SUPREME COURT ISSUE FOREMOST

Congress Action Uncertain Odds Seem to Favor Administration

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.-President Roosevelt's unexpected message to Congress for legislation authorizing him to add six justices to the nine who now constitute the Supreme Court is regarded here as the most important and farreaching proposal yet put forward as a New Deal measure, Nothing which the President has said or done has ever raised such controversy.

While his message to Congress contained recommendations for many needed reforms in the procedure of the Federal Courts in general, these are almost lost sight of in the discussions of his major request and upon which members of his own party are still sharply divided.

In brief, the President's proposal is that whenever any Federal judge, having served ten years, upon reaching seventy, the age of permissive retirement, fails to retire, the President may appoint an additional judge to sit in that court, and as many as six such additional judges to the Supreme Court.

That this proposal has its basis in the refusal of the Supreme Court to uphold the constitutionality of many New Deal statutes is generally accepted here. In his message the President expressed the view that the older judges are out of step with the times, "New facts become blurred through old glasses, fitted, as it were, for the needs of another generation," he said.

Court Retirement Age

Of course, if any Supreme Court Justice now past seventy should retire now on full pay for life, the President would need no further authority than he already has to appoint his successor.

Four consistent opponents of administration legislation are among the six Supreme Court members who could retire at full pay now. They are: Van Devanter, 77, Republican; McReynolds, 75, Democrat; Southerland, 74, Republican; Butler, 70, Democrat. Justice Brandeis, regarded as the most "liberal" member of the Court, is also the oldest, being 80. Chief Justice Hughes is 74.

Eleven of the Roosevelt Administration statutes have been declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court. Five have been sustained. The Court now has under consideration another vital New Deal law, the Wagner Labor Relations Act.

The Court was unanimous in invalidating NRA, and divided 6 to 3 on AAA. The Administration was upheld 5 to 3 in the gold devaluation cases, and lost by the same margin on the original Railway Pension Act and the Municipal Bankruptcy Act.

The Court was unanimous in upholding the tax on silver profits and the barring of prison-made goods from interstate shipments. The Government's position in the TVA Act was upheld, 8 to 1 and the Chaco Arms Embargo Act by 7 to 1. Justice Stone being absent.

By 6 to 3 the Court declared unconstitutional the Guffey Soft Coal Act and the provision of the Securities Commission Act under which that board claimed unlimited power of subpoena. Federal regulation of "hot oil" shipments was in-

validated, 8 to 1, and the Court was unanimous in holding that AAA processing - taxes impounded in Federal courts must be refunded. The Court ruled that the President did not have the authority to dismiss a member of the Federal Trade Commission; also, that building and loan associations cannot be required to take out Federal charters when opposed by their state authorities.

Law on Appointments

While the chances of favorable action by Congress on the President's court proposal are still uncertain, the odds seem to be in its favor. Gossip is already picking candidates for places on the Supreme Court bench,

If none of the present justices dies or retires, there will be no place for any of the present Senators and Representatives known to have judicial ambitions. Under the Constitution no member of either House can be appointed to any office created during the term for which he was elected.

The proposed additional Justices would come under that heading, of new offices, which would bar Senators Robinson and Wagner and Representative Sumners of Texas, who have been regarded as likely candidates in case of a vacancy.

Attorney General Cummings. Chairman Landis of the S.E.C., Professor Felix Frankfurter of Harvard Law School, Donald R. Richberg, former general counsel of the NRA, and Stanley Reed, Solicitor-General, are the names most frequently mentioned.

Legislative Outlook

The Supreme Court issue has virtually overshadowed other matters ponding in Congress. It is expected that if the President's proposal is approved and he is given authority to name new Justices, new bills for the revival of NRA and AAA will be introduced.

There is a considerable grist of farm legislation in prospect, regardless of any AAA revival. Secretary Wallace's "ever-normal granary" plan, with its concomitant of crop control under the soil Conservation Act, requires further enabling legis-

New pressure blocs are organizing lobbies to press for legislation in behalf of their respective interests, and the old lobbies are more active than ever.

A national association of tenants is being formed, calculated to make demands for special laws to keep rents down. The WPA workers union is said to be planning a new march on Washington.

An enlarged lobby in the interests of independent merchants is preparing to put on pressure for antichainstore legislation. The cement industry is organizing to get behind the public works program, which will use a lot of cement if President Roosevelt's five-billion-dollar six-year flood-control and conservation program is carried out.

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CCC Enrollees Doing Fine Work in National Forests

More Recreation Facilities Being Developed in This Section

Of the many activities carried on by Civilian Conservation Corps enrollees, none is of more interest and benefit to the general public than the development of forest recreation facilities. More and more the public-is becoming forest minded, and increasingly large is the number of people seeking healthy outdoor recreation.

In North Carolina, Joseph C Kircher, southern regional forester for the U. S. forest service, with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga., reports that his organization administers the work of 19 CCC camps on the Pisgali, Nantahala and Croatan national forests and also seven state and private camps which are under the immediate supervision of state forester, J. S. Holmes. The 10 camps on the Pisgah national forest are under the direction of Supervisor H. E. Ochsner, whose headquarters are at Asheville; the seven camps on the Nantahala are administered through the office of Supervisor W. R. Paddock at Franklin; and the two camps located on the Croatan come under the direction of Supervisor H. M. Sears, whose headquarters are at Columbia, S. C.

The Pisgah, Nantahala, and Croatan national forests were created and have been developed with a number of purposes in view, all coordinated with the forest service policy of "the greatest good for the greatest number of people in the long run," In other words, multiple use planning. While the primary objectives of national forests are timber production and the protection of stream flow, the public may pienic, camp, hunt, fish, and otherwise take full advantage of the recreational and scenic attractions of the forests without interfering with their more utilitarian func-

CCC Work Outstanding

people of North Carolina is the tractions. work done by the Civilian Conservation corps in developing the outstanding recreational advantages of the Pisgah and Nantahala national forests. On the Pisgah national forest, located in Transylvania, Henderson, Haywood, Buncombe, Madison, McDowell, Yancey, Mitchell, Burke, Avery, and Caldwell counties, with headquarters at Asheville, the CCC is developing 11 completely equipped recreational areas. Those that were ready for use last summer, although in some cases not completed, were very popular. Bent Creek campground, for example, had 22,000 visitors during the summer season, Carolina Hemlock campground had 16,000, and Craggy Gardens had 14,000. All of the camp and picnic grounds are equipped with picnic shelters, picnic tables and benches, drinking water, fireplaces, and comfort stations. Several areas, where bathing is available, have bath houses. Nearly all have facilities for camping, while several can accommodate house trailers.

Trout fishing, already excellent on the Pisgah, has been improved through the work of the Civilian Conservation corps in constructing rearing pools and improving and restocking the streams. Hunting, both for deer and for small game, is an added attraction. The portion of the forest lying in the Pisgah mountains southwest of Asheville is a game preserve where deer may frequently be seen. Scenic roads constructed through this preserve by the CCC have opened up several magnificent routes for motorists.

Recreation Spots in Nantahala

In the Nantahala national forest, located in Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Macon, Swain, and Jackson counties, with headquarters at Franklin, six recreational areas have been made available to the public through the work of the CCC. Ammons campground, 10 miles south of Highlands, has facilities for picnicking and camping. Van Hook Glade, on U. S. Route 64 between Highlands and Franklin, can accomodate picknickers and both tent and trailer campers, while on nearby Skittles Creek a lake is

being impounded which will afford bathing, boating, and fishing. On the same highway, at Dry Falls of the Cullasaja river, a parking area and trail under the falls have been used by thousands of visitors. West of Franklin, on the scenic road across the Nantahala mountains, Mr. Kircher states the CCC has developed a picnic spot at Arrowood Glade, to whose other attractions have been added 9 trout rearing pools, while a swimming pool and an arboretum of native trees and shrubs are under construction. At Wayah Crest, on top of the Nantahala mountains on the route of the Appalachian Trail, there are provisions for picnicking and overnight camping. On nearby Wayah Bald a stone observation tower, nearing completion, affords some of the finest views to be found in the Southern Appalachians. Roads to many other points of interest in the Nantahala national forest, including the Joyce Kilmer Memorial forest in Graham county, have been developed by the CCC, which has also improved and restocked nearly 50 miles of trout streams. Recreational use of the Nantahala national forest in 1936 was more than double that in 1935, and included visitors from 46 states and 13 foreign countries.

Most of the work of the CCC camps supervised by the State Forester of North Carolina has been in connection with protection against forest fires. At a number of fire towers, picnic tables and other facilities have been provided for the public. At Rendezvous mountain in Wilkes county, famous as the gathering place of the patriots who took part in the Revolutionary battle of King's Mountain, roads, trails, and other conveniences for visitors have been constructed.

North Carolina, replete with scenic climatic advantages, is a mecca for summer visitors. The work done by the Civilian Conservation corps is a long step forward toward the full utilization of the Of particular interest to the Old North State's recreational at-

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