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N. C. Awarded Parkway Route By Sec. Ickes

Cabinet Member Says He Has Carefully Weighed Testimony Offered By Both North Carolina And Tenn.

Washington, Nov. 13.—A smashing victory was registered yesterday by North Carolina when Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes ordered the \$16,000,000 Great Smoky Mountains National parkway located through the western part of the state with Cherokee the gateway for eastern traffic into the Great Smokies National park. Overriding a report of the special advisory committee, headed by George Radcliffe, now Senator-elect from Maryland, Secretary Ickes said he had carefully weighed the testimony by North Carolina and Tennessee for location of the parkway in the respective states and had concluded that "the equities in this controversy are with North Carolina."

The controversy revolved around location of the parkway south of Blowing Rock. North Carolina asked that it follow down the Blue Ridge range and take in the scenery around Linville Gorge, Little Switzerland, the Craggys, Mount Mitchell, Asheville, and enter the park on the North Carolina side. Tennessee asked that the parkway swing over into Tennessee at Linville and enter the park at Gatlinburg. Secretary Ickes based his decision favoring North Carolina on a number of conclusions, the most important being:

1. Tennessee already has a recognized and well-established entrance to the Great Smoky Park at Gatlinburg and it would be grossly unfair to give the state the entrance for traffic coming both from the West and the East.
 2. Scenery on the North Carolina route excelled that on the Tennessee route.
 3. It would be ruthless to destroy the tourist business which Asheville has built up over a number of years of hard work by diverting the travel over the parkway from the East into Tennessee.
 4. Tennessee has the TVA development which is investing millions for economic rehabilitation of that state and federal government is doing nothing comparable in North Carolina.
 5. North Carolina route will serve as a more logical connecting link than Tennessee would for contemplated national mountain scenic highway running from New Hampshire to Georgia.
- Immediately after Ickes' decision, Arno B. Cammerer, director of the national park service, declared that survey crews will be put in the field in North Carolina within the next few weeks to stake the actual location of the parkway. This work is already being done on that portion of the parkway running from the Shenandoah Park to Blowing Rock which was approved by Ickes in July. Actual construction of the parkway will get under way next spring. Cammerer said North Carolina was to be congratulated on the victory it had won at the hands of Secretary Ickes and the national park service would move as rapidly as possible in making available to the public this "wonderland of scenery."

RICKENBACKER MAKES QUICK FLIGHT TO MIAMI

Newark, N. J., Nov. 13.—Captain Eddie Rickenbacker ended a day's round-trip flight to Miami, Fla., in the transport plane which set a transcontinental record last week when he landed at Newark airport at 11:27 tonight.

The flight, which started as a "dawn-to-dusk" attempt from this airport at 6:10 a. m. today, took much longer than was expected due to headwinds, a snowstorm and the mistaking of Palm Beach for Miami.

CORONER'S JURY RETURNS VERDICT

The coroner's jury which was empaneled last week by County Coroner Mack Roberts for investigation in the case of Gene Edwards (colored), whose body was found on the Sparta-Elkin highway recently with a bullet wound in the head returned a verdict of "death from a gunshot wound at unknown hands."

ANGER IN FAR EAST

One, who keeps up with international affairs, can fail to see evidences of increasing tightness between Japan and other powers over questions arising in the Far East. The trade treaty of Manchukuo, protested

Wings Across Pacific



Los Angeles . . . "Sorry I'm early," was the smiling welcome of Kingsford Smith, noted Australian aviator, as he set his plane down here, completing a flying hour trip, Australia to Los Angeles in 54 hours, 49 minutes for a total of 7,365 miles.

Armistice Day Ceremonies Held In Arlington

President And Wife Lead Nation In Observance By Placing Flowers At Tomb Of Unknown Soldier

Washington, Nov. 13.—The nation was led Sunday by President Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt in the observance of the sixteenth anniversary of the signing of the World War armistice, the president and first lady laying flowers at the tomb of the unknown soldier in Arlington National cemetery. After the army band played the national anthem, a crowd of 5,000 stood silent while Captain Wilson Brown, naval aide, stepped from the side of the president to place a wreath of lavender chrysanthemums at the tomb.

Mrs. Roosevelt quickly stepped forward from her place and added a single white chrysanthemum to the tribute.

Then the thin, clear notes of taps floated across the Potomac Valley. The presidential party, which included Secretaries Dern and Swanson, broke up and motored away through the lanes of applauding citizens.

The chief executive, riding in an open car, reached the scene shortly before 11 o'clock, the hour of the ending of the great conflict.

Accompanied by his military aide, Col. Edwin M. Watson, he stood with bared head while the band played the national anthem and squads of marines and infantrymen stiffened at attention. Flanked by his two aides, Mr. Roosevelt led the group to a position closer to the tomb, removed his silk hat once more and stood looking straight at the tomb and the Potomac vista with the city of Washington in the background as the flowers were placed on the resting place of the soldier.

In the afternoon services were conducted at the National Cathedral in memory of Woodrow Wilson, war president, who is entombed there. Mrs. Roosevelt was present. Francis B. Sayre, assistant secretary of state and son-in-law of Mr. Wilson, spoke.

Outstanding among the organizations to conduct ceremonies at Arlington was the American Legion. Messages of preparedness and patriotism were brought to a shifting crowd of about 3,000 who moved in and out of the windswept marble amphitheatre.

MT. AIRY PASTOR IS HEARD IN GALAX

Dr. J. T. Mangum, pastor of Central Methodist church, Mt. Airy, delivered an address in Galax last Thursday night on his experiences in Africa and the Belgian Congo when he accompanied the late Bishop Lambuth to open the Methodist mission in Africa. His talk was heard by a very attentive and appreciative audience.

The occasion was in connection with the Galax Methodist church's W. M. S. observance of the Week of Prayer.

Man Convicted Of Assault On Rep. Doughton

Albermarle, Nov. 13.—J. S. Blalock, prominent farmer and member of the Republican party, was given a sentence of 30 days on the county roads in county court here yesterday by Judge T. B. Mauney, following conviction on a charge of assaulting Congressman R. L. Doughton here on the morning of October 4. Blalock filed notice of appeal and bond was fixed at \$200.

The defendant was represented by Attorney G. Hobart Morton while Solicitor R. R. Ingram was assisted in the prosecution by Attorney Sidney Gambill, Sparta.

Mr. Doughton was the only state witness. He told in detail of how Blalock came up behind him as he was walking down the street and following some abusive language relative to the cotton bill, struck Doughton several times in the face. The veteran congressman stated that he struck Blalock several times and after Blalock had walked away, invited him to come back and finish the argument.

Baywood Family Has Narrow Escape

Emmett Richardson, of Baywood, Va., and family of eight, narrowly escaped serious injury Wednesday, November 17, when their car was crowded off the road by a truck on a narrow fill near Sparta and turned over, down an embankment, landing bottom side up.

The top of the car was torn and the machine otherwise damaged.

The eight occupants of the car, miraculously escaped with minor cuts and bruises. The family was returning home from Sparta, where they had attended the funeral of Mr. Richardson's sister, Mrs. Mack Wagoner.

The driver of the truck, who was not known, drove on apparently unaware of the damage done.

Mr. Richardson is a brother of Mrs. W. T. Blevins, Sparta.

Judge Vaught Rules Against New Deal Law

Oklahoma City, Okla., Nov. 13.—New Deal measures were thrown for a third fall yesterday in federal court here where a judge presides who believes in recovery, but "according to the Constitution unless that ancient bulwark is amended." Judge Edgar S. Vaught, who previously had held that sections of the NRA oil code and the AAA milk licensing provisions were invalid, turned in another decision for state's rights and freedom of the individual to do as he pleases in business within his own bailiwick.

He held that NRA retail automobile code provisions which fixed prices that may be paid for traded-in used cars were "an exercise of power not possessed by Congress nor contemplated by Congress in the national industrial recovery act and is therefore unconstitutional and void."

Judge Vaught is a brother of the Rev. S. B. Vaught, member of Holston conference, M. E. Church, South, and who is well known by many persons in Grayson county. He is also a brother of Rev. H. B. Vaught, formerly a member of Holston conference, but now a member of one of the conferences in Tennessee.

Dr. Caudill Heads New Tenn. Bank

Dr. E. L. Caudill, former resident of Alleghany county and son of the late Terrill Caudill and Mrs. Caroline Caudill, recently issued the following statement, published in the Elizabethton, Tenn., Star of November 2, concerning the opening of a new bank in Elizabethton, of which he is president:

"As chairman of the banking committee of the Chamber of Commerce, I wish to take this opportunity to thank each and every one who has so generously contributed of their time and means for the establishing of the Citizens' Bank."

The new bank has a cash capital of \$75,000, and a surplus of \$75,000.

Ginger Engaged



Los Angeles . . . Ginger Rogers (above), is to become a bride for the second time. Her engagement to Lew Ayres has been announced. Both picture stars have previously been married.

Relief Plans To Be Pushed In Washington

President Calls Meeting Of Social, Labor And Industrial Leaders To Expedite Plans For Aid

Washington, Nov. 13.—President Roosevelt's plans to take millions out of the breadlines and guarantee aid and medical care to the nation's needy and helpless, are expected to be pushed forward sharply tomorrow at a conference here of social, labor and industrial leaders.

The meeting was called by the President's committee on economic security in charge of the task of preparing the broad program of social legislation to be introduced in the Seventy-fourth Congress. All phases of the problem will be surveyed at round-table conferences during the day, after which Mr. Roosevelt will meet the group at the White House.

As the administration plunged into this stage of the new deal, Senator William E. Borah (R.), Idaho, said an investigation would be made of his charges of waste in connection with the distribution of federal relief funds.

He made his announcement after conferring with Dallas W. Dort, chief investigator of the NRA. He said Dort had agreed to "proceed along certain lines" but declined to explain the nature of the forthcoming inquiry.

Representative Fish Jr. (R), New York, in a letter to Federal Relief Administrator Harry L. Hopkins tonight demanded that 11 relief workers in Putnam county, N. Y., be discharged for "coercion, duress and intimidation of voters receiving federal aid."

He enclosed what he said was a photostatic copy of a letter written by the relief workers and sent to unemployed and needy voters in his county, which said in part:

"Your very existence is at stake. You can save a job for yourself and make jobs for your relatives or friends only by going to the polls on November 6 and supporting all Democratic candidates."

At the same time, high officials of the FERA hastened to deny printed reports that the government was preparing to initiate a system of federal industrial projects which would provide employment for all of the nation's idle.

ROOSEVELT TO EAT HASH AND 'LASSES IN TENN.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 12.—Preparations for President Roosevelt's breakfast visit to the Hermitage, historic home of Andrew Jackson, involved research into recipe books used by Jackson's cooks.

As a result, the breakfast menu to be served the President will include turkey hash, scrambled eggs, hominy, beaten biscuits, molasses, toast and coffee, ladies of the Hermitage Association announced today.

ARMISTICE DAY IS OBSERVED IN GALAX

Galax, Va., Nov. 14.—Armistice day was celebrated here Monday with a parade, comprised of Legion posts, drum and bugle corps, firemen, etc. A speaking program followed.

Davis On Trial For Murder Of Iredell Sheriff

Tuesday's Session Devoted To Testimony In Which State Contends Officer Was Shot At Close Range

Statesville, Nov. 13.—In today's evidence against Ralph Davis, 25, Davidson county outlaw, who is being tried in Iredell superior court for the alleged fatal shooting of Sheriff Godfrey C. Kimball on August 17, the state presented a number of witnesses to show that Ralph Davis shot the sheriff at close range, and that he was not accidentally shot by a deputy, as was alleged by ballistic experts. Judge A. M. Stack, Monroe, is presiding at the trial, and the jury is composed of 11 Mecklenburg county citizens and one Iredell man.

Deputy Sheriff R. L. Gilbert who was shot in the left leg during the pistol battle with Davis, at a tenant house on the G. W. Dry farm, ten miles east of Statesville, told of going with Sheriff Kimball and Deputy Sims to the tenant house, occupied by Cal Turner and family, and of the officers seeing the automobile belonging to Mayor E. R. Rankin parked behind the house, Davis, who is alleged to have stolen the Statesville mayor's car a week before, ran out the back door, forced the sheriff to lift both hands above his head, and then Davis shot Deputy Gilbert in the leg as Gilbert said Kimball was between him and Davis and he did not shoot at Davis until after the sheriff was shot. Miss Dorothy Dry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Dry, whose home is about 85 yards south of the tenant house, told of viewing the gun battle from a window in the Dry home.

She told of seeing Davis run out the back door, of his placing his pistol in the sheriff's side, of the sheriff's uplifted hands while Davis shot Gilbert in the leg and then backed Sheriff Kimball to the side of the house where he fell, and of hearing several shots passed between Davis and Deputy Sims and Gilbert before Davis sped away in the stolen car.

J. B. Earle, fingerprint and ballistic experts, of Charlotte, told of tests made here and in Washington City, which showed that the bullet which killed Kimball came out of the 38-caliber pistol used by Deputy Gilbert. The witness said that no two guns were exactly alike, in some the difference may be so fine as to require a microscope to see, and he asserted that the ballistic science is as dependable for the purpose of identification as fingerprints, which is universally accepted.

MEEKINS SEEKS TO CHEER REPUBLICANS

Hendersonville, Nov. 13.—W. C. Meekins, state Republican chairman, recently offered encouragement to his fellow partisans in North Carolina.

The fact that 16 Republicans were elected to the state legislature, he pointed out, and rumors that many county officials were elected, shows strong Republican sympathy here despite the November 6 Democratic victory.

ALMANAC

- 12—Thomas Edison is awarded the Nobel Prize, 1915.
- 13—Brilliant meteor displays all over U. S., 1833.
- 14—Sherman sets torch to Atlanta, Ga., 1864.
- 15—Brazil becomes a full-fledged republic, 1889.
- 16—Oklahoma is admitted to the Union, 1907.
- 17—Suez Canal opened. Cost \$127,000,000, 1869.
- 18—U. S. and Panama complete treaty for canal, 1903.