

PRESIDENT WILL SPEAK TO PEOPLE

Washington, Sept. 26—Look for some sort of a statement shortly from President Roosevelt designed to reassure business and industry that the profit system is not going to be abolished and that there is nothing to worry about. Those in close touch with the President and his intimate advisers say that he intends to make some utterance shortly. This, coming on the heels of reassuring statements by cabinet members and others, is intended to offset the rising tide of dissatisfaction with the methods of the Recovery program.

How far any statements from any source can go in that direction remains to be seen. There is a strong belief here, shared by many of the more conservative members of the Administration, that Washington does not yet realize how deep and widespread the demand really is for radical changes in the program.

Leaving political and partisan angles out of consideration—for most of the serious criticism is not partisan in its origin, but comes from sources all over the country, which are suffering economic distress because of what they believe are impractical theories, there is little or no personal criticism of the President. On the contrary, a hope amounting almost to belief is that when he fully understands the situation he will use his powerful leadership to set matters right.

There was nothing political in the secret meeting at Hot Springs, Va., of part of the nation's foremost industrialists a week or so ago at which the whole New Deal was discussed and a constructive program of amendments to the present set-up was agreed upon. How much influence that may have, nobody, of course, can predict. But with business in general getting no better, and with prices rising and wages being forced up while profits disappear and reserves are vanishing, it is not surprising that many of the big industrialists take an extremely gloomy view of the situation.

Reports of disaffection among the farmers in many regions over the AAA program are coming into Washington in increasing volume. There is probably more concern in high Administration quarters over that than over the complaints of the industrialists. The fact that Under-secretary Tugwell has gone to Europe on an "inspection trip" of two months or more is taken here to signify that he is on his way out, and that his theories will no longer control the AAA.

It must be set down as a fact that the Administration as a whole learns from experience. Mr. Roosevelt has been the first to admit that some of his experiments haven't worked out, just as he was frank enough to announce at their inception that they were purely experiments. So there is ground for the belief that the reorganization of the NRA and easing up of its more onerous burdens upon industry, which has been discussed freely for some time, will actually take place.

It will take time to unscramble the eggs, but this Administration is nothing if not optimistic, and business men in touch with matters here are becoming more hopeful that free competition, which has always been regarded as the "life of trade," will come back, although on, perhaps a higher ethical scale. Also, with reservations permitting "cartels" or similar combinations in industries in which competition is not based upon variations in the product.

The great reform which seems to be on the way will involve fundamental changes in the banking system as a whole. It is no new discovery that the banking system in the United States is the worst in the world; economists and bankers having been saying that for forty years.

The recent conference of government financial departments and bank examiners has resulted in placing the principal responsibility for bank examinations with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and instructions to examiners not to order loans thrown out where the interest has been promptly paid, even though there has been no reduction in principal. This and other changes are expected to improve the bank credit situation, though probably not as much as the Government desires.

A tightening of Federal control over all bank credits seems inevitable, and plans which are shaping for a central bank of issue to supplement the Federal Reserve and exercise many of the functions of the RFC and the Comptroller of the Currency

TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

BOOTH . . . a great woman

I was glad to read the dispatches announcing that my old friend, Comfander Evangeline Booth, had been elected General of the Salvation Army of the world, the post which her famous father, General William Booth, created and held until his death.

If I were ever called upon to name one American woman—for Miss Booth has spent most of her life in America—who has accomplished the most for the relief of misery and distress among the poor and helpless, I would unhesitatingly give the award to her.

I do not know how the Salvation Army stands in the estimation of people of other lands, but I feel confident that in the United States it commands respect and support such as no other instrumentality for the common good has ever achieved. Critical theologians may not approve their doctrines—I don't even know what they are—and formal ritualists may frown upon its methods; but I think there is pretty nearly unanimous agreement that the Army reaches down and lifts up more of the submerged and hopeless than all the churches.

BARGAINS . . . in property
People with ready cash—and there are still a lot of them—are hunting bargains these days. And a good many of them, to my knowledge, are putting their money into land and buildings, confident that the rise from the present low prices will not be long delayed.

One 300-acre dairy farm, well stocked with ample buildings in good repair, which its owner held at \$25,000 only five years ago, was sold the other day in my neighborhood for \$7,500. The buyer layed down ready cash. I know of 5 other farm properties that have changed hands for cash near my home in the past month, at figures from half to a third what they were held at lately; and one great estate a few miles from me, in which more than a quarter of a million dollars had been invested, went for \$25,000 because the owners had to have cash.

Money will buy better bargains today than at any time in the past twenty years.

PRICES . . . today
There is a good deal of nonsense being talked about commodity prices. Foodstuffs are going up rapidly; no question about that. But that is not true in the case of manufactured goods.

The automobile code fixes a definite "trade-in" price on every used car. I thought of trading in a 1929 Ford against credit for a new car next Spring, and approached the local dealer. "I can only allow you \$90 in trade," he said, "but I have cash buyers looking for used cars like yours, and if you tell me to sell it for your account I can get \$150 or more."

I had a furnace concern go over my old farmhouse, which has relied on stoves and fireplaces for 150 years. They estimated \$950 for a heating plant. I told them to go farther. Next week they were back with an offer to install the plant for \$450. I dickened with them a while and the price came down to \$375, with \$25 off that for cash.

RUMMAGE . . . an economy
An annual event in my home town may provide the means for backing up the "managed currency" program of the Administration.

Look for much more serious and impartial consideration of the Labor situation this Fall and Winter. It is too soon to predict what the attitude of the next Congress will be on this or any other question, but in the Administration the feeling is growing that the free hand granted to organized labor has not proved entirely a success. Much study is being given to the way in which England and Australia have handled the labor question which has been a matter of Government concern in those countries for many years.

The principle of making labor organizations as responsible as employing corporations, by requiring them to incorporate and so become subject to the same sort of Governmental regulation as industry is under, is being given a good deal of attention. There seems to be a strong probability, in any event, that Federal laws defining "justifiable" and "unjustifiable" strikes, the right of picketing, prohibition of intimidation and punishment for lawlessness will at least be proposed.

BROWN TO SPEAK AT SERVICE

Rev. Dr. Fred F. Brown of Knoxville, a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and a native of this county, will be one of the speakers at the memorial service and unveiling of monuments erected by the church to the memory of Rev. M. M. Brown and Rev. Wash Hooper, and portraits of Rev. Wash Hooper and Rev. Benny Queen, at Tuckasee, on Friday of next week, Oct. 12.

The tentative program for the exercises contemplates opening with a devotional by Rev. Thad F. Deitz, at 10 o'clock, followed by old time singing, led by A. C. Queen and W. C. McCall.

At 11 the memorial address will be delivered by Dr. Brown. Dinner will be served on the grounds, and everybody is invited to bring baskets of dinner. At 1:30 addresses will be delivered by Rev. J. C. Owen and Rev. P. L. Elliott.

QUALLA

Rev. J. L. Rogers preached at the Baptist church, Sunday morning on the subject, "The call of a broken, suffering, and dying world."

There was a baptismal service in Soco in the afternoon, and six persons were received into the Baptist church at the evening service.

Mr. W. T. Kelsey died Friday night, and was buried at the Ward cemetery, Sunday morning. Rev. J. L. Hyatt conducted the service.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Oxner, Mr. D. L. Oxner, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Oxner, Mrs. Troy Turpin and children went to DeHart cemetery near Jackson Line to attend the funeral of their kinsman, Mr. W. T. Carson, Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. Forest Ferguson and family spent the week end at Mr. H. G. Ferguson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall of Enka, and Mrs. and Mrs. Sowell Higgs of Canton, spent the week end among relatives.

Messrs. W. H. Hoyle, J. E. Battle and James Keener were guests at Mr. D. C. Hughes's Sunday.

Mr. Frank Battle has moved to Whittier.

Mrs. Llewellyn Reeves of Leicester and Miss Alma Glance of Canton were guests at Mr. Glenn Ferguson's, last week.

Miss Louise Hyatt entered school at W. C. T. C. Cullowhee, last week.

Mrs. D. C. Hughes and children spent the week end at Mr. James Battle's.

Mr. Elbert Keener and family are stopping at Mrs. E. S. Keener's.

Mrs. Charlotte Ferguson visited Mrs. Bessie Enloe, of Olivet, last week.

Mrs. D. M. Shuler, Mrs. Laura Snyder and Mr. Doek Snyder were guests at Mr. Albert Reagan's, at Olivet, Monday.

Mr. J. O. Howell and family and Mr. and Terry Johnson called on Mrs. Mrs. A. C. Hoyle.

Mrs. Obed Anthony visited Miss Polly Hoyle.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Ferguson, and

is the "rummage sale" for the benefit of local charity. It is held in the Town Hall and everybody sends all sorts of things that they don't need any longer. And it is amazing how well-to-do women flock to the sale and buy other folk's cast-offs.

My wife tends the ladies' hat counter at these rummage sales. This year she had to dispose of a great quantity of fine hats bearing labels of fashionable New York, Newport, Boston, and even Paris shops, discarded by women of the wealthy families in the county. But, she told me, among the buyers of these hats, at from 25 cents down, were women whose husbands have always been accounted wealthy, or at least well off. They were frank to admit that they, like everybody else, had to economize.

INVESTMENTS . . . a search
One of my neighbors recently came into a good many thousand in cash, the proceeds of his father's life insurance. He asked several business friends, including two bankers, to suggest sound, safe investments.

Everyone he asked threw up his hands. My friend had no use for another home or any more land, and he did not want to take a speculative chance with the money. Finally he decided to buy a joint annuity for himself and wife—they are both close to sixty—payable as long as either of them lives. He found he could get \$3,500 and more a year for his fifty thousand dollars, or better than 7 per cent on his capital.

That, he decided and his banker agreed, was about as close to security as anyone can get these days.

REPUBLICAN MEETING HELD HERE ON LAST TUESDAY

With speeches from Brownlow Jackson, Halsey Leavitt, James J. Britt and others, the district meeting of the Republicans was held Tuesday in the court house in Sylva.

Mr. Leavitt, the Republican candidate for Congress, opposing Congressman Weaver, designated Mr. Jackson, former United States Marshal and former candidate for Congress, as campaign manager and district chairman.

BILL SUTTON DIES IN NEVADA

Bill Sutton, 30, died of pneumonia in Los Vegas, Nevada, last Saturday. Relatives here expect that his body will be brought to Sylva tonight, and interment and funeral will be held here tomorrow.

Young Mr. Sutton is a son of C. D. Sutton, of Savannah. He was employed by the federal government on the construction of the Boulder Dam. He is survived by his widow, two small children, his father, one sister, Mrs. O. J. Leslie, of Savannah, four brothers, Robert, of Savannah, and J. V., Paul and Coleman, who are employed on the Boulder Dam at Los Vegas, and a large number of other relatives in this county.

WOLF MOUNTAIN NEWS

(By Robert M. Hardee.)

Over near Webster in a long brick construction live the blind, the aged, the poor, the homeless, the friendless. Yes, it is the County Home of Jackson county. So few preachers ever visit there it is a shame and a disgrace to the preachers of this county.

These people are so appreciative of any religious service; they appreciate with all their hearts any little thing that is done for them. Yet it is such a good opportunity for the B. Y. F. U. of any church in the county to go over there in a body on Sunday afternoon and put on a program there, yes, it is such a good opportunity for an Epworth League or any young people's union or group to visit the county home with a religious service. Sunday school classes and teachers can carry their class out there and every preacher in the county should get out of his laziness and get over there at least once a year—

"If ye did it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye did it unto me."

Revivals are most over now and the people feel secure for the winter. That's the general attitude of the average man. Well, the only test of a revival is the permanent good that it does. It is not the shouting and noise the big crowds, that make a revival a success—it is the changed heart, and if a person has a changed heart he will be out to Sunday School all through the winter, he will back up his pastor and church financially all the year; he will be a better neighbor and more willing to do the Lord's will when called on by the pastor or church.

Election time is getting closer and closer and the Christian people of this section and county are listening and watching and studying the candidates.

The people of this county do appreciate the stand brother Dan has taken in regard to the advertisement of beer and if every county editor in America would follow the same rule and fight the evil of beer and liquor, the American people would soon see their mistake. Liquor is only good in case of emergency and when the depression is over it will slowly lose its popularity in America for sin and evil can never win in the long run.

SINGING AT WOLF MOUNTAIN

There will be an all day singing at Wolf Mountain Methodist church, on the second Sunday in October, it has been announced.

BRYSON CLAN TO MEET

The annual reunion of the Bryson family will be held at Beta, next Saturday, October 6.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Terrell called on Mrs. J. L. Ferguson, Sunday afternoon.

Misses Etta Kinsland, Gertrude Ferguson and Annie Lizzie Terrell returned to their schools Sunday after a visit with homefolks.

Misses Jennie Cathey and Geneva Turpin went to Sylva, Saturday.

Mrs. J. H. Hughes spent Tuesday with Mrs. J. K. Terrell.

30TH DIVISION TO MEET TOMORROW

The veterans of the Thirtieth Division will meet in Asheville, Friday and Saturday of this week, tomorrow and the next day, for their reunion.

The business meetings will be held in the Buncombe County Court House, and there will be a street parade and other features.

The Thirtieth Division, the combat troops that broke the Hindenburg Line, that had been considered impregnable, and that had held against all allied assaults for four long years, was composed largely of men from the two Carolinas and Tennessee.

The feat, considered one of the great and important battles of all history, and perhaps the decisive battle of the Great War, was performed on September 29, 1918.

Many veterans of the Thirtieth live in this county, as the Waynesville Military Company and the Sylva Radio Company, in which most of the volunteers from this county enlisted, formed units of the famous Thirtieth

NRA WORK DISCONTINUED

All NERA work in rural sections of the State has been discontinued, it has been announced by Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State Relief Administrator, who stated that it is due to the seasonal increase in farm employment in harvesting and marketing cotton, tobacco, and other crops that the rural work has been discontinued.

Mrs. O'Berry said that hundreds of calls for farm workers have been made at local relief offices by private employers during the past several days indicating the need for work and direct relief to care for unemployed farm workers has sharply declined.

The State Administrator said that all farm workers in the State classified as "employables" will be removed from the relief rolls not later than September 26.

"During the height of the harvesting season," Mrs. O'Berry said, "when the need for additional farm workers is so urgent, the need for work projects and direct relief to care for unemployed people is reduced to the minimum."

"With few exceptions we are suspending all work projects in the rural areas and removing farm laborers from relief rolls in order that farmers and others offering private employment may be assured adequate help during the harvesting season."

Work projects to be excepted are those dealing with the handling of the 100,000 cattle brought into the State from the drought-stricken areas of the Mid-West and the canning projects.

Mrs. O'Berry said the discontinuance of work projects and the removal of employable people from the relief rolls is in line with the general policy of rehabilitation.

"We make every effort to see that our relief clients return to private employment where they may continue in the work in which they have been trained, or work which they have been accustomed to do, when the employment is available. We believe that employment is available to the large majority of farm workers on our rolls."

Mrs. O'Berry said that relief for unemployable people will be continued as usual.

P. T. A. SPONSORS PLAY

The Glenville P.T.A. is sponsoring a play "Mammie's Lil' Wild Irish Rose," to be given in the near future. Miss Ruth Bird of the Glenville High school faculty is coaching the play. Those who have major parts are Miss Ruth Moss, Mrs. L. L. Shaver, Gail Lance, Howard Zachary, Mrs. Priestly Corbin, Miss Leota Moss, Miss Mildred Monteith, Mr. S. P. Hyatt, Mrs. Nola Bryson, Troy Lanning, Miss Clara McGuire, and Frank Bryson.

The proceeds will be used for the home economics department and the library of the Glenville school.

ASHE REUNION

The Ashe family reunion will be held on Sunday October 7, at the home of Pole Ashe, as it is the old home place of "Uncle" Marion Ashe, father of this family. All relatives are urged to come. A very interesting program has been planned. Bring your baskets of dinners, which will be served in picnic style.

WORK STOPPED ON SOCO ROAD

The State Highway and Public Works Commission has stopped all work on the Soco Gap road from the top of the mountain down to Cherokee, it was learned today, pending the settlement of the route of the National Parkway.

It is pointed out that should the Parkway follow either the Tennessee or the North Carolina routes, that the government would build a road from Soco Gap to Newfound Gap, thus duplicating the work that the State would do if the plan had been carried out to proceed with construction by the State.

The only purpose, it is observed that the road could serve, would be to shorten the distance from Ela to Lake Junaluska by about 12 miles, leaving Dillsboro, Sylva, Waynesville and Balsam off the main route from Asheville west, and in effect changing the route of No. 10. Highway and Federal Route 19, so as to leave those points off the main Highways. To do so would cost the State the sum of a half million dollars, and save travelers only about 15 minutes time.

The action of the Commission in stopping the work has met with general approbation by people in this part of the State, who are familiar with the situation, and the fact that the State would spend half a million dollars to no purpose, and especially in view of the fact that either way the Parkway goes, it will serve the purpose for which the Soco Gap road was originally intended, i.e. to get from Soco Gap to Newfound Gap.

NATIONAL COUNCILOR OF J.O.U.A.M. TO SPEAK HERE

The autumn District Meeting of the Junior Order United American Mechanics is scheduled to be held in Sylva on next Thursday, October 4, beginning at 2:30 in the afternoon.

William S. Howe, of Baltimore, the National Councilor of the Juniors will be the principal speaker at a public meeting to be held in the Methodist church in the evening. The Glee Club from the Junior Order Orphanage at Lexington will be present and render a program.

The State Councilor, Charles F. Tankersley, Jr., of Henderson, will preside at the business sessions of the district, which comprises the counties of Cherokee, Jackson, Clay, Graham and Macon. The Junior Order has 531 members in the district. There are two councils in this county, Sylva and Savannah.

ZONE MEETING HERE FRIDAY

A zone meeting of the missionary societies of the Methodist Church, South, will be held at the Methodist church here Friday afternoon, October 5, beginning at 2 o'clock. The meeting will be opened by a devotional service, led by Rev. T. R. Wolfe and a business session, presided over by Mrs. Robert Howell, of Jonathan, zone president, will follow.

After the meeting refreshments will be served by the Sylva society to those attending the meeting, at the home of Mrs. E. L. McKee.

POULTRY OUTLOOK GOOD

"The poultry outlook is very bright for the coming year," says John R. Jones, manager of the Farmers' Federation Hatchery at Sylva.

Mr. Jones states that there is a big shortage of poultry, and that prices on all farm products are rising. He states that in order to bring back the poultry business in this county, the hatcheries, the State, and the people must cooperate.

The State department is anxious to do its part, according to Mr. Jones, who further stated that agents of the State will do the blood testing and culling; and that Mr. James G. K. McClure, head of the Farmers Federation, has stated that the Federation will see to it that the Sylva hatchery is operated at full capacity during the next season.

TO CLEAN PARRIS CEMETERY

Those who have friends and relatives buried in the Parris cemetery are requested by the trustees, composed of M. B. Cannon, J. T. Snyder and F. T. Watson, to meet there early Saturday morning, October 6, with some kind of tool with which to work, and help clean the grounds.