

The Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

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\$2.00 YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

PROSPERITY GAINS STEADILY IN EUROPE DISPATCH REPORTS

Washington, July 11.—A piece of news which the cables carried yesterday is causing more mental perturbation in Administration circles than even the unpaid war debts. That is the statement officially made that in Great Britain unemployment has been reduced to the point where it was five years ago. Recovery, according to the cables, began in Europe early in 1932 and has continued without serious interruption since. Whether it had not already started in America at the same time, and whether it might not have progressed as rapidly here as there if there had been no experimental efforts to stimulate it, is what is worrying some of the President's advisers.

Not that they admit there is anything to the idea, but they are terribly afraid that the Republican will pick up the theory that the New Deal has hampered, instead of stimulated economic recovery, and adduce so many facts in support of it as to make a convincing campaign argument out of it. And nobody in Washington forgets for a minute that this is a campaign year.

In all fairness, it ought to be made clear that unless the Republicans do find some definite, positive cause between now and the beginning of the Congressional campaigns in September, they haven't any chance at all of capturing the lower house of Congress or the Senate. Their chance of an opposition majority is slight at best; but if the only campaign arguments they are able to put forward are the stale pleas of the "outs" to get back "in," based upon nothing constructive but merely upon dislike of the New Deal program, then they will capture mighty few seats in either house.

It would not be a novelty if they did even gain control of Congress. That has happened more than once in our political history—but never when there was as good a politician and popular personality as Mr. Roosevelt in the White House.

In 1890, for example, the greatest opposition landslide in our history occurred. Benjamin Harrison had been elected President in 1888, with a strong working majority in both houses of Congress behind him. But in 1890 the combined Democrats and Populists captured 85 Republican seats in the House of Representatives.

In 1910 President Taft had a Republican Congress, elected with him in 1908, turn sour on his hands and go Democratic. In Woodrow Wilson's second term, the Congress elected in 1918 was dominated by the Republican opposition. But in these and all the other instances of a mid-term upset in the complexion of Congress there was a definite issue before the people upon which they were thoroughly aroused. No such issue has as yet shaped itself. So while the President's friends concede that they will probably lose some seats, they are not greatly scared of losing control of Congress. They have a feeling which many old political observers with Republican leanings share, that there is not, at the present moment, enough political acumen and smart leadership in the Republican party to do much damage.

There is, however, a good deal of money on the Republican side. Campaign funds are going to count heavily this year in most districts. Here, again, the feeding in Washington is that the distribution of immense sums of Government money in various forms of welfare activity, such as the PWA, CWA, CCC, FERA, and the farm benefits and bonuses will go a long way to make voters friendly to the Administration, and presumably to the Democratic party.

Doubtless all the beneficiaries of Federal spending are grateful to Mr. Roosevelt—but Mr. Roosevelt is not counting for re-election this year. If Congress has to face the voters and mingled with the feeling that Congress has been nothing more than a rubber stamp which the President used to make his personal actions legal and Constitutional, is a good deal of dissatisfaction in many agricultural sections over the way some of the recovery projects have worked out.

Farm prices in general have gone up, but prices of goods the farmers have to buy have gone up farther and faster. The NRA has done a

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Young Democrats To Meet Saturday

There will be a meeting of the Young Peoples' Democratic Democratic Club of Jackson County in the Court House Saturday, July 14th, at 8:00 P. M., for the purpose of electing new officers and delegates to the State Convention. All Democrats are invited to attend.

SHOVEL NEARS DOME

The lead shovel in the grading of the sky line highway across the crest of the Great Smokies from Indian Gap to Deal's Gap, is now nearing Clingman's Dome, the second highest elevation east of the Mississippi, and the highest point in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

The highway will proceed on to Deals Gap from Clingman's Dome. Within 300 feet of the summit of the Dome, parking space sufficient for 300 automobiles will be arranged.

40 YEARS AGO

Tuckaseige Democrat, July 4, 1894

Mr. G. M. Cole, of Cashiers Valley is here today.

Miss Marie Transon, of Platttown, is visiting Mrs. J. H. Wolff.

Miss Pauline Morris returned from a trip to Asheville, Monday.

Mr. W. R. Stedman is visiting his mother, Mrs. S. A. Stedman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. House are visiting Mrs. House's parents, in Transylvania county.

Miss Ella Robinson, who has been visiting Mrs. J. W. House for some time, returned to her home in Transylvania, Friday.

Waynesville beat our boys in two games of ball on Thursday and Friday. The Courier says our boys play well, though.

Mrs. R. M. Davis and Master Roy arrived from Saluda Friday, and will spend some time here visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. W. Divilbiss and children went to Biltmore Thursday, and returned Monday with Mr. Divilbiss, he having gone over Saturday.

The attention of those desiring positions as teachers of the public schools in this county is directed to the County Superintendent's notice for the examination.

Mr. W. M. Hoffman returned from New York, Mr. S. A. Jones from Florida, and Mr. Templin, of California, came with him and are prospecting for mineral.

Mr. F. H. Leatherwood came in Saturday from a trip east. He was accompanied by Miss Mattie Collins, of Clyde, who went over to Webster to visit her grandmother, Mrs. M. M. McKee.

Mr. J. F. Enloe and wife returned last Wednesday, from their bridal trip. They were accompanied by Mr. Thompson Knight, of Hall's, a brother of Mrs. Enloe and his bride, nee Miss Edwards, a daughter of the Old Dominion.

Our community is under obligations to the young ladies who conceived the idea of the Musical contest, for having arranged so elaborate a program for collecting together such an array of musical talent. Waynesville was represented by the Misses Marie Love and Corrie Davis, Highlands by Miss Olive White, Dillsboro by Mrs. C. F. Buffum and Miss Florence Enloe, Franklin by Mr. W. R. Johnston, Bryson City by Mr. Jno. H. Everett, Webster by Dr. W. F. Tompkins, while Misses Sallie and Mamie Stedman very effectively sustained the musical credit of our town. The audience was large and appreciative and an evening of rare enjoyment was spent. The difficult task of awarding the prizes was assigned to Miss A. R. Tompkins, Hon. Walter E. Moore and the editor of this paper. The committee wanted to award a prize to each participant but as there were only two prizes, one a copy of Tennyson's poems, was awarded to Miss Corrie Davis, for superiority in instrumental music and a copy of Longfellow, to Mr. W. R. Johnston, for superiority in vocal music. Every one on the program distinguished themselves in the performance of the parts assigned them while the perfect articulation of the lovely Miss Marie Love and the versatility of Mr. J. H. Everett deserve especial mention.

REVIVALS STARTING NEXT SUNDAY WILL BE COUNTY-WIDE

On Sunday, an evangelistic campaign will begin simultaneously in every Baptist church in the county, following the Union Revival services that have been in progress in Sylva for the past two weeks.

The ministers of the Tuckaseige Baptist Association have arranged a series of meetings in the county, through a committee of which Rev. W. N. Cook, of Webster, is the chairman.

The list of preachers for the services in the several Baptist churches of the county are:

Balsam: Ben Cook, A. C. Bryson, Balsam Grove; D. C. Hooper, Big Ridge; J. E. Brown, Richard Miller, Black Mountain; Floyd Wozack, Guder Bishop; Bull Creek: L. H. Crawford, J. T. Carson; Cashiers, W. M. Breedlove; Catherine's Chapel: W. T. Rogers; Cedar, John Harris, Wiley Owen; Charles Creek: J. B. Kilpatrick, M. C. Queen; Cullowhee: W. C. Reed, L. K. Stafford; Dillsboro: J. M. Woodard; Dix Creek: D. Beck; Thad Jamison; East Sylva: cooperating with Sylva; East Fork: M. A. Love, R. D. Cowan; Gossens Creek: Earnest Jamison, R. N. Deitz; Hamburg: Dr. J. C. Owen; John's Creek: A. S. Solesby; Little Savannah: Will Buchanan, Homer Buchanan, Lambertson; R. P. McCracken, V. B. Masters; Lonest Field: Joe Bishop, T. D. Watson; Lovedale: K. Allen; Moses Creek: Sterling Melton Vessie Hoxit; Mt. Pleasant: Calvin Massingale, Dave Dean; New Savannah: W. W. Parker, L. A. Caber; Och: Hill: R. E. Mayberry, Charlie Conner; Oak Ridge: Cleveland Queen; Hyatt's Chapel: G. C. Snyder, J. L. Hyatt; Scott's Creek: R. E. Randolph, T. F. Deitz; Shoal Creek: R. N. Rogers; Lucius Rogers; Sols Creek: A. C. Queen; Dock Burrell; Speedwell: P. C. Hicks, J. M. Tucker; Sylva: Dr. Luther Little; Tuckaseige: W. N. Cook, Leslie Hooper (singer); Webster: G. N. Cowan; Whitot: Andy Bishop; Wolf Creek: A. J. Manley, G. M. Parker; Zion Hill: M. L. Hooper, J. D. Sitten.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The annual Sunday School Convention of all denominations will be held in the Baptist church on next Wednesday, July 18.

Frank I. Watson is president of the county Sunday School Convention, and Guy Sutton is secretary.

DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION, JULY 21ST

On Saturday, July 21st an all day Sunday School Convention for the Smoky Mountains District, which includes the counties of Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Swain, Graham, Cherokee and Clay, will be held in the School Auditorium in Bryson City, beginning at 10 o'clock and continuing to 4 in the afternoon.

Mr. V. A. Browning, the District Superintendent, and Mr. E. R. Eller, the District Secretary state that the program has been so arranged as to be of interest to workers in all phases of Sunday school activity; and express the hope that all pastors, Sunday school superintendents, teachers and officers from every Baptist church in the district will be present.

BALSAM

Miss Mervin Smathers and Mr. John Allen Kenney were married in Clayton, Ga., July 3rd. At present they are making their home with Mr. Kenney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kenney.

Mrs. Ellen Duke of Philadelphia who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Knight left Thursday for Asheville where she will spend the summer.

Mrs. J. E. Long and little son, Cecil, of Sylva were guests of the Knights Friday.

Mrs. Eugene Ensley and daughter, Dor's of Orlando, Fla., were guests of Mrs. W. E. Ensley.

Mrs. Ethel Bryson took her son Junior, to the clinic meeting at the Orthopaedic Hospital in Gastonia Tuesday. Junior spent about eight months in this hospital a few years ago and has been improving ever since.

Mrs. Hubert Ensley and children spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McHaffey, in Hendersonville.

Misses Helen and Agnes Queen have returned from a visit with their aunt, Mrs. J. W. Cuthbertson at Almond.

Mrs. J. W. Cuthbertson and family of Almond were last week end guests of relatives.

ORPHANS TO SING HERE

The Singing Class from the Oxford Orphanage will give its annual concert in the Methodist church in Sylva, Friday evening of this week, July 13. No admission charge will be made; but there will be an offering taken for the Orphanage.

The class was to have presented the concert in Dillsboro, but the Masons there decided to hold the exercises in the Methodist church here instead. The concert here will be under auspices of Dillsboro Lodge A. F. and A. M.

Cattle From West Are Coming Here

The cattle from the drought stricken regions of the bucolic west are expected to arrive at Foster's Siding, 2000 strong, during this week, and will be held there for a few days rest and feeding before they are turned out to pasture on the pastures and ranges of the county, to be held until fall.

R. C. Hunter and D. D. Davis have charge of the distribution of the cattle, which will come from St. Louis.

Those who will receive cattle and have already signed contracts for them are: Long, Snyder Cogdill and Mills, 200 head on the Balsam range; Norton, Moody, Hooper and Davis, 200 head, on Cullowhee mountain; J. T. Moody, 20 head, River township; Claud Wike, 25 head, River; Richard Wike, 20 head, River; Bowman Bumgarner, 15 head, Cullowhee; D. D. Hooper, 50 head, Savannah; A. J. Dills, 35 head, Sylva; D. M. Hall, 35 head, Cullowhee; P. N. Price, 25 head, River; W. A. Hooper, 25 head, Cane Fork; R. B. Henson, 30 head, Willets; Amos Bryson, 35 head, Balsam; R. W. Fisher, 10 head, Beta; W. E. Johnson, 35 head, Willets; D. H. Moffitt, 25 head, River; Dan Bryson, 25 head, Beta; M. Buchanan, 150 head, Mountain.

It was stated the first of the week, that if contracts with the Blackwood Lumber Company; for the Davis and Blanchard property, and by other landowners in the county are made that there will be room for 1000 head more.

\$10,000 is set as the approximate figure that will be paid to the farmers and other land owners of the county for the use of their grazing lands.

CHURCH DEDICATION DRAWS LARGE CROWD

The dedicatory services at Wolf Mountain last Sunday attracted quite a large number of people. It was an all day occasion with the ladies of the community serving dinner. The morning service was conducted by Reverend J. M. Ormrod, a professor in the School of Religion at Duke University.

The afternoon service consisted of special music by the Vess Owen quartet followed by a brief history of the first Methodist church in the world, which was given by Dr. Paul N. Garber, director of the summer school at Lake Junaluska, and professor of church history in the School of Religion at Duke University.

The Rev. W. A. Kale, Executive Secretary of the Board of Christian Education of the Western North Carolina Conference, made a brief plea for the training of young people in the Sunday Schools and through the work of the young people's division of the churches. Mr. Kale introduced Dr. Coltrane, the new president of Brevard College, who told of the future work of the college and plead for higher education in this section of the State.

Mrs. E. L. McKee of Sylva made the final and very touching speech of the afternoon.

The Baptists called off their morning service in order to be with the Methodists on the occasion, and all went away singing and rejoicing in their hearts that God's Kingdom is a big one and there is plenty of work for all workers.

MOVIES house cleaning

There is great promise in the latest move to "clean up" the movies. The Federated Council of Churches of Christ in America, representing practically all of the Protestant denominations, has joined forces with the Council of Roman Catholic Bishops to take direct and aggressive action to safeguard the morals of the young folk who constitute the bulk of the movie audiences.

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My old friend Bernard M. Baruch has shaken off all of his business connection and will devote the rest of his life to writing his memoirs.

Meeting Is Called For Tuesday To Organize Chamber Of Commerce

MISSISSIPPI WANTS TO RETAIN PROHIBITION

For a quarter of a century Mississippi has been dry by State law. On Tuesday of this week the citizenship of that State went to the polls to vote on the question of repeal of those dry laws, and the establishment of state-controlled liquor store system. The voters said that they wanted no legal liquor in Mississippi, and smashed the attempt at State repeal.

When this was written, one third of the precincts of the State had reported, and there was an ever-increasing majority against repeal.

TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

RUBBER from gas

The discovery by the research laboratory of the Du Pont Company of a way to make a substitute for rubber out of gas is one more proof of the value of pure science. Only chemists familiar with every phase of that complex science would have dreamed of the possibility that you can heat coal and limestone and from the calcium carbide thus obtained produce acetylene gas by adding water, and then by adding salt get a new chemical, which, while not real rubber, makes just as good automobile tires as rubber does.

Natural rubber is so cheap now that it doesn't pay to use this new product. But if another war should send rubber up to \$2 a pound, as the last one did, or even an eighth of that price the United States would be independent of the South American and East Indian rubber growers.

Now almost the only things that we have to import are things we could get along without in case of war such as coffee, tea and chocolate.

PLANES and Russia

A good many people seemed surprised that Russia should be able to build an airplane carrying forty passengers. The new "Maxim Gorky" with eight engines of 7,000 horsepower is reported to be a great success. Most Americans have forgotten, apparently, that the largest plane that had ever been built anywhere until after the great war was the giant Sikorsky plane in 1913. Sikorsky, the Russian designer, came to America after the war and built some of the best planes we have turned out.

The war, instead of stimulating commercial aviation, set it back many years, by centering attention on military planes, which have to be totally different from commercial planes. Passenger and express planes did not really get a fair start until the old war planes had been scrapped.

The first public flight of an airplane was only 26 years ago, in June, 1908, when Glem Curtiss flew the "June Bug" at Hammondsport, N. Y. Considering all that has happened since, we've gone a long way in flying but there is a long way to go yet.

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The need for such action is pointed out by leading citizens, who are convinced that concerted action on the part of organized citizenship in this county is needed immediately to secure the completion of Highway 106 from Tuckaseige to Cashier's Valley. It is pointed out that the State Highway Commission will probably complete one or two links in the Highway, without further action on the part of the people here; but if they are given organized voice, that it is entirely probable that the Highway can be put on for immediate construction all the way through the county, meeting South Carolina at the State line, and leaving no uncompleted section in the Highway in this State.

The work in this county would entail the expenditure of some half million dollars, which within itself would be a great boom to the business of the county.

The completion of 106, it is pointed out, would turn back within the borders of our own county, a great deal of business that is now going elsewhere, and would make Sylva the trading center of a large area of Western North Carolina, that is now within the legitimate trade territory of Sylva, but that, by reason of better road facilities in directions other than Sylva, is now going elsewhere.

In addition to the two important items just mentioned, it is further pointed out that the only hope that Sylva and Jackson county have of reaping any great benefits from the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, must, by reason of geographical facts, be tied up with the completion of 106.

It is with these important matters to be given immediate consideration, that the call has gone out for the citizenship to meet in Sylva on Tuesday evening of next week, and consider the formation of an organized voice that can present the claims of the people of this county.

federate Army, "Bernie" Baruch made himself one of the most powerful figures in finance, as well as one of the richest men in this country. When the war came he was one of the first to volunteer his services to President Wilson, and as chairman of the War Industries Board and general financial and business adviser to the Administration, he played a part in the war as important as that of any general in the field.

If Mr. Baruch will set down all that he knows about the "inside" of Wall Street and of the other activities which have occupied his life, it will be one of the most important books ever written.

HOUSES cost too much

Most houses cost too much. Every body who has given serious study to the subject of housing agrees to that. Better houses can be built for less money, and the day is coming when everyone will realize that. I don't know how long it will take before one can buy a house as one buys an automobile, all ready to set up and live in, but many folk predict that it is coming soon.

If automobiles were built with as much waste of time and labor as goes into most houses, the cheapest car would cost \$50,000 or so.

On the other hand, many houses cost little enough. I read the other day of a family in Serbia that built itself a new house for 16 cents! That was all the money they spent, and it went for window glass. The men folk of the family quarried the stone, cut the wood, did all the the work and built a bigger house for a growing family. Some of my country neighbors have done almost the same thing. Good houses, too, they have constructed with their own hands. That was the way almost every house in America was built in the pioneer days, and some of them are still livable. My own farm home, built in 1786, is good for another hundred years or more. I think we are going to see a return to simpler and less expensive housing for everybody.