

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C. — Last January the President told congress that taxes for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, must be at least 16 billion more than last year. He said this was necessary to keep inflation from getting out of hand. But congress became so involved with putting present taxes on a pay-as-you-go basis that it has done nothing about planning for higher taxes.

Now that the new fiscal year is about to begin with no provision for higher taxes, and with no prospect that legislation can be put through to provide for the collection of new taxes before the first of next year, the administration will seek to increase the amount to be collected in 18 months, between January, 1944, and July, 1945. Thirty billion in that period, it is figured, would be necessary to make up for the absence of additional taxation for the last six months of this year.

Whether congress actually will pass legislation to increase taxes by this amount is very much doubted here. The chief purpose of asking for such large new taxes, according to the President, is to close up the "inflationary gap"—to drain off a large part of the extra 42 billion dollars which the people of this country are expected to earn this year.

But, although congressmen realize that the sound way to do this would be to levy an excess profits tax on those individuals who are earning more money now than they were before the war, there is little chance that they would risk the loss of political prestige which this solution would involve.

To a large extent, this surplus income is being earned by war workers who are members of labor unions and whose wages have been increased with the sanction of the administration. If the administration suddenly tries to force these men to turn over a large proportion of their extra earnings to the treasury wide-

spread labor troubles would be apt to follow.

Senator Josh Lee has suggested that an excess income tax, similar to the excess profits tax applied to corporations, be levied on all individual income in excess of the amount earned in 1940 or 1941, thus putting the burden of increased taxation on those who have profited because of the war and easing the burden for those whose income has decreased or remained the same since the war began. This would not only include labor, but also business officials who have increased their earnings and government employees who are earning more than they ever did before. But it is more likely that congress will favor various forms of hidden taxes such as increased taxes on sales by manufacturers, unless public pressure is sufficient to force an excess earnings tax. Noting the success of public pressure in putting through the pay-as-you-go plan, some officials here are hopeful that the public will be sufficiently aroused to use similar tactics to force the Lee plan.

All officials here realize that the dangers of inflation—of prices getting entirely out of hand—are greater now than they have been since the war started. The fear of food shortages this year, the increased activities of black markets, the demands of labor for still higher wages and difficulties of enforcing OPA regulations are creating a crisis. So far, higher taxes and compulsory savings are the chief solutions offered. Although the treasury opposes compulsory savings, the secretary of the treasury is obviously worried over a possible decrease in voluntary savings which he fears will accompany the pay-as-you-go taxation. The chances are that compulsory purchase of war bonds will become necessary if it is found that many people meet their deductions for income tax by reducing their deduction for bonds.

Subs vs. Prayer



When Lorene Mitchell, 11, a crippled child, christened a Liberty ship in Los Angeles, Calif., last year, she promised to pray every day for the safety of its crew. She kept her promise. Since then, the craft has traveled 25,000 miles through submarine-infested waters and was bombed by enemy planes. But it returned home safely. The crew remembered Lorene's promise and sent their thanks with Seaman Robert Smith, who is pictured with Lorene.

Scottville News

The Home Demonstration Club of Scottville, met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. W. L. McMillan, with Mrs. Ethel Huffman, presiding.

Mrs. W. F. Shepherd had charge of the devotional; during the business session, Mrs. Fulton Reeves resigned as reporter for the club in favor of Mrs. W. F. Shepherd. The meeting was then turned over to Mrs. Boney, who discussed very eloquently the importance of three well-balanced meals a day.

A garden spray was displayed and the use of several different insecticides was explained. Mrs. McMillan had 38 vegetables and 3 small fruits in her victory garden. She also displayed plants with the club members, 20 of whom were present. The meeting adjourned after deciding to meet with Mrs. Edd Cox next month.

Mrs. J. C. Maines entertained the Scottville WMU Saturday. Members present were Mrs. H. L. Jones, Mrs. W. E. Nuckolls, Mrs. R. H. Sheets, Mrs. Marvin Fowlkes. During the social hour, the hostess served delicious refreshments.

Last Friday, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shepherd and daughters, Martha and Elizabeth and Mrs. J. C. Maines, attended the association of WMU at Whitehead.

Dr. and Mrs. B. C. Waddell, of Grassy Creek, were recent guests at the home of Mr. A. C. Dancy. Mr. J. C. Maines, of Fontana, recently spent a week end at his home in Scottville.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Hapner, of Los Angeles, Calif., have moved back to Scottville to make their home.

After several weeks' visit with

SPARTA



SPECTACLES

Mrs. Constance Garvey

Life in a small town is a lot of fun. Of course, life to us is a lot of fun in any size town, but nowhere else in the world can you have the same sort of experiences that you have right here on top of the Blue Ridge. And we don't mean from a superior, condescending angle, either. We know mountaineers—we ought to, we're one of 'em—and it just makes us laugh under our breath to see some would-be sophisticate come along—and try to patronize some of them. He usually winds up wishing he hadn't! Then, too, it might give him a shock to look inside that "native's" mind and see just what the native thinks of HIM. Probably would take some wind out of his sails, at that.

And right along this line, did you ever just sit and watch people go by, speculating on their background, their habits their personality? To us this is the most absorbing study we can imagine. For instance, the story behind that professional looking gent with the keen brown eye? That would-be "wolf" with hat pulled down over one eye, wicket swing as to shoulders, and weave as to hips (and gold teeth)! That sort of hard-faced girl walking down the street with the fugitive from the draft board? The occupants of that plutocratic limousine with liveried chauffeur, figuratively holding their noses as they bat it through Main Street? Little boy smoking "ducks" picked up on the sidewalk? Old man with Chick Sale moustache, squirting tobacco juice into the street through a stained whisker fringe? Married old bachelor who absent-mindedly lets his eyes rove a little as he goes along? And so on, ad finitum—who could be bored?

We've always heard that "eves-droppers never hear any good of themselves, and we believe it. But can one be blamed for listening in on a conversation when that conversation is held sort of late at night in the room next to yours in a certain inn? Anyway, we did it and couldn't help ourselves. We didn't hear anything about ourselves, for they probably don't know we exist—but I'm going to tell what we DID hear! It's about a certain citizen who was slightly in his cups one night and was bent, as is usual in such cases we've heard—on doing the unconventional. So he gets himself a lamp shade—one of those glass globe ones, we presume—hired himself to somebody's cow pasture, corners old Bossy and proceeds to milk it full! After all that trouble, we hope he drank it to the last drop—would probably have been better off if he'd concentrated on milk in the first place. Moral: If you don't want to be quoted, ya better whisper!

The following recipe was sent to the News by a lady from Blevins' Cross Roads, and since we could not use it in a news story, we're going to depart from our usual procedure and put some

relatives in Scottville, Miss Edith Nuckolls left Saturday for her home in Sacramento, Calif.

Mrs. Ralph Crouse, of Piney Creek, visited Mrs. Marvin Fowlkes, Sunday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lanier remains ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Atwood.

Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Waddell, Mrs. M. H. Waddell and Miss Elma Waddell attended preaching services at Sparta Primitive Baptist church, last Sunday.

Next Sunday is the Decoration Service at Mount Carmel Brethren Church.

Appeal Is Now Made For Many Extra Feed Crops

An appeal to North Carolina farmers to plant extra acres of food and feed crops to offset losses in the Mid-West due to flood and unfavorable weather conditions has been received by Dr. I. O. Schaub, director of the Extension Service at N. C. State College.

Dr. Schaub says that the need for maximum food production is greater than ever and unfavorable growing conditions in the flood areas has caused a very serious situation. Plantings of corn in those areas are being made at a very late date and the crop may not be able to mature before frost.

Government officials at Washington therefore have asked that Tarheel growers make every effort to produce greater amounts than ever before.

The Director suggests that immediately following the harvesting of small grains, every single acre possible be put into some food or feed crop. With increased numbers of livestock and poultry, the need for supplemental grazing crops of soybeans, cowpeas, sudan grass, millet, and sorghum are paramount in helping to relieve the feed shortage which has developed and which will probably continue well into 1944.

Since North Carolinians can have year-round gardens, Dr. Schaub urges all Victory Gardeners to seed succession vegetable crops throughout the year and help relieve the demand on rationed supplies of canned foods.

"Patriotic cooperation in planting extra acres of feed crops on every farm in this State and all-year gardens throughout the State is necessary to achieve war needs," Dr. Schaub said.

Turkey Knob News

The Woman's Club of Turkey Knob will meet at the home of Mrs. Andy Osborne with Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. Harry Young as hostesses, on Saturday afternoon, June 26, at two o'clock. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mrs. Mayme Mayberry and daughter, of Winston-Salem, spent the week end with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle Hash and son, Hugh, visited Mrs. Alex Woodruff, Sunday.

The Turkey Knob Home Demonstration club met at the school house, Monday afternoon. The president, Mrs. Cleo Cook, presided over the meeting. An interesting and helpful talk on food preservation was given by Miss Rubie Hampton. During the social hour, the hostesses, Mrs. Cleo Cook and Mrs. Fred Osborne, served delicious refreshments to all members present.

The July meeting will be at the Turkey Knob School house on Monday, July 19. All the women of Turkey Knob are urged to attend this meeting. Miss Hampton will give a demonstration on canning.

Iron and scrap collections in Rhode Island average about 3,000 tons a week—more than nine pounds per capita.

It is reported that stocks of most rationed foods, together with prospective production, probably will be adequate to maintain the present level of consumption until the end of the year.

It is announced that the loan rates on wheat in North Carolina will be \$1.46 per bushel for No. 2 soft red wheat. The national loan rate is \$1.22.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

5 Ocean Navy

When Pearl Harbor burst upon us our great expanse of territory was protected by a one ocean navy of about 350 first line ships with an addition of an approximate number building.



Now we are in a five ocean war and we are required not only to pay for the building of enough ships of the line but also for hundreds of Liberty ships and auxiliary craft. The amount of money you invested in War Bonds when we had a one ocean navy was all right then, it isn't enough now. Buy more and more War Bonds.

U. S. Treasury Department

apple sauce in our Spas. (Or is it such a radical change, after all?) Anyhow, it sounded good, and here it is:

"Pack the fresh fruit in sterilized jars. Cover it with boiling syrup made from seven cups of sugar and one gallon of water—and place jars in container of boiling water. Cover tightly, then remove them from stove immediately. Leave them in the water until cold. This method cooks the fruit and berries at a temperature lower than boiling, but yet provides enough heat to kill the bacteria."

A Pistil of a flower is its only protection against insects.

In Christianity a man can have only one wife. This is called monogamy.

Don't lose faith in humanity. Think of the hundred ten million people in the United States who never played you a single nasty trick.

Women do not find it difficult nowadays to behave like men, but they often find it extremely difficult to behave like gentlemen.

We grow neither better nor worse as we get old, but more like ourselves.

Keep your temper. Don't quarrel with an angry person, but give him a soft answer. It is commanded by Holy Writ, and furthermore, it makes him madder than anything else you could say.

Directory Of The Church Services

SPARTA BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Richard West, Pastor
N. D. Fox, Supt.
Sunday School each Sunday, 9:45.
Church service each Sunday, 11:00.

Young Peoples' Meeting
6:30 each Sunday Evening
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. G. R. Blackburn, Pastor
Sunday School each Sunday at 10:00 a. m.

Church Services:

Mt. Carmel, First Sunday, 11:00 a. m.

Bellview, Second Sunday, 11:00 a. m.

Liberty, Third Sunday, 11:00 a. m.

Chestnut Grove, Fourth Sunday, 11:00 a. m.

SPARTA METHODIST CHURCH

C. E. Allison, Minister

Sunday School each Sun. at 10

Charles R. Roe, Supt.

Church service, 1st & 3rd Sun., 11

Epworth League each Sun. 7:30

Sarah Warren, Pres.

SPARTA CIRCUIT SERVICES

Shiloh, 2nd Sunday at 11 A. M.

Piney Creek, 2nd Sun. at 3 P. M.

Gentry Chapel, 1st Sun. at 2 P. M.

Walnut Branch, 3rd Sun. 3 P. M.

Cox's Chapel, 4th Sun. at 11 A. M.

Potato Creek, 4th Sun. at 3 P. M.

SPARTA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

R. L. Berry, Minister

Church service 2nd & 4th Sun. 11

Glade Valley, 1st Sun. 11 & 7:15

Glade Valley, 3rd Sun. 11 & 7:15

Rocky Ridge, 2nd Sun. at 3 P. M.

Rocky Ridge, 3rd Sun. at 3 P. M.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

C. B. Kilby — S. G. Caudill

Pastors

Church service 3rd Sat. at 2 p. m.

and Sun. at 11 A. M. in each month.

REG. BAPTIST CHURCHES

Little River Ass'n

Big Springs, 2nd Sat. and Sun.

Double Spring, 1st Sat. and Sun.

Landmark, 4th Sat. & Sun.

Laurel Glen, 1st Sat. and Sun.

Mountain View, 3rd Sat. and Sun.

Mt. Arat, 4th Sat.

Mt. Carmel, 3rd Sat. and Sun.

Mt. Olivet, 1st Sat. and Sun.

New Bethel, 3rd Sat. and Sun.

New Salem, 2nd Sat. and Sun.

Pleasant Home, 3rd Sat. and Sun.

Prather's Creek, 2nd Sat. & Sun.

Roaring Gap, 1st Sat. and Sun.

Saddle Mountain, 4th Sat. & Sun.

South Fork, 4th Sat. & Sun.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCHES

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NOTICE
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
COUNTY OF ALLEGHANY
Ed Peak, Plaintiff
Vs.
Callie Peak, Defendant

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Alleghany County, North Carolina to obtain a divorce from the defendant on account of two years' absence between the plaintiff and defendant and failure to live together in said period.

The defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear within thirty days after the 11th day of July, 1943 at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court at the court house in Alleghany County and answer or demur in said action; or the plaintiff will apply to the court for relief demanded in the Complaint.

This 7th day of June, 1943.

S. O. Gambill, Clerk
Superior Court.

6-10-4T

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as Administratrix of A. F. Reeves, deceased, all persons having claims against the estate are notified to present the same within twelve months from this date, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of payment.

All persons owing the estate are requested to make payment.

This June 18, 1943.

Mexa Phipps, Administratrix of A. F. Reeves, deceased. 6-24-4T

Under wartime operation, railroad freight cars must travel about 16 per cent farther on the average haul.

Mount Union, 1st Sat. and Sun.
Pleasant Grove, 3rd Sat. and Sun.
Saddle Mt., 3rd Sat. and Sun.
Whitehead, 2nd Sat. and Sun.
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LAUREL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Van Miller, Supt.

Sunday School each Sunday at 10 A. M.

Church services 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:00 a. m. 2nd Sundays at 8:00 p. m. Rev. Richard L. West, pastor.

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MAC ARTHUR

WHEN IT'S THE WIFE'S BIRTHDAY AND WITH THE WAR ON, ALL SHE HUNTS FOR AS A PRESENT, WAS A SCRUB BRUSH—BUT I KNOW SHE'D BE DISAPPOINTED IF I BROUGHT THAT HOME.

SO-O-O-I HAVE TO MAKE HER FEEL I'D LIKE T'BUY SOMETHING MORE EXPENSIVE, YET WIND UP WITH WHAT SHE WANTS.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

YOU DID REMEMBER—AND YOU BOUGHT A GIFT.

THE PERFUME IS A LOVELY THOUGHT, DEAR AND I DON'T WISH TO HURT YOUR FEELINGS, BUT WOULD YOU PLEASE EXCHANGE IT FOR A MORE PRACTICAL GIFT—SUCH AS A SCRUB BRUSH?