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WHAT CONGRESS FACES

The overwhelmingly Democratic Congress which organized last week and took charge of the legislative affairs of this nation will face a number of puzzling matters before its session ends. Before it convened more than 1,000 bills had been to the public printer and nobody knows how many others will be introduced. There will be a small army of plans and projects to improve the situation, each, in the eyes of the author or sponsor, being vital to national recovery and well-being.

Without regard to recent recommendations of the President it might be well to take a look at the general situation and discuss some of the issues that are certain to arouse discussion and precipitate debate. In so doing let us state at the beginning that the review is based on the outlook as Congress convened and does not take into consideration any event of the week immediately past.

BALANCING THE BUDGET

The budget will be the subject of a clash between those who insist that a balanced budget must precede recovery and those who contend that it is impossible at this time to attempt such an undertaking and that, anyway, the subject is not decisive. Operating on a fiscal year that begins in July the Federal government has just about completed one-half of its year, with appropriations for the last year already voted by the last Congress. Hence, one should remember that, in all budget discussions, we are dealing with the fiscal year that begins next July and ends in the middle of 1936.

The set-up contemplated provides for two sets of expenses, "ordinary" and "emergency." The first group includes all routine costs and is expected to aggregate around three billion dollars, divided roughly as follows: Veterans' relief, \$600,000,000; National defense, \$500,000,000; Civil departments, \$700,000,000; Farm benefits, \$300,000,000 and interest on the public debt, \$900,000,000. Considerable difference of opinion is certain on the first three items, with many favoring new benefits for the soldiers, new construction for the navy and changes in hundreds of items in departmental expenses.

WHAT OF PUBLIC WORKS

In the class of emergency expenses two great issues arise, public works and relief of unemployment, and both are controversial to the highest degree. Taking up public works we find that, at present, the government is using about \$1,300,000,000 a year for road building, rivers and harbors, subsistence homesteads, loans to States and cities and to construct undertakings like Boulder Dam and the Tennessee Valley Authority.

However, there are many who say this is entirely too small an amount and should be increased many times. With private spending violently contracted these folks argue that the government, through public spending, can give the impetus that is needed to revive industry and get things moving and that Federal credit can stand the strain without any danger of breaking. Various types of works are suggested, such as slum clearance, low cost housing, grade crossing elimination and the use of labor on such undertakings rather than providing relief.

WHERE RELIEF STOPS

On the other hand opponents of this free spending policy say that it discourages private enterprise, pegs costs at high levels and arouses fears that new taxes will be levied, that it would be better for the government to retire from the scene because its program cannot hope to equal the huge outlays that would follow business revival. They point out, in support of this contention, that the national income, before the depression, was around \$70,000,000,000 and that if proper steps revive business that there will be spending enough.

Another big item of the emergency budget is the \$2,300,000,000 a year being spent annually for direct relief through the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, the Civilian Conservation Corps and, to a lesser degree, the Department of Agriculture. The Civil Works program, once so active, is now very quiet. Much of this huge sum becomes necessary because 22 States are contributing less than 1 per cent of the relief total although Congress, in adopt-

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Ringling Call Is Sounded For S. S. Meet This Month

Baptist Leader To Discuss Alcohol. To Give Pageant: "Judean Hills Are Holy"

Officials of the North Carolina Sunday School association are sounding a ringing call to all Sunday school workers throughout the one hundred counties of the state to assemble in convention January 21, 22 and 23 in the First Presbyterian church, Greensboro.

"The call," according to one official, "is a triple call—a call from within, a call from without and a call from above. From within comes a personal call for the renewal of personal consecration; from without comes the call from others for individuals to help them in a great spiritual recovery program, and from above comes the call for co-workers with our Christ, and thus the convention theme: 'Fellowship With Christ.'"

Pennsylvania is contributing to this Convention through two outstanding men in the Lutheran and Baptist churches. Dr. M. Hadwin Fischer, connected with the Lutheran Seminary at Gettysburg, Penna., in charge of the educational program of his denomination in that state as far as young people are concerned as Director of the summer camp at Nawakwa, and formerly connected with the Pennsylvania State Sunday School Association, will present addresses on "Live Situations of the Wilkesboro Production Credit Association," "The Basis of Expressional Activities," and "Essentials of Leadership," as well as taking part in the Discussion Groups and Open Forum.

Dr. John W. Elliott, of the Baptist Board of Philadelphia, who has created a unique place for himself throughout the state because of his fearlessness and frankness in facing the alcohol question and challenging church members to do likewise, will be with the convention to speak on "And What About Alcohol?" "Young People and Alcohol" and "The Church and Alcohol" as well as in another address the closing night of the Convention. His messages will be most timely.

Miss Elizabeth McE. Shields, the Director of Children's Division work for the Presbyterian Church in the U. S., from Richmond will be present to take care of the Children's division work as well as contributing through general addresses to the group at large.

The neighboring state of Virginia, is helping through its general secretary of the Virginia Council of Religious Education, the Rev. Minor C. Miller, who will present his thoughts along the lines of "The Lost Bible" and also assist Miss Shields in the Children's Division.

Officials urge workers not to fail to see Prof. H. Augustine Smith's great pageant, "Judean Hills Are Holy" on Tuesday night, January 22.

Persons desiring to attend may enroll through their pastor, county Sunday school president or secretary or directly through the office of the North Carolina Sunday school association, Salisbury.

Colored Man Is Injured In Shooting

In a shooting affray near Hare early Saturday morning, Troy Bryant (colored), was seriously wounded by his father-in-law, George Baker, 78. The two men, it is said, who had been out all night, went home, to Baker's house, where they lived together, early Saturday morning in a drunken state, and Baker's wife fled to a neighbor's house. Bryant took his shotgun and advanced on his father-in-law, who got his shotgun and, he asserts, fired in self defense.

Two shots were fired, wounding Bryant in the right shoulder, arm and hand. Bryant suffered from an excessive loss of blood, but is expected to recover.

Both men were placed in jail to await a hearing and both are held without bond pending the outcome of Bryant's wounds.

INVITED TO MEETING

Helen Keller, noted blind writer, has been invited to attend a meeting in Raleigh Jan. 29.

Lindbergh Nursemaid



FLEMINGTON, N. J. . . Betty Gow (above), nursemaid in the Lindbergh home, who collapsed here Monday after being subjected to a searching cross-examination by Edward J. Reilly, defense lawyer of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, now on trial for the murder of the Lindbergh baby.

Stockholders Of PCA To Meet In Wilkesboro Feb. 2

Directors Of The Association To Be Chosen For Coming Year At This Time

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wilkesboro Production Credit association, serving the counties of Alleghany, Caldwell, Watauga, Ashe, Surry and Yadkin, will be held February 2 at 11 o'clock at the Courthouse in Wilkesboro, according to advice just received from the Secretary-Treasurer of the association, T. W. Ferguson.

Not only are all borrowers from the association, the holders of class B stock, expected to be present, but a most cordial invitation is also extended to all farmers in the territory served by the association and it is hoped that a large number will accept the invitation. Every member of the association is urged to bring one or more non members with him as it is the desire of the organization that every farmer in this section shall acquaint himself with the credit service which it has to offer.

Directors of the association for the ensuing year will be elected

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Veteran Minister, Brother Of Famed Doctor, Succumbs

Blackstone, Va., Jan. 8.—The Rev. James Claiborne Reed, D. D., 92, veteran Methodist minister, the last survivor of the War Between the States in the Virginia Methodist clergy, died at his home here early Sunday after several years of failing health.

He was a brother of the celebrated Dr. Walter Reed. They were sons of the late Lemuel S. Reed, also a Methodist minister. Dr. Reed was born in Pasquotank county, N. C., November 1, 1842.

In 1869 he married Miss Sallie Clarke of Fluvanna county, Va. They had ten children. In 1891 he married Miss Janie Vail, of Portsmouth.

He was licensed to preach in the Methodist ministry at Charlottesville in 1868, and retired in 1922. During his ministry he held twelve pastorates, and served as presiding elder over six districts. He presided over the Edenton (N. C.) district, Norfolk district, Suffolk district, Danville district, Lynchburg district and Petersburg district. His pastorates were Nelson county, Powhatan county, Atlantic circuit, Southampton (N. C.), Norfolk circuit, Nottoway county, High street, Petersburg; Trinity, Richmond; Memorial, Lynchburg; Central, Richmond; Hampton and Bedford.

Funeral services were conducted here Tuesday at 2:30 p. m., and interment was in Lakeview cemetery.

Bailey Clashes With Huey Long In Senate Mon.

Argument Brings Echoes Of Chicago Democratic Convention Held In Summer Of 1932

Washington, Jan. 8.—Echoes of the 1932 Chicago Democratic convention, when North Carolina caused the Roosevelt forces to drop their fight for abrogation of the two-thirds rule, were heard in the Senate chamber yesterday afternoon during Senator Huey P. Long's speech attacking the national administration and especially Postmaster - General Farley.

In telling the packed Senate chamber and galleries just what he did to promote the nomination of President Roosevelt, the Louisiana senator discussed the efforts to line up support for a change in rules governing Democratic conventions whereby a majority vote instead of a two-thirds vote nominates candidates. "We tried to put this over but the North Carolina delegation ran out on us and would not stand," Long stated.

As quick as a flash Senator Bailey was on his feet, exclaiming: "The senator is wrong. North Carolina never did run in."

"I beg the senator's pardon," Long replied. "We could not get North Carolina in. We had Mr. Roosevelt talk to the delegation from Hyde Park but we could not get North Carolina in."

Josephus Daniels, Raleigh publisher and now ambassador to Mexico, made an unsuccessful effort to get the North Carolina delegation to agree to vote to change the two-thirds rule. Senator Bailey opposed the change and three-fourths of the delegates stood with him.

In a final effort to swing North Carolina into line, the delegation met in the Congress Hotel and Mr. Roosevelt addressed it from Hyde Park over telephone, his voice being amplified. His appeal to change the rule had no effect.

Besides Senator Bailey and Senator Reynolds, Representatives Kerr, Bulwinkle, Clark, Warren and Lambeth heard Long's speech.

Through State Capital Keyholes

By Bess Hinton Silver

EDUCATION—Many gentlemen from the length and breadth of North Carolina are taking temporary residence in Raleigh this week and will leave the Capital City two, three or four months later much wiser men. An unusually large number of new members make up this session of the General Assembly and many of these always come with ideas for remaking the laws to correct all difficulties of living in the State. Almost without exception these hopefuls leave for their homes at the end of the session wiser but sadder men. But despite failure of adoption of their proposals the Old Ship of State goes sailing on, and on, and on.

LIQUOR AND JAILS—Word is leaking into Raleigh that federal agents operating in the border-towns of Virginia are going to join forces with North Carolina Officers in breaking up some of the Tar Heel parties staged with "Virginia Liquor." According to well-grounded rumors the federal sleuths will keep eyes peeled on North Carolina cars parked around Virginia liquor stores. When the machines leave the federal boys will telephone their license numbers to arms of the law in this State. Watching the highways the Tar Heel Officers expect to nab more than a few machines and their drivers and seize the contraband. Sounds reasonable, at any rate.

TURNING POINT—All eyes will be upon two men as this session of the Legislature progresses. Upon the success or failure of Governor Ehringhaus and Lieutenant Governor A. H. (Sandy) Graham with the solons depends a great deal of North Carolina political history. Friends of the Lieutenant Governor say he will run for the gubernatorial nomination in 1936 if he comes through the session with flying

colors. From circles close to the present gubernatorial throne comes word that Mr. Ehringhaus may be persuaded to attempt to unhorse Senator Josiah Bailey next spring if he has good luck with the General Assembly.

NO SKIRMISH—Everything is all set for a major legislative battle over diversion of highway funds before the 1935 Legislature is very old. Capus M. Waynick, newly-appointed Chairman of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, has his forces lined up to protect the highway fund from various and sundry raiding parties but if the enemy combines forces in common cause there may be serious trouble. It will take money to repair roads now in bad shape because of the limit on spending set by the 1933 Legislature. It will take money to increase the Highway Patrol and enforce a driver's license law. But other State interests wish to take motorists taxes to pay their bills.

DECISIONS—Political wise boys, now gathered in Raleigh from all over the State are expecting Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby silver-tonguer, and Congressman R. L. Doughton to make announcements of their intentions as touching the gubernatorial race before the blue birds fly again. Both these political big-shots have told friends that they expected to reach conclusions "after the first of the year." That day has come and gone and a great silence hangs over Shelby and Sparta, North Carolina. "But it won't be long now," say friends and supporters of both potential gubernatorial candidates.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL—Forces that would like to dethrone Attorney General Dennis G.

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Legislators In Raleigh Ready For '35 Session

Robert Grady Johnson, Of Pender, Picked At Party Caucus As Choice For House Speakership

Raleigh, Jan. 8.—From the hills of Cherokee to the water-soaked lands of Dare came legislators and lobbyists to Raleigh yesterday and today for the convening, at noon, Wednesday, of the 1935 General Assembly. They came by train, bus and automobile.

By a vote of 67 to 36, a harmonious Democratic legislative caucus tonight nominated as its candidate for speaker of the 1935 House, Robert Grady Johnson, of Pender, over two other candidates. They were Laurie McEachern of Hoke, who received 19 votes, and W. Lee Lumpkin of Franklin, who received 17 votes.

The overwhelming Democratic majority in the House makes Johnson's nomination tantamount to election to the post.

Only one member of the caucus was absent, 103 members casting votes for the various nominations.

Johnson was nominated by Representative F. E. Thomas of Anson, who, in an address brightly colored with optimism, alluded to his candidate as a "country lawyer and dirt farmer," and managed to include a brief "for a reasonably short session" of the legislature.

The nomination was seconded by Representative R. B. Morthew, of Graham, and D. L. Ward, of Craven, a new member.

McEachern was nominated by Representative Thomas O'Berry of Wayne in an address which called attention to the candidate's record and declared him to be "unfettered by any promises as to committee appointments." The nomination was seconded by Representatives T. C. Hoyle Jr., of Guilford and Malcolm McQueen, of Cumberland.

Lumpkin, praised as the "wonder boy of Franklin," was placed in nomination by Representative C. W. Spruill of Bertie. The nomination was seconded by Representatives R. P. Bender of Jones, and W. T. Brown of Per-

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Doctor to Quintuplets



NEW YORK . . . The wonders of New York's sky-scrapers failed to impress Dr. Allen R. Dafeo (above), Canadian country physician, who brought the Dionne quintuplets into the world. He came here to lecture.

Roosevelt Tells Congress About State Of Union

Says, Beyond Material Recovery, He Senses A Spiritual Recovery As Well. Message Broadcast

Washington, Jan. 8.—President Roosevelt's call Friday before a joint session of Congress for a "new order" of things under which 3,500,000 workless would be put on federally-made jobs created a generally favorable reaction, although some guarded criticism sounded back. Applauded by friend and critic alike as he spoke in a dramatic capital setting, the president made a keynote of "security"—for jobs, the aged, the home—but dwelt longest on the outline of a vast but singly-directed public works program.

As he returned to the White House first responses from Democrats on Capitol Hill were enthusiastic. Minority Republicans, however, were chary. Wall Street reacted with irregular prices on the stock market.

Enunciating new policies for a long range program of recovery, he told the Congress:

"We have undertaken a new order of things; yet we progress towards it under the framework and in the spirit of the American constitution."

Standing before the joint session of both houses, and with many of the nation's most promi-

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Congress Waits For Roosevelt Legislation

Washington, Jan. 8.—The four-day-old 74th Congress, faced with finding work for 3,500,000 unemployed and other tremendous tasks, found itself today with virtually nothing to do, so the House started an investigation.

President Roosevelt's practice of sending to Congress one piece of legislation at a time contributed to the delay. The first item on his schedule is social security legislation. He is expected to transmit a message on the subject late this week, putting the lawmakers to work in earnest.

The Senate was in recess. Its foreign affairs committee met to discuss a resolution for American adherence to the world court, which is expected to be reported out when the Senate meets again Thursday and which will provide a subject for lengthy debate from time to time in the upper House.

The House, which was expected to take up the \$750,000,000 independent offices bill, first departmental appropriation measure of the session, was delayed by the fact that the appropriation committee was not completed until today. The bill, however, can be reported tomorrow, and passage early next week was indicated. It includes more than \$500,000,000 for veterans' benefits.

Eyes Of World Fixed On Case Of Hauptmann

Two Witnesses Say Defendant Is "The Man" Tues. Betty Gow Collapses Mon.

Flemington, N. J., Jan. 8.—Two witnesses—one an elderly Surland neighbor of the Charles A. Lindberghs, the other a Bronx cab driver—laid an accusing hand today on Bruno Richard Hauptmann, on trial in the little Hunterdon county court house here for the murder of the kidnaped Lindbergh baby. Gingerly, 87-year old Amandus Hochmuth, who lives at the entrance of the Lindbergh home, unexpectedly tapped the stolid carpenter on the shoulder as he identified him as the man in a "dirty green car" containing a ladder, whom he saw from his porch on the day of the kidnaping—March 1, 1932.

Then Joseph Perrone, the cab driver, slapped the same rigid shoulder and almost shouted: "That's the man!" who eleven nights later sent him to Dr. John F. (Jafsie) Condon, elderly kidnap negotiator, with a note. Hauptmann stiffened. He muttered, almost inaudibly: "You're a liar."

It was another day of swift sensations in the case by which the state of New Jersey hopes to send Hauptmann to the electric chair.

On Tuesday Betty Gow, Lindbergh nursemaid at the time of the kidnaping, was on the stand for a considerable length of time and was subjected to a grueling cross-examination by Chief of Defense Counsel Edward J. Reilly, who questioned her closely about the details surrounding the discovery of the abduction. Reilly attempted to intimate by his line of questioning that the kidnaping was an "inside job." Although the pretty Miss Gow stood up well under his barrage of questions, she finally lost control of herself and had to leave the courtroom, collapsing soon thereafter. She soon recovered and was taken to the Morrow home for the night.

With the trial growing out of one of the most shocking crimes

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Much Business Transacted In Sparta Jan. 7

Monday, January 7, was a day of unusual business activity in Sparta. A great number of citizens of the county thronged the streets and courthouse, apparently intent on starting the New Year out right by dispatching their business affairs without delay. This attitude, it has been pointed out, seems to augur well for improved economic conditions within the county for the coming year. The large amount of taxes collected on the first Monday also testifies to the increased amount of money in circulation over last year.

The county commissioners, who were in session, transacted a great amount of routine business and also gave major consideration to a request for a new school building which was asked for the Laurel Springs community by a delegation from that place.

ALMANAC

- 1—Never ask a man a favor until he has had his dinner.
- 2—General Jackson whips the British at New Orleans, 1815.
- 3—First trolley electric car run in Richmond, Va., 1869.
- 4—League of Nations holds its first meeting, 1920.
- 5—Rayard Taylor, author and traveler, born 1853.
- 6—First public museum in U. S. opens at Charleston, S. C., 1772.
- 7—Great Central Italy earthquake kills 30,000, 1915.
- 8—Daniel Webster makes his first speech in Congress, 1814.