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Coolidge Made Friends In His Address To Publishers

They Were Mostly Business Executives of Conservative Type Rather Than Editorial Writers and Coolidge Conservatism Appealed to Them Rather Strongly

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New York, April 23.—President Coolidge, his personality, political future and doctrines of public policy, was dissected by the editors and publishers in annual convention here.

Many of them had never before heard Mr. Coolidge make a speech. Some had never seen him. Gathered as they were from all parts of the country, representing every political creed and economic viewpoint, the newspaper men furnished an interesting cross section of American public opinion.

There was almost universal agreement that Mr. Coolidge lacked elocutionary power in delivering his address, a circumstance induced partly by the fact that he read from manuscript. There were those among his Republican friends who thought the occasion a fitting opportunity to "sell his personality" to the editors. In the sense that Mr. Coolidge made his speech without dramatic effects and in the even tones which contrast with the old time addresses of Rooseveltian punch, the President did not come up to the expectations of many of his auditors. In other words, regarded purely as a campaign speech, it did not have the political flavor or rousing appeal so characteristic of efforts on the stump.

But it would be a mistake to accept casual comments on the form of delivery or personal appeal as conclusive. Something far more significant was disclosed to this correspondent as he mingled with the editors and collected their opinions. It was that the basic doctrine won widespread approval. Editors from the South, staunch Democrats, united with Republicans of the North in pronouncing Mr. Coolidge's thoughts safe and sane. An extraordinary amount of criticism was voiced against the number of investigations being conducted in Washington, and it was apparent that some editors fear the effect of the happenings in the national capital may be to unsettle business and shake the foundations of prosperity.

Economic questions rather than political problems were in the background of most of the publishers' minds and to the extent that Mr. Coolidge showed himself concerned about tax revision and other factors that might contribute to the business welfare of the American people, his speech made a profound impression.

For, if the truth be told, there was little partisanship in the comments heard. It was not as Republicans or Democrats, but as persons interested in economic progress and readjustment that the visiting delegates spoke. Mr. Coolidge's conservatism struck a sympathetic response on the part of those of his school of thought, irrespective of political affiliations. Democrats, for instance, said they were glad Mr. Coolidge had come to recognize the necessity of economic co-operation with Europe, even though he was against formal political understandings with the rest of the world. Many of the early advocates of the League of Nations favored that organization largely because of a conviction that it would bring economic concord if America were to participate. What the Dawes-Young-Robinson commission has been able to accomplish in the matter of reparations, they said, might have been done sooner had America not been swung too far away in its isolation policies since 1920.

But the interesting thing is that Republicans and Democrats seemed to agree that economic co-operation with Europe was necessary, as the President said, to get increased export markets for agricultural and manufactured products. Mr. Coolidge was admired for his course in continuing his espousal of the World Court, notwithstanding opposition inside his party. He was given an enthusiastic ovation when he announced that America would take the initiative in a conference to reduce further the burden of armament. Indeed, those who regarded the substance of the Coolidge address, rather than its delivery, thought it was tuned to the right note of conservatism which predominated as the characteristic of the audience. Dissenting expressions were largely confined to those who assessed the speech in political terms and who unconsciously were governed in their judgments by the natural divisions of party and economic creed, liberal, radical or stand-pat. On the whole, Mr. Coolidge revealed himself as the safe-and-sane type of President which the business man, be he from the North or South, likes, and the convention contained more business executives than editorial writers. An altogether different reaction might or might not have been obtained from a group of editors alone accustomed to an appraisal in political values. Mr. Coolidge gained friends by his trip to New York. To that extent his journey was to his political profit.

McCABE MANAGER FOR McLEAN HERE

Junior Partner of Firm of McCabe and Grice Asked to Marshal McLean Forces in Pasquotank County.

Angus Wilton McLean will poll a big vote in Pasquotank County. This has been the contention of the Lumberton man's friends all along but their assurance rose several notches Wednesday when word reached here from McLean headquarters that Aubrey G. McCabe had been named campaign manager for Mr. McLean in this County.

Aubrey G. McCabe is a native Bestclidian and one of the most popular and well liked young business men in the city. That's an easy thing to say, but in Mr. McCabe's case it is susceptible of ready proof. He ran for Mayor last year against so popular and strong an opponent as W. Ben Goodwin, and Mr. Goodwin, who won out in a walk the year previous, defeated Mr. McCabe, then only 24 years old, by a plurality of less than 100 votes with about 1500 ballots cast.

Aubrey G. McCabe is the son of J. T. McCabe of the firm of McCabe & Grice and is the junior partner of the firm. He is also a director of the Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Company. When the war broke out young McCabe was a student at the University of North Carolina and when it ended he was in training camp. Last autumn he married Miss Maude Moss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Moss, one of the most popular and attractive young women of the city.

In addition to his personal popularity, Mr. McCabe has another essential quality of the efficient campaign manager. He is an enthusiastic McLean man and before he had thought of himself as connected with the McLean campaign in any official capacity had thrown his enthusiastic personality heartily into the ranks of active supporters of McLean for Governor.

FURTHER TESTIMONY IN WHEELER CASE

Washington, April 24.—Further direct testimony bearing on the activities here of Senator Wheeler of Montana in connection with land cases was heard today by the special Senate committee investigating the Senator's indictment on the charge of receiving money for appearing before the Interior Department in such cases.

Commissioner Spry of the General Land Office, testified that Wheeler came to his office on the occasion but told him he was interested in seeing that Gordan Campbell, his client in the litigation in the Montana courts, got "a square deal" from the Federal Government in regard to his land interests.

The commissioner added that the Senator talked to him only as any other member of the Senate might have done for a constituent.

CONFERENCE BREAKS UP WITH NOTHING DONE

(By The Associated Press)
London, April 24.—A conference here between representatives of northern and southern Ireland for adjustment of the boundary between Ulster and the Irish Free State broke up today without result.

"THE EARTH'S AWAKENING" FRIDAY AFTERNOON PLAY

"The Earth's Awakening," an opera, will be presented Friday afternoon by primary grades in the high school auditorium at 4 o'clock. The little folks are making money to buy a piano for their school and they solicit the patronage of the public Friday afternoon.

WILLIAMS-HALSTEAD

Miss Mattie Halstead and Mr. Ike J. Williams both of this County were married at the home of Mr. Williams' brother, T. L. Williams, 601 First street Tuesday evening at 8:15 o'clock by Rev. E. F. Sawyer.

COTTON MARKET

New York, April 24.—Spot cotton closed steady this afternoon, advancing 55 points. Midling 29.50. Futures closed as follows: May 29.55; July 28.10; October 24.60; December 24.67; January 23.77.

New York, April 24.—Cotton futures opened this morning at the following levels: May 28.94; July 27.76; October 24.63; December 24.61; January 23.65.

PRATT TALKS ON MUSCLE SHOALS

North Carolinian Before Senate Agriculture Committee Says North Carolina Is Interested.

Washington, April 24.—Joseph Hyde Pratt of Asheville, North Carolina, today told the Senate agricultural committee that the "best interests of the country in the development of Muscle Shoals will only be protected by having this development carried on under the authority of the Federal Water Power Act."

Pratt said North Carolina is demanding more power each year and therefore is vitally interested in power which will be produced at Muscle Shoals.

BEST CITY BOYS ENJOY EASTER AT JARVISBURG

Jarvisburg, April 24.—Roy Symons, Horace Wise, Tyre Sawyer, John Kramer and Kennedy Houts of Elizabeth City came on a camping trip at the Wright Bros. camp on Thursday night but as it was raining when the boat arrived, they spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wright and early Friday morning moved to camp on Currituck Sound. There they went fishing and boating and had a very enjoyable time. Monday night they took supper with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wright and after supper were given a party. After games and refreshments the guests returned to their homes and the boys went to the boat which was to leave at two o'clock a. m. The boat failed to stop at the landing and they were left. About 7 o'clock they came walking up from the landing and after eating breakfast with Mr. C. A. Wright, secured Mr. Wright's Ford and motored to Elizabeth City.

The people of the community greatly enjoyed having the boys.

MEETING OF SHIPPERS TO BE HELD TONIGHT

A meeting of local shippers will be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms at 7:30 o'clock this evening to discuss the proposed increase in freight rates. H. E. Barlow of New Bern and M. R. Beaman of Wilson will be present to address the meeting.

BRUMSEY FOR SHERIFF AND COX FOR REPRESENTATIVE

Shawboro, April 24.—Thomas Brumsey of Currituck has announced his candidacy for sheriff of this county and is expected by his friends to make a strong candidate for the office. Personally he is popular and well and favorably known throughout the county.

A candidate for the Legislature who has just announced himself is W. D. Cox of Moyock. Mr. Cox has a large following in the county and will poll a big vote, in the opinion of his friends here.

AYDLETT BACK FROM TYRRELL

E. F. Aydlett returned Wednesday from Tyrrell County where he spoke in the interest of his nomination for Congressman from this district to good crowds at Columbia Tuesday and at Creswell Tuesday night.

Mr. Aydlett expressed himself as well pleased with the outlook in Tyrrell County.

COMMITTEE REPORTS BILL ON AGRICULTURE EXPORTS

Washington, April 24.—By a vote of 14 to 7 the House agriculture committee today reported the McNary-Naugen agricultural export bill.

STATE RIVER BRIDGE BE CLOSED SUNDAY

The Pasquotank River State bridge will be closed Saturday night and Sunday, according to notice given in the advertising columns of this newspaper by the State Highway Commission. The bridge closes at 6 o'clock Saturday evening and is due to be opened at midnight Sunday night, the announcement states.

The bridge is to be closed, it is understood, in order to change the gears of the motor lift by which the draw is raised.

DENTAL CONVENTION OF KEEN INTEREST

Prevention of Pyorrhea By Diet And Exercise Is Great Aim of Modern Dentist

"Chief among the many clinics and lectures," says Dr. William Parker, who returned Thursday morning from the fiftieth annual convention of the State Dental Society at Raleigh, "was that of Dr. Percy R. Howe, A.B., D.D.S., F.A.C.D., of Boston, whose lecture and lantern slides on diet and its effect on bones, teeth, and pyorrhea was of very keen interest.

"Dr. W. A. Price of Cleveland, Ohio, also gave a somewhat similar lecture and slides on dead teeth and pyorrhea, their effect on the health, and their prevention by diet and fresh air.

"The trend of thought," says Dr. Parker, "is fast turning to the prevention of gum trouble (pyorrhea) and decayed teeth by the not simple matter of diet and exercise. The convention was aglow with instruction and new ideas."

Dr. S. W. Gregory and Dr. H. E. Nixon also attended the meeting and have returned to their offices.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED

Washington, April 24.—The agriculture committee was today discharged from further consideration of the bill to prohibit trading in futures on the cotton and grain exchanges on motion of Senator Caraway, Democrat, of Arkansas. The discharge of the committee placed the bill on the Senate calendar for action.

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ATTEND CONVENTION CAROLINA T. P. A.

E. T. Burgess of the Stevens Jobbing Company and J. H. Wilkins of the Quinn Furniture Company left Thursday for Raleigh to attend the annual convention of the North Carolina Travelers Protective Association, which will open tonight and continue through Saturday at noon. A wide scope of business and social affairs are planned for the meeting, among the latter being a baseball game, an automobile ride over Wake County roads and a barbecue, all Friday afternoon.

Of greatest general interest at this time is the speculation in regard to the action that the association will take upon the suggestion that the State buy the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad and link it up with the proposed Lost Province Line, which would create, it is claimed, "a much needed" system, running a great portion of the length of the State. This suggestion was made at the meeting of the board of directors of the association which was held in March. No recommendations were made at the time, but a committee was appointed to confer with Captain M. B. Fry, one of the receivers of the railroad, and to report to the State convention. This committee consisted of D. U. Sandlin, of Fayetteville; C. C. McLean, of Greensboro; J. W. King, of Greensboro; and George A. Bailey, of Mount Airy. It will report some time during the present convention.

DAUGHERTY BLAMES IT ON COMMUNISTS

Columbia, Ohio, April 24.—Harry Daugherty defending his actions yesterday declared that the investigation at Washington was the result of Communist activities and that Russia is destroying the United States Government by getting control of the Senate.

N. C. CLARK DEAD

Newel C. Clark died suddenly of heart trouble at his home, 503 East Burgess street, Wednesday afternoon at 5:50 o'clock. Mr. Clark was in his yard getting ready to put up a swing and Mrs. Clark was with him except for just a few minutes when she went in the house for some part needed for the swing. When she came out Mr. Clark was lying on the ground. The doctor called said that death had come instantly.

Mr. Clark was 62 years old and a native of Parkersburg, West Virginia. He had lived in this city since 1911. He was first class machinist at the Elizabeth City Iron Works and Supply Company and a deacon of the First Baptist Church.

The funeral was conducted at the home Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Dr. S. H. Templeman, pastor of the First Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. Daniel Lane, pastor of City Road Methodist Church, the deacons of the First Baptist Church acting as pallbearers. Interment was made at Hollywood Cemetery.

The Iron Works and Supply Company was closed during the funeral and the employees attended in a body.

Mr. Clark is survived by his wife and one brother, Arthur J. Clark, of Jacksonville, Florida.

KILLED IN COLLISION

Birmingham, April 24.—One person was killed and two seriously injured when a train struck a motor truck here yesterday.

ANOTHER ROW OVER SURVEY TEAPOT DOME

Washington, April 24.—Another row over the geological surveys in Teapot Dome developed today when the oil committee resumed its hearings.

J. O. Lewis, petroleum engineer, who testified yesterday that the Dome would have been susceptible to drainage from outside wells had not the Government moved to have the oil extracted immediately, was recalled and asked by Senator Walsh whether he had been "guilty of deception" in testifying as an impartial witness. He denied that there was any deception and said he was entirely impartial in his study and conclusion.

RUSH FIFTY MEN TO HELP CALIFORNIA

Washington, April 24.—As the foot and mouth disease and quarantine grew more serious in California Federal authorities yesterday rushed 50 extra men there to handle the situation.

THREE MEN ARE BURNED TO DEATH

Charleston, West Va., April 24.—Three men were burned to death today when fire destroyed a boarding house at Nallen, Fayette County. The dead are Benjamin Sturm, traveling salesman of Charleston, and Jonathan Pierson and Delmos Hudson of Nallen.

FUNERAL RICHARD SPRUELL

The funeral of Richard Spruell was conducted at the home, 530 Chestnut street, at four o'clock Thursday afternoon by Dr. J. H. Thayer, pastor of Blackwell Memorial Church, and interment was made at Hollywood cemetery.

Mr. Spruell was 60 years old and died Wednesday night at 9:40 o'clock at his home after being helpless from a paralytic stroke for some time. He is survived by his wife, several children and brothers and sisters.

HERTFORD PLANS FOR GREAT DAY

Preparations are going on apace at Hertford to make the May 1 event in that city, at which the Elizabeth City and Edenton chambers of commerce will be the guests of Hertford's commercial club, a big event. Dinner is to be provided on the public square, Chairman Frank Page of the State Highway Commission has been invited to speak, and altogether an elaborate program is being planned.

All effort at this meeting will be centered on the proposition to get a State bridge across the Chowan River at a point near Edenton. It is hoped that settlement for the bridge may reach overwhelming proportions in this section and that plans may be formulated to finance the undertaking as one result of the tri-city event.

In tentative form the day's program of speeches follows:

Invocation by Rev. Geo. V. Tilley of Hertford.

Address of welcome by J. S. McNider.

Response from North of the Sound by W. I. Halstead of South Mills.

Response from South of the Sound by Harry Jacobs of New Bern.

Presenting of the chairmen by Senator P. H. Williams.

Statement of publication and purposes of meeting.

Address by Hon. Frank Page.

Address by Hon. Clayton Moore.

Address by Hon. Brent Drane.

Talks by W. A. Hart, J. E. Cameron and W. A. McGirt members of the Highway Commission.

Talks by representatives of several counties called on by chairman.

Singing will be led by L. W. Anderson of Hertford.

COLLEGE BOYS HERE CONCERT IS TONIGHT

The Wake Forest Glee Club was enjoyed by a packed house at Edenton Wednesday night and arrived in Elizabeth City Thursday afternoon, ready to give a concert tonight at 8 o'clock in the new high school auditorium.

The Glee Club has had keen appreciation all along its way. Press comments from Goldsboro, Greenville, and other towns have been high in praise of the excellent concerts given. The general sentiment seems to be in these reports that it's worth more than the price of the ticket just to hear Dr. Hubert Potasz sing "Captain Mac," with an extraordinarily good concert by the college boys thrown in.

The club will be entertained at 6 o'clock by the alumni at the Linden and again at the Linden after the concert by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Modlin.

Tickets were not selling as well as they ought Thursday morning for such a high class evening's entertainment but it was hoped that those who had not secured their tickets at Sell's would hasten to do so and give the college boys a really rousing welcome by a packed house.

The program will be so varied as to please everybody, with serious numbers interspersed with plenty of fun.

EMINENT GERMAN IS KILLED IN WRECK

(By The Associated Press)
Berne, Switzerland, April 24.—Doctor Karl Helfferich, eminent German financial authority, and his mother were among those killed in the collision of two express trains near Bellizona yesterday.

Berlin, April 24.—The report that Doctor Helfferich, president of the German Reichbank, was one of those killed in the wreck at Bellizona is unfounded. Schacht is at present at Berlin.

Senate Passes Bonus Without Cash Option

Washington, April 24.—The Senate passed the bonus bill yesterday without any cash option feature.

FOR REFORESTATION

Washington, April 24.—The expenditure of \$2,500,000 annually for reforestation was authorized by the House yesterday.

TWO SALEM RESIDENTS FINED ON LIQUOR CHARGE

A plea of guilty of illegal possession in the case of Mordecai White, Salem township, resulted in a fine of \$20 and costs in police court Thursday morning, while Will Morris, also of Salem, drew a fine of \$50 and costs when he pleaded guilty to the charge of operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor.

Will Morgan, colored, for operating an automobile with open cutout was let off with costs.

FIRPO NOW SAYS HE WILL FIGHT ROMERO

(By The Associated Press)
Buenos Aires, April 24.—Luis Firpo, who recently declared his intention to retire from the ring, today announced that he was willing to go to the United States and fight Quinton Romero, Chilean heavyweight, provided Romero fought no other boxer previous to their meeting.

This reversal of Firpo's much reiterated retirement decision is due, he asserts, solely to resentment at the reported declaration by Romero that Firpo feared him.

Good Laugh Beats Physic Or Exercise Says Depew

At Ninety Man Who Swapped Jokes With Lincoln Says Sense of Humor Will Do More to Prolong Life Than All the Rules of Diet or Exercise Will Do

By HARVEY ANDERSON
(Copyright, 1924, By The Advance)
New York, April 24.—At 90 Chauncey M. Depew finds humor the most important thing in life. To put it pithily, "A good laugh is better than a dose of castor oil for the bellyache," he said.

Sixty years ago Mr. Depew spent a part of his thirtieth birthday swapping stories with Abraham Lincoln, whom he regards as the peer of all story tellers. Wednesday on his 90th birthday, he was at his desk in the New York Central office building in New York, reminiscing to newspaper men.

Out of that part of his life which has transpired since he and Lincoln amused each other that day in '64, Mr. Depew has formed a philosophy of life in which amusement plays the leading role. He advises, "Cultivate your sense of humor and laugh heartily."

"Get a mental hobby. A mental hobby is more necessary than a physical hobby."

"Don't worry. Things that make you unhappy very seldom happen."

"Get active in politics—but don't back the machine."

Mr. Depew has made more after-dinner speeches and has told more humorous stories in public than any living man. He confesses that public life and after-dinner speaking are his hobbies, and despite what President Garfield said to him, he doesn't regret the time he has given to telling stories.

"I spent a day with General Garfield when he was running for President," Mr. Depew recalled. "He said to me, 'Depew, if it wasn't for your enjoyment of human nature and the stories you tell, you would be President of the United States. But no man the public knows for his sense of humor will be President. They love to hear him a speaker, much more than a serious man, but they don't think he is fitted mentally for the serious responsibilities. In my own case, realizing that my ambi-

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