

TODAY'S THOUGHT
"Let him that would move the world first move himself."—Socrates.

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President Comes Out Flatly For Wage, Hour Law

Says Such Legislation Should Be Enacted And Expresses Hope That It Will Be Soon

EMPHASIZES STAND

Report Of Committee Urges That Future Attempts To Regulate Business Be Made More Flexible

Washington, Mar. 2.—President Roosevelt came out flatly and emphatically today for new wage and hour legislation at the present session of congress.

He said at a press conference that such a statute ought to be enacted and that he hoped it would be before congress goes home.

The president's assertion, in the midst of his fight for power to name six new justices to the supreme bench where the old NRA was killed, stirred immediate speculation as to the possible effect upon that controversy.

Some administration supporters have predicted that labor groups would campaign unrelentingly for the proposed court reorganization if assured new federal regulation of working conditions.

In disclosing his attitude, the president warned reporters against quoting him as saying the legislation "must" be passed. He said none of the legislation he has advocated is in the "must" category as far as he is concerned, and urged that that term be discarded. It has been used widely in the past to describe bills wanted by the president.

His press conference closely followed the sending to congress of a report by a presidential committee which conducted a post-mortem on the dead NRA.

It urged that future attempts to regulate business be more flexible and simpler.

The report, containing the results of exhaustive research into the functioning of the national recovery administration was sent to congress by President Roosevelt. He expressed belief "it will point the way to the solution of many vexing problems of legislation and administration in one of the most vital subjects of national concern."

The committee credited NRA with lifting wages and putting more than 2,000,000 persons to work. But it hit at what is called "uncertain" policies and "impractical and unenforceable" provisions of codes.

Several of the committee findings drew a hot challenge from General Hugh S. Johnson, first NRA head, who asserted the group was "packed" with persons "inimical to NRA."

Known as the president's committee on industrial analysis and composed of three cabinet members and four outside economists and business men, the group said that if the NRA type of business controls are to be tried again they "should be limited to a few important industries."

Sheriff Inquires Into Death Of Man At Mouth Of Wilson

Tuesday Sheriff Walter M. Irwin Was Called to Mouth of Wilson to Inquire Into the Death of Henry Brinnick, who was found dead in bed at his home Tuesday morning by Emory Burchett.

Mr. Burchett had tended him on Monday night and, when he returned next morning, found him dead in bed.

Mr. Brinnick, who was about 73 years old, lived alone. He had been in bad health for some time. Mr. Brinnick, a German, came from Iowa several years ago.

Dance To Be Held Fri. Night In "Gym" Of Sparta H. S.

A dance will be held tomorrow (Friday) night, from 9:30 to 1:30, in the Sparta high school gymnasium.

Fred Moore's orchestra, of Boone, will furnish music.

RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP CARDS BEING DISTRIBUTED

Red Cross membership badges and cards have been received here and are being distributed to those who have contributed as much as one dollar to the Red Cross.

Contributions to the Red Cross have been received recently as follows: Wolf Branch school, \$2.75, and Glade Valley high school, \$10.00.

Detroit Strikers Are Injured By Flying Missiles

First Sit-down Strike Of "Five-and-Ten" Store Girls Is Started. More Than 100 Girls Join

Detroit, Mar. 2.—Three strikers, one a woman, were felled by flying missiles here Saturday in the first violence of the unrelated labor disputes that have spread in the city's industrial plants since the General Motors strikes were settled.

The injuries were received as union workers holding two buildings of the Ferro Stamping company in a sit-down strike of several days duration ousted about 20 non-union employees from the administration building in a brief but spirited attack.

Wayne Marlett, strike chairman, said Anna Gouci, 23; Alex Laslo, 21, and Peter Kuhn, 23, were struck when the nonunion men hurled lead missiles three inches in diameter at the strikers. Burwell E. Allen, assistant treasurer of the company said, "there was no lead thrown to my knowledge," and added he believed one non-union striker was injured.

The largest strike in the city affected 1,000 foundry workers at the Michigan Malleable Iron company, where 100 "stay-in" strikers held the factory. J. K. Kennedy, assistant organizational director of the United Automobile Workers of America, said the strikers demanded reinstatement of four union members discharged last week, and wage increases of 10 cents an hour.

Picketing of main plants of the Northern States Power company at Minneapolis continued as police guarded substations. Secretary of Labor Perkins sent Father Francis Haas to mediate. Vandays interrupted the flow of electricity of some 2,000 homes. Minnesota's attorney-general studied the legality of state control of the facilities pending settlement of the strike.

Strike leaders strove to gain new recruits in an attempt to prevent the scheduled resumption Monday of submarine building at

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Freedom Of The Seas Insisted On By Borah

Washington, Mar. 2.—Senator Borah today insisted on the "freedom of the seas" and announced he would fight proposals to restrict wartime trade when Senate debate on proposed war control legislation opened.

The Pittman bill, up before that body, imposes restrictions on American commercial and financial transactions and travel in wartime as insurance against the United States becoming embroiled in future conflicts.

"I am for those provisions which would prohibit the shipment of arms, ammunition and implements of war to belligerent nations," Borah said in an interview.

"I am for a strict prohibition of loans and other financial assistance to warring nations.

"I favor a prohibition on Americans traveling on the ships of belligerent nations.

"I am, however, against provisions of the neutrality bill which throw away our right to carry our own goods through the seas, when two other nations are at war."

Asked when he would get into the debate, Borah replied: "I'll get in as soon as I can."

Rubber-Tired Covered Wagon Headed East



ST. LOUIS... They look a bit like '49ers except that they're headed East and their covered wagon is rubber-tired. They're from California, youths headed for Washington to the American Youth Congress, to urge support on a Senate bill providing training and employment of disarming youth. They are, left to right, George Kaufman, Cecil McKay, Malby Roberts, Selma Marks, Nathan Dregman and Dorothy Peters.

Mount Airy Negro Sparta Physician Sentenced To Die In Gas Chamber

Dr. Guy Duncan Succumbs To Injuries Received When Car Strikes Bridge Abutment. Funeral Mon.

Mount Airy, March 2.—A Surry county jury late Friday found Tom Matlin, 24-year-old Mount Airy Negro, guilty of first degree burglary and was sentenced to die in the lethal gas chamber at Raleigh on Friday, March 26.

The first person to receive a death sentence in Surry county in over twenty years, Matlin will be the fourth man and the only Surry Negro ever sentenced to die, according to existing records.

The case which had consumed four days of superior court at Dobson, was given to the jury at 4 p. m. and a verdict was returned at 5:25 p. m. The jury was polled at the request of Matlin's attorneys Wilson Barber and Judge A. E. Tilley and with the

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Columnist Talks About Alleghany Representative In Raleigh Paper

(Below is reprinted a portion of the column, headed "Under the Dome With the Legislature," published in the issue of the Raleigh News and Observer for Saturday, February 27, concerning Representative D. P. Taylor, of Alleghany county. In view of the fact that many readers of THE TIMES will find the reading interesting, the portion of the column relating to Mr. Taylor is reprinted.—Editor.)

The reference follows: PATRIARCH—Alleghany county produces a hardy breed of folks. North Carolina's elder statesman, Congressman "Farmer Bob" Doughton, goes back up there every summer to pitch hay. His older brother, former Lieut.-Gov. "Rufe" Doughton, now inactive after a long career in politics, is a product of the same county.

Yesterday, another Alleghany county man, who has been a delight to the members of the 1937 House of Representatives, stepped out and showed his mettle. The oldest man in the General Assembly, Representative D. P. Taylor, of Alleghany is a newcomer to State politics at the age of 74. "I am 21 days older than Bob (Doughton)," he said yesterday. When Cleveland ran for president the first time, Mr. Taylor voted for him but Bob Doughton was one day too young. They were born within two miles of each other and grew up together. "We went to school together and we were playmates," said Mr. Taylor.

From Alleghany county, Bob Doughton went to Congress and to the most important chairmanship in the House. D. P. Taylor was content with a career as a country trade and, for a time, as a funeral director. After he had

passed his prime, the depression swept away his fortune. "I am as penniless as a beggar on the highway," he said yesterday.

But, he seems to have retained one or two priceless possessions, good sound horse-sense and a strain of humor of the kind that only country stores and farms can produce. Those two things have given him stature in a House of Representatives that normally would pay no mind to an old man.

And so it was that the House listened yesterday when Mr. Taylor made the longest speech of his legislative career, to condemn the small loan bill.

They expected the speech to be quaint and funny, and sometimes it was. They remembered when, in the middle of the liquor debate, Mr. Taylor stepped out from behind the Speaker's stand and said, "I'm a little deaf, but I kept hearing sounds of 'Bring Liquor Back. Bring Liquor Back.' What I want to know is when, in the name of God, did hit left here?"

They recalled the day when there was discussion of a bill to allow a wife under 21 years of age to join her husband in signing away their home site. Again, Mr. Taylor, whose fondness for smoking a black old pipe and talking often takes him into the House lobbies, stepped out. "I'm the oldest man here," he said, "and I don't think a man ought to marry women less than 21 years old."

As usual, that speech was only one or two sentences long and all the more effective for its brevity, socking the nail right on the head. One day his entire discourse consisted in nothing more

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NEW THEATRE TO OPEN MON. NIGHT IN ELKIN

The Elk Theatre, in Elkin, a new and modern picture house just constructed and equipped by Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Reeves, will open next Monday night, at 7 o'clock with "Sea Devils," starring Victor McLaglen, Preston Foster and Ida Lupino, as the first attraction.

"Nothing New In Brannock Case," Says Sheriff Irwin

Investigation Continues, However, In Earnest, And Authorities Are Hopeful Of Ultimate Success

No late developments have arisen in the Elva Brannock assault-murder case in Alleghany county, North Carolina, according to Sheriff Walter M. Irwin, of Alleghany, who talked recently with a representative of THE TIMES.

However, the investigation is going forward quietly and it is hoped that something definitely indicative of the true identity of the killer of the pretty school girl will "turn up" soon. It seems that every effort is being put forth by Sheriff Irwin and his associates in trying to bring the guilty party, or parties, to justice at the earliest possible moment.

Reports have been circulated in some quarters during the past few days that new and incriminating evidence had been obtained in connection with the case, but Sheriff Irwin emphatically stated in his conversation with THE TIMES that there was "nothing to" such reports and that there have been absolutely no new developments in the case during the past several days.

The girl's body was found on February 12 after she had been missing from her home since February 8, when she was last seen alive in the community where she lived, and in which was the region through which she had to pass on her way to the Dividing Ridge school, about three miles from her home and to which she had started when she was assaulted and apparently strangled to death by the unknown assailant.

It will be recalled that the victim usually walked to and from school, traveling the scenic highway from her home about half the distance to school and then turned to the right on to a dirt road which leads by the school building and which runs parallel

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Roosevelt Court Plan Scored By Senator George

Washington, March 2.—The charge was made Sunday night by Senator Walter F. George, of Georgia, that President Roosevelt had "repudiated" loyal Democrats who had publicly pledged the Democratic party would take no "short roads" to solve the nation's social and economic problems.

The Georgian, a member of the 1936 Democratic convention platform committee, attacked the president's proposal to appoint an additional supreme court justice for each incumbent who did not retire upon reaching the 70-year age mark. George contended such a proposal had not been advocated in the convention or campaign.

"Without warning," George declared, the president has now "demanded of the national legislature a subservient judiciary."

Senator Copeland (D. N. Y.), also criticized the Roosevelt recommendation to Congress. In a radio address Sunday night Copeland asserted it was an attempt to "reshape our institutions by usurpation."

In Newark, N. J., New York State Supreme Court Justice William Harman Black entered the

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N. C. "Bobs" Say They Will Urge Finishing Parkway

Representative Doughton, Of Alleghany County, And Senator Reynolds Discuss Topic Tuesday

STRESS SCENIC BEAUTY

Governor Hoey Compares Parkway With Appian Road That Leads To The "Eternal City" Of Rome

Raleigh, Mar. 2.—Members of the General Assembly were told by the two North Carolina "Bobs" in Congress, Senator Robert R. Reynolds and Representative Robert L. Doughton, at a dinner here tonight that they will urge the appropriation of necessary funds to complete the Blue Ridge parkway.

Saying he believed President Roosevelt would see that funds were made available to complete the park-to-park highway, Doughton said the road "to me at first was a dream, then a reality and then almost an obsession." He added, "I believe its scenic beauty will be unrivaled anywhere."

The proposed road would stretch from Front Royal in the Shenandoah Park in Virginia to Swain county, in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park in North Carolina, a distance of approximately 475 miles. About \$7,000,000 has been spent on the road in North Carolina and Virginia, and about \$25,000,000 is needed to complete the road, Capus M. Waynick, state highway and public works commissioner, estimated.

Doughton, introduced by Democratic National Committeeman A. D. Folger, prefaced his talk with compliments to Waynick and to former Commissioner E. B. Jefferson, of Greensboro, during whose tenure of office efforts for building the road were begun.

Declaring that no money is necessary to advertise the "Mountains of Western North Carolina," Doughton said that the parkway would attract thousands of travelers and prove an economic asset to the state.

"It pays to advertise," said Reynolds, "for since I kissed Jean Harlow, I've never had to kiss so many women in my life."

He congratulated the legislature for its efforts to appropriate \$25,000 for the systematic advertising of the state and credited Governor Hoey with being instrumental in obtaining advantages for the state.

"But it was Bob Doughton who put over this parkway," said Reynolds, "and we are proud of him, Chairman of the most important committee (ways and means) in Congress."

Reynolds answered the introduction by Gregg Cherry, of Gaston, speaker of the House, with compliments for the General Assembly, declaring it was the first time he ever had addressed a legislative gathering.

Governor Hoey, who was introduced by Lieut-Governor W. F. Horton, thanked the congressional delegation for their efforts in urging the completion of the

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Truth and honesty have no need of laws

- 1-British fire on American citizens; later known as Boston massacre, 1770.
- 2-Famous Dred Scott election affecting runaway slaves handed down by Supreme Court, 1857.
- 3-First patent is issued on telephone instrument, 1876.
- 4-Treaty signed opening Japan to United States ships, 1854.
- 5-Pancho Villa, Mexican bandit, raided Columbus, N. Mex., 1916.
- 6-Patent for cut-off and valve for steam engine granted, 1843.
- 7-Tenney patent on oil from Boston for Congress, 1832.