

An Englishman Writes Evaluation of the Presidency

BY LINDO MOORE

It is curious that we should have had to wait for an Englishman to write the first book of a philosophical character upon the Presidency of the United States. American authors have been more harsh in their criticisms.

Mr. Laski describes the powers and functions of the president, the traditions of the office, its relationship to the Constitution. He defines those qualities which might ensure success in the office, points out the various forces which hedge and limit the presidential influence; shows the relationship between President, Cabinet and Congress.

Country Square in the White House, by John T. Flynn. An account of the character and career of Franklin D. Roosevelt, written by a life long liberal, columnist for the New Republic.

Franklin D. Roosevelt, written by a life long liberal, columnist for the New Republic. Deals with most of the questions regarding the President that are vexing America today: his fundamental political philosophy, if any; his military service; the national debt and the balancing of the budget; the probabilities of the United States at war.

New England: Indian Summer, by Van Wyck Brooks. The author of "The Flowering of New England," brings his history of New England and its literature through the period of change that followed the Civil War to the early days of the 20th century.

Getting ready to be a Mother, by Carolyn van Bliven. This new edition of an already established favorite revised by Hazel Corbin. Most notable are the illustrations, showing details of the baby's daily care.

Richard Halliburton. The adventurous story of Halliburton's life as reflected in his letters to his parents is here published for the first time. The letters account for nearly every week of his absence from the week he entered Princeton to the day he set forth across the Pacific in the ill starred Seastron.

To the Indies, by C. S. Forrester. The author of Captain Hornblower, tells the story of the mid-aged Spanish lawyer who accompanied Columbus on the New World.

The Brewer's Big Horse, by Mildred Walker. The story of a woman, young, headstrong and beautiful, who inherited a brewery and made it pay. The background of the novel is a small Michigan city; the time just before the World War.

Madam Duressa, by Sigrid Undset. A story of 18th century Norway. Told with a Scandinavian solidity, the novel deals with the adventures of Dorothea, whose husband mysteriously disappeared leaving her to bring up five children.

Geese in the Forum, by Lawrence E. Watkin. A double satire on both college faculties and the difference between the North and South even though the Civil War has been over these many years.

Will Lay Sidewalk On Villa Road. A final step in the improvement of Villa road so that it measures up to FHA standards was taken Monday night by the City Commission at the request of property owners.

The owners were notified to install a sidewalk on the south side of the street from Dixie to Columbia. If those people do not engage their own contractor, the City will lay the sidewalk and charge it to the taxpayers affected.

City Taxes for the fiscal year of 1940/41, due July 1st, 1940, are still payable without additional charge. Starting September 1st, however, they will carry an added 3/4 of 1 percent; which charge will be increased by 3/4 of 1 percent on the first of each succeeding month until the closing of the rolls on February 28th, 1941.

Prompt payment will save you money.

H. H. CORSON,
City Treasurer

August 20, 1940

CANDIDATE

we were compelled to purchase a cool air device for the car which reduced the interior of our little buggy from 120° to 90°. It was well spent, that \$10, for son, Bob, had been affected by it. Soon after installation we rode along through that inferno 'cool and collected' with our car windows fast shut. The desert road was flawless; no towns or living creatures appeared for distances of 75 miles at a stretch, just barren desert sands. However, parched, lonely-looking gas stations loomed into view about each 30 miles. The WISE tourist tackles desert rides at night. We foolishly took it at high noon, hence Bob's illness, which quickly subsided after the cooler was attached.

This is RALPH T. KEELING, Pontiac attorney, who has announced his candidacy for the office of State Senator in this district, comprised of Oakland and Washnaw Counties.

JOURNEY

(Continued from Page 1, Part 2) the rocks and sands as they passed.

A few miles farther into Arizona and we came to the petrified forests. To me this was a horrible, desolate place. Scarcely a tree or blade of grass grew here on this great open space. More than 20 miles of barren hills, bare rocks and petrified trees were there. I kept thinking of the reptiles and amphibians that once inhabited the area. It is said river flows covered it all many thousands of years ago with layers of mud and sand. The trees and bushes died and absorbed the minerals, then turned to stone. Then mountains uplifted erosion washed away mud and sand, leaving petrified trees and bones which had washed out of the hills. The result is terrifying.

Highlight of Trip. The Grand Canyon. A hundred miles long. We were not afraid, but a treasure for our memories. Poets and writers have tried to convey its beauty. Who am I to try and picture it? Only this I must say: The entire world is tiny and unimportant here. We are like every one else, felt we should see it.

We were to visit Boulder Dam, a man-made wonder—such a contrast to what we had just witnessed touched by the hand of God! All mortar, wires, staves poles, said to be the most famous and unusual engineering feat in the world. Man has lashed and laced the mighty, restless Colorado River so that the former arid sections of Arizona and California are now fertile valleys. Its power has given to people hundreds of miles away the music and comfort of electricity, who otherwise would have never known its convenience. The dam is the highest in the world, rising 72 feet above bedrock. The structure required three years to build; it cost \$12,000,000 and the lives of nearly 100 men. The reservoir extends 115 miles upstream. The power plant, the largest in the world, will contain upon its completion, sufficient units to produce 1,835,000 horsepower a year. The dam and its combined output of Muscle Shoals and Niagara Falls. Lake Meade, a man-made lake, lies to the west of the dam and its beauty of color has made it famous. It is compared, in scenic beauty and color to Lake Louise and is shaded and shadowed by towering mountains which completely surround it.

On the Desert. The desolate desert of California loomed menacingly ahead as we drove into heat beyond description. At Las Vegas, Nevada, a typical old west town, reminiscent of the Gay Nineties with its wide open gambling, joints, operating full strength even at noon hours.

tense blue to molten gold in a few moments with streaks of gray through it, and the rolling sand seemed to lift to the heavens. We drove with tightly shut windows to keep it out. The little car took plenty of punishment in that terrific wind and rolled into its night's rest with a gritty and yellow chas- ever. All night the wind roared shaking our cabin, doubling the cactus trees and tossing their closed door, the sand beat in until everything including ourselves was covered. The heat never subsided all that night and we learned it had registered 120 degrees before the storm. The morning dawned sunny and still.

We were well in the Rockies the eighth day. At first, I about cried with fright as we wound our way over the narrow mountain passes. I was terrified! (Bob did a good job but a bit too fast). After a few hours pleading with him I reported to a hot word battle after which he reluctantly gave me the wheel. Soon became accustomed to the hazards and could look out and turning without my stomach turning cartwheels.

Driving A Chore. San Francisco is much too hilly for tourists to enjoy; driving is a real chore, for the streets are built on steep hillside as are the houses. Especially is this true of the down town district where despite heavy traffic one is forced to keep in second gear. The old type cable cars of long ago are still in use in Frisco. On each level, and the city is entirely built on levels, matchless views are afforded. We were particularly impressed with the wharves where ocean liners and freighters dock. Seventeen miles of wharves and

berthing space are here. Chinatown, too, proved unique. Golden Gate Bridge. From the sea, is the longest suspension bridge ever to be constructed; it looks as though it really were constructed of gold. It is the direct route to the Redwood Highway. This is a trip every tourist will want to take!

California's Rude. We were also disgusted with the general attitude of Californians towards tourists. Their rude behavior on the highways is measurable. We heard complaints of many tourists in regard to this. A man from Ohio claimed he intended

also that special problems with abutting owners be adjusted by the State. Recommendation of the manager for the acquisition of certain lots for public purposes approved. Sidewalk ordered in on Villa from Dixie to Columbia. IRENE E. HANLEY, City Clerk.

Will Open Madison Ave. to Hunter. City Manager D. C. Egerbert reported that the Commission Monday night: "In the planning of Hunter boulevard, it was contemplated that Madison avenue would be opened from Lawrence to Hunter. This construction would involve a total cost not to exceed \$100,000. In the event the Commission feels that the opening of this street is desirable, I feel secure approval from the Michigan State Highway Department and prepare an estimate of cost for this project. Approval was given."

His Snooze Ends Rather Suddenly. Edward Jay, 25 years old, 201 North State street, Howell, awoke rather suddenly last Saturday at 6:55 p. m. In fact, it was a considerable shock when his trunk ran into a utility pole and crashed into a tree at North Woodward avenue and his street. He was not hurt, and admitted that he dozed off.

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Hay fever is more uncomfortable than dangerous, say physicians—but that is small consolation to the victim who must undergo the torment of streaming eyes and running nose, of raw nostrils, sneezing days and sleepless nights. "If I could only get a good night's rest," moans the sufferer, "I could stand the next day!" But tossing and turning in a hot bedroom leaves little chance for sleep... and morning finds the patient tired and worn, irritable and with nerves on edge, facing the ordeal of another day. Fortunately, a large measure of relief is now available for those who cannot flee north with the advent of the hay-fever season. Thanks to a compact window unit you can install in your bedroom for cooling, dehumidifying and filtering the air, pollen and dust are removed in such quantities as to afford almost complete relief to many sufferers from hay fever and asthma. Also adaptable to a small office, this window unit does a complete job of air conditioning in one room—and it sells at prices around \$140 and up.

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What Your City Commission Is Doing— August 19, 1940. Bills were approved in an amount of \$12,165.08. A hearing was held to consider giving an alley extending from Watkins to Starling, in the block bounded by Wallace and Lincoln, and the alley ordered closed.

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