

Next Session Of Congress Faced By Difficult Task

Washington, Dec. 13.—The program for the next session of Congress, according to those who have had the most careful study of the situation, will be mainly one of patching up the rough edges and filling in the gaps in the President's program which was enacted in the last Congress.

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TODAY and TOMORROW

LIBERTY . . . in new hands

A good man years ago a colored man who served as doorman in a popular New York store, and whose courtesy and unflinching smile made him popular with all the customers, told me that he had taken a Federal examination for the position of elevator operator.

A little later I saw him and asked him about that Government job. "They don't appointed me to go 'way out West'," he said, "and I can't do that, nohow. So I turned the job down."

"Whereabouts out West did they want you to go?" I asked.

"Fort Wood, wherever that is," he replied. He was chagrined when I told him that Fort Wood was the official name of Bedloe's Island, in New York Harbor, on which stands the gigantic statue of Liberty!

What reminded me of the incident was the announcement a little while ago that Liberty has been taken out of the custody of the Army and put under the care of the Department of the Interior. It is a part of the economy plans of the Government. Washington thinks the Army is rather extravagant.

HOUSES . . . another room

"One more room for every family in the United States with an income under \$2,000 a year," is the slogan suggested by Professor O. M. W. Sprague, as a means of stimulating the lumber business.

I agree with Professor Sprague that there are plenty of houses for people who have incomes above \$5,000 a year, but not enough or not good enough houses for people who have to live on a lower scale.

To carry out such a project will mean more economical methods of building, but I have been surprised to discover how many great business organizations are at work on ways to solve the problem of cheap, attractive and durable homes.

I expect to see the day when a completely modern five-room or six room house, with land enough for gardening can be bought in the vicinity of any big city for \$4,000 or less.

SILVER . . . gold's partner

This is probably the last time I shall refer to silver in this column. Two and one half years ago, I predicted that silver would come back to its former monetary status and rise from the then price of around 26 cents an ounce to somewhere near its average price for the past forty years, of around 60 cents an ounce.

A little group of which I am a member has been studying the silver question for three years, and passing our conclusions on to men in a position to do something about it. Today wherever the subject of international monetary situation is publicly discussed, almost everyone who is regarded as an authority includes the rehabilitation of silver as part of the program of recovery.

I think the case for silver has been won, and that the white metal has at last been lifted from the political degradation into which it was cast by the defeat of Bryan, to its proper place as a partner with gold in the thinking of economists and the monetary systems of the world.

LOTTERY . . . the idea grows

The French Government lottery is making poor men rich and pulling millions painlessly from the pockets of millions for the Treasury. Iceland is about to set up a State lottery. In Italy last year I saw vendors, mostly women, on almost every corner selling lottery tickets. In Cuba, Mexico, most of the Latin countries, lotteries are established means of raising revenue.

The proposal has been made by men who are to be taken seriously, to establish a modified form of lottery under Government auspices in this country. Frank A. Vanderlin, famous banker, suggests a scheme whereby there would be no losers, but the winners, instead of cash would get Government bonds.

I don't imagine public sentiment in America would approve of anything which savored of taking chances; yet the people of this country are more

Bossing Liquor Traffic



Joseph H. Choate, of New York, chairman of the government's Alcohol Control Administration, is now one of Uncle Sam's busiest executives. He was appointed by President Roosevelt.

UNION MEETING WILL BE AT BARKERS CREEK

The Union Meeting of the Tuckasee Baptist Association will be held with the Barker's Creek Baptist church, December 29 to 31. The program follows:

- Friday Morning**
 - 10:30 Devotional, Rev. R. W. Green
 - 11:00 Introductory Sermon, Rev. A. C. Bryson or his alternate, Rev. G. C. Snyder
 - 12:00 Dinner
 - 1:00 Devotional and Business, Rev. Thad Jamison
 - General Theme: "Baptists' Doctrines and Methods."
 - 1:30 "Faith," Rev. Dave Dean
 - 1:50 "Repentance," Rev. W. W. Parker
 - 2:10 "Regeneration," Rev. Floyd Womack
 - 2:30 "Baptism," Rev. Troy Rogers
 - 2:50 "The Lord's Supper," Rev. M. L. Hooper
 - 3:10 "Distinctive Doctrines of Missionary Baptists," Rev. R. L. Cook
 - 3:30 Announcements and Adjournment
- Saturday Morning**
 - 9:30 Devotional, Rev. Joe Bishop
 - 9:45 Business and miscellaneous
 - 10:00 "Getting Acquainted With Our Baptist Machinery," Rev. I. K. Stafford
 - 10:30 "Merits of the Co-Operative Program," Rev. W. C. Reed
 - 11:00 "Merits of the Every Member Canvass," Rev. W. N. Cook
 - 11:30 Dinner
 - 12:00 Devotional, Rev. C. C. Queen
 - 1:00 "Baptists and Education—Past and Present," Rev. J. E. Brown
 - 1:45 "The Place of Missions in the Baptist Program," Rev. J. M. Tucker
 - 2:15 "Woman's Place in Baptist Program," Mrs. W. N. Cook
 - 2:45 "Young People in the Baptist Program," Miss Mildred Cowan
 - 3:15 "How to Secure a Larger Cooperation Among our Churches," Rev. T. F. Deitz
 - 3:45 Miscellaneous and adjournment
- Sunday Morning**
 - 10:00 Sunday School
 - 11:00 Sermon—To be arranged

MUSIC . . . its appeal

There is only one universal language and that is music. Music does not need to be translated. Even though the words are unfamiliar, anybody with musical perceptions can enjoy a song in a foreign language, if it is well sung and the tune is appealing. I went to a concert in New York the other night where one young woman, Winifred Cecil, held a large audience entranced for nearly two hours singing songs in Italian and German. We didn't care what the words meant; it was the beauty of the music and its perfect rendition by the singer that enthralled us.

To me the finest service the radio can render is its power to bring the best music into every home. I am a typical middle-class American, and I know that in my home we "tune out" most of the so-called "news" and much of the third-rate vaudeville that comes over the radio and tune in whenever a really good singer or orchestra is on the air. I think there are millions like us.

Journal Presents Gravure Section

The Journal offers its new feature the Photogravure Section, which will be a regular feature, once a month, during 1934. We believe that it will prove to be popular with the public, and that it will prove interesting and valuable to our readers.

The large photograph of the President of the United States, on the front page of the section, this week, is alone worth the price of a year's subscription to The Journal, to any American.

Readers can fill away the section, each month, and will soon have hand some pictures of our prominent people. The Journal would like to hear comments from its readers, giving us their reaction to the feature, which is one that is carried by only the largest dailies, and the best weeklies in the United States.

NO EXTENSION ON AUTO TAGS

Sergeant G. L. Burnette, of the State Highway Patrol, has requested us to state that he Dept. of Revenue has instructed him to the effect that there will be no extension of time on the purchases of automobile license tags, this year, and that persons operating cars under 1933 licenses will be subject to arrest on and after January 1.

Many people have asked the Journal about the bill to reduce the price of license tags. Such a bill, material by reducing the price, especially on the lighter cars, was passed by the House of Representatives, but was voted down in the Senate, and thus failed to become law.

QUALLA

Those who attended the stewards' meeting at the Methodist church, Sunday afternoon were Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Clay, Mrs. Verna Nichols, and Miss Thelma Moody, Messrs S. E. Varner, T. T. Varner, R. S. Moody, James Redmond, and Geo. Redmond, of Whittier, and M. L. A. Higgs, of Olivet.

Rev. L. H. Higgs of Barker's Creek preached at Qualla Sunday morning and visited his mother, Mrs. Hannah Higgs at Olivet, Sunday afternoon.

On Thursday, the son, Charles Edward, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Battle.

Mr. C. P. Shelton, Mrs. J. L. Hyatt, and Miss Annie Lizzie will attend the funeral of Mr. C. H. Kitchen, at Beta, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. H. Hughes who has been seriously ill for the past week is improving.

Mrs. McClure and daughter, Miss Savannah McClure, of Brasstown, N. C., are visiting Mrs. Luther Hoyle.

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Mrs. Rufus Johnson and children of Ela spent Sunday afternoon at Mr. D. M. Shuler's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Martin, of Bryson City visited at Mr. D. J. Worley's. A party consisting of forty members of the Baptist churches at Whittier, founded Rev. J. I. Hyatt, Friday evening. Mr. Hyatt is pastor of the Baptist church at Whittier.

Mrs. Eunice Hickey of Cleveland, Tenn., and Mrs. Charles Conner of Smokemont, spent the week end with relatives.

Mr. Dixon Hyatt is improving after a serious illness.

Trade In Sylva Reported To Be Best In Five Years

40 YEARS AGO

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Mr. Lee Hooper was visiting friends here, today.

Mrs. S. A. Stedman, came up from Bryson City, returning the same day.

Mrs. J. R. Keen, of Thomasville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Neil Buchanan.

Dr. C. E. Hilliard, of Asheville, spent Sunday night here, the guest of Dr. J. H. Wolff.

Mr. J. H. Rhea has returned from Florida. He has been quite sick since he returned.

Lenoir Allen went to Alexander Monday, where he has accepted a position in the depot.

Mr. H. H. Painter, of Asheville, spent a few days here last week with his father's family.

Rev. A. B. Thomas filled his appointment here, Saturday and Sunday and expects to attend the Union meeting at Dillsboro.

Extract from letter from Gen. E. R. Hampton: Last month on Saturday of the first week of the term of United States court at Asheville, I came from Asheville on the train on which a hundred or so of the Federal court crowd were returning home. It can be adequately described only by calling it a riot on wheels, from the time the train left the Asheville depot until I left it at Sylva, and the riot was in a fair way to continue till it got to Murphy. Drinking, cursing, black guarding, pistol shooting and almost everything savage, degrading and inhuman were indulged in, and the conductor and train crew were utterly powerless to enforce order or protect decent passengers from the offensive and indecent conduct of the mob. It could only be looked upon as a burning disgrace to the boasted civilization of the nineteenth century, to think that such a thing could really exist in this country. Ladies were actually cooped up in the express car to avoid contact with the open and daring indecencies of the terrible mob.

BAPTIST YEARLY ENROLLMENT

The Sylva Baptist church will hold its annual Enrollment Campaign next Sunday afternoon, December 17. Every member of the church is urged to remain at home between the hours of three and five o'clock in the afternoon, so that the canvassers may complete the enrollment in one afternoon.

The budget for 1934 will be presented to the church in conference on Sunday morning. Every member is urged to be present at the service and conference, and receive the information regarding the church finances for the coming year.

MICA HAS LETTERS

James R. Chastain, of Sylva, who has spent most of his life working in mica, found a couple of pieces, the other day, which contained lettering and figures. On one was plainly seen the capital letters "JR". The other with undecipherable figures and hieroglyphics, and the three figures "111". J. R. happens to be Mr. Chastain's initials.

SUTTON HEADS LOCAL MASONS

R. U. Sutton was elected Worshipful Master of Unaka Lodge, A. F. and A. M., at the annual election, on Monday evening. S. C. Cogdill was elected Senior Warden, H. G. Bird, Junior Warden, M. D. Cowan, Treasurer, and Raymond Glenn, Secretary.

Installation of these and the other officers to be appointed by Mr. Sutton, will be held on December 20.

Mr. Jeff Nelson, assistant grand lecturer, will be with the Lodge all next week.

OPENS NEW CAFE

Mrs. Floyd Askey has just opened an attractive eating place, in the legal building, in the rooms formerly occupied by the Union Bus Station.

Merchants in Sylva report that the holiday trade, so far, is the best that they have had in years, and that prospects are that Saturday and next week will be record-breaking for the five year period. The general improvement in business conditions is held to be partly responsible for the increase.

The Sylva shops are well-stocked with an especially good array of merchandise for the holiday trade, and are attractively decorated for the Yuletide season.

That many remarkably low-priced articles, suitable for Christmas giving, are to be found in Sylva, has been frequently remarked during the week; and more and more the people of this trade territory are realizing the splendid advantages Sylva offers as a shopping center.

The range of selections is wide, and the prices are reasonable. The wish-shoppers who come to Sylva to do their trading are saving money, not only on their purchases, but also on transportation to larger towns.

As the Christmas buying season gains momentum during the remaining eight days, it is expected that the shops will be thronged with wise shoppers, who believe in buying at home, where they can find what they want, and can save money on what they buy.

Many Jackson County people, and those from adjoining counties, make up their Christmas list, read through the advertisements in The Journal, knowing that the best merchants are Journal advertisers, and then come list in hand to Sylva, and seek out the stores, whose advertisements they have seen in The Journal.

A list of the retail places in Sylva, that is inside the corporate limits, and exclusive of filling stations and restaurants, includes: Raymond Glenn, Jeweler, Sylva Pharmacy, Medford Furniture Company, Hooper's Drug Store, Sylva Furniture Company, Sylva Supply Company, Stovall's Fruit Store, The Leader, Jackson Hardware Company, Clouse and Warren, The Radio Shop, Senimaur's Department Store, Hale's, Stovall's 5 and 10 Cent Store, Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co., Karp's Department Store, The Paris, Massie Furniture Co., C. C. Cagle and Son, Jones Motor Company, J. A. Parris, Jeweler, Jackson Chevrolet Company, Cannon Brothers, Monteith's, J. T. Cunningham's, W. M. Jamison's, C. W. Hensley's, R. E. McNeely and Son, Builders' Supply and Lumber Company, Sylva Coal and Lumber Company, J. B. Ensley, Sylva Grocery Company, Cogdill Motor Company, R. E. Dills.

THE ROTARY WHEEL

Rotary meeting Tuesday evening proved to be an actual howling success. The program, a debate on whether the world was becoming better or gradually going to the bow-wows, was very well prepared and delivered with an enthusiasm which brought howls of laughter from those gathered around the Rotary table. The optimistic point of view was upheld by Jack Walters and Charley Poindexter who took advantage of the time allotted them by bringing up every possible improvement they could get in.

Charley couldn't even stop to catch his breath, so great was the content of his argument. They were opposed by the long faced, grim looking pessimists, Doc Chapman and Tom Wolff, who told their tales of woe in dejected and discouraged tones. E. L. McKee made the remark that even though Doc Chapman had not opened his mouth in defense of his pessimistic opinion, he would have won the debate on the way he looked.

We are pleased to hear that our neighboring town, Bryson City, has formed a Rotary club and we wish them great success. Their club is meeting at the present time at the Freeman house on Thursday evening. This will give the members of Sylva Rotary a chance to make up any meeting which they are unable to attend here.

MRS. EUGENE SHARP PASSES

Mrs. Eugene Sharp, whose family lives on Fisher Creek, died, Monday, in a Franklin hospital, where she was taken, on Sunday.

The funeral and interment were at the Dills cemetery on Fisher Creek. Mrs. Sharp is survived by her husband, a week old baby, several other children and other relatives.