

# LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

By HUGO S. SIMS, Washington Correspondent

## New Highway Plan For Post-War Years

Congress has authorized and the President has signed a bill looking toward a Federal contribution of \$1,673,250,000 for highway construction in a three-year post-war period.

Authorization by Congress does not make the money available and it will be necessary for Congress to appropriate the cash later. However, it is generally expected that the appropriation will be made if the states supply \$1,500,000,000 on a 50-50 matching basis.

The plan authorized does not include the trans-continental highway system about which we heard considerable discussion sometime ago. While the project aroused popular enthusiasm, its necessity and usefulness was challenged by some traffic authorities.

Much of the congestion of our highway system is due to the fact that they run through congested urban areas. This means that relief can be obtained by constructing highways to by-pass municipalities and thus facilitate through-traffic.

In the long run, such connecting links would prove a boon to motorized traffic although there will be howls from municipalities which seek to compel automobiles and trucks to drive through their towns.

**Economic Budget Proposed To Insure Full Employment**

Current production of goods and services is estimated at a rate of nearly \$200,000,000,000 a year, which is about double the 1929 rate, but half of present production is war goods, according to a Senate committee, which adds that "when war contracts are withdrawn, the danger is that the entire edifice will topple over."

A few facts reveal the extent of the problem. With approximately 38,000,000 persons engaged in non-agricultural employment, it is obvious that if half of the production is for the war, many of these jobs will end suddenly. In addition, something like 12,000,000 Americans, now engaged in fighting services, will be coming home to find employment. It is hardly possible that reconversion to peace-time production, even if instantaneous, can take care of the immediate needs of the potential workers for employment.

Facing this situation, the War Contracts Sub-Committee of the Senate, under the leadership of Senator Murray of Montana, is convinced that "mass unemployment will become a serious threat and the number of unemployed men and women in this country could easily surpass anything that was dreamed of during the last depression." The committee suggests a plan to relieve the situation by providing an economic substitute for war contracts.

Legislation has been drafted and will be introduced at the opening of the new session of Congress in January, providing that the President shall submit to Congress, on the first day of every session, a national production and employment budget.

This would estimate the total number of jobs needed for full employment, the amount of investment and expenditures to provide that number of jobs, and the prospective totals of investments and expenditures by business and other non-Federal sources.

In effect, the committee contemplates an economic budget to "deal with the total amount of investment and expenditure by groups in the country—consumers, business, state and local governments, and the Federal Government." By weighing prospective expenditures against expenditures needed to guarantee full employment, the stage would be set for calculating the amount of Federal investment and expenditure necessary to balance the equation.

Senator Murray points out that there should be a general program to encourage increased non-Federal investment and expenditure and that, if this is not sufficient to balance the economic budget there should be a program of Federal investment and expenditure. He does not believe that we can "just sit around and wait until people are out of work before we do something about promoting employment."

**Considerable Agreement At Dumbarton Oaks**

The Dumbarton Oaks Conference is past history but it represented a step forward on the part of the United Nations to frame a world organization based upon mutual cooperation.

Not many Americans can tell you what happened or to what extent the participating nations managed to reach agreement. Nevertheless, if the future peace of the world is an important item of business for the nation, every American should make it his or her business to understand the course of international events.

The significant thing about the Dumbarton Oaks Conference is not that the nations disagreed, to some extent, as to a member of the security council participating in a vote relating to a dispute to which the member might be a party, but, as President Roosevelt pointed out, the encouraging extent of the field of agreement between the nations.

## War Eats Into Supply Of Tires, Munitions And Rockets

The unexpected rate at which tires are wearing out in Europe is causing the Army to increase its demand for military tires and the WPB will construct new plants "from the ground up" to provide 4,000,000 tires a year, and expand present facilities to increase production another 6,400,000 tires.

Due to the sudden military demand, emergency action has been taken to assure a supply, although the new plants will not get into production until late in 1946.

This is the third decision in the last month to expand beyond previous expectations the production of a critical weapon of war equipment. Small arms ammunition was doubled as of November 23, and on December 2nd the WPB revealed plans for a \$500,000,000 expansion of the mortar ammunition industry.

In addition, it is well known that large increases have been made in the production of heavy artillery shells and rockets. Expenditure of the former, in the course of the battle of Europe, proved much higher than expected and the rapid development of the latter as a prime war weapon accounts for the decision to go into large-scale manufacture of bigger and better rockets.

**Food Outlook For 1945 Includes High Crop Goals**

Food production goals for the nation for 1945 have been set as high as for 1944, the year of the greatest agricultural production in the history of the nation.

This is the statement of Dr. William C. Ockey, of the War Food Administration, who says that civilians will face more shortages than last year, with less meat, chicken, butter, sugar, fats and oils available. Civilians will still get all the food they "require," declares the official, including plenty of eggs and milk.

With this forecast before them, it might be well for every American to plant and cultivate a garden. This advice is impractical for many who live in towns and cities, but millions of Americans can supplement their diet by food raised at home.

**U. S. In A Dilemma Over Polish Border**

The Polish problem which, for some reason, arouses many American publicists, is generally referred to as a question involving the future of Poland.

This is hardly a fair statement because the boundary between Poland and Russia also involves the future of Russia. Certainly, the Russians have this idea and do not hesitate to point out that the Poles attacked Russia for territory in years when the Soviet was weak.

Few intelligent persons will deny the fairness of Mr. Churchill's statement that the Russians are entitled to security on their western frontier. Premier Stalin, while showing interest and sympathy in the post-war collaboration of nations, seems to be determined to restore the borders of Russia to approximately those that existed prior to the first World War.

The British and Russian governments reached an agreement on the Polish question without much difficulty. Even the British who went to war when Germany invaded Poland and who have insisted upon a free and independent Polish nation are not inclined to regard the definite location of a border line as the paramount question involved.

The position of the United States has not been very flattering because, for various reasons, this nation has not been able to make a clear-cut decision as to Poland. The British Prime Minister, in talking to the House of Commons, found great difficulty "in discussing these matters because the attitude of the United States has not been defined with the precision His Majesty's government has thought wise to use."

The United States Government, it is clear, is in something of a dilemma. Having promulgated and expounded certain principles as to territorial changes, the nation finds itself face to face with facts that make effective support of the principle impossible.

The statement by the government that we would agree to whatever the nations concerned agreed among themselves is not an answer to the pressing problem, as any moderately intelligent school boy knows.

## WHITESTON NEWS

Mrs. Henry Williams and children, of Weeksville, visited Mrs. Mary Williams on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. White and two children, Margaret Ann and Frances Lee, of Woodland, spent the week-end as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Archie White.

Miss Daphne Winslow spent last week in Norfolk, Va., as the guest of Miss Jeanne Winslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lassiter, of Norfolk, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. John Lassiter and Mrs. Verna Winslow over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Winslow spent last week at Caledonia with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cooke.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lane Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Matthews and son, Hazel, of Hertford.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Winslow had as their guests at dinner on Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Powell Martin, of Maryland, and Miss Sybil Winslow, of Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Winslow and children, of Newland, and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Winslow and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Baker visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ward, of Hobbsville, Sunday.

Mrs. M. H. Harrison and children, Don Ray and Monte Ann, of Norfolk, Va., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White last week.

Mrs. Walter Dail and daughter, Becky, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baker last week.

Miss Esther Mae White has returned to Greenville to resume her studies at E. C. T. C., after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest White.

Mr. T. P. Layton and daughter, Velma, were the guests of Mrs. Jno. Lassiter Friday.

Little Billy Lane, of Elizabeth City, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Winslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell Martin, of Maryland, and Miss Sybil Winslow, of Washington, D. C., have concluded a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Winslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Leverette Winslow and son, Ronald, of Norfolk, Va., were week-end guests of Mrs. Verna Winslow.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Rountree Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Winslow and family, of Chuckatuck, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. James Goodwin and son, of Suffolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Winslow and James Winslow, of Sunbury, and Carson Winslow, U. S. Maritime Service, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Maxwell McCain, of Waxhaw, Lelia Lee and Marshall Winslow, of Bagley Swamp, and Mr. and Mrs. Arba Winslow visited Mr. and Mrs. Worth Winslow, in Norfolk, Va., on Sunday.

## CHAPANOKE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Jordan and family of Smithfield, Va., spent Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Judd Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Branch and son Arthur, of Portsmouth, Va., were the guests of her mother, Mrs. P. L. Griffin, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Russell and family of Elizabeth City were week-end guests of his sister, Mrs. Elihu Lane and Mr. Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Cary McNider of Newport News, Va., spent last week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McNider.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wood of Portlock, Va., were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lewis on Sunday.

Miss Janet Quincy left Monday to visit a school friend in Raleigh before returning to High Point College, after spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Quincy.

Mr. and Mrs. Max C. Jackson returned on Wednesday to Rockwood, Tenn., after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson. Mr. Wilson returned with them for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brothers and Mrs. Sam White and son Bob, of Norfolk were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Symons on Sunday.

Carl Lewis, USN, Rainbridge, Md., spent New Year's

## PINEY WOODS NEWS

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Winslow during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Emmett White and son, Emmett, Jr., of Gates County, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson of Norfolk, Mrs. N. B. Winslow and Ruth, Charlie and Chester Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Winslow and children, Avis and Preston, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Ward and son John, the Rev. and Mrs. Millikan, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Chappell, Mrs. Troy Chappell, Carrol Chappell and Thomas Chappell.

Mrs. Purvis Chappell was the week-end guest of her mother, Mrs. J. S. Rountree.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Winslow and Lois, Mrs. Curtis Chappell, Mrs. G. Chappell and Dorie and Anna Rea Chappell and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Winslow and daughter Lois Violet

visited Mrs. N. B. Winslow Christmas day.

Miss Evangeline Copeland was a Saturday afternoon guest of Miss Lois Violet Winslow, celebrating Miss Winslow's seventh birthday, which was January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Chappell visited Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Raper Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Perry and son, Dewey, Jr., visited Mrs. Mary Chappell Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Raper visited Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Simpson and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Simpson Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jenkins spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Ward and Mrs. Laura Ward.

Mrs. C. V. Ward visited Mrs. E. N. Chappell Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Winslow visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Winslow Sunday evening.

Mrs. Hattie Jordan was a dinner guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Chappell Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. McCoy Phthisic visited Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Chappell Christmas day.

Mrs. R. B. Chappell and daughter Sybil spent the holidays with Mrs. Chappell's mother at Manteo.

ents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Nixon had as their guests on Sunday for dinner Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Fields and Edgar, Jr., Mrs. Claude Fields of Elizabeth City, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cranford.

Shelton White, USCG, Norfolk, spent New Year's with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. White.

Miss Louise Wilson has returned to Chowan to resume her duty as teacher in the high school after spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Quincy spent Tuesday afternoon in Elizabeth City.

## Hybrid Corns Give Increased Yields

It has been definitely shown that adapted corn hybrids can materially increase corn yields in North Carolina. Tests by the State College Extension Service last year, in cooperation with the N. C. Crop Improvement Association, gave increases of about 20 bushels per acre in most cases.

When corn suffered from drought, the better hybrid corns were outstanding from a drought standpoint and in some instances the increases were much larger than 20 bushels per acre.

"Agronomy Suggestions" for January, which will be found in the office of the county agent, carries the latest recommendations on the best adapted hybrid corns and a short description of each. North Carolina is divided into nine areas and special recommendations are made for each area for both white and yellow corns.

Hybrid corns do not carry names but are sold on numbers. For example, the recommended strains of white corn for the northwestern section in the mountains are N. C. T20 and N. C. T8, while in the northeastern section along the coast the recommended strains are N. C. 1111, N. C. 1114 and Tenn. 10.

Some hybrid corns are permitted by law to be sold in the State while others are not. Certain other hybrids, chiefly from outside the State, cannot legally be offered for sale either because they have proven inferior in Official Variety Tests or because they have not been thoroughly tested.

State College specialists suggest that the grower get the advice of the county agent before attempting to grow a hybrid not recommended for his particular area.

## Classified and Legals

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This 28th day of October, 1944.

ELIZABETH HUDGINS, Executrix of Virginia D. Hudgins. dec.22,29,jan.5,12,19,20.

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quimans County, N. C., bounded on the north by the lands of Earnest Morse, on the east by Deep Creek, on the south by the lands of Earnest Morse, and on the west by the lands of Earnest Morse, containing 40 acres, more or less.

This 18th day of December, 1944.

P. W. McMULLAN, Commissioner.

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