

Council Camporee Slated; Jamboree Reports Given

First-hand reports on the Golden Jubilee Jamboree at Colorado Springs this summer and plans for a council camporee this coming week end featured a meeting here Wednesday night of last week of the Smoky Mountain Boy Scout District Committee.

Held at Cagle's Restaurant, the session was presided over by Stephen A. Bundy, of Franklin, district chairman.

Scouts Benny Swafford, Tommy Crawford, Johnny Crawford, and Paul Cabe each gave accounts of different aspects of the Colorado jamboree, which was attended by Scouts from all states and several foreign countries.

A camporee for all Scouts of the Daniel Boone Council, of which the Smoky Mountain District is a part, is planned for September 30-October 2 at Hominy Valley, near Enka. Some 1,000 to 1,200 Scouts, including a number from Macon County troops, are expected to visit the camporee.

It was announced that a new troop has been organized in the Cartoogechay community with Lonnie Crawford as Scoutmaster and Dr. A. Rufus Morgan as institutional representative.

The need for more cooperation by parents was stressed, especially in respect to the younger boys of Scout age.

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Field Training In Germany

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Army Pfc. Frank T. Norton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Norton, of Highlands, N. C., participated with other personnel from the 3d Armored Division's 45th Medical Battalion in a field training exercise here.

The exercise ended September 16. It was designed to determine unit efficiency under simulated combat conditions.

Pfc. Norton, an ambulance driver in Company A of the battalion in Frankfurt, entered the Army in November 1958, completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C., and arrived overseas last December.

The 22-year-old soldier is a 1957 graduate of Highlands High School and attended Brevard Junior College.

Oxford Professor Visits Coweeta

Dr. M. V. Laurie, professor of Forestry at Oxford University in England, visited September 21 at Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory.

This world famous center for studying forests and water is just south of Franklin in Macon County. Dr. Laurie stopped by while going home from the World Forestry Congress, recently concluded in Seattle, Wash.

Foresters in England are becoming increasingly concerned about water use by trees. Dr. Laurie is but one of several prominent British foresters recently here to learn more about American experiences with trees and water. He was most interested in a device which uses atomic energy to measure soil moisture. Naturally, results of experiments in the mountains of North Carolina have little application in a country as flat as England, but modern methods for getting answers are very useful to foreign visitors.

One of Coweeta's findings, which surprised Dr. Laurie as much as most other visitors, is that trees may use anywhere from 11 to 17 inches of our annual rainfall. So far, this loss of water is of little importance in well-watered mountains, but in England such a loss could cost them half their annual supply of rainfall. Obviously, continued large scale tree planting threatens to bite that much deeper into a water supply already fully used by industry and agriculture.

CHOSEN FOR CHOIR

Miss Jacqueline Clark, who attends Wake Forest College in Winston-Salem, has been chosen to be in the college chapel choir, an 80-voice group selected from the student body. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Clark, of Franklin.

From 1940 to 1958 the output per man hour of farm labor rose 117 per cent.

Baptists Offering Seminary Courses Starting October 3

Seminary extension courses will be offered to all lay people and ministers, with classes on Monday nights for 18 weeks beginning October 3 at the Education Building of First Baptist Church.

Two courses will be taught, "New Testament 112", by the Rev. J. H. Propst, and "Evangelism", by the Rev. Robert R. Standley.

Class periods will run from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. each Monday.

Seminaries give credit and church study courses credit seven books for these two courses, according to a church release.

Cost for the two courses is \$17.50, or \$11.50 for "New Testament" and \$11 for "Evangelism", with this fee including work books and textbooks.

Registration for these two courses will be held at the Education Building at 7 p. m. Monday, October 3.

These courses are presented to this association by the Home Mission Board, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, and the Seminary Extension Department, an agency of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Social Security

By GEORGE F. LEINWALL, Field Representative

This is the first in a series of articles on the changes in the Social Security Law enacted by Congress and signed by the president on September 13.

Another bill enacted by the Congress and signed by the president was a medical care bill for the aged. This bill paves the way for the federal government and the individual states to help pay the bills of aged men and women in need. The Social Security Administration will not administer this program and has no part in its jurisdiction. Those persons affected by the health bill should not apply to the Social Security office for information or assistance. As soon as the machinery is set up at the state level for handling the medical bill for the aged, you will undoubtedly learn about it from your newspaper, radio, or television. Again, please be informed that your Social Security program cannot assist you in applying for medical aid.

One of the more significant changes in the Social Security Law was the elimination of age 50 for disability insurance benefits. The new amendments provide that benefits are payable to any wage earner, who meets the work requirements, and his dependents. There has been no relaxing of the severity requirements; those who qualify for disability benefits must be totally and permanently disabled for any substantial and gainful activity. The work requirement of five years of covered employment out of the 10 years immediately preceding the month of disability remains unchanged, with one rare exception—a disabled worker who does not meet the 20/40 requirement will be deemed insured if he has 20 quarters of coverage for at least six quarters beginning with 1951 and continuing for each quarter up to but not including his quarter of disability.

Next week this column will be devoted to the changes in the requirements for insured status. Pamphlets 1960-61, on the new amendments, are available without cost by writing to George F. Leinwall, Social Security Administration, 40 North French Broad, Asheville, N. C.

Democratic Rally, Luncheon Has Good Turn-Out

A Democratic rally and buffet luncheon was held at the home of W. A. (Bill) Cox, Democratic nominee for the State House of Representatives, Saturday afternoon from 12 noon to 3 p. m.

Approximately 84 people attended. Co-hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. W. A. Cox, Mrs. Jim Perry, Mrs. Fred Salain, and Mrs. Alex Arnold.

Among those attending were Judge and Mrs. George B. Patton and E. J. Whitmire, county chairman.

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August Road Work Listed

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Tesenta Road, 1 mile; Golf Course Road, 0.5; Arnold Branch Road, 0.4; Norris Road, 0.8; Lake Creek Road, 1 mile; Mulberry Road, 0.6; Shuler Road, 0.8; and Theo Siler Road, 0.2.

Improvements were made to more than 50 miles of roads in the 14th Highway Division, of which Macon is a part, according to Division Engineer F. L. Hutchison.



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The HUMAN Tomorrow

By Heinz Rollman
PART II

As I said in closing last week's column, the secret to the future lies in understanding how Congress affects humanity.

Your very life may depend on who will be in Congress! The members of Congress generally have been good honest Americans who love their country, but can you consider this as an outstanding asset in a fellow? Isn't it self-understood that everyone living in our land loves this country and is a good American? WHAT COUNTS IS KNOWLEDGE.

Many a bum has been elected to Congress on nothing but stupid and phony promises. That is what too many people want to hear. A man can also sometimes get elected if he doesn't say a thing. That is considered smart, shrewd, and modest. The only trouble is that then the voters have no idea of what kind of a man they vote for. I would feel like a traitor to my district and my country if I would want to get elected on that basis. I want to be elected either my way or not at all. When I say my way I mean very simply this:

I DON'T TAKE PEOPLE FOR SUCKERS. I DON'T THINK PEOPLE ARE DUMB, AND I AM NOT GOING TO MAKE PHONY PROMISES OR CAMPAIGN SPEECHES THAT WILL WHIP UP EMOTIONALLY THE VOTERS ENRICHENING THEIR LIVES.

Anyone is free to vote for my opponent and, except for his name, you are going to have the same sort of fellow in Congress as we had in the last half century. (And what do we have to show for almost 50 years of continuous machine representation? In our district almost the lowest income per family in the whole wide United States.) That kind of groove can become a grave.

But, life has changed and we are facing problems and the people might as well realize that no President and no State Legislature but only the U. S. Congress has the authority or right under our Constitution, State or Federal, to come up with the answers or to pass the laws affecting the nation and the people as a whole.

Look at it once from your own personal point of view. Twenty years from now restaurants with waitresses will be a thing of the past. Restaurants will largely be automatic. People will walk into a restaurant, push buttons, and get the kind of hamburger or steak or fried chicken with all the frills around that they want without anyone serving. And look a step further.

We now have in our nation 65 million working people. Most of them, in just 52 weeks of work every year, can produce far more than the people have money or the wish to consume and buy.

On our farms in another 20 years from now a third of the farm hands will only be needed to produce more food than our population can possibly consume without killing themselves by over-eating. We have entered a new age.

We have entered the automation age, which produces a whole new set of problems. Ninety-nine out of 100 members of Congress haven't got the faintest idea how to cope with these problems. We also face external problems, which are very different from anything our nation has ever faced before. Again, 99 out of 100 lawmakers haven't got the faintest idea of how to cope with communism in the same world with us.

You read newspaper after newspaper and they are all writing about the candidates for president. Yet they all shy away from discussing the vast importance of candidates for Congress.

The President of our nation doesn't make the laws, the President doesn't decide how much foreign aid will be given to the rest of the world, the President doesn't determine the amount of taxes you pay, and the President doesn't decide what is being done with the farm surplus. The President only proposes to Congress; that is all! And the only other thing he can do is to administer in the best possible way the laws made by Congress.

Unless people come to understand this they will continue and continue to elect to Congress too many people that are unfit.

Please do not think that by electing me, everything would change over night. My voice alone in Congress would be small. Only in time will some of the "old dogs" in Congress be replaced with capable men who know world conditions and the problems affecting humanity. Only then can a beginning be made toward creating a better world.

If I would be elected to Congress for only two years I might as well stay home. We have 437 Congressional Districts in our nation and the people in some of these districts have already started throwing out their old horse-and-buggy representatives. They have elected younger people, who have the basic training and knowledge to understand and to solve modern day problems. But, unless we have a majority of those people in Congress (irrespective of their party affiliation), it will be all meaningless.

No one, regardless how selfless he may be and how hard he may try, will be able to do a great deal in training the "old dogs" in Congress to learn new tricks. It will just simply take new dogs who will be trained to cope, to perform, modern-day tricks.

Who do you think is to blame for the mess in Cuba and all the mess that is going to come up in these next few years? The President? By no means. The blame is with a sleeping Congress, a disinterested Congress, Congress filled with too many members who are only interested to be re-elected who are only interested to do the popular things, but who would not consider any legislation which might lose them votes when it becomes time for re-election.

You must remember that most of these people in Congress, even if the President, with the most brilliant and capable advisers in the country, proposes something, are actually unable to understand the significance of most of the proposals made by the President. Again I say, these members of Congress are good citizens like you and me, but we don't need a Congressional popularity contest; we need a Congress that takes care of our nation and indeed be the leader for the whole world.

Who is to blame for the stupid farm surplus? Only Congress can change the farm surplus into something sensible. Our late Senator Scott had one of the most wonderful, humane, brilliant, and thrifty ideas about what to do with our farm surplus. But members of his own party would not even consider it. Senator Scott had the brains, the ingenuity, and the knowledge to look into the future, but the others did no.

Who is to blame for the crying unfairness in our own land, the unfairness that in many counties people have hardly any income while in others the income for the average American living is tremendous? Is it the President? Or are the people in those poor counties to blame? Again it is only the Congress of the United States who is able to really look at the problem and pass complete new legislation to even out the standard of living even in our own land.

IT CAN BE DONE BUT IT CAN ONLY BE DONE WHEN THE MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ARE INTELLIGENT ENOUGH TO SEE THE NEED TO DO IT AND ARE NOT AFRAID THAT THEIR ACTION MIGHT COST THEM VOTES.

Look at our tax laws. Is there anything more unfair in the world than these tax laws? But three months, day and night, Congress spends time on discussing civil rights without getting one step further and real important legislation to our nation is just simply neglected and put off from year to year. People must come to realize the vast importance of Congress and, therefore, must come to realize their electing the fellow who paints everything rosy and makes the most beautiful promises, may one day cause regret. Even if the people change their outlook, then you may rest assured that it will be a long, long time before we will see any good results.

We would not be bothered today by communism if in 1918 a majority of the members of Congress would have been intelligent enough to understand President Wilson and his insistence that our nation become an active partner in the League of Nations. The fact that we are now members of the United Nations is meaningless for the United Nations, in its present setup, can't enforce anything.

Communism can be contained if Congress passes the right laws. Congress, yet today, even at this late hour, can still make laws that would enable every free nation on earth that is not yet completely in the clutches of communism to chase out of their countries every last filthy communist. This might not be popular legislation, but it is legislation that would assure peace and prosperity to the free world. And after the people have seen how well the legislation works, they will enjoy this type of legislation.

I would be happy to serve, but I would only be happy to serve if you don't expect miracles. I would only be happy to serve if I can serve at least 10 or 15 years in Congress so that I and maybe another hundred men can gradually bring about a peaceful revolution in Congress.

We have to be ultra-conservative in remembering what has made this the greatest nation on earth and we have to be ultra-liberal in applying the best and most modern methods to stay ahead of the rest of the world.

God has given me the right and privilege to think. This I will use until called by HIM and will use it to implement these ideas.

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