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NO LOAFING TOLERATED IN CWA WORK PROJECTS

Raleigh, N. C. Dec. 3, Employees on Civil Works Administration projects in North Carolina will hold their jobs strictly on merit, according to Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, North Carolina C. W. A. Administrator.

Mrs. O'Berry said, furthermore, that a plan is now being formulated for keeping a close check on the hundreds of C. W. A. projects being started throughout the State to see that there is "no loafing on the job." "The fact that these projects are being financed by Federal funds does not mean that the C. W. A. payroll is a dole," Mrs. O'Berry said. "Every employee will be held strictly accountable for his work just as if he were working for a private employer. And any employee will be subject to dismissal who fails to measure up to the requirements of his job and who fails to give an honest day's work."

"While we're leaving the supervision of the many projects up to local supervisors we're going to keep a close check on all men employed by the C. W. A. to see there is no loafing on the job. We feel strongly that every one of these jobs is important and that every employee must realize that he is doing a serious work and therefore must work just as hard as if he were being employed privately."

Mrs. O'Berry said that since Federal funds are being used to meet the payrolls she feels it is the duty of the State Administration to see that all projects are carried out efficiently. She said also that the State Administration will do its utmost to see that employees who are discharged because of incompetence or indulgence and who therefore are thrown back on the direct relief rolls are legally prosecuted.

"The Emergency Relief will, of course, make every effort to care for the families of these men so discharged," Mrs. O'Berry said, "but we feel that the men themselves should be subject to indictment for non-support of their families just as they would be if they failed to take advantage of available private employment."

"The Civil Works Administration is providing the jobs and it is up to the men employed to hold these jobs by industrious and ambitious effort. If they fail to do so they will be discharged and no further effort will be made to aid them."

This statement by the State administrator clearly indicates that despite the fears of many employers of labor throughout the State, the C. W. A. is not to be used by employees as a means of getting easy money. Mrs. O'Berry was particularly emphatic in pointing out that the C. W. A. is not providing "soft jobs."

WILKES TWINS STRANGELY MISSING

North Wilkesboro, Dec. 1.—(UP)—Wilkes county authorities tonight said they had no clues to explain the strange disappearance of Philmore and Elmore Eller, 14-year-old twins, sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Eller of near Wilkesboro, who vanished Monday morning while on their way to school.

Although police and other agencies in nearby counties and throughout the State have been notified and asked to aid in the search for the boys, no trace of them had been found Friday night, according to W. B. Somers, sheriff of Wilkes county. The twins, students at the Wilkesboro school, rode to school Monday morning on the school bus but never entered the building. They were seen on the school yard a short while before classes began, but dropped from sight shortly thereafter.

The parents are unable to explain their disappearance, saying they never had been away from home but a few hours before. As the family is one of moderate means, kidnapping has been dismissed as the possible motive. Mrs. Eller said they had only five cents, with which to buy pencils, when they left home Monday.

Piney Creek Future Farmers Enjoy Hunt

Piney Creek, N. C. Dec. 4.—"Our chapter of Future Farmers of America enjoyed a gunless rabbit hunt on the afternoon of November, 30. We had about thirty-five good races and caught five rabbits."

In the evening we had a wild meat and marshmallow roast at which the faculty and many of our lady friends were present.

This was the first social event of the year, and the first of its kind, but it proved to be a great success. Percy Douglass, Reporter.

LOCAL SIDE-GLANCES

Only matters of routine business were transacted at a meeting of the county commissioners Monday. Quite a number of claims were approved and ordered paid.

The reemployment office has taken about 75 cases from the rolls of the relief office.

Mrs. R. D. Gentry is now social worker for the relief office. It will be her duty to investigate thoroughly the needs of cases already on relief and any new applicants for relief.

A total of 876 men had been registered at the local CWA office Monday night. This number includes applicants transferred from the relief rolls. Quite a number of these men are now at work on various projects in the county. One new project has been started at Piney Creek, and others are awaiting approval.

Nine gallons of "hilarity fluid" were poured out on the corner near the Times office Tuesday morning. Quite a number of people were attracted to the scene, and many comments made. One fellow jocularly said he was going to stand on the corner and smell the alcoholic fumes as long as he could.

Mr. Bain Doughton left Wednesday for Washington, Baltimore, and Philadelphia on a business trip. While away he will try to locate good markets for turkeys and other farm produce. He expects to return Sunday or Monday.

Forty new men were transferred to the Sparta convict camp Tuesday, bringing the total number of convicts there up to 76. Most of these men are now working the county roads. A few are employed in cleaning up the grounds of the camp. The water system has been completed, and hot and cold shower baths are now available.

The new CWA projects were started this week. One is a road leading from Piney Creek to Scottville, and the other is a road leading from Highway 26 near Sparta to Pine Swamp to Whitehead.

Robbers broke into the State Garage at Twin Oaks Sunday night and obtained two or three gallons of gas before they scared away by Dock Mabe, who happened to pass at the time. Mabe saw the intruders and called for help, but they were gone before aid arrived. The sheriff investigated the robbery, but as yet no one has been arrested. Warrants have been issued for two suspects, however.

Saturday night robbers entered Hill's store at Piney Creek, but very little, if anything, was missed. It is thought that the same person or persons who entered the State Garage at Twin Oaks were involved in the store breaking at Piney Creek.

CHURCHES

METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

C. W. Russell, Pastor
The pastor was happy to see the large crowds at the three services last Sunday to begin the Conference year. Let us keep up good attendance at all activities of the Church during the year. We who have our names on the church registers promised God one day, when the vows were taken, to attend the services of the church. Work any pastor who wants to see God's work move forward is happy to meet his flock in the house of God. I hope to see all members of the churches at the following places Sunday: Shiloh Sunday at 11 A. M. Piney Creek Sunday afternoon at 2:30 P. M., Cox's Chapel Sunday evening at 7 P. M.

The pastor and Mr. T. J. Carson will attend the District Stewards meeting at Mount Airy Friday. Mr. Carson was appointed District Steward by our deceased Elder, Bro. Poovey.

Miss Mollie Hampton a member of Shiloh Church who underwent a very serious operation two weeks ago is slowly improving.

SLOGAN
"THE LIPS AND LIFE SHOULD SPEAK THE SAME MESSAGE."

BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. G. A. Martin expects to move to the Baptist parsonage this week taking up the work in the Association of which Rev. J. L. Underwood resigned. He will preach at Sparta Baptist Church Sunday morning Dec. 10th, regular preaching time.

Elder J. M. Williams will preach at Elk Creek Saturday and Sunday Dec. 9 and 10.

SALES TAX SHOWS CONTINUED GAIN IN STATE

Raleigh, N. C. Dec. 2.—With the three per cent general tax, estimated to yield an average of \$700,000 monthly, showing a return of \$595,000 in November as compared with \$550,000 in October, Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell Friday reported sharply increased general fund collections over the same month last year, while highway revenues continued to show the consistent gains recorded in past months.

Total general fund receipts last month were \$1,047,776.71 as compared to \$598,131.32 in November, 1932, while the five-month total for this fiscal year was \$8,796,628.48 as compared to only \$6,419,032.77 for the same period a year ago.

Increased gasoline tax collections pushed the total highway fund collections for November \$205,778.85 above these receipts for the month a year ago. Highway fund collections last month were \$1,458,343.71 as compared to \$1,252,564.86 in November, 1932.

Highway fund collections for the five months of the current fiscal year totaled \$7,212,232.43 as compared to \$6,520,900.40 for the same period a year ago.

"The most satisfactory phase of our November experience was the continuing steady increase in sales tax and in motor vehicle and gasoline revenue," Maxwell said.

"The largest increase in sales tax revenue was in October, which increased \$137,848 over September. That increase was due in part to quarterly returns.

PRESIDENT MAKES PLEA FOR TEMPERANCE AS HE ENDS REIGN OF DRY LAW

Washington, Dec. 5.—(AP)—A doubly-purpose proclamation, putting an official end to prohibition and calling on Americans to help restore respect for law and order, was issued tonight by President Roosevelt.

The proclamation, an unusual one, was signed by the Chief Executive shortly after Acting Secretary Phillips had certified that 36 states had approved the repealing amendment. The National Recovery Act made it mandatory that the Chief Executive proclaim the end of prohibition in order to abolish a series of special taxes.

The President made a special plea that no state authorize return of the saloon, either in its old form or in a new guise, and said the objective being sought through a national policy was education of every citizen toward greater temperance.

Asks Cooperation.
In asking for cooperation with the government in an effort to restore respect for law and order, the President enjoined all citizens and others in the United States to confine their purchases of alcoholic beverages solely to licensed dealers.

"The policy of the government will be to see to it that the social and political evils that have existed not be revived nor permitted again to exist," he said. "We must remove forever from our midst the menace of the bootlegger and such others as would profit at the expense of good government and law and order."

He said the observance of his request for purchases solely from licensed dealers or agencies was made "personally to every individual and every family" in the nation, and would result in consumption of beverages which had passed Federal inspection, in the break-up and eventual destruction of the "notoriously evil illicit liquor traffic," and payment of reasonable taxes for support of the government.

Protect Dry States.
The proclamation directed "specific attention" to authority given the government by the repeal amendment to prohibit transportation or importation of intoxicating liquors into dry states.

In concluding, the President said: "I trust in the good sense of the American people that they will not bring upon themselves the curse of excessive use of intoxicating liquors to the detriment of health, morals and social integrity."

With a dash of ceremony, Utah late today wrote the end to national prohibition in a decree that opened the doors of liquor shops in 18 states.

Almost half a dozen other states were completing plans for legalizing sale under their own laws. The remainder of the nation remained dry.

Man, 87, Husks Corn Daily.
Corning, Ia., Dec. 2.—(AP)—Adams county can't boast a champion corn husker in the matter of speed, but it does nominate its Frank Stewart, 87, as a dean of corn huskers. He husked corn daily this fall.

SPEAKER RAINEY DE-CLARES ADMINISTRATION WILL CONTINUE

Washington, Dec. 2.—Speaker Henry T. Rainey told a radio audience recently that the Administration is battling against poverty and unemployment and would carry on until the last vestige of the old order was destroyed. The problem of the Roosevelt Administration, he asserted, was to combat the effects of 12 years of reactionary legislation which culminated in the distressing conditions of last March and April.

"The war will continue in spite of the protests of business organizations which stand for the old order of things," he asserted, "in spite of the protest of discredited political leaders of the old regime."

Declaring that "there can be no retreat now," Mr. Rainey estimated that 4,000,000 of the 12,000,000 workers who were idle on March 3 have been put back to work. He praised the steel industry, whose report to the NRA indicated an annual payroll increase of \$78,000,000 a year. He expressed gratification over the recognition of Soviet Russia, and acclaimed the establishment of the Civil Works Administration as the boldest stroke taken by the Administration for relief of the destitute.

Although he emphasized that he was not speaking for President Roosevelt, Mr. Rainey expressed his personal belief that gold would go to \$41.34 an ounce, double the statutory price.

"We are no longer tied to the back of a golden calf," he said. "The gold standard, as we knew it a month ago, has gone, never to return. We are beginning to understand that goods, not gold, are the real values. Of course, we are legislating for the debtor classes. We are going to make it easier for them to pay their debts. We are no longer legislating for a favored few."

"In the modern scheme of things there is no place for the exploiters, the grafters and the parasites. They are not being considered. They receive to much consideration in the 12 years which preceded the present Administration."

North Wilkesboro Man Injured In Accident

Statesville, Dec. 3.—Frank P. Blair, 57, prominent business man of North Wilkesboro was seriously injured in a wreck occurring Sunday afternoon on No. 1 Highway between Taylorsville and Sonover, when the Negro driver applied the brakes going down an incline on the wet pavement, lost control and the automobile left the road and crashed into a tree.

Mr. Blair and his driver, Kelly Horton, colored, were brought to the Davis hospital here.

Mr. Blair suffered severe head injuries, severe internal injuries and lost much blood, it being necessary to give him a blood transfusion. Late tonight a report from the hospital was that Mr. Blair is in a very serious condition with only small chances of recovery. The colored driver had a broken upper jaw and cuts on the chin.

REPEAL NOT EXPECTED TO AFFECT STATE GREAT DEAL

Raleigh, N. C. Dec. 5.—With formal "death" of the 18th Amendment to the Federal Constitution scheduled for this afternoon, it appears now that dry North Carolina's status, from a whiskey standpoint, will not be materially changed by the basic law of the United States.

While no definite plans have yet been announced by either the State or Federal governments for keeping North Carolina dry, present conditions are such that there will be no great flow of post-Volstead whiskey into the State.

In the first place North Carolina is bound to the North and South by stars which are still dry. South Carolina allows its citizens to buy a quart of intoxicating liquor per month while Virginia will be dry under state statutes until the Virginia General Assembly meets in January.

Legal whiskey may be obtained in Tennessee, the western boundary of North Carolina, as soon as repeal is consummated.

While there have been no announcements as to the plans for keeping whiskey from flowing from wet states into North Carolina, provisions of the codes under which distillers and whiskey wholesalers will work are expected to provide an adequate bar to shippers of any large amounts of liquor into this State.

It is said that there are eight cars for every mile of road in the United States.

BOARD EDUCATION REQUESTS FEDERAL FUNDS FOR BUILDING SCHOOL HOUSE AT LAUREL SPRINGS

BOARD OF EDUCATION Meets
Quite a number of people came to town Monday to attend the meetings of the Commissioners and the Board of Education. The Board of Education agreed to request the Civil Works Commission in Washington to appropriate funds sufficient to build a schoolhouse for Cranberry Township at Laurel Springs. This project will be submitted to the proper authorities as soon as estimates of the materials and bids on the same can be obtained.

The plan approved for the building is known as State plan No. 10, and the blue print and the building was adopted by the Board of Education, but the cost of the building cannot be ascertained until the specifications are prepared and bids on the material secured.

The Board sold the Zion school house and lot to Mrs. W. R. Gentry for \$37.00.

Teachers' salaries for November were paid promptly at the end of the month.

LOCAL CWA OFFICE PUTTING MEN TO WORK AS FAST AS PROJECTS ARE APPROVED

CIVIL WORKS ADMINISTRATION
Claude Miles returned last Tuesday night from Raleigh, where he attended a State-wide meeting of county Civil Works administration. While there Mr. Miles obtained first-hand information from Washington in regard to CWA work in local communities.

Up to the present time 158 men and two women have been put to work on CWA projects in the county. Alleghany has allotted 178 men, but that number has not been put to work due to the fact that projects requiring that many men have not been approved yet. Just now local offices are waiting to get projects approved, to put women to work.

Tuesday Mrs. O'Berry, State Administrator of CWA, received a telegram from Washington, stating that North Carolina had been allotted 5000 more men for CWA projects. These men will be allotted to each county according to population and relief load for the month of October.

Alan Johnston, regional field director, from Washington was in Raleigh Tuesday and he advised county directors that they in Washington were working day and night making plans to put the unemployed to work.

Mr. Miles stated the local office is putting men to work just as fast as he can get projects approved, and he asks that all unemployed who want work to wait patiently, and at the proper time he will notify them of the time and place to work. He hopes by Dec. 15 to receive instructions from Washington, giving him permission to put 356 men to work during this month. This cannot be done, however, without instructions from Washington. He stated that unemployed men need not come to his office three or four times a day asking about work, for all who have registered will be notified just as soon as work is available for them.

Teachers and nurses and non-professional women of the County are advised that no jobs are yet available but that a State director of work for women has been appointed, and that this director will appoint directors for counties and districts. These local directors will have charge of the work for women, and as soon as this organization is perfected, the local administrator will notify the women in the county.

COTTON TAKES BIG DROP FRIDAY ON BALD HILL

Cotton took a big drop last Friday afternoon, or at least ten bales did. A truck load of cotton from Sta. Eville passed through Sparta on the way to Fries. Near the top of Bald Hill the truck ran off the hard surface, lurched, and threw ten bales of cotton down a steep embankment. One of the bales had the bagging torn off in the fall. The remainder of the load was no dislocated. After about two hours work the cotton was reloaded, and the truck proceeded on the way to Fries.

When questioned the driver refused to divulge his name or the name of the owner of the truck.

LIQUOR BECAME LEGAL IN 24 STATES TUESDAY

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—The nation tomorrow will be "half wet and half dry," but no Lincoln has arisen, even from the die-hard prohibitionist ranks to threaten that "thus divided, it cannot survive."

With late afternoon tomorrow, when Utah's constitutional convention makes that State the thirty-sixth to ratify repeal, the legal deluge will come for just 24 states.

In some of the other 24, the end of the dry era will be deferred pending enactment of regulatory state laws. In others, no end is in sight. Dry for years, dry now, they plan to continue to be dry.

In theory, December 5 turns the liquor question back to the states. Actually, the Federal government will keep a firm hand on the traffic, however, as far as the Constitution and the national recovery act permit. One of President Roosevelt's first acts today on returning from Warm Springs, Ga., will be to sign an executive order clothing Joseph H. Coate, liquor czar under various liquor codes, with sweeping enforcement and regulatory authority.

Yesterday Choate and other members of the Federal Alcohol Control Administration were completing the organization which will prevent the country from going on a wild wet rampage during the next few months.

Thanksgiving Celebration Staged at Whitehead

Whitehead Celebration
The Thanksgiving service and Celebration of the victory of the Dry Forces in the township and state at Liberty Church at Whitehead November 30th was a "red letter" day for the community.

Every talk was on a high plane of Thanksgiving and encouragement to the moral forces to fight to the finish for the things that make for a nobler people in any community.

The entire township was well represented as well as other sections. The program was carried out by Rev. C. H. McKnight of Independence. Hon. George Cheek and Dr. Duncan of Sparta, Prof. A. O. Joiner, of East Bend, Mr. Smith, of Winston-Salem and Mr. Roberts, of Citron were all given closest attention as they brought their splendid messages.

The services closed with a beautiful scripture lesson by Rev. C. H. McKnight.

All seemed to be happy that they joined in this simple uplifting service.

"HERE AND THERE"

Civil Works Administration projects which will give work to 49,172 persons have been approved since the CWA began functioning in this State. Reports from 67 counties indicate that 15,583 men received checks last Saturday for work done on these projects. It is expected that North Carolina's quota of 67,000 men will be put to work soon.

CWA headquarters in Washington have approved a plan for development of community centers in North Carolina. Community centers would include park areas, camps, lodges for farm meetings, and meeting grounds for all community groups. The maximum cost for such development shall not exceed \$15,000, the land and materials to be supplied by the communities.

Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh are on the West Coast of Africa awaiting a fresh wind to lift their huge red monoplane for a flight to South America. With a heavy load of fuel sufficient to carry them across 1,900 miles of open sea the plane refused to lift from the water in the dead calm.

South Carolina officially declared itself against the 21st amendment Monday in a state convention which voted unanimously dry almost on the eve of national repeal.

A rain of live fishes has been reported in the Canal Zone. A number of live specimens were captured and sent to the American Museum of Natural History in New York for identification.

It is estimated that there are 15,000,000 horses and mules still on the job of American farms, and experts foresee the return of these animals to first place in the esteem of good farmers.

A new motor cycle is equipped with wing-like extensions of tubing to protect the rider's legs from injury by being brushed by other vehicles.

SCENIC HIGHWAY MEET IN HILLSVILLE DEC. 8 Citizens To Organize and Work for Blue Ridge Crest Route

A meeting of all persons interested in the scenic highway that is proposed to be built along the crest of the Blue Ridge will be held in Hillsville courthouse next Friday afternoon, December 8th, at 2:30 when an organization will be perfected and plans made looking to the establishment of the route along the Blue Ridge crest.

Already it is almost an assured fact that the public works administration is soon to undertake the construction of this big project as a means of giving employment to the vast number of idle people. Secretary of Interior, Mr. Ickes, has assured those interested in the project that the money will be forthcoming, setting aside sixteen million dollars for the project, with the understanding that the states will provide the right of ways. This will be gladly done and the matter is now in the hands of the department officials for working out the details of the project, such as mapping out the route of the highway and of securing the right of way.

Both Mr. Ickes and President Roosevelt have expressed themselves highly in favor of the highway but have shown no interest in the routing of the road over any particular section. Both stated at a meeting some time ago that they wanted it to be built as a scenic highway and that the only thing they had to say about the route was that they were selecting it to "give particular attention to grandeur and elevation." This would mean that when the road comes to the chasms that yawn in its face around the pinnacles of Dan these chasms are to be bridged or otherwise traversed so as to maintain their grandeur and beauty to the traveling public. And when the road reaches Fisher's Peak, no effort is to be made to dodge this formidable giant of nature that towers above all the other surrounding mountain peaks, but probably the road would be graded over the peak and thus afford a commanding view of the country that would thus be unfolded to the view of the motorist.

The command of the President to give particular attention to "grandeur and elevation" is a most hopeful sign that the Blue Ridge crest route will be adhered to as first planned.

But there are many sections desiring this road and those interested in the Blue Ridge route must not cease in their work to see that this route is finally adopted. It is for this reason that a meeting of all interested citizens is to be held at Hillsville next Friday afternoon. Plans will then be definitely formed so that this section may be in position to influence the authorities in charge to locate the route on the Blue Ridge, and also a plan for securing right of ways in this locality will be worked out.

Many able speakers will be present at the meeting to assist in formulating the plans and further explaining the work that is to be done. Hon. Floyd Landreth of Galax and Judge Southerland are expected to be present, also Hon. J. Murray Hooker of Stuart, A. D. Folger of Dobson, Solicitor Caryly Higgins of Sparta, and others.

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J. K. DOUGHTON PROMOTED TO HIGHER OFFICE

The appointment of J. K. Doughton, Director of the Richmond Office of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, to the post of District Agent of the Federal Land Bank of Baltimore is of much interest to his many friends both in Virginia and North Carolina as is of especial interest to the people of Alleghany where he is known and greatly beloved. Mr. Doughton has been with the Banking Division of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for more than a year. His territory covered Virginia, West Virginia, and Maryland and the District of Columbia with headquarters and offices in the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond. The appointment to his new post was made and accepted by him the last of November and he will take charge of the Baltimore offices some time before the first of the year. The many friends and acquaintances which Mr. Doughton and his family have in Richmond regret very much to see them make Baltimore their future home and in an interview with newspaper reporters Mr. Doughton said that he could not afford to reject the new post to which he has been appointed.