

The Jackson County Journal

\$1.00 YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

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\$2.00 YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

ANY LOANS ARE MADE BY HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

Washington, Nov. 14. (Special)—The biggest noise in Washington just now comes from the enthusiasm over the plans of the Federal Housing Administration to go ahead at Fall session with the building of millions of new houses all over the United States.

Under the first section of the Housing Act some 50,000 individuals have been made by banks and lending agencies for home mortgages. These are installment loans, which private capital and banks are reluctant to make.

The second part of the plan is to create a national lending agency, and encourage existing banks to take on new building mortgages on long term mortgage. The same Government guarantee is being started. Whether it will get under way as fast as the administration loan part of the plan is still uncertain. The Administration, however, will put all the pressure possible behind it, bent upon the objectives.

First, it wants to get workers in the building trades back to work as soon as possible.

Second, it wants to induce private capital to come out and do some work as soon as possible.

Third, it wants to reform the "mortgage racket" and establish a entirely new national system, which nobody will have to pay more than 5 per cent interest on.

Fourth, some building program is to be set to the President's heart. It is hoped, it should put many millions of dollars into circulation, to relieve the unemployment as nothing else has done.

Next, the Federal program for construction when the new Congress meets is a much bigger and broader scheme of public works than has yet been announced, financed partly by Government loans to localities, partly by Government grants of money. The theory is that if the Government spends a billion dollars it will get four or five times as much work done with consequent real work for the unemployed. Nobody knows how complete the Administration's program of public works will be. It is talk of "five billion a year for five years," but that is only talk.

How to do this and keep on with the other lines of work in which Uncle Sam is spending money, without resorting to currency inflation is keeping some of the financial and economic experts awake at nights. There has been, of course, a great deal of credit worked by the Government that was used during the war, the bank taking a deposit from the bank's books for the money. The bank then can, in effect, create a need of currency by issuing bonds with the Federal Reserve notes, which, in effect, are nothing back of them but the Government's promise to pay.

Since the above system has no check, the Government's credit is unlimited if at all; partly because there is no reserve. It has, however, a new and more important relationship between the Treasury and the Federal Reserve Bank, amounting in practice to a new name, to a central bank, which as prevails in the other countries.

As a result of this wide extension of the Government's sphere of influence, the Boston folk are beginning to say "Moosehead" Mr. Morgenthau is growing more and more the chief reliance, even in financial matters. Donald Douglas, head of the Federal Emergency Administration, also has the President's ear, and his advice is listened to. The other Federal executives who appear to be Harry Hopkins, chief administrator; Secretary of Labor, and Miss Perkins, Administrator, and Miss Per-

TODAY and TOMORROW.

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

DEMOCRACY . . . and us

I hear people saying everywhere that "democracy is on trial." The implication is, of course, that the democratic system of giving every citizen an equal voice in public affairs is still an unfinished experiment that isn't working out any too well. "Well, we have been running on that system for considerably more than 150 years, here in the United States. We've had plenty of trouble, but as I look back over my own lifetime, and read what happened before that began, it seems to me that democracy, as practiced in this country has worked better than any of the systems that have been tried anywhere else in the world.

I don't think it is perfect, by any means. But neither is anything else that involves human nature and human relations. But any system that in a comparatively short period of time can raise the poorest nation in the world into the richest, spread the benefits of civilization and comfort among a much higher proportion of its people than any other system anywhere, has ever done, can't be altogether bad.

IMPATIENCE . . . trouble

Most of the world's troubles come from trying to do things in too much of a hurry. That is true in the case of individuals; it is particularly true in the case of those groups of individuals which we call nations.

I know that about all the real trouble I have ever had in my life has come about because I was too impatient to wait for results. I tried to force events to happen before the time was ripe for them. And I am certain that nine-tenths of the world's troubles today root back to the same sort of impatience.

If it were not for impatience we would not see Russia today under the domination of a ruthless and despotic handful of Bolsheviks. Italy controlled by a dictator, Germany under the iron heel of a tyrant. Grant that the purposes of all these and other dictators is the noble one of making their countries better places to live in—the future. I prefer a system which gives the living present first consideration.

I have seen too many predictions go wrong to believe that any kind of large-scale planning for the future of a whole people can ever work out according to plan. Even single individuals responsible to nobody but themselves, seldom find that their plans for themselves will work.

REFORMERS . . . through years

I have no quarrel with those who would remake the world. I can think of quite a few improvements that I could wish we had. But I cannot work myself up to enthusiasm for schemes to remodel civilization, or any minor part of the human scene, by any swifter processes than the slow ones of education and evolution. The reformer is always a fanatic. That is not a term of reproach. It means merely a person possessed of one idea, who is perfectly sure that he alone is right. Practically all of

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OFFICIAL COUNT SHOWS INCREASE OF MAJORITIES

The county officers, all Democrats, elected on last Tuesday, will assume office, on the first Monday in December. There will be but two changes in the elective personnel at the court house. C. C. Mason, sheriff-elect, will take over that office from John J. Maney, who has been sheriff of this county for the past four years. Miss Margaret Sherrill will assume the duties of the office of Register of Deeds, the office which has been held by V. L. Cope for four years. Neither Sheriff Maney nor Mr. Cope ran for office to succeed himself.

Dan Allison will be inducted into the office of Clerk of Superior Court for a second four year term. J. D. Cowan will again become Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, and W. C. Norton and W. A. Hooper will assume the duties of part time commissioners, which they have held for two years.

C. W. Dills will again take the oath of coroner, and Lyman Stewart, of Surveyor.

The official returns, published in this issue of The Journal, increase the democratic majorities in the county, over the unofficial totals, published last week, so that the majority for no democrat falls below the 1000 mark, and the highest, that of T. C. Bryson, candidate for representative was 1235.

Ralph H. Ramsey, for state senate, received a majority of 1199 in the county. Dan Allison, Clerk Superior Court got 1098 majority. Miss Margaret Sherrill's majority was 1020. Sheriff Mason's 1171; Chairman Cowan's 1152; Coroner Dills' 1146; and Surveyor Stewart 1165.

The additions to the totals of the unofficial count, it is understood, were by reason of absentee ballots in certain precincts, which had been challenged by republican leaders, and which the canvassing board held to be legal ballots, and therefore added to the totals in those precincts, bringing the majorities to higher figures than had been returned in the unofficial tabulations.

While most of the majorities were not as high as those of two years ago, persons who have made analyses of the returns state that the Republican party polled almost exactly as many votes in the county as it did two years ago; but the democrats lost some in their majorities by reason of the failure of democrats to vote, as they did in large numbers two years ago, when there was a presidential election.

WHITTIER BABY IS WINNER

Eula Marguerite Sutton, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sutton of Whittier, was chosen one of the prize winners in the National Better Babies Contest sponsored by Sears, Roebuck & Co., in Chicago. She was a specially engraved silver cup, during the World Fair. Her prize, Eula Marguerite's mother is the former Miss Maggie Worley, of Whittier.

New Hauptmann Attorney



TRENTON, N. J. . . . Edward J. Reilly - (above), noted criminal lawyer of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been called in to take charge of the Hauptmann defense in the Lindbergh kidnaping trial, scheduled for Jan. 2nd, 1935. Mrs. Hauptmann retained Reilly in a change of lawyers.

TO DISCUSS OLD AGE PENSIONS

All citizens of Jackson county who are interested in the passage of a federal law granting an old age pension in accordance with the so-called Townsend plan and who wish to sign a petition for the same will find such petitions at the Sylva Pharmacy and the Hooper Drug Store. Other petitions have been left or will be left at convenient places in each of the townships of this county. Appointments will be made for public discussion of this proposed law at several central places within the next few weeks. The officers of the county organization are: R. L. Madison, president; W. D. Wike, vice-president; Z. V. Watson, Secretary; and T. C. Ledbetter, Treasurer.

The first appointments follow: Cul lowhee auditorium, 7:30 P. M., Friday, Nov. 16; Sylva, court house, 3 P. M. Saturday, Nov. 17; Cowart school auditorium, 7:30 P. M., Wed., Nov. 21.

RED CROSS ROLL CALL STARTED LAST SUNDAY

The official annual roll call for members of the American Red Cross started in this county, and throughout the country, last Sunday, Armistice Day and will continue until Thanksgiving.

The roll call in this county is under direction of Mrs. J. D. Cowan, and she has appointed Mrs. C. B. Robinson, Mr. Thomas A. Cox, Miss Louise Henson Mrs. Dewey Thrift, Mrs. C. H. Allen, Mr. Frank Crawford, Mrs. Will Cathey, Mrs. Ben Queen, Mrs. D. D. Davis, Mrs. Cyrus Nicholson, Mr. E. L. Hooper, Mr. W. C. Reed and Mrs. Dan Tompkins, as solicitors to make the canvass.

Dr. Grover Wilkes is chairman of the Red Cross in Jackson County. Dr. W. P. McGuire, vice-president, and Mr. M. D. Cowan, treasurer.

Half the funds subscribed for membership in this county are retained for local work in the county, while the other half goes to National Headquarters for relief work throughout the country and world.

All Western Carolina Is Jubilant Over Decision Of Ickes On Parkway Route

TO HOLD CRAFTS EXHIBIT

What promises to be one of the most interesting events of the season, is the combination of quilt show with an exhibition of home crafts, which will be held on Saturday of this week, November 17, in the Buchanan Building, next to the Lyric Theatre. The show is being sponsored by the Twentieth Century Club in cooperation with the Home Demonstration Clubs of the county, under direction of Mrs. H. L. Evans.

Exhibits of quilts, old and modern, bed spreads, coverlets, wood carving, home made furniture, rugs and other types of hand craft will be on exhibition, and entries are invited from all Jackson county.

A unique feature of the show will be an exhibition of carding, weaving, and spinning, by the Misses Watson of Wayhutta, who are artists in this ancient and interesting craft.

Exhibits will be received up to 16 o'clock Saturday morning, and will not be allowed to go out earlier than 4 in the afternoon. Ribbons will be given to the prize winners.

That the entire show will be most interesting is certain, as it will be a revival of the ancient arts, one necessary in this mountain country but now almost extinct, by the advent of the machine age.

A small entrance fee will be charged to defray the expenses of the show.

REPUBLICANS ELECT TOWNSHIP OFFICERS

R. P. Potts, B. O. Painter and S. H. Monteith, all republicans, were elected Justices of the Peace for Sylva township, in last Tuesday's election, and E. B. Coward, Republican, was elected constable of Sylva township.

They had no democratic opposition. In North Sylva Mr. Potts received 127 votes, and in South Sylva, 67 Mr. Painter was awarded 124 vote in North Sylva and 67 in the South ward. Mr. Monteith got 129 in the North ward and 67 in the South.

Constable Coward received 121 votes in North Sylva and 67 in the South.

In Barker's Creek township, with no democratic opposition, in the township that went democratic for its first time, James Turpin and J. T. Nations were elected Justices of the Peace, each receiving 16 votes.

JOHN WHITESIDE DROPS DEAD

John U. Whiteside, well-known resident of Whittier, dropped dead of a heart attack, as he was building a fire at his home, yesterday morning.

Mr. Whiteside, a miller, was well known in this and other counties of Western North Carolina.

MISS CAMP ADDRESSES P. T. A.

Miss Cordelia Camp addressed the Parent-Teacher Association of Sylva at its November meeting, last Tuesday, giving an excellent presentation of the needs of a change in the curriculum in the public schools.

That the crest of the Balsam range will be the climax of scenic wonders to be traversed by the National Parkway, and Balsam Gap to all practical purposes, the Eastern entrance to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, became a practical certainty, Monday, when Secretary Harold F. Ickes, in letters to the Governors of North Carolina and Tennessee, announced his decision that the Parkway shall follow the route proposed by North Carolina, all the way from the Shenandoah National Park to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, instead of switching off into Tennessee and entering the park at Gatlinburg, as was proposed by Tennessee.

Mr. Ickes, in a lengthy and masterful summing up of the advantages offered by the North Carolina route, directed that the Parkway continue on down through North Carolina, entering the State at Fancy Gap, thence via Roaring Gap, the upper end of Linville Gorge, Blowing Rock, Little Switzerland, Mt. Mitchell, the Craggies, Pisgah, and climbing to the top of Caney Fork Balsams, and following them, near the Haywood Jackson County line, to Balsam Gap, crossing Highway No. 10 at Balsam Gap, and thence across the Plott Balsams to Soco Gap, and into the Park. This is the route proposed by North Carolina, and adopted by Secretary Ickes for the United States Government. Along the Balsams in this county, it will form a scenic skyline parkway, that is incomparable for majestic scenery, and that forms a fitting entrance to the Park proper.

To say that all Western North Carolina, and especially Jackson county, is elated over the decision of Mr. Ickes is to put it mildly. The order for the survey to begin is expected to come within the next few days. When that is completed, the work of building the road, for which sixteen million dollars has already been appropriated, will begin; and the millions of dollars that the government is to expend on the road will begin to circulate in Western North Carolina.

It is to be remembered that the Plott Balsam range was originally intended to be included in the Park, and Balsam Gap its Eastern entrance. The decision of Mr. Ickes in favor of the North Carolina route, accentuates the imperative necessity of including the Plott Balsams in the Park as early a date as is possible. With the Parkway coming down from the Caney Fork Balsams to the Gap, and with Highway No. 10, which is Federal Highways 23 and 19 intersecting the Parkway there, and with this being the only possible point where railway facilities can be provided to the park by those coming to it by rail, it is but logical that these mountains, which have always been intended to be a part of the park, should and must be including, making Balsam Gap, in this county and within seven miles of Waynesville, the Eastern entrance to the Park. The Parkway, the most scenic part of it, will traverse the Caney Fork Balsams in this county for many miles, touching the townships of Canada, Caney Fork and Scott's Creek; and it is intimated that a spur from the road, will probably leave the main Parkway near Tennessee Bald, and go across the Southern part of this county, down to Warm Springs, Ga., and to the Everglades in Florida.

With Sylva becoming the nearest town to the Park, with Balsam Gap, in this county being its Eastern entrance, and with the Balsams of this county being the most important scenic part of the entire Parkway, Jackson County is most certainly to be congratulated upon the victory that North Carolina won by Secretary Ickes' decision.

Mrs. Dan Tompkins' grade won the prize of a box of candy for having the largest number of parents present at the meeting.

The December meeting will be held in the evening, and a speaker on recreation will be the main feature. There will be a social hour.

Beginning with the December meeting, Mrs. E. L. McKee will make a 10 minute talk at each monthly meeting, on the subject of parent education.

Official Vote of Jackson County November 6

PRECINCT	Ralph H. Ramsey, Jr.	A. T. Ward	T. C. Bryson	H. E. Monteith	Dan Allison	Neal Tucker	Margaret Sherrill	Lewis Bingham	Lyman Stewart	J. T. Smith	J. D. Cowan	Milas Parker	C. C. Mason	R. M. Crawford	C. W. Dills	J. B. Painter	W. C. Norton	W. A. Hooper	K. Howell	C. W. Wood
Barkers Creek	221	173	221	171	222	173	222	173	221	173	223	173	224	172	222	173	221	221	173	173
Canada	145	218	145	218	145	218	142	218	144	218	147	217	145	217	144	218	143	136	217	225
Caney Fork	254	169	254	169	254	168	254	170	251	169	251	173	252	172	154	169	254	254	169	169
Cashiers Valley	201	49	202	49	201	49	199	51	202	49	201	50	201	49	202	49	202	202	49	49
Callowhee	559	156	569	147	545	176	543	164	557	157	560	160	563	159	543	177	564	563	154	156
Dillsboro	226	134	220	143	231	133	221	137	231	134	231	134	244	125	232	134	222	255	135	133
Greens Creek	89	158	89	158	85	158	89	159	88	159	88	158	93	157	89	159	88	89	158	158
Hamburg	226	197	229	198	228	197	228	200	211	198	227	197	222	198	229	178	226	225	197	196
North Sylva	86	40	86	40	86	40	82	41	87	39	87	39	88	38	86	40	85	85	41	41
Qualla	288	209	291	209	294	209	273	213	287	211	285	211	292	214	287	211	284	286	215	213
River No. 1	153	112	154	114	152	114	146	119	148	118	154	114	156	113	152	115	153	155	112	113
River No. 2	54	75	54	75	58	75	80	53	78	52	75	42	89	54	80	52	74	51	51	72
Savannah	280	101	281	101	272	101	282	101	281	101	280	101	275	103	282	101	280	281	101	101
Scotts Creek No. 1	109	112	110	117	92	126	93	118	103	112	97	118	109	122	97	116	97	99	112	113
Scotts Creek No. 2	136	98	137	96	140	99	136	98	131	99	136	98	138	98	136	98	136	136	98	98
Scotts Creek No. 3	150	18	150	20	152	18	148	19	146	20	155	16	148	25	149	20	150	147	17	17
Mountain	246	277	238	282	247	285	228	296	242	218	241	283	244	286	240	286	243	238	279	281
South Sylva	460	446	438	449	458	460	453	464	459	425	466	452	463	462	464	449	463	459	449	448
Webster	211	153	210	153	209	151	203	156	210	151	215	151	205	155	208	156	211	210	153	154
TOTALS	4094	2895	4126	2891	4053	2955	3995	2975	4067	2892	4086	2934	4116	2945	4068	2922	4073	4062	2901	2911

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