

IN WASHINGTON
WHAT IS TAKING PLACE BY
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The situation with regard to lynching in the United States hardly justifies the time the Senate is giving to the anti-lynching bill. However, as it was brought forth primarily for vote-gathering purposes in Northern and Eastern states, Southern Senators have been forced to come to the defense of law enforcement officers in their respective states. Nowhere in the country is there to be found more able and efficient men than those who enforce state, county and municipal laws in the South. A Federal anti-lynch law would be a reflection on these officers—and all possible effort is being made to prevent it.

Fortunately, the debate on the anti-lynching bill comes at a time when the Senate is awaiting a conference report on the farm bill and action on other measures pending in the House. Thus, Southern Senators are carrying on their fight without, up to the present time, serious delay to much-needed and important legislation.

Perhaps never before has the Senate given such time to the control of a non-existent problem. Lynching is no longer a real problem. Greater progress has been made in control of lynchings than in perhaps any other form of crime. In 1901, there were 130 people lynched in the United States. In 1936, there were nine. North Carolina had none. What other crime has been reduced so rapidly? Who reduced it? Not the Federal Government, but vigilant law enforcement officers in the Southern states.

One feature of the proposed anti-lynch law would provide an indemnity for the families of unfortunate lynch victims. What about funds for the families of Federal officers killed by gangsters? The govern-

ment provides none. Yet, the legislative controsity known as the anti-lynch law is being given attention as if it were designed to control a national problem, instead of to get votes for the sponsors.

This is being done at a time when the South is the safest part of the United States for law-abiding people and in a section where law-abiding Negroes have their greatest number of friends. What is really proposed is to "lynch" the Constitution and its guarantees of states' rights solely for vote-gathering purposes. Any such idea is, of course, extremely distasteful to Southern members of Congress schooled in the traditions of the South.

During 1936 there were forty-four instances in which officers of the law prevented lynchings. Thirty-nine of these were in Southern states. Here is evidence of what officers in the South are doing to prevent lynchings at the risk of their lives. The Federal Government could not do the job better.

Since the year 1862, there have been 4,673 people lynched in the United States, according to available records. While nine people were lynched in 1936, nearly 40,000 were killed in careless and negligent highway accidents. This is a national problem. Does the Federal Government propose to do something about that? Certainly it is of more national concern than the unfortunate lynchings of nine persons for crimes for which they would have, in most instances, been executed by the state.

Congress in the anti-lynching bill is endeavoring to make a legislative mountain out of a local mole hill.

WHITESTON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Alison White and three children, of Tabor City, spent the week-end with Mr. White's mother, Mrs. Henry Winslow. Mrs. Winslow has been ill for several weeks, but her condition is somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Winslow and family, of Driver, Va., were week-end guests of Mrs. Winslow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Rountree.

Jesse Rountree is quite sick with pneumonia.

Herbert Winslow, from near Suffolk, Va., is spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Winslow.

WHAT'S WHAT ABOUT SOCIAL SECURITY

As another service to its readers, The Perquimans Weekly each week will give authoritative answers to questions on the Social Security Law. By special arrangement with Mr. George N. Adams in Rocky Mount, N. C., the Social Security Board has consented to pass on the accuracy of answers to questions on Social Security, which may be asked by employers, employees, and others, through The Perquimans Weekly Address inquiries to the Editor. Answers will be given here in the order in which questions are received. This is an informational service and is not legal advice or service. In keeping with Social Security Board policy names will not be published.

Question: I was 65 years old on December 18, and had a Social Security card, but haven't received my check yet. How do I go about getting what is due me under the Social Security Act?

Answer: You should get in touch with your Social Security Board Field Office, giving them all the information you can regarding your Social Security record, and make a formal claim for your old-age insurance. The amount you will receive will be 3 1/2 percent of your total wages in covered unemployment since December 31, 1936, and the time you attained 65 years of age, which in your case was December 17. After the Social Security Board has determined, from the wage record kept under your Social Security account number, the amount due you, certification of your claim will be made to the Treasury Department. Your check will then be mailed to you from the Treasury of the United States.

Question: If my employer doesn't report my Social Security taxes, will I be able to collect my old-age insurance upon reaching 65 years of age, or if I should die would my estate be able to collect it under these circumstances?

Answer: The amount which will be paid you under the old-age insurance provisions of the Social Security Act does not depend on the amount of taxes collected from you or paid by your employer under Title VIII of the Social Security Act. The amount you receive will depend on the total of your wages earned in covered employment after December 31, 1936, and before you become 65 years of age, or die. But the employer who does not obey the law and report the amount of wages paid each employee, put his employees at a disadvantage because the Social Security Board will not have a record of those wages when it comes time to compute the amount the Board should pay each worker under the old-age insurance provisions of the law.

CENTER HILL

Mrs. S. W. Glover and two children, of Mackeys, spent the week-end with Mrs. J. S. Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Parker, of Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bunch.

Mrs. Otis Ellis is confined to her home with flu.

Mrs. T. H. Byrum spent Monday night in North Edenton with her sister, Mrs. H. T. Layton, and accompanied her to Norfolk, Va., Tuesday to see their brother, Steve Leary, who is very ill at the General Hospital.

Peggy, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner, is improving. She has been very sick.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Lloya Bunch is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Jones, of Norfolk, Va., spent Sunday with Mrs. Ida Reed.

Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Walston are sick with colds.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goodwin, of Greenhall, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Boyce and Miss Myra Boyce visited Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Parker, at Sunbury, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Boyce, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Herman Lane, who has been quite ill, is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Smithson and son, of Edenton, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lane.

Mrs. W. H. Lane and H. E. Lane attended services at Belvidere Friends Church Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie N. Palin spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. V. C. Lane, at Belvidere.

Mrs. Ida Reed is spending the week in Norfolk, Va., with Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Jones.

Mrs. W. N. Perry is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Byrum.

Mrs. N. Bunch made a business trip to Norfolk, Va., Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Boyce visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Leary, Sr., in Rocky Hook, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lindsey Evans and Mrs. R. Elliott, of Cross Roads, visited Mrs. J. R. Turner, Mrs. J. N. Boyce, and Mrs. H. E. Lane Monday evening.

The failure to overcome our physical handicaps is only one of many indications that few of us ever discover ourselves.

Extension Workers Attend Conference

Farm and home agents attending the annual Extension Service conference last week at State College received first-hand information on recent agricultural developments which will enable them to mold more fully their county programs.

The conference, which began January 11 and ended three days later, was constructed around the theme "Rebuilding North Carolina's Rural Life."

During the meeting, the agents and specialists of the Extension Service heard such prominent authori-

ties as Dr. C. W. Warburton, national extension director; Dr. Will W. Alexander, national director of the Farm Security Administration; and Governor Clyde R. Hoey.

Farm Security supervisors met with the extension personnel during the four-day session. This marked the first time that another agricultural agency has been invited to take part in these annual conferences.

While most of the daily sessions were held jointly with both farm and home agents in attendance, separate meetings for the two groups were also arranged.

County agents dealt largely with the agricultural conservation program for 1938, tenant security, cooperative

hog marketing, and terracing. On the other hand, the home agents took up such subjects as clothing, rural electrification, and financial planning for the farm family.

Among other speakers on the program were: Dr. Frank Graham, president of the University of North Carolina; Dr. I. O. Schaub, director of the State College Extension Service; and Dr. Jane S. McKimmon, assistant director of the extension service.

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We see time's furrows on another's brow; how few themselves, in that just mirror, see—Young.

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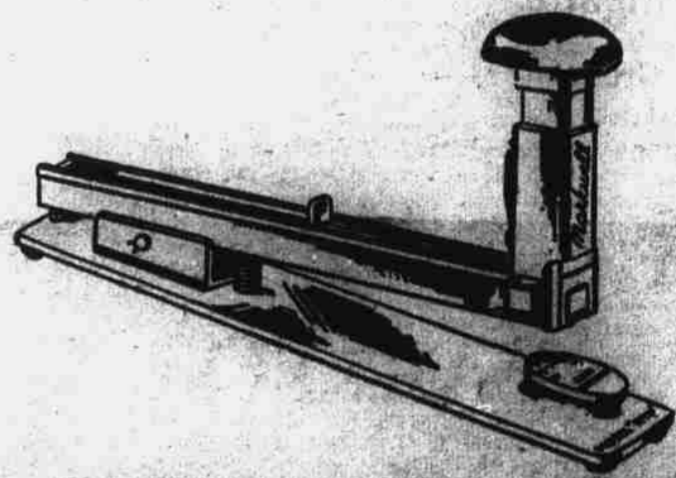
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