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## Rains Predicts Biggest Business Next Year

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. "Next year will be the biggest business year in the history of America."

Albert Rains, Alabama Congressman who is vice-chairman of the House Banking and Currency Committee of the House of Representatives, addressing 200 Alabama Bankers Association members as they held their Eighth Annual Installation Loan Seminar here last week, made this prediction.

Pay envelopes of Alabamians will be 95 million dollars more in spending money for a 12-month period than otherwise would have gone out in taxes, said the Congressman adding:

"Actually this tax cut will bring more tax money into the county, state and federal tills. I predict more jobs, more business and more opportunities utilized."

"I hope that you, the consumer bankers of Alabama get your fair share of the prosperity that I think will be generated as a result of the tax cut."

Although Section Six of the Civil Rights Bill is not entirely eliminated, Congressman Rains told the bankers that as of now bank loans, saving and loan loans and all types of loans made under insured stipulation are eliminated from Title Six of the Civil Rights Bill.

"That ought to be good news to Alabama bankers, because it's good news to bankers all across the country because you can still make a loan without being subject to a vicious section of a vicious bill," he noted.

Twenty years ago, said Rains, recalling changes in the nation since he went into Congress in 1944, only 72 percent of the people of the country owned their own homes. Today 88 percent do.

Active in the housing area, Rains is chairman of the Housing Subcommittee of the House Banking and Currency Committee.

In Tuscaloosa, he urged the bankers to make loans for nursing homes for the aged, stating that: "If you don't the federal government is going to make it."

He called "housing for old folks" the "greatest unmet need in housing today both in Alabama and the nation."

"I talk to mortgage bankers in Birmingham and elsewhere who bring other bankers money," said Rains, "and they tell me they are about the most sought after loans in the entire country."

Next year we expect to build in the U. S. approximately 2,600,000 new housing units. The consumer banker can expect to do about 60 percent of the lending for the furnishings that go into these homes. And this money, you see, is the most important money in this country."

"About the finest public service I was able to make was to help some young person or older person get his own home during my 20 years in Congress," said Rains.

He concluded that if an American owned his own piece of land with grass yard and with home furnishings, however humble, this could be the greatest deterrent of all to isms and Communism.

## Eulus Whitehead Died Suddenly Monday

Eulus O. Whitehead, 42, of 408 N. Dixon, died Monday at 12:15 a.m. at Colbert County Hospital.

Mr. Whitehead was general manager of WVNA since it went on the air in 1955. He was a veteran of World War II.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at Mays Brown Service Funeral Home chapel, Rev. Lynwood Henderson officiated.

Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery. Survivors are his widow, Frances; two sons, Don Clay Whitehead, Ken Morgan Whitehead; a daughter, Mrs. Morgan Whitehead; his mother, Mrs. Effie Lee Whitehead of Tusculumbia; a brother, Fred R. Whitehead of Tusculumbia; four sisters, Mrs. Helen W. Brazelton, Mrs. Lattie W. Copeland, Mrs. Dorothy Osborn, all of Tusculumbia, Mrs. Willine Garner of Sheffield. Pallbearers were Jimmy Hall, Billy Banks, Ronald Walker, Jerry McGreegor, Jack Voorhis, Jerry Hargett, Sherry Winford, Jim Miller.

## Noble Rutland Dies At Cherokee

Noble T. Rutland, 84, of Rt. 3, Cherokee, died Sunday at 9:30 p.m. at the residence.

Funeral services were Tuesday at First Baptist Church, Cherokee, with Rev. Martin Banks officiating.

Burial was in Barton Cemetery with Mays Brown Service Funeral Home directing.

Survivors are four sons, Oscar Rutland, Roy Rutland, Rayma Rutland, Joe Rutland; two daughters, Mrs. Nell Mae Kimbrough, Mrs. Max Gibson, Mrs. Betty Gillespie, Mrs. Nell Mason; 10 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Ross Malone, Charles Thompson, Joe Rutland Jr., Rayma Rutland Jr., John Rutland, Walter Gillespie, Paul Keaton, Rayburn Smith.

## "Miracle Worker" At Keller Home Again

"The Miracle Worker," drama of the childhood of Helen Keller, will open for the third consecutive summer at Ivy Green here, June 26.

The play, directed by Mrs. Mary Potter, will continue each Friday night throughout Sept. 4, at the Helen Keller Shrine presented by the Starmaker Community Playhouse, Inc., sponsored jointly by the Helen Keller Property Board and the Tri-Cities Branch, American Association of University Women.

An improvised stage is set up on the back lawn of the plantation house where Capt. Arthur Keller's family lives when their child, Helen, was stricken by an illness before she was two years old, she was blinded, and this discovery by her parents is the dramatic opening scene of "The Miracle Worker."

Capacity audiences, for two summers have seen the play, produced every late stars where moonlight carvers lace patterns and shadows. Tall oaks towering above the lawn rooster centries spread protecting limbs and leaves. It is the same setting where the drama was actually lived more than 75 years ago, that seems to capture the mood, according to many who have seen the production.

The plot reveals the little girl as a panpered and spoiled, because of her blindness, and her inability to express herself. The distraction in the household is realized by Capt. and Mrs. Keller's spinster sister, so they decide to try a teacher from the School for the Blind in Baltimore, Md.

When Miss Annie Sullivan, the teacher, arrived here, she was met by Mrs. Keller and they rode in a carriage to the plantation. The dramatic scene when the teacher meets her pupil for the first time and the struggle that develops between them carries the play forward.

The climax is reached when the child feels water flowing over her hand from the pump as Miss Sullivan spells "water" into her palm. The same pump still stands in the yard, and is used in the play.

Sarmaker Playhouse members busy getting everything ready for the third season of the summer play. New sets will be built, scenery painted, new costumes designed, according to Mrs. Doyle Briggs, president. For two seasons, Mrs. Briggs played the part of Kate Keller, mother of Helen, in "The Miracle Worker." As she has moved to Killen, she will be replaced by another actress.

Mrs. Potter held readings and try-outs for various adult roles in "The Miracle Worker" Monday and Tuesday nights at the Utilities Auditorium. April 5, at Ivy Green children's roles will be cast. Mrs. Potter said these will be double cast this season, and an understudy for Mrs. Briggs will be selected.

Teresa Conley of Sheffield will portray Helen Keller for the third year.

A planning committee composed of two members from the three sponsoring organizations has been named to direct activities concerning the play.

Mrs. Roscoe O'Bannon of Mrs. Charles McCutchen, AUV, Dewey Wilson of Ray Mills, Helen Keller Property Board; Mrs. Don Burt and Miss Naomi Willis, Starmaker Community Playhouse, have already started the wheels turning toward opening night.

Early spring grazing can be extended with proper top-dressing. Top-dressing with nitrogen allows small grass to be grazed for a time, then saved for grain with little or no loss because of overgrazing.

## EDITORIAL GRIST

### GOVERNOR WALLACE LEADS THE FIGHT

If the presidential candidacy of Gov. George Wallace does nothing more than bring to the notice of the balance of the nation the undesirable features of the so-called Civil Rights Bill, it will have been well worth the effort and the money put into it and the balance of the nation will owe a debt of gratitude to him for having performed this sorely needed service.

The receptions being accorded Alabama's governor in Wisconsin and elsewhere are not being lost on the politicians who keep an ear to the ground. They are discovering in this way that the drastic and unconstitutional measures they have been backing off by no means as popular in other areas of the nation as they were supposed to be. Politics being what it is, the enthusiasm of the radical backers of the measure will begin to wane in the same measure as the bill itself begins to be unpopular.

There are other Southerners who, in a perfunctory way, are speaking out against this minority, but to date Gov. Wallace has proved to be the most able and the most effective opponent of the bill—Grove Hill Democrat.

### AMONG FRIENDS

Nothing could be more fundamental to diplomacy than a scrupulous respect for the laws of any country in which a diplomat may be a guest. To flout those laws, to claim exemption from them save in special situations involving weighty considerations of national, not individual, interest is to take advantage of hospitality and turn it into hostility. For a diplomat to assert a privileged position by reason of being a diplomat is to anything but diplomatic. It is unequal and cause for repelling, therefore, that the State Department has notified all the foreign embassies and missions in Washington that hereafter they will be subject to the same parking regulations as other visitors here and as the aborigines themselves—and that they will be fined just like ordinary motorists if they breach those regulations. The step is long overdue. It will end a needless cause of friction. It may well usher in a new era of international good will.

The Diplomatic Corps in Washington is most welcome among us. We trust that they will feel that they are among friends—and that they will behave as friends.—The Washington Post.

### NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Andrew Carnegie was one of the great pioneers in building the steel industry. He was thus a member of a select company, with the vision and the courage to take long risks, who did much to lay the foundation on which this nation's industrial might was built.

Yet it is likely that Mr. Carnegie is best remembered for a very different kind of achievement, that Carnegie libraries. They were built in community after community across the country. He wanted a better educated nation, and his contribution to that end can hardly be exaggerated.

This is worth noting now that National Library Week, which is to be observed April 12-18, is almost here. The American library system has grown to a point of size and excellence far beyond anything that Mr. Carnegie or anyone else could have envisaged. Even the smaller communities have their free libraries, and good ones. The books are there and waiting—it is up to us to take advantage of them.

What should our resolve be during the Week? Just this: That year in and year out we will read more books and better books. The strength of this nation depends on the knowledge and understanding of its citizens.

### SOCIALISM ON A GRAND SCALE

Everybody knows that the federal government is big business. Not so well known is the incredible extent to which the government has entered the business as owner and operator.

According to Senator Beall of Maryland, Uncle Sam runs nearly 19,000 commercial and industrial businesses that are in direct competition with private concerns. The list has an almost bewildering variety—coffee-roasting plants, rum distilleries, printing and cover plants, the manufacture of medical and dental equipment, plastic-laminating and so on. He even operates movie theaters and ice cream plants.

Taxpayers private enterprise—the kind of enterprise we are supposed to be encouraging—pays for this. So do the general taxpayers, for government businesses, in addition to being tax-free, commonly operate at a loss. Socialism is a mighty expensive luxury.

As the Citizens Public Expenditure Survey puts it, "Uncle Sam's sole business is to govern and he has no business being in any other business." If we really want to spur the economy we'll get the government out of commercial business as swiftly as possible and let competitive "taxpaying" enterprise do the needed jobs.

### TAXES AND REVENUES

It has long been argued that a substantial tax reduction would result in a business boom and lead to an increase in government revenue. In the past, this principle found small favor in the top governmental circles. But now, according to an extensive article in U. S. News & World Report, the attitude has changed. It says that the stimulation to business that will come from the new tax reduction bill is expected to lead to a rise of 4.6 billion dollars in revenue for the Federal Government in the year that is to start next July 1.

It is certainly high time this theory was given every chance to prove itself. But, no matter how great federal revenues become, there never was a time when it was more necessary for federal spending to be held at the lowest possible levels. This is the only way that the ever-present threat of more inflation can be minimized.

The Administration, U. S. News adds, anticipates little if any inflation in prices. Whether that optimistic outlook proves true or false will depend, to an enormous degree, on how the fiscal affairs of the government are handled.

## Auburn Village Fair April 11

AUBURN — Village Fair, Auburn University's 12th annual open house for high school juniors and seniors, will open April 11 to give a one-day preview of college life.

In addition each school will have a display showing the functions and opportunities offered at Auburn. Tours of the campus and displays will be led by Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity.

Emphasis is on educational opportunities at Auburn during the day, but entertainment in the form of a Village Fair Festival will climax the day's program, beginning at 8 p.m. in Cliff Hare Stadium. Two national-known folk-singing groups, Ian and Sylvia and the Journeymen, will provide entertainment.

## LACKLAND AFB, Tex. — Airman Marcus R. Parton, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Tuscumbia, Ala., is being re-assigned to Chanute AFB, Ill., for technical training as an United States Air Force flight training equipment specialist.

Airman Parton, who enlisted in the Air Force a short time ago, has completed his initial basic military training here.

The airman attended Deshler High School and Florence (Ala.) State College.

Vacuum cleaners with revolving brushes work best to clean rugs since the brushes get down to the embedded dirt.

## "100 Years Ago"

### SEARCH FOR CONFEDERATE GUERRILLAS IN ALABAMA

One hundred years ago this week, a party of Federal troops left Bridgeport, Ala., with orders "to reconnoiter the country between (Bridgeport) and Caperton's Ferry, and capture, if possible, any guerrillas or parties of the enemy that are in the neighborhood."

Colonel Charles Candy, commanding the brigade, left Bridgeport with 400 men on April 1. After scouring the country and hearing reports of Confederates in the area, he reached Caperton's Ferry where he learned that a party of troops stationed on the Stevenson side crossed the week before.

Candy reported that this party "had committed some depredations (of what nature could not positively learn) upon the property of a rebel living some 6 miles below, and the owner had collected a party for the purpose of retaliation, which they did several days since, wounding 1 or 2 officers, and capturing 3 enlisted men."

That night several cavalry troops passed the Federal camp, but Candy reported that he could not learn to which army they belonged, although he suspected they were Confederate mail carriers.

The Federal party took three prisoners, of whom Candy reports the following: "At Caperton's house I picked up 2 men who could give no account of themselves. Finding out that they had never taken the oath of allegiance to the U.S. I deemed it right to bring them to this post."

I also brought to this post a man by the name of Shumake, whom I found with passes from both armies and quite a sum of Confederate money (some \$80) in his possession. His mother has been in the habit of drawing rations from the Government in her house. I found about 3 bushels of corn, 29 of wheat, 3 barrels of flour, 10 bushels of rye, and some 200 pounds of bacon.

"With the prisoner I brought a horse, saddle, and bridle for him to ride, the property of his mother. I also picked up two other horses, and turned them over to the provost-marshal with the prisoner."

## Baptist Student Leaders To Meet April 17-19

Baptist student leaders from college campuses around the state will meet April 17-19 at Shoos Springs Baptist Assembly near Talladega for the annual Alabama Baptist Spring Leadership Conference.

Newly-elected officers of the local campus groups will participate in study groups to learn their duties for the coming year. Theme for the meeting this year is "Dynamic Discipleship."

Dr. David Browning, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Troy, Saturday morning speaker is Dr. J. Chesler, Kentucky state Baptist student director.

Included on the two-day program are Joe H. Webb, state director of Baptist student work in Florida; Joe Mason, minister of recreation, First Baptist Church, Atlanta; and Ronald Hilburn, minister of music, Dalraid Baptist Church, Montgomery.

## Florence Episcopal Church To Sponsor Home Pilgrimage

The Trinity Episcopal church of Florence will sponsor a Home Pilgrimage in that city April 18 and 19th, 1964, at which time visitors will be shown some of the beautiful homes among them being the Madding King and the Charles Poellnitz residence, the M. Rogers, Jr., French Colonial structure, the Charles Clendon home and others.

The hours of visitation will be Saturday 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The admission price for the Home Pilgrimage and Sunday dinner will be \$2.50. The Public is invited. For reservations, write Mrs. Vernon Brown, 612 N. Wood, or phone Mrs. George Van Sant, 764-0294.

Proceeds for benefit of the church.

It's not always good dairy business to feed cows the same amount of grain. Generally, the grain feed should be increased only as long as the cow continues to give more milk.

## State American Legion Has Scholarship Program

The American Legion, Department of Alabama, has a scholarship program for sons and daughters of veterans of World War I. World War II and the Korean Conflict. In September, 1953, two state-wide large scholarships were established, each in the amount of two hundred dollars per year, one at the University of Alabama and one at Howard College. The Department has adopted as a goal the establishment of at least one such scholarship at each of Alabama's fully accredited four-year institutions of higher learning.

Each of the ten American Legion Districts is being requested by State Commander Alton W. Wright to assume responsibility for raising \$1250 for the purpose of establishing one permanent scholarship. These funds will be deposited with the State Treasurer and will produce \$100 per year for the state colleges. The private colleges will invest the money themselves to produce \$100 per year. This sum will be matched by each participating institution thus producing a scholarship of \$200 per year. It is anticipated that some Districts will desire to establish more than one scholarship. Each scholarship established by a district will bear that district's name. Also, since there are more than ten fully accredited colleges and universities in Alabama, it will be necessary to establish a number of scholarships on a state-at-large basis. Undesignated scholarship gifts to be known as "Donors for Scholars," will go toward providing the state-at-large scholarships.

A scholarship established by a District will be available only to applicants who reside within the geographical area of that District except in those instances where no fully qualified application is received. Should this occur, the recipient of the scholarship will be selected on a state-wide basis. Successful applicants for a District scholarship will be eligible for consideration for one of the state-at-large scholarships.

Application forms for American Legion Scholarships are available from Department Headquarters, P. O. Box 1069, Montgomery, Alabama. Completed applications must be in the hands of the Department Adjutant no later than June 1.

Applications will be reviewed and selections made by a state-wide committee named by the Department Commander.

## Alabama Industry Days March 2

The week of April 27-May 2 has been officially proclaimed by Governor Wallace as "Alabama Industry Days," the theme being "What Alabama Makes — Makes Alabama."

This annual salute to Alabama's industrial progress is promoted state-wide by:

- Alabama Press Association
- Alabama Broadcasters' Association
- Alabama Junior Chamber of Commerce
- State Planning & Industrial Development Board
- University of Alabama
- Auburn University
- Alabama Association of Independent Colleges
- Associated Industries of Alabama.

The objective is to spotlight the importance of private industry to the local community, to the State, and to the economic welfare of all citizens of Alabama.

## Postmasters Suggest Use Zip Code

When you file your Federal, State, or local tax return please include your ZIP Code in your address. Postmasters Jack Dobson, Tusculumbia, Homer Hopwood, Sheffield, and Don Hoyt, Florence, asked today.

These agencies are anxious to cooperate with the Post Office Department in ZIP Coding their files for future mailings, but in order to do so you must include your ZIP Code in your address on tax returns.

If you do not know your ZIP Code call the Post Office or ask your letter carrier.