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TRIBUTE PAID WILL ROGERS

Friends, Including Roosevelt, Join in Dedication Of Museum

Claremore, Okla., Nov. 4.—Will Rogers' friends—including cowboys, actors, aviators and the President of the United States—joined Oklahoma today in dedicating a memorial to Claremore's famous son who once observed "I never met a man I didn't like."

The audience of more than 20,000 persons, gathered on a windy hill-top in front of the newly-completed \$200,000 Rogers Museum, was in itself an unprecedented tribute to a private citizen.

President Roosevelt broadcast from Hyde Park, N. J., his "grateful homage to the memory of a man who helped the nation to smile."

No More Useful Man

"After all," said Mr. Roosevelt, "I doubt if there is among us a more useful citizen than the one who holds the secret of banishing gloom, of making tears give way to laughter, of supplanting desolation and despair with hope and courage. For hope and courage always go with a light heart."

The President's speech was the climax of a celebration which included the unveiling, by Mary Rogers, of a bronze statue of her father made by Jo Davidson, American sculptor.

From New York to Pittsburgh to Hollywood and back to Claremore, a national radio network switched to pick up pleasant memories of Rogers' voice by friends of stage, screen, business and government.

All Around The Land

"Any time you gave him a biscuit he'd want to pay you back with a barrel of flour," said Eddis Cantor with a choke in his voice. Cantor spoke from New York.

"Newsboys—presidents—they all had a spot in their hearts for old Bill," declared George M. Cohan.

Amon G. Carter, Fort Worth publisher and owner of a ranch where Rogers used to play, said he could visualize his old friend, "Looking down and saying, 'Shucks, folks, you oughtn't to have done this!'"

From Jesse H. Jones, RFC chairman, who made the dedicating address, came this summary of the life which ended in an Alaskan airplane crash three years ago:

Keen But Unbarbed

"He was strong and brave and true. He rode straight and hard, and played the game square.

"His wit was keen but never barbed. Within the shell of humor was the kernel of great wisdom. He brought the precious gift of laughter to a somber world."

Irvin S. Cobb, Fred Stone, Gov. E. W. Marland, of Oklahoma, and Gen. Roy Hoffman, chairman of the (Please turn to page four)

L. P. Morgan Is Aux. Speaker

L. P. Morgan, Commander of the Coleman-Pitt post of the American Legion, addressed the Legion Auxiliary at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. C. W. Parker on Tuesday morning. Mrs. W. S. Wilkerson, Jr., presided.

Mr. Morgan spoke on the "Value of Team-Work" and also discussed plans for the erection of a hut to be used by the Legion and Auxiliary in the near future. He also announced plans for a turkey supper to be sponsored by the Legion and given at the Masonic Temple on Friday night.

Mrs. L. B. Morris extended an invitation to the chapter to be her guests for the December meeting.

Mrs. Parker used autumn flowers to add charm and color to her home and served dainty refreshments during the social hour.

Those present were: Mrs. W. S. Wilkerson, Jr., Mrs. J. C. Pearce, Mrs. J. L. Clinton, Mrs. C. C. Beane, Mrs. R. V. Snipes, Mrs. Roy Davis, Mrs. P. E. Mallison, Mrs. J. F. Arent, Mrs. G. S. Longest, Mrs. C. A. Bass, Mrs. J. J. Thigpen, Mrs. L. B. Morris, Mrs. C. W. Parker, Mrs. B. D. Rabil, Mrs. R. T. Rawls, Mrs. J. S. Holbrook, Miss Mattie Arent.

DENTISTS ASSO ELECT LEADERS

Elections Close Annual Convention Of Fifth District In City

Dr. W. T. Ralph of Belhaven was inducted as president of the Fifth District Dental Society, a branch of the North Carolina Dental Society, at a business session Tuesday afternoon during the annual convention here.

Dr. Fred Hunt of Rocky Mount is retiring president.

Dr. A. T. Jennette of Washington, former secretary-treasurer, was named president-elect by the delegates, who gathered here from 33 eastern Carolina counties for the convention. The society customarily elects the chief official a year in advance.

Dr. R. L. Whitehurst of Rocky Mount was elected secretary-treasurer.

Elizabeth City was chosen as the place for the next annual meeting.

Dr. Fred Hale of Raleigh, president of the North Carolina Dental Society, Dr. Frank O. Alford of Charlotte, director of districts, and Dr. Paul Jones of Farmville, representing the North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners, were presented as guests at the convention.

The convention began Sunday night and continued through yesterday with lectures, clinic discussions and a business meeting.

SESSION ENDS W B A RALLY

Fourteen New Members Of Local Review Initiated; Rocky Mount Review Wins Prize

The concluding session of the Tidewater district rally of the Woman's Benefit Association, which opened last night with a banquet at the Ricks Hotel, was held this morning and was featured by a ritualistic meeting conducted by the Rocky Mount Review.

Mrs. Irene Booth, president of the local Review, presided over the meeting.

At this time fourteen new members of the Rocky Mount Review were initiated. The initiation ceremony was conducted by the Norfolk Review under the direction of Mrs. Lucy Spruill, president.

The deputies and presidents of the various reviews which were represented at the rally were introduced at the morning session and responded with brief speeches.

Mrs. Etta M. King, state field director of the Woman's Benefit Association of Virginia and North Carolina, who presided over the rally, made a talk concerning the trip which members will make to New York next July at which time they will have an exhibition at the World's Fair.

Various prizes were presented at the session, and the Rocky Mount Review was awarded the prize for having the largest class.

The rally was concluded with a luncheon at Melton's Barbeque stand.

The Tidewater rally, for which approximately 150 delegates from Virginia and North Carolina were present, opened last night with the banquet at the hotel. Following the banquet a public meeting was held. The opening service was conducted by the Rocky Mount officers and guards.

The Richmond Union team and guard held a patriotic service.

Mayor J. Q. Robinson made the welcome address at last night's meeting and Mrs. Corinne Grosley, president of the Newport News, Va., Review, responded.

The Norfolk Review had charge of a discussion of the Flower Fund, and other important matters were discussed.

The session last night was concluded with dancing, for which Hal Thurston and his orchestra provided music.

Review No. 10 of the W. B. A. will hold a regular session in the Odd Fellows' Hall on Thursday night at 7:30, it was announced, and members are urged to attend the session.

City Teachers Study Methods

Mrs. Ada Valentine Of Spring Hope Presents Philosophy Of Education

"My philosophy of education is that there are extraordinary possibilities in every boy and girl. Our job as teachers is to search for and bring out these qualities," declared Miss Ada Valentine of Spring Hope, associate director of the Spring Hope Educational Program, speaking at a Rocky Mount city faculty meeting in the high school last night.

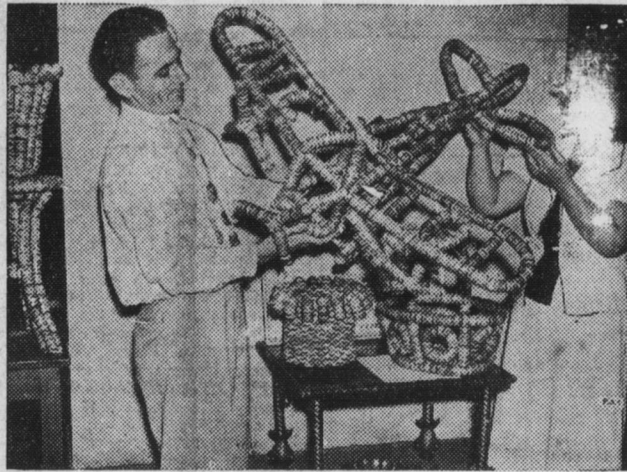
The Spring Hope Educational Program is an advanced project in education under the General Education Board, a national organization administering funds from the Rockefeller foundation.

"It is the teacher's job to see that the child is mentally alert, morally equipped, physically fit," Miss Valentine stated. "Children handicapped mentally or physically will still grow to be citizens of our state. We must give them the best training possible that they may grow up as assets, not liabilities."

Five points in the philosophy of education mentioned by Miss Valentine were scientific analysis of each child, educational and vocational guidance, creative participation by children, education through environment and evaluation of the school program.

Following Miss Valentine's address the teachers participated in group meetings. Elementary teachers discussed reading in groups by grades. High school teachers, in a meeting conducted by Principal I. E. Ready, began a study of a new method of evaluating high schools adopted by the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges.

Hobby From Ash Can



MIAMI, Fla. . . Ever wonder if old bottle caps were good for anything except tossing in the ash can? John Hanley and his wife have a hobby of making such things as flower stands for the porch, baskets and other handy things around the home by stringing bottle caps on old wire coat-hangers. The model airplane shown here took 2200 caps.

Election Should Cause Leaders To Think

The election Tuesday shows that all the Democratic State officers and Legislators and the Senators and Congressmen all were elected but it disclosed that there is some unrest and it appears to be deep seated. It has been thought by some that individuals could be mistreated and their anger appeased by gifts, but the voters up in Greensboro and Durham district show that the people are not satisfied. Carl T. Durham the Democratic nominee for Congress received according to press notice, 14,979 votes and Mr. Barker a Democrat whose name did not appear on any ticket was given 4,767 votes the name being written in with pencil or ink. This should be notice to leaders of the party to make some investigation and see if the leaders of the party are wrong or whether the people are wrong. The best time to put out fire is when it is small before it reaches a great conflagration. Fraud was charged in the nomination of Judge Teague who died and fraud and sharp practices were charged in the nomination of Mr. Durham which we hope was not so, but whether it be so or not many of the voters believe it, and the Democratic party should lift itself above fraudulent practices or even suspicion.

PRISON SHOULD NOT OBJECT TO LIGHT

The stealing that has recently been disclosed in the penitentiary should be investigated and ought not to be a reflection upon the administration provided the matter is given a proper investigation and the charges fixed upon those who are responsible. Any one that would buy from a prisoner goods of the character stolen there would be fixed with some degree of notice. Public business should be handled in a business way and we agree very thoroughly with the editorial that we are carrying below taken from the News and Observer in its issue of November 8th. Those who handle prisoners should be of a high character for if a prisoner and law breaker is to be reformed, reformation can only be brought about through people of high character. Our state administrators and prison officials should not object to a thorough investigation. There should be left not the slightest inference where a charge of cover could be brought against the state and prison officials. Below is the News and Observer editorial:

Not A Private Matter

Robert Gray Johnson, executive director of the State Penal Division, may have, as he says, entirely adequate power to punish by lengthening sentences the prisoners involved in the theft of paper and other printing supplies from the State Prison. But good sense in good government would dictate that the facts about this whole business of stealing from the State be developed in a public trial in an open courtroom.

Prison officials may state correctly that there has been no gag-rule about letting the press and the public know what goes on within the prison. Here is admirable opportunity for demonstration of that statement. There has been no suggestion that any other persons than the prisoners already in confinement and a Negro janitor in a State department outside the prison are involved in the thefts. But as important almost as the thefts is the system under which it was possible for prisoners to cart off large quantities of supplies belonging to the State and sell them for money to put into their pockets. Who bought the stolen goods? When? How much? How much did they pay for them? These are all questions which should be openly probed. And the only reason for not openly probing them would be to keep the facts from the public.

The best way to conduct the public business is in public. And after all, in this case it is the people who have been robbed. All the facts with regard to that alleged robbery should be developed in open court.

Officers Chosen By Nurses Group

Hospital Superintendent Speaks at District Meeting Of North Carolina Nurses

The election of officers for the coming year featured the meeting of District Number Eight of the North Carolina Nurses Association which was held at the Masonic Temple, with the Rocky Mount nurses acting as hostesses.

Sixty-four members from Tarboro, Greenville, Kinston, Roanoke Rapids, Washington, Wilson and Golds-

boro were present. Miss Mary Lee Smith, president, presided over the session. Rev. Norman Johnson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, offered the invocation.

A report of the state meeting held at Asheville in October was given and a discussion of eight-hour duty was heard.

The following officers were elected for 1939: Mrs. Katie Gross Paul, of Washington, president; Miss Ida Beard, of Washington, secretary; Miss Essie Silverthorne, of Washington, treasurer; Miss Elizabeth Winbourne, of Wilson, first vice-president; Mrs. Linwood Gurley, Rocky Mount, second vice-president; Miss (Please turn to page four)

LOCAL HOG MARKET PAYS OVER MILLION FIRST YEAR

Funeral Services For Mrs. R. A. Fountain

Just as the Herald went to press last week news was received of the death of Mrs. R. A. Fountain which prevented a full account.

Funeral services for Mrs. Robert A. Fountain were conducted on Saturday afternoon November 5 at 3:00 in the Presbyterian church of Fountain, North Carolina burial taking place in the Fountain City cemetery, the services were conducted by her pastor Reverend Mr. Wilson assisted by Reverend Norman Johnson of the First Presbyterian church of Rocky Mount and pastors of the Baptist and Christian churches of Farmville. Mrs. Fountain passed away in the Greenville Hospital on Friday morning, November 4 after several weeks of serious illness.

She left surviving, her husband Robert A. Fountain, two daughters, Mrs. Roderick Harris, former Allie Louise Fountain and Mrs. Ernest Hunt, formerly Mary King Fountain, two sons, R. A. Fountain, Jr. and John Newton Fountain and six grand children all of Fountain, N. C. Two brothers Captain Jack Newton of Enfield and Watson Newton of Falkland, N. C. besides nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Fountain prior to her marriage was Miss Lydia Newton of near Folkland, Pitt county and the daughter of the late Col. John Newton and the late Mrs. Allie King Newton. Her mother Mrs. Alice King Newton was a member of the well known King family of Person County being a sister of the late Captain John King and the late Sheriff King. Mrs. Fountain often in humor, speaking of herself as Pitt County for in her veins was the blood of the early Pitt settlers, the Kings, the Joyners, the Vines, the Williams and a descendant of Col. Benjamin May famous in Revolutionary history. While her devotion to her family was perfect, the activities of her life did not stop here; she was a prominent social and church leader. She and her husband being among the very first to live in the town of Fountain and were leaders (Please turn to page four)

More than \$1,000,000 was paid out to Eastern Carolina farmers through the Rocky Mount hog market during the first year of its existence, L. R. Adams, head buyer for the Swift and Company market, said today on the anniversary of the establishment here of the first daily cash hog market in North Carolina.

"We are pleased with the response accorded our market by the farmers of this section and we believe our venture here will be more successful in the years to come," Mr. Adams asserted as he reviewed the activities of the market which was formally opened on November 9, 1937.

During the past year 913 cars, containing a total of 67,861 hogs, were handled either at the local yards or were bought through the Rocky Mount office from 16 shipping points in the eastern and southern parts of the state, the head buyer pointed out.

At the Rocky Mount yards alone 433 cars, containing 31,488 hogs were handled, according to Mr. Adams' report. This represented 5,866,290 pounds which brought an amount totaling \$485,600.19. Figures covering hogs bought through the local office from the various shipping points showed that 480 cars, or 36,373 hogs weighing 6,729,005 pounds, were sold for \$550,432.00.

Total figures on all hogs handled were released as follows: 913 cars, containing 67,861 hogs, weighing 12,595,295 pounds, sold for \$1,036,032.79.

The 16 shipping points through which the Rocky Mount office bought 480 cars of hogs during the year are as follows: Tarboro, Coffield, Shawboro, Plymouth, Washington, Greenville, Warsaw, Burgaw, Elizabethtown, Chadbourn, Lumberton, Rowland, Fayetteville, Four Oaks, Kinston and New Bern.

It is not uncommon, according to Mr. Adams, for many loads of hogs during the course of a week to be unloaded at the local yards from points well over 100 miles away.

Mrs. W. L. Goodwyn and Mrs. Leon Fountain of Leggett's attended the Eastern Carolina Teachers College supper Tuesday night, the guest speaker being Dr. Meadows, President of the college.

VALENTINE ADDRESSES WILLIAMSTON DEMOCRATS

"Does Not Feel Absentee Ballot is Right," Speaker Says

Making the only scheduled political address in the county this season in behalf of the entire democratic ticket, Attorney Timous T. Valentine, of Nashville, dubbed the Republican clan as the "Yo-Yo Party," and paid his respect to the absentee ballot that is apparently so deeply rooted in the Democratic sleight-of-hand book.

Mr. Valentine, defeated in the June Primary for the second judicial judgeship, expressed to the fair size group of loyal Democrats gathered in the county courthouse his grateful appreciation for the support and friendship accorded him by the people of Martin County. His manner and his earnest appeal for support of successful candidates in the November 8 election, clearly indicated that while his name does not appear on the ticket, he is not yet defeated. "I am glad to be in Martin County to boost those principles that give opportunities to every man," he said in explaining that it was not necessary to bury any hatchet for he had never carried a hatchet in the primary. "The task now is to take the lighted torch and help advance the philosophy of democracy, a democracy that offers opportunity and security."

Touching the highly explosive subject of absentee voting, Mr. Valentine offered an apology for the record, but said, "I can only believe the absentee ballot is right, and I have no regrets about it," he said, adding that "we must reform that within the Democratic party."

Briefly, the speaker outlined the record of the Democratic party, saying that the present administration alone had done more for the average man than all the Republican administrations put together had done. "The Republican party was afraid to do anything for fear it would not meet the approval of those who paid tribute to the party treasury. We do not have to defend the record of the Democratic party in State or Nation. I have found nothing wrong in the present administration. All the policies may not meet with one's approval, but I am proud of the fact that the party has and continues to advance constructive things, and as long as the President tries to do something, I am with him," the speaker declared.

"If President Roosevelt had done nothing more than insure bank deposits, make credit available to farmers and homeowners and help prevent a catastrophe in Europe, it is more than all done by Republican administrations. The Republicans have rested and shared in the profits, and when leadership was the crying need of the day, the State and the Nation turned to the Democratic party."

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