gas. Here is a soldier of the Nipponese Chemical Warfare Department examining what is alleged to be a Chinese gas shell fired from a trench mortar in a recent Shanghai battle.

ITALY BACKS JAPS ALONE

Brussels.—A declaration summarizing the far eastern conflict and criticizing Japan was adopted Monday by the Brussels conference, with Italy voting "no," and three Scandinavian countries abstaining.

The Italian delegate, Count Luigi Aldrovandi-Marescotti, said that he must vote against the summary because Italy believed it passages a course which can lead only to complications.

A conference voted against sending a copy of the declaration to the Japanese government, then adjourned until Nov. 22.

The declaration was prepared by the United States, British and French delegates.

Asked what the conference would do at next Monday's session, Belgian Foreign Minister Paul Spaak said that the clue was to be found in the last paragraph of the declaration.

It asserts that, while hoping Japan will not maintain twice-voiced refusal to attend the conference, the states represented must consider what is to be their common attitude in a situation where one party to an international treaty insists its action does not come within the scope of that treaty.

Denmark, Norway and Sweden abstained from the vote. Their delegates expressed agreement in principle with terms of the declaration.

Beal In State

Whiteville, Nov. 11.—Fred Beal, wanted in Gaston County for the eight-year-old murder of Chief of Police A. F. Aderholt in Gastonia in 1929 during labor disorders, was reported in Evergreen in this county Tuesday afternoon, and recognized by C. R. Moss of Evergreen, formerly a deputy sheriff in Gaston at the time of the murder.

Beal, riding with three other men, stopped for some time in Evergreen and talked for quite a while before proceeding to Tabor City in this county. Moss recognized two of the men, one Dewey Martin and the other man named Pasore. He could not identify the fourth member of the party. Moss notified members of the Highway Patrol here.

No trace, however, has been found of Beal since then, Corporal J. R. Bridgen of the patrol said tonight.

A paper profit is just about as real as a royal flush in an undealt deck of cards.

Program At The Louisburg Theatre

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, Nov. 20: Saturday—Double Feature—Bob Steele in "The Red Rope" and Lew Ayres and Mary Carlisle in "Hold 'Em Navy." Sunday—Monday—Bing Crosby and Martha Raye in "Double Or Nothing." Tuesday—Joan Crawford and Robt. Young in "The Bride Wore Red." Wednesday—June Travis and Johnny Davis in "Over The Goal." Thursday-Friday—Wm. Powell and Myrna Loy in "Double Wedding."

Tar Heel Family Claims \$500,000 Kansas Fortune

In quest of a \$500,000 Kansas oil fortune, for which no heirs have yet been established, members of the Doyle family of Wake and Franklin counties will leave this week, accompanied by legal representatives, to present their claim in the Kansas courts.

R. L. McMillan, Raleigh attorney, will head the delegation, which is to appear at a hearing November 22 in the probate court of Marion County, Kansas.

The Doyles' claim to the fortune, left by the late Patrick Doyle, is based on their belief that Patrick was a brother of Millican Doyle, who died some 40 years ago in Franklin County. In support of the claim, one or two of the older residents of Franklin who knew Millican and his family connections, will be taken along to offer testimony.

Many claims have been presented for the fortune, but so far, no one has been able to establish kinship with Patrick Doyle, Mr. McMillan said. William H. Doyle of Cary filed the claim on behalf of the North Carolina Doyles.

Associated with Mr. McMillan in the case are Yarborough and Yarborough of Louisburg and the Topeka, Kansas, law firm of Doran, Kline, Colmery and Cosgrave. Harry W. Colmery, immediate National Commander of the American Legion, is a member of the firm.

NO PREACHING

The TIMES is requested to announce there will be no preaching service at the Methodist Church Sunday, as the pastor will be attending Conference at Raleigh.

Sunday School and Epworth League will be held at the usual hours.

Capt. Jack Blackley Dead

Capt. Jack Blackley, one of Franklin's oldest and most respected citizens, died at his home there from paralysis early Thursday morning. Funeral arrangements had not been completed early yesterday, but will be held some time this afternoon.

MRS. MITCHELL DEAD

Mrs. Sallie Mitchell, widow of the late W. O. Mitchell, died at her home near Rocky Ford on Wednesday of last week following a short illness. She was 86 years of age and leaves one daughter, Mrs. Nat Smith, and four sons, H. F. Mitchell, Ballard Mitchell, Nat Mitchell and Joe Mitchell. She was the oldest member of Plank Chapel Methodist Church and was held in high esteem by all who knew her.

The funeral services were held from Plank Chapel Church on Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. B. O. Merritt, pastor, and interment was made in the cemetery nearby. Quite a large number of relatives and friends attended the services and the floral tribute was especially pretty.

The pallbearers were as follows: Active—Thurston Smith, Forrest Smith, Frank Mitchell, Donald Mitchell, Roger Mitchell, Nathan Pace. Honorary—Ed Newton, P. C. Smith, S. O. Ellington, R. E. Fuller, N. H. Ayescue, R. K. Young, Dr. R. T. Upchurch, Walter Ayescue, W. S. Ayescue, R. L. Kirtrell, J. B. Ellington, T. C. Gill, J. S. Rowland, Joe Lassiter, S. Y. Macon, Walter Wrenn, John Harris.

The bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire community.

F. P. SOUTHALL

Clayton.—F. P. Southall, 63, died at his home here Monday afternoon after a brief illness. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Home Memorial Church here, after which the body were taken to Zebulon for burial.

Mr. Southall came to Clayton in 1926, following the death of his wife the year before. He was a native of Franklin County.

Surviving Mr. Southall are three daughters, Mrs. T. L. White of Zebulon, Mrs. John Coats of Raleigh and Mrs. Harvey Adams of Clayton; a son, J. H. Southall, of High Point, and two brothers, L. R. Southall of Louisburg and J. H. Southall of near Raleigh.—News and Observer.

Mr. Southall was a former resident of Franklin County and has many friends and relatives here who join in extending sympathy to the bereaved family.

Turns On The "Heat"



NEW YORK CITY... Quick events after the LaGuardia-Dewey landslide here spelled doom of gangland's racketeers and their political henchmen. Wednesday, Thomas E. Dewey, above, new District Attorney, celebrated victory. Thursday, Charles A. Schneider, Assistant Attorney General, accused by Dewey of accepting legal fees from racketeers, resigned. Friday, Morris Goldis, underworld character, was held without bail by police, indicted by Dewey on a murder charge.

TOBACCO SELLING WELL

Tobacco continues to sell well on the Louisburg Market as the daily records show a good demand but also indicates the crop is nearing the end. Many individually high averages have been made with the market making splendid sales each day.

You are invited to sell the remainder of your crop with Louisburg.

NEAL-SANDERSON

Dr. Kemp P. Neal and Mrs. Alma Sanderson, both of Raleigh, were married Monday at noon at the Methodist Church in Louisburg. The Rev. J. G. Phillips officiated in the ceremony which only a few friends of the couple witnessed.

Mrs. Neal has been residing in Raleigh for several years. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Andrews, of Tarboro.

Dr. Neal is a local surgeon and a member of the Raleigh Academy of Medicine.

Dr. and Mrs. Neal are at home at 108 Montgomery Street.—News and Observer.

DISTRICT S. S. MEETING

The District Association meeting of the Baptist Sunday Schools of Franklin County will be held in the Louisburg Baptist Church on Sunday, November 21st, 1937 at 2:30 p. m. according to announcement of Rev. J. D. Simons, pastor. The officers and teachers of all Baptist Sunday Schools in the county are urged to be present at this meeting.

Stores To Close

The stores and business houses in Louisburg will close on Thursday of next week to observe Thanksgiving. Attend to your purchases not later than Wednesday.

The Banks in Franklin County will observe Thanksgiving by closing next Thursday.

There will be no rural or city delivery on Thanksgiving Day from the Postoffice but those having boxes will be able to receive mail. Also special delivery will be made in town.

P. T. A. STUDY GROUP

The Study Group of Mills P. T. A. met in the Home Economics Department Tuesday p. m., Nov. 16.

An interesting program followed. "Emotional Character of the Child in Home and School" was the theme of discussion.

Mrs. Edward F. Griffin read a strong and convincing paper on "It's Hard To Be a Child." It pointed out many of the troubles and perplexities of childhood which parents might overlook.

Louisburg College News Items

The Louisburg College football team showed a great deal of improvement in the game Friday with E. C. T. C. over the previous games of the season. During the game, however, West, halfback, broke his nose.

Friday, November 18, the team will play the Louisburg All-Star team here at 2:30.

The Trojans are planning to play Piedmont College at Demorest, Ga., on Thanksgiving Day.

During practice Monday, James Baker broke his leg.

"Y" Call Meeting

There was a call joint-meeting of the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A.—on Tuesday night at 8:00 in the social hall for the purpose of discussing the North Carolina Conference of Young People held at Chapel Hill last week-end.

Those giving the very interesting reports included: Misses Sara Foutz, Bethany Von Cannon, Katherine P. Lewis; and Charles Mercer, W. T. Medlin, Jr. and W. D. Gaviness.

This conference, which was attended by the above named Louisburg College students, was interesting, educational, and inspiring.

State Convention of Ministerial Students

The State Convention of Ministerial Students held its annual meeting on Saturday, November 13 at Guilford College. The Conference this year was totally one of discussion, there being no addresses. Some of the outstanding leaders of the discussion groups included: Dr. Clyde R. Milne, President of Guilford College; Dr. A. D. Beittel, Dean of Guilford College; and Professor Charles Williamson, Director of Publicity for W. C. U. N. C. The meeting convened at 10:00 in the morning with the discussion of "Why I Plan To Be a Minister."

In the afternoon session a discussion was held on the "Minister—His Responsibility." The delegates enjoyed, in the afternoon, the football game between Appalachian and Guilford. The finale to the convention was the banquet held at 7:00 P. M., at which time Dr. Milner urged all of the ministerial students to "seek first God's favor and not be ashamed." W. T. Medlin, Jr., of Louisburg College was elected Secretary of the State Convention for the incoming year.

R. W. Rainwater, Jr., was Louisburg's other representative at the meeting.

Gets Still and Men

Deputy Sheriff H. C. Ayescue reports the capture of a complete still outfit, about 50 gallons capacity, destroying 109 gallons of Mash and seizing 3 gallons of whiskey and arresting two men, Clement Harris and Jessie Dale, colored, in Gold Mine township on Wednesday. He was assisted by Officers Fred Frazier, K. E. Joyner, G. S. Gilliam, H. R. Wood. Both were allowed to give bond by Mayor W. C. Webb, but only Harris completed his bond and gained his release.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

There will be the early celebration at the Holy Communion at 8:00 A. M. and Church School will convene at the usual hour 10:00 A. M. Special notice should be given to the Primary Department which is supervised by a well trained teacher who has had many years experience with little folk. Those parents who have small children are requested to enter them in this primary class. The Adult Bible Class will meet at the hour of 10:00 o'clock and the subject for discussion will be "The Universal Prison Camp." At 11:00 o'clock there will be morning Prayer and Sermon and the Sermon will be developed from the text "He giveth to his beloved in their sleep."

The Young People's Service league will meet at 6:45 P. M. in the Church for their evening program. At 7:45 P. M. there will be a Service of Evening Prayer and talk on Immortality. This evening the Chinese conception of life after death will be discussed.

Thursday, November 25th is Thanksgiving Day. There will be a special service at the Holy Communion and Sermon at 10:00 o'clock that morning.

On Sunday, November 28th, Dr. Francis Cho-min Wei, president of Central China College, Wuchang will speak in the Church of the Air series, speaking from New York at 10:00 A. M. over WABC and affiliated stations. The institution which Dr. Wei represents is called the Yale-in-China University and, considering the conditions in that country at the present time, his talk should be of vital interest to every Christian of this country.

There will be a meeting of the Vestry after the morning service this coming Sunday.

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Barton in Congress



NEW YORK CITY... When a Republican wins a major political battle these days, that's news! Bruce Barton, victorious G.O.P. candidate in a three-cornered fight for Congress, is going to Washington to carry out his campaign pledge "to move for the repeal of one law per week." Soon after election, Walter O'Keefe, radio and stage funnyman and newspaper paragon, referred to Barton as a 1940 Presidential possibility. Some political seers say idea is more truth than comedy.



Washington, November 17.—Congress begins its extra session in an atmosphere of political confusion and dissension which subjects any attempts to forecast results to heavy discounts. The best opinion here is that the acts of the special session will be governed more by the members' own judgment of national needs than by the desires of the Administration for the further promotion of social and economic reforms.

Business Troubles First

The first need, as many leaders in both Senate and House see it, is to encourage business. There are indications that the Administration, too, is keenly aware of this need. When he called Congress in special session President Roosevelt did not list tax law amendments in the immediate program of legislation. Farm legislation was No. 1. But that was several weeks ago, and in the interval a threatened business depression has appeared, with breaks in the stock markets and other signs of business unrest.

While the Administration does not accept full responsibility for the market slump aggravated by the foreign war situation, and other economic factors beyond American control, it takes it seriously enough to not laugh it off but make a careful study of the facts.

TAXES ARE BLAMED

The first remedy upon which there seems to be wide agreement among the members of Congress is for repeal or amendment of tax laws which have been found, in practice, to slow down the operations of business and industry.

The two tax laws most severely criticized by business men are the capital gains tax and tax on undistributed corporation earnings. The capital gains tax is of pre-Roosevelt origin. It taxes as an individual's capital. If a man buys property, tangible or in securities, his profit, if any and beyond certain exceptions, is taxed as income for that tax year. In higher brackets this tax is so steep as to amount to practical confiscation.

WHY THE SPECULATOR

This is naturally discouraging to men who usually risk funds to launch new enterprises. Such risks are necessary. Without profit, the public cannot honestly be invited to invest. If the speculating investor loses, the public has been safeguarded. If he wins, he expects adequate rewards in the form of profits.

But with the Government taking as high as 75 per cent of earnings, men who have capital to invest usually decide to play "safe" and put surplus funds into Government bonds. This strangles new business, curtails expansion of business already under way.

The other tax which is blamed for a large share in the business recession, the undistributed profits tax, was written into the 1936 Revenue Act at the urgent insistence of the President. It provides that corporations earning profits in any year must distribute them to their stock holders as dividends in that year, instead of holding them as reserves or using them to expand or to pay off bonded debts. Corporations failing to make such distributions are taxed

SEVERAL DIVORCES GRANTED

JUDGE SINCLAIR HOLDING COURT

Full Docket Set For November Term Franklin Superior Court Civil Term

Franklin County's regular November term of Civil Court convened Monday morning with His Honor Judge N. A. Sinclair, presiding. Court soon got off to business and quite a number of cases have been disposed of including several divorce cases. No cases of special public interest has been called as yet.

The following are among the cases disposed of by the Court: Alma Sanderson Stallings was granted a divorce from her husband, O. D. Stallings.

K. P. Neal was granted a divorce from his wife, Margaret C. Neal.

Eva Wilson was granted a divorce from her husband, G. E. Wilson.

D. C. Hicks was granted a judgment against W. H. Frasier amounting to \$88.73 and interest. The case of Vick Wilkins, Jr., vs. Burgess Lumber Co., was settled.

W. H. Allen was awarded a judgment of \$400 against C. H. Banks for mules.

Lizzie G. Wester and husband Alex Wester vs. McCormick & Co., Inc., continued for scientific analysis of food products, a portion of which plaintiff ate, and the metal found.

Repey Perry Barham was granted a divorce from her husband, William Avery Barham.

Winnale C. Catlett was granted a divorce from her husband, Thomas R. Catlett, when costs are paid.

W. E. Perry was granted a divorce from his wife, Pearl Perry, when costs are paid.

Curtis M. Vaughan was granted a divorce from his wife, Gladys M. Vaughan.

The case of C. C. Perry, Administrator of Jim Branch, vs. R. C. Davis and Leigh R. Powell and Henry W. Anderson, Receivers of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, wherein Branch lost both legs in an accident near the railway station in October, 1935, was in progress of trial as we closed our forms.

Court was still in session yesterday and will hold on through the week, with possibly a full week, next week.

up to as high as 26 percent of the amount.

SOAKING THE "BAD BOYS"

The purpose of the undistributed surplus tax was two-fold. In part it was designed to punish a few large corporations which had built up large reserves for future expansion, but whose controlling management had incurred the displeasure of the Administration. The economic justification was the assumption that, by paying out surpluses in dividends, the incomes of stockholders would be increased and could be taxed at higher rates, thus bringing additional revenue into the Treasury. It was estimated that this tax would produce \$800,000,000 a year of new revenues.

It not only has failed to produce anything like the anticipated revenue but, according to the hundreds of business men, industrialists, investors, bankers and economists who have appeared before the sub-committee of the House which is studying tax matters, the undistributed profits tax has proved a serious obstacle to business improvement and expansion.

The way in which all business enterprises have developed in the past is by "plowing back" profits into the business, and the present tax penalizes that.

TAX CHANGES ARE "NO. 1"

Somewhat reluctantly, the Administration has accepted the truth of the arguments against the capital gains tax and the tax on undistributed profits, and Roswell Magill, assistant Secretary of the Treasury, has been working with the House Committee, helping to shape revisions and amendments in those and some other taxes widely complained of. Almost unanimously Senators and Representatives predict a change in at least the undistributed profits tax, and Chairman Vinson of the sub-committee of the Ways and Means committee lists it as "No. 1" on the legislative program.

Washington County farmers have purchased nine pure bred Duroc-Jersey boars and seven bred gilts from a Pitt County breeder in a movement to improve swine production throughout the County.