

As the World Turns

A Brief Survey of Current Events in State, Nation and Abroad—the Facts Boiled Down to a Few Pithy Lines.

VETERANS' BILL PASSES OVER VETO

The United States Senate overrode President Roosevelt's veto Wednesday night, enacting by a vote of 63 to 27, three more votes than necessary, the independent offices appropriation bill, which carries larger appropriations than the chief executive desired made at this time for increasing war veterans' benefits and restoring federal pay cuts. The house already had passed the bill over the president's veto. It was the first major setback the Roosevelt administration had received at the hands of congress. Enactment of the measure means that approximately \$90,000,000 will be returned to world war and Spanish-American war veterans without review of their cases to determine whether their disabilities were of service origin. It also means that government employees who had their salaries cut 15 per cent by the economy act will get back five per cent for the period from February 1 to July 1 and another five per cent for the next fiscal year, starting July 1. The president had vetoed the bill on the ground that it would upset the budget.

INSULL STILL AT LARGE

Samuel Insull, fugitive American utilities promoter, was still at large Wednesday. The vessel which he had chartered to flee from Greece was reported in the Sea of Marmora, headed toward the Black Sea. It was reported that Insull was contemplating seeking haven in Rumania, which has no deportation treaty with the United States, which is seeking to return him to this country for trial on charges of fraud in connection with the collapse of his huge utilities empire, which caused the loss of millions of dollars to investors.

ROOSEVELT GOES FISHIN'

President Roosevelt boarded Vincent Astor's yacht Nourmahal at Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday and headed toward southern waters for a week of fishing and relaxation. He was kept in touch with developments at Washington by wireless. The U. S. S. destroyer Ellis is trailing the yacht.

BUSINESS BETTER

The nation's business continued to advance last week in spite of labor controversies and unseasonable weather all over the country. Sweeping gains were recorded as against business at this time last year, but the nation has not yet fully recovered from the paralysis of the national bank holiday last March. Dun and Bradstreet set the increase at 48 per cent.

CROPS INCREASE

Farm crops will yield an increase in income estimated at approximately 55 per cent higher than the income of 1933. Secretary of Agriculture Wallace announced Sunday. Administration officials hail the increase as a direct result of the activities of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

GOVERNOR DOUGHTON?

Friends both in Washington and in Raleigh declare that Bob Doughton's chances for governor are better than they ever have been, and that Farmer Bob is more in the mood to run now than he has been for some time; which, they say, "is not saying much."

MONEY WAR

World governments were warned Sunday by 16 internationally famous industrialists, bankers, and economists that further delay in monetary stabilization might lead to a "new wave of currency instability." The experts are members of the International Chamber of Commerce, and called upon all governments to utilize the present propitious opportunity to stabilize their currencies.

15 BURNED TO DEATH

Bodies of fifteen men burned to death in a Lynchburg, Va., home for transients lay on mortuary slabs yesterday while a growing corps of workers strove to identify them. The men were occupants of a two-story shelter camp operated by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration.

ANOTHER INSULL

Penniless and a fugitive from justice, C. C. Julian, erstwhile millionaire oil man from Oklahoma, committed suicide Sunday in a Shanghai hotel. A young woman who was with him at the time said he committed suicide, while his friends declared that he accidentally took an overdose of sleeping pills. A year ago Julian was charged with fraud in oil operations, skipped bond and fled to China.

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PETITION ASKS FOR MORE JOBS

Communication Addressed To Tennessee Valley Authority

SEE DISCRIMINATION Paper Says County Has Not Received Its Share Of Placements

A petition asking "particulars" as to why more Macon county men have not been employed on projects of the Tennessee Valley Authority is being circulated in Franklin. Several score names already have been signed to the petition, which is addressed to the T. V. A. employment manager at Knoxville, Tenn.

The petition carries an inference that for some unknown reason residents of this county have been discriminated against in the placement of workers on T. V. A. projects, and asks if this is due to "any neglect by any organization or persons."

Copy of Petition

Following is a copy of the petition:

"T. V. A. Employment Manager, Knoxville, Tenn.

"We, the undersigned citizens of Macon County, are anxious to see more of the Macon County workmen called to the T. V. A. work. It seems as if at the present, Macon County is not getting her share of placements. At present, there are approximately 2,450 unemployed men and women registered in the Macon County Reemployment Office. Many of these men have taken the T. V. A. tests as given to all proposed employees several weeks ago. If there has been any neglect by any organization or persons which has caused a shortage of employing more Macon County folks, we would like to know the particulars.

"The whole of Macon County is located in the Tennessee Valley, with the Little Tennessee river running the entire length of the county from south to north, and due to this fact, it seems as if Macon County should be recognized. You will find in Macon County hundreds of men who are highly skilled in various trades, such as are in greatest demand on the Tennessee Valley work."

The Passover

Mrs. Jack Sanders Tells of Jewish Holiday

Mrs. Jack Sanders informs us that beginning Saturday eve, March 31, and lasting eight days, the Jewish people will celebrate Passover, the holiday that commemorates the liberation of the Israelites from Egyptian bondage.

Almost everyone is familiar with the Biblical story of Passover—the festival of emancipation of the Jewish people from Egypt—the festival of unleavened bread—the festival of Spring.

The Jewish people love to recall this event year after year. The family gathers around the table and a beautiful ritual service is given.

After the head of the family has offered thanks to the Eternal for His bounty and mercy and the family partakes of some bitter herbs, reminiscent of the hardships and days of slavery in Egypt, the story of Passover unfolds itself in all its beauty and awe-inspiring details.

An old traditional part of the service is that the youngest member of the house asks in a series of four questions the meaning of Passover and is answered by the father or the oldest member at the table.

After the beautiful meal grace is pronounced and various hymns and songs are sung.

Highlands Girl Killed Playing with Revolver

Vivian Potts, 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Potts, of Highlands, was killed, instantly at 6 o'clock last Thursday evening in the yard at her home when a .38 caliber revolver, with which she was playing discharged accidentally. The girl was struck in the heart by the bullet. Her brother, who was elsewhere in the yard, heard the shot and ran to his sister, but she was dead.

Coroner C. M. Moore and Sheriff A. B. Slagle investigated and said the shooting was entirely accidental. No inquest was held.

Uncle Sam's Handsome Embassy in Moscow



This palatial mansion in Moscow has been obtained by the United States to house Ambassador William G. Bullitt and his entourage as well as his official offices. Situated on the outskirts of the city, it was formerly used by the central executive committee of the U. S. S. R. and was turned over to the United States by the Soviet government.

HELP OFFERED TO EMPLOYERS

Edwards Urges Public To Make Use of Reemployment Service

Notices were posted this week by John W. Edwards, manager of the Macon County office of National Reemployment Service, inviting private employers of the county to use the facilities of the office. The service, he pointed out, is free and should prove of benefit to persons or firms seeking either skilled or unskilled workers, men or women.

Mr. Edwards reported that 2,450 persons are registered at the office as applicants for jobs in capacities ranging from common laborers to stenographers and welfare workers.

At present, he said, the office's active file carries the following classifications:

- Blacksmiths, 8; carpenters, 42; clericals, 12; clerks, 1; common laborers, 839; concrete workers, 2; construction foremen, 3; cooks, 4; cotton mill workers, 1; drillers, 17; electricians, 4; engineers, 3; farm workers, 42; firemen, 4; general foremen, 16; jack hammer operators, 5; labor foremen, 5; masons, 1; mechanics, 3; miscellaneous, 10; motor grader operators, 1; night watchmen, 2; painters, 3; plumbers, 1; powdermen, 1; road workers, 4; rock masons, 2; rodmens, 2; sanitary inspectors, 1; saw filers, 2; stenographers, 1; timber workers, 6; tractor drivers, 4; truck drivers, 69.

Women: clericals, 25; clerks, 10; cooks, 2; domestic workers, 11; miscellaneous, 7; sanitary inspectors, 1; waitresses, 98; stenographers, 3; waitresses, 1; welfare workers, 2.

"When in need of any help, feel free to call upon the office for information and for assistance in getting the right man or woman for the right job."

Macon Man Arrested For Attacking Cousin

Thomas Williams, 25, charged with assault upon his first cousin, Kenis Williams, last Saturday, was arrested at 9:30 o'clock Monday night at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Williams, in the Betty's Creek section of Macon county.

He was lodged in jail at Clayton, Ga., since the fight occurred in Georgia just over the North Carolina State line.

Kenis Williams suffered serious knife wounds in the back of the neck.

Better Movies

Macon Theatre Installs New Sound Equipment

Franklin theatre fans now can see and hear the best talking pictures produced, for the Macon Theatre has installed the most modern sound and projection equipment, enabling it to use sound-on-film reels.

Until this week the Macon Theatre relied on an older type of projection and sound equipment, the kind that reproduced sound from records instead of from films. On this account it was difficult to synchronize the sound with the action of the picture and movie-goers sometimes witnessed the strange spectacle of a woman's voice emanating from a man's mouth. But that is no more.

Synchronization is automatic and perfect with the new equipment which S. H. Lyle has installed in the theatre; and, too, the pictures, as well as the sound, are projected on the screen more distinctly—just as clearly, in fact, as in any of the large city theatres.

One of the greatest advantages of the new equipment is that it will enable the management to book many pictures which hitherto it has been unable to reproduce on account of the obsolete disc equipment. Most of the new movies are made only on the sound-on-film reels.

"Sitting Pretty," a gay musical extravaganza, was the first production shown by the theatre with its new equipment, which worked perfectly and received much favorable comment from the audience.

Mr. Lyle has booked some outstanding pictures for April, including Cecil B. DeMille's "Four Frightened People," the movie version of Sinclair Lewis's "Ann Vickers," "One Man's Journey," starring Lionel Barrymore; and, in May, "Little Women."

\$50 Raised at Box Supper At School House

Approximately \$50 was realized from the box supper given at the Franklin school house Saturday night by the school children.

A cake was given Miss Mary Teague as being the most popular girl present, with Miss Jennie Gilman running a close second. Principal G. L. Houk won out over R. A. Patton as the most popular man and was also presented a cake.

Cake walks were a feature of the evening.

Girl, 15, Dies As Result of Burns

Miss Gertrude Queen, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sidney Queen, died at her home at Wesser, Swain County, Tuesday night of last week from severe burns she received on November 23, when her clothing caught on fire while standing before an open fireplace.

Mr. Queen, father of Gertrude, was born and reared at West's Mill, and has many relatives and friends in Macon county who will deeply regret to learn of his daughter's death.

DEATH CLAIMS

J. J. KISER, 73 Cartoogechaye Merchant Succumbs to Stroke Of Paralysis

J. J. Kiser, 73, well known farmer and merchant of the Cartoogechaye section, died at his home Friday morning at 5 o'clock. He had been in declining health for four years. About ten days ago he suffered a stroke of paralysis, his fourth.

Funeral services were held at the Mt. Hope Baptist church Saturday morning at 11 o'clock with the Rev. A. S. Solesbee, pastor, in charge. Interment was in the Franklin cemetery.

The deceased is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Waldrop, Mrs. Oscar Lewis and Miss Amber Kiser, and three sons, Bunyan Kiser, Wood Kiser and Theo. W. Kiser, all of Macon county.

Mr. Kiser moved to Macon county from Rutherford county in 1911 and settled in the Cartoogechaye valley.

Funeral Held For Mrs. Charles G. West

Funeral services for Mrs. Charlie G. West, 42, were conducted at the Franklin Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by the Rev. Eugene R. Eller, pastor. Burial was in the Franklin cemetery.

Mrs. West died at her home on Bonny Crest Saturday morning at 1 o'clock. She had been an invalid for the past seven years. She joined the Oak Grove Baptist church in early childhood, later moving her membership to the Franklin Baptist church.

Mrs. West is survived by her husband, three sons, Wade, Ted and Ralph; two daughters, Mrs. Mann Ray and Miss Estelle West; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gibbey, of Madisonville, Tenn., seven brothers and two sisters.

Mrs. Homer Mashburn Attends Beauty Show

Mrs. Homer Mashburn returned to Franklin Tuesday night from Atlanta where she attended the annual Southeastern beauty show, which opened at the Atlanta-Biltmore Hotel Sunday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Sam Allison, of Sylva.

J. E. Potts Suggested as Good Legislative Timber

Frank Potts, prominent Highlands merchant, has declined to accede to the urgings of his friends to become a candidate for chairman of the county board of commissioners; but the Potts name keeps bobbing up in political discussions.

This week mention was heard of J. E. Potts, who has attracted attention by his capable management of the Highlands town office and power plant. He has been suggested as likely material for representative in the legislature. As yet, however, this member of the Potts family has had nothing to say about the matter.

An hypothetical objection has been raised that perhaps Ed Potts would not care to surrender his Highlands job or that Highlands would not care to surrender Ed Potts. It has been suggested, however, that as the legislature meets in the winter, while things are (Continued on Page Four)

Bits of Wisdom

Not by birth art thou lowered, nor by birth does the wise man esteem thee, but by thy words and deeds.

—Buddha.

Trout Season Opens in Macon County on Monday, April 16

The open season for trout fishing will begin in Macon county Monday, April 16 and continue until August 31. Devotees of the rod and reel are already getting out their flies in anticipation of the opening, for most of the streams in the county are reported well stocked and a good trout season is expected.

Residents of the county will not be required to obtain licenses to fish in the Little Tennessee river, in the Cullasaja river from its mouth to Buck creek, and in Cartoogechaye creek from its mouth to the first bridge on highway No. 28 crossing this stream. County resident licenses cost \$1.10 and state licenses \$2.10.

CHURCHES GIVE EASTER PLANS

Sunrise Service, Pageant And Cantata Are on Day's Program

Franklin churches are planning to observe Easter with special services, a cantata, "The King Triumphant," and a pageant, "The Triumph of Love."

Preceding the Easter services will be a three-hour Good Friday service tomorrow at St. Agnes Episcopal church. The rector, the Rev. Frank Bloxham, will be assisted in conducting this service, depicting Christ's crucifixion, by the pastors of other Franklin churches. The public is invited to attend.

At the Methodist church the regular Sunday morning worship service will be held at 11 o'clock and at 3 o'clock in the afternoon there will be a christening service for infants and small children.

"The King Triumphant," a cantata by Ashford, will be presented at 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening by a community choir at the Methodist church under the direction of James B. Porter.

The Lord's Supper will be observed at the Baptist church at the regular 11 a. m. service Sunday and at 8 o'clock in the evening a pageant, "The Triumph of Love," will be presented.

Observance of Easter will begin at St. Agnes church with a sunrise service and celebration of the Holy Communion at 6:30 a. m. A short vesper service will be held at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, when members of the congregation will present their Lenten offerings.

14 Girl Scouts Are Awarded Badges

Fourteen girls have passed the tenderfoot test for Girl Scouts and have received their badges and become full-fledged members of the Franklin troop of Girl Scouts organized last fall under the direction of Miss Olivia Patton.

Those who have received their badges are: Virginia Cotter, Lee-ida Beshears, June Dady, Jean Moore, Betty Rogers, Kate Sellers, Frances Davenport, Beatrice Davenport, Lillian Jones, Carol Tesjier, Katherine Ellard, Rosa Lee Kiser, Dorothy Siler and Ruth Higgins.

Council members of the Franklin Girl Scout troop are: Mrs. John Davenport, Mrs. Roy C. Dady, Dr. Furnan Angel, Philip S. Hoyt, Mrs. S. E. Eaton, Miss Virginia McGuire is captain of the troop and Miss Helen Patton is first lieutenant. The troop is composed of two patrols, whose leaders are Frances Davenport and Ruth Higgins.

FUNERAL HELD FOR J. A. PORTER

Prominent Franklin Man Dies After Long Fight To Regain Health

LEADER IN CHURCH

Served on Town Board And also as Representative in Legislature

Funeral services for James A. Porter, prominent Franklin business man, who died a few minutes after noon Tuesday, were held at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist church. The church was crowded with relatives and friends who had come, many of them from some distance, to pay their last respects to a man who had been outstanding in the business, civic, political and religious life of Macon county for a generation.

Mr. Porter, who suffered from Bright's disease, had been in declining health for some time. During the winter he became seriously ill, but recovered sufficiently to get about town. Several weeks ago his condition grew worse and he was confined to his home. Although he had lost a great deal of weight and his strength was at low ebb, he refused to become an invalid. Instead, he preferred to sit up and talk to visitors and move about his home.

Although his condition was known to be critical, his death Tuesday was unexpected and came as a sudden shock to his family and friends. The immediate cause of his death was a heart attack.

Surviving Mr. Porter are his widow, two sons, R. L. and Steve Porter; two daughters, Mrs. Jack Sherrill, Jr., and Miss Catherine Porter; three brothers, John Porter, of Asheville; R. S. Porter, of Andrews; and T. W. Porter, of Franklin; and three sisters, Mrs. R. M. Waldrop, of Bryson City; Mrs. Emma Huskins, of Asheville; and Mrs. J. L. Martin, of Asheville.

Mr. Porter, a native of this county, served as representative in the legislature in 1929 and for three terms, 1921-1928, he was a member of the Franklin board of aldermen. In 1914 he was secretary of the Franklin township highway commission.

For 14 years he was in the wholesale provision business here and for 10 years in the lumber business. Then, for five or six years, he was in the retail mercantile business, operating one of the largest stores in Franklin. He also served on the board of directors of the Bank of Franklin.

Mr. Porter was a member of the Masonic order and the Methodist church. A devout churchman, he served for 25 years as chairman of the board of stewards of the Franklin Methodist church and contributed liberally toward the financing of new church structures in the county.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. C. C. Herbert, pastor of the Franklin Methodist church, assisted by the Rev. L. B. Hayes, presiding elder of the Waynesville district; the Rev. John Teague, Methodist minister of Prentiss; and the Rev. J. A. Flanagan, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church. Burial was in the Franklin cemetery. Only last fall Mr. Porter, in charge of a crew of C. W. A. workers, had directed a project to clean up and beautify this cemetery.

Pallbearers at the funeral were Sheriff A. B. Slagle, Gordon Moore, State Senator R. A. Patton, George Stalcup, Dr. W. E. Furr and D. Robert Davis.

Nearly ten million Italian voters came to polls Sunday and voted overwhelmingly for Premier Mussolini and his regime. Early returns of the plebiscite left no doubt as to the outcome. The first official count gave 98 per cent of the vote to Mussolini and his fascists, while only a few scattered thousands voted against them.

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