

The Jackson County Journal

1.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

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\$2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

PEEK WITH CANADA TAKES PEEK RESIGN

Washington, Dec. 11—The resignation of George N. Peek, because of dissatisfaction with the new Canadian tariff agreement, is more serious than appears on the surface. Mr. Peek, who was shifted from the AAA to the State Department, because of friction between him and Secretary Wallace, has been one of the storm centers of the Administration since the spring of 1933.

Peek is recognized as an authority on agricultural questions, and his point of view on many of the Administration's agricultural policy is quite different from the official attitude; he is regarded as a large following among the farmers of the Middle West, with whom he has long been influential.

His efforts in the State Department to promote the export market for American agricultural products, and his frequent finding himself at odds with Secretary Hull's point of view, only President Roosevelt's personal appeals kept him from resigning long ago.

The real reason why the President's advisers and supporters regret Mr. Peek's resignation is that they fear it will "do a General Johnson" on George Peek and Hugh Johnson, the head of the NRA, are buddies of standing. Both were associated with agricultural implement business, and both came into the Administration with very definite ideas about what ought to be done and that were the ones to do it.

Mr. Johnson is out, and is traveling round the country making speeches attacking the New Deal, although professing great personal loyalty to President himself. Mr. Peek not intimating that he intends to do anything of the same sort, but that he will use his influence against Mid-Western farmers against the Administration is widespread among the President's loyal supporters.

Secretary of the Treasury Morgans' announcement the other day that the national debt of the United States will rise above 30 billion dollars by the middle of this month is regarded here as so alarming as opposition spokesmen profess to be. While there seems to be a very serious to the "imminent bankruptcy" which the President said a few days ago, told him that the United States could easily carry a Government debt of 55 billion dollars, there is a definite feeling among the financial and economic advisers of the Administration that a 30 billion dollar debt, or even one considerably higher, is something to worry about.

Sooner or later most of the Government debt will be refunded at 2 or 3 percent, so that the tax burden of the present would amount to less than one quarter of a billion a year, and is not an alarming expense.

One of the big fighting issues that is expected to occupy a good deal of time in Congress when it meets next month is the Townsend plan of old age pensions for everybody over 60. It is advocated by the Townsends, it probably has no chance, but it will give such a show of voting strength that it will be an excellent issue that Congress will be influenced to increase materially the old age allowances under the Social Security Act, and to make them applicable immediately instead of in the more or less distant future.

In the field of Presidential politics the interest is being shown here for the rise of Governor Alf Landon to first place among Republican Presidential choices. The belief is grounded that Senator Borah, this time, is in dead earnest about wanting to be the Presidential nominee of his party. The strongest opposition will have to overcome will be that of ex-President Hoover, who is neutral, so far, on all the other candidates, but very much against Mr. Borah. Washington is slowly becoming convinced that Mr. Hoover has no intention of offering himself as a candidate again, but intends to see to it

40 YEARS AGO

(Tuckaseige Democrat, Dec. 12, 1896)

Mr. M. D. Cowan went to Atlanta and other Southern points, Saturday.

Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, of Webster, spent a short while visiting here Saturday evening.

Mr. J. H. McConnell, of Asheville, was here part of last week, buying produce.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cooper, of Ross-ton, Texas reached here Monday to visit relatives and friends.

Judge and Mrs. Davies, Miss Daisy Davies and Miss Bessie Buchanan left Saturday for the Exposition.

Mrs. Hannah Hall and Miss Gracie, accompanied by Miss Annie Leatherwood spent the day here yesterday.

Little Marcellus Buchanan celebrated his first birthday Tuesday by giving a dinner to a few relatives and friends.

Mrs. M. K. Bulla left for her home in Thomasville Tuesday, after a visit of several months to her sister, Mrs. C. Buchanan.

Mr. R. L. Watson, one of the staunchest democrats of our county, was in town Tuesday. He predicts that the present republican Congress will accomplish nothing and that next year will witness another overwhelming victory for the democrats.

Editor Democrat—We kindly ask a small allowance of your valuable space, owing to the fact that we have no regular print at this time, in which to briefly detail the merits of our literary school at this place—at least to let the people in neighboring sections know that we have a school. The school opened here, for the free, public term, on 5th of August last, with Prof. W. H. H. Hughes as principal and Miss Pink Rogers as assistant, each formerly of Jackson county. No words of ours could give the people of Jackson county a better idea than they already have of the personal qualification of either, however, we deem it in point to express our pride in securing such an acquisition to the educational force of our county and to express our complete satisfaction at the result of their four months' service in which they have labored most diligently and effectively to teach Bryson City and surrounding country's "young arrows how to shoot"—Jas. H. Cathey, Patron.

Western North Carolina Conference Appointments—Franklin District: T. E. Wagg, P. E.; Franklin Station, D. F. Carver; Franklin circuit, J. H. Bradley; Macon circuit, R. B. Shelton; Waynesville station, R. D. Sherrill; Waynesville and Bethel circuit, W. M. Boring and J. R. Long supernumerary; Canton circuit, W. G. Mallonee; Haywood circuit, A. W. Jacobs; West Haywood circuit, J. C. Mock; Webster and Dillsboro stations, J. J. Gray; Glensville circuit—Highlands circuit, T. B. Johnson; Cullowhee circuit, R. L. Sprinkle; Whittier circuit, J. W. Bowman; Bryson City, J. E. Abernethy; Hayesville circuit, J. D. Buie; Murphy, J. H. Brindle; Andrews circuit, T. F. Gibson; Hiwassee circuit, to be supplied; Bethel Academy, H. P. Bailey

that nobody who does not conform to his ideas gets the nomination, if he can possibly control the situation.

The Republican National Committee is to meet here on December 16. R. B. Cregar, National Committeeman from Texas, has proposed that the Committee attempt to write a platform that will satisfy everybody, including the beneficiaries of the AAA. There is not much chance that the Committee will do anything of that kind, but the fact that the suggestion has been put forward indicates the tendency among the Opposition leadership to grasp at any straw, and demonstrates that there is, yet no clear agreement on Republican Party policies.



Follow Santa Claus To Sylva Shops

Sylva Merchants Pleased With Holiday Trade Prospects

Sylva merchants, anticipating an unusually heavy Christmas trade, have stocked their shops with an exceptionally good assortment of merchandise especially suited to the needs and requirements of holiday shoppers.

The variety that may be found in the shops of Sylva is great. There are the whole range of toys, dolls, wagons, trains, everything for the children.

Gifts in innumerable variety for mother, wife, sweetheart, sister, father, husband, lover, everybody. There are the substantial, lasting gifts, of utilitarian nature, for home, kitchen, library, shop, office, garden, automobile or farm—gifts to lighten work, or add to comfort.

Then there are gifts of a more personal nature—perfumes, candies, lingerie, hosiery, gloves, and other articles of wearing apparel. In fact anything that you may have on your shopping list, from a Christmas card to an automobile may be found in Sylva.

Already there has been a brisk holiday trade, indicating that as Christmas draws nearer, it will increase in volume, and that Sylva, Jackson county's town, and Southwestern North Carolina's Shopping Center, will enjoy the greatest volume of holiday business in recent years, and that more and more people are practicing the principle of buying at home, and are finding it pleasant and profitable to shop in Sylva.

A good plan to adopt is to buy in Sylva and buy North Carolina made products, as nearly as possible. In so doing you will be contributing to the prosperity of your neighbors and friends, to that of their clerks, employees and families to that of your town and county, and of your own. You will be helping to make more prosperous the mills of your State, and to keep North Carolina labor employed.

COUNTY TEACHERS TO MEET

The teachers of the schools of Jackson county will meet at the graded school building in Sylva, on Saturday of this week, December 14th.

DID YOU EVER SEE?

And, by the way, did you ever see a man carrying a billboard under his arm? No. Did you ever see a billboard on a reading table? No. Did you ever see a picture of the new hat come into the home via radio? No. Did you ever see a live newspaper thrown into the wastebasket without being read? No. That's why advertising in the paper brings results.—Mississippi Sun.

BURLEY BRINGS GOOD PRICES

Burley tobacco has been bringing high prices on the Asheville market. Day after day the average of around 28 cents has been maintained.

TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

FLORIDA . . . the last frontier I went the other day to a luncheon in New York at which the Governor of Florida was the host, Florida has set up a three months' exhibition at Rockefeller Center, New York, to give northern people some idea of the beauties and attractions of that really marvelous state.

I have been all over Florida, written books and magazine articles about it, lived there for long periods of time, but what impresses me most whenever I get to thinking about it is its tremendous area still unoccupied.

Florida is truly the last frontier. There is room for ten million people to live and make a living in Florida, under the most delightful conditions of climate and comfort that I know anywhere.

TAXES . . . few in Florida

I did not realize until I talked with Governor Dave Sholtz how far Florida has gone in the last few years in lifting the tax burden from its people. The state has no bonded debt and so does not have to levy taxes for interest on debts. It has no income or inheritance taxes and has lately eliminated all direct taxes on homes assessed at \$5,000 or less.

A great many people think of Florida as a millionaires' playground. Palm Beach, Miami and other East coast resorts are crowded each winter with free spenders. But along the Gulf Coast, in the charming ridge country of the interior with its 10,000 fresh-water lakes, and in the beautiful rolling hills of West Florida, there is no premium on wealth.

I know of no part of the country—and I am pretty familiar with the whole United States—where ordinary citizens of small means can live so well for so little money.

HEALTH . . . fine foods

Everybody lives out of doors in Florida. Houses are places to sleep in. That is one reason why Florida is pretty nearly the healthiest state in the Union. Few days, even in the severest winters, call for even a light topcoat. And it is Florida's boast that nobody ever died of sunstroke in the heat of summer. Old Florida residents have a saying that "There's always a breeze blowing in the shade". I have found that true. If the wind isn't blowing from the Atlantic, it's blowing from the Gulf. Away down in South Florida I have had to pull a blanket over me on an August night.

Another reason why Florida people are so uniformly healthy is that one quickly gets the habit of making fruits a large part of one's diet. Grapefruit, oranges, papayas, pineapples, strawberries, such foods as those and the year-round crops of green vegetables, provide Floridians with unlimited supplies of the most health-giving foods.

SPORTS . . . all kinds

I don't know of any other part of the country where so many of the people get so much out-door sport to mix with their work. Water sports—swimming, yachting, motor-boating, canoeing, are within the reach of everybody. So is fishing, in fresh water or salt. The biggest black bass I ever saw or heard of came from one of the inland lakes. There is a golf course or a tennis court within a few minutes of anywhere, and few states have a better or more complete system of highways. And for those whose tastes in sport are simple, there is always horse-shoe pitching. St. Petersburg is the "horse-shoe-pitchiest" town I have ever seen, and championship croquet is played on its many courts.

Talk about the "more abundant life"—there is no need to reorganize the whole social order to provide it. Florida offers it now.

BUSINESS . . . chances galore

I have never been able to see any limit to the business opportunities in Florida. One of the latest and most prosperous business developments is the manufacture of paper in Panama City from the prolific Florida pine timber. The ship canal, which the Federal Government has begun to dig

34 TEACHERS GO TO WORK HERE

Thirty-four unemployed teachers were given work this week by the W. P. A. as teachers of adult education in Jackson county. Instruction will be given in the three R's and the basic subjects.

The arts and crafts classes will include wood-carving, basket-making, and things of that nature. The home-management classes will stress sewing, the planning and preparation of balanced meals, working out a budget, and other things. The students will be taught to utilize what they have. Health and citizenship will also be emphasized.

A feature of the work this year will be community gatherings held once a week for the purpose of singing old hymns, mountain ballads and folk songs, and for the discussion of current events.

The work in adult education will be under direction of Mrs. Edith J. Morgan, as County Supervisor.

WILL OPEN BASKETBALL SEASON FRIDAY NIGHT

The Western Carolina Catamounts will open their home basketball schedule, Friday night with faculty quintet of the college. The proceeds of the game will be used to give the football team a banquet. The game is creating a lot of interest on the campus and in the community. Faculty members who will play are Buchanan, Wood, Dodson, Sutton, Poindexter, Morgan, and Rev. Mr. Hefner pastor of the Cullowhee Methodist church. The varsity team will probably line up with Woodard and Thomas at forwards, H. Chapman at center, A. White and G. Love at guards.

Monday night, December 16, the Catamounts will meet an alumni team on the Cullowhee court. Paul Buchanan is in charge of the alumni team. Other players will be Bean Cowan, Sol Fullbright, Slick Allison and Pearl Kitchen. There will be a preliminary game between Cullowhee and E.H. High boys.

During the first week of the holidays the Catamounts will take a training trip playing five or six independent Y teams, January 1, Clayton Athletic Club will furnish the opposition in a game at Cullowhee. The team played in Clayton, last night.

January 7 and 8, King College of Bristol, Tenn., will come to Cullowhee to officially open the conference schedule with a pair of games. The complete schedule will be announced in a few days.

STATE FARMER SECTION WILL BE IN ROTOGRAVURE STYLE

In January, our State Farmer Section, monthly agricultural feature of The Journal, will appear completely in rotogravure—comparable to the rotogravure sections of the largest metropolitan newspapers.

This will permit the addition of a great many illustrations and pictures of Carolina farm life and individuals prominently identified with the farming interests of our state.

In addition to changing to rotogravure, we have adopted for this section a larger size type which will greatly improve the readability of the section. The homemakers section has been expanded to include several new features to further serve the interests of our women readers. In a like manner, the news coverage of 4-H Club and Future Farmer activities has been expanded.

In each issue of The State Farmer Section throughout 1936, it is planned to provide a comprehensive review of farm news and information.

Of general interest to all of our readers is the addition of several picture pages.

HAM BRYSON HAS OPERATION

Ham Bryson, of Savannah township underwent an operation for appendicitis, the first of the week, and has been very ill.

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