

Letting Down the Bars
Navy Party Proposed
Cleveland and Bryan
Looking to Mid-West

Carolinas Get Soil Projects TO AID MILLIONS BY RELIEF PLAN

Washington—As the year 1934 wears on toward the general election next November, it is becoming clear that every member of the House of Representatives must face the voters again, and one of the Senators find themselves facing the same urgent necessity in its more practical aspects. The Administration is helping hand to its Democratic supporters in the Lower House. Naturally, Mr. Roosevelt doesn't want to have any of his legislation defeated in the House. But likewise he does not want to throw any stumbling blocks in the way of loyal Democratic members who feel that to vote with the Administration might endanger their chances of re-election in their home districts. So the word has been passed out that all members are free to vote as they please on any measure, so long as they see to it that not enough of them vote in opposition to put the President in a hole.

"Vote the way that will do you the most good with your constitution next Fall," is the message they have all received. This is expected to result in an apparently strong sentiment among Representatives for more favorable action in regard to the soldiers' bonus, for example. Members from districts where the veterans' vote is well organized will feel free to vote for more liberal treatment of the ex-service men, first cautiously making certain that there are enough votes so that their apparent defection will not result in anything the President doesn't like being done. That is merely one phase of practical politics, as it is played in Washington. It doesn't mean a thing except that the gentlemen in Congress want to stay in Congress, and if they can get re-elected by making every class of voters in their respective districts think they have their interests at heart, they will go the limit to put that idea over.

To be sure, there are other considerations that actuate a high proportion of members of Congress, and the inference should not be drawn that they are working for their own pockets all the time, any considerable percentage of them.

On the other side of the political fence there are beginning to be heard more rumblings of an approaching storm which may put the old Republican party completely out of the picture and lay the foundation for a new line-up. One of the most astute of Washington's political observers, has come out boldly for the formation of a new party which he would call "Constitutional Democrats", as opposed to the present Democratic party, which he terms Socialist Democrats.

Probably neither the name nor the scheme will get very far, and nobody thinks that Mr. Lawrence expects his plan to be accepted. But the attention that is being paid to the idea itself, of trying to line up those who still believe in the rights of the individual as superior to the rights of the state, in some form of effective opposition to the tendency to regulate and control all human activities by a paternal government, indicates the possibility that a new "bloc" if not a new party may be built around a nucleus of forward-looking Republicans and conservative Democrats.

Those with long political memories are recalling what happened to the Democratic party in 1896, when it was hopelessly split over Free Silver and other Populist issues; so completely split that a powerful faction, headed by none other than President Cleveland, refused to follow the party's candidate, Mr. Bryan, and put their own "Gold Democrat" candidate in the field to contest for the Presidency. That marked the end of the old party control, and a high percentage of those who had called themselves Democrats became adherents of the Republican party in the course of the next few years. Now, these old-timers say, the Republican party is in the same (Please turn to page two)

Federal Aid To Reclaim Many Acres

Deep River and Brown Creek Valleys to Get Improvements.

H. POINT HEADQUARTERS

Texas Man To Direct Erosion Work, Three Counties Are Affected.

Selection of 137,000 acres on the upper watershed of Deep River, in North Carolina, and 58,000 acres on the watershed of Brown creek in North Carolina and South Carolina, as companion acres for a federal soil erosion project has been announced by the interior department's soil erosion service. The Deep river area lies in the counties of Guilford, Randolph and Forsyth. Most of the Brown creek project lies in Anson and Union counties, North Carolina, with the area extending about three miles across the South Carolina line into Chesterfield county. Dr. James H. Stallings of Texas, soil and southern agriculture specialist, was appointed regional director of the project by Director H. H. Bennett, of the soil erosion service. Dr. Stallings will make his headquarters in High Point, N. C.

This project will be one of 20 major undertakings scattered throughout the United States as the initial working points in a national program of soil erosion sponsored by the soil erosion service. These projects are being located within regions where the problem of erosion is known to be serious, regions that differ from one another in some aspect or soil, topography, intensity of rainfall or type of agriculture. The service hopes to carry through these programs with such success that they will lead to work on all areas needing control.

Fine Meeting Of P. O. S. of A. Is Held In Salisbury

National officers, state officers and delegates from various camps of the Patriotic Order Sons of America gathered here Saturday night, enjoyed a banquet at the Empire hotel and held an enthusiastic "pop" meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to sponsor the progress of the order in the state. Hugh G. Mitchell, of Statesville, national vice president, was toastmaster. George Uzzell, president of Washington camp, 24, here, made the address of welcome, which was responded to by H. H. Koontz, of Lexington, past national president. Dr. James W. Davis, of Statesville, outlined the P. O. S. of A. health program, which the order is sponsoring. Policies of the funeral benefit association were outlined by J. C. Kesler, state treasurer, and Fred O. Sink, Lexington, state secretary. Membership expansion was discussed by J. T. Graham, of Cleveland, state president.

The meeting was a most enjoyable affair with 165 officers, delegates and visitors present. Music was furnished by the Salisbury high school band and several vocal numbers were rendered by members of the Catawba College glee club.

CAT'S SCRATCH FATAL

A small scratch near the corner of his mouth from a cat which he was holding in his arms proved fatal to Joseph G. Matheny, seven-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Matheny, of Forest City, death claiming the lad at the Rutherford hospital.

NEWS BRIEFS

INJURIES FATAL TO WOMAN

Mrs. Etta Roberts, 61, of Greensboro, received injuries on Saturday when hit by a car, which caused her death Sunday night. H. W. Meade, also of Greensboro, is held under charges of manslaughter.

U. N. C. STUDENTS HURT

An automobile crash near Lynchburg Saturday caused bad injuries to two students of the University of North Carolina. Harley Shuford, 21, of Hickory, may lose an ear; the other youth received a broken nose.

JOHN MCGRAW PASSES

John McGraw, famed leader of the New York Giants for many years and who led his team to victory through ten National League contests, died in a New York hospital Sunday following an illness of ten days. He was buried in Baltimore Wednesday.

COLLEGE STUDENTS KILLED BY GAS

Nine students at Dartmouth college were found dead Sunday in a fraternity house, victims of carbon monoxide poisoning, says a Hanover, N. H. dispatch. The collie dog belonging to one of the boys was also dead. Escaping gas from the furnace is supposed to have caused the disaster.

MARRIED MAN ASSAULTS GIRL

Will Lawson, 22, is being held in Forsyth county jail charged with criminal assault upon an 11-year-old white girl, and Leona Mace, more, young white woman, is being held as accessory before the fact. The little girl was pronounced badly injured by the physician making examination.

CRAZED VET MURDERED HIS FAMILY

John Cane, crazed ex-soldier and patient in a psychopathic hospital at Oklahoma City, confessed that he killed his 25-year-old wife and their four little children last June, and that he buried their bodies by the wayside in a lonely lane. Officials found the bodies as mute evidence of the tragedy. Cane is being held on charges of murder.

STORMS TAKE HEAVY TOLL

Winter tornadoes swept through three southern states Sunday night leaving a trail of wreckage in Alabama, Mississippi, and Georgia. Many homes were demolished and scores of people lost their lives. At Meridian, Miss., a family of six was wiped out. The tornado took practically the same course as that of 1932, when 300 lost their lives in Alabama.

SHOOTS DOWN SHELBY WOMAN

Florence Jones was alleged to have been shot by Louis Sentell, 40-year-old Byrum hosiery mill worker at Shelby, Saturday. The young woman was said to have come to Shelby to secure work, and used her maiden name. She died in the hospital following the shooting, and was identified by her husband William Drake. Mrs. Drake had declined a few days before to accept a ride in a truck driven by Sentell, and this is supposed to have led to the act.

CONGRESSMAN DIES

Representative Joseph I. Hooper, Republican of Michigan, dropped dead of a heart attack in his office, in the house office building. He had just returned from the floor of the house, where he made a long speech on the air mail contract situation. Hooper was 57. His home was in Battle Creek, Mich.

Directing Army Flying of the Mail



WASHINGTON—Above are the flight officers making up the General Staff in command of the Army's job of carrying the air-mail under the order of Postmaster General Farley. They took over the job on Feb. 19th. No. 1, Brig-Gen. Oscar Westover, in charge of Army Corps mail operations with headquarters here; No. 2, Maj. Byron Q. Jones, Eastern division, Newark, N. J.; No. 3, Col. Horace M. Hickman, Central division, Chicago; No. 4, Lieut.-Col. Henry M. Arnold, Pacific division, Salt Lake City. Inset, Army plane taking on mail at Newark.

Novel Town To Be By-Product Of Tenn. Dam

Washington—Over the Cumberland foothills, four miles from the site of the Norris Dam, a unique experiment in town building is being undertaken.

With funds already allocated by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, the community of Norris, Tenn.—named for the famed liberal Senator—will be established for persons whose jobs demand that they live near the dam.

The Tennessee Valley authority will be the builder and the landlord. Conceived as an experiment to determine what co-ordinated planning can accomplish, neither depressions nor congestion will be able to hurt Norris.

Unlike real estate operators' subdivisions, no land will be sold. Instead, the property and buildings will be rented only by those who use them. The first unit of 50 homes has already been started and will be ready next summer. Eventually enough homes for five or six thousand persons will be built.

The houses will average four rooms and each renter will have a four-acre farm to be tilled by the individual or pooled for co-operative farming.

Every building will be heated by electricity—power from the dam will be cheap—and an electric range, refrigerator and water heater will be installed.

Most "model towns" have stereotyped architecture, but homes in Norris will not be standardized; neither will there be a building line, the houses will be "staggered" and on the topography of each plot will depend the location of each house.

The TVA will build and operate its own school and in the center of the town will be a large park and open-air meeting place, at one end of the common will be an administration building, a hotel, a restaurant, a drug store, a general store, a barber shop, beauty parlor and postoffice. Just as it will be landlord for the homes, the TVA will build and operate each of these.

So that undesirable developments cannot come too near to the town, it will be surrounded by an open section of land which will be developed in the nature of a park.

RATS GANG ON CATS

Midville, Ga.—The worm has turned—rats are killing cats. Thomas Drew, ice factory manager here, informed CWA workers engaged in rat eradication that the army of rodents are putting their old enemy to rout. Drew exhibited a large dead cat. He said rats did it and he knew of four other cats having met the same fate.

The distribution of cotton option checks in Bertie County recently boosted the signing of cotton reduction contracts. Ninety percent of the growers having options on government cotton secured the loan of four cents a pound.

GOOD MORNING

HAS BILLY GOAT'S STOMACH

Yerxa: "How is it that Old Man Fisheye, who never used to be able to eat anything tougher than breakfast food or canned soup can now gobble down anything that comes along, including corn husks, old rubbers, tin cans, and even fiction magazines—and keep gaining weight?"

Sowerbutts: "Why, haven't you heard? He was operated on by one of those up-to-date doctors who took out his old stomach and replaced it with a new one taken from a Mexican billy goat."

LO AND BEHOLD

"Your girl looked beautiful in that religious gown she was wearing last night, Joe."

"What do you mean, 'religious gown'?"

"Oh, you know; sort of lo and behold."

NOW'S THE TIME

"Could you give us a song?" the chairman asked the amateur tenor at the banquet.

"With pleasure—but is this the time for it?"

"Yes; we want the room cleared so that it can be got ready for dancing."

MORTAR BOARD

"What is the mortar board I hear mentioned so often?" asked the little girl.

"I'll try to explain," said Miss Cayenne, "although it is a slightly complicated matter. A mortar board carried by a builder often has cement on top and worn by a college professor often has concrete under it."

OUT SHE COMES

There were muffled sounds of a struggle in the other room, and a girl's voice squealed, "Stop—"

No response.

"Oh, please don't. Mother said—"

"Oh, wait just a minute, please."

No response.

"Let me go this minute."

"One more yank and I'll have it out", said the dentist.

CORRECT

Professor: "State the number of tons of coal shipped out of the United States any given year."

Freshman: "In 1492—none."

WHAT WAS LACKING?

Wife: "That was a very beautiful picture of Mrs. Gabber, but there was something about it that was not natural. I wonder what it was?"

Huby: "She has her mouth shut."

IN TIGHT PLACE

Postoffice Clerk: "We can't pay you this \$20 money order unless you bring somebody to identify you."

Stranger: "That's hard luck! There's only one man in this town who can identify me and I owe him \$20."

DOWN AND OUT

Maggs: "And can you tell me of anyone who wants to be down and out?"

Miss: "Yes, a nervous man having his first aeroplane trip."

HAW RIVER BANK ROBBED

Strewing money in their wake, bandits last week worked the outer and inner combinations of the vault in the Bank of Haw River, and stole \$400 in silver and currency. They passed up \$6,000 of payroll money, stacked up in plain view, apparently in their hurry to get out.

Both Farmers And Jobless To Be Given Help

Roosevelt Announces Long-Range Relief Program.

SUBSISTENCE COMES FIRST

Projects to Be Drawn to Meet Situation Created By Demobilization of CWA.

A broadly drawn plan to meet the immediate emergencies of unemployment relief, was laid down by President Roosevelt in a statement regarded as providing a pattern by which a permanent change in one portion of the nation's economic life might be effected.

The President said the relief plans were drawn to meet the situation arising from demobilizing the Civil Works administration and to reshape the present formula in accordance with the results of nine months of relief experimentation, which had shown that "the unemployment problem must be faced on more than one front."

The broadly-drawn plan, yet to be worked out in detail, calls for aid to distressed families in rural areas, aid to the "standard populations" whose jobs permanently moved away or died, and aid to the cities' unemployed. Mass treatment of all types of relief is to be abandoned for specialized treatment in each field.

Back to this move is an administration theory for creating a niche in the economic wall sufficient to shelter something like ten million persons whose unemployment some officials say promises to become permanent under the existing industrial system. The administration holds that the long-range problem of these ten million is part of the immediate relief question and should be so considered.

In speaking of the need for furnishing a means of self-support to the needy of rural areas, Mr. Roosevelt observed that "in many parts of the country this calls for a change from commercial farming and dependence upon a single cash crop to the raising of the various commodities needed to maintain the families."

Harry Taylor Named Doughton's Secretary

Congressman Robert L. Doughton, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee has announced the appointment of Harry Miller, of Stony Point, as his secretary. Mr. Miller is chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Alexander county.

Mr. Miller is a successful business man and has varied business interests in the western part of the State. He has been connected with his father in the hardware business at Stony Point.

Mr. Miller has long been one of the leading Democrats of Alexander county and his appointment and acceptance of the post as secretary to Congressman Doughton, is considered a political move of more than usual significance.

22 STUDENTS SUSPENDED

Twenty-two Lenoir-Rhyne students, Hickory, members of the sophomore, junior and senior classes, were suspended from college, after an investigation by President H. B. Schaeffer and members of the faculty of hazing charges, covering a period of the last seven weeks.

Ninety-eight per cent of the burley tobacco growers of Haywood County have signed the adjustment contract.

Do You Know The Answer?

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1. What is the common law?
2. What river marks the Minnesota-Wisconsin boundary line?
3. Who was William Tyndale?
4. What island is separated from the mainland of Africa by the Mozambique channel?
5. What name is commonly applied to all sorts of small fish?
6. Where is county Tyrone?
7. Where did Chow dogs originate?
8. In what country is the river Oise?
9. Where was the first mint established in the United States?
10. What is another way to spell th ward tsar?