

Johnson Quits
The Big Error
Embarrassing Insinuation

General Hugh Johnson's resignation as Administrator of the NRA has been accepted by the President. This was one of the things that every competent observer here had been expecting, but nobody knew just when it was coming. The General had been getting himself in bad with the business interests concerned under the NRA codes for a long time. Everybody agrees that he did a splendid job of promotion and organization, but there is equally unanimous agreement that as an administrator, now that the codes are in operation, he ruffled too many feathers that ought to be smoothed, and aroused too much resentment by his dictatorial manner.

It has been understood for some time that the President was looking for a way to ease the General out gracefully. The occasion seems to have come because of the General's speech a couple of weeks ago, in which he not only accused the textile workers' union of bad faith and breach of agreement, but took occasion to drag the name of a justice of the Supreme Court into a controversial matter which may, and probably will, come before that tribunal for examination.

Johnson said publicly that he had been in constant touch with Justice Louis Brandeis, and that Brandeis was opposed to the NRA because it was too big. That indiscretion, the latest of many from the General's mouth was too serious to be overlooked. Justices of the Supreme Court are "untouchables." They must not, by implication or directly, be dragged into discussions of controversial points.

Justice Brandeis is a philosopher as well as a jurist. As a jurist he is presumed, like all the other justices of the Supreme Court, not to be influenced in passing on purely legal questions—and no other sort of questions come before the Court. As a Supreme Court member he is not concerned with whether a given policy is right or wrong, whether it will work or won't work. They are only concerned with the constitutionality of laws enacted by Congress and the legality of acts performed under those laws. Whether they are good laws or not is not for them to say.

The non-legal mind often finds it difficult to understand how a man can personally believe that something is wrong, yet as a judge decide that it is right, or at least not illegal. The ability to take a completely impartial attitude on legal questions is what makes a great jurist; and nobody denies that Justice Brandeis is a great jurist.

It was, naturally, quite embarrassing for Justice Brandeis and even more embarrassing for the President, to have General Johnson blurt out a statement which could be used to back up an insinuation that the Administration was playing politics with the Supreme Court. It is a common slur upon the integrity of that body that "the Supreme Court always follows the election returns," although nothing could be farther from the truth. The last thing President Roosevelt desires is to try to influence the Supreme Court, or to have the idea prevail that he is trying to influence it, either directly or indirectly.

Hence the belief that the latest indiscretion of General Johnson's was likely to prove the last straw, so the General's graceful exit had been anticipated days ahead.

Medical Society Elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the Ninth District Medical Society held in Statesville last week, the following officers were elected for the coming year: Dr. C. B. Herman of Statesville, president; Dr. A. B. Goodman of Lenoir, vice-president; Dr. L. E. Hedrick, of Lenoir, secretary-treasurer; and Dr. I. E. Schaffer, of Salisbury, assistant secretary-treasurer.

An Auxiliary of the Society was organized with Mrs. J. R. Terry, of Lexington, president; Mrs. George Taylor of Mooresville, secretary; and Mrs. O. R. Black of Landis, treasurer.

GOOD MORNING

OUR BOARDING HOUSE
Landlady—They tell me that there is a hypnotist in town who makes people eat candles and drink paraffin.

Brutal Boarder—What boarding house does he keep?—Passing Show.

ACCUSTOMED TO IT
Playgoer (while watching eerie crime play)—You don't seem to mind the shrieks and groans.
His Friend—Not a bit. You see I live next door to a dentist.—Passing Show.

IDENTIFIED
Master—Anna, your young man is waiting for you at the corner of the road.
Maid—But how did you know that he is my young man, sir?
Master—Because he is smoking my cigars.—

ONE CAT TO ANOTHER
Your grown's a peach,
And, dear, I love it—
At least I do
What there is of it.

For this nudist stuff
I do not care;
It is really more
Than I can bare;
Should I join a camp
'Twould be, ferocious,
Merely to learn
The naked truth.

SWELL JOB
The managing director of a big firm who took a great personal interest in his employees was passing thru the factory, when he saw a boy he did not recognize.

"Well, my lad," he said, "when did you start to work here?"
"Only this morning, sir," replied the boy.
"I suppose you have seen the foreman and he has told you what to do?"
"Yes, sir."
"And what did he tell you to do?"

The boy hesitated, then he said:
"Well—er—he told me to wake him up when I saw him coming."

PRETTY TOUGH VEAL
The Rev. Melchizedek Johnsing was preaching at the Blackville church on the eternal subject of the Prodigal Son.

"An' de prodigal son he done went away fum his pore ole dady and he stayed in a far-off country for yeas an' yeas," said the preacher. "But den, aftah yeas an' yeas, he done come back to his ole daddy, an' de dady done say unto his servants: 'Look yeah, you-all jes' fotch forth dat fattid calf we-all been fattin' foh dese yeas an' yeas—'"

"Hole on dar!" protested an old darkey in the mourners' seat, whose mouth was already watering at the thoughts invoked by the eloquence of the minister. "You-all is off de track dar, Brudder Johnsing. Who ebber heerd of a calf dat ole? Dat calf you-all is talkin' 'bout would a been a ole cow aftah so many of dem 'yeas, an' yeas'."

THAT'LL BE PAY DAY
"Jack is so serious-minded. Always tells me I ought to be putting something away for a rainy day."
"Well, aren't you saving his letters?"—London Opinion.

EVIDENCE DESIRED
Old Black Joe—Say, Rastus, dat dere new wife ob yours sure am light-complexioned—regular high yellow. Do yo' dame light?
Rastus—Yassah, when I gibb her a black eye, Ah wants to see it.

Radio Purchaser—The Harmony Trio will now sing "Together."
Fan—It's about time.

Irate Purchaser—Say, I've only driven this heap fifty miles and the engine blocks cracked, the brakes have quit working and I've had to buy two new tires already. I want my money back. You advertised this as a guaranteed car.
Dealer—Well, it's a car, isn't it?

He: Have you ever kissed a man before?
She (faltering): Y—ves.
He (excitedly): Tell me his name so I can thrash him.
She: But—but—he might be too many for you.

TIGERS DEFEAT CARDS

Tighten Voting Laws

Goslin's Slam In 12th Wins For Detroit

Schoolboy Rowe Wins Contest In Masterful Pitching Exhibition

The Detroit Tigers won the second game of the World Series yesterday by defeating the St. Louis Cardinals by the score of 3 to 2, the victory coming in the last half of the 12th inning, and evening the series at 1-1.

The game went for 12 innings. A sizzling single by Goose Goslin drove Gehring across the home plate for the winning run, after the two teams had battled on even terms for an even dozen innings.

The series will continue tomorrow when the third game will be played at Sportsman Park, St. Louis. In the 12th inning, with one down, Bill Walker who had replaced Wild Bill Hallahan for the Cardinals, completely lost control, walking Gehring and Greenburg. Goslin, the next batter, singled to center field, Gehring scoring with the winning run.

It was a ding dong battle all the way. Wild Bill Hallahan, for the Cardinals, and Schoolboy Rowe, for the Tigers, battled on even terms until the tenth inning when Hallahan was relieved by Bill Walker. Rowe went the entire route and obtained credit for the victory.

The Tigers trailed until the ninth inning when they made a tally and tied the score.

The Lineups

St. Louis (N)	Detroit (A)
Martin, 3b.	White, cf.
Rothrock, rf.	Cochrane, c.
Frisch, 2b.	Gehring, 2b.
Medwick, lf.	Greenberg, 1b.
Collins, 1b.	Goslin, lf.
Delancey, c.	Rogell, ss.
Orsatti, cf.	Owen, 3b.
Rurocher, ss.	Fox, rf.
Hallahan, p.	Rowe, p.

Score by innings: — R H E
Cards—011 000 000 000—2 7 3
Tigers—000 100 001 001—3 7 0
Attendance: 45,000 today
game: Sportsman Park, St. Louis, beginning at 2:15, Eastern standard time.

Bank Commissioner And Agent Are Sued

W. H. Goler and others started suit in Superior court Monday against Gurney P. Hood, commissioner of banks and Clyde Jones, liquidating agent of the North Carolina Bank and Trust company, to establish priority of claims against the defendants aggregating \$15,982.86.

The plaintiffs and their respective claims are: W. H. Goler, \$8,982.86; District Grand Lodge No. 7 in the North Carolina Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, incorporated, \$3,000; James E. Mason, \$500; E. A. Robinson, \$2,500, and J. S. Caldwell, \$1,000.

It is alleged that these respective amounts represent the cash collateral pledged by the respective plaintiffs as security for a \$30,000 loan negotiated with the Salisbury unit of the defunct bank.

NO IMPROVEMENT

"How do you like your new papa?" asked the next door neighbor.
"Well," replied Betty, whose mother had recently annexed a third father for the kid, "judging from the way mamma talked to him last night he isn't any improvement over the first two I had."

Girl "Casey Jones"



McCRORY, Ark. . . . Joyce Short, 13, is perhaps the world's youngest locomotive engineer. She drives the engine on the country's shortest railroad, the one mile Augusta Tramway and Transfer Co., here. Her grandfather taught her the trade.

\$1,000 Boy



LOS ANGELES . . . Mickey Rooney (above), with a Superior Court judge looking on, signed his name to a movie contract calling for \$1,000 per week to "just be a boy" on the screen.

Master Bridge Champion



NEW YORK . . . This laughing girl, Miss Elinor Murdock (above), proved herself to be the master of master bridge players when she took them all "in stride" to win the individual masters' championship tournament here. She is the first woman ever to win the title.

Winning Lawyer



NEW YORK . . . Miss Fanny Holtzman (above), photographed upon her return here after winning the \$125,000 verdict at London for Princess Youssouloff against an American film company.

Board Orders Closer Check On Absentees

State Puts Ban On Application For Ballot By Other Than Voter

NEW RULES MADE

Orders to tighten up on the application of the absentee ballot laws have been issued to the board of elections in the several counties of the state by Chairman L. P. McLendon. New instructions for administering the absentee law were also included.

Because of the disclosure in recent investigations, most notably the contest in the twenty-fourth judicial district between Julius A. Rousseau of North Wilkesboro and J. Haden Burke of Taylorsville for the nomination for superior court judge, of a "multitude of violations" of the absentee law, the state board notified the local board that it had found it necessary to "take stringent steps to prevent recurrence" of such violations, both by election officials and the voters.

Under the new regulations of the state board, each county board will hereafter be required to have printed its own absentee forms, with complete instructions for voting on the back of the form. These regulations provide that the voter must sign both the ballot and the application for the ballot. Hereafter it has been permissible for the agent of the voter to sign the application for the ballot. Under the new plan it will be impossible for the agent to obtain a ballot form unless he has secured the signature on the application form of the voter seeking to cast the absentee ballot. A voter may apply for a form through a letter addressed to his party chairman or to his registrar.

The registrar and the judges at each precinct must fill out a special form furnished by the state, along with the other forms, showing how the absentee law requirements have been complied with in their box, and any registrar or judge violating this provision is held to be guilty of a misdemeanor.

The new instructions sent out by the state board also require each registrar and each county board of elections chairman to post lists of persons voting absentee ballots and setting forth the facts in each case, including the date application was made for an absentee ballot, the name and residence of the applicant, the date the application was furnished, and whether the applying voter was physically unable to attend the polls and vote because of illness or whether he was out of the county. The lists must be posted at the respective boxes on the morning of the election in order that any person who may desire to do so will have an opportunity of challenging the vote before it is officially cast.

Ask Rowan Board To Assume School Bonds

Formal demand was made upon the Board of Commissioners of Rowan county, in its regular meeting Monday morning by Haden C. Holmes, city manager, and J. W. Ellis, attorney, that the county assume \$726,000 of outstanding bonds for the Salisbury school charter district.

The city officials pointed out that the demand was in line with, and consistent with, a recent decision of the supreme court of this state; that a preliminary audit recently made for the school board showed the city was not receiving its proportionate share of the county debt service allotments; and that the county had assumed payment

NEWS BRIEFS

GA MAN KILLS SELF
Roanoke, Va., Oct. 4.—A farmer, Beaver Dam, on bond under charge of having killed his second wife, committed suicide Saturday morning at Valle Crucis by firing a load from a shotgun into his head.

SHELBY MAN DIES IN AUTO
Charles B. Alexander, 69, retired business man and prominent churchman of Shelby, died suddenly in his automobile near Kings Mountain on Sunday while riding with members of his family. Angina pectoris was assigned as the immediate cause.

MORGANTON HAS JAIL BREAK
Four prisoners escaped from the Burke county jail at Morganton on Saturday. One was charged with a capital crime. A negro under charge of larceny is supposed to have used hacksaws and other secreted tools for effecting the escape.

DROUGHT LOSSES IN CHINA
The severe drought in China through the summer months has reduced the crop expectancy to 40 per cent or less, while some crops, such as rice, corn, cotton, and peanuts have been practically wiped out in the drought regions. Loss is estimated at 200 million dollars.

SHOOT PATH OUT OF JAIL
Two convicts sentenced to die in the electric chair shot their way out of jail at Richmond, Va., on Saturday an hour after the mother of one of the convicts visited them. Three officers were wounded. The men were convicted of having killed a Federal Reserve mail truck driver.

SAMUEL INSULL GOES ON TRIAL
Samuel Insull, the utilities magnate of Chicago who tried to dodge the courts by changing his own for another country of refuge, goes on trial today. He must defend himself from criminal charges which could mean ending his days in prison.

ARRESTED AFTER NINE YEARS

Dalton Hall was returned from Florida to Aiken, S. C., on Saturday after having enjoyed nine years of freedom. He was convicted in 1920 on charge of manslaughter, and escaped. He was recaptured in 1925, but made his second escape when the automobile driven by the deputies ordered to bring him back from Dallas, Tex., overturned and they were pinned under the car. He made another escape after being returned to the gang at Aiken.

Calls Democratic Session For Women

Mrs. Tillet Announces Institute On New Deal In Raleigh, Oct. 22

Mrs. Charles W. Tillet, Jr., of Charlotte, vice-chairman of the State Democratic executive committee, announces an Institute on the New Deal to be held for Democratic women in Raleigh on Friday, October 12, and it is expected that a number of Rowan county women will attend.

Registration will begin at 9:30 on the morning of the 12th at State Democratic headquarters in the Sir Walter Hotel.

Mrs. James H. Wolfe acting director, women's division, National Democratic headquarters, will speak at the morning session in the ballroom of the Sir Walter. Mrs. Wolfe will speak on party organization for women. All county vice-chairmen, precinct women members of the State Democratic executive committee, have been urged to hear Mrs. Wolfe.

A luncheon meeting will be held at 1 o'clock at the Raleigh Women's club. J. Wallace Wineborne, State chairman, Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, Senator Josiah W. Bailey, and Senator Robert Reynolds will speak at the luncheon.