

Washington Is Worried By Sinclair's Candidacy

Washington, October 31.—It is no secret that Upton Sinclair's candidacy for Governor of California is giving the Administration more ground for worry than any other sign on the political horizon. Whether Mr. Sinclair is elected or not on November 6th, the ideas which he has put in motion have impregnated minds with Socialistic theories and to that extent make any effort on the part of the Administration to prevent its middle-of-the-road course practically ineffectual.

A real deal of the rather convincing, reassuring talk emanating from Washington, from the President down, in the past few weeks, has been intended to offset the idea that the radical influence upon the Administration is still dominant. Very definitely, Washington does not want Upton Sinclair to be elected Governor of California, even though he is running on the Democratic ticket. His victory would give strength to the radical, free-spending element which seems likely to be enlarged, rather than diminished in the new Congress.

That is not to intimate that there is any likelihood of important curtailment of Government borrowing and spending, but the Administration wants to do the planning and the spending and not have its hand forced by wild schemes which could only be carried out by inflationary measures far greater than any that have so far been undertaken or that are contemplated. The credit of the United States is still good, and Mr. Roosevelt wants to keep it good. And there are several things to be done which will call for all the credit the Government has.

Most important of these, next to maintaining its relief disbursements, is the program for a gigantic Government building program, under the general heading of "slum clearance". While nearly 150 million dollars have been allocated from the PWA funds for the purpose of tearing down buildings unfit for human habitation and replacing them with modern housing, few of these projects have been started.

There has been a fair response from private capital to the appeal of the Federal Housing Administration to make loans for modernizing dwellings, but the movement has not been strong enough to put a large enough proportion of unemployed carpenters, masons, plasterers, plumbers and the like, back to work. So huge a program which will take in every sort of housing activity, from suburban homesteads to great apartment projects in the big cities, is being kicked out, with the idea that in this way the Government can by next spring, perhaps, put four or five million men at work in the building trades.

Meanwhile, according to official figures, the number of individuals "on relief" is steadily increasing. It was in one year, from August 1933 to August, 1934, from 15 million to 18 millions. Due to the drought and other causes, the increase since last April has been above a million more who are dependent upon public or charitable funds for their subsistence.

The result of the huge disbursement of relief has, of course, been a quadruple retail trade in consumer goods and a great appreciation in the volume of purchase of automobiles, electric refrigerators and such items which are expected to result from the increase.

What the Administration is most anxious for is that the new Congress should adopt some scheme to bring the relief effort up to what would amount to a normal wage-scale program. It is more difficult for private capital to embark with confidence in new enterprises or extensions of old ones. And the great puzzle here is to find out ways in which the investment of private capital may be encouraged.

The hardest-worked man in the Administration just now is Chester Davis, administrator of the AAA. Besides trying to do work that would be a burden upon half a dozen ordinary men, he has an internal fight on his hands all the time, between the practical men and the idealists. Beyond any question, the hardest job the Federal Administration has tackled is the task of raising the farmer's income, without putting an unbearable burden upon the

40 YEARS AGO

Tuckaseige Democrat, Oct. 31, 1894
Mr. E. D. Davis was in town today. Hon. W. E. Moore, of Webster, is here today.
The county candidates speak here today and all are on hand.
Messrs. Marcus Coggin and J. N. Hunter favored us with a call today.

We are glad to see Mr. M. Buchanan around again, after a protracted spell of typhoid fever.
Mr. E. L. McKee, of Whittier, came up on his velocipede Monday evening and spent a few hours here.

Mrs. W. O. Buchanan and Mrs. Springer, of Harris Mines, were in town yesterday, on a shopping expedition.
Miss Annie Gibson went to Franklin Monday, for a week's visit to friends. Afterwards she will go to Georgia for a month's visit.
Mr. D. H. Ashe, of Savannah, has sent us several specimens of the second crop of apples grown on the same tree this year. They are of the variety known as the Red June. Some of them are of good size and almost ripe. Mr. Ashe attributes the remarkable growth of two crops in one year to a democratic administration under a low tariff.

The firm of Cole & McKee, Mr. Cole having sold his interest in the firm to Messrs. M. D. Cowan and J. W. McKee. While we regret that Mr. Cole's stay among us was so short, we wish for Messrs. Cowan and McKee unbounded success in their new venture. They are deserving of success, being both young men of integrity, and sterling business qualities.

BALSAM

Mr and Mrs. John Warren and Mrs Mrs. Maybelle Perry attended the funeral of Mr. Jim McClure, at Saunook, Sunday.

Christy Juanita Bryson, four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Bryson, was awarded a beautiful silver loving cup, as a prize in the Sears Roebuck and Company national contest.

Mr. E. O. Queen and family left here Saturday, to make their home in Florida. For the present they will visit Mrs. Queen's brother, Mr. Hubert Quiett, in Orlando.
Miss Sallie Christy, of Andrews, spent last week end with relatives here.
Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Potts and baby, Hendersonville, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Potts.

Mr. Chronenburg, of Columbia, S. C. was a guest at Balsam Lodge last week end. He and Mr. John Coward made a trip to Black Camp Sunday and enjoyed viewing the beautiful scenery.

Miss Harriett Lou, of Addie, spent last Friday night with the Knights.
Miss Ruby Dillard and Jessie Ginter of Willets were here Monday.
Mrs. Ellen McCall, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Newman Derriek, left Tuesday for her home in Rosman.

consumers of the farmers' products. Whether, indeed, any plan which the Government can administer will have that effect is beginning to be doubted by some of the men who were foremost in their advocacy of some of the important agricultural relief measures.

So it all sinners back to the question of how to increase the purchasing power of the consumers, and that comes back to how to get the unemployed back to work and off the relief rolls. In view of the failure to accomplish that so far, everybody here looks for the next Congress to propose more new and radical schemes here than have been advanced yet.

Republican hopes so far as the new Congress is concerned, are still dwindling. The Democrats confidently expect to increase their representation in the Senate and to lose not more than perhaps thirty seats in the lower House.

Meantime, the President and his supporters are taking quite seriously the latest "Literary Digest" poll which indicates that, since last spring, a high percentage of persons who were at that time entirely in sympathy with the Administration have changed their views and would now vote to support the "New Deal"

Principals In Kentucky Kidnaping



LOUISVILLE, Ky. . . . Above are pictured three principals which will be very much in future news as Federal Agents strive for convictions in the kidnaping of Mrs. Alice Stoll for \$50,000 ransom and which was paid for her release. Above, left; Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., former insane asylum inmate, who planned and executed the crime, and still is at large. Upper right; Mrs. Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., wife. Below; Thomas H. Robinson, Sr., father.

WINBORNE CLAIMS VICTORY IN STATE

Raleigh, October 31.—Chairman Wallace Winborne of the Democratic State Committee predicted another Democratic victory of landslide proportions in North Carolina next Tuesday, if the democrats bestir themselves in getting out the vote. "Get out the largest possible vote in every county, even though there may be no local contests", is the admonition of Mr. Winborne.

"Remember", Mr. Winborne urged of his party, "that aside from your local county and district candidates, there are to be elected by a State-wide majority vote, three justices of the North Carolina Supreme Court, Chief Justice Heriot Clarkson and Michael Schenk; the State Treasurer, Charles M. Johnson, and the State Utilities Commissioner, Stanley M. Winborne, in addition to two Superior Court judges who have opposition, Julius A. Rosseau, of the 17th district, and J. Will Pless, Jr. of the 18th district.

"Even in the counties and districts where there are no contests, it is exceedingly important that large Democratic majorities be given these State-wide candidates, as well as the Congressional candidates. By so doing the Democrats of the State are giving their endorsement to administrations of President Roosevelt in the nation and Governor E. B. Tamm in the State.

"Important, too, will be the result of a huge Democratic majority all along the line in sweeping from under the Republicans the beginning of a basis they have been preparing for the campaign of 1935, which will be the crucial testing time of President Roosevelt and his New Deal. Urge every Democrat to do his full duty from now until the vote; have been counted and recorded."

SEES SYLVA FOR FIRST TIME IN THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Robb, of Bryan, Ohio, are spending the week here, having come from Chicago, where they have been seeing the Century of Progress Exposition. Mrs. Robb, who was Miss Hattie Sandy, came here from Ohio with her parents, forty-three years ago, returning to Ohio some five years later. This is her first visit here since that time, and although she finds many changes, she says she still sees familiar landmarks. Mr. and Mrs. Robb will be here until the last of this week or the first of next. They are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Higdon, at the New Jackson Hotel.

WILL ADDRESS P. T. A.

Miss Cordelia Camp, head of the Training School of Western Carolina Teachers College, will be the speaker at the meeting of the Sylva Parent-Teacher Association, Tuesday afternoon, at three o'clock. The subject of Miss Camp's address is "The Need of a New Curriculum". It is hoped that a large number of the parents of the school children will attend the meeting.

WOLFE RETURNS FOR THIRD YEAR

Rev. T. R. Wolfe, who for two years has been the preacher in charge of the Sylva-Dillsboro station, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was returned to the charge for a third year, by the annual conference, which concluded its deliberations in Greensboro, Sunday evening.

Rev. A. A. Somers was returned to the Glenville Circuit, Rev. C. W. Clay was reappointed to the Whittier charge which includes Shoal Creek, and Rev. William Hornbuckle was returned as Junior Preacher. The other Methodist ministers in this county were replaced and new men sent to their stations.

Rev. Robert M. Hardee was changed from Wolf Mountain to Cullowhee, succeeding Dr. E. C. Widenhouse, who was transferred to Boone. Rev. E. C. Price succeeds Rev. V. R. Masters on the Webster Circuit, which includes Webster, Love's Chapel, East LaPorte, Wesleyanna, and John's Creek. Mr. Masters was sent to Table Rock, in Burke county.

Rev. W. A. Rollins succeeds Rev. L. B. Hayes as presiding elder of the district. Mr. Hayes was appointed preacher in charge of Hawthorne Lane church, Charlotte.

The full list of appointments for the Waynesville District are:

Presiding Elder, W. A. Rollins; Andrews, W. G. McFarland; Bethel, T. G. Higdon; Brevard, J. H. Brendall; Bryson City, Byron Shankle; Canton, J. C. Cornett; Clay, J. B. Needham; Cullowhee, R. M. Hardee; Crabtree, W. M. Robbins; Delwood, A. B. Branton; Fines Creek, R. P. Gibbs; Franklin, C. C. Herbert, Jr.; Franklin Circuit, B. W. Lefler; Glenville, A. A. Somers; Hayesville, A. R. Cornelius; Highlands, H. D. Jessup; Jonathan, G. F. Houck; Junaluska, J. H. West; Macon circuit, J. B. Tabor, Jr.; Murphy, T. F. Higgins; Murphy circuit, J. H. Carper; Robbinsville, H. H. Huss; Brevard circuit, G. A. Hovis; Sylva, T. R. Wolfe; Waynesville, Paul Hardin, Jr.; Webster, E. C. Price; Whittier C. W. Clay, William Hornbuckle, junior preacher.

Wolf Mountain Church was placed in the Glenville circuit.

Preachers You Know

Rev. P. W. Tucker, a former presiding elder of this district was appointed presiding elder of the Marion district. A. W. Lynch was sent to Glen Alpine; J. Fry to Mill Springs; C. M. Pickens as presiding elder of Winston-Salem district; H. C. Freeman to Farmington; John Cline to Thomasville circuit; G. A. Stamper to Burkhead; J. R. Church as a student at Duke University; F. W. Kiker to Bethel, in Charlotte district; Geo. B. Clemmer to Wadesboro; D. H. Rhinehart to West End, Gastonia; Van B. Harrison to Rock Springs; R. L. Bass to Albemarle circuit; Elzie Myers to Davidson; M. Q. Tuttle to Granite Falls; O. J. Jones to Jamestown-Oakdale; D. R. Proffitt to Mt. Pleasant; and L. B. Abernethy was appointed Conference Missionary Secretary and Director of the Golden Cross.

Democrats Claim Victory In County Next Tuesday

TODAY and TOMORROW

CREDIT its obligations
The whole trouble with the credit situation today, as a banker friend of mine explains it to me, is that the people who are asking for credit are not entitled to it and those who are entitled to it are not using it. To be entitled to credit at a bank a man must either be the owner of property which can be thrown on the market and converted into cash quickly to meet his loan when it comes due, or else be able to show that there is a better than even chance that by using the borrowed money in business he can make enough to pay off the loan and leave himself a profit.

Too many people have the idea that everybody ought to be able to walk into a bank and borrow money, regardless of his prospects of repaying it. The honest banker, responsible to his depositors for the careful investment of their money, can't lend it out that way. Very few people in any community know how to use money profitably; if most of us did more of us would be rich.

I think one of the principal causes of the present distress is that too much credit was extended in boom times to people who weren't entitled to it and who did not know how to use it.

CASH it's scarce
The other day I talked with five or six of my county neighbors in the course of one Saturday morning. Every one of them said that cash was harder to get hold of than it had ever been in their memory. I went to New York and met a couple of business men whom I know well. Both reported that business is good—one said better than for years in volume and price—but that collections were slower than ever. Even the largest corporations were taking from two weeks to two months longer to pay their bills than they had ever done before.

As I write this I have just come from lunching with another business man. He gave it as his opinion that people are feeling the depression worse this year than at any previous time. More folks are going "on relief" because they have come to the end of their resources. They cannot buy anything because they have no money left with which to buy.

I have a distinct feeling that no body in or out of Government, has yet put the finger on the finger upon the weak spot in our economic system which makes it possible for such conditions to continue.

SECURITY . . . "clear" real estate

The only people, men or institutions who are in a secure position today are the ones who owe nothing and who have some source of income not dependent upon the daily turnover of trade. Those and the self-sustaining farmers of whom there are many.

I have one friend whose property consists of real estate in a large eastern city. His grandfather founded the fortune which his father conserved and which has now come under his management as trustee for all the heirs. The policy laid down by the founder of the fortune was never to borrow a cent, never mortgage a piece of property. If the rents were not enough to live on, cut down personal living expenses but don't impair the capital by selling some of it.

My friend has been accustomed to spending a hundred thousand a year or more. Now he is living at the rate of about \$12,000 a year. But every piece of property he owns is rented, although what the thousand or so tenants can pay is not much more than enough to pay the taxes and upkeep. The property still stands, however, and some day prosperity will return and rents will go up again.

Real estate comes the nearest to offering security of anything I know of. But not when it is mortgaged.

INVESTMENTS . . . diamonds

I talked the other day with the diamond expert of America's most famous jewelry house. He told me that the prices of good quality, well-cut diamonds are nearly double what they were three or four years ago. In another store I asked the head of the diamond jewelry department how business was. He replied that they were selling more diamonds, and at better prices, than for years.

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Next Tuesday is election day. The people go to the polls to make choice of officers for the county, for the next two years, to elect a Congressman, a Solicitor, two Superior Court judges, a Chief Justice and two Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, a State Senator and a Representative in the General Assembly.

Much activity has been noticed in political circles in the county in the past few days; both Democrats and Republicans working to further the interests of their parties. Democratic leaders are confidently predicting another victory in the county for the party, comparable to that of two years ago, when majorities reached as high as 1528, and lowest was 1335; and when every precinct in the county gave democratic majorities, except Canada, Green's Creek, North Sylva and Barker's Creek, and they returned reduced republican majorities.

The democratic county ticket is headed by Solicitor John M. Queen, who has no republican opposition.

Ralph Ramsey, Jr. of Brevard, the democratic candidate for the State Senate is opposed by A. T. Ward, of Haywood.

The local tickets are:

- Democratic**
Representative; T. C. Bryson.
Clerk Superior Court; Dan Allison
Register of Deeds; Miss Margaret Sherrill.
Sheriff; C. C. Mason.
Coroner; C. W. Dills.
Surveyor; Lyman Stewart.
Chairman Board of Commissioners; J. D. Cowan.
Commissioners; W. C. Norton, W. A. Hooper.
- Republican**
Representative; Hugh E. Monteith
Clerk Superior Court; Neal Tucker.
Register of Deeds; Lewis Bumgarner.
Sheriff; R. M. Crawford.
Coroner; J. B. Painter.
Chairman Board of Commissioners; Milas Parker.
Commissioners; K. Howell, Clepland Wood.

TO COLLECT OLD CLOTHING

The boys of the seventh grade of the Sylva school will call at the homes of the people of the town on Saturday of this week for the purpose of collecting articles of used clothing, that can be used in the relief work of the Parent-Teacher Association.

QUALLA

(By Mrs. J. K. Terrell)
Mr. J. E. Freeman of Cherokee spent part of last week on his farm in Qualla.

Mr. and Mrs. Golman Kinsland motored to Knoxville, Saturday.

Mr. H. N. Clark and family are moving to Cherokee, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Parker and Miss Stella Matthews of Charlotte are visiting among relatives.

Messrs. J. O. Terrell and Bill Reeves of Oakley school spent Friday night at Mr. J. K. Terrell's, en route to the alumni meeting at Cullowhee, Saturday.

Mr. Paul Shepherd with others from Sylva stopped in Qualla, Sunday, en route to Olivet, where they were to sing with the Olivet congregation.

On Saturday afternoon, Mr. Carl Hoyle, Mrs. J. G. Hooper and Miss Annie Lizzie Terrell called on Mr. Mr. Wayne Ferguson and Miss Mary Emma Ferguson, of Qualla, and Messrs. Owen Varner and Jack Hyatt, of Whittier, who are students at Martha Berry College. They spent the week end with relatives near the college, returning Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes and son, Jim Ed, of Cherokee were Qualla visitors Sunday.

Mr. D. C. Hughes called at Mr. J. K. Terrell's.

Billy Bird of Sylva spent the week end with Charles McLaughlin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoyle visited at Mr. Charles Thomas'.

Mrs. W. H. Cooper and children called at Mr. Oscar Connor's Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. E. Battle spent Sunday with Mrs. D. C. Hughes.

Mrs. Dona Davis spent Tuesday night with her daughter, Mrs. Laura Snyder.

Mrs. Will Freeman called on Mrs. J. K. Terrell, Thursday.