

**All Wheels Turning
Getting Acclimated
Bonus And Pension
Labor, Population and
Banking
Power Companies' Aim**

With the complete machinery of Government in full swing—Congress in session, the Supreme Court on the bench and the Executive departments, which never take a vacation, functioning full speed—Washington today presents a scene of unparalleled activity.

The city is so crowded that many of the new Senators and Representatives, who had no previous Washington experience, have found it impossible to get houses, apartments or even hotel accommodations within the reach of their pocketbooks. Washington's attitude toward the denizens of Capitol Hill is that they are only transients, anyway, and let them take a hall bedroom if they can't find anything else. New members who came expecting to be welcomed at the station by a brass band and flooded with invitations to social affairs, are discovering that, no matter how big they may be in their home towns, they are only so many votes for—or against Administration measures when they get to Washington. Only after years of service does a Senator or a Representative establish himself as a personality in the Washington hurlyburly.

One of the first things a new member learns, however, is that the "allowances" above his salary are worth conserving. There is nothing in law or custom to prevent a Senator or Representative from putting his wife, his son, his daughter or other relatives on the Federal payroll. Each member is entitled to a secretary and to other clerical help, and if he is a committee chairman he has the naming of important paid employees of the committee. A recent count showed 44 persons bearing the same titles on the list of Congressional secretaries. A frugal member can save pretty nearly all of his \$10,000 a year salary, and many do just that.

Very few members ever get their names in the big newspapers, but the corps of Washington correspondents now includes scores of young men who make a specialty of getting these unknown members a "break" in their homedistrict newspapers.

All that is necessary for the average member to do to get favorable mention in home paper dispatches is to introduce plenty of bills which are calculated to impress the home voters. Seldom do any of these bills get beyond the committee to which they are referred, and it is one of the rarest of events for a new member of either house to get a chance to make a speech. All he is expected to do is to be "regular" and vote the way party leaders tell him to.

The new Congress will play ball with the President—on everything but the bonus. Nobody can tell what may happen when it comes to the question of old-age pensions. The President opened the door for that in his annual message. The Townsend Plan advocates say they have 25,000,000 votes behind the scheme to give everybody over 60 a pension of \$200 a month. That's a lot of votes, and if any such demonstration can be made, it will have a powerful effect on Congress.

The Administration plan of providing jobs for everybody who is able to work, but at wages lower than those current in private industry, while throwing the burden of caring for the unemployables back on the states, as outlined in the President's message, is well liked on Capitol Hill, and the first billion dollars necessary to carry this out has already been authorized by Congress. But this work relief plan, which is to be submitted for direct cash doles, will take many months to get into operation, two or three years, perhaps, to get into full swing. Meantime, Uncle Sam will continue to dish out money for direct payments to the unemployed.

Signs are multiplying that the power of organized labor in the Administration is declining. The split-off of the building trades from the A. F. of L. will, it is predicted here, result in four major

WOULD INCREASE TEACHERS' PAY



Girl Flying Mails
WASHINGTON . . . Miss Helen Richey, 25, (above), is flying the mail on the Washington to Detroit run. She is the first woman to win the right to wear Uncle Sam's Air-mail Wings over her left coat pocket. Helen has 1000 flying hours to her credit.

D. G. Brummitt Is Claimed By Death

Death of Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt, 54, last Saturday from pneumonia, following influenza, was a shock to the entire state, in which he had been a prominent figure a long time. The body lay in state in the State Capitol Sunday from 12 to 2 o'clock and the was then taken to Oxford for burial Monday afternoon. State employees in his honor.

Many Cars Caught In State In 1934

North Carolina ran out 57,394 new and modern motor vehicles from the sales places in the state during 1934, all of which does not reduce the problem of highway safety. Of the number, 46,196 were new passenger cars and 11,191 were trucks. This is an increase of no mean proportion over the 29,191 new passenger cars sold in 1933, and the 6,597 trucks sold last year. The 21,606 more sales of new passenger cars and trucks in 1934 than were sold in 1933, the motor vehicle bureau reports.

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GOOD MORNING

JOB LEFT HIM
"Why did you leave your last job?" asked the boss.
"I didn't leave it; it left me," said the applicant.
"How could that be?"
"I worked in an ammunition factory and it went up in the night."

CAUGHT
"Now, listen here!" said the quiet little man. "One of these rays I'm going to start in and tell you a few things."
"You may as well begin right now," answered his wife, "and tell me why you called me 'baby' in your sleep last night."

STRANGE MAN
Daughter: "Tonight, I shall be delightfully entertained in the arms of Mr.pheus."
Country Aunt: "You'll do nothing of the kind. I'll have no scandalous love affairs around here. Another thing, Morpheus or whatever you call him had better not put his foot in this house."

Aunt—"You should be more correct in your speech, dear. You say you had a bad cold; did you ever hear of a good cold?"
Johnny—"I had one once that kept me home from school."

She—"Doctors can operate, vaccinate and inoculate any time, can't they?"
Doctor—"Certainly. Why not?"
She—"Don't you think there ought to be a closed season for

game?"
Drunk—"Say, call me a cab, wilya?"
Bystander—"My good man. I'm not a doorman, I am a naval officer."

Drunk—"Awright, then call me a boat, gotta get home."

Valet (to master)—"Sir, your car is at the door."
Master—"Yes, I hear it knocking."

Professor—"What was George Washington noted for?"
Student—"His memory."
Professor—"What makes you think his memory was so great?"
Student—"They erected a monument to it."

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OMAHA . . . Minerva Walters, 25, (above), is through with "mail order romance." After corresponding with Arble Harrison of Cleveland, Minerva went there to become his bride. But it was no go, love soured and now she's home again.

Liquor Law Is Drafted For N.C.

Raleigh.—A liquor bill to liberalize the Turlington act and provide for the legal sale of whiskey in North Carolina has been drafted by a member of the General Assembly who has been a lifelong dry and will be introduced in the next few weeks, it was learned.

The proponent of the measure requested that his name not be used until the bill is actually introduced.

The proposed bill is complete in every detail, covering 24 sections, it was learned. No estimate of the amount of revenue to be raised under the measure has been made, but the state would get a tax of 10 per cent on the sale price of the liquor and all of the profits.

The measure would set up a system selected by the state board which will administer the act.

A certain percentage of the qualified voters of any municipality would be allowed to outlaw location of a liquor store there. If the liquor store is established, those citizens objecting may call a special election on "store or no store," the proponent of the measure stated.

Liquor would be sold only in packages, one quart at a time, for consumption off the premises. The measure would not remove the Turlington act from the books, it was explained, but would put legal whiskey in the reach of all North Carolinians who have the price.

The system of stores would be similar to the system in Virginia.

Unemployment Insurance By State Is Proposed In Report

Enactment of a state system of present legislature is proposed in the report of North Carolina commission on unemployment insurance made public.

The report was addressed to Governor Ehringhaus, who named the commission headed by former Senator W. O. Burgin, of Davidson, in accordance with a resolution adopted by the 1933 general assembly, and is intended for transition to members of the legislature.

Embodied in the draft bill which provides machinery for insurance against idleness in the immediate future. Excluded from benefits of the measure are: agricultural workers, domestic servants, casual employees, state and federal government workers, employees of educational, medical, religious or charitable institutions not operated for profit.

To eligible workers unable to find employment the bill would pay 50 per cent of the average wage, not to exceed \$20 per week for not more than 17 weeks in any 12-month period, with cumulative benefits of one additional week for each 26 weeks during the preceding five years, after adoption of the plan, during which no benefits have been received.

Funds for payment of unemployment benefits would be derived from payments of 3 per cent of pay rolls by employers and 1 per cent of

NEWS BRIEFS

TRAIN WRECKS AT CHARLOTTE
Two persons were killed and at least three injured here Sunday in a wreck of Southern Railway train No. 31, the "Augusta Special" from Washington to Augusta, Ga., which left the rails a mile north of the passenger station in Charlotte and piled up across the double trunk line. The dead are: C. E. Yarbrough, 38, of Salisbury, Southeastern Express company employe; an unidentified man about 30 years old who apparently had been riding the rods of the baggage car.

HIT-RUN DRIVERS KILL THREE
Paul Jackson of Autryville and a negro bell boy, Robert Jones, of Fayetteville were victims Sunday of hit and run drivers who failed to stop, and who left no clues. Albert Brickhouse, 58, of Jarvisburg, met death instantly when struck by an automobile.

MAKES FIRST SOLO HOP
The first solo flight between Hawaii and California was made Saturday when Amelia Earhardt Putnam completed the distance of 2,048 miles in 18 hours and 16 minutes. She observes that flight over the Pacific is much worse than that over the Atlantic.

DEATH OF MR. BRUMMITT
Dennis G. Brummitt, for 10 years attorney general of North Carolina, died Saturday shortly after the noon hour at his home in Raleigh. He was nearing his 55th birthday. Pneumonia developed following an illness of influenza.

All state offices were closed yesterday in Raleigh, as proper reverence was shown in services at the capitol and the removal of his body to Oxford for burial and final rites.

SARR ELECTION FAVORS GERMANY
The plebiscite of Sunday to determine whether the Saar would return to Germany, became a part of France, or remain under the jurisdiction of league of nations resulted favorably to Germany, by unofficial announcement of returns. The forecast was plain days ago, and terms of settlement among the countries affected are apparently satisfactory to all, except Hitler's opposing factions in the Saar itself.

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Budget Calls For Increase Of 15 Per Cent

Pay Boosts For State Employees Also Urged—Sales Tax 'Inevitable'

Seek More For Schools

Members of the legislature have turned to studies of administration fiscal recommendations, including 15 per cent salary boosts for public school teachers and other state employees and generally increased state services "all along the line."

Senate and house received the budget revenue and appropriations bills and the biennial report of the advisory budget commission. The senate also heard its clerk read fiscal recommendations of Governor Ehringhaus but the house adjourned before the chief executive sent his message upstairs.

Committees of both houses have been announced and all organization completed. Lieutenant Governor A. H. Graham advised the senators of their assignments and Speaker Robert Grady Johnson announced house committees today.

In his money message Governor Ehringhaus gave the General Assembly free reign in its opinion that re-enactment of the three per cent sales tax is "inevitable." Elimination a present exemptions was recommended in his message and in the budget revenue bill. He insisted upon a "balanced budget."

The suggested tax machinery act contains no new taxes and all schedules of rates remain the same. By stoppage of "leakage" and tightening of administrative provisions, the budgeters estimate the revenue bill will yield some \$3,500,000 more during each year of the biennium which starts July 1, this year, than it is doing at present. The governor endorses that estimate.

Public schools would get \$2,500,000 of the anticipated additional revenue and the remaining \$1,000,000 would be spread out among other state functions. Most of the entire amount would be consumed by the suggested 15 per cent upping of state payrolls.

Governor Ehringhaus, in his message, again declared against diversion of highway taxes but signed his name to the budget report which recommended continuance of a \$1,000,000 annual transfer from the highway to the general fund.

The budget report met federal demands for relief appropriations by recommending that \$1,500,000 be spent during each of the next two fiscal years repairing "deteriorated" highways and providing new employment.

When the highway budget was completed it was found that some \$2,000,000 probably would be on hand and a "revolving fund" to amortize highway debts was recommended by the budgeters.

JUST LIKE FATHER!
Minister (to youngest carrying infant): "What a fine baby, and so like his father."
Youngsters: "Yes, sir, and he's fond of his bottle, too."

Rowan Has Lost Value Of 82,082 Acres Land

Rowan county has lost the value of 82,082 acres, or 24.85 per cent of its total area because of aggravated erosion, according to the Soil Erosion Service of the United States Department of the Interior.

Of the 330,240 acres which comprise the county there are 32,550 acres already abandoned due primarily to severe erosion, the report shows. Also, there are 73,684 acres having 25 to 75 per cent of the topsoil gone.

The government has found that the county contains 156,169 acres of forest, and that there are 106,447 acres under cultivation, 19,524 acres of idle tillable land and 15,550 acres of open pastureland in addition to the thirty-two thousand odd acres of abandoned land. The section of the county most seriously damaged by erosion is the northern third.

The report is the result of an erosion survey made of the entire state under the direction of W. D. Lee and W. W. Stevens, soil specialists of the North Carolina area of the Soil Erosion Service, to determine the general land condition in North Carolina. Regional headquarters of the Soil Erosion Service is in High Point.

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