

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, December 21.—Since a day or two after Thanksgiving newly-elected Senators and members of the House of Representatives have been flocking into Washington to make their arrangements for the session which begins on January third. They have occupied themselves with arranging for living quarters for themselves and their families, if any, and putting in their applications for particular offices they desire, which are about to be vacated by members who were not re-elected.

To most of these newcomers the atmosphere of Washington is not entirely unfamiliar, but for many it is the first experience of being on the inside looking out instead of on the outside looking in.

Naturally, they have been making inquiries as to what there is in their new jobs, besides the glory of being in Congress and the task of taking a hand in shaping the Nation's laws. What they have learned about the money value of their jobs has frankly surprised some of them. Few persons outside of Congress realize what a comfortable position, financially, Senators and Representatives occupy.

There is the salary, to start with; \$10,000 a year for each member of each House.

20 Cents For Mileage

Then there is the mileage. Every Senator and Representative is entitled to draw 20 cents a mile for the distance from his home to Washington, when the session begins, and back home again when the session ends.

For a member from Maryland or Virginia, who can get to Washington in an hour or two, the mileage is not a big item; but a member from California gets around \$1,300 each session, while his railroad fare, including a Pullman lower berth, runs to less than \$300, making a thousand dollars clear profit. He draws his mileage whether he goes home between sessions or not.

Then comes the item of clerk hire. Each Senator is allowed to hire four clerks and Uncle Sam allows him \$10,320 a year for that he may not call on the Government to pay his secretary or any other clerk more than \$3,900 a year—\$7 a week. Of course, he can pay as much more as he wants to out of his own pocket, and there are instances of wealthy Senators who turn over their own salaries to their secretaries. Most of them are here thrifty, however.

There is no restriction upon whom a Senator or Representative may employ, so many of them put their wives on the payroll as their secretaries and sometimes their sons or daughters as clerks, thus keeping the money in the family.

Vice-President Garner's official secretary for many years has been Mrs. Garner, and it is only fair to say that in the opinion of those who know she does a magnificent job of managing the work of the Vice-President's office, as she did when he was a Representative in the lower House.

Members of the House of Representatives get only a \$5,000 annual allowance for clerk hire, with the same limitation of \$3,900 as the top salary officially paid to a secretary.

Postage Is Free

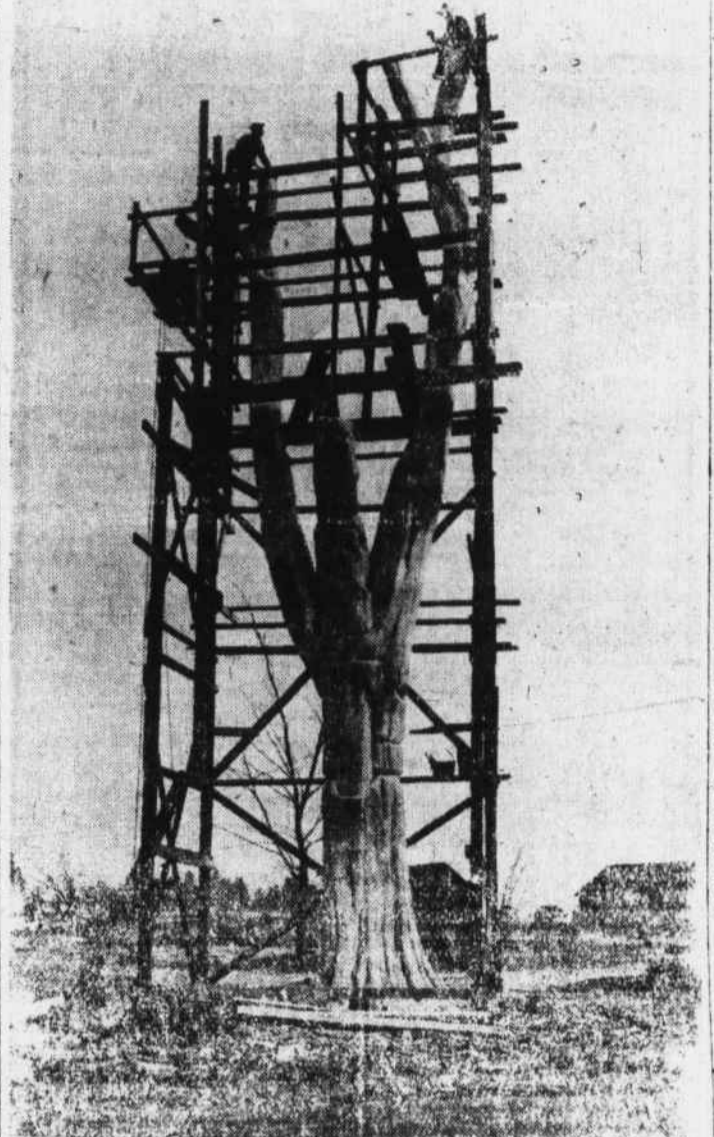
Then there is free postage. Senators and Representatives have the "franking privilege." They can send letters or any other sort of mail matter anywhere without using stamps.

Another source of revenue for the thrifty Senator or Representative is the stationery allowance of \$125 a year. A member can use up his allowance in carbon paper, rubber bands, erasers and typewriter ribbons, if he wants to; or he need not use any stationery at all, in which case he can draw the full allowance in cash.

Then each member has his own suite of private offices in the handsome marble buildings adjacent to the capital. The offices are all large and expensively furnished in solid mahogany and leather. Representatives who are not chairmen of committees have to put up with two rooms; Senators get three office rooms and a waiting room. There are private lavatories and baths attached to each of these suites, and a constant supply of clean towels and soap.

A thrifty Representative or Senator really does not need to pay room-rent if he is unmarried; he

HUGE TREE OF LIFE FOR NEW YORK FAIR



NEW YORK.—This 60-foot statue was carved from an elm in South Windsor, Conn., by Lawrence Tenney Stevens to represent the Tree of Life. As the largest wooden statue in the world, it will be seen with two smaller statues next spring in Bowling Green Plaza near the Contemporary Arts Building at the New York World's Fair 1939. Still unfinished, it is a mecca for New England sightseers. Hessian prisoners planted the elm in 1781.

can set up a comfortable daybed in his inner office and do all his sleeping there. The late Senator Park Trammell of Florida lived in his office for several years and made no bones about it.

Senators get other free services which not all Representatives share. There is the Senate Garage for instance, underground at the top of Capitol Hill. It has uniformed attendants, comfortable lounging quarters for Senatorial chauffeurs, and space for housing 361 cars. As there are only 96 Senators, this leaves 265 stalls which are allotted to Representatives who are considered to have special privileges.

Swimming Pool For Senators

In the basement of the Senate office building are the swimming pool and Turkish baths. They give free service to Senators.

The Senate and House barber-shops provide free service, including manicures, for members. For the members of each house there is a private dining room in the Capitol building, where all labor costs and expenses outside of the actual cost of food are paid by the public.

When a Senator or Representative dies the Government gives him a free funeral, usually including the expenses of a committee to escort the body to its final resting place back home. Some such Congressional funerals have cost the taxpayers as much as \$9,000. Nor does the death of a member leave his family entirely destitute, for the widow is given a full year's salary in cash.

There are many minor perquisites which make the job of a Senator or Representative both pleasant and profitable, as the newcomers now in Washington are beginning to find out.

SWEET POTATOES

Martin County farmers are selling about two solid cars of sweet potatoes a day since the market opened last week. They report having 125,000 bushels of the cured sweets and say the quality is much above the average.

INCOME

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics has estimated that cash income to farmers for 1938 would total approximately \$7,625,000,000, a decrease of about 11 per cent from the \$8,600,000,000 in 1937.

B. Hunt and R. Clyde Edwards to worry over crop control or anything else if they should decide to devote their talents to building and repairing houses. It seems to be a hobby of Mr. Hunt, to convert a large one-room structure into a comfortable residence of many rooms. Removing all partitions, counters and shelves from his vacant store house, 22x40 feet, they built six good rooms for living quarters, also adding eight new windows. A credit to any workmen, Messrs. Hunt and Edwards might attach their sign to this and other similar jobs, but as both are good farmers, they will probably stay with the soil.

The house which was completed last week, is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Ayscue.

George H. Finch, who operated a service station here the past 20 months, has moved with his family about six miles southwest of Louisburg. Many friends regret their leaving.

Active vigilance against the long and continued series of robberies in this and nearby communities, on the part of officers, victims of the thefts and others, has utterly failed of results. The robberies consist for the most part of chickens, meat, cotton, tobacco, corn, trailers and even rabbit boxes. The trailers, it is presumed, were used to convey the tobacco to market. John Jones was the last man to lose a trailer, which has not been located. They are usually abandoned after transporting the loot to the desired destination, and are practically of no use when discovered in some wooded roadside. Chickens figure in 2 of the more recent reports of minor thievery. But this latest big haul which for obvious reasons

was held from the press, appears to climax many former reports of that nefariously unsavory nature. Three weeks ago J. F. Munn lost between seven and eight hundred pounds of his best tobacco taken by thieves from his pit at a late hour of the night. The tobacco was estimated at a value of \$175 or more. No clues were found by those investigating the robbery.

Observation by the late B. Frankin: To get a person interested in you, let him do you a favor.

BEEF CATTLE
W. P. Rose of Goldsboro says the 60 feeder steers to which he is giving a ration of home-grown feeds are gaining at the rate of one pound per animal each day. James Bryan, also of Goldsboro, has purchased 33 pure bred Hereford heifers and two bulls with the idea of starting a beef cattle herd on his farm.

For that matter, wouldn't it be a wonderful experience to be frightened half to death by an industrial and business boom?

Gifts THAT PLEASE

SAVE AT TAYLOR'S

TOYS - All Kinds

- TRICYCLES \$1.25
- WAGONS \$1.00
- BICYCLES \$29.50
- DOLL \$1.29
- CARRIAGES \$1

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ELECTRIC IRONS \$1.89

PYREX CASSEROLE 50c

HUNTING COATS \$3.49

SHOT GUNS \$7.50

FISHING ROD & REEL \$2.75

Enamel Roaster \$1.39

Knives & Forks \$1.25

Electric Toaster \$1.98

Electric Hot Plate 89c

GIVE FURNITURE

Gifts Everlasting

9 x 12 Linoleum Rugs \$4.49

Fitted Cases

GLADSTONE BAGS \$6.50

ALADDIN LAMPS \$4.95

ELECTRIC LAMPS \$1.00

COOKING RANGES \$21.95

H. C. TAYLOR HARDWARE AND FURNITURE

FROM INGLESIDE

John Knox Beasley suffered a painful ankle sprain injury in football practice last Thursday that put him on crutches. Knox regrets the prospect of having to forego his school duties, as much as he does the accident, his friends say.

There is hardly any question but that gambling rackets of any character are highly deleterious to the moral health of any community — especially among the youth.

In reporting fine hogs Ingleside community is here with the goods: John Finch, one, 475; Henry P. Finch, two, 560 and 612; Tom Connell Wilson, six, 330, 354, 360, 374, 382, 390. Mr. Wilson has several more in the same class to follow at the next killing.

"Two-thirds of all the deaths from tuberculosis occur before the age of 45.

One out of every four deaths occurring among girls and young women between the ages of 15 and 20 is caused by that malady.

The annual death toll from tuberculosis in the United States would be 250,000 if the death rate of the early 1900's still prevailed. Under present mortality conditions the annual death toll is about 70,000."

There would be no need for J.

Beware Coughs from common colds That Hang On

No matter how many medicines you have tried for your common cough, chest cold, or bronchial irritation, you may get relief now with Creomulsion. Serious trouble may be brewing and you cannot afford to take a chance with any remedy less potent than Creomulsion, which goes right to the seat of the trouble and aids nature to soothe and heal the inflamed mucous membranes and to loosen and expel germladen phlegm.

Even if other remedies have failed, don't be discouraged, try Creomulsion. Your druggist is authorized to refund your money if you are not thoroughly satisfied with the benefits obtained. Creomulsion is one word, ask for it plainly, see that the name on the bottle is Creomulsion, and you'll get the genuine product and the relief you want. (Adv.)

THE HOUSE OF HAZARDS

By MAC ARTHUR



Louisburg

THEATRE

Night Shows: 7:00 and 9:00
15c and 30c

Matinees: 3:30 Daily
10c and 25c

Saturdays Continuous: 2 - 11
10c and 25c until 6 o'clock

A Merry Christmas To All

LAST TIMES TODAY
FRIDAY, DEC. 23rd
SOUTHERN PREMIERE
Donald (Small Fry) O'Connor
Robert Kent - June Travis
"TOM SAWYER, DETECTIVE"
Based on Mark Twain's famous character.
Also Latest March of Time.

SATURDAY, DEC. 24th
Double Feature Day
3 MESQUITEERS
— In —
"Overland Stage Raiders"
and
GLENDA FARRELL
— In —
"Torchy Blane In Panama"
Also Chapter No. 11
"DICK TRACY RETURNS"

Gala Xmas Eve
Mid-Nite Show
Doors Open at 11:45
ALL SEATS — 30c
Bob Hope - Shirley Ross
— In —
"Thanks For The Memory"
With
Otto Kruger, Chas. Butterworth,
"Honey Chile" Wilder
"Hear The New Song Hit
"TWO SLEEPY PEOPLE"

XMAS DAY & MONDAY, DEC. 26
James Cagney - Pat O'Brien
Humphrey Bogart-Dead End Kids
Ann Sheridan - Geo. Bancroft
— In —
"ANGELS WITH DIRTY FACES"
4 Stars Liberty Magazine
Recommended without reservations
as smash entertainment and
one of the year's outstanding pictures.
Come early for best seats.
Sunday Shows at 3:30 and 9:00
Mon. Shows 3:30 - 7:00 and 9:00

TUESDAY, DEC. 27th
Henry Armetta - Thomas Beck
Joan Valerie - Henry Arthur
— In —
"Road Dmon"
With
"Bajangles" Bill Robinson Himself,
A New Sports Adventure
Seabee Hayworth
IS BACK FOR THE THIRD
TUESDAY WITH A COMPLETE
NEW SHOW.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28th
Boris Karloff - Evelyn Brent
Grant Withers
— In —
"Mr. Wong, Detective"
Liberty Magazine gives this picture
3 Stars as good entertainment.

THURS.-FRIDAY, DEC. 29-30th
LUISE RAINER
Paulette Goddard (Mrs. Charles
Lin), Alan Marshall, Henry Stephenson,
Lana Turner
— In —
"Dramatic School"
Also News of the Day and
Novelty Short

COMING NEW YEAR'S EVE
MIDNIGHT
Joe E. Brown in "Flirting With Fate"
with Leo Carrillo.
Free Theatre Tickets!

COMING SOON
Dick Powell, Anita Louise,
Louis "Satchelmouth" Armstrong,
Mikine Sullivan in "Going Places"
"Out West With the Hardy's."
"Dawn Patrol."
"Sweethearts."
"Kentucky."

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