

LABOR PARTY IN 1940?

Accepting as a fact that there will be "a new political alignment" before the 1940 election, Labor's Non-Partisan League, at its meeting in Washington, formed a permanent body, thus planting the seed of a possible new party in the United States. The significance of this event should not be overlooked by those interested in future political progress in this country.

WORKING FOR ROOSEVELT

While the first national meeting sponsored by the League was gotten together for the avowed purpose of supporting President Roosevelt for reelection, the endorsement of his candidacy, regardless of its importance in the present campaign, may, in the light of future happenings, become only a minor incident in the formation of a Liberal Party representing the organized workers.

While the League was sponsored last April by outspoken supporters of President Roosevelt, it is worth noting that Major George L. Berry, chairman, is not aligned with either side of the dispute which threatens to tear apart the American Federation of Labor. Delegates freely predicted that Labor would hold the balance of power this year in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, Illinois and Kentucky and, if proper organization is achieved, might reach the same condition in other states.

President Roosevelt expressed his appreciation of the gathering in support of his candidacy and the endorsement of the efforts of his Administration to secure justice for the great masses of wage earners. During the past three years, he said, efforts had been made to correct evils in our economic system and to stop practices which did not promote the general welfare. He pointed out that it was not the wage earners who cheered when some of the laws enacted for these purposes were declared invalid.

"JEFFERSONIAN DEMOCRATS"

The "Jeffersonian Democrats" after a two-day conference at Detroit, named former Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri, chairman of a committee to organize their Democratic friends and collect funds to "discipline President Roosevelt." The Anti-New Dealers deferred to Southern opposition to any outright endorsement of Governor Landon and proclaimed the intention to repossess the Democratic Party. How the delegates were to carry out the purpose was left entirely to individual state organizations, although the idea was general that the independent Democratic vote should be kept at home if it could not be turned to the Landon-Knox ticket.

Some thirty-one men from eighteen states were present when the conference was called to order. Missing was former Governor William A. Comstock of Michigan, who had accepted an invitation but stayed at home at the persuasion of his friends. Former Governor Alfred E. Smith, of New York, did not attend and when Joseph B. Ely, former-Governor of Massachusetts, announced that Al would make a speech in Boston opposing the reelection of President Roosevelt, the New Yorker denied that Ely had authority for any such statement. However, no one would be surprised if such an event took place before the end of the campaign. Generally speaking, the conference was not an uproaring success, although it is not possible to estimate the effects of the organization upon Democrats who are dissatisfied with the Administration and are wavering between regularity and a bolt.

REPORT OF THE HOLC

The Home Owners' Loan Corporation, up to June 30, last, had made a total of 1,021,817 loans, aggregating \$3,098,717,633. Of this, 6,804 borrowers repaid in full by cash \$14,082,914. 1,673 were retired by voluntary transfer of title, and 5,488 were foreclosed. The outstanding net indebtedness amounts to \$3,051,464,404, showing that only a very small percentage of the loans have been liquidated in any way.

No one knows how many homes the Corporation will eventually own, but, on the basis of records of similar institutions, it is expected that the HOLC will ultimately have to take title to around

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Void of freedom, what would virtue be."—Lamartine.

Roosevelt Plans No Additional Trips For Present

To Leave Washington On Night Of Aug. 25 On Tour Of Drought States. To Confer With Govs.

TO BE IN CHARLOTTE

Landon Will Probably Be Among Executives To Meet Governors To Discuss Drought Plans

Hyde Park, N. Y., Aug. 18.—President Roosevelt is making no plans for additional trips that would take him far from Washington or keep him away for any protracted time and, in the meantime, he is keeping an eye on Spain's civil war and its international repercussions.

He is going through with a trip to drought states starting next Tuesday night. But it was learned he feels it would be unwise while conditions abroad are so serious to schedule any additional journeys that would keep him from within easy travel distance of the capital.

The president said today he doubted he would make a boat trip down the Mississippi river, which he has been considering, and that he had mapped no political speaking trip in the interests of his re-election.

Because of prospects that the stork will ride down the Mississippi and an inspection of flood control projects along the river will not be tackled on end of the drought trip, a presidential assistant said later Mr. Roosevelt probably would return to the capital about September 3 or 4. He expected to remain there until time to go to Charlotte, N. C., for an address September 10 at a seven-state green pastures rally.

The president still is planning, however, his aide said, to carry out his original intention of going first on his drought trip to the hard hit Dakotas, swinging into Minnesota and Wisconsin, down into Iowa and back by way of corn belt states east of the Mississippi, conferring with groups of governors along the way.

Five days ago, in an address at Chautauque, N. Y., the chief executive remarked that so long as war exists anywhere in the world, there is danger that even the nation which most ardently desires peace may be drawn in.

He said then that he was more concerned over international affairs than domestic problems and promised to use his powers to preserve neutrality and peace for America.

Although plans for an extension (continued on page 8)

Landon Picks His Companions For Eastern Campaign

Estes Park, Colo., Aug. 18.—Gov. Alf M. Landon, of Kansas, rushing to complete three campaign speeches, last night named a personal party of seven, including two agricultural advisers, for his cross-country political trip to Pennsylvania and New York. The Republican presidential nominee told newsmen his private car group would include: Lacy Haynes, Kansas manager of the Kansas City Star and political adviser. Representative Clifford R. Hope, of Kansas, ranking Republican on the house agricultural committee and director of the agriculture division of the Republican national committee. C. C. Cogswell, of Topeka, master of the Kansas Grange and member of the Kansas tax commission. Cleveland A. Newton, of St. Louis, former representative and member of the Mississippi Valley Waterways association. Lester McGrady, of Garden City, Republican chairman of the seventh Kansas congressional district and former state commander of the American Legion. John Paul Jones, of Lyons, Kas., described as publisher of "a Democratic paper supporting Governor Landon." Carl A. Rott, personal secretary. Mrs. Landon will not accompany her husband on his first campaign trip.

Methodist W. M. S. Has Meet Friday At Home Of Mrs. Carson

The Methodist Missionary society held its August meeting on Friday afternoon, August 14, at the home of Mrs. T. J. Carson, with Mrs. C. W. Higgins associate hostess.

The program was in charge of Mrs. Marvin Doughton. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses, assisted by Mrs. Ellen Parks, to about 15 members.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. A. S. Carson, with Mrs. James Toms assistant hostess. Mrs. Lola White will have charge of the next program.

More Teachers For Alleghany Schools Are Now Engaged

Selections Made From Among More Than Sixty Applicants. Schools Of County To Open Aug. 31

From among more than 60 applicants for positions as teachers in the schools of Alleghany county, teachers have been selected for District 1 in the county as follows:

Sparta high school—High School: C. R. Roe, principal, Mrs. C. R. Roe, Mrs. Dalton Warren, Mrs. Clinton Halsey, Miss Jean Reeves, Bryan Taylor, Ralph B. Cheek and Miss Marie Choate, Music, Grades: Mrs. Haswell Rector, Mrs. A. C. McMillan, Mrs. Vance Choate, Mrs. Sam Richardson, Misses Gertrude Andrews, Clyde Higgins and Annie Sue McMillan and Burton McCann.

Liberty Knob, Grace Wagoner; Cheery Lane, Hazel Burchette, Glade Valley, Edna Gentry; Wolf Branch, Hugh Choate and Donna Jones; Pine Swamp, Mrs. Vera Edwards; Whitehead, Evelyn Caudill and Betty Joines; Chestnut Grove, Vada Duncan; Airbells, Murial Caudill; Elk Creek, Ivazelle Taylor; New Hope, Arnold Jones; Tolver, Letha Osborne, and Irwin, June Crouse.

In other districts of the county teachers have been selected as follows: Piney Creek high school—L. K. Halsey, principal, Helen Ingram, Helen Andrews, Gladys Robbins, Ruby Lee Joines, Blanche Gambill, Jean McMillan, George M. Vanhoy, H. D. Quesenberry and M. T. Parsons. Rich Hill, Thelma C. Osborne, principal, and Ruby Lee Joines.

Alleghany county schools are to open on Monday, August 31, according to a recent announcement made by Superintendent W. C. Thompson.

The list of teachers appearing above is that turned in by the District committees and is yet to be approved by the Board.

Game Regulations Announcements For N. C. Issued

R. D. Gentry, Alleghany county game warden, is in receipt of a letter from E. B. Kugler, assistant to J. D. Chalk, commissioner of game and inland fisheries, Raleigh, in regard to dove season regulations.

The letter follows: "Following is copy of telegram received from Mr. Ira N. Gabrielson, Chief of Biological Survey, giving dove season regulations for North Carolina for the 1936-37 season:

"Under regulation amendment mourning dove season your state September one to September thirty and December twenty to January thirty-one."

"This is a split season, September 1st to September 30th, and December 20th to January 31st. Please give this regulation all necessary publicity."

"Other migratory wildfowl seasons will be issued later."

According to Mr. Gentry, at a special meeting of the Department of Conservation and Development, which was held at Morehead City July 18-15, a (continued on page eight)

New Fabrics Feature Fall Fashions



NEW YORK. Above, are two smart Fall outfits which are being featured in fashion parades now under way here. At the left is a cape ensemble of a soft knitted wool mixture with tiny raised flaps in white and light gray on a darker gray hairy surfaced ground. Right, seated, a model box jacketed suit of dark green tweed flecked with red. The skirt is gracefully flared.

Road From Sparta To Roaring Gap May Be Improved

Rebuilding Of This Road In Near Future Is Hoped For. Is Important Since Parkway Crosses It

R. A. Doughton has just received a letter from Capus M. Waynick, chairman of the State Highway and Public Works commission, relative to the construction of the Sparta-Roaring Gap road, in which Mr. Waynick writes:

"I am going to see if I cannot promote the project within a reasonable time. I thank you for your personal interest in this and other matters which concern our work in your county and section of the state. I depend very greatly upon your sympathy and your help."

Much pressure has been put upon the State Highway commission for the completion of this project, and it is hoped that actual construction will be commenced within a reasonable time.

With improved roads both north and south of this stretch, and increased traffic over it, the Sparta-Roaring Gap road has become worn down, and has been in a very unsatisfactory condition for some time. Since the Blue Ridge parkway is soon to be completed across this road, it is becoming all the more important that this link be built.

N. C. Voters To Get Four Ballots At Fall Election

Raleigh, Aug. 17.—North Carolina voters each will mark at least four separate ballots in the November general election, the state board of elections decided today.

One ballot will carry the names of presidential candidates, which will be listed for the first time in this state, instead of the names of presidential electors.

The second will list the names of candidates for state-wide offices and congressional seats. The third will carry three proposed amendments to the state constitution. The fourth will list county candidates.

S. S. DAY PROGRAM TO BE GIVEN AT WALNUT BRANCH A Sunday School Day program is to be presented at Walnut Branch on Sunday, August 23, at 2 p. m. The public is invited to be present.

Women's Club To Hold First Meet Fri. Afternoon

The Women's club, recently organized, will hold its first regular meeting Friday afternoon, August 21, at 3:00 p. m., in the Sparta high school auditorium.

The members are urged to attend, and all prospective members are invited to be present.

A special invitation is issued to ladies in the county residing outside of Sparta, as matters of interest to the county as a whole will be discussed.

Doughton Speaks At Power Meet In Caldwell County

Much Interest Shown In Rural Electrification Proposal At Gathering Held Monday In Lenoir

Congressman R. L. Doughton and Sidney Gambill went to Lenoir Monday, where Mr. Doughton addressed a Caldwell county meeting of farmers who are interested in a county-wide Rural Electrification project for Caldwell county. A Mr. Lake, of the Washington Rural Electrification administration office, also spoke briefly to the group, explaining the terms and conditions under which the government will finance this type of project. Mr. Lake described the meeting as the largest and most enthusiastic group ever to assemble in the United States in the interest of Rural Electrification since the program was commenced more than a year ago. The court house at Lenoir was packed to overflowing, and many local men and women made statements relative to their interest in the proposed project.

Around 2,500 Caldwell county farmers have signed agreements to use electricity, if this project is financed by the government. This is the only requirement of the government, as it takes its sole security as a lien upon the complete plant and system, with an expectation of around twenty years for payment by the collection of minimum charges for electricity used, when, at the end of this period, the plant will belong to the association agreeing to use it.

A similar meeting will be held at the Ashe county courthouse at Jefferson on the 24th of this month and at Boone on the 25th, where representatives from the Washington office will be present.

Delegations from several other counties of the Ninth district attended the Caldwell county meeting Monday, including delegations from Ashe and Watauga counties.

Sen. Reynolds Plans To Speak For Roosevelt

Washington, Aug. 18.—Washington newsmen were given a treat today by Senator Robert R. Reynolds, North Carolina's globe-trotting solon, as he told of his most recent trip to Old Mexico, including his hold-up by bandits near Mexico City.

It was the first time the young senator has had a bandit's gun stuck in his ribs, he said, adding that he thought such escapades were now confined to the cinema.

Reynolds said the bandits lifted \$335 in cash from him, as well as his wrist watch, and said his daughter, Frances, lost a diamond ring which was her mother's. Above all else, he said, he hoped the ring would be recovered, although he has given up hope of the bandits' capture.

The junior North Carolina solon arrived in Washington yesterday from Hot Springs, Ark., where he has been taking the baths, but rested until today, when he met newspapermen.

Reynolds said he would remain here for two weeks, attending to "official duties," and will not return to the Tar Heel state until just prior to September 5 when he is scheduled to speak at Forest City.

He said he had arranged a con- (continued on page 8)

Rain Halts Plans Of Roosevelt To Attend Church Sun.

President Settles Down For Day Of Rest As Intentions To Go To Church Are Thwarted

HAS BUSY WEEK AHEAD

Visits Flood Regions. Expects To Start Tour Of Mid-Western Dry Areas In The Near Future

Hyde Park, N. Y., Aug. 18.—Plans of President Roosevelt to attend morning services Sunday at the family church—St. James Episcopal—were washed out by a heavy rain and, preparing for a busy week ahead, the chief executive settled down for a day of relaxation.

A round of conferences on a variety of topics, from politics to government affairs, was mapped out for the week he expects to remain at his home here before returning briefly to Washington to start a tour of mid-western drought areas.

The president planned, too, to catch up on administration business that piled up during a three day stop-and-run trip through Pennsylvania and New York flood districts and out to Cleveland's Great Lakes Exposition.

From that trip he carried away a picture of areas where flood waters brought death and millions of dollars of damage last spring. To the people of the flood territories he had given assurances of federal cooperation to prevent a repetition of disastrous floods.

A White House assistant said the week might produce a decision as to whether the president will make a trip down the Mississippi river some time after completing the drought states journey.

Hamilton Says Nov. Will See Victory For Republicans

Oklahoma City, Aug. 18.—John D. Hamilton, national Republican chairman, told Oklahoma party leaders at a luncheon here today, "If you'll take care of your Democratic precinct committees, I'll do my damndest to take care of Jim Farley for you."

Assailing what he termed "A bureaucracy that has all the makings of a dictatorship," creation of new federal agencies and issuance of many executive orders which Hamilton said had not been approved by Congress, the Kansan continued his attack on Farley, the national Democratic chairman.

Hamilton quoted Farley as saying in a recent press conference he did not understand the Kansan's tactics in attacking him.

"I understand Farley said 'Hamilton and I are in the same racket,' " the chairman said. "This may be a racket to a New York politician but not to me. We think this is a fight to save the American form of government." "I think you know what will happen in the East," Hamilton said.

ALMANAC

- 20—End of five-day Atlantic cyclone. 300 ships disabled. 1879.
- 21—Germans shoot down their first British airplane. 1914.
- 22—America wins the first international yacht race. 1851.
- 23—A heavy annual blizzard west of New York. 1850.
- 24—Two Americans sail around Atlantic trip in hurricane. 1851.
- 25—United States produces Kansas in state of wheat. 1838.
- 26—Chicago's famous fire. 1871.
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