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TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Science is but the statement of truth found out."—Coley.

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DEMOCRATIC DIVISIONS

Now that Congress has adjourned and the members are back at home, in touch with their constituents, it is a very popular pastime to glance back at the record set by the first session of the 75th Congress. It is not an entirely pleasing picture that the Democrats present to the nation because the work of the two houses and the indicated purposes of the Administration do not blend at all.

LEADERSHIP DESERTED

Elected last fall the Congressmen were supposed to be in complete harmony with the New Deal chieftain, who had scored a spectacular popular victory at the polls. In fact, many of the Democrats owed their presence in the legislative halls to the firm grip that they kept on the coattails of F. D. R. when they were before the voters of their district. However, the program of the Administration was not carried through although no one can deny that the President asked for action. He did not get it and the onus for the failure rests directly upon the factions in both houses which were able to block the demands of the party chief.

IS ROOSEVELT RIGHT?

What worries the leaders of these factions, who joined Republicans in demolishing the legislative proposals, is the fear that the President may be right in the belief that the people of the country are behind him. This would mean only one result, their defeat when they come up for reelection. Certainly, those who have made names for themselves among the opposition to the New Deal will face determined opposition within the party primaries. This will be true regardless of whether the Administration attempts to punish the recalcitrants or not. There is always somebody ready to take a Congressman's job, in spite of the summer heat that makes Washington sweeter.

DEMANDS HIS PROGRAM

While the President is not apt to take a direct hand in party battles the readers may take it for granted that Mr. Roosevelt intends to explain the present political situation to the voters. He will not mince words nor retract any advocacy of legislative plans to complete the reforms that he insists the nation desires. The President, it can be stated, does not feel that Congress has responded to the expressed will of the people, as manifested in the national elections of 1936, and for that reason will make the record clear to the voters, confident that when this is done, the voters will take care of the opposition.

BURDEN ON CONGRESS

The much-advertised split of the Democratic party does not exist in the President's mind for the simple reason that he does not think that the personal views of certain Congressmen represent the voters of their bailiwicks. Mr. Roosevelt is confident that the majority of the people are with him on the court battle, the wages and hours bill and his effort to improve the lot of the average American. He looks to the vast numbers of "average Americans" to constitute a political majority in the nation that will be ready to support an administration which firmly sets its talents to taking care of the welfare of the average man. The rule of this majority expressed at the polls is his idea of democracy and it is plain that his present purpose is to weld this majority into a permanent political power.

For this majority to be expressive and effective it is necessary that governmental machinery that allows a minority anywhere to block the will of the voters as a whole must be overhauled in the interests of real democracy, as the President sees it. This is the idea back of the court proposals. It is the basis of the fear on the part of the recalcitrants that the President plans reprisals. It will explain the tactics of Mr. Roosevelt's Democratic opponents who fill the air with lamentations about the old order's lapse and insist that the President is wrecking the party and the nation by insisting upon his program.

DEFEATS WERE MANY

Not only was the President defeated on the bill to reorganize the Supreme Court in a spectacular Senate battle but the effort

Roosevelt Will Seek No 3rd Term, Says His Mother

Dictatorship Is Farthest From President's Mind, Mrs. Sarah Roosevelt Says in Paris Interview

Paris, Aug. 30.—Mrs. Sarah Delano Roosevelt, mother of the President, said today that her son does not want a third term in the White House because he feels that, after the next three years, he will have done "what was expected of him."

"I am sure my son does not want to run for a third term," Mrs. Roosevelt said during a 45-minute interview at the Hotel George V where she is staying during a month's visit in Paris.

Discussing rumors that the President might be planning to organize a third party for the 1940 campaign, Mrs. Roosevelt said she had never heard him mention such a possibility and that she believed the idea could not have originated with him "because he is an ardent Democrat."

"He feels that when he has completed the next three years he will have done what was expected of him and will be ready to let someone take his place," she said.

"Surely, there are other capable men in the country competent for the presidency."

She said the Supreme Court plan was not launched because the President had any grudges against any members of the court but rather because he was far-sighted and interested in the nation's future welfare.

"Dictatorship," she added, "is the farthest thing from his mind. He never like the idea of dictatorship and would not want it for himself."

"Criticism does not seem to bother the President. It is no doubt discouraging, but he loves his task and goes ahead with what he thinks is the best course."

Examination For Domestic Servants Required In N. C.

A copy of a law enacted at the 1937 session of the General Assembly of North Carolina, requiring the examination of domestic servants, has been received here.

This act requires that all domestic servants in the state be examined at least once a year to determine whether or not they are infected with venereal disease, tuberculosis, or other communicable disease in transmissible form. The law states that such examination shall be made by a practicing physician or the public health officer, who shall furnish such domestic servants with health certificates which they may exhibit to their employers. These certificates, with the original report of the Wasserman test attached, shall state that such servant is free from venereal disease, tuberculosis, or other communicable disease in transmissible form.

Persons in Alleghany county now employed or expecting to be employed as a domestic servant should go at once to the physician of their choice for this examination, as failure to do so is punishable by fine or imprisonment.

Searchers Fail To Find Missing N. C. Cadet

Shreveport, La., Aug. 31.—Three full squadrons, 72 planes, of the army's third wing stationed at Barksdale Field, returned tonight after an unsuccessful search for Flying Cadet Guy M. Edgerton, 24, whose plane disappeared in bad weather over East Texas late yesterday.

With 11 other student fliers, Edgerton, whose home is Kenly, N. C., was en route to Kelly Field, San Antonio, from Barksdale. He failed to report at the end of the flight.

Saves Three Lives



WOODMERE, L. I. . . . Pretty 19-year-old Margaret Murray, swam a mile through heavy seas at night to summon aid for three other members of a party who were clinging to an upset boat off shore.

Joe Louis Wins Title Bout Mon. Only By Points

Yankee Stadium, New York, Aug. 31.—Joe Louis, 23-year-old Negro, born in a cabin down where the cotton blooms in Alabama, retained his world's heavyweight boxing championship here last night by defeating game and courageous Tommy Farr, from Tonypandy, Wales, in a 15-round battle.

Louis, using a deadly left jab in the last rounds, finished strong to win a decision that stunned fight critics from throughout the world. The game Farr, blood-trickling down both cheeks, gave a demonstration of courage and heart that won him the acclaim of the crowd.

Thirty-three thousand fight fans came out tonight to see the lamb led to slaughter but it took Louis' greatest skill to win. For 15 rounds the Brown Bomber from Detroit kept that man-killing right hooked for a final blow but he never found his opening as Farr, holding his chin low, kept his left in Joe's face on the champion away where he could never deliver that blow.

For years England has sent her champions to New York and they have finished on the floor. But last night Farr stayed on his feet and while there was little doubt as to Louis' winning the triumph, all Britain can give praise to the gameness of her sons to invade these shores.

Alabama Screen Star Is Married To New York Man

Jasper, Ala., Aug. 31.—In a quiet ceremony performed tonight, Tallulah Bankhead, screen and stage star and daughter of Speaker of the House William B. Bankhead, was married to John Emory, of New York.

The ceremony was performed in the Bankhead home here by Probate Judge L. G. Garrison. The actress and Emory, who is connected with the stage in New York, flew south from New York today in a chartered plane, landed at Birmingham and motored here for the wedding.

Only a civil ceremony was performed. Stephen Cole, of New York, who accompanied the couple on their flight south, was best man. Miss Bankhead was attended by Miss Edith Smith, her secretary.

The wedding apparently took the "royal family of Alabama" by surprise. Only Speaker Bankhead and his wife were present for the ceremony with a few close friends.

Sen. John Bankhead did not attend the ceremony, although he arrived for a brief informal reception immediately after the wedding.

While on the stage in England, Miss Bankhead was often seen in the company of Edward, the former Prince of Wales and King of England, now the Duke of Windsor.

Galax Fair Now In Full Swing; To Close Sat.

Despite heavy rains early in the week, the Great Galax fair is now in full swing, and it is expected that several thousand persons will have passed through the gates when the annual event comes to a close Saturday night. The midway now presents the familiar carnival appearance and the "fair spirit" is in the air.

Many Alleghany persons attend the Galax fair every year, as it is put on, not only for the immediate Grayson and Carroll counties territory, but for persons living in the bordering counties of Alleghany, Surry, in North Carolina, and others in Virginia.

One of the outstanding features of the fair is to be the horse show that is to be held today (Thursday), when two performances will be presented, one at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon and the other at 7:30 o'clock at night. Prizes are being offered in all the various classes that are usually seen at the most modern and up-to-the-minute horse shows.

The show will be held in the race track in front of the grandstand, as usual.

Races in the afternoons, fireworks displays at night, big free acts in front of the grandstand each afternoon and night, exhibits galore, and Smith's Superba band are only some of the many and varied attractions that those who attend the big annual event find.

Marks Shows, on the midway, include in their vast array of amusement units a large number of spectacular and colorful shows, many thrilling rides, trained animals, jungle beasts, desert demons, dare-devil riders, sensational aerialists, funny clowns and tuneful bands.

Many of the season's finest specimens of agricultural products are on display in the large exhibit building, as well as an abundance of the best in domestic exhibits and in home-prepared foods, such as jellies, preserves, pies, cakes, etc., not to speak of the many head of choice livestock on exhibit in that department.

Baptist Young People To Hold Meet Here Sunday

An association-wide meeting for young people will be held at Sparta Baptist church on Sunday afternoon, September 5, at 3 o'clock.

The program follows: Song; Devotional, Mrs. John Cashion, of North Wilkesboro; Welcome, by the pastor, Rev. Howard J. Ford; Special Music; Sword drill, by Intermediates of the First Baptist Church in Mount Airy; "Why Have An Associational B. T. U.?" by Dr. David Mashburn, educational director of the First Baptist Church of Mount Airy; Special music; Address, "Open Doors," by Miss Mabel Starnes; Report of the nominating committee, and installation of officers.

To Hold No More Clinics This Year At Roaring Gap

According to Mrs. Virginia Ashley Greene, county nurse, no more clinics will be held this year at Roaring Gap Baby hospital.

All those who are registered for the tonsil clinic are to report at the hospital on Saturday, September 11, for their final examination.

Tonsils will be removed on September 12 and 16, and the hospital will close for the summer on the 17th.

PLANE FALLS IN GREAT SALT LAKE, REPORT SAYS

Salt Lake City, Aug. 31.—Army airport officials reported tonight that one training plane had crashed into Great Salt Lake and another was missing.

Each plane carried two men. Only one ship of a patrol of three returned to the army airport from a trip to Wendover, Utah, on the Nevada border.

Andrew W. Mellon Passes Away; Is Buried Saturday

Southampton, N. Y., Aug. 31.—In the home of his daughter, Mrs. David Bruce, Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury under Presidents Harding, Coolidge and Hoover; former ambassador to England, and one of the world's richest men, died peacefully Thursday night.

Death was due to uremia and bronchial pneumonia.

He was in his 83rd year. His death took from the American scene one of the last of its statesmen-financiers.

Mellon, spare, quiet, white-haired and reserved, had gone to the home of Mrs. Bruce last month, his health weakened by the excessive June heat of Washington where he had remained to arrange for his National Gallery of Art.

Oil and aluminum were at the base of his vast fortune—one of the world's greatest.

After serving under three presidents, Mellon said on his 75th birthday:

"Life has been, and still is, both full and interesting; and I shall go, when the time comes, 'As a satisfied guest from life's banquet.'"

Pittsburgh, Aug. 31.—Andrew Mellon was buried Saturday in a vault beside his brother, Richard B. Mellon, to whose partnership in life the former treasury secretary often referred as "my brother and I."

More than 2,000 friends and mourners filled the \$4,000,000 East Liberty Presbyterian church for the brief and simple funeral rites upon which the great financier had insisted.

Hundreds more stood outside the church as the bronze casket was carried out and taken to Alleghany cemetery for private burial in the family vault.

Hawks Family Reunion Is Held In Galax Aug. 29

On Sunday, August 29, all the living children of Mrs. Laura E. Hawks met at the old home place on Front street in Galax for a family reunion, the first time that the children had been home since 1918, at which time the father, Charles W. Hawks, died. The Hawks family moved to Galax from Lumburg in 1909, where this large family was raised.

After a joyous morning at the old home the family journeyed to Lumburg to attend the Lumburg Home-Coming, and spent the remainder of the day with friends and relatives.

All of the thirteen children were present, except Harley and Edna, who died in infancy, at Lumburg, and Io, who died in Oregon in 1930. Elbert L. Cox, of Heppner, Oregon, the husband of Io, and their children, LaMoine, Nalbro and Lyle, were the only ones absent from the meeting.

Of those present were B. G. and wife, Pauline, of Miami, Fla., and their children, Virginia and Elwood, of McDowell, W. Va., Eulalia and her husband, Arnold A. Crotty, of Princeton, W. Va., and their children, Robert, Anna Grey and Gene; Bruce and wife, Gladys, and children, Joyce, Mary Sue and Robert, of Byltsby, Inez and her daughter, June Watrous, of Newark, N. J., Otto and his wife, Irene, and daughter, Dixie Ray, of Galax, Guy and wife, Louise, and daughters, Elizabeth Ann and Laura Lee, of Louisville, Ky., Mabel and her husband, Lloyd Dorson, and daughter, Sonia, of Portsmouth, Wayne, of Louisville, Ky., New and wife, Mary, of Aurora, N. C., and Jaunita and husband, Frank Vaughan, and sons, Randolph and Charles, of Galax.

Revival Meetings In Progress At Piney Creek Church

Revival services began at Piney Creek Methodist church on Monday night, August 30, at 7:30 o'clock. The pastor, Rev. A. B. Bruton, is being assisted by Rev. J. J. Matney, Blowing Rock.

Friendship Lasts



NEW YORK CITY . . . The Sino-Japanese situation did not effect these two girl scouts who traveled across the continent together, en route to the International Encampment of Girl Scouts.

Roosevelt Signs Bill For Count Of The Jobless

Hyde Park, N. Y., Aug. 31.—The Byrnes bill providing for the first governmental count of the unemployed, was signed today by President Roosevelt.

The enumeration, to be completed before April 1, will be undertaken through a system of voluntary registration, as favored by the president, rather than by employment of a vast army of census-takers to make a house-to-house canvass as in the decennial population counts.

Besides ascertaining the number of jobless and possibly keeping this information current at intervals, the task will cover collection of data on partial employment and job opportunities.

The cost of an actual census of the unemployed has been estimated at about 4,000,000. Instead, the present facilities of the post office department are expected to be used.

The administering agency will be composed of the secretaries of commerce and labor, the works progress administrator, the director of the census bureau and the head of the central statistics board.

This agency will determine the questions to be asked with a view to finding the number of unemployed by geographical divisions.

It is understood that if the first registration proves satisfactory, it may be undertaken at 90-day intervals.

Roaring Gap Yacht Club Holds First Annual Outing Sat.

Roaring Gap, Aug. 31.—"Such grace, such charm, such beauty—never in the history of Lake Bullhead has such a sight been seen," said official Announcer James G. Hanes to open the first annual outing and carnival of the Roaring Gap Yacht club Saturday from 11 to 2 o'clock.

In social eminence, if not numbers, the spectators who watched the yachtsmen and yachtwomen vie for honors were the equal of those who followed the America's Cup races off Newport.

And Commodore Niffleet had somewhat the same luck as that which befell Commodore Top Sopwith. Both their Endeavors couldn't get started quickly enough to finish in the money.

Miss Bob Ed Lasater was crowned "Miss Roaring Gap" with much acclaim. Running a close race with her were Miss Van Winkle, of Louisville, Ky., Mrs. R. J. Reynolds, Mrs. Harry Lasater, Mrs. Dave Beard, of New York, Miss Martha Ann Glenn, Miss Anne Hanes, Mrs. Joe Glenn, Jr., Miss Mary Anne Hancock, Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Miss Frances Chatham, of Elkin, and Mrs. Tom Roth, of Elkin.

A glittering crown was placed on the queen's head and the carnival was officially opened.

Sparta H. S. Has Opening Program: Enrollment Large

C. R. Roe Is Principal Of Local School For 7th Consecutive Year; Talks Made By Sparta Men

Sparta high school opened on Monday morning, August 30, with the largest enrollment in the history of the school and with C. R. Roe as principal, this making the eighth consecutive year Mr. Roe has headed the school.

Rev. A. B. Bruton, pastor of the Methodist church, conducted the devotionals, after which several short talks were made by parents and teachers. Rev. R. L. Berry, Presbyterian minister, spoke of the necessity of building a firm foundation before trying to build high; county agent R. E. Black pointed out the fact that one must be developed physically, mentally, morally and socially, in order to be well educated, and Mr. Roe stressed cooperation and work as the chief factors in a successful year. T. E. Burgess, chairman of the local board of education, also made a few remarks.

The enrollment in the high school department now totals 255, compared with 116 seven years ago. At that time only two buses were in operation, whereas this year nine buses will transport students to the school.

The elementary enrollment this year is 359, making the total for the school 614. It is expected that a score or two more will be added to this number within the next few weeks.

The faculty is as follows: High School—C. R. Roe, principal; Mrs. Dalton Warren, French and Science; Mrs. C. R. Roe, Mathematics; Mrs. R. C. Halsey, English; Miss Polly Dougherty, Mathematics and Science; W. B. Taylor, Science and History; Ralph Cheek, English and History, and F. H. Jackson, Agriculture.

Grades—Mrs. Thelma Richardson, first grade, section B; Mrs. Grace Rector, first grade, section A; Mrs. Bessie McMillan, second grade; Miss Annie Sue McMillan, third grade; Miss Anne Joyce, fourth grade; Mrs. Rebecca Choate, fifth grade; Miss Gertrude Andrews, one section of sixth grade; B. F. McCann, one section of sixth grade and one section of seventh; Arnold Jones, one section of seventh grade, and Miss Nellie Ruth Kreger, Music teacher.

Two Negro Workmen Are Buried Alive In High Point

High Point, Aug. 31.—Two workmen were killed and a third was gravely injured when a tunnel in which they were working on Willowbrook street in conjunction with the tracks depression project, caved in late yesterday. The dead were Sam Camp and Grover Sutton, both Negroes. Sam Wilson, Negro, was taken alive from the tunnel.

ALMANAC

"Nobody is so wise but he has a little folly to spare."

- 1—Articles of Peace signed between the U. S. and Great Britain, 1763.
- 2—The Great Zepplin completes the first around world air cruise, 1931.
- 3—The first Continental Congress met in Philadelphia, 1774.
- 4—The Mayflower sailed from England to America, 1620.
- 5—Cobbett won the heavyweight crown from Sullivan, New Orleans, 1827.
- 6—Germany granted membership in the League of Nations, 1923.
- 7—The 50th anniversary of the Declaration, 1876.