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Roosevelts Greet Throngs During Brief Stop Here

"It's Good To Get Back To North Carolina," Chief Executive Tells People.

STOPS HERE LATE SUNDAY

"It's good to get back to North Carolina," were the words which greeted approximately 2,000 persons of Rocky Mount and vicinity who assembled at the South Rocky Mount station of the Atlantic Coast Line to see and hear President and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt who were on their way to Florida for a short vacation.

The president's train stopped at the local station at 6:40 P. M. Sunday. At approximately 6:45 the president and Mrs. Roosevelt came out on the observation platform of the train and were greeted by the enthusiastic cheers of the thousands who lined the tracks to see the nation's leader and his wife. The train left the station five minutes later.

Secret service men made sure that all was in readiness for the president's appearance. These details required five minutes before the guards of the chief executive's safety were assured that it was all right for Mr. Roosevelt to come out on the platform.

The president and his wife smilingly greeted the crowd. Mr. Roosevelt exchanged pleasantries with those close to the observation platform. Mrs. Roosevelt did not speak.

Sends His Greetings
"There were a lot of people at the Rocky Mount station, but as the train could not stop there, I was unable to talk with them," the president said. "Please carry my regards back to all those good people." This was greeted by cheers.

The president was given a small token by the Boy Scouts of the city. He thanked them and said, "I am a Boy Scout myself."

Mrs. Nell G. Battle, of this city, mother of Turner Battle, assistant secretary of labor, mounted the train and presented Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt with a bouquet of flowers.

One of the less bashful members of the crowd asked the chief executive, "Are you going to do a lot of fishing?" The president smiled and replied, "I plan to do a lot more sleeping than fishing."

Mr. Roosevelt appeared in unusually good health in spite of the rigorous demands of his position. He was dressed in the characteristic gray, double-breasted suit. He appeared without a hat.

Mrs. Roosevelt was dressed in black and also looked to be in fine spirits.

The president and his wife have passed through the city on several occasions, but on the previous trips, the train arrived here during the night while the president was sleeping.

Mr. Roosevelt was scheduled to leave for the south several days ago, but the recent flood problems delayed his vacation for he remained in Washington long enough to sign the \$5,000,000 bill which allotted funds to the WPA for flood relief.

There were eight cars in the presidential special which carried the usual retinue of staff members and newspapermen.

Lone Confederate Survives In Nash

George Washington Joyner's Death At 91, Leaves Only John Wesley Bone

Nashville, March 22.—With the interment here today of George Washington Joyner, 91, Nash County saw its thinning ranks of Civil War veterans cut to a single surviving man, John Wesley Bone of Sandy Cross.

Joyner, venerable Nash resident and veteran of the War Between the States, died here yesterday afternoon following a paralytic stroke. Before his death, he and Bone were Nash county's two remaining heroes of the Civil War.

Mr. Joyner was born in Nash County, August 28, 1844, the son of Tommy and Amie Land Joyner. His early life was spent in the vicinity of Nashville. He enlisted at the outbreak of the Civil War. He saw service in one battle, the battle of Channingville, in which he was wounded. For a year he was imprisoned at Point Lookout.

Last August, on Joyner's ninety-first birthday anniversary, he and Bone met for the last time at a birthday celebration given in their honor by friends and relatives.

Funeral services were conducted from the Nashville Baptist church this afternoon at 2:00 o'clock with the pastor, Rev. P. B. Upchurch, officiating. Interment was in the old Joyner burial ground.

Mr. Joyner is survived by five children, Mrs. J. D. Tyson of Nashville, Mrs. Senora Dean of Spring Hope, M. H. Joyner and Mrs. J. H. Batchelor of Nashville; forty-three grand children; seventy-one great grand children; and two great-great grand children.

"It's said that absence conquers love; But oh believe it not! I've tried, alas! its power to prove. But thou art not forgot, —Frederick W. Thomas.

Roosevelt allots \$500,000 more to Florida canal project.

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Fire Chiefs And Officials Convene

Representatives Of Nearly Twenty Eastern Towns Meet In Rocky Mt.

Fire chiefs and city officials, mayors principally from nearly 20 eastern North Carolina cities and towns came to Rocky Mount Monday to discuss the North Carolina fire college and drill school and the state firemen's convention.

A full program of speakers, including Sherwood Brockwell of Raleigh, chairman of the North Carolina fire college and drill school committee, Dr. W. S. Long, chief of the Graham fire department and president of the state firemen's association; W. E. Holland, chief of the Raleigh department and vice president of the firemen's association and others was provided.

Besides the talks, a barbecue dinner, with the Rocky Mount volunteer department acting as host to the fire chiefs, assistant fire chiefs, mayors and other city officials attending, was on the program. That was followed by a tour of the new municipal water plant and the power plant, with Public Works Director Lyon in charge.

Cities having a fire chief or city official at the meeting included Enfield, Spring Hope, Robersonville, Tarboro, Wilson, Wilmington, Raleigh, Graham, Mount Olive, Goldsboro, Selma, Roanoke Rapids, Farmville, Weldon, Kinston, Wake Forest, Ayden and Greenville as well as Rocky Mount.

Organizations Found To Be Getting Money From Same Large Contributors.

Washington, March 21.—Senate Lobby investigators today reported the receipt of evidence that several anti-New Deal organizations have drawn their principal financial support from a virtually identical list of large contributors.

This was learned, investigators said, in the course of an extensive and continuing examination of the financial sources of twenty or twenty-five organizations, among them the American Liberty League, the Southern Committee to Uphold the Constitution, the Sentinels of the Republic and the Crusaders.

The Southern Committee to Uphold the Constitution sponsored the recent grass roots convention of anti-New Deal Democrats, headed by Governor Talmadge of Georgia. The telegrams of one of its leaders, John H. Kirby of Houston, Tex., have been subpoenaed by the committee.

J. A. Arnold, manager of the American Taxpayers League, this week underwent a sharp cross-examination by the lobby committee on his relationship with Kirby, a former associate. He denied any recent cooperation. Chairman Black (D-Ala.), intimated, however, that the committee knew would seek to bring out facts about Kirby's activities later.

Meanwhile, House leaders planned to put through Black's joint resolution to equip the committee with \$10,000 for a special counsel to fight the injunction suit brought by William Randolph Hearst, challenging the legality of the committee's methods of subpoenaing telegrams.

They expected to obtain adoption at the first convenient date, intimating they felt there was no immediate necessity for speed since the measure requires President Roosevelt's signature and this probably cannot become effective until he returns from his present Florida fishing trip.

In advance of certain house approval, Col. Crampton Harris, Birmingham, Ala., attorney, and a former law partner of Black, was busy preparing the committee's defense. He expected to file a reply to the Hearst suit early next week.

Black, who would not discuss other phases of the investigation, did confirm the fact that the committee is looking into the southern committee to uphold the constitution and asserted that recent published reports that the committee was investigating this or that group or individual game from sources outside the committee.

"The committee," he said, has stood by a policy of not giving publicity to the names of those summoned or whose papers or correspondence or books are summoned until the witnesses are placed on the stand. Of course where the parties summoned wish it to be made public, they are at liberty to make their own announcements."

What A Town
The police had photographed the convict in six positions and sent the pictures throughout the country, asking the authorities to approach him. Promptly came the reply from the marshal of Hicksville Corners, which read as follows:

"Received the pictures of criminals. Have captured five of them and am on the trail of the sixth." —Toronto Globe.

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Japanese Girl Slays Giant "Snake"



Tourist visitors to Japan recently enjoyed witnessing the Tsuna-Hiki festival in Osaka, in the course of which a girl priest cut eight knots of a huge coil of straw in the re-enactment of the slaying of a great snake with eight heads. This ceremony took place at the shrine of Susanooko Mikoto, who is reputed to have killed the monster in the dawn of Japanese history.

Sales Tax Issue

From the talk generally throughout the State, it looks like the sales tax is going to have right much weight in the coming campaign. There is a great body of people who are constitutionally opposed to the gross sales tax, for it leaves out of the equation the ability to pay.

There are others in the State, who believe that the Government should be supported very largely by per capita taxation and they are highly in favor of the gross sales tax. There are some who contend that the sales tax will not be one of the main issues, but we fear that those who maintain this, are not conversant with the general feeling.

It played an important part in the New Jersey election. It was very potent in the Kentucky election and it is a very live issue in West Virginia. There is no question that a gross sales tax is unpopular in our State, and it is hoped that some other means of taxation may be found to take the place of this taxation. We believe that the State of North Carolina must find some way to relieve the dinner table from this burden.

MUST COOPERATE NOW

The farmers are beginning to get busy, preparing land for early planting. While we have had many times as much rain and snow, as we usually have, which has delayed work on the farm, yet the last few days have brought about a great change and work is going on very rapidly.

The farmer realizes the importance of cooperation more than ever before and it is expected that every farmer in this belt will cooperate with the soil conservation act as soon as the bill shall pass, and it is earnestly hoped that if it becomes necessary to make this act effective, for the legislature to be called into extra session, that the Governor will do so immediately.

District Meeting Juniors At Bailey

Members of the 23rd district of the Junior Order will assemble in the gymnasium in Bailey on Friday night, March 27th, for a District Night. A barbecue supper will be served at 6:30.

Chas. F. Tankerly, Jr., of Henderson, E. W. Harris, Field Secretary, of Tarboro, together with other state and district officers, will attend this meeting which promises to be the largest initiation this district has ever had.

Jake Winstead, District Deputy, states that he is expecting more than fifty candidates and an attendance of more than 400 Juniors. He states that the program which has been arranged promises to be the most interesting yet.

This district, which is composed of Nash, Wilson and Edgecombe counties, ranked fourth in membership increase last year. There are 28 districts in the state.

At a similar meeting in Rocky Mount last year, in celebration of George Washington's Birthday, more than 500 members were present and over 400 candidates were initiated.

Rites Are Held For Wm. Andrews

William M. Andrews, 44, who died Sunday night in a Hampton, Va., government hospital, was buried in Red Oak cemetery, Rev. John P. Ross, pastor of the South Rocky Mount Methodist church, conducted services from the home, No. 309 Gregg street.

Mr. Andrews leaves his wife, Mrs. Bessie Andrews, here; a sister, Mrs. J. A. Coley, also of Rocky Mount; and a brother, Henry Andrews, of Leggett.

Pallbearers included Kelly M. Davis, Frank Strange, L. H. Howell, N. E. Bell, J. I. Nichols and N. O. Riner, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post No. 2057, had charge of the services.

Our hours in Love have wings: In absence, crutches. —Colley Cibber

PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

LUMPKIN TO MANAGE McDONALD CAMPAIGN

Winston-Salem, March 23.—Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, announced here today that W. L. Lumpkin, veteran legislator and co-leader of the anti-sales tax group and of the school forces in the 1935 General Assembly, will manage the McDonald campaign.

"Knowing Bill Lumpkin as a staunch Democrat, a true follower of Jefferson, and a champion of the rights of the masses of people, I naturally turned to him as the outstanding man in the State to head our campaign. With Lumpkin as leader of our forces we can and will give the State government back to the people of North Carolina," said McDonald in making the announcement.

Reached in Louisburg for a statement, Lumpkin said: "The people of North Carolina are entitled to, and they demand, a man for Governor who will cooperate with and support Roosevelt and his policies."

"North Carolina needs a man to fill this office who will lead the fight to abolish the sales tax, without putting the tax back on land. The Governor should be a leader with the courage to see that all untaxed wealth pays its just share of the cost of government."

"This State needs a man who, after he has been elected Governor, will continue to stand for the same things he stood for as a candidate. Ralph McDonald's record shows that he has always fulfilled his campaign pledges to the people."

"We need a man whose interest in our public schools is genuine and constructive. "We need a man who is thoroughly familiar with the tax problems of North Carolina and who knows the facts of taxation."

"Our Governor should be a man sympathetic to the needs of the farmer, the average business man, and the working man. Common justice to the aged and infirm demands that we have a Governor who will favor old age pensions and social security."

"We need a Governor who is tied to no special interest, a man who is free from entanglements with, and influence of, political groups which have sought to select and dominate state officialdom."

"I am accepting the management of the campaign of Dr. Ralph McDonald for Governor of North Carolina because I know from my close and intimate association with him in the 1935 Legislature, that he has the qualifications and stands for the policies which our State needs."

"I call on the Democrats of this State to join hands with him and nominate a progressive Governor for North Carolina."

Edgecombe Farmers Can Get Loans

Tarboro, March 21.—Applications for emergency crop loans are being received at the Merchants Association office here by Mrs. Mary Gouffrey secretary, for J. E. Wilson, field supervisor of the emergency crop and feed loan section of the Farm Credit Administration.

All Edgecombe farmers eligible for loans and desiring them are asked to enter their applications as soon as possible.

Loans will be made only to farmers who cannot obtain credit from any other source and loans will be limited to actual and immediate cash needs for growing the 1936 crop. They may in no instances exceed \$200 to one farmer.

CORN IS MONARCH IN NORTH CAROLINA

Corn, grown in every county in North Carolina, covers a greater acreage than all the cotton, tobacco and small grains produced in the state, Dr. G. K. Middleton, in charge of some research work for the North Carolina experiment station, said Saturday.

Corn is grown on 91 per cent of the farms, and although it is not the principal money crop, Middleton said, it forms an important part of the farm program.

"The average yield per acre is only 20 bushels, whereas the average farmer should produce two or three times that amount," Middleton stated.

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LABOR HITS JUDICIARY NEXT YEAR'S RELIEF POLITICAL PICTURE CONGRESS FACES RELIEF PWA STATISTICS A LOBBYIST ENTERTAINS REORGANIZATION NEEDED SOME INQUIRIES FRUITFUL THE SEAWAY PROJECT

By Hugo Sims, Special Washington Correspondent

The American Federation of Labor, in its current monthly survey, takes a passing lick at the Supreme Court by contending that the United States has failed to put its producing mechanism to work "chiefly because we were not permitted by the judiciary to work out our attempt to discover how this should be done." Asserting that with the technical progress made since 1929 we could create a national standard of living at least 6 per cent higher than that reached in 1930, the labor organization points out that "we deny work to over two million, maintain nearly five million of them in poverty at government expense, and do nothing for the rest."

The Federation reports the "tragic fact" that industry is failing to solve the problem of unemployment and deplores the death of the NRA, which, it says, increased production and workers' buying power at about the same rate through increased wages and shortened hours. By contrast is the 14 per cent increase of production in 1935 and the 3 per cent increase in workers' buying power. In 1924, says the Federation, under the NRA, these two elements rose 4 per cent each.

The President asked Congress to provide a billion and a half dollars for relief purposes during the fiscal year which begins next July. Just before leaving the capital for his fishing cruise in southern waters the Chief Executive outlined the situation in a special message, stressing the fact that additional funds might be necessary for next year unless private enterprise absorbs some of the unemployed. Pointedly he observed that the ultimate cost of relief, to the government, would depend upon what business does to employ workers.

The new funds would be used entirely in the Works Progress Administration, according to the President, who thus gave critics of the WPA a fairly plain reply. With one billion of funds already appropriated to be spent in the coming fiscal year and with \$600,000,000 in the budget for public works and the CCC the sum available for spending is impressive, aggregating \$3,100,000,000 as compared with the estimate of \$3,500,000,000 in the current fiscal year.

The political picture has been fairly quiet—that is, nothing really startling has happened. The grist of the mill has been about along the line expected, except perhaps indications that opposition to Roosevelt in the Democratic convention will be less than it seemed and the Liberty Leaguers are hearing that they are not near as effective in aligning public sentiment as they had hoped to be. The Republican nomination battle moves into the pre-primary stage with some evidence that Senator Borah and Governor Landon might stage a real battle.

With the relief question squarely before Congress, one may expect sharp discussion before that matter is finally disposed of. Critics, including members of both parties, will charge "politics" and attempt to prove the case. The Administration will again be accused of using relief expenditures as a "slush" fund. There will be considerable criticism but in the end the relief fund authorization requested by the President will be granted.

The charge of "politics" is denied by Harry Hopkins and his administrators. Moreover, the opinion is gradually getting around that the expenditure of huge relief funds may be more of a political liability than an asset. In almost every community there are persons on relief projects bitterly denouncing what they consider unjust treatment and talking about what they call "unfairness" to others.

While the writer of this column is no astute politician, and readily admits the possibility of political benefit through relief expenditures, he is not so sure that the Administration is not doing well.

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