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Washington, Nov. 13.—The fact that many "old line" Democrats, including such staunch party men as Senator Carter Glass of Virginia, elected to go along with the Administration in advocating the repeal of the arms embargo, has been taken in some quarters as proof that the split in the party ranks has been closed up and that all is harmony once more between the New Dealers and the traditional Jeffersonians.

Nothing could be farther from the truth, as the political events of the next few weeks are certain to demonstrate. The recalibrants who jumped the party lines last year are still as bitterly opposed to the President and the acts of his administration as they were before. They simply regarded the Neutrality matter as something outside of party lines, went along with the President not because repeal of the embargo was his idea, but because they believed in it as the best way of keeping America out of the European war. Their attitude was much like that of Gov. Alf Landon when he went to the Lima Pan-American Congress: "Politics ends at the water line."

Opposition Still Strong

When it comes down to the struggle for delegates to the party nominating convention and the effort to pick a candidate for 1940, the same Senators and Representatives and party organization men who have opposed Mr. Roosevelt on domestic questions will be found opposing him again.

It is generally admitted, however, by astute political observers here, that it is likely to be more difficult to prevent him from getting himself nominated for a third term than it would have been had

the European war not broken out. Beyond any question, the very fact that the President, as chief executive, is responsible for the management of our international relations, has strengthened Mr. Roosevelt's position immensely. Even if there is no untoward incident to stir up public indignation and make people believe that we are bound to get into the war, reports from the nation at large indicate a growing feeling that the Administration intends to insist upon the recognition of American rights by all the belligerent nations.

That puts the President, personally, in the position of the outer guardian of American liberties, insures him first-page publicity and distinctly improves his popularity with the masses of the voters. It also puts on him a tremendous responsibility to watch his step and see to it that no act of the Administration gets us embroiled.

So long as he makes no misstep in the handling of foreign affairs—for the Secretary of State is, after all, merely the President's personal aide whom he could dismiss at any time—Mr. Roosevelt is bound to enlarge his personal prestige with the voters.

Talk Of "Incident"

There is much speculation going on in Washington as to what sort of an "incident" might precipitate a crisis in our foreign relations which would give the President an opportunity to further assert himself and gain still greater popular acclaim. The German government has always been notoriously inept in its handling of foreign affairs, and many who understand the international situation are expecting some move on Germany's part which could be taken as seriously here as was the German effort to line up Mexico against the United States, which was the final straw that brought us into the last war.

The effort to make such an "incident" out of the seizure of the American ship "City of Flint" by a German sea-raider is being promoted by some of the little group

De la Howe Opens Basketball Season Friday Night

The De la Howe Basketball teams will open the basketball season at De la Howe Friday night when they meet the boys and girls from Calhoun Falls at 7:30 o'clock. Both teams are as yet untried, but the De la Howe teams are considered somewhat stronger than last year. The many fans who have followed the De la Howe teams during the past years are expected to be on hand to cheer the Blue and White Flame to victory Friday night.

Chicken Supper At Buffalo School House Nov. 30th

The Buffalo-Bellvue Home Demonstration Club will serve a chicken supper at Buffalo school house on Thursday evening, November 30th, beginning at 6:30 o'clock, which the public is cordially invited to attend. The proceeds go to the Buffalo Baptist Church cemetery fence fund. The price per plate will be 25 cents. The menu is given as follows: Rice, baked chicken, dressing, gravy, potato salad, macaroni pie, rolls, cake and coffee.

Hunting Season Opens Nov. 23rd

County Game Warden D. M. McGrath announces that the hunting season opens on Thursday, November 23rd, in McCormick County.

who believe that for the United States to get into the war would insure their jobs for another four years, and so would like to see the shooting start right off.

There is no concern among sober-minded observers here over the "Flint" affair, since Germany has only applied the rules of contraband which were first formulated and made to stick in international law by our own Government, during the Civil War.

There is little concern, either, over the bungling of the Russian authorities in the "Flint" matter. They chased the American ship out of a Russian port as soon as our Government protested. Unless the Germans pull a boner by harming the American crew of the "Flint" nobody in Washington feels that the incident is anything to worry about, since a neutral ship carrying contraband to a belligerent port is always subject to search and seizure.

The President made a quick and snappy come-back to the charge of the Russian foreign minister that he was meddling in European affairs by expressing sympathy with Finland, when he pulled out the letter from the Russian government praising him for his appeal to Russia and other nations for peace.

Build-Up For 1940

Such things as that, heralded to the nation by press and radio, are becoming regarded in Washington as part of the New Deal build-up for 1940, if not for a third term for Mr. Roosevelt himself.

Henry Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, who is as enthusiastic over the New Deal as religious converts are said to be when they first experience a change of faith, got a slap on the wrist from the White House for saying publicly what many of his associates say privately, that Mr. Roosevelt must be reelected. Mr. Wallace was born and bred a Republican, like Secretary Ickes of the Interior Department, the only other Cabinet member who has voiced the third-term idea.

The President could kill off third-term talk in a single sentence. At the same time, however, he would kill a lot of his influence with Congress.

Sullivan News

Mrs. L. C. Deal, of the Callison section, spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs. J. P. Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reames spent several days last week in Aiken, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnson.

Mrs. Blanche Rambo and daughter, Ann, Mrs. Ida Kemp and Mr. W. L. Winn visited Mrs. Janelle Winn and family, Saturday evening.

The children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Mayson met in their home Wednesday evening, honoring Mr. Mayson on his 70th birthday.

Mrs. J. E. Reynolds, of Clinton, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith, Jr., of Johnston, were week end guests of Mr. J. E. Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Reynolds.

Mrs. I. C. Reames spent several days last week in Greenwood as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Langley.

Friends of Mr. J. T. Reames, Warren, Arkansas, will be sorry to know that he has been ill for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Callison and Mr. Harold Corley visited Mr. Callison's sister, Mrs. C. C. Rodgers, who continues to be critically ill, in the Callison section, Saturday evening.

Miss Trula Winn spent several days in North Augusta last week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hughey, Sr., and family.

The Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Diggs were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ashley, Tuesday, and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Mayson, Tuesday night and Wednesday.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Mayson, Jr., Wednesday, were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holloway and brother, of McCormick. Misses Elizabeth and Cecyle Mayson returned home with them for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun Jordan were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Flynn, Sunday. Mrs. Janelle Winn spent Wednesday with Miss Leonora Whatley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Reynolds, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith, Jr., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Quarles, Jr., in the Bethany section, Sunday.

Miss Mary Mayson spent Sunday with Miss Willie Mae Jordan, in Kirksey.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Mayson, of the Limestone section, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Mayson, Thursday evening.

Visitors to Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Reames, Saturday evening, were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mayson and Beth.

Master James Winn spent Thursday night with his cousin, Master Ralph Bailey, in Edgefield.

Mr. I. C. Reames and Mr. Marvin Reames, of Columbia, spent the week end with Mrs. I. C. Reames and children.

Callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Winn, Monday evening, were Misses Marie and Jaunita Reames and Messrs. Wilbur and Edward Reames.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Reames, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Seiger and children, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reames, and Mr. Eugene Reames were spend the day guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnson, in Aiken, Sunday.

Misses Jaunita and Janie Reames spent Friday night with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Mayson.

Sandy Branch Club Meets

The Sandy Branch H. D. Club met with Mrs. J. B. Walker at the regular time with only one member absent. Several visitors were present.

Miss Bell talked of plans for yards, lawns, drives, flowering plants and shrubbery.

A most entertaining social hour followed when Mrs. W. R. McNeill held a contest after which the hostess served a delightful salad course with an iced drink.

Reporter.

Mt. Carmel News

Mr. and Mrs. James Boyd and son, Julius, of Greenville were dinner guests of Mrs. Ludie Boyd. In the afternoon she accompanied them on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Dode Phillips of Due West.

A very pleasant social event of last week in Mt. Carmel was the barbecue with which Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hester entertained many friends of this and adjoining counties. Quite a number of people were present from McCormick, De la Howe, Willington, Calhoun Falls, Abbeville, Spartanburg, and other places. The supper consisted of delicious barbecued pork and two kinds of barbecued hash, pickle, bread, coffee and iced tea all in abundance. The cordial welcome extended to all by Mr. and Mrs. Hester made it a very pleasant and enjoyable evening.

This gathering was in the cabin and the N. Y. A. park. Capt. and Mrs. James McCelvey of Spartanburg spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hester.

Messrs. H. O. Watson, W. H. Hester, Harold Gilliam, John Rawls, Pat Hester and Mrs. Cecil Gilliam attended the Clemson-Wake Forest football game at Clemson last Saturday.

Miss Matilda Bell attended the meeting of Mt. Carmel Home Demonstration Club Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Mabel Brown attended the Clemson-Wake Forest football game Saturday. Her son, Cadet Drennan Brown, and friend, Cadet St. Clair Knight, of Clemson College, accompanied her home for the week end.

Mrs. Cecil Gilliam, Messrs. Harold Gilliam, John Rawls, Misses Jaunita and Sara Curtis spent Sunday in Social Circle with Mrs. O. C. Hart and family.

Quite a serious accident occurred near Mt. Carmel Monday morning in which two colored W. P. A. workers were seriously if not fatally injured by a cave in at a gravel pit in which the W. P. A. workers were engaged in digging gravel. The injured men were carried to Anderson Co. Hospital.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hester will be glad to know the family escaped serious injury in their recent automobile accident. All were injured slightly. Mrs. Hester suffered some time from the shock, Carolyn and Pat were hurt on the face and Mr. Hester had some ribs broken. It seemed almost a miracle that their lives were spared. Car was demolished.

5,792 Bales Of Cotton Ginned In McCormick County To Nov. 1st

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, BUREAU OF THE CENSUS, WASHINGTON. COTTON GINNING REPORT.

Census report shows that 5,792 bales of cotton were ginned in McCormick County, South Carolina, from the crop of 1939 prior to Nov. 1, 1939, as compared with 3,578 bales for the crop of 1938.

Very respectfully, James E. Bell, Special Agent.

Date 11-13-39.

The Messenger To Print On Wednesday Next Week

The Messenger expects to print on Wednesday next week instead of on Thursday, in order to observe Thanksgiving Day which is on the 23rd, and asks all who have items or advs. for that issue to get them to the office as early as possible.

With a 40 per cent increase in Army and Navy personnel voted by Congress, your Red Cross will be called upon for greater service in the year to come. Do your part. Join today.

Old Maids' Convention At Mt. Carmel November 17th

Mt. Carmel, Nov. 13.—The Mt. Carmel Grange sponsors an "Old Maids' Convention" at the Mt. Carmel community house on Friday night, Nov. 17th, 7:30 o'clock. Be sure and come, your friends will be there to greet the Old Maids.

Admission, adults, 20 cents; children, 10 cents.

A. H. Ward To Discuss 1940 Program Here Monday

Mr. A. H. Ward, District Farm Agent, will discuss the 1940 Agricultural Conservation Program at a meeting in the McCormick County Court House at 10:00 a. m. Monday, November 20th.

Mr. O. M. Clark, Extension Economist, will be present to discuss the present cotton situation and what might be expected from the war conditions.

Mr. C. G. Cushman, Extension Dairyman, will also speak briefly on the 1940 dairy outlook. Every McCormick County farmer is urged to attend this meeting and become informed upon present agricultural conditions, outlook, and program plans before he votes in the cotton marketing quota referendum on December 9th.

D. Austin Shelley, County Agent.

McCormick Post Entertained By Auxiliary Friday

The Thomas J. Lyon, Jr., Post American Legion was entertained by its auxiliary Friday evening at the community house here. Following an oyster supper with Post Commander Paul Dowtin presiding, short talks were made by the Rev. G. P. Lanier of Plum Branch, James M. Cox of Troy, and District Commander Tillman Pinson, of Greenwood. Dr. Garnet Tuten spoke on "The Blessedness of Being an American", particularly from a religious and an economic standpoint.

The principal speaker, Vice Commander Malcolm Shirley, of Honea Path, was introduced by Dr. C. K. Epting, service officer and past post commander. Mr. Shirley stressed the principles for which the American Legion stands—Americanism, National Defense, Child Welfare and Rehabilitation and urged legionnaires to go out after every man who was eligible to join the organization. In enumeration of the advantages and benefits brought about by the American Legion he said that men eligible to receive such benefits should stop "thumbing their way" on their comrades who had made them possible, and join the Legion themselves.

Music for the program was rendered by Mrs. J. K. White and A. C. Horne.

Following the program sons and daughters of the Legion and other young people were invited in to dance.

Baptist Associational Sunday School Meeting On December 10th

The Abbeville Baptist Associational Sunday School meeting will be held at the Callie Self Memorial Church in South Greenwood on December 10th at 2:30 o'clock. All McCormick Baptists in the association are urged to make preparations to attend.



HOLLYWOOD THEATRE

McCORMICK, S. C.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY

November 17th and 18th, 7 P. M. and 8:50 P. M.

Matinee Saturday 3:30 P. M.

SONJA HEINIE TYRONE POWER

RUDY VALLEE

in

"SECOND FIDDLE"

Also

A Cartoon

"Prize Guest"

and

A Travel-Talk

"Isle of Pleasure"

MATINEE SATURDAY 3:30 P. M. Adults 20 cents

MONDAY and TUESDAY

November 20th and 21st, 7 P. M. and 9 P. M.

ERROL FLYNN OLIVIA de HAVILLAND

ANN SHERIDAN

in

"DODGE CITY"

(If you have not seen this, please don't miss it.)

Also

A Travel-Talk

"Evergreen Empire"

and

FOX MOVIE TONE NEWS

ADMISSION: Adults, 25 cents; Children up to 12, 10 cents; Children 12 to 15, 15 cents