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BANKHEAD AND BOYKIN WERE CLOSE FRIENDS

Mobile Solon Knew More About Farm Plans Of Senator

No person in Washington—nor anywhere else—was closer to Alabama's late and beloved Senator John H. Bankhead or knew more about his ideals and aspirations in behalf of the farmers of the nation than did Mobile's aggressive and popular Congressman, Frank W. Boykin, now a candidate to fill the unexpired term in the United States Senate of his late friend and benefactor.

And if you will ask any member of the famous Bankhead family, long a dominant factor in state and national politics, who is the logical candidate to take up where Senator John H. Bankhead left off, they will invariably tell you that

BANKHEAD'S BROTHER TO SUPPORT BOYKIN

Henry Bankhead, brother of the late Senator John H. Bankhead, in a telegram to Congressman Frank A. Boykin dated June 15, urged Alabamians to support the Mobile solon for the unexpired term in the United States Senate. The telegram read:

"I wish the rules of the State Department would allow me to go into every county in Alabama to tell the people what my brother, Senator Bankhead, thought of you and all your work and what all of the Bankheads think of you.

"We're all for you. You've done a good job not only for the farmers and the people of Alabama but also for those of the nation."

no one in Washington is more qualified for the task than Congressman Frank W. Boykin, who counseled with the champion of the farmer on all farm legislation before it was introduced. It is not so strange to discover that for every vote that Senator Bankhead put in for the farmer in the Senate, Frank W. Boykin voted the same when the bill came up in the house.

Without exception, Boykin's votes on farm legislation were identical in the House to those of Senator Bankhead's in the Senate. This fact is proved by the record.

This almost mythical friendship between the late Senator Bankhead and Frank W. Boykin did not begin with the latter's election to Congress from the Mobile District in 1935. It first started many years ago when the late Jasper solon befriended Boykin while he was still a youth struggling to get a foothold in the business world.

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Alabama's Next U.S. Senator



FRANK W. BOYKIN OF MOBILE

Boykin Is Go-Getter For State, District

The people of Mobile County and the entire First District could never enumerate the many things their Congressman, Frank W. Boykin, has done for them in the way of securing worthwhile Federal-aid projects, new business enterprises, oil and mineral developments, new highways, public works projects and the like since he was elected to Congress in 1935.

In fact, hardy a person is alive who would even attempt to make this amazing total, because this energetic human dynamo which is Frank Boykin never tires. He seems to be the epitome of perpetual motion and everyone on Capitol Hill in Washington marvels at his indefatigable and untiring spirit.

Only recently he added another project—an oil refinery for Mobile—to his growing list of things to be done for Alabama. Another new acquisition for Mobile as the result of his efforts is the Ideal Cement plant which has taken over the \$14,000,000 properties adjoining the Aluminum Company of America.

He has been the leading factor in a program to develop the oil industry in Alabama having first started on this venture 35 years ago. Today, there are more than 50 producing oil wells in the First District, located in Choctaw County on the Tombigbee River. He is also working with an eastern combine looking toward the development of chlorine in this state. In addition to needing salt for the production of chlorine, it is also needed for salt-cake which is used in the production of paper.

He has also been working on a scheme to use the war-time Chil-

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Mobile Candidate Farmer's Friend

Frank W. Boykin is truly a man of the people; a man who knows and understands their many problems and a man who has the aggressiveness and ability to do something to help solve them.

Frank W. Boykin is a man who knows the unlimited resources of Alabama and is determined to develop them for the benefit of all the people, the farmer, the working man and woman, the business and professional men.

BOYKIN PUSHES RURAL HOUSING FOR FARM FOLK

Believes Farmers Of State Should Enjoy Modern Conveniences

Federal low-cost housing for farmers and residents in the rural areas of Alabama is now one of the chief aims of Congressman Frank W. Boykin, now a candidate to fill the unexpired term of his close friend, the late Senator John H. Bankhead.

Already acclaimed as one of the nation's leaders in the fight for federal low-cost housing, Congressman Boykin deserves much of the credit for the progress made in providing low-cost housing for people in the low-income brackets living in the metropolitan areas. While bills creating the Federal Housing Authority were up for passage in Congress, Frank Boykin was one of the leaders who pushed the legislation through the House.

"I shall not be satisfied until every farmer and rural resident in Alabama can have a modern low-cost home with lights, heat and all the modern conveniences enjoyed by people in our cities," Congressman Boykin said in commenting upon the bill now pending in Congress. "Our good people on the farms deserve to have the same conveniences as those in our cities."

Under the plan advocated by Congressman Boykin, every farmer or rural resident could build a modern home of the type of his choosing through low-cost, long-term financing.

Boykin Is Popular With State Demos

An indication of the tremendous state-wide popularity enjoyed by Congressman Frank W. Boykin, of Mobile, can be seen in the fact that he received more than 118,000 votes to be elected Delegate-at-Large from Alabama to the 1944 Democratic National Convention held in Chicago.

Congressman Boykin received this great complimentary vote without sending out a single card or letter and without the solicitation of votes through campaign tours or speeches.

His 10-year record of service to the people of his district as well as of the entire state stands as a towering monument to his indefatigable spirit and willingness to work incessantly for the welfare of the people.

Frank W. Boykin pulled off his coat, rolled up his shirt sleeves and went to work the first day he arrived in Congress in 1935. Two weeks after he came to Washington, Congress closed a busy session but Frank Boykin stayed right there and continued to work, conferring with city officials on needy projects. He knew that his staying there meant thousands of dollars for his district and needed employment for thousands of workers.

Among these projects was the three-way paving program for the entire state and it was through the tireless efforts of Frank Boykin that the program was saved. The late Governor Bibb Graves gave the young Congressman public recognition for his efforts in behalf of the state. His efforts were also recognized by other states having similar programs.

The school building program of the state, through the Public Works Administration was completely blocked when Frank Boykin first went to Washington. He went to work and succeeded in clearing all the projects in this program including some of our most modern high school buildings which we now enjoy.

Other projects throughout the state on which Frank Boykin worked include the modern highway bridge at Florence and the giant Industrial Water System at Birmingham.

Being recognized as Alabama's fighting "Congressman-at-large," Frank Boykin has never turned down a plea from any Alabamian regardless of where he comes from. Only recently when the War Assets Administration was about to scrap the huge bag loading plant at Talladega, Boykin demanded that consideration be given to local interests who wanted to establish an industry with regular payrolls. His efforts were successful and the good people of Talladega are today singing the praises of Frank Boykin.

Within the past few weeks, a similar situation developed at Mo-

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Boykin Is Champion Of Vet Legislation

With three sons in the service of their country in World War II, Congressman Frank W. Boykin has consistently supported every bill which came up in the House favoring the veteran.

The Mobile Congressman, now term of the late Senator John H. Bankhead, stands shoulder-to-shoulder with top-ranking members of the House who have handled veterans' affairs since World War I.

"I believe that the man who left his home and family and went out to fight the Germans and Japs have a certain 'rior right,'" Congressman Boykin said in commenting upon veteran affairs. "The veterans of all wars can rest assured that I shall continue to fight for legislation which will be of benefit to them and their loved ones."

Among veteran legislation for which Congressman Boykin has fought for and supported are: The GI Bill of Rights, Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Rights, Terminal Leave Pay for Enlisted Men, Increased Pay for Soldiers and Sailors, the bill creating National Service Life Insurance, bill giving veterans priority in securing materials for home and business construction, priority on purchase of surplus properties and all other legislation. He also actively supported the bill giving a bonus to veterans of World War I.

Congressman John E. Rankin, chairman House Committee on World War Veterans' Legislation, had a word of praise for the support his colleague, Congressman Boykin has given to veteran legislation in a letter to Eric Smith, Editor-in-Chief of War Two Veteran newspaper.

"I am in receipt of your letter inquiring about Congressman Frank Boykin's support of veteran legislation," the letter read.

"I do not hesitate to say that the veterans never had a better friend in Congress than Frank Boykin," it continued. "He has never failed to support veterans' legislation and has always manifested the kindest human interest in their welfare."

"Of course I am extremely fond of Frank; he is not only my personal friend, but he has rendered invaluable service in our fight for the Tennessee-Tombigbee Inland Waterway, which means so much to the people of Alabama."

"He is a great American!"

BOYKIN OPPOSES LOAN TO BRITAIN

Unless Full Security Is Given; Says Give Money To Vets, Aged

Taking cognizance of the still unpaid loans to Great Britain during and after the first World War and firmly believing "that charity begins at home," Congressman Frank W. Boykin has vigorously opposed the few billion dollar loan to the British unless and until the United States has been given full security.

"If we have four billion dollars, we don't need until we can get security for it," he said, "why not give it to our service men and women who went away in the recent war or to our aged men and women who helped build and make our country what it is today."

"Let's build for our veterans and aged first and then if anything is left over loan it to our allies," he continued. "I absolutely believe in feeding America first and of course after we have taken care of our own people, I want to help the people of Europe and the world."

The Mobile Congressman cited the fact that he had many poor people in America who now need financial aid in order to clothe, feed and send their children to school.

Boykin Is Member Of Methodist Church

For many years Congressman Frank W. Boykin has been active in civic and fraternal circles in Mobile. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

In addition, he is a 32nd Degree Mason, a Shriner, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Eastern Star and Woodmen of the World.

South's Stigma Beat Bankhead For President

Had not the late Senator John H. Bankhead been from the deep south, he would have lived to be President of the United States, according to his friend and admirer, Congressman Frank W. Boykin, who tells this story:

It happened at the 1944 Democratic National Convention at Chicago after Congressman Boykin had placed the late Alabama Senator's name in nomination for the Vice-Presidency. Other favorite son nominations were also placed on the list including those of Senator Albin W. Barkley, Kentucky, Administration floor leader; Senator Scott Lucas, Illinois, Senator O'Mahoney, Wyoming, Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas and others. But Senator Bankhead received more votes than any of the other favorite sons.

"I intended all the time to put the name of our great Alabama 'Boykin said RU SHERIDAN, SHERIDAN Senator forth for Vice-President," Boykin said, "but I did not wire him until the convention was ready to nominate candidates. I wired him at his home in Jasper, asking if I could offer his name, but before I could get a reply, things got hot on the floor, so I nominated Bankhead without his consent."

"While the fight was thickest I received a telegram from Senator Bankhead thanking me for the honor but declining it. Boy, it was a real fight and I worked two days and nights without taking my clothes off. We had all the southern states lined up behind Bankhead except Georgia."

When we realized the futility of continuing the fight for Bankhead we threw his 80 votes to Truman, thereby electing him Vice-President. Bankhead would have been elected had he not been from the South."

Boykin Is Leader For Old-Age Group

Alabama's and the nation's aged have never had a more sympathetic and understanding friend in the Congress of the United States than the Mobile Congressman, Frank W. Boykin who sincerely believes that every person 65 years and over should have a pension of at least \$60.00 per month to carry them in comfort in their declining years.

When he first went to Congress in 1935, Frank Boykin was a staunch advocate of the Townsend Plan and was the only Alabamian in the House to sign a petition to bring it out of committee for a vote in the House. Not one single time has he failed to vote for any and all pension bills when they came up in Congress.

"When elected to the Senate," he said, "I shall continue my fight to give our aged a decent pension without red tape or a peeper's oath to enable them to get a little joy while going through their last years."

Boykin Responsible For Freeing Bridges

When you drive leisurely over any of the modern bridges in Alabama without having to stop and pay a toll you can thank Congressman Frank W. Boykin for freeing them of toll charges.

When the late Gov. Bibb Graves was looking about for a way to free Alabama's toll bridge, it was Frank W. Boykin, then a rookie Congressman from the Mobile District, who devised a scheme whereby the bridges could be freed.

Yes, it took a bill in Congress to do the job and Frank Boykin was the man who introduced and led the fight for its passage. This action and foresight on the part of Alabama's "Congressman-at-Large" has saved motorists an untold fortune in bridge tolls.

BOYKIN LEADER IN BATTLE FOR RIVER PROJECTS

Tenn.-Tombigbee, Coosa-Alabama Will Be Big Development

The 100-year-old dream of many Alabama Congressmen that there would some day be a Tennessee-Tombigbee Canal now appears to become a reality. The bill launching the needed project has passed the House and stands an excellent chance of passing the Senate, according to Congressman Frank W. Boykin, who has worked day and night for its enactment into law.

The bill creating the Alabama-Coosa project has already passed both houses and construction work on the development is expected to start soon, Mr. Boykin said.

In the vanguard of the battle to secure recognition for these two gi-

BOYKIN'S WORK PRAISED BY COMMITTEE COLLEAGUE

The following is a telegram sent to Publisher Ralph Chandler, Mobile Press-Register, by Rep. L. Mendel Rivers, South Carolina, member of the House Rivers and Harbors Committee, praising the work done by Congressman Frank W. Boykin as a member of that committee:

"Due to the press of my own duties I have delayed writing you telling you of the astronomical job Frank Boykin did pulling over the Tennessee-Tombigbee project. In all my legislative experience I have never seen a man who equalled his performance of Thursday."

"The scale of the great merit which this project has is vast and has been saved only by Boykin's personal magnetism and the loyalty of his friends on both sides of the aisle. He has done something for Alabama and the Nation unsurpassed since our government was formed."

gantic projects was Mobile's fighting Congressman, Frank W. Boykin, who threw his fists into the fray soon after he was elected to Congress in 1935. In the course of the battle to get approval of the projects many of its supporters faltered by the wayside, but Frank Boykin kept plugging away, secure in the belief that success would crown his efforts some day.

Work on one project will be started within a short time, according to Congressman Boykin who declares that it will prove "a progressive step in the development of inland waterway transportation for the south and east."

The Mobile seaman said that both of these projects would be self-liquidating and would entail no cost to the state of Alabama whatever. A ranking member of the House Rivers and Harbors Committee, the group which recommended the two projects for passage, Congressman Boykin outlined some of the benefits accruable to the south and east as a result of the legislation.

"A medium-sized barge-load of pig iron from the Birmingham district to Knoxville can be moved when the Tennessee-Tombigbee project is completed at a saving of \$9,000 per barge load," he said. "When this great development is completed, it will be like picking up the Gulf of Mexico at Mobile and setting it down at Cairo, Ill., with a saving of a distance from Knoxville to the Gulf or Knoxville to Cairo of 600 miles each way."

"This project will favorably affect two-thirds of the states in the country," he continued, "and will provide all people in the several-state area with a direct outlet to the Gulf of Mexico. This increased river tonnage will increase the business of cities and towns adjoining the rivers affected and will result in added revenue to the State Dock at Mobile."

"It will also be a boon to rail, truck, steamship, air and river transportation bringing millions of added dollars in traffic to the entire section east of the Mississippi River."

Help yourself by electing Frank W. Boykin to the U. S. Senate.

Boykin Has Lead Role In Program For TVA Progress

With a record of patriotic service in the interest of inaugurating and developing the vast properties of the Tennessee Valley Authority behind him, Mobile's hard-hitting Congressman, Frank W. Boykin, is now interested in doing everything possible toward expanding TVA throughout this territory.

Congressman Boykin also states that when elected to the United States Senate that he will continue his fight to have the headquarters of the TVA moved from Knoxville to the Muscle Shoals area, the site specifically designated for the head offices in the bill creating the Authority.

"The fact that the main offices of the TVA are located in Knoxville when the act states that they shall be located in the Muscle Shoals area constitutes an illegal procedure," Boykin says. "I propose to continue my fight to have these offices moved into Alabama in keeping with the provisions of the act. We deserve and should have this employment for our people."

Mobile Candidate

(Continued from Page One) ble when the government's aluminum plant investment was about to be scrapped. Boykin went to work and succeeded in getting a cement plant to lease the installation. This will bring a payroll of more than \$1,000,000 annually to Mobile.

The farmers of Alabama as well as the nation have found a never-falling friend in Frank W. Boykin. Every constructive piece of farm legislation has had his unstinting support and he has always seen eye-to-eye with the late beloved Senator John H. Bankhead, recognized as the champion of the farmers' rights.

The greatest friend that the working man and woman can have is the man who can go out and get new industries and plants to provide payrolls and a decent chance to make a living. The getting of new industries and plants has been one of Frank Boykin's primary objectives since he has been in Congress.

He has always lent a sympathetic ear to those who were in need of old-age assistance and he has helped many elder persons to get such assistance. He favors a broadening of the Social Security Laws under strict state control providing a more adequate pension for our people who have reached the sunset of life and are in dire need of financial assistance. He favors a pension of at least \$60.00 monthly for each person over 65 years of age.

The full development of Alabama's natural resources is another primary objective of Frank Boykin. Alabama is now over 90 per cent self-sufficient. We have more miles of navigable waterways than any other state in the union. Frank Boykin is determined that these resources shall be pushed to the limit in order that Alabama can attain her rightful place in the sun.

The continued development of our waterways is all-important. As a member of the House Rivers and Harbors Committee he helped secure passage of legislation providing for vast improvements of the Coosa-Alabama Rivers. He has recently been successful in pushing to a successful conclusion in the House which will end the 100-year fight for development of the Tennessee-Tombigbee canal. They said it couldn't be done—yet Frank Boykin did it.

The extension of power and communication lines to reach into every farm house in Alabama is important to the development of our state. Frank Boykin got the approval of the first EEA line in Alabama located in Washington and Choctaw Counties.

Frank Boykin pledges to the people of Alabama a continuation of the high type of services he has rendered during the past 10 years as a member of the House of Representatives from the Mobile District. His influence as a United States Senator will enable him to enlarge his scope of activities for the people of Alabama. He wants to make Alabama a better place

TRUMAN PRAISES BOYKIN'S WORK IN CONGRESS

President Points To Important Committee Assignments Of Solon

After the passage by the House of the Submerged Lands Bill which recognized state's rights over Federal rights and Secretary of the Interior Harold I. Ickes, leader of the opposition to the bill, resigned his cabinet post, more than 4,000 telegrams, letters and telephone calls were forwarded President Truman urging the appointment of Congressman Frank W. Boykin, from Mobile, as Secretary of the Interior.

The messages in Boykin's behalf poured in from Alabama and all sections of the country pointing to the qualifications of the popular Mobilian, President Truman, however, said that "his good friend, Frank Boykin" was needed too badly in the House where he was a member of several important committees.

Congressman Boykin's fight for the Submerged Lands Bill in the House, giving states the rights to valuable mineral and oil deposits underneath rivers and other bodies of water, was considered a victory for advocates of state's rights over Federal rights. Forty-six of the 48 governors endorsed the bill and it emerged from the House Judiciary Committee by unanimous vote after which it was passed by the House.

The bill is now pending in the Senate and its chief House sponsor intends to push it through to final enactment when elected to the Senate.

Bessemer's Valley Creek Canal Goal Of Frank Boykin

Congressman Frank W. Boykin's interest in the development of Alabama's waterway has not been limited strictly to the larger streams. He has been an ardent supporter and has worked hard with officials of Bessemer and Birmingham to make the Valley Creek Canal project a reality.

The old "Van Hoose" canal project has been kept alive many years and especially for the past ten years since Boykin has been in Congress. He is vitally interested in the realization of this project and it is still high on his agenda for "jobs yet to be realized."

His Washington file on the canal project is brimming over and he says that despite the setbacks, he still believes that before long a canal connecting Bessemer and the Birmingham district with the Warrior River will be on the list of "things accomplished."

Shipbuilders In South Get Huge War Contracts

As a member of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee in the House, Congressman Boykin went to bat for the Alabama and Southern shipbuilding companies during the war which resulted in more than \$7,000,000,000 in shipbuilding contracts being let to Dixie shipyards.

Using as his slogan: "If any ships are going to be built, the South is going to get her part," he was an outstanding leader in Washington in the fight to get recognition for Alabama and southern shipyards. During this era of unprecedented ship construction, the South emerged as the builder of some of the finest ships in the Navy, the Coast Guard and the Merchant Marine during the war. Millions of jobs for Southern workers were provided by Congressman Boykin's efforts.

In which to live under a system of free enterprise with high incomes for our farmers and workers which in turn will mean greater prosperity for our business men.

Alabama needs Frank W. Boykin in the U. S. Senate.

BOYKIN SEEKS U. S. ASSISTANCE FOR EDUCATION

Wants Federal Money
With State Control
For State Schools

The schools, the teacher and proponents for federal aid for education under strict state supervision have had no better friend in Congress than Frank W. Boykin, one of the leaders on Capitol Hill for this all-important piece of legislation.

Citing the need for federal monies to supplement our earmarked funds for educational purposes, Congressman Boykin pointed to the migration of our teachers to other sections of the country where they could get better salaries in keeping with the dignity of the profession, as evidence of the importance of this legislation which is now pending in committee.

"We must continue the fight to get federal aid for education, but within strict state control, in order to bolster our educational system through more and better equipped buildings, higher teacher salaries, adequate tenure protection, pensions, etc." Congressman Boykin said. "We are losing many of our fine teachers to other sections because they can get more money. Federal aid for education will solve all our educational problems and if we can get enough men in Congress interested in enacting this much-needed legislation, the educational ills of most of the states will be solved."

Boykin Gets Huge Low - Cost Housing Sum For Mobile

Congressman Frank W. Boykin points with pride to the several Federal low-cost housing projects representing an aggregate total of \$50,000,000 which he has secured for Mobile, Pritchard and Chickasaw, all located in Mobile County.

An ardent plunger for low-cost housing, Congressman Boykin believes that the U. S. Public Housing Authority has done more to develop and beautify our cities and towns than any other single factor.

Although representing the Mobile District in Congress, he has helped city and county officials from other sections of Alabama get additional funds for slum-clearance projects.

Boykin Long Active In Democratic Circles

Always a staunch Democrat and one of the reliable members of both the State and National party, Congressman Frank W. Boykin has been in the forefront in party matters in Alabama.

He was appointed by National Chairman James Farley and then State Committee Chairman John McQueen, of Tuscaloosa, to head the drive for campaign funds in Alabama when President Roosevelt was nominated for a second term. With \$36,000 as the goal for Alabama, under his chairmanship, he had raised much of the money when he was ruled ineligible for the task because of his being a member of Congress.

His brother, the late Judge Matt A. Boykin, of Mobile, was appointed chairman of the campaign drive. When the total raised was counted it amounted to \$36,000.

Congressman Boykin was active at the National Democratic Conventions which nominated President Roosevelt for the first and second terms.

Birmingham Given Boost By Boykin

The City of Birmingham owes much of the credit for the installation of its vast \$8,000,000 Industrial Water System and the construction of the dam at Inland Lake to the untiring efforts of Congressman Frank W. Boykin who pushed the project through for Birmingham city officials.

Congressman Boykin spent many hours making the rounds in Washington and calling on his friends to help get this badly needed project for the Magic City. In addition, he also was instrumental in pushing through to success a \$2,500,000 Negro slum-clearance project for Birmingham.

State Press Hails Boykin ALABAMA'S CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE

CULLMAN BANNER, Thursday, March 29, 1945

A trip to Washington, D. C., is never complete without a visit with Congressman Frank Boykin of Alabama. He has been called our Congressman-at-Large and everyone knows he deserves the title. Frank Boykin is always ready to help and assist Alabamians; and his activities are not limited to constituents from his native State—one any one with a just cause will find a ready champion in the genial, energetic man from Mobile. His zest for living, together with his enthusiasm, carries him to great heights and is an inspiration to his associates. His innate kindness and his love for his fellowmen keep him occupied fighting their cause. He is possessed of a fine sense of humor and has the qualities of warmth of heart and understanding which draw others close to him in the bonds of friendship and love. Frank's slogan that "everything is made for love" is truly a part of his life, and he practices this teaching in dealing with his people. Frank Boykin has the faculty of believing so strongly in any cause that he seems to generate boundless energy and ability to get the job done.

We have been told by one of his dearest friends that when he was just a boy he worked as a gang boss, stripped to the waist, in swamp lands for 18 hours a day and that he was a leader and did not ask his men to do any work he himself would not do. Seeing the man and watching his actions leave no doubt but that this is true. In his office he entertains a visitor, dictates a letter, and talks over long distance at the same time, and the fruits of his labor can be found in the many government projects and works located throughout Alabama's First Congressional District. It is common knowledge around the Capitol that Frank is often at work by 5 a. m. and to prove his sincerity he will call one of his colleagues and make him promise to vote with him on legislation in which he is interested. We have long admired Boykin because of his sincerity of purpose, his understanding of the problems of his fellowman and his willingness to do whatever it takes to help the unfortunate. We wish to salute without solicitation, Alabama's Congressman from the First District!

Who's News Today

Representative Boykin
Always Has Been
Hard Man To Stop

(In New York Sun)

BY DELOS W. LOVELAKE

This man Boykin ought to fly a red flag, like the dynamite truck. Without one, how could those five rash critics in the House restaurant know him for more than just another 200-pound Representative, of whom there are several not so formidable.

Boykin has been hard to stop for most of his fifty-eight years. He started in Alabama, in a county named for the Choctaws, whose memory may have been an early inspiration. They were hard to stop too. In public school he learned to write Frank William Boykin plain enough for anybody and then he got a job in a store at Fairford, a little to the south. Pretty soon he was manager.

One day he saw there was money in railroad crossings. He got a contract and pretty soon he had real estate, livestock and farms. Pretty soon, also, he was living easily in Mobile with a wife and five children. She had one of those delightful, unaccountable names peculiar to the South and Middle West, Ocello Oculo Gun! And, since by then the Boykins were having most things at least a little better than most people, the five children included a set of twins.

The House has had Boykin since 1935, thanks in part to his friends among the Masons, Elks, Woodmen, Moose and Methodists. He is a quiet member.

Farm-To-Market Highway System Goal Of Boykin

Development of Alabama and the nation's farms through inauguration of a gigantic farm-to-market highway development program is the plan of Congressman Frank W. Boykin when elected to the United States Senate.

Long an advocate of modern paved farm-to-market highways, Congressman Boykin is set to push his program through Congress. He has waged an incessant fight in the House for such a program for the past few years, declaring that the nation will save much food through quick and adequate highway facilities to transport perishables and staple commodities.

In addition to benefitting the farmer, this program will also create much employment for our returning veterans who are unable to find jobs in this era of reconversion. With the development of this program, every farmer in Alabama would have a paved highway leading to the market centers of the State and South.

MOBILE SOLON IN FOREFRONT FOR NEW AIRPORTS

Millions for Alabama
Available As
Bill Is Made Law

A long-range municipal, county and state Federal-grant airport development program looking toward expansion of already established and new airport projects in approximately 50 cities and towns in Alabama and amounting to several million dollars is now available, according to Congressman Frank W. Boykin, one of the backers of the Bill in the House.

Termed the National Airport Plan, this bill was approved in the Senate and House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committees and is a project of the Civil Aeronautics Commission and recently passed Congress.

Aiming toward completion of the program within five to ten years, the bill will provide an estimated \$2,070,000 for improvements to five airports in Birmingham and \$80,000 for improvements of a project in Bessemer.

Clanton will receive an estimated \$245,000, Eufaula, \$400,000; Pell City, \$285,000, Sylacauga, \$230,000, Tuscaloosa, \$650,000, Tuskegee, \$650,000, while various other cities and small towns would benefit in funds ranging from \$80,000 up.

Highways Of State Get Federal Funds

No other Congressman in the history of the State of Alabama has done more for the development of Alabama highways through Federal aid than has Frank W. Boykin during his tenure of office as Representative from the First District.

Prior to Congressman Boykin's interest in a gigantic Federal-aid highway system in Alabama, farm roads and arterial roadways suffered because of the lack of a champion in Washington. Millions of dollars in additional Federal funds have been pouring into the State in recent years with the result that prior to the war, Alabama's highway development program was one of the broadest in the South.

When elected to the Senate, Mr. Boykin can have even greater influence in seeing that Alabama gets her share of Federal funds for further development and improvement of our highway program.

Alabama Needs

FRANK W. BOYKIN

In the U. S. Senate

Rural Electricity For Every State Farm, Boykin Aim

The bringing of electricity to farms with all its modern conveniences to farmers in the rural areas of Alabama through strong support of the program of the Rural Electrification Administration, is one of the foremost projects of Congressman Frank W. Boykin.

Long an advocate of complete electrification of all rural areas in the state, Congressman Boykin is proud of the work he has done toward realization of this humanitarian goal. Even before the bill creating the Rural Electrification Administration was introduced in Congress, he was one of its chief advocates in the House. Following its passage, Roosevelt administration leaders gave him much of the credit for its enactment.

When the bill became a law, Congressman Boykin pushed through the first REA line in Alabama which was located in Washington and Clarke Counties in his own first District. He immediately became one of its first customers by equipping his McIntosh hunting preserve with power from the line. He is still using this power source today.

"I want to see the facilities of the REA expanded in Alabama so that every farmer in the state can enjoy the benefits of electric power," he said. "When elected to the Senate I want to exert all my influence toward development of the REA program."

Bankhead And

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Everyone in official Washington knew of the brother-like relationship which existed between the two Alabamians, one a powerful figure in the august Senate body who was hailed by his colleagues as the champion of the farmer and the people, and the other an aggressive and ambitious Congressman who refused to confine his efforts to the Mobile District alone but became Alabama's Congressman-at-Large and lent a helping hand to all people, regardless of which District they were interested in.

Helped Each Other

No sooner had Frank W. Boykin emerged winner in a hotly contested election in the First District and landed in Washington as a full-fledged Congressman, than did Senator Bankhead take him under his wing. From that day until the recent death of the Senior Senator, Boykin was considered the logical understudy for that greatest champion of the nation's farmers, Senator John H. Bankhead. Boykin stepped into this great role rather unobtrusively because at that time the thought that he would someday be a candidate for the lofty position of his friend never entered his mind.

Boykin teamed up with Bankhead, not because of any possible personal gain or glory, but rather because he had always been intensely interested in the problems of the farmer and he knew that he was the humble student of the master.

Boykin knew of the drudgery and toll of farm life because he was truly born and reared on a farm in South Alabama. He did not become an opportunist-farmer simply because it was politically expedient. Frank Boykin worked on a farm as a boy because he had to; that was the only life he knew as a youth. He couldn't even find time to step off from his farm chores to attend school and get an education. His schooling came the hard way—by burning the midnight oil, asking questions and through bitter experience. No, Frank Boykin did not attend college; not even high school. He had to work to help support his family.

Frank Boykin is a real, hard-down dirt farmer. When not in Washington serving his people in the First District, you can always find him on his farm at McIntosh. He will be working, fishing or hunting, but most of the time you will find him at work. Fishing and hunting are his only forms of recreation, but he is so in the habit of working that he seldom finds time for recreational activities.

FRANK BOYKIN GIVEN CHOICE COMMITTEE JOBS

Regarded by Truman
As Outstanding
Member of House

Congressman Frank W. Boykin, of Mobile, and candidate for the United States Senate to fill the unexpired term of the late senior Senator, John H. Bankhead, enjoys some choice committee assignments in the National House of Representatives, despite the fact that he is still classified as one of the younger members.

He is chairman of Committee on Patents, a member of the Insular Affairs Committee, having to do with colonies of all territories and possessions; acting Chairman the Accounts Committee which passes on all expenditures of all committees in Congress; Invalid Pensions Committee (of which he has been offered the chairmanship) which handles pensions for service men of all wars; the Rivers and Harbors Committee which has control over all rivers and harbors in the United States; the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee.

The Mobilian is also chairman of the powerful Public Buildings and Grounds sub-committee which has to do with matters affecting public housing over the United States. During his tenure on this committee, he has traveled in almost every state in the union in the interest of public housing and grounds.

President Truman regards Congressman Boykin as one of the most important leaders in the House. Few members with service in the Congress equaling Frank Boykin are today members of so many outstanding committees.

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denburg Ordnance plant for the production of pulp newsprint. Prospects are bright that this conversion will take place and if so, this will be the only newsprint producing plant in the south, outside of Texas.

Not content to sit down and take life easy, Boykin is always on the lookout for worthwhile projects which will help his state and her people, to expand our rail, truck, air and ship facilities and to do everything possible to make our people happier through worthwhile and gainful employment.

Alabama Leads U. S. In Grants In 1936

During the first two years that Frank W. Boykin was in Congress, he was one of the Alabama Congressmen responsible for Alabama receiving more than \$400,000,000 in Federal funds for public health and welfare, education, civic improvements, highways and other long-needed projects for the general welfare of the people of this state.

Of this money, Alabama led all other states in the union on a per capita basis for 1936 in grants allotted. An indefatigable worker and believer in his State, Frank Boykin has always been in the forefront in shaking the Washington "plum tree" for Federal aid for Alabama.

Elect Frank W. Boykin, the friend of the farmer and veteran in the U. S. Senate.

DEMOPOLIS DAM, MOBILE BAY PROJECTS TO START

Construction of the Demopolis Lock and Dam, located on the Tombigbee River at an estimated cost of \$10,000,000 along with improvements to the Mobile Harbor at a cost of \$50,000,000, will begin soon, according to Congressman Frank W. Boykin, of Mobile.

Both of these projects will be financed strictly by the Federal government with no matching of funds by state or counties, the Congressman said.

Mr. Boykin also added that both of these projects will be self-liquidating. Both projects will offer employment to residents of the sections involved in the construction.

