

OREGON NEWSPAPER MAN GETS INTERVIEW WITH PERCY FOOTE

Wings From Commander The Admission That His Name Is Wright Foote, Together With Exceedingly Interesting Narrative of Distinction Earned By Foote Family In Two Wars

Fred Lockley, in his department, "Impressions and Observations of the Journal Man," Oregon Daily Journal, Portland, Ore.

(Introduced with a play of repartee in which the Josephus Daniels family and Commander Foote make themselves mighty good company; this article includes certain episodes in the history of the Foote family in Civil War days and closes with a story of peril heroically met and fortunately averted in the U-bet zone, in 1915.)

"Mr. Secretary, do I have to tell him my first name?"

Commander Foote looked whimsically at Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels as I waited, with my pencil poised, to record his name. Mrs. Daniels laughed merrily and said, "I am getting my revenge. You laughed at me when Mr. Lockley made me tell my pedigree, my history and my love affairs."

"Turning to me, Mrs. Daniels said, 'Don't let him off. Make him tell his name, his history and all about himself, just as you did me.'"

Secretary Daniels shrugged his shoulders, and said, "You might as well tell him what he wants to know. He made me tell everything I know."

Commander Foote, with a look of resignation, said, "Remember, it is so full of mine. I am not responsible. My family name is Wright. My name is Percy Wright Foote."

"Don't let him off that way, Mr. Lockley," said Mrs. Daniels, youngest of Mr. and Mrs. Daniels' four sons. "Ask him what the 'W' stands for."

Commander Foote said, "I might as well come clean. 'W' stands for 'Wright.' The boys used to call me 'Right' Foote. My name is Percy Wright Foote. Now you know the worst."

"He kept telling you things about me," said Mrs. Daniels, "so I will tell you something about him. Something he himself would never mention. He was in command of the U. S. B. transport Lincoln when it was torpedoed on its way from Brest to Queenstown. He was officially commended for his heroic courage on that occasion. Make him tell you about it."

Commander Foote suddenly discovered we were abreast Tongue Point. We stopped to look at Tongue Point, and when we resumed our seats he switched the talk to other matters. I decided to bide my time and get back to the subject later.

"You asked me where I was born," said Commander Foote. "I was born on a farm in the western part of North Carolina, in Wilkes county. If you have been down that way, you have probably heard of my father, Major James H. Foote. His people came from Warrenton, Va., to North Carolina, and named the place they settled Warrenton, after their old home."

"Before the war my father was a member of the faculty of Wake Forest College, near Raleigh, N. C. He taught Greek, Latin and French."

"North Carolina has always been very conservative. Father was strongly opposed to North Carolina's seceding from the Union. Just as Robert E. Lee and many other thoughtful men of the South were opposed to secession. Father was accused of lack of patriotism to his State and to the South. He tried to point out the folly of breaking up the Union, and he found many thoughtful and influential men who agreed with him. He was invited to a barbecue at which the question of seceding was discussed. Almost every speaker was in favor of secession. Father was called upon for a speech. He said: 'You all know my sentiments. I believe the Union should be preserved. I find the sentiment of the vast majority of our people is for secession. The die has been cast. I cannot keep my State out of the inevitable conflict. So I will go with my State, and go with it heart and soul, though I have done all in my power to keep her from taking this step.'"

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"We were sunk by U-boat No. 90, in command of Captain Remy. It was surrendered by the Germans at the end of the war. We spent a wonderful day in the boats and on the rafts. You would have thought it was a new and novel stunt pulled off for the pleasure of the men. We floated about from 9 a. m. till 11 p. m. The men organized a chorus and sang, 'Where Do We Go From Here?' and other songs. You can't dampen the spirits of the American blue-jacket by dumping him into the sea in midocean. To listen to them aboard their ship you would think they had the worst old tub in the navy and that their officers were the limit, but let someone else tell them so and you had better put in an emergency call for the ambulance. You had better not try to knock the ship, their officers or the navy, unless you want immediate action and plenty of it."

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WILSON REFRESHED BY SUNDAY OF REST

Today The President Begins Another Week Which Lands Him at Reno

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—Refreshed by a Sunday rest in Los Angeles, President Wilson will begin tomorrow another strenuous week of speech-making that will almost complete his country-wide tour of the peace treaty.

Leaving here tonight the President's special train is due late tomorrow afternoon at Reno, Nev., where he will speak tomorrow night. His program for the week will take him as far East as Memphis, Tenn., with stops at nine cities on the way.

Most of today the President and Mrs. Wilson spent quietly, leaving their hotel only to attend services during the morning at St. Paul's Episcopal cathedral. Report that they would take an afternoon automobile ride brought a big crowd around the hotel, but it waited in vain.

During the afternoon Mr. Wilson saw the regional committee of the League to Enforce Peace and later made public a list of questions submitted by them regarding the treaty, together with his answers. The replies were a repetition of previous public statements answering similar questions placed before him during the past week.

Converted Florence Porter, with the league delegation was Mrs. Florence Collins Porter, of Los Angeles, one of the five women members of the National Executive Committee, who told the President that she thought she had not been able previously to support the treaty without reservations, she had decided to do so after hearing Mr. Wilson's address at the dinner here last night.

ELEVEN OF LOST SHIP'S CREW LAND

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government vessel with supplies and mail.

Two goats of the comparatively large flock on the Island were left by the storm and these were eaten. All other food supplies were washed away.

Sepulchres in which bodies of former residents were buried, were torn open by the giant waves and the coffins carried away by the waves. A Cuban gunboat searching for the missing Spanish steamship Valbanera was signaled on the 10th, but was unable to furnish the water requested. A wireless message from the gunboat to Nassau, Bahamas and relayed to Key West and to Miami caused the submarine chaser 335, stationed here, to be sent to the rescue with water and food.

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Dr. J. G. Robinson Preaches Four Sermons at St. Paul's Church Sunday

Dr. J. G. Robinson, the negro evangelist conducting a series of meetings at the St. Paul's A. M. E. church, preached four sermons Sunday to large and enthusiastic congregations. There were quite a number of conversions, and also a large number of church members who went to the altar and took a stand against secret sins. Tonight Rev. B. F. McLeoden, "Cyclone Mack," will preach and arrangements will be made to seat white visitors.

In his morning sermon, which he delivered on the subject of "The Cost of Discipleship," Dr. Robinson said: "Too many start to serve God under the thought that the road will be smooth, and the sun will shine brightly and that things will come their way in the world. Christ said: 'If any man will be my disciple, let him deny himself, and let him take up his cross and follow me.' Others who paved the way for the church to have a place in this old world, have stood storms, and gone through great and fiery trials. Many of you go to church on Sunday mornings, and take automobile rides for pleasure in the afternoon. You bro not doing God's will, and can not be his disciple. You work to fill the church with those of your associates, and those who can wear clothes like, and as good as yours. The man with the corn in his hand, and who lives in the smoky cabin, and who wears overalls, and home spun shirts, you shun membership in your churches. You do not know the difference between the man who has a deficiency since January 1st—"

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at 4 o'clock, pointing out the need of the world for strong men and used as illustrations Former Vice-President Wilson, of Massachusetts; Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels. He spoke to the children at 6 o'clock on the subject "A Wicked and a Good Heart."

CREW OF FORTY-EIGHT MAY BE SAFE.

Tampa, Fla., Sept. 21.—The Gulf Re-fueling tug Bonnetta Hadley, went to the relief of the Lake Winona last Tuesday, finding it aground about 100 miles southeast of Tortugas. The tug found that it could not be floated-until light-ened, so left it. So far as known here, the crew were on board in safety after the storm.

Forty-eight men composed the full complement of the Bayrono.

The Weather

Local Office, United States Weather Bureau.

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 21, 1915.

North Carolina: Showers Monday, except far near the coast; Tuesday showers and somewhat cooler.

TEMPERATURE.

Sunrise 7:01 a. m. Sunset 7:18 p. m.

Dry Bulb 67 78

Wet Bulb 64 70

Rel. Humidity 82 67

Highest temperature 85

Lowest temperature 64

Mean temperature 74

Excess for the day 5

Average daily excess since January 1st 0.8

Precipitation (in inches). Amount for the 24 hours ending Total for the month to date Deficiency since January 1st 4.84

SHIPPING BOARD STEAMER RANDOLPH WARNER TOWED OFF

Miami, Fla., Sept. 21.—The shipping board steamer Randolph Warner, 4,000 tons Philadelphia to Galveston, which has been aground three miles south of Hillsborough Lighthouse, opposite Deerfield, was towed off the bank yesterday by a submarine chaser from this port. The Randolph Warner has been aground since the hurricane.

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Bids may be addressed to the undersigned, and must be accompanied by a certified check, vouchered for by a local bank of Harnett county, payable to the order of the Grove Township Road Commission, for two per cent of the face amount of the bonds, as evidence of good faith.

The bonds are issued and sold under and by virtue of an act of the General Assembly of North Carolina, session of 1917, it being chapter 284 of the Public Laws of said session, and by an election duly called, held and carried.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

By order of the Grove Township Road Commission. This September 2nd, A. D. 1915.

T. V. STEWART, Chairman Grove Township Road Commission.

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