

Reclamation of business under four basic enterprise groups will realign code grouping so that endeavors will receive identical treatment on common problems. The reorganization includes: production of basic materials from the soil; fabrication into finished products; service, ranging from transportation to amusement; and distribution, wholesale and retail.

RAILWAYS ASK INCREASE

The Railway executives request increased freight rates to offset increased operating expenses, caused by "economic policies of the Government." The requested advance is in most cases ten per cent over existing levels and includes farm products which heretofore have been exempted in proposals of this kind. The railway executives say that higher prices for materials and supplies, together with prospective restoration of basic wages to workers, will increase operating expenses by almost \$300,000,000 and the proposed increased rates will amount to \$170,000,000.

PLAN AIRPLANE FLIVVERS

Concurring in the opinion of Secretary of Commerce Roper that "the airplane is at the point where automobiles were when mass production was launched," the Bureau of Air Commerce recently asked for bids on a new type of airplane of the "flivver" variety. Fourteen manufacturers responded with prices ranging from \$750 to \$6,670. The idea was advanced some months ago that a small, cheap plane, with adequate safety characteristics, would add a much needed stimulus to the aircraft industry, and also promote national defense by training thousands of potential air pilots. Officials declared that the low bid of \$750 did not conform to regulations, which, among other things, provide for a metal fuselage, minimum speed of one hundred miles an hour, minimum speed of thirty miles, to land within 400 feet after clearing a 35-foot obstacle and to clear the same obstacle within 800 feet of the take-off. Other bids ranged from \$1,600 upward.

THE "LIBERTY LEAGUE"

Considerable interest was aroused by publicity involving the American Liberty League, an organization intended, according to its founders, to combat radicalism, preserve property rights, uphold and preserve the Constitution. In addition, expert investigators of the League will analyze the value and accomplishments of the New Deal projects. In many quarters the organization was regarded as an effort to mobilize sentiment against some of the present tendencies in Government. Significantly, it was noted that the executive committee included Republicans and Democrats. J. P. Shouse, former chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee under John J. Raskob, is chairman of the League and on his executive committee serve John W. Davis, Democratic candidate for President in 1924, Alfred E. Smith, Democratic candidate for President in 1928, Nathan L. Miller, former Republican governor of New York, Representative James W. Wadsworth, Republican congressman of New York, and Irènee du Pont, a former Republican, who supported both Smith and Roosevelt.

ANTI-ROOSEVELT GROUP

Inasmuch as Messrs. Davis, Smith and Shouse were among those who opposed Roosevelt at Chicago to the last ditch, friends of the Administration, noting their alliance with Republicans, instantly spotted a hostile intent. This was amplified when President Roosevelt stressed his belief that the League, while good so far as it goes, laid too much stress on protection of property and too little on protection of the average citizen. He emphasized his sympathy with the twin objectives announced—to maintain constitutional rights and respect for property and its lawful ownership, but insisted that these are sufficient, that the objectives are

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## Doughton Sees No Reason For Debate With His Opponent

Says, In Letter To Prevette, He Is Not Running So Much On "Views" As On Record

Representative Robert L. Doughton, Sparta, who is scheduled to open his campaign for reelection to Congress from the ninth North Carolina district, at Boone on Saturday, September 15, in reply to a letter received by him from his Republican opponent, Joseph M. Prevette, of Jefferson, challenging him to a joint debate, says such a meeting is not necessary. Moreover, he says joint debates are no longer engaged in in North Carolina.

However, Representative Doughton said in his letter that after he has opened his campaign, if the two can meet and arrange one or two joint discussions in a way that will be mutually satisfactory, he is willing to do so.

The letter written to Mr. Prevette by Representative Doughton, under date of September 3, follows:

"Yours of August 28th has been received and given attention. "With reference to the joint debate, as before stated, I do not consider such debate necessary and neither do I believe that the voters of our District are interested in a campaign of this sort. However, I would have it distinctly understood that my reason for such conclusion is not fear of meeting you or any other Republican in North Carolina on the stump. My record in this matter in years gone by when I have debated with such able Republicans as the late Honorable Frank A. Linney, Honorable Charles H. Coles, Honorable H. S. Williams and others, is sufficient evidence as to this statement. As you well know, joint debates are no longer engaged in in North Carolina, and no one except you has suggested to me the advisability of such a campaign. On the other hand, many Democrats and Republicans have stated to me that they would consider a joint debate, at this time, inadvisable.

"You state that you feel that the intelligent voters of the district, both Democrats and Republican, have a right to know your views on public questions. Replying to this will say that the people, in a general way, know my views on public matters. However, I am not running so much on my "views" as I am on my record and services since I have been a Representative in Congress, and by this test I am perfectly willing to be judged. In fact, the people of our District are so intelligent that I do not believe that anyone can enlighten them as to my record and the things I have accomplished. However, to show you that I have no fears whatever of meeting you in joint debate, will say that, after I have opened by campaign on the 15th of this month, if we can meet and arrange one or two joint discussions in a way that will be mutually satisfactory, I am willing to do so.

"I have agreed to make some speeches outside of our District, and, in fact, outside of the State, and, at this time, until I know more of what is to be expected of me in this respect, I am not in position to give you a definite "yes" or "no" answer to your challenge as made."

## EHRINGHAUS RETURNS PART OF SALARY TO TREASURY

Raleigh, Sept. 4.—Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus refunded voluntarily \$1,443.75 of his salary for the 1933-34 fiscal year to the state treasurer, according to records of the state auditor. The Governor previously announced he would return 15 per cent of his \$10,000 annual salary. Constitutional provisions prevented the legislature from slashing his pay. Several other state officials also refunded part of their salaries because of North Carolina's financial condition.

## FOREST FIRES

Fire hazard conditions in Western forests are the worst in years, according to the forest service.

## Hare Resident Has Narrow Escape In Automobile Mishap

John Richardson, a resident of Hare, Alleghany county, suffered a broken arm and severe cuts and bruises last week when the car which he was driving ran off the highway near the rock crusher one-half mile east of Twin Oaks. Mr. Richardson was employed by the Nello Tier Construction company as night watchman and was turning his automobile around near the crusher when he lost control of the car and it went off the road, turning over many times and stopping completely demolished at the foot of the hill 200 yards away. His escape of more serious injuries was miraculous.

Mr. Richardson's small grandson was with him at the time, but he was thrown out of the car soon after it left the highway and sustained only minor bruises. Mr. Richardson was rushed to the Elkin hospital, where he is reported to be recovering nicely.

## Aims Of New Deal Are Outlined By Secretary Roper

Says Purpose Sought Thru National Endeavor Is Balanced Life For Nation And Individual

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 4.—Secretary of Commerce Daniel C. Roper, in an address delivered here yesterday before several thousand persons on the objects of the Roosevelt administration, declared the "purpose sought through our national endeavors is a balanced life for the nation and the individual." Secretary Roper's address came as a climax to a Labor Day program which included a monster parade through the business district of the city.

"All thinking people," he said, "admit frankly that neither the farmer nor the laborer has heretofore shared equitably in many cases in the rewards from our economic processes. "The objective sought is simply to secure and maintain a balance in profits for all who participate in making these profit returns possible."

Previously, Secretary Roper had termed "excessive individualism" a "rank weed that multiplies into innumerable destructive evils."

"The Roosevelt administration stands squarely behind the principle of just profits for private business. It does insist, however, that profit abuses shall be discontinued."

"An unbiased survey of the vast field of events and problems of today will justify the conclusion that the purpose sought through our national endeavors is a balanced life—a life both for the nation and the individual, balanced as to rights and responsibilities, as to privileges and duties, as to opportunities and contributions.

"We have been impressed in recent years with the fact that one economic group cannot profit unduly at the expense of another group without disrupting seriously normal functions and the balance in our economic and social systems.

"Your administration in Washington is strenuously endeavoring to consider and recognize the fact that wages represent the profit of the worker, salaries the profit of the executives and a return on actual capital invested profit on capital. What fair-minded person can object to that?"

Secretary Roper remained in Birmingham until this afternoon.

## Revival Services To Begin Sun. At Gentry Memorial

Revival services will begin at Gentry Memorial Methodist church Sunday night at 8 o'clock. The pastor, Rev. C. W. Russell, has announced that the sermons will be delivered by the Rev. John Cline, of Thomasville.

Members of all churches and all people in the town and community who may attend these services, to be held throughout next week, will receive a hearty welcome, according to the pastor.

## Sparta High School To Open Next Mon. For 1934-35 Term

Opening Delayed Due To Lack Of Bus Facilities. Trucks To Be Used Temporarily On Some Lines

Sparta high school will open on Monday, September 10, at 8:45 a. m., according to a statement made by Prof. C. R. Roe, principal of the school. A very brief program is being planned for the opening and parents and friends of the school are invited to attend.

The opening of the school has been delayed one week on account of lack of transportation facilities. However, the best possible temporary arrangements have now been made pending the receipt of the new school buses. Trucks will have to be used temporarily on two of the regular bus lines. It is hoped that the buses for these routes will be available within ten days or two weeks. Local school authorities are doing everything possible to have here, at the earliest date possible, the buses they expect the state to allot to this county.

The faculty remains the same as last year with the exception of the third grade teacher. Mrs. Zelma Richardson Ellison will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. Duke Bledsoe.

Miss Katherine Phillippi of Rural Retreat, Va., will have charge of the music department. Miss Phillippi comes to the school very highly recommended. She graduated in music at Marion college and has had a year at Peabody, also special courses in music in summer. This summer she studied in St. Louis, Mo.

All pupils are requested to take lunches and books next Monday and be prepared for a full school day.

## Prisoners Escape From Camp Near Here Last Week

On Wednesday night of last week eight prisoners escaped from the Sparta Convict Camp. Fourteen prisoners were confined in the cage from which they escaped. When the cage was built, part of the taps had been overlooked and not bradded. This was discovered by the prisoners and the taps were taken off and the bolts removed. One prisoner at a time would slip out, when the guard had made his hourly round of inspection, and cross the surrounding fence.

Perhaps an hour would elapse before another would find an opportunity to escape. Eight of the 14 had escaped before the night guard, Add McMillan, discovered their absence.

Two of the 8 have been recaptured and four more have been seen near Nathans Creek, in Ashe county, and are expected to be apprehended soon.

A practically new sedan, belonging to Coy Goodman, who lives about two miles west of Sparta, was stolen the night the convicts escaped and is believed to have been taken by one or more of the convicts. The theft of the car was covered by insurance.

## GLADE VALLEY "HI" HAS SPLENDID OPENING TUES.

Glade Valley high school opened Tuesday morning, September 4, with the boarding department enrollment the largest it has been in years. The two students from the greatest distance are from Washington, D. C. and Tampa, Florida.

An inspiring talk was made to the students by Rev. C. W. Russell, pastor of the Sparta Methodist church.

Prospects for a good school year are said to be excellent.

## ELDER ROBERTS TO HOLD SERVICES IN ALLEGHANY

Elder S. P. Roberts, of the Primitive Baptist church, will deliver a sermon at Elk Creek on Tuesday, September 11; at Shiloh, Wednesday, September 12, and at Piney Creek, Thursday, September 13.

## State Guard May Be Called Out To Cope With Strike

Ehringhaus Says Rights Of Strikers And Those Who Want To Work Will Be Protected

Raleigh, Sept. 4.—Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus said in a statement here tonight that if violence persists in the textile strike in North Carolina, which has closed fully 150 plants in the state with not less than 80,000 workers idle, he will not hesitate to "use the full power of the law to put it down by whomsoever practiced." "The duty of government," the governor said, "is to maintain law and order, and that means to put down lawlessness and disorder by whomsoever practiced."

The strike, as it affects North Carolina, is only a part of the general textile strike that really went into effect Tuesday, the first working day after the Labor Day week-end holiday.

Owners of four large textile plants in the state conferred with Lawrence, Fox and P. R. Christopher, president of the State Textile Council, today over plans to end the strike as far as they are concerned, and resume operations as soon as possible.

These owners heard and took under consideration the union's proposition which would require their meeting virtually all of the important demands of strikers.

Owners indicated they were willing to meet the terms if they could ascertain that, in so doing, they would not violate the NRA code.

Stating that the obligation of enforcement rests primarily upon local authorities, the Governor said it is only when a real effort by local authorities has been made and proven unequal to the

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## Woman Parachute Jumper Is Killed Sunday At Galax

Miss Margaret Callas, 19, of Cape Charles, Va., jumped to her death Sunday afternoon about 5 p. m. during an air show in progress at Galax airport from a plane piloted by Leonard I. Hylton, Roanoke, who arrived there Saturday and was engaged in making passenger flights during most of the day Sunday.

Miss Callas is said to have jumped from a height of approximately 2,000 feet and, for some unknown reason, failed to pull the rip cord of either of two parachutes she wore. Besides Hylton, Eddie Butler, of Washington, D. C., said to be an instructor in parachute jumping, was in the plane at the time Miss Callas made the fatal jump and also jumped immediately after she left the plane, which was of the cabin type.

The body of Miss Callas was found in a very short time in a wooded section about one-half mile southwest of the airport, she having fallen into the undergrowth through the comparatively dense timber. A small hole was in the ground where her head lay, made apparently, by the force of the terrific impact when her body struck the ground. Mr. Butler's parachute opened successfully but is said to have hung on a dead tree several feet from the ground and the fall for the remainder of the way is said to have slightly injured him.

Immediately after it was realized that the jump, which had been intended for the entertainment of a tremendous crowd of people, estimated roughly at from 2,000 to 3,000, had ended in tragedy, practically every one present rushed to the place where the body was found.

Dr. Z. G. Phipps, Galax, Grayson county coroner, arrived in a short time and examined the body, finding that no attempt had been made to open either of the parachutes.

The body was shipped Monday morning to Cape Charles for the funeral services and burial.

## Miss Alma Crouse Gets B. S. Degree At Virginia School

Miss Alma Crouse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie F. Crouse, Sparta, received the Bachelor of Science degree, with a major in English, at the annual Convocation for the summer quarter of the State Teachers' college, at East Radford, Va., held on Thursday night, August 30. Miss Crouse has taught for two years at Flatridge, Va., and last year she taught at Cherry Lane. She has been attending the Radford college during the summer quarters for several years. At the annual Convocation ninety-nine candidates received the two-year professional diploma and forty-seven received the Bachelor of Science degree. These formal exercises marked the close of the twentieth annual session of the college.

During the summer quarter 601 students were registered at the college. Many of those receiving their degrees have done most of their work during various summer quarters.

## Experts Believe Kimball Killed By Deputy's Gun

Solicitor Says, However, He Has No Evidence That Killer Is Other Than Davis

Statesville, Sept. 4.—Opinions were expressed by two ballistic experts a few days ago that Sheriff Godfrey Kimball, of Iredell county, was killed by a bullet fired from a revolver in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Ralph Gilbert, and not by the notorious outlaw, Ralph Davis, who fought a gun battle with officers here more than two weeks ago, when Sheriff Kimball was killed.

J. B. Earle, of the bureau of identification, Charlotte, and J. H. Fowler, lieutenant in the Metropolitan police department at Washington, announced the results of their investigations today, a few hours after Solicitor Zeb Vance Long declared he had no evidence tending to show Sheriff Kimball was killed by anyone else other than Davis.

The solicitor proclaimed his intention of bringing first-degree murder charges against Davis. Report of the ballistics experts follows: "I am of the opinion that the bullet delivered to me by Iredell authorities was not fired from a Colt revolver No. 7177. (Deputy Sims' Gun) or a Remington automatic (Davis' gun) No. 17,908. However, I am convinced that the above bullet was fired from a S. and W. revolver (Gilbert's gun)."

Local authorities have issued no warrant for Gilbert's arrest but seem to think that if the sheriff did die from one of his bullets, it was accidental. Davis is now confined on death row in state's prison at Raleigh for safekeeping.

Sheriff Kimball was killed instantly when he and fellow officers sought to capture Davis. (continued on back back)

## Great Galax Fair Is In Full Swing; Thousands Attend

Galax is the mecca for thousands of people from Southwestern Virginia and Northwestern North Carolina this week, for the Great Galax Fair, the annual event looked forward to each year by the people of these sections is in progress there. The fair officially opened Tuesday morning, although the midway and grounds was crowded Monday night, as no admission charge was made that night at the gate, and most of the shows and rides were already in full swing.

The chief attractions of the fair in the way of entertainment are to be found in the midway, where the Marks shows are playing, and in front of the grandstand, where daring free acts are presented each afternoon and night, besides the races each afternoon and the gorgeous fireworks display each night. An outstanding feature on Saturday will be a horse show.

## Parkway Hearing To Be Held Next Monday By Ickes

Interior Secretary To Let North Carolina And Tennessee Present Claims At Asheville

Washington, Sept. 4.—Arrangements were made a few days ago with Secretary of the Interior Ickes for a hearing to be held at Asheville on Monday, September 10, on the question of whether the Great Smoky National parkway shall follow an all-North Carolina route or veer into Tennessee. The issue was brought by Representative Zeb Weaver, Asheville, when he arranged for the hearing to be held by Secretary Ickes.

The Buncombe county congressman spent practically two hours last Thursday morning with Ickes, during which he pointed out that, in his mind, it would be a great injustice and, in a sense, controversy the objective of the parkway to stop the North Carolina tracery at Blowing Rock in the Linville region and then proceed into Tennessee.

Representative Weaver emphasized the scenic beauty of the proposed route south of Linville Gorge, and the fact that Asheville is recognized the gateway to Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Mr. Weaver said that to build a parkway from Linville Gorge into Tennessee and enter the park via Gatlinburg would deprive tourists of the enjoyment of a vast area in North Carolina.

Thereupon Secretary Ickes agreed to go to Asheville himself and conduct the hearings. He stated to Representative Weaver that he would immediately notify Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus of North Carolina and Governor Hill McAllister of Tennessee of his intentions. Further, that he would permit the respective governors to themselves present the claims of their states for the parkway route, or accord them the privilege of selecting speakers, that one hour and a half would be allotted to each side.

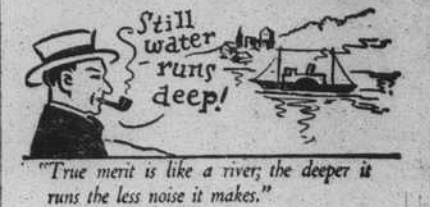
Representative Weaver Thursday night was under the impression the hearing will be held at Grove Park Inn. During the afternoon Representative Weaver called upon the public works administration and urged favorable action on an application for an allotment for a water supply at Franklin and a sewerage project at Waynesville. He was assured action will be taken soon, and Weaver expects it to be favorable.

Weaver left Washington Friday for Asheville to confer with citizens there and make preparations for the hearing.

## REP. DOUGHTON IS OPPOSED TO NEW N. C. CONSTITUTION

Raleigh, Sept. 1.—Congressman Robert L. Doughton, chairman of the ways and means committee of the House of Representatives, has announced his opposition to the proposed new state constitution. Attorney-General Dennis G. Brummitt said today. Doughton's statement follows: "You are hereby authorized to announce my opposition to the ratification of the proposed constitutional amendment."

## ALMANAC



"True merit is like a river; the deeper it runs the less noise it makes."

- SEPTEMBER
- 3—Dirigible Shenandoah destroyed over Ava, Ohio, 1925.
- 4—Confederate troops threaten Washington, D. C., 1862.
- 5—Barbara Fritchie waves flag at Rebsis, 1862.
- 6—President McKinley fatally shot by Czolgosz, 1901.
- 7—Prof. Langley's airship refuses to fly, 1903.
- 8—6,000 die in Galveston, Texas, tornado, 1900.
- 9—California is admitted to the Union, 1850.