

Huge Labor Celebration Monday

Organizing Federation Of Farmers In County

James G. K. McClure, Church Council, and the "Mayor of Bee Tree", H. A. Coggins, have been working with the local county committee during the week, organizing the Farmers Federation in this county.

The county committee for organization is composed of the following gentlemen:

Miles Parker, chairman, Thomas A. Cox, Woodfin McLaughlin, Frank H. Brown, Aaron Bryson, John R. Jones, W. P. McGuire, Frank Watson, J. J. Hooper, John A. Stewart, Mack Stewart, A. O. Weidlich, General Jones, Glenn Ferguson, R. C. Howell, John C. Jakes, O. B. Coward, James Bryson, R. C. Hunter, Blain Nicholson, Ed Hooper, H. T. Hunter, Oscar Lovelahl, Cleveland Wood, Mack Nicholson, T. S. Fortner, T. A. Dillard, Frank Fugate, Dr. James K. Stoddard, Carl Jamison, Zeb Moss, and W. H. Smith.

These gentlemen explain that the plans for the Farmers Federation in Jackson county provide: That a Farmers Federation Warehouse be operated at Sylva.

That a committee of at least seven regular subscribers be elected by the Jackson county stockholders, one of whom shall be elected chairman and president of the Jackson County Farmers Federation.

That this committee exercise general oversight over the business and determine the projects to be carried out, and that the control of the business shall be under the general management of the Farmers Federation, Inc., with regular audits of all books by the regular auditor of the Farmers Federation, Inc.

That two farmer stockholders from Jackson county be elected directors of the Farmers Federation, Incorporated.

QUALLA

(By Mrs. J. K. Terrell)
Rev. J. L. Rogers preached at the Baptist church Sunday morning. The service was well attended. His text was "It is enough"—Joseph my son is still alive; I will go and see him before I die". His subject was "Two views of life".

Rev. C. W. Clay is conducting services this week, preparatory to revival services beginning Sept. 3, to be conducted by Rev. J. L. Rogers.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reed, August 26th, a daughter.

The annual reunion of the Shelton family will be held at "Green Acres", the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shelton, "Green Acres" is located on Highway 112, the road leading to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Mr. Jesse T. Shelton, of Los Angeles, Calif., arrived Wednesday for a two week's visit. He has expressed a desire to see all his relatives and friends at the reunion. All relatives and friends over Western A. C. are urged to attend.

Miss Sarah B. Askew of Trenton N. J. is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry Clark. She is Library Organizer for the State of New Jersey.

Mrs. W. H. Beck has returned from a two week's stay in Florida. She is residing in Bryson City.

Miss Gertrude Ferguson and Mary Battle are teaching on Conley's Creek, near Whittier.

Miss Etna Kinsland teaches on No. 100's Creek, near Bryson City; and Miss Ruth Ferguson is teaching at Fairfax.

Mrs. W. D. Wike of Cullowhee, Mrs. J. E. Green of Pickens, S. C., Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Parker of Sylva, Mrs. J. T. Shelton, of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hyatt of Norton, Mr. C. P. Shelton, and Miss Nell McLaughlin were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hyatt, Sunday.

Miss Jennie Cathey and Geneva Fugate went to Sylva, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Trey Beck of Cleveland, Tenn., visited at Mr. D. C. Hughes' last week.

Mrs. A. J. Freeman visited relatives in Bryson City, last week.

Mr. S. P. Hyatt, Mr. C. P. Shelton, Mr. J. T. Shelton, and Harry Shelton motored to Gatlinburg, Tenn. Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Watson of Dillsboro, were Qualla visitors, Sat-

WEEK BY WEEK

(By Dan Tompkins)

This is a day of political mixtures, making even stranger bedfellows than when Grant, the democrat, was nominated for President by the Republicans, or Greeley, the republican abolitionist, was named for that high office by the Democrats. Take, as an example, California, where Upton Sinclair, socialist, has been nominated for Governor in the democratic primary, and Hiram Johnson Bull Moose republican, is candidate of both the Democrats and the Republicans to succeed himself in the United States Senate. We may see even stranger things than these happen before the present era in politics in America is past.

One thing about which I am not varying is a strike of the chorus in grand opera company. That happened in Asheville, this week; but I dare say it won't set the American people back more than a couple of years in their progress. Grand opera is something to which fashionable and social climbing Americans go to see and be seen, to appear cultured, and to see what other folks are wearing, as well as to display their own wardrobes; and to which Dago ditch diggers go to get real pleasure and enjoyment from the music.

Just a tip to farmers in the mountains: If you have cattle to sell, hold them as long as you have feed to be consumed, even until next year, if possible; for there is going to be the greatest increase in the price of meat just ahead of us, that we have seen since the good old days of Woodrow Wilson, when beef was higher than it had been at any time since the cow jumped over the moon.

Hubert Olive has been elected Commander of the North Carolina American Legion. That should be a signal to all Legion posts to revive and go to work, for Hubert is a fine fellow, and will make a great leader.

All Americans, and especially all North Carolinians, devoutly hope that the strike of textile workers, scheduled to begin on a nation wide basis, next Tuesday, can be averted; and that the differences between the employers and employees in this industry, which is one of the most important in the State, can be amicably settled, to the satisfaction of everybody concerned. North Carolina, with tobacco and cotton bringing good prices, and with the price of beef in the mountains expected to go sky-rocketing, is really coming into her own again, and a general strike in the textile business would only eventuate into a retardation of the progress of all of us toward recovery.

Miss Beatrice Cobb, Morganton publisher, has been elected Democratic National Committeewoman from North Carolina, succeeding Mrs. T. Palmer Jerman.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS PICNIC

The members of the W. C. Reed Bible class will hold a picnic tomorrow, Friday evening, on the campus of Sylva Collegiate Institute.

Mr. J. W. Cathey called on Mrs. G. A. Kinsland.

Rev. C. W. Clay was a guest at Mr. I. K. Terrell's, Monday.

Mrs. A. C. Hoyle, Mrs. Latha Hoyle and Miss Edna Hoyle visited Mrs. Terry Johnson.

Mr. Will Kinsey is seriously ill, at this writing.

Mrs. J. E. Battle and Miss Mary Battle visited Mrs. D. C. Hughes.

Mrs. D. C. Hughes and D. C. Jr., Mr. H. W. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Crisp called at Mr. J. K. Terrell's, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shelton, Mr. Jesse T. Shelton, Rev. J. L. Hyatt and Mr. Oles Howell spent Friday at Cullowhee as guests at Mr. W. D. Wike's.

The Farmers Federation met at Qualla, Monday.

TAKE RATTLESNAKE FROM MARK JARRETT

M. Y. Jarrett, of Dillsboro, is advertising in The Journal, this week, for the return of his rattlesnake. He reports that on Saturday night, last, somebody entered his premises and stole his black rattlesnake, box, eight rattles and all. Mr. Jarrett states that since the incident of Albert Teester, and the publication of the Literary Digest's revelation of the character of the religious leadership of these parts, that the ministers are especially under suspicion, and that he fears his snake has been taken to be used for "religious" purposes.

Mr. Jarrett explained that the snake was captured by John Parks, in the Nantahala Mountains, and presented it to him. He, in turn, was holding the reptile to be given to Mr. Reiger at the fish hatchery at Balsam, to be placed in his collection of animal life of the mountains.

BETA P. T. A. ORGANIZES

Tuesday, August 29, at the Beta Graded School, the P. T. A. was re-organized, new officers elected, and a general business meeting followed.

Mrs. T. K. Guthrie was elected president; Mrs. Rufus Deitz, vice-president; Mrs. Joe Sutton, Secretary and Treasurer. The finance committee is composed of Mrs. Sallie Freeman, Mrs. D. G. Bryson, and Mrs. G. C. Snyder. Program committee, Mrs. Garland Dillard, Miss Martha Lou Stillwell, Mr. Bedford Easley. Publicity chairman, Miss Annie Lizzie Terrell.

The date for the regular meetings was set for 3 o'clock on the first Tuesday afternoon in each month.

A watermelon feast was enjoyed at the close of the meeting.

HOSPITAL RECEIVES GIFTS

The Community Hospital has been receiving gifts of jellies, jams, canned fruits and vegetables from various people and communities in the county, the latest contribution having come from Balsam, according to the superintendent, Miss Gordon, who states that the hospital is grateful for the donations, and appreciative of the interest the people are manifesting in their hospital.

BALSAM

(By Mrs. D. T. Knight)

Mr. John M. Queen passed away Thursday the 23rd, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Bill Smathers, and was buried Friday afternoon in the family cemetery. Mr. G. C. Crawford conducted the service. He leaves three children, Mr. Jim Queen of Gastonia, Mrs. Omer, and Mrs. Smathers.

Miss Louise Arrington has returned from a very delightful visit with her cousin, Miss Annie Mae Lyle, in Atlanta.

Mrs. Irene Holmes of New York visited her Christy relatives here, last week.

Mrs. George Knight and little George spent last week end in Asheville.

Mr. Vernon Bryson and family of Detroit are visiting his parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Bryson.

PRESSLEY REUNION

The Pressley family reunion will be held at the home of J. A. Pressley, Speedwell, on the second Sunday in September. All relatives of the family are expected to come and bring dinner. An interesting program has been arranged.

HENSON CLAN TO MEET

The reunion of the Henson family will be held on Sunday September 9, at the old Henson home, where Rufus Phillips now lives, near Cullowhee. All relatives and friends are invited to come and bring dinner.

WILL OPEN BARGAIN BASEMENT SOON

Schulman's Department Store has announced that it will open a Bargain Basement within a very few days, as soon as the basement can be put in readiness. The opening day will be announced later, Mr. Schulman states.

SOLONS EXPECTED TO ACT ON BANKING

Washington, August 28—One of the things which the President is expected to call on Congress to straighten out next Winter is the matter of control of banking and credits.

Ultimately, many folk here believe, the Government will become the primary source of credit. All the indications point that way. At present, however, there are three separate institutions dealing with the banks and each exercising some sort of control over credit. And those three are pulling in different directions.

There is the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the Treasury, and the Federal Reserve Bank system. The first two are Governmental departments, the last ostensibly a private institution, but under close Government supervision and control.

The RFC not only has lent a few billion dollars to banks, but it is now, under a law passed at the last session of Congress, making loans to private industries. All of these loans are amply secured. Indeed, the RFC—which is, incidentally, one great Government agency which was established under the preceding administration—is the source to which almost all sound business enterprises of any size are turning for working capital. There is no doubt in the mind of anybody that these loans will ultimately all be paid back, with interest.

The RFC also has invested a great deal of Federal money in the preferred stock of many banks all over the country. The theory of this is not only that weak banks needed this strengthening but that, being a large stockholder, the Government would thus be entitled to a seat on the board of directors, and so keep watch that no depositor's money was lent for speculative purposes. The Administration believes, and rightly, that a large part of our financial difficulties have arisen from too easy credit for purely speculative purposes. But it was definitely the intent that this additional bank capital, provided by the RFC, should be used to enable banks to make legitimate loans to business and industry; in other words, to loosen up bank credit.

That would have been all right if it had not been for the directly opposite view on credits taken by the Comptroller of the Currency's office. That branch of the Treasury is charged with the periodical examination of all national banks. In instance after instance, when banks which have sold preferred stock to the RFC have used the proceeds in loans of unquestionable soundness, bank examiners have called their directors together and "bawled them out" for making such loans.

Instructions from Washington to bank examiners are to compel every bank to call in every dollar of outstanding loans not secured by good collateral or made against financial statements which indicate many times the value of the loan. And in the case of debtors of long standing who have been unable to do much more than pay their interest on bank loans, the Comptroller's office is inclined to insist upon banks suing the delinquent borrowers and obtaining judgments so that if, at any time within twenty years, the poor fellow does get hold of anything, the bank can take it over.

In other words, while the Administration and the RFC are aiming for a reasonable inflation of credit, or at least toward loosening up, the Comptroller's office is still working on a policy of deflation which, if pushed to its logical end, would mean pretty nearly general bankruptcy.

The answer to this apparent paradox is that the Comptroller's office is still under the control of the same group which has been running it for years, through many administrations.

Out of this situation has arisen the idea, which is beginning to gain adherents here, that the Comptroller's office should be entirely detached from the Treasury and the functions delegated to some other body, perhaps the Federal Reserve Board. To do this would necessitate new banking legislation, enlarging the Federal Reserve's powers; but that is not impossible.

Plans Are Being Perfected For Big Gala Celebration

TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)
"HCL" . . . stalks again

Back before the great war the old alphabetical abbreviation we used to see oftenest in the papers was "HCL". That stood for "high cost of living". Everybody was complaining about rising prices of food, clothing, rents and other expenses. That vanished when the war sent wages skyrocketing, and there has been little talk about the high cost of living, since, until lately.

Now, however, I hear housekeepers beginning to complain about their inability to meet expenses on their normal household budgets. That is true in city and country alike. We appear to be approaching another era of "HCL" but without any immediate prospect of being able to make up the deficit.

BEEF . . . will soar

Twenty-two years ago, in the Summer of 1912, I followed a porterhouse steak from the local market back to the cattle ranch. I wanted to find out for one of the big magazines, why we were paying 32 cents a pound for the same cut that a few years before had sold for fifteen cents. I found out. I went to the Chicago stockyards and talked with the packers and commission men. Then I went up into North Dakota to interview an old rancher who had systematically kept track of his costs and what he had got for each steer he had sold for thirty year. And I predicted then that we would never again buy a porterhouse as cheap as 32 cents.

The trouble in 1912 was that the wheat farmers were fencing in the old free range and plowing the short grass under. Beef production was becoming a business requiring much more capital to make it pay.

I want to make another prediction. Beef prices are going sky-high again. Eighty cents a pound in the cities for porterhouse steaks wouldn't surprise me. Pork will go up likewise, also other meats. This time the causes are, mainly, the death of millions of beef cattle because of the drought, the shortage of the corn crop because of drought and Government regulation, and the killing off of some million pigs as a part of the AAA program.

SILVER . . . restored

It was almost exactly three years ago, in the Summer of 1931, that I predicted in this column that silver, then selling at about 25 cents an ounce, would go to 50 cents or above in the course of time. I hope some of my readers acted on my suggestion that silver was a good thing to buy for the Government has now undertaken to buy all the silver offered at 50 cents an ounce.

My prediction of 1931 was based upon the realization that the price of silver was out of all proportion to the prices of everything else. For forty years the average price of silver was above sixty cents an ounce. I had no expectation in 1931 that our Government would take the lead in restoring silver to its old monetary status, but rather believed that there would be some international agreement to do so.

Now silver is back where it was until a little more than a hundred years ago, from the beginning of human commerce—a monetary metal second only to gold the world over. Indeed, silver was the principal standard of money value up to about the time of our Revolution. What makes it important to remonetize it is that it is the basis of the money of about half the world's population, which has been out of line with the rest of the world's money for the past seven years, interfering seriously with world trade.

Something of the sort will certainly be discussed next Winter when Congress meets again. How far it will get depends upon many things, including the Administration's strength in the next Congress. That is still in the future, but with little doubt here of a safe working majority on the Democratic side.

Plans have been perfected for an elaborate Labor Day Celebration and Progress Exposition for Sylva and Jackson County, next Monday, September 3. The event is being sponsored by the Sylva Rotary Club and business men of Jackson county. C. C. Poindexter, director of athletics at Western Carolina Teachers College is general director and is being assisted by various clubs and individuals throughout the county.

The program of events will be as follows:

9:00 A. M., Athletic Contests at Sylva High School grounds.

11:00 A. M. Baby Parade on Main street.

2:00 P. M., Amateur Circus Parade, on Main street.

2:30 P. M., Amateur Circus Show on Main street.

All afternoon:

Flower exhibits, at High School building.

Agricultural Exhibits at High School Building.

Pet Show; place to be announced

4:00 Athletic Contests at High School grounds.

7:30 Beauty Contest at High School auditorium.

Mr. Poindexter will supervise the athletic contests, which will include boxing, 30 yard dash, 75 yard dash, 100 yard dash, 50 yard dash, 30 yard hop, 50 yard hop, high jump, broad jump, 12 pound shot put, baseball throw, basketball throw, football throw, football punt, and horseshoes. There will be events for both boys and girls, grouped as follows: under nine years of age; 9 to 12; 12 to 16; 16 to 21; over 21. Anyone in Jackson county can enter these contests.

The Junior Club is sponsoring the baby show and parade. Mrs. Bill Moody is head of this group. Babies from one to four years of age will be admitted. Awards are to be given to the winning boy and the winning girl. The contest for the best baby will be decided upon the basis of popularity votes at one cent a vote. Each woman's organization in the county is requested to sponsor a baby for the parade and contest. Main Street will be closed to traffic during the parade.

The Girl Scouts, under the leadership of Miss Doelia Garrett, are staging an Amateur Circus Parade, followed by a circus performance. This event promises plenty of fun and amusement. The Girl Scouts are also handling the details of the pet show.

The 20th Century Club, headed by Mrs. J. H. Morris, will put on a special flower exhibit, Mrs. Dan K. Moore is chairman of the committee arrangements. The club is not putting on a regular flower show, but rather special exhibits by members of the club. Anyone interested in entering flowers should get in touch with Mrs. Moore or some other member of the club.

The agricultural exhibits are under the supervision of County Agent Garland Laekey. The Boy Scouts are assisting Mr. Laekey in arranging and handling the exhibits. Displays in the following divisions are planned: exhibit of truck crops of Hamburg section, such as cabbage, beans, rutabaga and potatoes; general farm exhibit; garden exhibit; canned goods exhibit; Irish potato exhibit; apple exhibit; soil improvement crops exhibit; such as Soy Beans, Cow Peas, Lespedeza, and Clover. Anyone wishing to enter exhibits may do so by seeing Mr. Laekey or bringing his product to the High School building Monday morning.

The purpose of the Beauty Contest is to select the most representative girl and confer on her the title of "Miss Jackson County". Several sections have already selected and sent in the name of their representative, and others are urged to do so as soon as possible. Community entries already received are:

Sylva—Miss Madge Wilson (suggested).

Addie—Miss Ruth Brogs.

Balsam—Miss Freda Jones.

Cullowhee—Miss Hannah Lou Brown (suggested)

Canada—Miss Zephia Parker.

Community requested and expected

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