

REPEAT 1934 TACTICS Those who watch political developments will recollect that after the congressional elections of 1934, there was something of a move on the part of business leaders to "get together" with the President.

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Refusal Of Sloan To Discuss Strike Hit By Roosevelt

Head Of General Motors Refuses To Make Trip To Capital At Request Of Secretary Perkins

DISAPPOINTS PRESIDENT

Says He Regards Decision As A Very Unfortunate One On Mr. Sloan's Part. Lewis Accepts Invitation

Washington, Jan. 26.—Secretary of Labor Perkins was joined today by President Roosevelt in reprimanding the General Motors corporation for refusing to accept Miss Perkins' invitation to a strike peace conference.

PRESIDENT STANDS FIRM

What is behind this? The answer is, nothing. In less than six months, the avil chorus will be in full swing again because the plain truth is that the President has not sacrificed his aims or policies. In fact, it is hardly sensible to believe that he will abandon the course which established his first term record and won such an overwhelming endorsement at the polls.

Since the election the President has expressed himself with feeling on the subject of wages and hours of labor, condemning certain practices and warning business that they must be ended if the unemployed are to be absorbed. He has urged the governors of a number of states to have the Child Labor amendment to the Constitution ratified because, in his view, it is vital to end the sweating of minors. He has suggested Federal-controlled slum clearance and low-cost housing, called for a remedy for the conditions under which tenant farmers and share-croppers exist, and insisted that NRA problems, unfair competition, sweating labor and wage cuts be legislated against.

Moreover dispassionately but with considerable emphasis, he has laid before the Supreme Court the imperative demand for the judiciary to do its part to enable Democratic government in this country to function, and hinted that, unless the judiciary gets into line, something would have to be done about it. He has reiterated the obligation of the Government toward the unemployed, stressed the value of social security legislation, demanded modernization of the executive branch of the Government in order to function as the framers of the Constitution intended it to do. This recital does not indicate much, if any, shift on the part of the President.

in fact, in his inaugural address the President, while couching his intentions in terms of a general objective, served abundant notice upon all concerned that he does not consider his task ended. There can be no mistaking his reference to the necessity for government to function in the battle against modern conditions, to the need for governmental assistance to the citizens of the democracy and the imperative demand that conditions for one-third of the people of this country be improved. Details may be lacking but the general intent is clear and it is in no wise a compromise with those who have denounced past methods or legislative acts.

CONGRESS AMAZED

It is not saying too much to state that many senators and representatives have been amazed at the teaching proposed submitted by the President to revise the administrative mechanism of the Government. The President's request for power to reorganize the executive branch is aimed particularly at 105 existing departments, bureaus, agencies, authorities, commissions and corporations, which have been set up by Congress as independent agencies beyond the reach of the Chief Executive. They have gradually extended their role and now exercise authority in the executive management of the Government, with the result, according to the President, that there is a chaos of establishments with unavoidable overlapping, duplications and contradictory policies. The word from the White House is that the President will insist upon his reorganization proposal and this is

Mrs. Bettie Doughton Dies Mon. Morning; Was Very Prominent

Mrs. Bettie Reeves Doughton, wife of Frank Doughton, passed away at her home at Laurel Springs on Monday morning, January 25, after an illness of several days with pneumonia.

The deceased was a daughter of the late Emmett Reeves and Mrs. Reeves, of Rich Valley, Virginia, and was of a prominent Virginia family. Among her connections are an uncle, Press Reeves, of Independence, Va., and a niece, Mrs. Frank Hackler, of Wilmington.

Surviving are the husband; two stepdaughters, Misses Iva Grace Doughton and Bernice Doughton, and six sisters, Mrs. Marvin Doughton, Sparta, Mrs. Alex Kirk, Independence, Va., Mrs. Mahala Richardson, Marion, Va., Mrs. Byrd Thomas, of Smyth county, Virginia, Mrs. Tom Preston, Abingdon, Va., and Mrs. Hattie Hale, of Tennessee.

The funeral was held yesterday (Wednesday) at 11 o'clock, at the Rich Valley Methodist church, of which Mrs. Doughton was a member. The services were conducted by the pastor, assisted by Rev. H. G. Ford, pastor of the Sparta Baptist church.

FORMER RESIDENTS OF CO. WIN FARM AWARDS IN PA.

Among persons who received first award for exhibits at the State Farm Exhibit just closed at Harrisburg, Pa., were several former Alleghany and Ashe county residents, who are now numbered among Pennsylvania's successful farmers.

Hollywood Premiere Held Last Week At Spartan Theatre

In the Hollywood premiere held at the Spartan theatre on Wednesday and Thursday nights of last week, in which the popularity of each contestant was judged by public voting, Miss Mozelle Blavins, as Mae West, won the three-months pass to the theatre.

Miss Ella Edwards, imitating Ina Ray Hutton, received the two-months pass to the theatre, while Gene Irwin and Howard Honaker, as Laurel and Hardy, won the one-month pass to the theatre.

In the Shirley Temple contest, Betty Lou Scaggs won the Shirley Temple dress that was awarded the winner by Belk's Department store.

Roosevelt Ball In Galax To Be Elaborate Affair

Arrangements Rapidly Going Forward For 4th Annual Ball To Be Held Friday Night

Elaborate preparations are rapidly going forward for the fourth annual birthday ball for President Roosevelt to be held in Galax, which is to take place tomorrow (Friday), January 29, in Firemen-Legion hall. This event will be held on the eve of the president's 55th birthday anniversary, which falls on Saturday, January 30.

John Peddicord's orchestra, of Winston-Salem, will furnish music for the affair and a large attendance from practically all sections of Grayson and Carroll counties and portions of Alleghany county, and elsewhere, is expected.

The affair, which is looked forward to for months preceding the time each year, and which is held for the benefit of the fight against infantile paralysis, from which the president himself was once a sufferer, is expected to be a really outstanding event.

The ball is sponsored jointly by the Galax Association of Commerce and Galax Rotary club.

Floyd Williams is chairman of the committee on arrangements and is actively in charge of preparations for the event.

Alleghany School Attendance Data Is Made Public

According to a report of the State School Commission of North Carolina, the average daily enrollment of white children in the high schools of Alleghany county for the scholastic year 1935-36 was 316, and elementary 1,434, making a total of 1,750. For colored children, the number is 85. There is no high school for Negroes in the county.

For the same year, the average daily attendance of white children in the high schools was 301, and elementary 1,218, making a total of 1,519. Colored attendance averaged 69.

The state allotment of white teachers for Alleghany county for the year 1935-1936 was as follows: High school, 11; elementary, 44, with a total of 55, four colored, making a total of 59 teachers for the county.

The total expenditures for Alleghany county's schools for the scholastic year 1935-1936 are as follows: State funds, \$47,888.30; local funds, \$3,116.10, and total state and local funds, \$51,004.40.

HARDWARE AND IMPLEMENT CO. REORGANIZED HERE

The Farmers Hardware and Implement Company, Inc., was reorganized at a meeting held recently.

The following officers were elected: C. C. Wallace, president; J. Horton Doughton, vice-president, and Amos Wagoner, secretary-treasurer and general manager.

Mississippi River Levees Are Threatened By Rushing Flood Waters Of The Ohio

Supreme Effort Being Made To Strengthen Mighty Levee System. High Crests Feared

FLOOD DAMAGE PLACED AT \$3000,000,000.00

Admiral Grayson Says Red Cross And Nation Faces Greatest Crisis Since World War

In a supreme effort to strengthen the already-strained levees of the mighty Mississippi river—gravely threatened by the history-making flood on the Ohio river—a great, quiet fight was being waged Tuesday night as the outlook in the hard-hit Ohio valley brightened.

Altogether the floods—reaching from the upper Ohio to the deep south—had taken more than 130 lives; made an estimated 750,000 homeless; caused property damage placed at more than \$300,000,000.

It was, said Admiral Cary T. Grayson, national chairman of the Red Cross, "the greatest emergency the nation and the Red Cross have faced since the World war."

Along the Mississippi, where a district engineer for the United States army at Memphis had predicted the worst flood of all time, men were ordered to build a solid sandbag-backed wall of planks stretching 300 miles or more from New Madrid, Mo., down to Louisiana.

At the New Orleans tip of the great river, W. F. McDonald, of the United States weather bureau, said the oncoming waters were expected to send the Mississippi at that city to 21 feet—four feet above flood stage—or as high as in the great flood of 1927.

And this estimate, he said, was based on "normal rainfalls hereafter and levee lines maintained intact."

A 65-foot stage for Memphis, some 10 feet above the 1927 high, had been predicted by engineers. Between Cairo, Ill., and Memphis the levees range in height from five to 10 feet above the 1927 flood stages.

Other official forecasts were for a 57-foot crest at Natchez, Miss., 11 feet above flood stage, and for 45.5 at Baton Rouge, La., where flood stage is 36 feet.

Louisville, where Ohio river flood water covered 30 square miles, was without lights or transportation and faced a water shortage. Cincinnati was a vast lake, except for its seven hills, its power curtailed and its industry paralyzed.

Evansville, Ind., and Portsmouth, O., were being evacuated. Trains and busses moved northward through southern Indiana with refugees. In some sections of Paducah, Ky., water stood six feet deep.

Meanwhile Mississippi levees as

far south as Arkansas were reported in danger. One near Helena, Ark., said an engineer, "might go out within 24 to 36 hours."

Army engineers received orders to drop rescue work at midnight to give their whole energies to the vast task of trying to save the great levee line.

Other levee breaks were threatened at Charleston and New Madrid, Mo., and near Tiptonville, Tenn.

In three Southern states—Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi—and in the border state of Missouri, more than 2,000,000 acres, or some 3,000 square miles, were under water, but no large cities were inundated. Memphis was prepared to care for 50,000 refugees.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 26.—Old man river swept deeper through Louisville's doors tonight, then paused as a determined city, with all the help the outside world could rush to her assistance, fought back green-brown walls of water, hunger and cold, homelessness and terrifying fear.

For four successive hours, the opulent Ohio like a great octopus pausing for breath, rested at the amazing flood level of 56.9 feet, double the ordinary flood conditions, or 10 feet higher than the previous record flood of 1884.

Two Boys Taken Into Custody Sun. Night For Stealing Meat

At nine o'clock Sunday night, Sheriff Walter M. Irwin was notified by Mrs. Sherman Moxley, on New River, that five hams had been stolen from her a short time before.

Clues were immediately picked up and about five o'clock Monday morning Woodrow Maines and Doc Maines were arrested at Twin Oaks. The hams were found in the car the boys were travelling in.

Loyd Maines, one of the thieves, escaped and is still at large. He recently served an eight months' term on the road for stealing meat.

Construction Work At Laurel Springs School Progresses

Project Going Forward Under WPA. More Work Being Done At Sparta High School

In spite of the rainy weather that has prevailed for the last month, marked progress has been shown on construction of the Laurel Springs school building, which is being built by the Works Progress Administration, and sponsored by the Alleghany county commissioners.

The Project Proposal for this work was approved for \$8,251.60 Federal funds and \$7,262.70 sponsor's funds, however, anticipated adjustments have been made so as to complete this building at a cost of approximately \$3,000 to the county. Much of the material salvaged from the demolition of the old building is being used in the new structure.

Twenty-five men are now employed on this project, and if fair weather is forthcoming for the next two weeks, the brick work will be completed and the roof on. After completion of these two items of work, weather will be of little consequence as the remainder of the work will be on the inside. The building is expected to be completed by March 1. With the exception of finishing hardware, inside doors, and a few other incidental items, all materials are on hand necessary for the completion of the building. After the building was started and the order

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War Denounced By Bishop McConnell In Winston-Salem

Debunking the "glory of war" and its "moral regeneration" a Methodist Episcopal bishop, Francis J. McConnell, urged in Winston-Salem Tuesday night that campaigners for peace combat war with commonsense and a conviction that armed conflict of nations is not inevitable.

Addressing a peace movement audience at the First Presbyterian church in the twin city, the minister, former De Pauw university president, denounced war as "mass slaughter," destroying the mental balance of nations and the moral character of whole peoples.

His address in Winston-Salem—first in a local drive for peace sentiment—was one of a series being delivered over the nation under auspices of the emergency peace committee. Between 250 and 300 persons heard the New York churchman speak.

Woman's Club To Hold Postponed Meeting Friday

The regular meeting of the Woman's club, postponed from last Friday, January 22, is to be held next Friday afternoon, January 29, at 3:30 o'clock, in the court house.

The women of Sparta and Alleghany county are cordially invited to attend.

To Hold Dairy Development Meet Here Next Monday

Similar Meeting Is To Take Place Mon. Night At Piney Creek H. S. Good Attendance Urged

BLACK IS INTERESTED

Carnation Company May Run Milk Routes From Alleghany To Galax When Plant Is Finished

A meeting is to be held at the court house in Sparta on Monday, February 1, at 1:30 p. m., for the purpose of discussing the development of the dairy industry in this section, in view of the fact that one or more milk routes may be operated from Alleghany to the Carnation condensing plant now under construction in Galax.

This plant, which is expected to cost approximately \$275,000, will probably be ready for operation by April 1.

If the farmers of Alleghany are interested in furnishing milk for the Galax plant, the Carnation company expects to operate milk routes from the county. The meeting is to be held at the instance of R. E. Black, Alleghany county farm agent, in order that the farmers of the county may become better acquainted with what the Carnation company is doing.

H. D. Quesenberry, Agriculture teacher in Piney Creek high school, has also scheduled a similar meeting to be held at Piney Creek high school on Monday night, February 1, at seven o'clock.

At both meetings, a representative of the Carnation Milk company will be present, as well as J. J. Baker, of the Industrial department of the Norfolk and Western railroad.

Mr. Black, county agent, urges every farmer in Alleghany county who is interested in marketing whole milk to attend one of these meetings.

If there are other sections of the county which would be interested in having a meeting, Mr. Black would be glad to make arrangements for such meetings if interested persons would inform him.

TIMES Editor Meets Former Teacher Of Co. At Press Meet

While in Fredericksburg, Va., attending the mid-winter meeting of the Virginia Press association last Friday and Saturday, H. B. Zabriskie, editor of the TIMES, met Mrs. John Huff, a former teacher in Alleghany county but now teaching in Fredericksburg State Teachers college. Mrs. Huff will be remembered in Alleghany as a teacher in Glade Valley high school.

The Virginia publishers were served a delightful banquet Saturday night at Fredericksburg State Teachers college.



- 1-Act passed appointing the electoral commission, 1877.
2-Adolph Hitler named premier of Germany, 1933.
3-Potent office lease first posted on electric poles, 1924.
4-United States breaks off diplomatic relations with Germany, 1933.
5-First patent issue in United States for auto motor, 1895.
6-United States breaks off diplomatic relations with Germany, 1933.
7-Pullman Pullman was patented, 1832.