

PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

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Senators going before the people this fall, the idea is widely prevalent that their fate depends absolutely upon their record in regard to the policies of the President. Of course, there are districts where this will not be the decisive factor but these areas are few and most congressmen are inclined to maintain a favorable attitude toward the director of the "New Deal."

Political observers point out that issues may arise to delay the prospective adjournment, and point to the proposed regulation of the New York Stock Exchange. Moreover, some tariff powers may be requested by the President. In addition, action will be necessary on the \$270,000,000 revenue bill, a seed bill involving \$45,000,000, the St. Lawrence Treaty, the twelve regular supply bills, and a measure to put beef and dairy products under the processing-tax system.

President Roosevelt is said to have an "open mind" on discontinuing the CWA on May 1st. The strength shown in the move to continue the CWA until next January has caused Congress to delay consideration of the relief bill. While the President wishes to end this phase of relief work by May 1st, there is little doubt but that Congress will see that he has sufficient funds to keep it in operation.

As is well known, the CWA has virtually exhausted its original \$400,000,000 and the President requested \$350,000,000 additional to operate until May 1st. Rumors are heard that an emergency fund of around \$1,000,000,000 may be placed under the control of the Chief Executive to enable him to supply needed funds to any agency that may need it during the present fiscal year.

Incidentally, the President, in a conference with the forty-eight State Directors of the National Emergency Council, urged them to be "absolutely hard-boiled" in keeping politics out of relief work even if they had to "hit the biggest political boss in the United States on the head." The President's talk condemned the evils of politics, the selfish effort to secure personal credit and to make political capital out of the relief program. He insisted that the emergency programs should be "far beyond politics or the building up of a local machine."

Pointing out that the CWA had put 4,000,000 men to work in two months and admitting that some difficulties ensued involving occasional graft and politics, Harry L. Hopkins advised a House committee that the CWA program should end on May 1st or shortly thereafter through a tapering-off process. He estimated that an average of three million families would be on relief rolls this year, and asked for not less than \$500,000,000 to meet the demands of direct relief.

Last March, he said, 4,560,000 families were on relief rolls. Answering reports of persons leaving jobs to get CWA employment, the Administrator admitted that revision of wage scales should be considered. He pointed out that many people who would not accept direct relief were quick to seize relief jobs and that instead of the work decreasing the number being helped, the opposite was true and the list grew rapidly.

William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, says that in spite of Federal aid, more than 6,800,000 men and women were without even temporary employment in December, and that unless hours of labor are shortened, there will be 4,000,000 out of work even when we get back to 1929 levels of operation. Mr. Green insists that industry must progressively adopt shorter hours and that Congress should provide for the continuation of CWA work which is giving buying power to 4,000,000 workers. He points out that shortened hours of labor under the codes gives employment to nearly 2,000,000 workers and that it will be necessary to have a 25-hour week to give work to all unemployed.

Formation of a bank out of funds to be supplied by the RFC is expected to assist in the development of exports, particularly those

Austrian Troops Prepared to Meet Nazis



Here are seen some Austrian troops getting their ammunition before starting out for duty along the German border, where trouble with the Nazis is expected daily.

GIRLS' HY-Y CLUBS INSTALL OFFICERS

Senior Group Installs Virginia Moore Meeks as President — Juniors Hold Election

Miss Virginia Moore Meeks was installed as president of the Senior Hi-Y Girls' club at a meeting which was marked with the installation ceremony and the induction of new members into the unit, and held at the Y. M. C. A. on Thursday night. Other officers of the club include Miss Betty Griffin, vice-president, who served as the first president of the club; Miss Mary Osbourne Ellington, secretary and Miss Maud Battle, treasurer.

Six members of the Junior Girls' club were inducted into the older group, these being chosen to take the place of graduate members who have just completed the high school course, and an additional group of nine were taken into the organization. In this number are Misses Mary Wood Winslow, Miss Annie Blount Jenkins, Miss Ballard Wilson, Miss Mary Ruth Moore, Miss Connie Lee Thigpen, and Miss Susie Rankin Fountain, who came up from the junior club, and Misses Corinna Denson, Charlotte Bailey, Mary Lena Pitt, Maybelle Lewis, Ruth Dixon, Phyllis Gold, Mamie Draper, Annie Braswell and Pauline Smith, who were elected by virtue of their scholarship and qualifications for leadership.

Features of the meeting were the talks of C. M. Edson and J. A. Harper, the former sketching the history of the Hi-Y clubs, which were first organized exclusively for the boys and which now include four units, two made up of junior and senior boys and similar units of girls.

Mr. Harper, executive secretary of the Y. M. C. A., stressed the qualifications for membership with the responsibility vested in them in that they set the example for high moral character and scholastic standing among the pupils of the high school. Other leaders of this club, aside from Messrs. Harper and Edson, include Miss Claude Aycock and Miss Dorothy Craig-hill, both of whom were present.

The Junior Hi-Y club elected officers at its regular session held last night and Miss Alice Suter was chosen to serve a second term as president. Miss Hilda Harper was elected vice-president; Miss Martha Longest secretary, and Miss Martha Ann Speight was re-elected treasurer.

A talk by Miss Elizabeth Hathaway featured the program and Mrs. S. E. Toler, Jr., and Miss Charlotte Thorpe, as leaders of the junior club, both spoke briefly. Nine new members were elected into the club and will be inducted at the next session, it is stated.

NEW AIR MAIL

Madrid.—The German Lufthansa has inaugurated an all air-way mail service between Europe and South America and expects to deliver mail in six and one-half days.

to the Soviet Union. The export financing plan would also apply to other areas, particularly in South America and the Balkan States, although the original plans were for Russia. There is no idea of granting straight credits to any country or to completely finance exports. Business firms will be required to take some risks although the government, in extending credit, would take some of the credit risk when necessary.

Spring Hope Wins Nash-Edgecombe Tournament

INSURANCE MEN TO BE ENTERTAINED

The Rocky Mount District of the Home Security Life Insurance Company, which has its office in the Daniel Building in this city, under the management of Mr. L. P. Morgan, and his staff composed of the following:

Messrs. Z. C. Bissette, Assistant Manager; A. T. Caton, J. W. Davis, G. M. Proctor, H. J. Tew, F. R. Bowen and R. T. Jeffreys, all of Rocky Mount; Mr. Lionel Le-Bourget of Enfield; Mr. H. H. Hicks of Tarboro; Mr. R. H. Davis of Roanoke Rapids and Mr. R. H. Merchant of Weldon, will be entertained in Durham Friday by the home office of the company, in recognition of their record recently made in which they won a loving cup. This loving cup is given each month to the district making the best all around record, and the Rocky Mount district has won a cup three times in succession.

This splendid record is an indication that our section is really on the come-back, which has been brought about by the increased prices of tobacco, due to the President of the United States' direction.

STANHOPE NEWS

Miss Dorothy Dickens of Rocky Mount, was the week-end guest of Miss Louise Roberson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Harper, Doris Harper, and Barbara Anne Roberson were visitors in Bailey Friday.

Mr. O. Kelly Howard of Florence, South Carolina, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Harper.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Roberson visited Miss Janie Manning in Wilson on Sunday.

Messrs. W. W. Roberson and S. J. Lattimore and Misses Mary Roberson, Lillie Mae Jones, Emma Roberson and Mabel Buell Roberson were visitors in Bailey Saturday.

The Epworth League will meet in the Stanhope Methodist Church Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock. Miss Rebecca Brantley will be leader, having as her subject "The Source of Jesus' Strength." Everyone is cordially invited to attend the meeting.

On Tuesday evening, February 20, the P. T. A. will hold its regular meeting. Mr. Richardson's sixth and seventh grades will be in charge of the program, presenting a pageant, "High Lights of North Carolina History."

Monday evening Mrs. Fred Wallace was hostess at a delightful bridge party, four tables being in play. The tallies and other appointments were suggestive of the Valentine season. Mrs. Joe Finch won high score prize for ladies, receiving a hand-made vanity set. Mr. Hugh Dillard, high scorer among the men, received bridge cards. Following several progressions, the hostess, assisted by Mrs. J. Finch, served a delectable salad course with hot coffee.

Those enjoying Mrs. Wallace's hospitality were: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Finch, Mr. O'Kelly Howard of Florence, S. C., Mr. Hugh Dillard, Miss Miriam Morris, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Roberson, Miss Emma Roberson, Mrs. J. W. Roberson, Mr. Russel Hunnicutt of Spring Hope; Miss Janie Lee, Miss Mary Roberson, Miss Rachel Daniels, and Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Richardson.

Large Trophy and Individual Gold Basketballs Awarded to Players. Leggetts Wins Second While Red Oak Came Out Third.

The Spring Hope Young Tar Heel Farmers' basketball team under the leadership of Coach E. P. Johnson "did itself proud" at the annual Y. T. H. F. basketball tournament held at Middlesex on last Saturday when they came away as victors with the large trophy and individual gold basketballs for each of the members.

The Spring Hope team had things their own way from start to finish and showed a well balanced team in every respect. The defense that they established was too strong for all opposition and only four field goals were registered against them in the three games they played. This, added with six foul tosses was all the scoring allowed. On the other hand Spring Hope scored 105 points, of which 45 action shots were made and 15 foul tosses. Every member of the squad saw repeated action in every game.

Six minute quarters were used throughout the tournament.

Quarter Finals

In the quarter finals Spring Hope drew as opponents West Edgecombe High School. This game proved to be one of little interest as Spring Hope kept the ball most of the time and never let their opponents get an open shot. The only score they were able to make was one free toss in the last few minutes of play, while Spring Hope was making a total of 37. The final score 37-1.

Semi-Finals

Red Oak was the opponent of the locals in the second round and furnished more opposition than in the first game, but they were able to locate the goal only on one occasion. Spring Hope won this game, 23-3.

Finals

Leggett High School of Edgecombe County were the opponents in the final game. In this one Spring Hope came through with an easy victory, winning 45-11.

This game was played before a full house and as a preliminary game Red Oak played Bailey, with Red Oak winning.

The teams taking part in the tournament were Nashville, Middlesex, Bailey, Red Oak, West Edgecombe, Leggetts, South Edgecombe and Spring Hope.

The members of the Spring Hope team were: Greene, capt.; Brantley, R. Bass, E. Bass, Weaver, Murray, W. Bass, and Edwards.

TIDE MOVES BRIDGE

Quincy, Mass.—A 600-ton draw bridge section was moved upstream 400 feet and dropped into place by the skillful use of the lifting power of the tide. After months of figuring, engineers floated two scows under the draw bridge and the rising water lifted it from its supports. The tide, moving up the river, floated the entire mass, scows and bridge span, into the new position.

MANIACS IN DUEL

Montreal.—Two maniacs fought a battle to a death in jail here and one of them died from wounds received. Both used heavy mop handles.

Musings

Today, Monday, February 12, is Abraham Lincoln's birthday and as I begin writing I feel that he deserves a tribute in this column but a far better one than I am capable of penning. I feel awed when I begin my task because his greatness and understanding sympathy seem to come back on his birthday. Today, we, who are used to comfort, plenty and luxuries even can hardly appreciate the greatness of this man who sprung from such humble and meager surroundings. He had nothing but hardships in his young life and in spite of all obstacles before him his resolve to be "somebody" made him rise above these surroundings and by reading endlessly those few books that he could get ahold of, make his life richer and nobler. He is an example of true manhood for us to pattern after today. We should reverse his courageous spirit and attempt to make our lives bigger and better.

To most people the word "Beauty" refers to some object of nature or some person. Rarely do they think of it in any other sense. But we should realize that there is beauty when a young boy helps an old lady across the street, when some neighbor carries a tray of food to a sick person, when friends lend sympathy and condolences to each other, there is beauty in the sound of the church bells ringing out on Sunday morning and the hymns of praise as they drift into into the calm of the Sabbath; beauty is everywhere if we but let ourselves see it.

I wish I knew why Winter sunsets are so much more beautiful than the ones in Summer. In Summer the huge golden ball suddenly drops behind the horizon, leaving not a trace of its former brilliance unless there are clouds hovering in its wake. But in Winter it slowly disappears behind the earth's line, leaving gorgeous and flaming colors behind it. There are streaks of salmon pink, mauve, orange, violet and yellow strewn across the western sky in a diffusion of beauty. To see this through that line of straight pine trees on the hill is a sight that makes me catch my breath in an ecstasy of delight. And to make the scene more tranquil and of more sacred meaning, the cross of the Episcopal Church cuts into the resplendent vision and with snow in the background you have a true picture painted for you by Nature herself.

In a couple of more days the 14th will be here—St. Valentine's Day—the day of sentiment, of love tokens, of memories too rare and fine to lose even though they be of a far off day long ago. It's funny how the old heart strings tremble at times remembering happier days. All of us remember how we used to have Valentine boxes in the school room and let the teacher give out the ones that were inside. You know that all of them

State New Deal Is Topic of Talk

Senator O. B. Moss Addresses Meeting of Rocky Mount Civitan Club Thursday Evening.

The "new deal" in North Carolina was the topic of an address by O. B. Moss, representative in the state general assembly, before the members of the Rocky Mount Civitan Club in the Lantern Tea Room Thursday evening.

After being presented to the club by R. T. Fountain, the speaker declared that the new deal actually started in N. C. before it started on a national scale. He described conditions of banks, schools and taxation in the state prior to the opening of the N. C. legislature and then enumerated measures that had been taken to improve conditions.

Among legislation cited by Mr. Moss was the assumption of an eight months state supported school system and the levying of a sales tax. From a statistical report he showed that the situation of the N. C. schools was better than that of the average schools of other states as a result of the new system introduced in N. C.

In reciting figures taken from a report of the U. S. commissioner of education and a knowledge of the school situation in N. C., the speaker pointed out that while in the United States 100,000 more children are being denied an education and that an additional 750,000 were being denied school training due to the closing of schools, North Carolina's school enrollment has increased 40,000. He gave other comparisons to show the advantages of the present system.

"The legislature has been accused of having no feeling for the teacher," he stated, "but the question to be solved by the general assembly was not one of feeling but of meeting a crisis. Teachers as a whole have responded to the emergency in a patriotic manner so that education in North Carolina children will not be neglected." Prior to the beginning of Mr. Moss' talk, J. B. A. Daughtridge was welcomed as a new member of the club. Hobart Brantley of Spring Hope, was a special guest of the club.

MONEY FLOWS HOME

London.—British financial experts estimate that \$75,000,000 out of \$375,000,000 which sought refuge in England last year has been reshipped to the United States since January 15.

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