

# The Jackson County Journal

### Conservative Party Met In Washington

Washington, May 11.—As things are now, there does not seem to be much chance for the enactment of the conservative plan of adding six justices to the Supreme Court. There is a bare possibility that Congress might agree to increase the number of justices to eleven, but it is not to the taste of the majority of the whole program in the President's own party. The conservative plan is to delay action on the whole Court proposal until after the Supreme Court has ruled on the constitutionality of the Social Security Act. That law has been passed by the Government, from the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals, which declared the Act unconstitutional. The expectation is that the court will hear arguments this month and hand down its decision late in the month. If it upholds the Social Security Act, political wiseacres say it will definitely kill Congressional action on the Court enlargement. If the decision is against the Act, then the compromise plan for two additional judges is a chance, although that will be fought out bitterly, on principle, by the leaders on the Democratic side.

Each of the silence of many members of Congress, particularly in the Senate, is due to the belief that the conservative is personally much more popular with the public than he is with the majority of his own party on Capitol Hill. Something like the case of antagonism to the Administration is growing rapidly in both wings of the Capitol, and there is a general inclination becoming manifest among the President no more grants of personal power and perhaps to show some of the powers which were given to two Congresses gave him. It is expected that many of the Administration's proposals will suffer defeat in the Congress.

It is expected that Congress will do its own thing instead of accepting whatever the White House proposes.

It seems likely to be particularly in the whole plan of tax revision. Everybody recognizes that the present tax system is a jumble in which unfavorable and oppressive elements are piled. Roswell Magill, the new assistant secretary of the Treasury, has come out with a proposal to rewrite the present tax system. To do that will take time and money. Therefore the Administration's program now is to enact no new tax laws this session, but to extend for another year the expire tax laws by limitation this Summer and in the meantime set committees to work employing expert holding hearings as the basis for a sound and comprehensive new tax system to be put through at the next session.

Congress is serious about economy. It is growing strength behind the proposal of a horizontal cut of 10 percent in all departmental estimates. An alternative plan proposed by the Administration's supporters and said to have originated at the White House, is to give the President authority to "suspend" 15 percent of all appropriations and apportion savings and conditions under Federal department. It is a curious as he sees fit, has met with a cool reception that it is not regarded as having a chance. Opposition is up on the same ground that of the rest of the Congressional opposition to the Administration is based. That is the feeling that while the Executive authority and discrimination were given to the Executive by previous Congresses was all right at the time of the economic emergency, it would create a dangerous precedent that practice of delegating authority now that the emergency has passed. That feeling does not arise from any personal distrust of Mr. Roosevelt. No one thinks that he has any inclination to abuse the tremendous powers which he has been given. There is much distrust of the Executive of some of the President's advisers.

Partly because of that growing distrust and partly because of a general feeling for economy, it seems likely that several measures favored by the Administration will fall by the way.

These include the Wagner Housing Bill, the plan to set up regional projects around several

### Group Urges Early Parkway Completion

A group of Western North Carolinians, including Charles E. Ray, Waynesville, J. D. Cowan, A. J. Dills, Sylva, H. E. Buchanan, Hendersonville, W. E. Elmore, Bryson City, and others, appeared before the State Highway and Public Works Commission, urging that body to rally to the support of the western counties in their fight to secure immediate action on continuing the construction of the Blue Ridge Parkway between Soco Gap and Bull's Gap.

The action, following a meeting in Waynesville last week, was precipitated by reports from Washington to the effect that an alternate route to Soco Gap from Bull's Gap was being considered. It was feared by the people of the towns in the counties affected that the entire stretch of the road through the Pisgah and Balsams section, as contemplated in the original plan approved by Secretary Ickes, would be left off.

The committee, which secured the backing of the Highway Commission and Governor Hoey, urged that the original route as planned be adhered to, that ten million dollars be appropriated annually for the road until it is completed, that plats of the remaining links to Soco Gap be prepared so that they will be ready for letting this year and next, that the next project to be let be between Balsam Gap to Wagon Road Gap.

The committee took no action regarding the controversy that has arisen over the location of the Parkway from Soco Gap to the Park. The Cherokee Indians, through their Tribal Council, have several times voted down proposals for the construction of the road down Soco to Cherokee.

The last time the proposal was defeated by the Eastern Band of Cherokees, it was pointed out that the Parkway is in reality an elongated park, requiring 100 acres of land to the mile, to be administered by the park service in the same way as parks are administered. It will not be a public highway, fees can be charged, and it is figured that the road will pay for itself.

The government asked of the Indians that they sell, or exchange for other lands, in fee simple, an 800 foot strip from Blue Wing to Cherokee. No building, pole line or structure would be permitted to be erected upon the easement lands, except with the consent of the Park Service. No road or private driveway would be allowed to intersect the Parkway, and no signs or billboards would be allowed erected. All local traffic would be prohibited, and the owners of the land, to wit the Indians, would not be allowed to maintain any kind of stores, stand, filling stations, or the like, along the easement. The Park Service, it was pointed out, contemplates leasing concessions for filling stations and the like.

The Indians, on Soco, especially, are said to be hostile to the idea of relinquishing any lands or rights in their lands.

The people in this county have largely sided with the Cherokees in the matter, and are not now urging that the Parkway go down Soco. They only insist that the original route to Soco Gap be adhered to.

### TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

**JOBS and education**

The principal reason why so many young people find it hard to get jobs when they get out of school is that they have not been taught how to do the things for which business and industry are willing to pay. That is my own summary of the report of Richard R. Brown, deputy administrator of the National Youth Administration.

It is just another finger-pointing toward a complete revamping of our whole educational system. We have been training boys and girls to look down upon the real work of the world, and to regard the "white-collar" occupations as the only ones worth going into. There aren't enough white collar jobs to go around.

I have long believed that for the vast majority the ordinary school can do nothing beyond, say, the sixth grade. At eleven or twelve most boys and girls have got all the formal education they will ever be able to use. A school system which would take them at that age and teach them the fundamentals of a trade or handicraft would at least enable them to face the realities of life and not be ashamed to do work at which they might get their hands dirty. Those who have it in them to rise, will rise anyway.

**DRAKE . . . marriage money**

To the English-speaking world "Frankie" Drake is one of the heroic figures of all time. He made the England of Queen Elizabeth the great sea-power, and was the first Englishman to sail around the world, the feat which won him knighthood at the hands of the Queen.

Drake reported that he had careened his ship, the "Golden Hind," in a convenient harbor on the Pacific Coast, and had set up a table claiming the land as "New Albion" in the name of Queen Elizabeth. That was in 1579, and historians years ago decided that a small bay northwest of the Golden Gate must have been the place. It is on all the maps of California as "Drake's Bay". But a few weeks ago, a young Californian, Beryl Shinn, wrote a new chapter of history. Stopping at San Quentin Point to change a tire, he found Drake's brass plate, half buried under a rock, where it had been for nearly 358 years.

It is of little consequence, of course, whether "Frankie" Drake went through the Golden Gate, or not; though just now when the great Golden Gate bridge has been opened for traffic, there is a romantic thrill in visualizing the towering "Golden Hind" sailing through that famous passage. But it was worth \$2000 in hard cash to young Mr. Shinn, who had never heard of Sir Francis Drake. The award which the California Historical Society gave him for finding the plate enabled him to get married. That is important.

**INDIANS** . . . increasing

We are accustomed to think of the American Indians as a "vanishing race," but the latest report of the Commissioner for Indian Affairs indicates that they are, on the contrary, increasing more rapidly than any other class of Americans. Last year there were 3500 more births than death among the 332,397 recognized Indians in the United States. The total number of Indians recorded in the 1930 Census, is nearly 90,000 more than were counted in 1920, and three times the number of Indians estimated by the Indian Office in 1907.

Nobody knows how large the Indian population of America was before Columbus arrived, but it probably was not as many as a million, the best authorities hold. The white settlers did not "exterminate" the Indians, by any means. Probably more died in the early days from the new diseases which the white man brought than in all of our Indian "wars". Measles alone killed more than half of the New England Indians in the 1600's. There are probably millions of Americans who have an Indian strain in their blood, of which many are proud. Vice-President Charles Curtis and Will Rogers, the actor-humorist, boasted of their Indian pedigree. President Franklin Pierce's brother married a half-breed Indian girl, and the second Mrs. Woodrow Wilson claims descent from Pocahontas, the Indian "Princess" who saved the life of Captain John Smith and then married John Rolfe. On the whole, it seems to me, the Indians have not fared so badly.

**WAE** . . . against traditions

For a long time we used to fool ourselves by believing that the pro-

### HOLDEN ELECTED NEW POLICE CHIEF

Leonard Holden was elected Town Marshal of Sylva, tonight, by the new Board of Aldermen, at its organization meeting, to succeed James A. Turpin, who resigned after holding the office for several years. Mr. Holden will assume the office on June 1, and the board requested Mr. Turpin to continue until that time.

Mr. Holden, whose home is at Speedwell, has served as a deputy sheriff under Sheriff Mason, for the past three years.

W. J. Fisher, Jr., was elected chairman of the Board of Aldermen.

M. D. Cowan was re-elected Town Clerk.

Mayor Gibson appointed W. T. Wise, W. H. Conley and Raymond Glenn as the water committee; W. J. Fisher, H. L. Evans, and Raymond Glenn, as the committee on lights, and W. T. Wise, W. H. Conley and W. J. Fisher as the committee on streets. Other committees are to be appointed later.

Dan K. Moore was re-elected attorney.

At the request of the board, the mayor appointed Dan K. Moore, Ben Sloan, J. C. Allison, H. L. Evans and W. J. Fisher as a committee to draft regulations for the government of the municipal swimming pool, to be submitted to the board at its next meeting.

Claude Allison, chairman of the retiring board was present at the meeting and assured the Board of the cooperation of the old board and the entire business interests of the town with the new administration.

Members of the new government who took office tonight are H. Gibson, Mayor, W. T. Wise, W. H. Conley, H. L. Evans, Raymond Glenn, and W. J. Fisher.

### 600 Home Club Women Expected Here Thursday

**BASIL MIDDLETON PASSES**

Funeral services for Basil Middleton who died at his home at East LaPorte, Monday morning, were conducted at East LaPorte church, yesterday at 2:30.

Mr. Middleton, who was 57 years of age, had been ill of pneumonia for several days.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Julia Shook, five brothers, Hu' Middleton, a member of the County Board of Education; Wood Middleton, president of a business college in Winston-Salem; Ed Middleton, of Balsam; and Nathan and Herschel Middleton, of East LaPorte.

**FISHING SEASON OPENS IN  
PARK ON SATURDAY, 15TH**

Many streams in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park will be opened to sportsmen after Saturday of this week, May 15, according to information from the office of J. R. Eakin, superintendent of the Park.

The following streams in the North Carolina side of the park will be opened: Eagle Creek, below the mouth of Tubmill Creek; all waters of Hazel Creek and its tributaries; Forney Creek, below the mouth of Huggins' Creek; No-land Creek, below the mouth of Bald Creek; all waters of Lands Creek; Deep Creek, below mouth of Cherry Creek on Right Fork, and below Hermit Branch, on Left Fork; all waters of Coopers Creek; Left Fork of Ocona (Lula) River, below the mouth of Kephart Prong; Bradley Fork, below the mouth of Bearwallow Branch; Raven Fork, below Three Forks; Straight Fork, below mouth of Balsam Corner Creek; "Buckles" Creek, below the mouth of Flat Creek; Cataloochee Creek, below the mouth of Messer Fork; Palmer Creek, below the mouth of Pretty Hollow Creek; Big Creek, below the mouth of Gunter Fork.

Open season—Trout, May 16 to August 31, inclusive; rock bass and small mouth bass, June 16 to August 31, inclusive. Fishing is permitted only between the hours of 5:00 A. M. and 6:30 P. M. Central Standard Time for the Tennessee section of the park, and between 6:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., Eastern Standard Time, for the North Carolina section of the park. Both hours mentioned are of the same day.

Restrictions as to use of bait—Fishing is permitted only with artificial bait with but one hook. Two artificial flies may be attached to the leader, if desired. The use of other than artificial bait is prohibited.

Size limit—Trout and rock bass under 8 inches in length, and small mouth bass under 10 inches in length, shall not be retained, unless seriously injured.

Limit of catch—The maximum catch in any one day and the maximum number in possession of any one person shall be 10 fish of any or all species, including undersized fish retained because seriously injured.

Fishing license—The park does not charge for fishing license, but persons fishing in the park must have State fishing license issued by Tennessee or North Carolina, depending upon the section being fished.

Fires—The building of fires for any purpose on or along park roads, except in designated camp grounds and picnic areas, is prohibited.

Speed—Speed of automobiles and other vehicles except ambulances and Government cars on emergency trips is limited to 35 miles on highways. On secondary roads, posted as such, speed is limited to 20 miles an hour on straight sections and 15 miles per hour on curves.

**STATE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE HAS REPRESENTATIVE HERE**

A representative of the North Carolina State Employment Service will be in the Sylva WPA office the second and fourth Wednesdays in each month to register those persons seeking employment, and to renew registration cards of persons already registered, but not employed. The Employment Service is having great difficulty in filling calls for skilled workmen and domestic help, and would be glad for any who are seeking employment to meet the representative on the days designated.

Six hundred women from the homes and farms and towns of Haywood, Macon, Swain, Graham, and Jackson counties are expected to be in attendance at the annual meeting of the First District Home Demonstration Clubs, next Thursday, May 20, at the Graded School auditorium in Sylva.

The meeting will begin at 10:30, with Mrs. Harley Reno, District President, presiding. Mrs. J. B. Wetmore, of Jackson, will deliver the address of welcome; and the response will be made by Mrs. Carl Stagle, of Macon.

On the program for the morning session are Miss Ruth Current, Mrs. Esther Willis, Mrs. H. Boney, State President, and Mr. Kinery, of the Dairy Division of State College.

Music will be furnished by Mrs. Sidney Cagle, pianist. Miss Willa Mae Dills, soloist, and by phonograph recordings. Amplifiers will carry the entire proceedings of the meeting.

A luncheon will be served by the Jackson County Home Demonstration Club women.

In the afternoon, a 4-H group from Haywood county will present "The Meaning of 4-H Club Work".

A 4-H team from Swain will present a demonstration, "Standing Up to Life".

Included also on the afternoon program will be a skit on house-furnishing, by the Macon county club women; Cheese Making, by the Graham county women, a dress revue by the women of Jackson county, and a report of the progress of home demonstration work in the first district, during the past year, by Mrs. Enlow, District Secretary.

**GLEE CLUB HERE SUNDAY**

The Glee Club from Brevard College composed of men and women students will sing at the morning service at the Methodist church here, Sunday, at 11 o'clock.

The public is invited to attend the service and hear these singers.

**VISITORS WILL HOLD SERVICE**

Next Thursday night, May 20, Mrs. Edna Harris, Secretary of the Baptist Women's Missionary Union of North Carolina and Dr. Harvey Clarke, a missionary to Japan, will be at the Sylva Baptist church for a service, at 8:00 o'clock. Dr. Clarke will have light picture slides of the work in Japan, in connection with the lecture which he will give on the work. The public is cordially invited to the service and it is hoped that many people from nearby churches will be present.

**RITES FOR N. J. HOOPER WERE HELD ON MONDAY**

Funeral services were conducted for N. J. Hooper, of Cowarts, Monday, at one o'clock, by Rev. Ben Cook and Rev. Corsey Hooper, of Cowarts, and Rev. Fred Forester and Rev. P. J. Elliott, of Cullowhee. Interment was in the family cemetery, near the home.

Mr. Hooper, who was 82 years old, spent his entire life within a quarter of a mile of where he was buried. He was the father of nine children, seven of whom survive: W. V. Hooper, East LaPorte; Will Hooper, Braze Hooper and Mrs. Ora Jones, Cowarts; D. M. Hooper, West Asheville; John E. Hooper, Cullowhee; and Mrs. Winnie Henson, Bayboro. Two brothers and one sister Mr. Hutt Hooper and Mrs. Maranda Nicholson, of Cowarts, and Mr. L. E. Hooper, of East LaPorte, thirty-seven grandchildren and twenty-six great-grandchildren also survive.

He was a devoted father and a faithful Christian.

**QUALLA**  
(By Mrs. J. K. Terrell)

A Mothers' Day programme was given at the Baptist church Sunday morning. The exercises consisted of recitations by the children, a poem, "Nearer My God To Thee," by Miss Hester Owen, and singing by the young folks of the Sunday School and the Ravensford Quartette. Among the visitors present were Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stockton, of Canton, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Longton, of Asheville, Mrs. C. M. Hughes of Canton, Mrs. Terry Johnson, of Cherokee, and Mrs. Thad Beck, of Smokefont.

Mrs. D. C. Hughes, Mrs. J. M. Hughes, of Cherokee, Mrs. Golma Kinsland, Mrs. Ted Kinsland and Mrs. Richard Crisp met with Mrs. J. E. Hughes at her home on Wednesday.

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### CLINIC FOR CRIPPLES TO BE HELD ON 15TH IN BRYSON CITY

The clinic for crippled children, which is sponsored by some of the civic clubs in this section, will be held at Bryson City, on next Saturday, the 15th, in the High School building. Dr. John T. Saunders, of Asheville, will be in charge, assisted by Mrs. Fred Hicks, County Nurse, and others. All persons who have been attending this clinic are requested to remember the date.

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### GOING TO EUROPE

Arthur O. Weidlich, manager of the Log Cabin Association's development in Jackson county and a member of the Farmers' Federation advisory committee in this county, will go to Europe in June, as a member of a delegation sponsored by the Oberlander Trust Foundation to study European forestry practices.

Mr. Weidlich for some years has been deeply interested in farm forestry and has developed a splendid tree nursery on the Log Cabin Association's property in Jack's Cove, several miles from Sylva.

He was notified several weeks ago of his appointment to the Oberlander Trust delegation to study forestry in Europe. He expects to sail for Germany about the middle of June.

Mrs. Weidlich will accompany her husband on the trip.

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