

Administration Worried Over High Living Costs

Washington, April 1—Rising prices of consumer goods and the labor situation are the main worries of the Administration, and are regarded by President Roosevelt as constituting the "crisis."

President Roosevelt spoke of the situation as constituting the "crisis" and asked Congress to authorize emergency legislation that emergency legislation be held to be Constitutional.

Prices are rising faster than the cost of most Americans are rising, according to official statistics of the government, and that this program will continue so long as the Government continues to operate on borrowed money.

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TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)
PROPHET . . . of surplus people

In the year 1798 a young man of 22 named Robert Thomas Malthus wrote a little book which has influenced political economy for nearly 140 years. His "Essay on Population" pointed out that the human race was increasing faster than the means of subsistence.

What Malthus tried to tell the world was that its economic salvation depended upon a more rational and intelligent organization of society, to increase the production of the necessities of life and work out a better system of distribution, to make more available to everybody.

In Malthus' day famine and disease killed off more people than war. They still do in many countries, but the civilized world of today has abolished famine and made great headway toward abolishing disease.

FACTS . . . sentimentalists believe
Most people do not like to face uncomfortable facts. They prefer to believe in pleasant things.

Folk who preach that there is some easy way of life for everybody can always get a hearing, for people want to believe that. Jean Jacques Rousseau preached that doctrine to the French people 150 years ago.

Only sentimentalists believe that mankind can lift itself by its bootstraps into a life of universal comfort and ease. All that society can do, in the long run, is to see that nobody is deprived by others of his opportunity for hard work, or of the just reward of his individual efforts.

Proof that Malthus was a real prophet is visible all over the world today. Japan occupies Manchuria, Italy seizes Ethiopia, both overpopulated nations seeking more room and more food for their surplus people.

Science makes life easier
Science has done much to make the struggle for life easier, since Malthus wrote. We have learned how to produce more food with less labor, and how to create other forms of wealth which are readily exchangeable for food.

Cathey Waived Hearing In Auto Death Saturday

Charles R. Cathey, of Sylva and Asheville, held by county officers and highway patrolmen in connection with the death of Annie Belle Wilson, 15 year old Negro girl, Sunday night March 14, waived preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace John H. Morris, last Saturday, and his appearance bond was continued to the May term of Superior Court.

The girl and her mother were struck down as they were walking along the highway, and officers allege that Mr. Cathey was the driver of the car by which they were struck.

TANNERY RAISES WAGES

Employees of the Armour Tanning Company's plant at Sylva, have been given a voluntary raise in wages of 10 per cent of their present salaries.

NEW FISHING LAW

The recent General Assembly put Mountain, River and Canada townships under the provisions of the 1935 statute for Cashier's Valley and Hamburg townships, placing a minimum fine of \$10.00 for fishing upon the lands of another person, without first obtaining a written permit from the owner.

QUALLA

Rev. H. M. Hocutt, of Sylva, delivered the commencement address at Qualla school on Thursday evening. Also, other interesting exercises were given by the school, after the address.

Mr. J. L. Rogers, of Sunburst, was accompanied to his appointment at the Baptist church Sunday morning, by Rev. Lindon Stevens and Rev. Oscar Beck, of Balsam.

Miss Ruth Turpin, of Sylva, and Miss Pearl Hayes were Qualla visitors Sunday.

TO CONDUCT CLASS IN FOOD PRESERVATION

Mrs. Helen B. Zoller, Home Economist, will conduct a class in food preservation at the court house in Sylva, Friday afternoon, April ninth, at two o'clock.

Rotarians Plant 15,000 Trees

An eyesore along Highway No. 10, soon after visitors enter Jackson county from the east, will within a few years become a beauty spot, by planting 15,000 pine and Norway spruce seedlings on an area of badly eroded land near the mouth of Woodfin Creek.

The reforestation project, carried into effect on Tuesday, was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Sylva.

The seedlings were donated by the Log Cabin Association, an organization started a few years ago by R. H. Kress.

Members of the club were assisted in setting out the trees by students from Western Carolina Teachers college, and the Cherokee Indian school.

The Log Cabin Association, which has reforestation as an objective, will furnish seedlings to any person in Jackson or adjoining counties desiring them for planting.

C. C. C. CAMP WILL CELEBRATE

Lt. Joseph T. Clark, commanding officer of Civilian Conservation Camp 3453, at Smokemont, invites the public to a celebration of the fourth anniversary of the founding of the Corps, Monday afternoon, April 3.

HOME AGENTS OF 5 COUNTIES HAD MEETING HERE LAST WEEK

Mrs. Cornelia C. Morris, Extension Economist in Food Conservation and Marketing, was in Sylva, Monday, March twenty-third.

BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD AND W. M. U. TO HAVE MEETING

The men and women of the Sylva Baptist church will have a social meeting on Tuesday night, April 6, at 7:30, in the dining hall of the Sylva College Institute buildings.

CAMP KEPHART PRONG TO CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, April 4th marks the fourth anniversary of the founding of the Civilian Conservation Corps. In commemoration of this day, Company 411 at Camp Kephart Prong, Smokemont, has invited the public to the camp, in the afternoon, for an "open-house" visit.

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Assembly Paves Way For Money Refunds To County

Counties all over North Carolina will receive the news that House Bill No. 778 passed, which authorizes the new Highway Commission to adjust claims which certain counties have against the State, for roads constructed prior to the State's taking over the system.

The 1935 General Assembly passed an Act which directed the Governor to appoint a Fact Finding Commission to receive the claims of the various counties and to make recommendations to the 1937 General Assembly as to what should be done.

The Commission was appointed by Governor Ervinghaus and sat in hearings at Asheville and Raleigh during the last year and heard the arguments of the various claimant counties.

The Commission made its report to the Governor and General Assembly about the middle of February this year. Six of the nine members stated that they felt there was some merit in the claims but that they did not feel that they had had sufficient time to determine the exact amounts.

The matter is referred to the incoming Highway Commission, with power to act. Three of the members of the Commission of nine made a minority report, in which they said several of the counties were entitled to definite amounts, but did not see fit to designate the amounts that each county is entitled to.

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MRS. GREEN PASSES

Mrs. Sultina Green, relict of the late Geo. M. Green, died at her home on Green's Creek, Tuesday, after an illness of eight months, at the age of 69.

Funeral and interment were at Old Savannah Baptist church, of which Mrs. Green had long been a member.

Mrs. Green, a native of Jackson county, and a daughter of the late Daniel H. Ashe, is survived by three sons, F. E., Lemon, and John Green; by three daughters, Mrs. John R. Humphrey, Albany, N. Y., Mrs. John H. Hill and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan, both lives and friends.

NEW LAW ABOUT FIRES

The General Assembly enacted a law making it a misdemeanor for any person to set out fire in any woodland area under the protection of the State Forest Service, or within 500 feet of any such area, between the first day of April and the fifteenth day of June, or between the fifteenth day of October and the first day of December, without first obtaining a permit from the State Forester, or one of his duly authorized agents.

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