

EFFECTS OF MORGAN INVESTIGATION MAY BE FAR-REACHING

Jackson, June 7.—The disclosure of the affairs of J. P. Morgan & Company, brought out by the Banking and Currency investigation, seem certain to have far-reaching effects in various directions. The investigation is being conducted with the purpose of ascertaining the truth about investment banks with the idea of framing a law which would prohibit banks of the kind from dealing also in investment securities. But the first legislative result of the Morgan investigation is likely to be an amendment to the income tax laws, having for its purpose the imposition of heavier taxes on the wealthy.

Mr. Morgan testified that neither he nor any of his nineteen partners had any income taxes in the United States for 1931 or 1932, although they paid about eleven million dollars in income tax for 1929 and 48 thousand dollars for 1930. This was not in any sense an evasion of the law. The case is not parallel with the charge made against Charles G. Mitchell, of the National City Bank, who is accused of having defrauded the Government in his income tax statements. No one doubts Mr. Morgan's statement that he and the other members of his firm have always conscientiously paid their taxes and associated with them by any other means.

The laws of the United States, however, permit the deduction from income of losses incurred from the depreciation in the value of securities held, and everybody knows that there has been a great drop in the price of stocks and bonds in a couple of years. The Morgan firm is a member of the income tax law permitted them to deduct their losses from their incomes, for tax purposes. The English law, under which Mr. Morgan paid his income taxes in England for the two years in question, does not permit the deduction of capital losses, but not their net tax capital gains.

The disclosure came just at the moment when means were being sought to find new sources of tax revenue with which to pay the increased expenditures on three billion dollars of new Government bonds, which are to be offered for sale to raise money for the President's public works program. The most favored was an increase in income taxes, on the ground that "it would soak the rich," but Mr. Morgan's evidence proved that the rich in their funds are in stocks and bonds, and escape being "soaked" by paying no tax, while the ordinary small business man or salaried worker has no such way of evading the payment of the full tax.

The distinguished Senator who opposed most strenuously to the line that the Morgan investigation took, the Carter Glass of Virginia, Mr. Glass is still a fighter, and he is, however, one of the ablest politicians of public life. Mr. Glass registered his objection, also, to the President's amendment to the income laws which provides not only for the future obligations of the United States and of others shall not be stated as payable in gold, but that all obligations which now call for gold payment shall be paid in dollars, regardless of their gold value.

This is to set at rest the question whether or not the obligations payable in gold must be paid in gold when there is no gold available. The policy of the administration is that the holders of United States currency, which is redeemable in gold, are not permitted to get gold for their money, it would be unfair to the preference to holders of bonds and other obligations which call for gold payment.

And it is, as a matter of fact, no more money in itself, but merely a standard whereby to measure value. An ounce of gold still represents a fraction over \$20, but the effect to guarantee to all the world that every American dollar will be redeemed in gold has been definitely abandoned.

WILL CONDUCT REVIVAL



REV. F. A. BOWER

VETERANS WILL BE SELECTED IN CHARLOTTE THIS MONTH

All applications of Veterans for work and enlistment in the Veterans' Contingent of the Emergency Conservation Work, authorized by order of President Roosevelt on May 11, and May 21, will have to be placed through the Veterans' Administration in Charlotte, according to information received by N. Don Davis, county superintendent of welfare. Veterans entitled to enroll are those who saw service in the World War, Spanish-American War, Philippine Insurrection, Morocco Expedition, or the Boxer Rebellion. Application blanks will be mailed direct to any interested veterans who will write to the Veterans' Administration in Charlotte.

Veterans who saw service in the armed forces during the periods above mentioned, who hold honorable discharges, who are unemployed, who are citizens of the United States, who are physically fit for the work, and who are of good character are entitled to enrollment in the work.

The Veterans' Administration will begin making selections from application on hand on June 12, and hope to have the enrollment completed by June 22. The final enrollment will be made by the War Department, and instructions will be sent to the selected men direct.

QUALLA

Rev. R. G. McClamrock gave a plain and practical explanation of the parable of the sower at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

Mr. Wayne Ferguson underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Community Hospital in Sylva Saturday. His many friends hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. J. L. Hyatt and son, John, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hyatt have returned from a visit to relatives near Six Mile, S. C.

Mr. J. O. Terrell went to Asheville, Monday.

Mrs. H. G. Ferguson is spending a few days with her son at the hospital in Sylva.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Ayers, Mr. Frank Kinland, Mr. Clark Gass, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bumgarner and Mrs. Joe Bumgarner called at Mr. Dave Worley's.

Miss Irene Raby has been visiting at Cowarts.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly and family of Atlanta, Ga. and Mr. M. W. Klotz, also of Atlanta, are camping at the Klotz farm.

Mr. Carl Hoyle and Miss Annie Lizzie Terrell were dinner guests at Mr. and Mrs. Terry Johnson's, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Parker of Big Ridge visited at Mr. J. L. Hyatt's.

Miss Evelyn Kinland visited relatives at Cherokee last week.

Miss Ruth Ferguson spent Saturday night with Miss Mary Emma Ferguson.

Miss Ollie Hall visited Misses Edna and Bonnie Freeman, Sunday.

Mr. D. S. Elliott of Charleston, S. C. called at Mr. T. W. McLaughlin's.

Little Jim Ed Hughes of Cherokee visited Wilma and D. C. Hughes.

Mrs. J. W. Cathey and Miss Jennie Cathey called at Mrs. G. H. Martin's.

HAS OPERATION

Wayne Ferguson, of Qualla, popular Sylva High school student, underwent an operation for appendicitis, at the C. J. Harris Community hospital, on Saturday. Young Mr. Ferguson is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Ferguson. He is recovering nicely from the operation.

WILL START REVIVAL AT BAPTIST CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT

A revival will begin at Sylva Baptist church, Sunday, June 11. Rev. F. A. Bower, pastor of the First Baptist church of Albemarle, will do the preaching. Mrs. Bower, who is an accomplished singer, will accompany Mr. Bower. In addition to Mrs. Bower's solo work, the two often sang together.

Mr. and Mrs. Bower are Canadians by birth, but have been in the States for a number of years. Mr. Bower was a pastor in New York before coming to Morganton, where he was pastor of the First Baptist church for a number of years. He went from Morganton to Albemarle, where he has been for several years.

The pastor will preach at both services Sunday. Mr. Bower will arrive in time for the service Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The day service will be at 10 in the mornings. There will be no day service on Monday. The public is cordially invited to attend all these services.

WILL REDISTRIBUTE SCHOOLS ON NEXT MONDAY

The county board of education will go into the matter of redistributing the county for school purposes, at a meeting to be held on Monday of next week. At that time the board will make its recommendations to the State School Commission, which has the final authority, under the new school machinery law.

The committeemen cannot be chosen by the county board until the redistributing is effected, nor can the teachers be elected for the several schools in the county until the local committeemen have been chosen. As soon as the State commission approves the county district plans, the local committeemen will be selected and the teachers will be chosen as soon thereafter as it is practicable, it was stated yesterday, at the office of the county superintendent of schools.

ADDITIONAL TRAIN SERVICE

Announcement has been made by R. H. DeBatts, assistant general passenger agent of the Southern Railway, of an additional passenger train to be operated between Asheville and Bryson City, the schedule of which will become effective next Sunday. The train going east will arrive in Sylva at eight thirty-five in the morning. Leaving Asheville at four o'clock in the afternoon, it will arrive here at six-fifty.

BALSAM

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Frizel, a son—Billie Covel, on the morning of the 5th.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Beck and sons, Charles and Willis, Mrs. L. A. Reed and Mrs. D. W. Ensley motored to Whiteside, Highlands, and Franklin, Sunday.

Mr. John Allen Kenney made a business trip to Asheville, Saturday.

Misses Ida Mae and Marie Coward were here from Canton, Sunday.

Mr. John Warren went to Bryson City, Sunday.

Mr. John Blanton and Mr. and Mrs. Porte Jones spent Sunday with Mr. Blanton's mother in Swain county.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perry and little son, Joe, spent last week end with his mother, Mrs. Maybelle Perry.

Guests are arriving at Balsam Springs hotel and Balsam Lodge.

Mrs. Walter Braren, Mrs. Lena Campbell, Mrs. Gwendoline Raulerson, Miss Sadie Mae Jeffco, Howard Warren, Jack Arrington, and John Uplison, went to Highlands, Whiteside, and Franklin, Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Melton and mother, Mrs. E. Braren, and son Herbert, Dr. Kleek and family arrived this week from Daytona Beach, Fla., and are occupying their respective cottages.

Mrs. Sara Bryson very delightfully entertained Saturday evening in honor of her guests, Misses Marie Nichols and Edith Varner, of Whittier and Beatrice and Joe May of Hayesville. Many games were played and delicious refreshments were served.

Convention Of County Agent Brings Discussion

There is considerable discussion in the county over the fact that the contract for the county farm agent work will expire on July 1, and the people are wondering whether the work will be discontinued at that time.

In this, as in most counties, the matter of the farm agent work is subject to annualization and criticism, and sometimes criticism without annualization.

Those who favor the retention of the work point out the fact that the federal government is making great efforts to put agriculture back on a paying basis, and that much of the contact between the local farmers and the governmental agencies is to be through the county farm agents, thus greatly increasing the responsibility and importance of the work.

The county's part of the county agent's salary was reduced 10 per cent in 1931, and an additional 10 per cent in 1932, making the total cost to the county for the work in the year just ending only \$1134.

The following is a brief summary of farm demonstration work in Jackson county during 1932, as taken from the county agent's annual report of last year:

- 1. Oats: Coker strain Fulghum variety, 40 per cent better than Bert variety. 154 bushels in demonstration yielded 84.4 extra tons of feed valued at \$5.00 per ton. Extra value to farmers ----- \$424.00
- 2. Lesp-deza: 2115 lbs. in demonstration, based on 7 years' work, increased soil fertility 7.7 bu. per acre, per year. Value ----- \$485.10
- 3. Potatoes: 35 bu. certified seed in demonstrations, value over local seed used on same farms ---- \$100.54
- 4. Cabbage: Red strain variety used in demonstrations, approximately netted Hamburg grocers \$18,099 20 per cent due to variety ---- \$3600.00
- 5. Trench silos: 14 tons capacity, saved in construction and increased feed in value 30 per cent ---- \$315.
- 6. Brick brooders (poultry) 8 built at saving of \$14.75 each ---- \$78.00
- 7. Poultry: Blood tested 1600 birds gave extra value to eggs of ---- \$251.35
- 8. 4-H Club Work: Profit in club projects ----- \$82.70
- 9. Marketing: Poultry, 43,138 lbs. poultry sold at cooperative sales for \$6,042.10. Extra value to farmers ---- \$962.72
- Potatoes: 993 bushels sold cooperatively at extra value to farmers of ----- \$99.50
- Livestock: 254 head of cattle and sheep sold cooperatively. Extra value to farmers of ----- \$115.06
- Other marketing (purchase of oat, lespedeza, potato seed ---- \$123.24
- Total ----- \$7,437.01

The above only includes the tangible value of farm demonstration work in the county. It does not include such intangibles as outlook meetings, securing cooperation of local organizations, county program work, variety recommendations to farmers based on experiment work, forestry work, assisting with cream marketing, improvement of livestock through better sires, better methods of feeding and management, bee work, community activities such as field days, shows, instruction work to 4-H Club members, assisting with getting credit through the federal seed and fertilizer loans, regional credit corporations, and a great many other activities.

MAKE PERFECT RECORD

Cullowhee, June 7.—Several students of the Cullowhee Elementary School made a perfect attendance record for the year just closing. The elementary school here is operated as a training school for Western Carolina Teachers College.

The students making the perfect attendance record are as follows: Seventh grade: Jennings Tucker, Roy Phillips, Sallie Hooper. Sixth grade: Vivian Daves, Rath Elliott, Reva Painter, Betty Lee Price, Floried Tiley. Fifth grade: Lojann Galaway, Sallie Norton, Helen Phillips, Sara Lee Tiley, Glenn Hooper. Third grade: Thomas Kinland, Edwin Tiley, Agnes Henson, Mildred Johnson, Verna Lee Reid, Mary Sue Rogers. First grade: Mae Allen Adams, Daniel Lee Hooper, and Hilda Norton.

At the elementary school closing exercises, reading circle certificates were awarded to 168 pupils. The

Hound Mother To Groundhog Brood

A hound belonging to Mr. Walt Mason of Webster has been raising a litter of adopted groundhogs, this spring. The young son of the owner of the dog found the small woodchucks in their den, and placed them in bed with the pups. The mother of the pups adopted them along with her own offspring.

TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

SHINPLASTER . . . now unique

Looking through some old family papers at my farm home the other day I came across a curious relic of my childhood. It is a U. S. 25-cent paper note, issued in 1878.

When I was a small boy this paper fractional currency, which rejoiced in the popular name of "shinplaster" was the only equivalent for quarter and half-dollars in circulation. The old bill is about an inch and a half wide and two and a half inches long.

It seems to me that it is only the very young or those who have never studied history who object to change in our money system. In my life time the United States has gone from bimetalism to the gold standard and of again, from greenbacks to "hard money" and back again, from cheap dollars to high dollars and back again. But a dollar has always been a dollar, so far as domestic trade goes. It is only when we have to trade with foreigners whose money standards are different, that the shape, material or gold content or equivalent of the dollar makes any real difference.

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COINS . . . need 2 1/2c piece

In the same collection I found some old coins, and hunted through an ancient desk to see if I could find out what ever became of a six-sided gold eagle that my grandmother used to have. That is one of the rare coins issued by a private mint in California in the 1850's, that bring high price from collectors. I found no trace of that, nor of the spread-eagle cent of 1856 which was one of my father's curios.

I found a tiny silver five-cent piece, precursor of the "nickel," and other coins familiar to my boyhood such as the two-cent piece, the old copper pennies, bigger than a quarter of today, and the nickel three-cent piece, about the size of a dime.

I think the coin we need most and never had is 2 1/2 cent piece.

MEMORY . . . spilled sugar

The old coins brought back a good many boyhood memories, one of them related to the "trade dollar," which was coined by the United States mint for purposes of trade with China and the Orient. The trade dollar was a little larger than the standard silver dollar, containing, I believe, an exact ounce of silver or 480 grains, instead of the 412 grains of the silver dollar. The Chinese, then as now, traded with silver by weight instead of by the value stamped upon the coin, and the trade dollar came in settling balances calling for a given number of ounces of silver. It was not supposed to circulate in the States, but seafaring men would bring them back to New England ports from the Far East.

The incident which fixes the trade dollar in my mind is that, when I was about nine, my mother gave me a trade dollar and sent me to the store for eleven pounds of sugar. Pete Hopkins was having a bargain sale of sugar. Sounds absurd today doesn't it—sugar at that price.

I bought the sugar and started home. I stopped to play with some other boys and set the paper sack down on a stone. The stone was wet and when I picked up the bag a dollar's worth of sugar spilled all over the lot!

awards were presented by Miss Cordelia Camp, director of teacher training in both the elementary and high school here.

EDUCATION BOARD DECIDES AGAINST NEW SCHOOL HOUSE

The Board of Education of Jackson county has definitely decided for this county not to participate in the building of a new school house at Whittier, at present. The decision was reached at a meeting of the board on Monday. The proposal had been made for Swain and Jackson counties to each subscribe the sum of \$20,000 for the purchase of a site for the building and for its construction. Those who had tentatively worked out the proposal contemplated that the counties borrow the money from the State funds, with the exception of the amount of the insurance on the burned building that has been collected by Swain. It was contemplated that the new building be placed on the Jackson county side of the river, in the new residential section of the town.

Under present plans, the children in Whittier will be transported to Qualla school for elementary and primary training, and the high school pupils will go either to Sylva or Bryson City.

FRATERNAL SERVICE SUNDAY

For a number of years it has been a custom with the Woodmen of the World and the Junior Order of American Mechanics to attend a preaching service in body. They have alternated between the churches of the community, and the local pastors have usually been the preachers of the occasion.

This year the service will be held at Sylva Baptist church Sunday night June 11 at 8 o'clock. The pastor, Rev. J. Gray Murray, will preach on temperance. The public is invited to attend this fraternal service.

WILL ORGANIZE TEMPERANCE SOCIETY FOR SYLVA, SUNDAY

On February 7 and 17 there were mass meetings held in the court house in Sylva, at which times the question of temperance was discussed. The meetings resulted in the organization of the Jackson County Temperance League. The officers elected were: President, J. Gray Murray, Vice-President, T. R. Wolfe, and an executive committee composed of the following, Dr. H. T. Hunter, Rev. W. C. Reed, Cole Cannon, and the president and vice-president as members ex-officio.

The constitution adopted provided for similar organizations in every community in the county. The following places already have organizations: Glenville, Tuckaseegee, Webster, John's Creek, Moses' Creek, East Fork, Old Savannah, Green's Creek, Scott's Creek, East Sylva, and Wesleyanna.

At the time these communities were organized both Sylva pastors were away at other places, hence Sylva has not been organized. However, such an organization will be effected at the close of the Fraternal Service at Sylva Baptist church, next Sunday night. All who believe in sobriety and are willing to help form an organization against the liquor interests and prevent the return of the traffic, and all the evils that accompany it, are urged to attend this service and become a charter member.

MRS. FREEZE' FATHER DIES

Funeral services were held for J. S. Williams, of Fairview, who died at his home Tuesday morning, at Tweed's chapel, at two-thirty o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Williams, who was eighty three years old, was a well known farmer of Fairview community, in Buncombe county. He was a member of the Methodist church, and a Mason. Beside his widow, he is survived by three sons, Furrman, of Canadian, Texas, Vance, of Marion, and Carl, of Fairview; five daughters, Mrs. J. E. Freeze of Sylva, Miss Esmeralda Williams, of Los Angeles, California, and Mrs. R. A. Patillo, Mrs. C. A. Buckner, and Mrs. B. W. Carpenter, of Fairview, and six grand children.

Mrs. Freeze has been spending much of her time with her father during his last illness.