



Washington—Even those who were impatient with Congress last Spring for remaining so long in session after the President had handed them their hats and told them the party was over, are looking forward with satisfaction to the reconvening of Congress in January. It is not impossible that the President himself will welcome Congress back. Not that he wants to get anything in particular from the lawmakers that has not already been handed him, but he is too shrewd a politician not to recognize that some of the new bureaus and the men in charge of them are running wild, and that the whole recovery scheme, now that its purposes and programs have been pretty fully disclosed to the people at large, needs the sort of searching public examination and criticism which only Congress can give it.

And will Congress examine and criticize? Boy, howdy! Of course, some members of both Houses will do more criticizing than examining. A lot of the criticism will be purely partisan in its purpose. Much of it will be based on a complete absence of facts. But the United States is still a democracy, and every member of either House is entitled to say what he thinks without fear of any comeback.

Will Blow Off Steam
The Congress of the United States is by all odds the freest forum in the world. Likewise, taking startling lies are always worth big presents the most intelligent opinion of the general run of American citizens. A few blatherskites get into both the Senate and the House of Representatives; that has always been true. They get a disproportionate amount of attention from the newspapers, because violent and lying lies are always worth bigger headlines than soberly stated truths. And there will be plenty of steam let off by disgruntled and not too public-spirited members of both houses, which will be enjoying to the President and his friends but not necessarily to be taken too seriously.

What will be taken seriously, however, will be the sober consideration which will be given to the acts of the Administration thus far by the real leaders of both parties. Nobody can believe seriously for a moment that anybody in his senses wants to ruin the United States. But there has been a lot of loose talk spilled by high Administration officials about "treason" and "sabotage" and other ugly words which appear to reflect a belief that the program of the New Deal is something holy, to criticize or even disagree with which is sacrilege. And because the power exists to make trouble for critics, to persecute if not prosecute, many who would like to speak out are holding their tongues, and waiting for members of Congress to speak for them.

And they will speak.
From Both Sides
It will not be all from the Republican side, the outspoken criticism of the way things are being run. There are only 35 Republican Senators as against 61 Democrats. In the House, fewer than 120 of the 435 members belong to the minority party. But here are two or three strong groups of Democrats in both Houses and many individual members who are known to be preparing their ammunition for a wide-spread barrage aimed at the New Deal, either as a whole or in one or another of its manifestations.

Senator Carter Glass of Virginia is the leader of one such group. Senator Glass, who is a newspaper publisher, has steadfastly refused to sign the President's Recovery Code or to display the Blue Eagle in his newspapers. He is no enemy of the President; it will be remembered that Mr. Roosevelt wanted him in his Cabinet. But he will be a powerful voice in expressing the point of view of the "rugged individualists" who, while conceding that there have been grave abuses which ought to be remedied, under the old system, do not think that the way to do it is to scrap (Please turn to back page)

Liquor Control Program Is Up HEAVIER TAXES, SAYS REYNOLDS

Dry Landslide In State Not Yet Victory

Added Burdens of Enforcement Will Call for Huge Expenditure State's Money

FIGHT IS NOT YET OVER Dries to Seek Repeal of Beer and Wine Next Legislature

Robert R. Reynolds veteran stumper for the cause of the repeal of the 18th amendment, in reviewing the results of Tuesday's election called attention to the added responsibility placed on the shoulders of North Carolinians inasmuch as they refused to sanction the wet cause.

The 18th amendment has met with the approval of the people of North Carolina and yet it will be impossible for the government of the state to keep faith with those who voted in its favor. Bordering states are in a position to supply North Carolina with all the liquor needed and in order to keep them from doing just that it will be necessary for the state to increase its expenditures for maintenance of prohibition officers. This will necessitate increased taxes for this purpose in addition to losing vast sums of revenue that is being gained by other states through the sale of liquors. Reynolds seriously doubts that the taxpayers of the state will be able to stand the strain of the extra taxes.

The dries still with the taste of victory will not be long in seeing the above statements become a fact asserted one wet champion. The dries in return let it be known that they were not yet through handing out defeats and will press on for the repeal of the beer bill in the next legislature.

In conclusion Reynolds stated that the repeal of the 18th amendment is a dead issue and "that we must face, and face courageously, the liquor problem as it applies solely to our own state."

False Alarm

The Salisbury fire department answered a call last night at 6:30 p. m. to box 59.

When they arrived they found a cozy fire burning in the fire place in the ladies' parlor of the First Methodist church. The reflection through the frosted glass gave the room the appearance of being on fire.

No one could blame the ladies for having a fire in the proper place.

Young Caruso Sings



Enrico Caruso Jr., above, son of the late famous opera tenor, has been given a leading song role in a Spanish production... and if successful he will be given English parts.

NEWS BRIEFS

FOILS HOLDUP ATTEMPT

Marvin Woodlief, Raleigh newspaper subscription agent, foiled an attempt at robbery by two white men on a Henderson street. Woodlief pulled his gun, shot three times badly wounded one of his assailants and put the other to flight. Jimmy Jackson was later found behind a hedge with wounds in body and arm. He admitted his part in the attempt.

FATAL SHOOTING IN ORANGE COUNTY

Argument at the Orange county home of Charles Albright ended in Albright firing a shot at close range into the body of William Horner, 31, instantly killing him. Albright said Horner had refused to leave the home.

BORAH OPPOSES "BUY NOW"

The administration's "buy now" campaign "is not progressing at all; it is receding," asserts Senator Borah of Idaho. And to stop a "brazen program of exploitation" through high prices, he has gone on record for restoration and enforcement of the anti-trust laws.

JOHNSON SPEAKS FOR NRA

To stem a rising tide of farm belt discontent with failure of crop prices to rise under agricultural administration and NRA control, General Hugh Johnson, NRA chief, is this week on a tour of middle western cities to clear away opposition and discontent.

UNION SHERIFF IS ROBBED

A slick stranger last week robbed the safe in the office of the sheriff of Union county, by getting the deputy out of the office on a ruse, and robbing the cash drawer in the safe of \$1,733. A telephone call had asked the deputy to go to a lavatory and search for a ring.

HELD FOR KIDNAP PLOT

John Lanier, 35, is held by the Winston-Salem police, as the confessed author of a crude plot to extort \$10,000 from R. J. Reynolds, Jr., tobacco millionaire under threat of kidnaping Reynolds' young wife.

STRIKERS BACK IN COAL PITS

In peaceful contrast to the strife of the last three months, western Pennsylvania's striking soft coal miners have marched back to the pits they deserted in a demand for union recognition. Ending a deadlock which the Washington administration had viewed as a threat to the entire national recovery program, some 10,000 men went back to work in a drab, gray setting of fog.

CHARLOTTE LAWYER KILLED

J. E. Woolard, 37, well-known Charlotte lawyer of 609 East Tremont avenue, was almost instantly killed when the automobile in which he was riding with his wife was struck by a car driven by Richard L. Watts, 24, of 429 East Boulevard, at the intersection of Winthrop avenue and East Boulevard.

TEXAS GUINAN DEAD

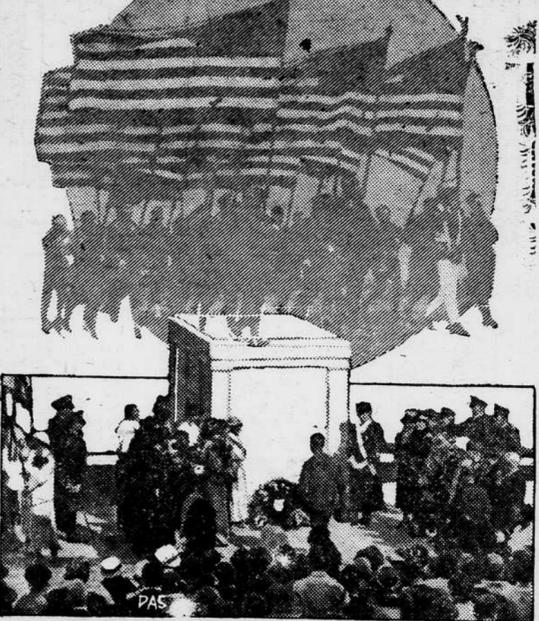
Texas Guinan, the night club queen, who was known best for her unique contributions to Broadway's vocabulary, died in a hospital at Vancouver, B. C., of an intestinal illness.

FARMERS CALLED TO STRIKE

Leaders of the National Farmers Holiday association agricultural strike ordered a major offensive, after the federal administration rejected their demands for cost-of-product farm prices.

Turn Again To Tomb of Unknown Soldier

November Eleventh



★ Armistice Day - 1933 ★

Sharp Cuts In Rail Systems Offered In Merger Program

Thousands Would Lose Jobs Under Plan Now Being Studied By President Roosevelt.

Complete disappearance of dozens of railroad systems, including the Reading; closing of railroad shops and yards in scores of cities throughout the country, and removal of some 300,000 railroad workers from their jobs are features of a plan for railroad consolidations which has been submitted to President Roosevelt. The President is studying the plan, it is announced, in connection with the general proposals for effecting economies through railway mergers.

The latest program, which is known as the Prince plan, has as its objective huge savings which its sponsors say would earn profits of half a billion dollars a year for the railroads. Workers who lose their jobs would be retired on part pay for two years, during which time efforts would be made to find other employment for them.

Curtailed of railroad facilities, such as shops, yards, and freight and passenger stations, is possible, it is asserted, because in few instances are these facilities used to capacity. Curtailed of such facilities is called for in virtually every large railroad center. The plan contemplates seven systems for the nation. Two would be in the East, the first built around the New York Central and the Pennsylvania, with 29,148 miles of tracks; the second around the Baltimore and Ohio, Reading, Central of New Jersey, and Norfolk and Western, with 28,900 miles of tracks. The third system would cover the Southeast, with 20,810 miles of tracks; the fourth, the Mississippi Valley, with 20,810 miles of tracks; the fifth, the Northwest, with 17,807 miles of tracks; the sixth, the Central West, with 33,513 miles of tracks, and the seventh, the Southwest, with 27,513 miles of tracks. Chicago and St. Louis terminal systems would be jointly owned by all of the lines.

COY INVITATION

He—It's my ambition to become a long-distance swimmer.
She—I wish you'd show me how far away you can swim right now.

Body of Grady Lentz Has Not Been Located

Continued attempts since Monday to locate the body of Grady Lentz, who is thought to have been drowned in the High Rock lake, have not been successful.

Lentz, in the company of Charles Lemly were out in a row boat some time between Sunday and Monday morning and it is thought that in returning from the Davidson side of the lake that the small boat in which they were riding capsized.

POINT OF VIEW

Two Scots went to a variety show in London. Being in funds that day, they took front seats. During the magician's turn one of them was asked to go on the stage to assist in a trick. On their way home Jock, who had been on the stage, said:

"Well, Angus, you was a grand magician."
"Worst I've ever seen," retorted his friend.

"Maybe, maybe," said Jock. "But I gave him a dud ten-shilling note and he gave me a good one in return."

New Mexico Senator



Above is Senator Carl A. Hatch, of New Mexico, newly appointed by Governor Hockenfull to serve the term of Sam G. Bratton, who resigned to accept a federal judgeship.

GOOD MORNING

THE OLD REPROBATE

"Have you said your prayers, Dickie?"
"Yes, mummie. I prayed for you and daddy, but not for Uncle Tom, because I heard daddy say he was past praying for."

ELASTIC PRESCRIPTION

Doctor—I would advise you, madam, to take frequent baths, get plenty of fresh air and dress in cool gowns.

Madam's husband (an hour later)—What did the doctor say?

Madam—He said I ought to go to Palm Beach and then to the mountains and that I must get some new night gowns at once.

EASY TO PLEASE

"Percy seems to be pretty well satisfied with himself."

"Well, Percy never was very select in his tastes."

EASY

A doctor was examining a man who had come to him for the first time. Satisfied at last, the doctor looked at him gravely. "You are in bad shape," he said. "What you need is a sea voyage. Can you manage it?"
"Sure, easy," replied the patient. "I'm second mate on the Anna Marie, just in from Hongkong."

SHE'S WORRIED

Wife—Frederick, can you tell me where you were in 1920?

Frederick—No, why?

Wife—Well, I'm worried. I just read that in 1920 one person out of every 750 was in prison.

QUITE RIGHT

Bonnie—Let me shake your hand. This is one of the happiest days of your life.

Trollie—You're too precious, my friend, I'm not to be married 'till tomorrow.

Bonnie—That's what I say. This is going to be the happiest day of your life.

NO GOOD JOKES

"What do you think of the Museum of Art?"

"Oh, the pictures are good enough, but there ain't no good jokes in under them."

BITTER MEDICINE

"So the specialist put restrictions on you, did he? Which of the things he made you give up do you miss most?"

"The \$25 he charged me."

Federal Aid Promised To Dry States

REPEAL ON DECEMBER 5TH

Wet States Have No Uniform System Of Liquor Control

Federal attention is being turned to the liquor traffic problem since 37 states have voted to take the 18th amendment from the constitution.

Along with the repeal of the Volstead act a program of tax legislation will be submitted to congress to permit sale of distillates in the District of Columbia and territories.

Plans to protect the dry states will be considered, the result of which may revive the custom of sending prohibition officers to the moonshine areas similar to the revenue agents of pre-prohibition times.

Objective of the program are temperance and methods of dispensing alcoholic drinks without the return of the old-time saloon. In addition steps are to be taken through the coast guard to prevent smuggling of foreign liquor across the eastern and southern coasts where rum fleets are reported concentrated in a move to evade the \$5 a gallon import tax.

The house ways and means committee will open hearings on liquor taxation legislation November 27 to prepare a bill for early congressional action in January. Nobody yet knows, of course, how much money the taxes will raise.

The present tax is \$1.10 a gallon on whisky, gins and brandies. Although it has been predicted that this will be increased to as high as \$3 a gallon, members of a subcommittee studying the question claim it will not exceed \$2.20. They say a higher tax might encourage the bootlegger to continue in his business.

DENY MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS DRYING UP

Yellowstone Park, Wyo.—Visitors to Yellowstone National Park who insist that the hot springs in the Mammoth area are drying up are mistaken George C. Crowe, assistant park naturalist declared. The fact that the hot waters change their outlets frequently and suddenly, at times, could account for the impression of "drying up," Crowe explained.

ANNUAL RED CROSS ROLL CALL NOV. 21

Preparations for the annual Red Cross membership roll call are taking definite shape for the canvass which will be held in Rowan county Tuesday and Wednesday, November 21 and 22. At that time the residential, business and rural sections will be canvassed in a concentrated drive.

P. N. Peacock has been appointed chairman of the county organization and Paul Phillips as publicity director. The Samuel C. Hart post of the American legion will have charge of the canvass in the business district. For the first time in many years a thorough canvass of the rural sections of the county will be conducted.

A goal of 1,000 members has been set by the local committees and every effort is to be banded to attain this end. Last year the local unit only enrolled 241 members and received \$305 in funds.

The first obligation of the Red

Cross is to the ex-service men and their families, but last year in addition to the calls for aid made by the ex-service men 3,000 families have been aided and approximately \$10,000 worth of flour and \$10,000 in materials have been consumed in the county. This money was received from the national headquarters.

Spencer and East Spencer will conduct their own roll call as has been the custom in previous years.

The North Carolina goal is 41,000 members for the coming year. During the past year national headquarters spent more than \$40,000 for relief among the destitute in the storm areas of the state.

The Watchman has been chosen as the newspaper in Rowan county to carry the Red Cross section supplied to the various papers throughout the United States. Elsewhere in The Watchman a section showing the work of the Red Cross in many of its phases will be found.