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SPEEDING DROUGHT RELIEF TO SPEND HALF-BILLION CONGRESS KEPT AT WORK THE WAR DEBT IMPASSE G. O. P. STATES PLATFORM REPUBLICANS PLAN FIGHT ABUSING TELEGRAPH FRANKS

ROOSEVELT IS HEAD MAN CUBAN TREATY HASTENED NO CENSORSHIP INVOLVED BOND ISSUE GOES OVER

Relief funds for the drought stricken areas of the West and Midwest were assured last week. More than one-half a billion dollars will be available to alleviate the suffering caused by the unprecedented dry spell and additional funds will be available if necessary.

On the basis of tentative plans \$100,000,000 will be used for each of four purposes, as follows: (1) to buy beef and dairy cattle; (2) to process cattle and other products for relief purposes; (3) to buy feed for livestock; (4) for work programs to provide employment for farmers. In addition, \$50,000,000 will be used to retire submarginal lands and for moving the population in North and South Dakota where crops are now beyond reclamation; \$25,000,000 to buy wheat, corn and forage seed for next year; and \$50,000,000 to expand the CCC to take care of the youth population.

The \$100,000,000 to buy beef and dairy cattle is in addition to the sums of \$150,000,000 already appropriated for this purpose in the Jones-Connelly Act, \$50,000,000 for retiring submarginal lands and removing drought-stranded populations in addition to \$25,000,000 already appropriated for that purpose.

This is the largest amount ever contemplated as Federal relief for any calamity of nature in this country. Already more than 100,000 farmers are being given work under work program allotments in seven states. The program will be extended and will soon include twelve or more states. Much of the money is being used in constructing and deepening wells, canning, soil erosion projects and for water pumping facilities.

The early adjournment of Congress was dissipated last week when the President let it be known that he wanted action on the Wagner Labor and the housing bills, with intimation that amendments to the AAA and the oil bill may be insisted upon. In the House, the program presents no obstacles in view of the recent stringent rules adopted, which will enable the Democrats to put through anything desired in their order. In the Senate, however, the long delay over the tariff bill finally passed 57-33, indicates something of the time that may be required for other controversial measures. Some observers believe that the long tariff debate was inspired in part by opposition to the labor measure.

The decision of Great Britain to suspend war debt payments pending some kind of permanent settlement brings the whole question to a new basis which will require a fresh start if the troublesome international issue is to be liquidated. The British insist that they have no intention of repudiating their obligation and suggest "further discussion." That this will be non-productive for sometime is apparent in view of the general sentiment in this country and until the world moves out of the depression or the United States adopts a tariff permitting it to take goods from abroad, there appears to be no expectation for any approach to a settlement.

Meeting in Chicago last week, the Republican National Committee found itself divided on the question of electing a national chairman to succeed Everett Sanders, resigned, but in an action without precedent, set out to work out a platform for the Fall elections. There was quite a demand for something like a repudiation of "Old Guard" leadership and considerable evidence that some leaders of the party are of the opinion that its leadership should be more definitely aligned with the West in contrast with the Northwestern states.

After forty-eight hours of controversy Henry P. Fletcher, diplomat of Pennsylvania, was named field general for a campaign to regain political supremacy. The platform adopted declared the nation backward in "social legislation" and the determination of the Party to meet the problems of unemployment, impoverished old age and the depression in general. The Roosevelt recovery

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Women Of Baptist W. M. U. To Hold Annual Meet Here

Local Baptist Church Will Be Scene Of All-Day Program To Be Held On Tuesday, June 19

On Tuesday, June 19, the Alleghany County Baptist Women's Missionary union will hold its annual meeting in the Sparta Baptist church, of which Dr. G. A. Martin is pastor. The program will open at 10 o'clock in the morning with a period of meditation accompanied by quiet music rendered by Miss Sarah Martin, followed by the singing of the Doxology. A devotional service, based on the watchword for 1934, will be conducted by Mrs. W. B. Estep and a prayer will be offered by the Rev. Coy McKnight. A welcome address will be delivered by Mrs. C. A. Reeves and Mrs. R. L. Doughton will respond for the local church.

A history of the year's hymn, "All Hail The Power," will be given by Mrs. Duke Bledsoe, followed by singing "All Hail The Power." Next will be the roll call, recognition of visitors, reports, recommendations of officers, etc.

A playlet entitled "Missionary Clinic" will be presented by members of the Laurel Springs W. M. U. Mrs. G. A. Martin will talk on "What It Means To Be A Member Of W. M. U." Appointment of committees will then take place followed by a prayer by Mrs. W. F. Doughton and adjournment for the noon hour.

The meeting will reconvene at 1:30 p. m. with the singing of the hymn: "Stand Up For Jesus." This will be followed by a duet by the Misses Greene and Choate. Miss Iva Grace Doughton will give a talk on "Meeting The World's Needs," followed by an address by Miss Edna R. Harris.

A pageant, "Girdling The World With Light," will be presented by the Sparta W. M. U., followed by the benediction.

Officers of the organization are as follows: Mrs. A. O. Joines, Superintendent; Mrs. R. A. Wagoner, Secretary; Mrs. J. T. Fender, Personal Service Chairman and Mrs. F. Miller, Stewardship Chairman.

Native Of Sparta Is Appointed To Important Office

A news story appeared in the June 1 issue of the Asotin County (Washington) Sentinel concerning the recent appointment of George W. Roup as Superintendent of the Monroe State Reformatory in Washington. Mr. Roup is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Roup, Sparta, and a brother of Leonard Roup, well known local man. The story follows:

"On Thursday of last week the appointment of George W. Roup to Superintendency of the Monroe State Reformatory, by Governor Clarence Martin, was made public. The appointment was rumored several days before the appointment was made.

"Mr. Roup is known throughout Asotin county as he lived and operated a general merchandise store many years at Cloverland. Prior to entering the store business he taught school in the county.

"Several years ago Mr. Roup disposed of his mercantile business and moved his family to St. John and there again entered the mercantile business. He has been a leader in his home town, having served on the Town Council and was elected Mayor. He was active in church work, also.

"Two years ago he tossed his hat into the political ring, sought and obtained election as State Senator from Whitman county. During the regular and special sessions of the legislature he was a leader and served as chairman of the important Roads and Bridges Committee. In Democratic circles his counsel was sought.

"Directing affairs at Monroe Reformatory is a large undertaking, requiring administrative ability and disciplinary measures akin to those at the penitentiary, but those who know Mr. Roup feel that he possesses the ability and courage to perform the duties of that office. Congratulations are due Mr. Roup."

Pooled Wool To Be Weighed Next Week For Elkin Delivery

The selling committee of the Wool Pool met at Sparta on Monday of this week and sold the pooled wool to the Chatham Manufacturing Company, Elkin, at a price considerably better than local buyers are paying for wool.

The pooled wool will be weighed at Sparta on Tuesday, June 19, at Laurel Springs, on Wednesday morning June 20, and at Dan Jones's near New Hope church, on Wednesday afternoon, June 20.

All the sheep growers of the county will be allowed to sell their wool through the pool, regardless of whether they have signed the wool contract. W. B. Collins, county agent, hopes that a majority of the sheep growers will cooperate with the pool and take their wool in to one of the above mentioned places on the date set for weighing up the wool.

First Lady Urges Peace Efforts In Absence Of Strife

Says No Nation Can Disarm When All Others Are Armed In Durham

Durham, June 12.—"Public opinion of sufficient strength can move mountains," Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt said here in the keynote address opening the second Duke University Institute of International Relations, "but no peace movement can be of avail except in times of peace." Among the first steps urged by her toward the realization of world peace were government control of munitions industry, elimination of armed forces such as are used for attack, and the will to peace backed by active public opinion.

The first lady's address was heard by 10,000 persons assembled in Duke stadium. "I know quite well that no one nation can disarm when all other nations are armed," she said. "I also know that when you are in a war that you can do nothing about peace but fight it through. So I feel very strongly that the time to really do the work for peace is when you are at peace."

"When the die is cast, it is then too late to do anything."

Mrs. Roosevelt, who motored here from Raleigh at noon, departed for Washington immediately after her address. Prior to her stadium appearance she attended a dinner at the Duke University Union given by the sponsoring committee of the institute. She spoke briefly in behalf of better conditions for federal women prisoners.

Earlier she was the luncheon guest of President W. P. Few, inspected the Duke campus, watched Anton Brees perform on the university carillon and was guest of honor at a reception. The institute will continue for 12 days.

Raleigh, June 11.—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt was cheered here today when she told an audience of 6,000 that the depression years will have been worth while if a happier and more ambitious people arise from the troubles now surrounding them.

Her listeners were mostly women, and it was to them that the President's wife directed her extemporaneous remarks.

For the nation as a whole she advocated fair wages and a minimum standard of living, and praised the recovery program promulgated by her husband as the most effective means to those ends.

THREE GAMES ARE WON BY TWIN OAKS BALL CLUB

Twin Oaks baseball club has played the following games: two with Elk Creek, Va., winning one 7-5 and losing one 7-5; two with Mouth of Wilson, winning one 9-0 and losing one 14-11, and one with Piney Creek, winning 12-2.

The Twin Oaks players will journey to Volney to play Saturday and the Volney team will return the game at Twin Oaks on Saturday, June 23.

Livestock Market At Galax Gets Off To Big Start Mon.

Buyers And Spectators Crowd All Available Vantage Points. Day's Receipts Up To Expectations

A crowd that filled every available part of the auction ring and overflowed outside attended the opening sale of the Grayson-Carroll Livestock market at Galax Monday and the market got off to a big start. Outside of the ring a great throng was crowded, every person trying to see what was being offered for sale and listening to the crying of the Horney Brothers, the twin auctioneers who will conduct the weekly sales events.

The first sale was a single horse and this was followed by teams and other single horses. The cattle pigs and lambs were sold later.

Top lambs at Monday's sale brought \$7 a hundred and top calves sold for \$4.60.

The sale got under way shortly after 1:30 o'clock approximately one-half hour later than was advertised the delay being caused by the late receipt of some of the stock and other minor incidents which are likely to occur at a first sale. Receipts at the sale were reported to have been in excess of 400 head which, it was said, was up to expectations.

At eleven o'clock opening exercises were held. These were preceded by a band concert by the newly organized Galax Boys' Drum and Bugle Corps. The boys were seated on the buyers stand and they made an excellent appearance in their white uniforms and rendered several selections.

R. A. Klor, president of the Galax Business Men's club, opened the program with a short address after which he presented Mayor J. P. Carico, who, following a few remarks, introduced the speakers.

C. C. Tucker, agricultural instructor at the Independence high school was the first speaker. He was followed by Dr. H. L. Lyons, Carroll county member of the House of Delegates, following whom the Buck Mountain string band played several selections.

Mayor Carico then introduced Professor Wm. C. LaRue, agricultural instructor at Grassy Creek high school. Professor LaRue was followed by J. T. Horney, owner of the livestock market, who made a lengthy talk concerning the methods which will be employed in selling the cattle, hogs, lambs, horses, mules and other livestock.

Buyers from the White Packing company, of Salisbury, N. C., and Atlanta, Ga., who were present bought 100 head which was offered for sale.

Mr. Horney pointed out, in a recent interview, that the market at Galax will prove a distinct advantage to southern buyers in that their trucks can save approximately 200 miles on every round trip to Galax as compared with other markets where they have been buying.

Aged Man Dies At Low Gap Home On Saturday, June 9

Kirby Lowe, who is said to have been about 105 years of age, died on Saturday, June 9, at his home at Low Gap, where five generations of the Lowes have lived. The deceased man was a Confederate veteran and was one of the oldest men in the oldest in North Carolina. His oldest son, Sammie, is now about 77 years of age and a daughter, Mrs. Eda Goodson, Galax, is about 80. The other surviving children are Mrs. Hill Lowe, Mrs. Shade Lowe, and Bennett Lowe, Low Gap; Alex Lowe, North Wilkesboro, and Grant Lowe, Sylva.

Mr. Lowe appeared to be in perfect health until about one week before his death.

Funeral services were conducted at the family cemetery near the home on Sunday by the Rev. Mr. Brooks, the Rev. Mr. Lowe and the Rev. Mr. Payne.

FROST IN JUNE Lancaster, O.—Severe damage was caused to corn crop, wheat and fruit by a late frost which visited this community recently.

Blue Ridge Route For Park Highway Virtually Assured

Telegram Received From Representative Doughton Indicates That Location Will Be Adopted

Yesterday afternoon THE TIMES was in receipt of the following telegram from Representative R. L. Doughton, who is now in Washington, D. C., attending the sessions of Congress: "Confident location of parkway will be satisfactory to Alleghany people."

Representative Doughton's telegram referred to the Skyland Drive which will, when built connect the Shenandoah National park and the Great Smoky Mountain National park. Since the decision was reached to build this park-to-park highway, much discussion has taken place regarding the proper place for its location, taking into consideration, distance, elevation, scenery, etc.

The route that North Carolinians favor for the road's location leads by way of the Pinnacles of Dan through Patrick and Floyd counties along the crest of the Blue Ridge continuing on through Carroll and a portion of Grayson county, in Virginia, and thence through Alleghany and on to the park entrance. This route would be acceptable to both the people of the western section of North Carolina and the counties of Virginia bordering this state along the Blue Ridge. In view of Representative Doughton's telegram, it seems probable that this route is now virtually assured.

Baptist Church At Laurel Springs To Be Dedicated Soon

The Laurel Springs Baptist church building will be dedicated on Sunday, June 24. The dedication sermon will be preached by Dr. W. R. Bradshaw, pastor of the First Baptist church in Morganton. Dr. Bradshaw dedicated the first building sometime in 1892 and, by request of the church, will return to lead in the coming service. The present building is of brick and crowns a hill overlooking highway No. 18 and is situated 11 miles south of Sparta.

Laurel Springs has been an important center for many years. The church and the academy, together have been moulding character side by side. Many of the sons of the community grew into great leaders of men: ministers, lawyers, statesmen and several doctors.

It is the hope of the church and pastor that all former members will regard this as a home-coming day and return to the sacred spot.

The pastor, Dr. G. A. Martin, will preach at New Hope at 11 a. m. Sunday and at Scottville at 3 in the afternoon. The work is getting along nicely at both of these places and the community Sunday school at Scottville is very encouraging. The Methodists work with the Baptists in a spirit of beautiful helpfulness. Both have services at Scottville, according to Dr. Martin, in the same building, which will be reconducted to better serve present needs, soon.

LEFF CROUSE IS INJURED WHEN AUTO LEAVES ROAD

Leff Crouse, who was injured late Sunday afternoon when his automobile left the road, is seriously ill in the Elkin hospital, according to latest reports, pneumonia having developed. Mr. Crouse's car overturned two or three times when the steering gear locked as he turned off highway No. 18 to drive to his home. An ambulance was hastily summoned and he was taken to the hospital, where an examination revealed three broken ribs and a slightly punctured lung and severe bruises.

Mrs. Crouse and two daughters, Grace and Ethel, who were in the car at the time, were unhurt, except for shock and bruises.

MRS. F. D. R. TRAVELS Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, in the first fifteen months of her husband's term of office as President has travelled 33,000 miles through 28 states and two countries. Her travel record is unprecedented.

Game Warden Seeks To Enforce Fishing Laws In Alleghany

Game Warden R. D. Gentry has started a campaign to enforce the game laws in Alleghany county. Warrants have been issued recently for several violators of the Fisheries law.

The most interesting case that has yet been tried was that of Claude Smith who was charged with collecting bird eggs and selling them to a man in South Carolina. Smith pleaded guilty before Justice of the Peace G. Glenn Nichols and was fined \$25 and costs. Young Smith held a Federal permit but did not have a state permit and his Federal permit has been revoked.

Smith is said to have been of good character and had no record of ever having been in the courts before. He had letters from a number of people asking that he be dealt with as easily as possible.

"Our game and fish are an asset to the country," said Mr. Nichols recently, "and as long as the laws are on the statute books they should be enforced and our citizens should help to see that they are enforced. It is impossible for the Warden and his deputies to catch every violator. It is a duty of the law-abiding citizens to report the violators."

Nations May Pay Sums Owed U. S. In Goods, Service

Secretary Of State Cordell Hull Sends Forceful Note To Great Britain. Invitation Extended

Washington, June 12.—War debtor nations were invited tonight by the United States to pay their obligations in goods and services. The invitation was extended specifically to Great Britain in a forceful note from Secretary of State Cordell Hull to the British ambassador, Sir Ronald Lindsay but it was believed to be applicable to all other debtor nations.

It may open the way for discussion of compromise settlements under which the United States would accept great quantities of rubber, tin, radium and other needed products in payment of Europe's \$10,000,000,000 obligation.

The note went to Britain while France officially joined her in the June 15 default parade. Ambassador Andre de Laboulaye delivered a communication to the State Department explaining France's position.

Hull rejected all the reasons given by Britain in her recent note explaining her decision to suspend payments. He said in effect that Britain had never even advanced any adjustment proposals that this country could consider.

"For instance," he wrote, "no proposal has even been presented to this government looking towards payments in kind to an extent that might be found mutually practicable and agreeable. Any proposals of this or a similar character which promise mutual benefit will be carefully considered for submission to the American Congress."

This was the first official disclosure that this country would consider payments in goods and services.

There are many important commodities which the United States must buy almost exclusively from foreign countries. Britain, for instance, might profitably offer payment in rubber and tin. The United States imports annually about \$87,000,000 worth of tin and vast amounts of rubber. British possessions are leading sources of both.

The United States also buys British manganese from India and chrome from Rhodesia, Belgium has important radium deposits of chrome and other products that this country needs.

SOVIET HAS GOLD

Soviet Russia has passed the United States and Canada as a producer of gold and is second only to the Transvaal, according to officials here. Production in 1933 is expected to reach \$100,000,000 compared with \$28,000,000 for Africa, \$63,000,000 for Canada and \$45,000,000 for the United States.

Solicitor Higgins Appointed Federal District Attorney

U. S. Senate Confirms Roosevelt's Nomination Of Sparta Man Tuesday. Gwyn May Be Solicitor

The nomination of Solicitor Carlisle W. Higgins Sparta, as United States District Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina, which was sent to the Senate a few days ago by President Roosevelt, was confirmed Tuesday by that body. Mr. Higgins, who is solicitor of the eleventh judicial district, is attending court in Winston-Salem this week and was notified of the Senate's action last night by the Winston-Salem Journal. About twenty minutes later he received a telegram from Senator Josiah William Bailey, who recommended him for the post, in which the same news was conveyed.

Allen Hatcher Gwyn, of Reidsville, Democratic nominee for solicitor of the eleventh judicial district, will probably be named successor to Mr. Higgins, who said last night that he would tender his resignation to Governor Ehringhaus immediately to take effect July 1, when he is scheduled to take office as new district attorney. Mr. Gwyn, senator from Rockingham during the past legislature, is opposed for the position by Republicans.

At the time of the confirmation of Mr. Higgins, Senator Bailey recommended the appointment of Robert H. McNeil, of Mocksville, and Bryce Holt, of Greensboro, as assistants to the district attorney. He was joined in the recommendations by Mr. Higgins.

Mr. Higgins was elected solicitor of the eleventh judicial district in 1930. He was elected to the state House of Representatives from Alleghany in 1925, and was state senator from the twenty-ninth district in 1929.

The new district attorney received his undergraduate training at the Bridge Creek Academy, near Independence, V. a., from which he was graduated in 1908. He received his A. B. degree from the University of North Carolina in 1912 and two years later earned his LL. B. degree.

Leaving the University, Mr. Higgins formed a law partnership at Sparta with "Governor" R. A. Doughton in 1914. The partnership was dissolved in 1928 after "Governor" Doughton became revenue commissioner. Mr. Higgins continued his practice until his election as solicitor.

Mr. Higgins is 43 years of age. He was born at Ennice, October 17, 1889, has been a life-long Democrat and served as chairman of the Alleghany county Democratic executive committee from 1914 to 1918.

He is a reserve officer in the United States army, a member of the American Legion, a member of the Tau Kappa Alpha fraternity and a Mason.

TO CLEAN CEMETERY AT ZION ON SAT., JUNE 23

Those who are interested in the cemetery at Zion are requested to meet on Saturday, June 23, for the purpose of cleaning the cemetery.

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"The devil tempts all other men, but the idle man tempts the devil."

- JUNE 11—The American army sails for Cuba war-bent, 1898. 12—Cook ends famed trip around the world, 1771. 13—Simplified spelling urged by Pres. Roosevelt, 1903. 14—Alcock and Brown first to fly Atlantic, 1919. 15—20-hour trains New York to Chicago start, 1903. 16—Kaiser Wilhelm ascends the German throne, 1888. 17—That famous Battle of Bunker Hill, 1775.