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Roosevelt Faces Task of Starting New Relief Drive

Indications Are That He Will Lose No Time Putting Huge Fund to Work; More Local Advice Promised by Ickes

Washington, April 9.—A series of conferences to decide details of the biggest money-spending job in peace-time history was arranged today by President Roosevelt almost immediately after his return to the capital.

Four or five definite proposals for the administrative set-up to handle the \$4,880,000,000 work relief spending task were before Mr. Roosevelt. His aides said, however, that he probably would hold a dozen parleys before he approved a specific plan sometime within the next week or ten days.

Those who will participate in the discussions were not named, but informed sources said they probably would be officials who will help in carrying out details of the program and possibly legislative advisors.

They added that a board of at least a half dozen men, perhaps more, would be set up to handle the allotments. They said Mr. Roosevelt planned to preside over this board as not only the titular, but the active chairman.

From other quarters came the definite and authoritative information that three members of the board who have been definitely decided upon are Harry L. Hopkins, the Relief Administrator; Harold L. Ickes, the Public Works Administrator, and Rexford G. Tugwell, the Undersecretary of Agriculture.

Other likely members suggested were Rear Admiral Christian J. Peoples, of the Treasury procurement office, and Robert Fetchner, head of the Civilian Conservation Corps.

It was pointed out, however, that these two selections were not yet definite.

The giant work program, designed to put trees where none grew before, set rivers to flowing in new channels and all but move mountains to give work to 3,500,000 men, awaited only the final approval by Mr. Roosevelt of the method to be followed in carrying it out.

Hosts of projects already are waiting in government departments.

High up on the list has been placed soil erosion prevention. Secretary Wallace told a committee of Senators and Representatives from five drought-stricken states today that he would endeavor to obtain \$150,000,000 for such work. He will go with the group to confer with the President on the proposal.

In discussion of general plans for the work, Secretary Ickes said today there would be a greater degree of home rule in the selection of projects than there had been before.

He said he planned to set up legal, financial and engineering divisions in "miniature" in the states so they "can pass on the projects and send them in here."

Some of the states already have established planning boards for continuing public works projects so they may be carried out along long-range lines with a dovetailing of state and federal activities.

In government departments, as the President returned to Washington to start the four million dollar work program, engineers worked over plans for:

- Reforestation, soil erosion prevention, flood control, rural rehabilitation and reclamation.
- Dams which will help in flood control, water conservation and rural electrification.
- Clearing river channels and improving harbors.
- Elimination of grade crossings.
- Housing to replace old tenements.
- Even before the President arrived, at least one warm dispute over the use of the four billion dollars was in sight.

Mr. Roosevelt was given authority to use part of the money to pay crop reduction benefits to farmers. Secretary Wallace and Chester C. Davis, the farm administrator, planned to urge him to continue processing taxes to raise the funds.

A delegation of cotton state Senators arranged to ask him to make use of the central fund for farm payments.

Secretary Wallace contended that if the money were taken from the four billion fund, it would virtually destroy the Farm Administration because he did not believe the public would favor a direct subsidy to farmers.

In the formulation of plans for the program, the likelihood arose today that a new form of work for trained men and women, so-called white collar workers, would spring from the relief fund.

The Forest Service disclosed today that plans already had

started on the great shelter belt in 130 selected areas in North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. They expect to plant 4,000,000 trees this season. A million dollars already has been provided for that purpose and more is expected from the new fund.

The administration has sought in many states to clear the ground for rural electrification projects by putting before state legislatures bills to allow the formation of organizations which might borrow money and conduct such projects.

A hundred million dollars has tentatively been set aside for such work.

Governor Frees Pitt Murderer

Ollie Hodges Released On Parole After Serving Two and a Half Years

Raleigh, April 10.—Ollie Hodges, Pitt County white man serving a prison sentence for murder, has been paroled by Governor Ehringhaus after serving two and a half years of a 15-year sentence, it was announced at the office of Edwin Gill, Commissioner of Paroles.

Hodges was convicted in Pitt County Superior Court in August, 1932, and was sentenced by Judge W. C. Harris. Judge Harris concurred in a parole recommendation made by trial Solicitor D. M. Clark, who wrote that the prisoner was "very drunk" at the time of the crime and "hardly realized what he was doing."

Various other persons in Pitt County, including the clerk of court, sheriff and register or deeds, urged that clemency be extended Hodges.

The Governor also paroled four other prisoners, including Joe Long, Jackson County Indian serving a five-year sentence for attempted criminal assault. Long's parole was recommended by Chief Jarrett Blythe of the Cherokee tribe, among others.

The three others paroled were Gaither Watson, convicted in Bertie County of assault with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon and sentenced to serve two years, and Walter Brown and Walter Poovey, convicted jointly in Guilford County of larceny and sentenced to serve two years.

FARMVILLE GIRL A WINNER IN FERTILIZER PRIZE CONTEST

Miss Carmen Turnage, R. F. D., Wins \$50 in Smith-Douglas Word Contest

A winner in a word building contest among 20,000 boys and girls in North Carolina and Virginia, is cause for the congratulations being received by Miss Carmen Turnage, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron C. Turnage, R. F. D. No. 1, who received notice this week that she was among the ten winners of the \$50 prizes offered by the Smith-Douglas Co., fertilizer manufacturers of Norfolk, Va., in their \$2000 contest for the greatest number of English words that could be made from the name Smith-Douglas.

The contest began on February 10th and ended March 20th. Miss Hazel Callahan, R. F. D. No. 3, Danville, Va., won the first prize of \$250, Miss Martha Parker, of Abolkie, N. C., \$150, and Miss Ruby L. Joyce, R. F. D. No. 2, Sandy Ridge, N. C., the third prize of \$100.

Following the \$50 prizes were the \$25 and smaller awards.

FARMERS ARE PAID FOURTEEN MILLIONS

Raleigh, April 10.—The Agricultural Adjustment Administration paid \$541,728.46 in rental and benefit payments to North Carolina farmers during the month of February.

This sum brought the total AAA payments in this State to \$14,346,123.23, according to the latest compilation of figures, said Dean L. O. Schaub, of State College, yesterday.

The flow of checks into North Carolina in February was a continuation of the rentals and benefits paid to growers who cooperated with the crop adjustment programs in 1934, the dean said.

The total payments received through February 28 were: Cotton growers \$3,044,776.14, tobacco growers \$4,788,265.70, corn-bog producers \$482,556.37, and wheat growers \$20,433.07.

Hudson Six Added To Present Line

Farmville Motor Company Invites Public To Put New Car to Real Test

A new automobile was being unveiled in the Farmville territory today as Hudson Motor Car Co., formally presented a six-cylinder car—the Hudson Six.

Heralded as a low-cost auto offering the most sensational performance ever built into a six-cylinder car by Hudson, this new six is being introduced in an unusual manner by Hudson dealers throughout this section.

Rather than merely show the new car in showrooms, most of the models are parked on the street and the motoring public is being urged to inspect this car by actually driving it.

"As three of the big things being featured in this Hudson Six—performance, riding qualities and safety of operation—can only be judged by driving the car, we decided to introduce this automobile by giving as many motorists as possible the opportunity to drive it," said B. O. Taylor, manager of the Farmville Motor Co., Inc., local Hudson and Terraplane dealers.

For two weeks, Hudson dealers in this section will hold "open house" for motorists who care to try-out the new six-cylinder car. Showrooms will be held open evenings.

"It's a big car—16 feet 2 inches from bumper to bumper; an exceptionally powerful automobile—93 or 100 horsepower. Economy of operation also is a big feature, tests showing that as much as 20 miles can be obtained from a gallon of gasoline," said Mr. Taylor.

"It's made all of steel—roof, floor, sides and all supporting members being of steel—and it is equipped with the new sensational Hudson rotary equalized brakes. It is priced just a few dollars above the lowest priced cars. Closed models start at \$695 at the factory."

The bodies of the Six are longer and lower, with sweeping air stream lines that give the car a flowing effect. Although the Six models come equipped with the standard gear shift lever, the "Electric Hand" may be obtained on all models.

The Hudson Six, it was announced, will come in five body models—sedan, coach, business coupe, coupe with rumble seat and the convertible coupe. It augments the line of eight-cylinder cars made by the company and the six-cylinder Hudson-built Terraplanes.

Obtaining a loan from the Production Credit Association, farmers of Buncombe County have purchased 44 head of pure bred Aberdeen Angus beef cattle.

Through State Capital Keyholes

By Deas Hinton Silver

TOUCHEY—As the length of the General Assembly grows members are beginning to display evidence of developing "nerves." Arising to points of personal privilege to "bawl out" some member or some newspaper editor, are becoming numerous as they have a habit of doing in sessions that run into the payless period beyond the constitutional 60 days.

Finger-pointing and fist-shaking will soon be the order of the day if the boys don't get their troubles ironed out and go back home.

LITTLE CHANCE—A private poll of the Legislature reveals that the batch of bills sent down from Washington by Secretary Ickes designated to put cities and counties in the business of generating and selling power lines have little chance of passage.

Two measures, drawn by the Senate Rural Electrification Commission, are much more modest and have the backing of the Ehringhaus administration. However, if they get by it will be a close squeeze.

LIQUOR—There can be no doubt that sentiment in favor of the Hill liquor bill is growing among members of the Legislature. It still appears doomed but only a few converts are needed to put the measure across. Members show a decided notion not to cut the appropriations bill drastically and if these troubles over taxes are not settled, pretty soon you are going to see a great drive to put the Hill bill through.

EARLY BIRDS

John A. McRae, of Charlotte, has joined Colonel T. LeRoy Kirkpatrick, of the same City, in announcing for Governor on the Democratic ticket.

In Raleigh various stories are being told about the intentions of Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby Attorney, and Congressman R. L. Doughton regarding the Governorship. But make no mistake—Lieutenant Governor A. H. Graham is going to run for Governor or bust a trace.

All efforts to get him attracted by other jobs and what-not have failed entirely and a lot of folk believe his campaign is well underway.

RAIDS—The raids on your gasoline tax money have gotten away to a good start.

The General Assembly has voted to spend \$500,000 of it annually in keeping up City Streets and it looks like \$1,630,000 is going to be diverted to the General fund during each of the coming years.

It also appears likely that some of the gasoline taxes are going into county treasuries before long in the form of paying the counties for roads they built before the highway commission had the money. Better get your own road in shape before the diversion party gets any livelier.

SCHOOL BOOKS—State rental of school books by the time the boys and girls hear the first bells next fall is still likely.

The books companies are said to be realizing that fact and good authority says that the publishers will be willing to sell the books to the State on credit and collect as the rentals come in. Such a plan would not call for an amount of money large enough to require a bond issue and may be taken care of by an appropriation. The Democrats are laying their plans to rush the school book rental through in a hurry once they get started. It will make a good chaser as the dear public begins to swallow the three per cent general sales tax or a milder retail levy.

AMUSING—It's nothing short of funny the way the various factions estimate the possible yield of the biennial revenue bill.

Anti-sales taxers and advocates of greater appropriations boost the figures above those of the revenue department which sales tax three per centers cut down by like amounts. If anybody really knows how much the revenue bill will yield the way the Legislature is almost constantly changing it, that person is a magician.

TROUBLE—The biggest obstacle in the \$62,000,000 biennial revenue bill is the taxing peddlers.

Representatives from cities and towns want to tax the boys who buy and sell and transport in trucks out of existence while Representatives from peach, apple and cabbage growing sections want the tax low so the trucks can operate and buy their surplus products. You will never know just what the peddlers tax will be until the final day of the General Assembly. Somebody changes it at every turn.

CONDUCT—A lot has been written and said about the conduct of members of this and other Legislatures.

Admitting that some of the (Continued on page Two)

MACCLESFIELD NEWS

(By MRS. G. W. PEEBLES)

PERSONALS
Miss Ethel Winstead is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Winstead.

Mrs. A. B. Felton has undergone an operation and is responding nicely, tho' she is still very ill.

Miss Maggie Jutry Cox was at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Cox, the past week end.

Members of the Junior Order enjoyed a Brunswick stew, supper Friday night immediately before their regular semi-monthly meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Warren and little daughter, Maxine, of Speed, spent a few days the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Peebles.

MRS. CORBETT HOSTESS

In front of a gorgeous log fire in the home of Mrs. R. L. Corbett, the Big Eight Club enjoyed four progressions of contract bridge. All members were present except Mrs. C. S. Winstead, whose place was filled by Mrs. E. G. Naron.

Mrs. Paul Flowers proved to be the luckiest for the evening receiving a nice gift.

Mrs. Corbett served dainty sandwiches and hot chocolate to the players and to Mr. R. L. Corbett and Dr. S. H. Justa.

PROPERTY SALE

Thirty or forty years ago all the land on which Macclesfield now sits belonged to Mr. Henry Clark Bridgers of Tarboro, who laid a railroad through here and started a town. Most of the land has been bought at times previously by various residents here, but there was still quite a few lots up in town and several acres around the edge belonging to him until Tuesday when it was sold leaving no Henry Clark Bridgers land in Macclesfield.

The ball park, quite a nice one for a small town, was built on land leased from Mr. Bridgers. Mr. Don Gilman bought this spot, tho' it was rumored that he was buying for someone else.

Other buyers were: Messrs. B. B. Phillips, A. F. Felton, Joseph F. Easton, J. G. Varnell, C. L. Harrell and T. J. Ellis all of Macclesfield.

The Webb Drug Store, formally belonging to C. P. Webb was sold Thursday, April 4, at auction for spot cash. It was bought by R. L. Corbett at a very reasonable price.

WIENNER ROAST

A crowd of youngsters enjoyed themselves immensely at the outdoor party given by Mrs. A. A. Atkinson, Saturday night in honor of her house guests, Misses Dorothy Clark and Myrtle Lewis.

A huge fire was built under a large and comfortable shelter and everyone roasted, put mustard on and ate "hot dogs" to their own content. Marshmallows were also toasted and enjoyed.

Guests of Mrs. Atkinson were as follows: Myrtle and Dorothy Clark Lewis, John Sidney Winstead, Malcolm Williams, Geneva Winstead, Ernestine Williams, Jimmie Phillips, Van Ervin Lewis and Ida Ruth Felton.

DEATH, FUNERAL

The knowledge of the death of Mr. M. M. Page was very sad news to the people living in and around this community. He has been doing a business of general merchandise about three miles from here on No. 42 highway for several years and was a prominent citizen in his neighborhood.

An attack of influenza seized him some few days back but in a few days, thinking he was able to do so, he left his bed, only to take a relapse and go into pneumonia which took him away shortly.

Mr. Page was around 70 years of age. He is survived by his widow and two children, Mrs. Reddin Corbett and Mr. Buck Page. Interment was made in the Otters Creek Church cemetery.

"JOSH" FLIES HOME

A great thrill was felt by the school children Friday afternoon when a plane soared round and round over the building, and of course every child hopped from their seats to peep out the windows and tell each other "it's Josh Winstead," for they all know that when an army plane pays Macclesfield any attention it is "Josh" in the pilot's seat.

Lieutenant Joshua T. Winstead, Jr., says his parents a visit every now and then. He always lands at the airport in Rocky Mount, but gives us a visit warning his family of his arrival before doing so. He leaves Mitchell Field, N. Y., where he is employed, around noon and arrives here about 4:30 o'clock, stopping only at Langley Field, Va., for gas checkup and weather reports.

Mr. Winstead is a highly respected young man both here and at his post. He was graduated from State College about three years ago, taking up aviation at Randolph Field Texas

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shortly afterwards. Since finishing there he has been employed at Mitchell Field.

Tho' the weather was not at all favorable Sunday, he took off, planning to get as far as Washington if possible.

Bill Has Fund For Carolinas

Improvements Totalling \$3,170,750 Included In Harbor Measure

Washington April 9.—Waterway improvements in North and South Carolina totalling \$3,170,750 are included in the Rivers and Harbors bill now before the House.

However, \$2,911,400 already has been allotted by the Public Works Administration to cover four of the projects.

Chief among the proposals for those States was one providing an eight-foot channel on the Cape Fear river between Fayetteville and Wilmington at an estimated cost of \$1,520,000, of which \$1,120,000 in PWA funds already has been allotted.

The other major project in the Carolinas was construction of the Charleston to Winyah Bay, South Carolina, section of the inland waterway for which \$1,207,165.09 in PWA funds already has been allotted.

Other projects were:

- Construction of a channel for Pamlico Sound to Beaufort, North Carolina, at a cost of \$41,400, an amount already allotted by the PWA.
- Improvement of Rollinson channel leading from Pamlico Sound to Hatteras, North Carolina, at a cost of \$27,000.
- Construction of inland waterway from Beaufort to Jacksonville, North Carolina, and from New River to Jacksonville, North Carolina, at a cost of \$117,300.
- Improvement of Smith's creek near Wilmington, North Carolina, at a cost of \$11,000.
- Construction of three bridges across inland waterway in Horry County, South Carolina, at a cost of \$850,000, which has been allotted by the PWA.
- Improvement of the channel of Shippard river, near Charleston, South Carolina, at a cost of \$35,000.
- Changing route of Charleston to Beaufort, South Carolina, waterway to provide deeper channel, estimated cost \$79,050.

W. E. Fenner and J. C. Lanier Sound Optimistic Note; Lanier Says 23 to 24c

Washington, April 9.—Here today to appear before the Senate Finance committee to urge continuance of NRA codes, W. E. Fenner, of Rocky Mount and J. C. Lanier, of Greenville, today predicted "satisfactory prices for flue-cured tobacco in 1935."

Mr. Lanier, who was formerly tobacco specialist in the Department of Agriculture and is now code administrator for the warehouse code authority, declared:

"In my opinion with normal yield per acre and normal quality, the 1935 flue-cured crop will average 20 cents in the belt as a whole and between 23 and 24 cents in North Carolina." Mr. Lanier predicted a crop of 720 million pounds, as compared with the 560 million pound crop of last year. If his estimates are correct the 1935 crop as a whole would bring about the same as 1934 crop.

Mr. Fenner, who is a member of the North Carolina General Assembly and is chairman of the code authority, was not so sure about the price estimate but agreed that the crop would be about 720 million pounds.

Mr. Fenner did the testifying before the Senate committee and declared that the code has been an "unmixed blessing" and that the only need of change is for "more teeth." He told the committee:

"A code seemed to offer the remedy, backed as it was by the power and authority of the government. Its object was to improve the system of marketing, and to eliminate the unfair practices. And so, the industry adopted its code and operated under it during the past season. It has been an unmixed blessing to the industry. It has enabled us to conduct our business in a way that it should be conducted; it has eliminated to a great extent unfair trade practices; and it has improved the marketing system for the benefit and financial advantage of the tobacco farmers. It has cut down the hours of employment to labor, and has increased the rate of pay to these employees. Unskilled labor employed in this industry are mostly Negroes with a limited earning capacity. These people work on the farms during the spring and summer and work in the warehouses during about three months of each year. The rate of pay established under the code is in general about one-third higher than the prevailing wage scale prior to the adoption of the code."

PRE-EASTER SERVICES BEGIN AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH MONDAY

The pastor, Rev. C. B. Mashburn, and the congregation of the local Christian Church are preparing to make of the week preceding Easter Sunday, a week of observance of the events in the life of Christ during the last few days of his earthly life, leading up to the Resurrection, which is celebrated by all Christian nations on Easter Sunday, which falls this year on April 21.

The Sunday evening service preceding the Pre-Easter meeting, which begins on Monday, will be conducted by the Woman's Council.

The sermon on Monday evening at the 8 o'clock hour, will be preached by Rev. H. M. Wilson, Presbyterian minister; on Tuesday by Rev. J. C. Wooten, Methodist; Wednesday, by Rev. L. R. Ennis, Baptist pastor, and on Thursday and Friday by Rev. Mr. Mashburn. The Holy Communion service will be celebrated on Thursday evening.

Sunrise services will be held at 6 o'clock Easter Sunday morning, with an Easter sermon and special music marking the 11 o'clock service. Service at the usual worship hour will be held in the evening.

The entire community is urged to take part in these services, which are being planned with the idea and hope that citizens here will join together in this service of prayer, praise and study of the Christ in the last week of his earthly existence.

BERRY SHIPMENTS START

Wallace, April 9.—Fifty-two crates of strawberries moved from here today averaging \$6.90 per crate. Due to the cold snap shipments were light.

New York City comprises an area of 6,320,446 acres, or 308,886 square miles.

FARMVILLE DEBATORS IN STATE CONTEST

Prepared to take the affirmative and negative sides of the query "Resolved, That The Federal Government Should Extend Aid To The Public Schools," the following high school students left Thursday to participate in the State debating finals, to be held at Chapel Hill Thursday evening and Friday, having defeated both Wilson and Engfield teams in recent elimination contests.

Miss Dorothy Douglas, who together with Frances Pratt, both teachers in the high school, coached the local debaters, accompanied the team; Nellie Nichols, Doris Bryan, Maude Emma Hinson and Lottie Joynes, to the University.