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ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

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THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, March 15 (Autocaster)—Washington is beginning to take the present depression seriously. The nonchalant attitude of high Administration officials, who would not admit that there was anything to it but a temporary slump, has given place to a considerable degree of anxiety as to how much longer it will be before the tide turns, and what will be the effect upon the voters if unfavorable business conditions continue much farther into an election year.

Outside advisers who have been called into consultation with the President and Cabinet members forecast six months more of bad business, with recovery setting in about the time of the November elections and the business affairs of the Nation running at top speed by early next year. This point of view is not pleasing, naturally, to those who fear the political effects of a long-drawn-out spell of hard times, and who hold that it is not only the Government's function to set economic conditions right by some sort of political magic, but that it is possible for Government to do that.

Spent—Or Not to Spend? The result of the situation is that there is again a bitter controversy inside of Administration circles between the out-and-out New Dealers and the more conservative group of advisers close to the President. The "save-the-nation" boys are urging Mr. Roosevelt to try the free-spending remedies which have been used in the past, while the other group is urging him to keep his hands off and let the situation work itself out with whatever aid and comfort Congress may decide to give to business.

"Wait three months" is the oft-repeated slogan of this group, Harry Hopkins, relief administrator, has been persuaded to wait three months before renewing his demands for a huge W. P. A. program, in the hope that in that period the Federal Housing Administration will have got the long-heralded building boom so well under way that its effect on business recovery and employment will be noticeable.

No Building Boom Till—That this will be the case is not widely believed here; the outlook is generally considered to be that any real "boom" in building will have to wait upon the stabilization of general business to the point where people of small incomes will feel enough confidence in their economic futures to venture upon the purchase of new homes.

The indications are that the President is listening to the advice of those who hold that the main obstacle to recovery is in certain acts of the Federal Government, and that if he would abstain from making public statements which sound inimical to business, and let Congress go ahead and modify the tax system so that business could look forward to reasonable profits, the process of recovery would be immediately speeded up.

That is the point of view expressed at a Congressional hearing by Bernard M. Baruch, whose devotion to the Democratic party and personal loyalty to the two recent Democratic presidents, Wilson and Roosevelt, is not questioned by anybody, in spite of the fact that he is a man of great wealth, most of which he has made in the stock market.

Urges Tax Modification The former head of President Wilson's War Trade Board, and the trusted confidential adviser of President Roosevelt, urged upon Congress the necessity for the repeal of Profits and Capital Gains taxes. And that is exactly what Congress is preparing to do.

The new tax bill which is before the House for consideration doubtless will be modified considerably before it is enacted into law. There is a strong element in the Senate which would go a great deal farther in relieving business and industry of a tax burden which is held to be a main factor in bringing about the present depression. But the House bill as drafted goes a long way in that direction. It is the product of an immense amount of study on the part of the Ways and Means Com-

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FIELD DAY TO BE HELD TUESDAY

A Field Day program will be held at the elementary school here next Tuesday. This program is being promoted by the principals and athletic coaches of Sylva, Webster and Cullowhee school districts, and sponsored by the Jackson County Recreation Project. The contests are for both boys and girls.

The program follows:
High school—100-yard dash; 50-yard dash.
Graded school—100-yard dash; 50-yard dash.
High school—25-yard hop.
Graded school—25-yard hop.
High school—Running broad jump; standing broad jump.
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High school and graded school—Relay races; basketball throw; baseball throw; football throw; baseball catch; shot put.

QUALLA

The funeral of G. J. Raby was conducted at Qualla Methodist church on Tuesday afternoon by Rev. M. T. Hinchaw of Sylva and Rev. J. L. Hyatt. Interment was in Thomas cemetery. A large audience, with many visitors attended the funeral. Many beautiful floral offerings were carried by his friends. Mr. Raby was a Spanish-American war veteran. He was of a friendly, cheerful disposition and had many friends who were made sad by his death.

The following was read at his funeral:
"George Jefferson Raby was born February 6, 1877. He departed this life March 7, 1938, age 61 years, one month and two days. He was married to Miss Sallie Battle on May 31, 1908. To this union was born one daughter, Irene. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, one brother, John, of Gastonia, and a number of nieces and nephews. He professed faith in Christ about 40 years ago and joined the church at this place. He was a kind husband and father, a good neighbor and friend. He will be missed by all who knew him."

Married in Clayton, Ga., on February 27, Miss Mary Emma Ferguson of Qualla, to Mr. Carroll Trull of Bethel. Mrs. Trull has been teacher of home economics at Bethel high school for the past two years.

Large Crowd Attends Sunday School Meeting At Webster

More than 450 people representing 19 Sunday Schools, attended the Tuckasee Baptist Sunday School Convention, which was held at the Webster Baptist church, last Sunday afternoon, with Clarence Vance presiding.

The devotional service was led by Miss Mildred Cowan, of Webster. Other features of the program were: an inspirational address by Mr. R. F. Jarrett, of Dillsboro, on the subject "The Value of Sunday School Training"; a solo, by Miss Mildred Cowan, music by the East Sylva Quartet and the Dillsboro Junior Choir; and a solo by Little Miss Ruth Hooper, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Hooper of Tuckasee, and a report, made by Rev. Fred Forester, of Cullowhee, on the Sunday School meeting which was held recently at the First Baptist church in Waynesville.

The next meeting of the organization occurs on Sunday, April 10, at the Shoal Creek Baptist church. The meeting will begin at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

BALSAM

(By Mrs. D. T. Knight)
The Knights, Mrs. Farnell and Mrs. N. R. Christy attended service in the Methodist church in Waynesville Sunday morning. Bishop Kern preached in commemoration of the two hundredth anniversary of the conversion of John Wesley at Aldersgate in London. The entire service was exceedingly interesting.

Mr. John T. Jones and family and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Arrington and many other Balsamites attended the singing at the courthouse in Waynesville Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. George Coward and son, William, attended the burial of Mr. Sam Phillips at Cullowhee Saturday.

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Cowan Will Not Run In Primary

Mr. J. D. Cowan, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners has authorized the statement that he will not be a candidate to succeed himself. Mr. Cowan has been Chairman of the Board of Commissioners and County Finance Officer for two terms, and is now serving his third term. Mr. Cowan has recently completed the refinancing plan for the county, or rather he and the board of commissioners have done so; and Mr. Cowan has been working on the problem for several months.

It is believed that the plan, as outlined in a recent issue of the Journal, will save the tax-payers a large sum of money, over a ten year period. It is estimated that the saving will appropriate a quarter of a million dollars.

This plan has been adopted, approved, and is now in effect.

TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

ROBOTS . . . one thing well Some years ago a brilliant European dramatist wrote a play in which the principal characters were machines having the form of men and able to do anything a human being could do except think. He called these man like machines "Robots". They were useful workers in any kind of service until their inventor equipped them with brains. When they became able to think they revolted and slew their human masters.

The play was, of course, a satirical comment on the relations of labor to capitalistic employers. But many of the abilities which it attributed to the Robots have actually been built into modern machines. Some of them even seem to be able to think.

Not long ago in Washington I saw a machine in the Coast and Geodetic survey office which the men who run it call the "Great Brass Brain". Once set into motion, it can work out with more than human accuracy the exact high and low tide for any port in the world at any future date. But it can't do anything else.

MACHINES . . . lighten labor Engineers can make machines to do any kind of useful better than men or women can do it. But no machine can do as many different things as people can do, and behind each there is and must be a human brain to start it working and to stop it when its work is done.

Some time ago I visited the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to see the machine invented by Dean Vannevar Bush which solves intricate problems in mathematics in a few minutes where a skilled human mathematician would spend weeks. But the machine has to be set by human intelligence, to solve just one problem and no other.

As a young man I used to visit a machine shop owned by my uncle, and marvel at the muscular development of the workmen. Years later I visited the same shop and saw some of the same men sitting in chairs watching the machines which were doing the hard work their own muscles used to do. The machines had not taken their jobs away from them, but had lightened their labor.

HUMANS . . . versatile machine The human body is the most versatile piece of mechanism known to science. It can do more different things than any machine that ever was built. But it can't do any one useful piece of work as accurately as rapidly or as untiringly as a piece of machinery built for that one purpose alone. The machine never makes a mistake, if it was set right to start with. It obeys orders without thinking about them.

Factory labor is becoming more and more a mere matter of watching machines to see that they start and stop at the right time. The brains which used to actuate the human workman have been built into the machine. That is why the unskilled laborer who used to earn about \$1.50 a day can now earn about \$5 a day or more. With the aid of the machine he can turn out more and better work than the skilled worker formerly was able to do by hand.

The greatest need of industry now is more trained brains to design machines with brains built in, and more skilled hard workers to build those machines, so that more unskilled men can have jobs running them.

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Sylva Girls Beat Bethel In Finals At Cullowhee

Republicans Held Meet Saturday

The Republican convention of Jackson county, meeting at the Court House, last Saturday afternoon, elected the following citizens of the county as delegates to the Republican State Convention, in Charlotte, on Wednesday:

J. B. Ensley, Tom Cannon, Z. V. Watson, Fred L. Hooper, P. E. Moody, J. R. Snyder, Hugh E. Monteith, Miss Lucy Bumgarner, E. P. Stillwell, J. R. Long, F. E. Parker, John Painter, J. M. Worley, Mrs. R. F. Jarrett and Miss Bonnie Rogers.

The convention voted that any Republican from the county attending the State convention be admitted as a delegate.

Prominent Hamburg Farmer Passes

Griffin Norton, prominent citizen of the Hamburg Section of the county, died at his home at Norton Sunday afternoon, at the age of 70 years, following a long period of ill health.

Born in the Norton settlement, Mr. Norton spent his entire life there, engaged in farming. He was a member of the Methodist church there, and devoted much time to the church and its activities.

Surviving Mr. Norton are his widow; two sons, Leonard Norton, of Sylva, and Lewis Norton, of Norton, two sisters, Mrs. Meta Hall, Highlands, and Mrs. Bessie Taylor, Speedwell, several grandchildren, two great grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted at his home on Monday by Rev. W. F. Beadle, pastor of the Highlands Methodist church, and interment was in the Norton cemetery.

Triplets Born

Triple boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Green at Tuckasee, on Sunday, March 13. Two of the boys are still living.

Trains Discontinued

Trains Nos. 19 and 20, between Bryson City and Asheville were discontinued on Wednesday, following authorization by the North Carolina Utilities Commission. The last trip of this train was from Bryson City to Asheville, Wednesday morning.

The Southern Railway Company has been seeking permission to discontinue this train service, and opposition to such action was lodged with the Utilities Commission by citizens in Sylva and Bryson City, but they did not press their claim, when notified by the Commission to be present at the hearing in Raleigh.

Rev. C. E. Stedman Dies

Rev. C. E. Stedman died of a heart attack, at his home in Cherokee county, last Tuesday, at the age of 74. Prior to entering the ministry, 24 years ago, Mr. Stedman lived in Sylva, and he has many friends throughout Western North Carolina. He is survived by his widow, and one sister, Mrs. F. E. Hearne, of Eatonton, Ga.

Funeral services were conducted from the Peachtree Methodist church Thursday afternoon with the Rev. W. Arthur Barber, pastor the Murphy Methodist church, officiating assisted by the Rev. P. W. Tucker, of Marion, the Rev. A. R. Bell, of Reidsville, the Rev. W. A. Rollins, of Waynesville, the Rev. E. O. Cole, of Charlotte, and the Rev. W. S. Smith, Andrews. Interment was in the church cemetery. W. D. Townsend, of Murphy, was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Recommend Members Of Board of Elections

The Democratic Executive Committee of Jackson County, meeting in Sylva on Tuesday afternoon, voted to recommend Aaron Hooper and Ralph Sutton to the State Board of Elections, to be the Democratic members of the elections board of this county.

Mr. Hooper has been chairman of the board for several years. Mr. Sutton, business manager of Western Carolina Teachers College, has never served in an official capacity.

Republicans Held Meet Saturday

Sylva High did the impossible last Saturday night when they defeated the Bethel girls in the finals of the Western Carolina Teachers annual basketball tournament at Cullowhee.

The score was 28 to 27. The Sylva girls scored 12 points before the Bethel lassies tallied. The Swannanoa boys won out in the finals over Candler 17 to 13. This was the third time this year that Swannanoa has defeated the Candler lads.

This year made the eighth time that the Sylva girls have met Bethel in the tournament and it is the first time that they have come out on the long end of the score, Bethel having won the other seven starts.

The Sylva girls advanced to the finals by eliminating first Clyde, then they won from Mills River by one point. In the semi-finals they defeated Etowah.

This is the second time in nine years that Bethel has failed to win the title. The final games witnessed by the largest crowd to ever attend a cage program on the college floor, were packed form start to finish, especially in the girls contest where the Bethel lassies gamely fought back after a slow start in an effort to catch their fast flying foes.

While the boys game possessed plenty of fine play and kept the customers on the edges of their seats for the full period the girls tilt was really sensational scrap.

With Parker, L. Bryson and Coward each netting points Sylva rushed into a 12 to 0 lead before he defending champions found their game. Bethel fought back and with Chambers and Hargrove leading the drive pulled up 5-14 at the end of the first period, 9-16 at the half, 26-25 at the end of the third quarter. And the last period rally just fell short of knotting the count.

Parker scored 13 points to set the pace for Sylva, with her team mate, L. Bryson one point behind Chambers scored 15 and Hargrove 10 for Bethel.

Following the boys game Dr. H. T. Hunter, president, presented the trophies to the winners and runners-up.

The all-tournament teams, selected by officials of the meet, resulted in Bethel and Sylva, each netting two places on the girls and Swannanoa and Edneyville landing two on the boys team.

The girls team: Hargrove, Bethel, L. Bryson, Sylva, Britton, Mills River, forwards; Frady, Sylva, Horne, Greens Creek, and Edwards, Bethel guards.

The boys teams: Peterson Tipton Hill, Shytile, Edneyville; forwards: Horne, Swannanoa, center, and W. Pryor, Edneyville, and Patton, Swannanoa, guards.

Bethel's Hargrove was the tournament's high scorer with 65 points. Runner-up in the girls division was L. Bryson, of Sylva, with 41. Peterson topped the boys in scoring with 54, and second honors went to Patton who registered 52.

W. C. T. C. Extension Course Being Taught At Sylva School

Miss Adeline Bowie is teacher of an extension course which is offered for teachers of Jackson county, by Western Carolina Teachers College, on "Current Social (or Public) Problems." The classes are being held each Tuesday afternoon, beginning at four o'clock, in the elementary school building here, and allow a credit of three quarter hours. The course started on March 8, and eight more classes will be held.

To Have Revival Services

(By Rev. H. M. Hocutt)
According to present plans, Dr. W. T. Conner, of the Southwestern Baptist Seminary, in Fort Worth, Texas, will conduct a revival meeting at the Sylva Baptist church, from May 18 to 29. We are fortunate, indeed, in being able to secure Dr. Conner's services, and we hope the people will remember the date and plan to attend.

Baptist Sunday School Growing

Since the first of the year, the Sunday School of the Sylva Baptist church has shown an increase of about

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