

**MUCH WORK AHEAD**  
Congressmen are very much interested in adjournment and while the pressure is not the same that would be felt in an election year, with members anxious to get back home and work on their fences, the summer heat in Washington is known far and wide and besides the present session, in more than five months, has seen very little accomplished compared to the lengthened "must" list that has been placed before the legislative branch of the President.

**ADJOURNS NEXT MONTH?**  
Estimates as to when adjournment will be possible range from some time in July to the first of September, with the chances being that the latter date will be nearer the end if all of the administration's measures are acted upon by the Senate. House rules and machinery are such that measures can be jammed through but the debating Senators will take more time. Moreover, there is wide difference of opinion in the Senate, where individuals have reputations to maintain along certain lines and this requires speeches. Last week, however, the Senate showed signs of speeding its work—an indication of adjournment fever.

**FOLLOWS COURT OPINION**  
With the NRA extension out of the way Congress faces new tasks in the comprehensive transportation control bill, the Wagner labor-disputes bill and the Guffey measure to control soft coal production—which were added to the "must" list when NRA blew up—and measures heretofore mentioned in these columns as urgently insisted upon besides a number of others, somewhat routine but necessary all the same, along the line of taxes and government contracts.

Meanwhile the President is apparently intent upon steering the New Deal along the lines marked out by the epochal decision of the Supreme Court, with some interesting speculation resulting. His mild NRA measures fail to please labor leaders and there are those who hint that the Chief Executive is willing to see the country have a back-set in order to show the necessity of Federal control, denied by the Court. Some critics taunt him with backing down after declaring that his earlier announcement that the Court's decision had created an issue which the people must decide was subversive of orderly government. Friends of the President, however, insist that he strongly feels that his first duty is to seek recovery regardless of political effects.

**ROOSEVELT'S POSITION**  
In fact, it seems that Mr. Roosevelt is striving to work within the limits of the Court decision, while at the same time convinced that wider powers must be secured for the Federal government if social and economic problems of the present day are to be solved. He does not, of course, see anything to the "save the Constitution" cry of his opponents, believing that amendments to the instrument are necessary and inevitable as the nation moves into its future, and that the surest way to preserve American government and the Constitution itself is to make both answer what he considers a demand from the average citizen for a bigger share of the nation's resources to support a better standard of living.

**CRITICS ASSAIL STAND**  
Critics of the administration, however, were sure last week that the people would respond to a demand that the Constitution be preserved and that no amendment be passed that will broaden the scope of Federal power or alter the decision of the Court. Former President Hoover reiterated his charge that an effort was being made to build up an European government and the conference of Republicans at Springfield heard the suggestion that the party name be changed to "Constitutional" in order to emphasize adherence to the document. Plainly, the line-up last week indicated that the battle cry of 1936, on the Republican side, will center about the Constitution, with the assertion that it must be preserved against the Roosevelt attack.

**AT THE "GRASS ROOTS"**  
Members of the Republican party from the Midwest States, met last week in Springfield, Ill., to catch the Lincoln spirit and to give utterance to a fiery denunciation of the Roosevelt administration, the reaffirmation of party principles of the past and to make plain that they want no alliance with disgruntled Democrats or change of party name. The throng that gathered was remarkable.

## Doughton Sees No Cigarette Tax Change Yet

**In View Of Statement Made By Doughton Sat., One Until Next Session AAA IS CONSIDERED Alleghany Member Does Not Think House Will Be In Session Long Enough To Act**

Washington, June 18.—Chairman Doughton of the House ways and means committee Saturday expressed the opinion that there would be no revision of the cigarette tax at this session of Congress. "If this session stayed here long enough we might make some general revision of the revenue laws and, of course, the cigarette tax would be included," the North Carolina solon said. "I do not think, however, that Congress will be in session long enough to consider such a controversial subject. But the time is not far away when there must be a revision."

The ten-cent brand manufacturers as well as the higher price brands have been busy lobbying on Capitol Hill. A certain faction of the labor organization has been active in seeking to secure a reduction of tax for the ten-cent brand manufacturers alone. This activity has extended to the Massachusetts legislature which has memorialized Congress for differential tax in favor of the ten-cent brand manufacturers. The fifteen-cent brand manufacturers favor a reduction in taxes but they are insisting that it be horizontal with no preference.

When the hearings were held at the last session by the ways and means committee on tobacco taxes there were some farmers who asked for a differential in favor of the ten-cent brand manufacturers but the overwhelming sentiment of the witnesses was for a horizontal reduction which the committee approved. In view of Doughton's statement today the issue is a dead one, until next session.

## A. A. Woodruff Loses Another Barn By Fire

A very large barn, belonging to A. A. Woodruff, who lives near New River, was destroyed by fire last Thursday night. This was the second barn belonging to Mr. Woodruff to burn within a period of six months, as a barn was destroyed last February in which fire a number of head of live stock perished.

The last fire, which, as the first was of undoubtedly incendiary origin, was discovered about 9:00 o'clock but had gained such headway that it was beyond control. Only the combined and strenuous efforts of the neighbors who gathered to assist in fighting the fire, prevented the loss of the granary also.

## Sparta P. O. Moved Into New Location Monday

The Sparta post office was moved Monday into its new quarters in the building owned by R. Clinton Halsey, and formerly occupied by the Variety store. New and much more adequate equipment is being used and this, together with the greater floor space, makes the new location exceedingly satisfactory to the public and will provide for greater comfort and efficiency for Postmaster G. G. Nichols and his assistants.

## Delp Granted Writ Of Error By High Court

**Execution Set For June 28 Automatically Stayed. No Decision In Bausell Cases Announced**

A writ of error was granted Howard Delp, condemned to die for the murder of the late Chief of Police Posey Martin, Galax, Thursday morning at Wytheville, by the state Supreme Court of Appeals. The case will be transferred to Staunton and is expected to be heard there at the fall term of the supreme court in September.

Delp is alleged to have fatally stabbed Chief of Police Martin, and wounded Sergeant Frank Dotson while escaping from the Galax jail on Thursday night, February 21.

He was convicted in the Grayson county circuit court early in April and sentenced to die in the electric chair on Friday, June 28. The granting of a writ of error, and the transferring of the case to Staunton will be heard in September will automatically stay the execution until the high court acts.

Delp was confined in the Roanoke city jail from Thursday, April 4, the day after his conviction in the Grayson court, until a short time ago, when he was taken to Richmond, and placed in the death cell in the state penitentiary.

Stuart B. Campbell, Wytheville, is Delp's attorney, and Commonwealth's Attorney H. P. Burnett, of Grayson county, was assisted in the prosecution by S. Floyd Landreth and Town Attorney Jack Matthews, of Galax.

## Galax Firemen's Celebration Is Drawing Near

As Monday, July 1, the time for the opening of the Galax Firemen's annual Independence Day celebration draws nearer, interest and enthusiasm increases.

One of the most outstanding features of the celebration is expected to be the torchlight parade along Main street to Felt's park on Tuesday night, July 2. This is expected to be much bigger and better than the one held last year, because of the fact that huge torches will be used this year, which make a bright red and yellow flame, instead of sparklers, as were used last year.

On the afternoon of Thursday, the Fourth, a water battle is to be put on in Felt's park, in addition to a big parade from town to the carnival grounds at 10 o'clock that morning.

## Alcohol Control Measure Offered By Rep. Doughton

Washington, June 18.—The hottest day of the year (the mercury stood at 94) found the House and its committees boiling with activity today, seeking to pass five of Speaker Joseph W. Byrns' ten "must" bills this week and clear the way for July 15 adjournment.

Two of the bills already are out of the way—a \$500,000,000 "nuisance" tax measure passed yesterday, and the AAA amendments, passed today. Tomorrow, under a rule limiting debate to three hours and permitting unrestricted amendments, the House will take up the Wagner-Connelly labor disputes bill, which has passed the Senate.

Thursday, if all goes well, the House will pass a \$200,000,000 deficiency bill, providing money for miscellaneous purposes not taken care of in the regular appropriation bills. Friday or Saturday it is planned to have the House pass a federal alcohol control bill introduced today with President Roosevelt's support by Chairman Robert L. Doughton of the ways and means committee.

The FACA bill will set up a control administration in the Treasury Department, supplanting the present independent FACA. It would control the liquor business through a system of permits and levy taxes on importers, distillers, rectifiers and wholesalers. Labeling and advertising would be restricted to prevent misleading buyers.

If the House actually rushes action on all these bills—and some observers doubted that it could show such sustained effort—only five bills will be left on the "must" program. These are the utility holding company bill, the TVA amendments, ship subsidy bill, transportation regulation, and Guffey coal bill.

The prospect of real progress became more hopeful, however, when the deadlock over the TVA amendments was broken. A House military affairs subcommittee prepared a compromise measure on which Chairman John J. McSwain expects a favorable vote Thursday. The compromise differs in five particulars from the original bill seeking to extend the powers of the TVA:

## Through State Capital Keyholes

**By Bess Hinton Silver**

**SPOTTED**—The gubernatorial race (chiefly between Clyde R. Hoye and A. H. Graham) is a bit spotted from the standpoint of public interest throughout the State. You can talk to travelers and one will tell you that Hoye is running wild while another will avow that Graham is far in the lead. Most of the distinterested lads getting about over the state will tell you, however, that the campaign has not progressed far enough to raise many bets. The political gamblers want to see the horses warm up before they lay the long green on the mahogany.

## Hoover Criticises "New Deal" In College Address

Palo Alto, Cal., June 18.—Herbert Hoover, commencement speaker at Stanford university here, Sunday delivered one of his severest criticisms of the "New Deal."

Mr. Hoover never once mentioned the National administration or any member of it directly, and avoided a political appeal. He listed nine essentials through which, he said, the nation could attain "another era of advancement as great as the hundred years following the Napoleonic wars." The nine points were these:

1. Freedom—"Freedom of men to worship, to think, to speak, to direct their energies, and to be rewarded for their effort."
2. Capacity—"Capacity to produce a plenty of goods and services with which to give economic security to the whole of us."
3. Self-Government—"The safe guard of freedom."
4. Level-headedness—"From the right come the abuses of monopoly, economic tyranny, the exploitation of labor, of consumers, of investors. From the left come power-seeking job-holding bureaucracies, which bleed our productive strength with taxes and destroy confidence and enterprise."
5. Stabilization—"Depression other than from war origins are capable of great mitigation by wiser conduct of our credit machinery."
6. Individual security—"The foundations of individual security must in the end be strengthened beyond relief work."
7. Distribution—"Our job is not to pull down the great majority, but to build up those who lag."
8. Spread of property ownership—"Here lies a sense of freedom from fear, a sense of independence."
9. Protection of the family and the home—"With the independence and the security of the family have come the spiritual blessings of the nation."

In his "observations" on the accomplishments of America's aims, Mr. Hoover warned: "Universal social security cannot be had by sudden inspi-

## Long's "Share The Wealth" Program Beaten

Washington, June 17.—Senator Huey Long's "Share the Wealth" program was drowned under a chorus of "noes" in the senate today after the Louisianan—apparently seeking the foundation for a presidential bid—had offered it as a substitute for the Roosevelt social security plan.

## Roosevelt Signs NRA Extension Resolution Fri.

Washington, June 18.—President Roosevelt signed the NRA extension Friday night, ending the bitter argument that has raged for weeks, and extending the agency until April 1, 1936.

The President scratched his name at the bottom of the resolution after the House, earlier in the day, had concurred with Senate amendments that action by the House was the final move in Congress. Mr. Roosevelt appeared anxious to sign the measure. At his press conference he told newspapermen that he was not going to wait four minutes after the conference was over to put his signature on the resolution.

## State Will Get About 50 Million From Works Fund

**Huge Plan To Get Under Way By July 1. To Transfer Men From Relief To Work**

**COAN IN CAPITAL**

**Apparently, The New Works Program Is To Be A Glorified CWA With Few Big Projects**

Washington, June 18.—North Carolina is slated to get around \$50,000,000 as its share of the four-billion-dollar work-relief program the Roosevelt administration plans to get under way by July 1. This money will be used to take the 50,000 able-bodied men now on relief and put them to work on useful projects from which the public will benefit.

Ne definite amount is to be allocated to a state and at this time no exact estimate can be made of just how money will be spent in North Carolina. But those in authority feel certain the sum will be close to \$50,000,000. It may be a few million more or a few million less.

George W. Coan, Jr., works-progress director for North Carolina, and who will supervise the new work relief program in North Carolina, is still in Washington receiving final instructions along with the other state directors. He plans to remain here until tomorrow night or Thursday.

## Methodist W. M. S. Meets At Home Of Mrs. Warren Fri.

The Women's Missionary society of the Methodist church met Friday afternoon, June 14, at the home of Mrs. Dalton Warren, with an exceptionally large attendance. Mrs. L. K. Halsey was leader of the program, which was highly interesting.

It was decided by the members to hold a called meeting Thursday afternoon, June 20 to arrange for a picnic to be held soon for the members of the society and their husbands.

The hostess served delicious refreshments to about twenty-four members and guests.

At the next meeting Mrs. Marvin Doughton and Mrs. C. R. Roe will be hostesses and Mrs. Dalton Warren will have charge of the program.

## Man Is Injured While Working With Hay Tedder

Rufus Richardson, who lives near Sparta, was seriously injured Monday while operating a hay tedder. The neck-yoke came loose from the horses, throwing Mr. Richardson from the machine. A rotating part of the machine struck him in the back of the head, fracturing the skull.

Richardson was immediately carried to the Elkkin hospital, in an unconscious state, where his condition was pronounced serious. He was operated on at once and a portion of the bone was re-setting up of any decent system will require time. Nevertheless, when parents learn they have to "put out" less for school books next year than formerly, maybe they can spare a kind word or two for the boys who stayed two months or more in Raleigh, at their own expense, trying to make such things possible.

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Great works are performed not by strength but by perseverance.

JUNE

- 18—Theodore Roosevelt returns from African trip, 1910.
- 19—First recorded game of baseball is played, 1846.
- 20—Three are condemned as witches, Hartford, Conn., 1662.
- 21—First United States troops land in Cuba, 1898.
- 22—Simeon Pattern makes first carpet sweeper, 1876.
- 23—Federal coin making experiment in Texas is failed, 1891.

June 24—Henry VIII, many-wifed King of England dies, 1547.