



Washington, December 17.—President Roosevelt's speech before the Farm Bureau Federation has served to focus attention sharply upon the clear-cut fact that the battle-ground of the Presidential campaign of 1936 will be in the agricultural West. Mr. Roosevelt, in effect, challenged the Republicans to offer a substitute for the AAA which would be equally satisfactory to the farmers between the Mississippi and the Rocky Mountains. No one qualified to speak for the opposition has yet offered any such program. The feeling grows here, however, that the Republicans' answer to Mr. Roosevelt's challenge will come from the West and not from the East, when it does come.

Senator Borah's radio speech, in which he criticized sharply the conservative Eastern wing of the Party, is regarded as not so much an expression of the Senator's own desire to be the Republican candidate as it was an effort to rally the progressive thought of the West into a solid front, which can dictate the Party's agricultural policies. It is also interpreted as a backhanded slap at Mr. Hoover's leadership.

G. O. P. Strategy

Whether or not the line of cleavage between Eastern and Western wings of the Republican Party will amount to anything more serious than the customary fight for organization control remains to be seen. Experienced political observers here, however, are swinging strongly to the opinion that considerations of political strategy will force the

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Party to pick its candidate from somewhere west of the Mississippi and east of the Rockies.

That would eliminate Mr. Hoover on the West and Col. Knox and Senator Vandenberg on the East, leaving the contest, so far as visible candidates now in the field are concerned, to Senator Borah, Gov. Landon, and Senator Dickinson, of Iowa. Few are found who believe that Mr. Borah seriously expects to be the nominee. That leaves Governor Landon as the rising star of the moment.

Congress A Factor

There is no end to the possible complications affecting next year's campaign which may develop from the actions of Congress, which meets now in the matter of only a couple of weeks. The temper exhibited by returning Senators and members can best be described as "rambunctious." They are going to put up a fight for every measure that has votes in it.

Out of the 531 Legislators on Capitol Hill there are only 64 whose terms don't expire in 1936. Those are the 64 Senators whose terms run to 1938 and 1940. One-third of the Senators and all of the Representatives must run for re-election next November if they want to come back. That makes for a situation in which every organized raid on the Treasury which has important voting strength behind it will find support. Veterans' Bonus, Townsend Plan, "Soak-the-Rich" tax schemes, the Frazier-Lemke Farm Mortgage Refinancing bill, and almost anything that organized labor is solidly behind will provide at least a chance for the boys to go on record, whether or not they succeed in enacting any of these and other projects into law.

The signs are that opposition from the White House to all such drafts on the public purse will be more stubborn than in the past. There is no inclination here to question the genuineness of Mr. Roosevelt's desire to cut Government expenses and make at least a step toward balancing the budget. He will have to meet, however, not only demands emanating from Congress, but the desires of many in his own official family for more money to spend.

Manufacturer's Stand

It can be stated definitely that the President's plan to place Frank C. Walker in the Cabinet, as Postmaster General, will not be carried through. Members of the Cabinet must divest themselves of all private business connections. Mr. Walker was in a position to do that, until the death, a few days ago, of his uncle, Michael Comerford, the management of whose very extensive motion picture interests now devolve upon Mr. Walker.

The action of the recent Convention of the National Association of Manufacturers in uniting upon a definite declaration of opposition to the Administration widens the breach between the Government and business beyond any likelihood of its being bridged over. Democratic leaders are inclined to hail this as providing good campaign material, while Republican wheel-horses look upon it as at least assuming an ample campaign fund for 1936.

PREPARE FOR BIGGER BATTLES

A becalmed African warfront appeared headed for new and bigger battles Sunday night.

Optimism for the success of a Franco-British plan was conspicuous by its absence. And from the southern theater of war three Ethiopian columns of 40,000 men were reported only 30 miles from the Italian positions at Dolo, with the zero hour for an Ethiopian attack long overdue.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Surry County, made in the special proceeding entitled "F. F. Riggs, Administrator of Carolina Thore and Cornelia Nixon vs. J. F. Burrus and others" under date of November 25, 1935, the undersigned Commissioners will on the 28th day of December 1935, at 2:00 o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door in Dobson, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder three tracts or lots of land in Rockford Township, Surry County and described as follows:

FIRST TRACT: Beginning at a stake on the Rockford Road, runs North 25 deg. West 3.84 chains to a stake on the said road, Geo. Burrus' corner; thence South 62½ deg. West 6.57 chains to a stake in Geo. Burrus' line; thence South 7 deg. West 2½ chains to a stake, Burrus' corner; thence North 88 deg. West 8.86 chains to a stake; thence South 10½ deg. West 1.94 chains to a persimmon; thence South 20½ deg. East 1½ chains to a willow; thence North 70 deg. East 14.24 chains to the point of beginning, containing 4 acres, more or less.

SECOND TRACT: Beginning at a rock on the Rockford road, opposite to the point of the beginning of the first tract, runs North 78 deg. East 3.20 chains to a stake; thence South 17 deg. East 3.20 chains to a stake and pointers; thence South 68 deg. West 2½ chains to a stake in the road; thence with the road North 22 deg. West 3.65 chains to the point of beginning, containing 1 acre, more or less.

THIRD TRACT: Beginning on a stake on the Rockford road, the

corner of Lot No. 2 above, runs North 55 deg. East 2 chains to a stake, thence South 11 deg. East 4 chains to a chestnut stump; thence South 82 deg. West 2.10 chains to a stake on the road; thence with the road North 9 deg. West 3½ chains to the beginning, containing 3.10 acres, more or less.

The terms of sale are one-half (½) cash and the balance payable in twelve months after date.

This the 25th day of November, 1935.

W. L. REECE,
ROBT. A. FREEMAN,
Commissioners.

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

Under and by virtue of the power and authority granted in an order of re-sale of the Superior Court of Surry County, dated December 9th, 1935 in the special proceeding entitled: "Alice Nixon and others against Carrie Simmons and others," the undersigned Commissioners will offer for sale to the highest bidder at the Court House Door in Dobson, North Carolina, on the 28th day of December, 1935, at 2 o'clock P. M., the 275 acre tract of land, located in Bryan Township, County of Surry, known as the Frank Nixon Home Place, near Mountain Park, North Carolina.

This tract of land has been divided into five lots, containing the following acreage, 82 acres, 54 acres, 50 acres, 79 acres, and 10 acres. The first 4 tracts mentioned are the same tracts of land as shown by the records of the lands of F. M. Nixon, deceased, and the fifth tract is the 10 acre tract purchased by the said F. M. Nixon from Samuel Isaacs.

The terms of sale are as follows: One-third (1-3) of the accepted bid to be paid into Court in cash and the balance in two (2) equal annual payments, secured by a deed of trust on the premises.

This sale is made for a division among the Heirs at Law of Frank Nixon, deceased.

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