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11.50 YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY
 \$2.00 YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

DROUGHT IN WEST MAKES SHORTAGE OF WHEAT, CORN

Washington, May 23.—Curiously enough, the most interesting political event under discussion in Washington at this writing is nothing that the Administration or Congress or anyone else had anything to do with. It is the drought in the wheat and corn belts.

The drought is political in its effects, because it has apparently done what the Administration has been attempting to do by political methods; that is, to reduce the supply of grain to avert a surplus and raise the price. Instead of operating through political machinery of the AAA, Nature took a hand and brought about a crop shortage by the old reliable short-cut method. Physical evidence of the drought was brought to President Roosevelt by the air route. The dust storm which darkened the sun on the Atlantic Coast, with grains of grit from North Dakota and the rest of the prairie states forming a cloud over the East, left plenty of dirt on the roof and porticoes of the White House itself.

There are two ways of looking at this dust cloud and what it may signify politically. To one group of political thinkers it is the "cloud no bigger than a man's hand," such as Elijah saw of old. To those so minded, it signifies the beginning of the end of the Agricultural Administration program. To be sure, the wish is doubtless in great measure the father of the thought, but those who do not like the principle of the AAA as a means of their political enemies. Many of them think it was a program wished on him by enthusiasts. These people believe that the President now, after a year in office and experience with every known variety of planners, schemers and meddlers, to say nothing of the trickery, chicanery and skulduggery of national politics as it is played here, is not so inclined to listen to uplifters or nation-savers or other folk who have sure-fire remedies for all that ails us.

The folk who talk that way are perfectly willing to agree that the United States was producing much more wheat and corn than we could find a market for in the present restricted state of world commerce. They are in agreement in principle with the theorem that marginal lands ought to be taken out of cultivation, so as to reduce the annual surplus to reasonable bounds. And they are all glad to see a chance for the farmer to get more for his product. They just don't like some of the means adopted by the AAA to bring those desirable ends about.

COMPROMISE EFFECTED IN HIT AND RUN CASE

A compromise was effected in superior court, Tuesday, in the case in which Frank Cline, Bob Cabe, Ed. Patterson and Chas. Randall, all of Swain county, were indicted on charges of assault with a deadly weapon, reckless driving, and driving an automobile while intoxicated. The incident occurred one Sunday last fall, when two young men, Hensley and Cunningham, were struck down by an automobile, in Dillsboro, as they were walking along the street over which Highway 10 traverses. The car sped away, and officers captured all four men during the day, after a lively chase.

Hensley and Cunningham sustained such serious injuries that they remained in the Community hospital here 71 days and 90 days, respectively. The hospital and doctor's bills amounted to \$746.

Patterson is said to have been the owner and one of the occupants of the automobile, and Bob Cabe to have been driving it at the time the two young men were struck down. Cline and Randall are alleged to have been the other two occupants of the car.

The solicitor, after consultation with private prosecution, stated that he would recommend that they be allowed to enter pleas of guilty of assault with a deadly weapon, and suspension of judgment upon payment of the costs. It was stated that Patterson had agreed to pay Hensley and Cunningham \$200 in cash and execute notes of \$300 more; and that Cabe agreed to pay the two injured men \$300 at the rate of \$10 a month, and Cline and Randall to pay them \$50 each. Judge Alley continued the prayer for judgment as to Cabe, Cline and Randall, and ordered Patterson discharged, since he had met all stipulations of the agreement, and paid his part of the costs at this term.

W. M. U. TO MEET AT BETA

The annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Union of the Tussock Baptist Association will be held at Scott's Creek church, at Beta on May 31.

The program will be as follows:
 10 A. M., Hymn, All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name.
 Devotional, Scripture Psalms 139.
 Prayer, Lord Teach us to Pray, Mrs. J. W. Crawford.
 Repeat in unison 1934 Watchword
 10:30, Roll call of churches—Brief reports.
 11:00, Prayer and Personal Service, Mrs. C. L. Allison.
 11:20, Prayer and Mission Study, Mrs. T. C. Bryson.
 11:30 Superintendent's Report
 Prayer for advancement of the word in this Association.
 11:45 Plans for United Prayer; Special Prayer Groups; Calendar of Prayer, Mrs. H. M. Pressley.
 12:00 Appointment of Committees; Announcements.
 12:30, Sermon, Rev. J. E. Brown.
 1:00, Lunch.
 2:00 P. M., Hymn, Devotional, Scripture, Psa. 40, Mrs. J. V. Hall.
 2:20 Knowledge Stimulates Prayer; Our Literature; Biblical Recorder, Mrs. E. H. Stillwell.
 2:30, Pray for our Young People; Report of Young People's Leader.
 2:45, Prayer of Thanksgiving for Cheer brought by Heek Memorial, through the year.
 3:00, A. Steward Always, Training our Young People in Stewardship Giving, Mrs. John R. Jones.
 3:15, Talk, Mrs. Edna Harris, Corresponding Secretary.
 3:30, Report of Committees.
 4:00, Adjourn
 Mrs. W. N. Cook, Supt.

SOLICITOR REPORTS

Solicitor John M. Queen, this week, made the following report to Judge Felix E. Alley, holding the May term of the superior court:
 "In compliance with Section 934 of the Code of 1927, the undersigned Solicitor of the Twentieth Judicial District of North Carolina begs leave to report to the Court as follows:
 That he has inspected the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Jackson County, as required by Statute and finds the records, as far as he is able to see, kept in an efficient and regular manner and begs to report to the Court, that, as far as he has been able to investigate and see, the office and records are well kept and that the Clerk is performing his duties as required.
 John M. Queen, Solicitor.
 Judge Alley approved the report and ordered it recorded.

LYSON GETS 18 MONTHS

Roy Bryson, operator of a luncheon room on Highway No. 10, between Sylva and Beta, was sentenced to serve 18 months on the roads for violations of the prohibition laws, in superior court, this week. Judge Alley, in addition to the 18 months sentence, which is to start at once, imposed another for 6 years, to go into effect at any time within five years, on motion of the solicitor that Bryson has violated any of the laws of the State.

MASHBURN GETS 1 YEAR

Theodore Mashburn, Sylva youth, was sentenced by Judge Alley to serve one year's time on the roads, after pleading guilty to striking a Negro girl with an automobile, and proceeding to Asheville without stopping. On a charge of reckless driving, he was sentenced to serve five days, making a total of one year and five days. The young man, who is well known, has a great many friends, and is generally liked here, stated that the reason he did not stop was because he was frightened. In passing sentence, Judge Alley stated that he felt sorry for the young man and his family, his father being a good citizen of Sylva, but that the statute is mandatory, and that he had tempered the sentence with about 98 per cent mercy.

Other cases disposed of are:

- Julius E. Lyda, reckless driving, continued. Lyda is said to have been the driver of an automobile that hit a little school girl, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred McCoy, a few weeks ago, on Highway No. 10, in front of the residence of Dan Tompkins, causing the loss of one of her lower limbs.
- Earl Pressley and Fred McCoy, affray. A verdict of not guilty as to McCoy; and judgment suspended on payment of the cost, as to Pressley, who plead guilty.
- Rad Hooper, larceny, continued.
- R. C. Coggin, abduction, continued.
- A. B. Conrad, assault with a deadly weapon, not pros.
- J. Crump and Julia Crump, assault with a deadly weapon, not pros.
- Jim Woodring, assault, \$10 and the costs, confirming the judgment of the justice of the peace, from which he had appealed.
- Troy Gaddy, called and failed at last term, on a bill of costs, judgment of a previous term of court, of a road sentence, suspended on payment of the costs and good behavior, ordered into effect.

QUALLA

Rev. C. W. Clay preached Sunday afternoon on the love, privilege and responsibility of motherhood. He was supper guest at Mr. Homer Turp's, enroute to his appointment at Whit-
 Mr. Neal Stepp, of Ela, preached at the Baptist church, Sunday morning.
 Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Bridges and Mrs. Minnie Coble of Waynesville, called on Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Sunday.
 Mrs. J. E. Battle, Miss Mary Battle, Miss Ruth and Belle Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Styles and Miss Lenora Nicholson spent the week end on Round Knob in the Smoky Park.
 Mrs. Asenith Shook, of Samook, is visiting at Messrs. W. H. and D. L. Goner's.
 Misses Violet Dillard and Harriett Phoenix of Cullowhee and Messrs. Frank Fisher and Earl Reed of Beta called on Miss Annie Lizzie Terrell, Saturday.
 Miss Geneva Turpin visited in Bryson City, last week.
 Misses Nell McLaughlin, Janie Reagan and Ethel Hayes were guests of Miss Mary Emma Ferguson.
 Mr. and Mrs. York Howell spent Sunday with Mrs. W. J. Turpin.
 Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Oxner, Mrs. Wayne Rhinehart and Mrs. Troy Gunter visited at Mr. John Ward's, Sunday.
 Mr. Oscar Martin, of Bryson City, visited his mother, Mrs. J. C. Johnson.
 Mr. Lloyd Bryson of Sylva was a Qualla visitor, Sunday.
 Mrs. A. D. Raby of Etowah, Tenn., and Mrs. Glenn Staleup were guests at Mr. H. G. Ferguson's.
 Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Freeman were guests at Mr. R. Matthews' Sunday.
 Mr. Carl Hoyle of Cherokee called on home folks, Sunday.
 Rev. C. W. Clay visited at Mr. C. M. Martin's.
 Madames Birnie Turpin and Jessie Cordell visited Mrs. Hannah Higgs at Olivet.
 Mrs. D. C. Hughes and children spent the week end at Mr. J. E. Battle's.
 Mrs. A. J. Freeman of Bryson City, visited her mother, Mrs. E. S. Keener, who has been in declining health for several weeks.
 Miss Hester Owen spent the week end with Mrs. C. M. Martin.
 Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, of Hendersonville visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hastings Springer.
 Mr. D. C. Hughes made a business trip to Sylva.
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Battle visited relatives on Cataloochee, last week.
 Mrs. Lawrence Cordell visited Mrs. Hanes Reagan.

HYMAN SUTTON HELD IN MACON AUTO DEATH

Hyman Sutton of Sylva was placed under arrest in Macon county and was ordered old on \$1000 bond, following the death of Robert Shields, 47, Macon county C. C. worker, who was struck down on Highway 285, this afternoon, by an automobile said to have been driven by Sutton. Shields' said to have just alighted from a truck and apparently did not see the automobile. He is survived by an invalid widow and five children.

COTTER IS GRAND JURY HEAD

J. Robert Cotter, of Cullowhee, was appointed foreman of the Grand Jury for the present term of Superior Court, by Judge Alley, at the opening session of the court, Monday morning. Other member of the grand jury are: Calvin Wilson, W. T. Rigdon, E. S. Blankenship, J. N. Cowan, J. T. Smith, P. C. Buchanan, J. A. Geisler, C. W. Parker, J. Allen Adams, Will Freeman, W. H. Moody, Lou Revis, H. P. Cathy, Lon A. Sutton, J. G. Parker, W. A. Taylor, T. W. McLaughlin.

TODAY and TOMORROW

POPULARITY . . . like waves

Popularity is a curious thing. Few people can predict in advance whether a man is going to be popular with the great mass of the public or not. But once let his popularity get established and he can do no wrong for a while.

MELLON . . . his wealth

I hold no brief for Mr. Mellon. I never thought he was "the greatest Secretary of the Treasury since Alexander Hamilton". On the contrary. I think that is a post for a statesman and not a banker, and Mr. Mellon is essentially a banker, who brought a banker's point of view to his job. No man I am in position to know whether Mr. Mellon earned all his money by methods which I would approve.

But whether Mr. Mellon is a great man or not, whether he is a man of honor or not, it is poor reasoning to imagine that he is not a careful man. Therefore, it was poor judgment for the Treasury Department to believe that he had left any proof lying around that he had defrauded the Government out of some millions in income taxes.

POLITICS . . . today's situation

There is only one national political party in the United States. There is not likely to be another one unless the young voters organize it. They cannot organize it unless they carry first agree upon a groundwork of principles. Mere opposition never got any party anywhere.

All that the old leaders of the Republican party have to offer so far is opposition to everything the Democrats do, and a desire to retain their hold upon the party machinery. I am not at all sure that any good end can be gained by trying to reorganize the party. It looks to me as if the situation is parallel to that in 1856 when a group of young men with principles met under a tree and organized the Republican party. They didn't get anywhere that year, but they elected Lincoln four years later.

ABT . . . and utility

To me there is something encouraging as well as something rather disheartening in the revival of interest in home-made furniture, fabrics and kitchen pots. All over the country little shops and groups are turning out hand-made articles which are being sold in the city shops at fancy prices, and offered under the plea of patriotism as well as because they are hand-made.

There is no merit whatever attaching to the fact that anything was made by hand, unless it is more beautiful, more durable, or less expensive than similar object made by machinery, it is not worth any more. Some of the furniture I have seen is distinctly beautiful, most of it is decidedly ugly. And my observation of house-wives is that they would rather clean a smooth, machine-made kettle than one of hand-hammered copper, all full of dents for the dirt to stick in.

DOUGLAS . . . a sapable man

We don't hear as much about Lew Douglas, as we did. He doesn't care much about personal publicity. But the Director of the Budget is sticking to his job in Washington and making good at it.

It's a tough job. The man who holds it has to be the buffer between all of the folks who would like to spend money and the few who really want to run the Government economically. He has to be the "goat" upon whom the President and the Secretary of the Treasury can lay the blame when politicians complain that they are not being given a large enough slice of the public funds for their pet projects.

Low Douglas served in Congress long enough to know how to handle politicians. He knows Government finances as few others ever knew them. And he ought to be given a slice of the credit for the fact that the Administration has kept its promise to keep the Federal expenditures for the rest of the present fiscal year and the estimate for the year that begins next July 1, within the limits of probable tax income.

S. W. ENSLEY ILL

Friends of Mr. S. W. Ensley will regret to learn that he continues quite ill at his home at Beta.

Mrs. Jim Parker, Mrs. Kirg Cooper and Mrs. Irene Wright spent Sunday at Mr. Mack Clements'.
 Miss Geneva Turpin was a guest of Miss Gertrude Ferguson.

YES, WE ARE SOME LATE

Yes, your paper is days late getting to you. We know it, and regret it; but last week was Hard Luck week in the Journal shop.

On Tuesday, just as we were beginning to set up the type for the paper, a couple of heating elements on our typesetting machine burned out. This completely paralyzed the whole shop; and there were no elements to be found this side of Brooklyn. By the time we got them from here and installed, it was Saturday night.

By the way, it costs us between \$50 and \$60 to get the damage replaced; and this, to a newspaper operating on a close margin, is a major disaster. We are asking our subscribers to come to the rescue, by sending in \$1 for one year's subscription, right now and thus help us over the hurdle. Whether your subscription has expired, is about to expire, or has several months to run, the \$1 for another year would be greatly appreciated, right now.

LABOR AND VETERANS ENDORSE ZEB WEAVER

Asheville, May 24.—National headquarters of two large labor groups have endorsed Congressman Zebulon Weaver of the 11th North Carolina District to succeed himself to Congress, it was learned yesterday in communications from Washington.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engine Men endorsed Mr. Weaver recently and the endorsement appears in the current issue of the Brotherhood's national magazine.

The Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks also endorsed the candidacy of Mr. Weaver, according to recent communications.

The National Legislative representatives of both labor groups made the endorsement after thorough study of Mr. Weaver's record in Congress, it was reported.

Recently Congressman Weaver voted favorably for the passage of the McSweeney Bill to abolish payless furloughs for Federal employees. This measure is now pending in the Senate.

Congressman Weaver has been actively engaged in attempts to secure passage of the MeLeod Bill to pay depositors whose money was lost when the banks were closed. Advocates in Congress for the measure, which if passed would pay off depositors whose money was lost in these closed banks, are making frantic efforts to get favorable action on the measure during the present session of Congress.

The measure, if passed, would pay depositors in full up to an amount of \$2,500, with a graduating percentage paid on money in excess of \$2,500, according to the provisions of the MeLeod measure. Funds would be paid through the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. The bill was proposed to bring financial relief to the smaller depositors, primarily.

Millions of dollars will be paid thousands of depositors in Western North Carolina if the bill is enacted into law, it is estimated.

Recently the North Carolina Department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars endorsed Mr. Weaver's candidacy, referring to him as a "friend of the war veterans". State Commander A. W. Hamilton praised Mr. Weaver in a speech last week in Wilmington to a large group of war veterans.

Mr. Weaver's interest in the problems of labor dates back to 1912. In that year the Central Labor Union in Asheville wanted a man to go to the North Carolina Legislature for the purpose of introducing and piloting through that body, a Child Labor law. The State Federation of Labor had reported to the local group that in no other city in the State could a man be found to undertake the important task.

In looking about for the proper man to send to the Legislature, Asheville Labor officials looked to Mr. Weaver, conferred with him about his views in general, asked him to be a candidate, which he accepted, and was elected. In that session of the Legislature, the Weaver Child Labor Bill was introduced. It was not passed that year, however, and in 1914 Mr. Weaver was sent back to Raleigh this time as a member of the State Senate. In the upper house, Mr. Weaver piloted the bill through that body, and the Weaver Child Labor Bill became a law. This year, the National Child Labor law was passed. In 1916, disappointed in the Representative to Congress from this District, the people nominated and elected Mr. Weaver to Congress. He served with unbroken and ever-increasing

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