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**Is Roosevelt The Prophet We Sought****Or, Seek We Yet Another!**

The Philadelphia Record is a great National newspaper. For over fifty years or more it has swayed a great and beneficial influence. It has been in the hands of former Harrodsburg citizens, the Sneed family. A few years ago Editor Sneed paid his respects to this office and editor. In our early years in the printing office The Philadelphia Record was a daily visitor. It was a great paper then and it is today a great journal. Its utterances are widely copied.

Last Wednesday night President Roosevelt made a speech in Chicago. It is being classed among his best public addresses. The editor of The Record was much impressed and the Monday issue had the following to say:

Thrilling!

President Roosevelt's great speech at Chicago was just that. It was a speech the brilliant reasoning of which gratified the intelligence. It was a speech enthralling statesmanship. It was a message of simplicity and clarity. It was a feat of oratory which left the nerves tingling.

Never did the President of the United States stand out more superbly as the leader of this great people—a leader by virtue of the high quality of his leadership.

Yet this Chicago speech, electrifying as it was, is only the latest of a series of speeches by the President which we confidently predict, will go down in history with the greatest state papers of the first men of this country. The Record has been as guilty as other newspapers of speeches with lamentably insufficient attention discussing the argument of Mr. Roosevelt's to their magnitude, their breadth, their perspective and their statesmanlike vision.

In the heat of the campaign we have been so close that we have failed to see the woods for the trees.

We realized that Wednesday night, when the President laid the record of his administration before the business leaders of the country and asked them why they, of all men, should have complaint to make.

In this speech, indeed, the President reached the very heart of the whole controversy, the basic economic issue which faces America:

"I believe in individualism. I believe in it in the arts, the sciences and professions. I believe in it in business. I believe in individualism in all of these things up to the point where the individualist starts to operate at the expense of society. American business men do not believe in it beyond that point. We have all suffered in the past from individualism run wild—society has suffered and business has suffered."

No quality marks the greatness of Mr. Roosevelt, however, more than the quality of his own humor, his ability to smile with us at our vanished fears and at the men who even now seek to perpetuate those fears. The President summed up the opposition with masterful conciseness:

"Some of these people really forget how sick they were. I know how sick they were. I have their fever charts. I know how the knees of our rugged individualist were trembling four years ago and how their hearts fluttered. They came to Washington in great numbers. Washington did not look like a dangerous bureaucracy to them then. Oh, no, it looked like an emergency hospital. All of the distinguished patients wanted two things—quick hypodermic to end the pain and a course of treatment to end the disease. We gave them both. And now most of the patients seem to be doing very nicely. Some of them are even well enough to throw their crutches at the doctor."

Our people understand that. They understand, too, that America had been tested by the fire of the most wanton mismanagement and neglect of its people in modern history. As the President declared:

"We have come through a hard struggle to preserve democracy in America. Where other nations in other parts of the world have lost that fight, we have won."

Franklin D. Roosevelt kept his head when the credit system of America was crashing down throughout the nation on the day of his inauguration. His confidence, his coolness, his smile, were the symbols of hope for America then.

Today, in the face of a torrent of calumny, abuse and vilification unequalled since the days of Theodore Roosevelt, our President still keeps his head. His confidence, his coolness, his smile still remain the symbols of liberalism which will carry the American people forward.

Such are the expressions of great unselfish men about Mr. Roosevelt. Men with gratitude in their hearts for being lifted out of the mire. Such men make the sin of ingratitude more glaring in those who have been benefited by the New Deal Administration. It is granted there are a few who cannot see that the government agencies set up have benefited them. But the great majority of mankind can approach November 3rd with a gratitude that knows no party ties and will endorse the man who dared to make an attempt to solve our economical problems.

**You and You and You . . .**

We are copying an editorial expression from the Saratogian, published at Saratoga, N. Y. To us, it is a striking utterance and is based on facts. We hope its reproduction will impress others as deep as it did us.

Americans read with horror the lurid stories from Spain of a conflict taking an average of perhaps 1,000 lives a day.

Horrible! Yet in the last seven months 18,560 Americans have also been killed violently, their blood crimsoning the pavements, their mutilation and agonies no less sickening and sharp.

They are just as dead as their Spanish brothers, without even such satisfaction as there may be in dying for a cause.

They are the traffic victims. If their toll increases during the latter part of the year, as it usually does, then the casualty list will be higher this year than ever before. Last year 37,000 died, probably a greater cost in life than the Spanish revolt toll to date.

This in spite of widespread safety drives and a mass of publicity for highway safety that has not been equaled in many years.

Get what solace you can from the thought that this increase toll probably is due primarily to more cars on the roads. Gasoline consumption was up 10 per cent in May as compared to a year ago, and traffic is probably up in proportion. Your own observation of tourists and traffic in town will verify this.

Statistical sharks figure that the details per 10,000,000 gallons of gasoline used have actually lessened somewhat, which is hopeful. But the fact that as certain states have been made marked reductions in their traffic toll augurs badly for the others.

New Hampshire, for instance, reports a 31 per cent reduction. That means that somebody else is falling down on the job.

Tentative figures do tend to show that states which have rigid driver's license laws have been leaders in reducing their auto toll, since those laws make it easier to get obviously dangerous drivers off the streets.

But, in the long run, the law won't settle the problem. It can't. Nobody can make a genuine dent in the slaughter of innocents except you, and you, and you. The man behind the wheel is the one who holds in his hands life and death, not only for himself, but for others.

That "You and you and you" strikes us strong and we feel that the publishers and court officials can do something to stop the slaughter.

Recently we spent four dollars to equip each member of the family with a drivers license to July, 1937. We are wondering if the state is seeing to it that we are careful drivers and should we be caught violating our drivers license what they would do? It may be answered by what the state has done already. A license to drive implies power to withdraw licenses from improper persons to have them.

With narrow, crooked roads and whiskey and beer everywhere seems to demand a very strict patrol of our roads and drastic application of drivers laws. A single conviction for the offense of drunkenness should be certain demand for surrender of license card.

Unless the law goes as far as a positive regulator for driving, it is nothing more than another means to raise a few dollars for the state.

But we must not forget that "You and you and you" are the drivers and the per capita of accidents may be reduced by "YOU."

**The Old Saloon Was Truthful****The New Saloon Is A Deceiver**

Those who can recall the old saloon and its honest, frank way of setting up its warnings to youth can better appreciate this feature over the

methods employed today to lure youth. The old bartender used to set up signs to read: "Minors Keep Out" or "No Minors Admitted." They meant it, too. Boys under 21 years of age were told to keep out. Today, the bartenders in the new saloon—the tap rooms and road houses—actually cater to youth. Some go so far as to put signs: "Ladies Welcome." Of course, only one class of ladies would be meant—young. The older ones are to wise to be tempted.

Prominent magazines print pictures in liquor ads showing lovely women and handsome men sipping certain liquor drinks. The prophetic eye sees more than that. It sees the pictures in sequence to the end. The lovely woman, a hag. The strong athletic young man, a sot. The prophetic eye is seeing aright.

The same eye sees a girl enter a tap room in the whiteness and purity of the lily. Sees the same girl leave the place not the same as she entered.

It is of little avail to say to the young thing the place is bad. It is the anti-room to hell. The only sure way is the removal of the potential danger.

**Democratic Women Outnumber In Registration****The Republican Women 1313 Votes**

The county-wide legal voters registration furnishes an interesting comparison in numbers between those women registering as Democrats and Republicans. Miss Nancy Smock, as chairman of Mercer County Democratic Women's Campaign Committee, furnished us at our request the accompanying table she made showing the registration by voting precincts for Democratic and Republican women registrants. The October supplemented registration Miss Smock shows in a separate column to be 453. The greater number of these registrations was through the direct effort of Miss Smock and her committee.

Precincts	Dem. Women	Rep. Women	Oct. Reg. D. Wo.
1 Perryville Toll Gate	122	33	22
2 Dixville	50	6	8
3 Stewart	25	10	2
4 S. Cornishville	27	37	3
5 N. Cornishville	32	23	8
6 Bohon	56	44	20
7 Duncan	52	30	10
8 Terrapin	78	39	9
9 W. Salvisa	128	38	10
10 E. Salvisa	55	4	25
11 McAfee	144	35	19
12 Braxton	43	13	8
13 Stringtown	104	30	22
14 Shaker Mill	60	14	18
15 N. W. Burgin	72	29	12
16 N. E. Burgin	51	57	16
17 S. Burgin	51	42	12
18 Court House	185	65	47
19 Chambers House	108	70	15
20 Robinson House	141	47	31
21 Passmore House	214	69	73
22 Opera House	243	28	49
23 Rose Hill	99	34	14
	2,110	797	453

Democratic women 2110, Rep. women 797; Dem. won majority 1313.

**FEDERAL AID IN MERCER COUNTY**

The exact extent to which Mercer county citizens and taxpayers have benefited from efforts of the Roosevelt Administration in the relief of distress during the depression is told in a graphic set of figures released today by George H. Goodman, administrator for the Works Progress Administration. In Kentucky which shows a total of \$15,796.72 expended on highly constructive and permanent improvements anyone may see. This figure does not include an additional \$43,265.61 spent within the limits of the county by the Civil Works Administration.

Of all the money spent in Mercer county to provide work for needy families and to keep the wheels of industry turning local sponsors have contributed \$100,251.44. In other words, the county has built into the future by way of streets, roads, schools and similar projects to the extent of \$15,796.72 plus \$43,265.61 from the Civil Works Administration at an actual cost to the people of only \$100,251.44.

"I am certain," Mr. Goodman said, "no merchant or business man in Mercer county has failed to feel the effect of the National Administration's efforts toward normalcy and a more abundant life for all. Dollars have been kept working where otherwise business stagnation would have prevailed. We are proud of the job we have done thus far and invite Mercer countians to inspect the result of our effort within their own environs after which I am sure the consensus of opinion will be that, with the wholehearted cooperation of sponsors, we have been able to establish needed and lasting improvements.

Under the Kentucky Emergency Relief Administration a total of \$254,418.21 was spent in Mercer county of which \$33,937.52 represented local funds and with approximately 15 percent funds supplied by the State. Under the Works Progress Administration \$261,378.51 has passed into channels of industry in Mercer county of which the taxpayers have contributed \$65,313.92. From the Works Progress Administration the county has received \$201,196.30 in farm to market roads in an effort to lift the farmer out of the mud and \$60,182.21 in other highly constructive and permanent improvements.

Mr. Goodman was asked about the future of the Works Progress Administration in Mercer county and immediately announced that in the State, as a whole, plans now were under way for the expenditure of a minimum of \$29,879,348 and 960 approved projects by June 30, 1937, provided the work relief program is continued. Mercer county will receive its proportionate share of this amount, he said, exactly in proportion to the ability of sponsors to submit projects that will accrue to the interest of the county as a whole and carry them to a conclusion.

Expenditures by the Kentucky Emergency Relief Administration and the Works Progress Administration in Kentucky through Sept. 1936.

K E R A			W P A			County Mercer		
Class- ification	Federal Funds	Local Funds	Federal Funds	Local Funds	Total	and Funds	Total	W P A
Roads	39,665.58	29,844.72	62,510.30	147,610.21	53,686.09	201,196.30	270,706.60	
Schools	1,138.65		1,138.65				1,138.65	
Other	35,421.99	4,092.80	39,514.79	47,554.38	12,627.83	60,182.21	99,697.00	
Direct Relief and School	144,254.47*		144,254.47				144,254.47	
	220,480.69	33,937.52	254,418.21	195,064.59	66,313.92	261,378.51	316,796.72	

\*Approximately 15% State Funds.

NOTE: The Total Expenditures for the Civil Works Administration in the above County were \$13,265.61.

**President Roosevelt Humanitarian**

The greatest humanitarian

In all human history,

Is Franklin Delano Roosevelt;

A man of heart, not mystery.

He has fed the poor, relieved the sick,

And banished want and fear,

Exemplifying a Christian faith,

A faith he holds most dear.

Strong Christian men of just his type

This country sorely needs,

So let us rally to the polls

And justify his deeds.

If gratitude we fail to show—

The greatest mortal sin—

How can we hope for blessings

From the One who's guiding him?

—W. J. Moore.

**OPERA HOUSE**

Tonight—Friday

"The Great Ziegfeld" starring Wm. Powell, Myrna Loy, Luise Rainer.

You have been waiting for them

... and here they are ... the new

1936 RYTEX CHRISTMAS CARDS

better than ever ... large folded

type cards ... with smart, clever

designs ... 50 for \$1.00, including

your Name on the cards and 50 Envelopes to match. The Herald.

**Flag Above Old Glory**

The church pennant, a blue cross on a white field, is the only flag permitted to fly above Old Glory.

**DEMOCRATS SHOW BIG LEAD IN DISTRICT**