

# The Jackson County Journal

Year in Advance in The County.

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## Hopefulness Is Revealed By Letters

(Special to The Journal)

Washington, D. C., March 9.—This was a good time as to present picture of how the "state of the nation" looks as seen from here. What follows is an abstract of national opinion on the economic situation, but also touching the political situation, as expressed by more than 500 representative business men in confidential letters to W. M. Hughes, one of the best-posted business men in the country.

The tone of the letters is generally optimistic. There is an absence of the hopelessness and "all-gone" feeling of two months ago. And the conclusions drawn from them are that sentiment and confidence have improved in the past few weeks.

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### A LESSON IN ADVERTISING

William Wrigley, the chewing-gum magnate, who died recently, amassed a great fortune, and he attributed his success to advertising. While traveling on a fast train some time ago, a friend asked Wrigley why he continued to spend millions of dollars for advertising. "Your gun is now known the world over and the people have the habit; why don't you save the millions you are spending on advertising?" asked the friend. Wrigley thought for a moment, then asked: "How fast is the train going?" "About sixty miles an hour," replied the friend. "Then why doesn't the railway company remove the engine and let the train travel on its own momentum?" asked Wrigley.—Fergus Falls (Minn.) Journal.

## FORTY YEARS AGO

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Rev. C. T. Bailey, editor of the Biblical Recorder, was stricken with paralysis in his tongue, last Sunday, just as he was about to pronounce the benediction. His condition became worse after reaching home, and at noon Monday his physicians feared total paralysis.

Miss Delia Hampton returned to Asheville Saturday.

Col. C. P. Bryson, of Cashiers spent several days here this week.

Mr. E. D. Davis was in town today, and called to see us.

Mrs. W. C. Bryson and sister, Miss Robinson, of Bryson City, visited Capt. A. W. Bryson's family this week.

Mrs. Stedman and son, of Raleigh, were here last week for the purpose, which was accomplished, of leasing the Hampton House, which will be at once opened for the reception and entertainment of boarders. Mrs. Stedman is a lady of considerable experience in this line of business, and the Democrat hopes for her a pleasant and prosperous sojourn among us.

The subject of the establishment of a canning factory as some point in the country is receiving the earnest consideration of many of our citizens. It has been quietly discussed among them for some time, and is now assuming definite shape. It is suggested that a public meeting shall be held here on Saturday, March 19, at 2 o'clock P. M., for a full conference looking to the organization of a joint stock company. This is said to be a very profitable business, requiring only a comparatively small investment of capital and affording a market for the surplus of vegetables and fruits, a great part of which is now going to waste.

A large company gathered at the home of Mr. B. F. Curtis, at King's Park, on Thursday evening, to witness the marriage of Mrs. Curtis' sister, Miss Frances M. Baum, of Sylva, N. C., to William Perry, of Asheville; N. C.—Brooklyn Times.

### TOM BUCHANAN DIES

Tom Buchanan, 42, died Sunday morning at Angel hospital in Franklin. Mr. Buchanan had been ill for several weeks. He had been employed by the Blackwood Lumber Company for several years; but was a native of Savannah township.

Funeral was conducted Monday at the home at East LaPorte by Rev. J. G. Murray of Sylva.

Mr. Buchanan is survived by his widow and six children. Six sisters and four brothers also survive. He was a brother of L. A. Buchanan and Mrs. June Bryson of Sylva.

## Seed Loans Are Now Available

The federal seed and fertilizer loan money is now available to farmers of this county. Application blanks for the loans are in the hands of all county agents in the state.

The loans can be secured by farmers for the purpose of buying seed and fertilizer, and for no other purpose. The amount that can be borrowed ranges from \$3 to \$24 per acre, depending upon the crop that is to be produced, and the loan is a first mortgage lien against the crop. No money can be borrowed by farmers who did not engage in farming last year, and no money will be loaned to a farmer who has any source of income other than farming. The rate of interest is 5½ per cent.

All loans must be approved by the county committee, which is composed of R. W. Fisher, W. W. Bryson and Roy Cowan. The committee for Hamburg, which includes Mountain and Cashier's Valley, is W. A. Henson, H. H. Bryson, and Marion Moody. No other local committees have been appointed, as it is believed that the loans for other sections of the county can be handled by the county committee, which has to approve the application in any event.

### CLUB HOUSE RAZED BY FIRE SATURDAY

Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the club house of the Sylva Country Club, early Saturday night. The furnishings and machinery for upkeep of the golf course were also destroyed, entailing a loss of approximately \$3,000. There was insurance to the amount of \$2,000 on the property.

The house was unoccupied and had been since the close of the golf season last fall, when Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Thompson, who were in charge last season moved to town for the winter.

The house was the old home of E. D. Davis, the first sheriff of Jackson county, and was bought from John Davis about six years ago. The club had expended a considerable amount of money in remodeling the house. There was a large lobby, a dining and dance hall, kitchen, several sleeping rooms, lockers, shower baths, and large verandas.

Passersby noticed the fire and turned in the alarm. The Sylva fire department answered the call, but arrived too late to be of service, as the entire building was in flames when the alarm was made.

While the fire truck was out of town in answer to the call, the large barn of A. J. Dills, in the creek bottom just across from the main part of the city burst into flames, and a second alarm was turned in, and the truck rushed back to town, too late to save the barn and its contents. Mr. Dills had a large quantity of hay and other feed stored in the barn, as well as his farm machinery. His sister, Mrs. Thomas, had a considerable amount of corn in the building. The herd of young cattle belonging to Mr. Dills escaped from the building without injury. There was \$500 insurance on the barn.

### MRS. ROGERS PASSES

Mrs. Andy Rogers died Saturday at her home in East Sylva, at the age of 65. Funeral and interment were at Love's Chapel, Sunday, with Rev. W. C. Reed officiating. Mrs. Rogers, with her husband and family moved to Sylva from Graham county about a year ago.

### BALSAM

Our "weather man" jumped us right into winter, when we were enjoying our almost summer heat. Sunday morning there was a light snow on the ground and all the mountain tops were covered with several inches of snow.

Mrs. R. L. Cope of Asheville spent Friday here with her mother, Mrs. W. J. Cogdill.

Several relatives and friends attended the burial service of Mr. Tom Buchanan at Willets, Monday. He died at his home at East LaPorte Sunday.

## Has Been Busy Year For Hospital

That the C. J. Harris Community Hospital has been busy during the past year is attested by the following statistics furnished by the superintendent:

There were 83 major and 90 minor operations performed last year. Of the major operations Dr. Candler performed 70; Dr. A. A. Nichols 10; Dr. P. K. Bennett 1; Dr. Madison 2; The following doctors had obstetrical cases in the hospital during the year: Dr. Candler; Dr. A. A. Nichols, Dr. A. S. Nichols, Dr. Hooper, Dr. Wilkes, Dr. Madison; Dr. Folsom, Bryson City; Dr. Van Epp Cashiers; Dr. Bryson, Bryson City; Dr. P. K. Bennett, Bryson City.

There were 17 babies born in the hospital during the year. Sixteen mothers were sent home cured. Fifteen of these babies were sent home in good condition.

Fifty-six children under 14 years of age were patients in the hospital during the year. Fifty of these children were sent home cured.

There was a total of 265 patients cared for during the year. Of these there were seven negroes, six of whom paid their bills in full.

There were 13 deaths in the hospital during the year.

There were 125 patients x-rayed, and 353 in-patients and out-patients who had tests made in the laboratory. There were 2829 days of care given patients. Of these 2829 days, there were 816 free days or entire charity; 850 part days or part charity; 1163 full pay days.

### MISSIONARY TO SPEAK AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Mrs. P. W. Hamlett of Wusli, China, will speak at the Sylva Baptist church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Before her marriage to Rev. P. W. Hamlett she was Miss Lettie Spainhour of Morganton. While at home on furlough she and her family are making their home with her parents in Morganton. It will be remembered that her father, Honorable J. F. Spainhour, is one of Morganton's leading lawyers and is a former state Senator and Representative.

Mrs. Hamlett is an attractive speaker and will give us direct information about our mission work in China.

At the evening hour Mrs. Hamlett will speak at the Cullowhee Baptist Church.

While in Sylva Mrs. Hamlett will be the guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. Gray Murray.

The evening service at the Sylva Baptist church will be one of sacred music. There will be several special numbers, such as anthems, choruses, quartets, and duets, but the larger part of the program will be given over to congregational singing. Every lover of music should attend this service. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

### MISSIONARY TO SPEAK AT CULLOWHEE BAPTIST CHURCH

Mrs. P. W. Hamlett, returned Missionary from China, will be at the Cullowhee Baptist Church next Sunday at 7:30 P. M. and will bring the message of the evening. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### CHILD WATCHING FIELD FIRE IS FATALY BURNED

Franklin Press, March 8.—Little Lizzie Boston, age 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Boston, of Cartooge-chaye, died early Thursday morning at Angel Brothers' hospital from burns received near her home Wednesday afternoon.

A broom-sage field was being burned off. It is reported that little Lizzie was alone in the field with her four-year-old sister when her clothing caught fire from the burning grass. Her small sister had presence of mind to try to remove the burning garments, suffering severe burns herself, but it was too late.

Funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. Mr. Swanson at Patton Methodist church at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The whole county joins the grief-stricken parents in their sorrow.

## TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

### Refreshment

In my New England boyhood a sign frequently seen on country taverns was "Refreshment for Man and Beast." You could feed your horses and yourself at the same time. Horses have given place to the automobile and the filling station takes the place of the wagon-shed, while the food obtainable along the highways varies, as a rule, from bad to worse. Ask any motor tourist how many places he found to eat where the food was really palatable. He'll remember them all; it is no tax on the memory!

With everything else becoming standardized, the movement to standardize roadside food stations so that the motorist can be sure, before trying his luck, of what he is going to get, was bound to come. One of the big oil companies, operating its own gasoline filling stations, has made a deal with a large restaurant organization which operates a chain of eating places in many parts of the country. Light lunches of good quality and real coffee are to be served at the filling stations. I can think of nothing better calculated to encourage motor touring.

### Gold

With their money depreciated and their nation off the gold standard, the people of England are showing their patriotism by turning in their gold jewelry and ornaments to be melted up for money. One noble duke gave up his coronet, worth \$50,000 in coin but many times that in sentimental association.

Of course, the people who are doing this get the bullion value of their gold in the form of bank notes but it strengthens their nation's financial position because it puts the gold where it can be weighed and counted as a basis for currency, which is impossible when it is in private hands.

Gold is useless except as a basis of money. The debate on the Glass-Steagall bill, just enacted, disclosed the fact that only a part of America's gold reserve, the largest in the world, was available for monetary purposes, owing to a defect in the original Federal Reserve law. The new law remedies that defect, and we must have to give up our coronets, yet awhile, to keep our currency issues up in sufficient volume for business needs.

### Silver

Talk about restoring silver to its place as a basis of money is being heard everywhere. The latest move in this direction is the introduction in Congress by Representative Somers of Brooklyn of a resolution for an international conference on silver.

I am not sure that I agree with my friend Rene Leon, regarded as the foremost authority on silver, that the demonetization of silver by the British government in India in 1926 is at the bottom of all the world's present economic trouble, but I do believe that the legalization of silver, up to a reasonable percentage of gold, as a basis for currency, would help to stabilize finance and business.

At any rate, as I have often said before in this column, silver is something interesting to watch.

### Ducks

It looks as if the Twentieth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States would be one which would change the date of Presidential inaugurations and eliminate "lame ducks" from Congress. As things are now, we elect a new President and Congress in November but their term of office does not begin until March 4th, the next year. In the meantime, the old Congress holds a session in which defeated members, known as "lame ducks," still sit.

This is a hangover from the old stage-coach, horseback days of slow travel. It used to take three or four months to get to Washington. Both houses of Congress have agreed to submit a Constitutional amendment making January 3 the date for Congress to meet with only the newly-elected members sitting, and the new President to take office on January 20 instead of on March 4.

This probably cannot become effective before 1936, as it is not likely enough states will ratify it to put it into force for 1932.

## Reply Made To Charges Of Moses

Washington, March 9.—In the recent counter attack by Senator Tom Connally (Dem., Tex.) on the floor of the Senate, upon Senator Moses (Rep., N. H.) for the latter's attack upon the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Texas Senator undertook to outline the partial responsibility of the Administration for the present depression. He alleged that Senator Moses was "in intimate contact with the Administration." Senator Connally said:

"I do not know what the Speaker of the House of Representatives said, but the whole gravamen of the charge of the Senator from New Hampshire is that the Speaker was quoted some days ago in an informal newspaper conference as having said that the President led us into a panic. Whether that be true or whether it be not true, I shall not myself pass judgment, but let me suggest to the Senator from New Hampshire that, so far as governmental action may have had any influence upon the economic condition of this country for more than the past two years, so far as legislation has affected that situation, and so far as executive action may have affected it, the present Administration, and the legislative bodies of this Republic, of which the senior Senator from New Hampshire is an influential part, are most certainly responsible.

"The Republican party has been in control of both branches of Congress; it has had every agency of the Government at its command until the present session of this Congress; Mr. Hoover has been not only the President, but he has been the national leader in whatever activities this Government has undertaken; and if any one led us into the panic, if anyone was at the head of affairs, it was the President of the United States, the Republican Senate, and the Republican House of Representatives. So I submit to the Senator from New Hampshire that the basis for his attack was most unwarranted and unjustified."

Senator Connally recalled the campaign promises of Mr. Hoover and then cited the statements of the President and Administration officials following the stock market crash to the effect that "business is on a sound and prosperous basis"; later, that "confidence has been restored and unemployment prevented," together with the prediction that it would all be over "in sixty days."

Referring to the claims made by Cabinet officers and assistant secretaries that the President originated the legislation passed by a practically Democratic Congress and was entitled to credit therefor, Senator Connally said:

"If the President had a program a year ago, if he realized at that time that we were bogged down, that we were mixed in business stagnation and in distress; if he had a program, if he had a panacea, if he had solutions for these conditions, why did he not call the Congress in special session in March, 1931. . . . He refused to bring the lawmaking body into session to propose any remedies of relief or any plan for reviving lagging business and lagging industry. The truth of the matter is that in his heart the President has little regard for Congress. He wants to control, himself, the agencies of the Federal Government.

"What was his plan? Was the country ever advised as to what the President's plans were? When this session of Congress convened did he then submit to Congress a plan?"

Senator Connally at the outset had said that the New Hampshire Senator was bringing to a close the cooperation that had resulted in remedial legislation. He finally declared:

"I submit that we ought to go on and have further legislative cooperation. Let the House of Representatives function in cutting down appropriations, as it has already started to do; let it function in shaping a tax bill, because if it is not shaped in the House of Representatives it can be shaped nowhere else; for such measures must originate there; and let the Senator from New Hampshire cease his political attacks until after we get through the program of restoration and rehabilitation."