



Washington, August 24.—The nomination of Senator Hugo Lafayette Black of Alabama to the Supreme Court bench to succeed the retired Justice Van Devanter is looked upon here as the President's reply to the critics of the New Deal in his own party.

Senator Black has not been a mere follower of the Administration. He is a sincere believer not only in the objectives of the New Deal but in its methods.

It was "smart" politics on the President's part to name a Senator for the Supreme Court vacancy, for the tradition of "Senatorial courtesy" insured his confirmation, even though for once the Senate did not act immediately.

The Senate did, in a sense, invite the President to pick a Senator for the Court vacancy, when it "nominated" Senator Robinson immediately after Justice Van Devanter's retirement.

They are concerned about numerous tendencies which they believe will handicap the progress of the South and infringe upon the rights of the Southern States to look after problems which they regard as peculiarly their own.

They, or many of them, were enraged by the renewal, in the last days of the session, to put over the anti-lynching bill. They have been behind the Administration, up to this year, by reason of their ingrained tradition of party loyalty, and they still retain that loyalty to the Democratic Party, but protest that it is the New Deal which is disloyal, not themselves.

Republicans Planning for 1940 A bitter fight for control of the party at the 1940 Presidential convention is shaping up. Here the South is handicapped by the abolition, at the 1936 convention, of the two-thirds rule. It takes only a majority vote now to nominate a Presidential candidate.

Republicans are laying their plans for 1940, also. Talk of a Coalition or Constitutional party, to unite the conservative elements of both parties, is widely heard, but with little evidence so far that it has the support of practical politicians of either party to any extent.

The Republican national organization is still pretty well disorganized. The talk of a Winter convention to consider a program and definite Republican policies is still mostly talk. Mr. Hoover, Mr. Landon and Senator Vandenberg are supposed to have had some communications on the subject, and somewhere among those three the future leadership of the party lies. The belief that Senator Vandenberg, on his record in the Senate, is the most available man in sight now for the

Republican Presidential nomination is widely held here. "Billion From Beer Tax" Uncle Sam is paying the expenses of the Senators and Representatives back to their home towns, at the rate of 20 cents a mile. It cost this year \$109,000, and will cost as much to get them back here in January. Most of the members got checks for the round trip at the beginning of the session. The largest check was for \$2,054.80 for Samuel Wilder King, Territorial Delegate from Hawaii, who lives more than 5,000 miles from Washington.

The Treasury is happy over the cash returns from the beer tax. Since the sale of beer was legalized on April 7, 1933, the American people have drunk 200 million barrels of it, or almost a barrel a year per family, and have paid a Federal tax of \$5 a barrel, which summed up early this month to a round billion dollars, which is more than the most ardent advocates of repeal predicted. The "hard liquor" and wine taxes have not yielded so much.

Congress in its closing hours gave a new stimulus to the German Zeppelin company by passing a law authorizing the sale of helium gas in non-military quantities to foreign concerns. The advocates of heavier-than-air aircraft are hopeful of getting an appropriation for next session for another experimental ship of the Zeppelin type for our Navy.

PLEASANT HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Byrd and family and Mrs. Rosa Byrd, of West Va., spent last week here with the latter's sister, Mrs. Ellen Gilliam.

Miss Bernice Wellborn spent the first of last week in Yadkinville and Greensboro visiting friends.

Miss Ima Jean Anthony of Yadkinville, was the guest of Miss Bernice Wellborn the latter part of the week.

Miss Vermelle Money entertained a group of young people at a weiner roast last Thursday night, honoring Miss Ima Jean Anthony of Yadkinville. Those enjoying the occasion were Misses Ima Jean Anthony, Gypsy Burcham

STATEMENT CONTINENTAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY WASHINGTON, D. C. Condition December 31, 1936, as Shown by Statement Filed. Amount of Capital paid up in cash \$ 120,000.00

Party Split Broadens The criticism of this appointment by Democratic Senators gave further proof that the split between the President and a considerable segment of his own party is wide and deep, and as the members of Congress start home to have it out with their constituents.

Business in the State of North Carolina During 1936 Ordinary Industrial No. Amount No. Amount

Losses and Claims unpaid December 31st of previous year 2359 \$2,472,321.00 72,101 \$17,707,859.00

Losses and Claims settled during the year 11 \$ 11,500.00 429 \$ 74,420.00

Premium Income—Ordinary, \$75,197.74; Industrial, \$620,465.97; Total \$695,663.71.

President, H. A. Bartholomew; Secretary, R. E. Auker. Treasurer, R. E. Auker; Actuary, R. E. Auker. Attorney for Service: DAN C. BONEY, Insurance Commissioner, Raleigh, N. C.

Jessie Burcham, Gladys Couch, Lucy Couch, Irene Day, Bernice Wellborn and Vernell Money, Russell Casey, Elmer Morrison, Cleo Laster, Avery Couch, J. B. Mathis, Bill Couch, Alger Wall, Bill Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge Yarboro were chaperones.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Francis and family and Mrs. T. C. Byrd spent Sunday afternoon visiting Mrs. Byrd's father, Mr. W. L. Williams near Hamptonville. Mr. Williams has been ill for several days. Mrs. Byrd will spend a few days with him.

Mrs. Zora Couch and son David spent Sunday afternoon visiting relatives at Roaring Gap.

Mrs. Clyde Couch spent last week in Mebane visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ted Church and children are spending this week with relatives on the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Mr. J. T. Cockerham was the dinner guest of his brother, Mr. Charlie Cockerham Sunday.

Doctor's Orders

"I would advise you, madam," instructed the doctor, "to take frequent baths, get plenty of fresh air and dress in cool clothes."

"What did the doctor say?" inquired the husband an hour later. "He said I ought to go to Atlantic City and then to the mountains," related the wife. "Also that I must get some new light gowns at once."

Two quarts of water and two quarts of alcohol make only 3 1/2 quarts, when mixed.

NOTICE

Under and by virtue of a certain judgment of the Superior Court of Surry County entitled: F. C. Sprinkle vs. Mertie Norman, James Norman, Lena Wright and Ruby Wright and by virtue of a ven ex directed to the undersigned Sheriff by the Clerk Superior Court of Surry County authoriz-

ing and directing and empowering the sale of the lands hereinafter described to satisfy said judgment, interest and cost, I will on Monday, September 20, 1937 at 1:30 o'clock, P. M., at the Court House door, Dobson, Surry County, North Carolina sell to the highest bidder for cash the lands described as follows:

BEGINNING at a Spanish Oak on the West side of Fisher Gap Road, W. M. Moody's corner, runs East 43 chains crossing Flat Branch to a Spanish Oak on the

East side of a small branch S. 44 chains to a Post Oak, S. 65 degrees West 23 chains to a poplar on Flat Branch L. H. Cockerham's old corner, West to the Fisher Gap Road; thence Northward with the Road to the beginning, containing 200 acres, more or less, less 22 1-2 acres sold Cheso Sprinkle.

This the 17th day of August, 1937. H. S. BOYD, Sheriff Surry County, By W. J. SNOW, Executing Deputy.

STATEMENT EXCESS INSURANCE COMPANY NEWARK, N. J. Condition December 31, 1936, as Shown by Statement Filed. Amount of Capital paid up in cash \$ 755,095.00

STATEMENT COLUMBIAN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY BOSTON, MASS. Condition December 31, 1936, as Shown by Statement Filed. Amount of Capital paid up in cash \$ 2,000,000.00

STATEMENT DURHAM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY RALEIGH, N. C. Condition December 31, 1936, as Shown by Statement Filed. Amount of Capital paid up in cash \$ 300,000.00

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STATEMENT DETROIT FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY DETROIT, MICHIGAN Condition December 31, 1936, as Shown by Statement Filed. Amount of Capital paid in cash \$ 1,000,000.00

BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1936 Fire Risks written \$2,401,947.00; Premiums received, \$21,484.00

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