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Rep. Boykin's Ability And Experience Recommend His Re-election To House

The grave threats to world peace and the important domestic issue confronting the nation today place a heavy burden on the Congress of the United States. In this tragic period when talk of another war is being heard throughout the land, the United States needs able, qualified and experienced men in Congress.

Never before has it been more important for voters to elect seasoned and experienced congressmen to make the laws and project our Constitution and the American way of life. The state is fortunate in having such a congressman, Frank W. Boykin of Mobile, serving the First Congressional District in the U. S. House of Representatives.

The Press Register believes that the best interests of the First District, its state and the nation would be served by re-electing Rep. Boykin so he may continue his fine work in the House. We are of the firm belief that the voters of the First Congressional District would be doing the wise thing by nominating Frank W. Boykin for his eighth consecutive term in the House of Representatives in the Democratic Primary of May 4.

Since going to Congress in 1935, Frank Boykin has served well the people of the First District - Mobile, Choctaw, Clarke, Marengo, Monroe, Washington and Wilcox Counties. Rep. Boykin has served all the people. He knows how to get things done. He is subservient to no special group. He is politically independent. He is free to conduct himself in Congress in the manner which will serve the best interests of all the people.

Rep. Boykin is not the Mobile congressman. He is the congressman of all counties in the First District. His record bears out this fact. He has never shown favoritism for any one county in the district. He has tried to do what is best for all seven counties.

More than that, Rep. Boykin is recognized throughout the state as one of the most influential men Alabama has ever had in Washington. Whenever Alabamians want something done, they always call on Rep. Boykin. He has been instrumental in obtaining benefits for not only his home district, but for other sections of the state.

During his more than 13 years in Congress, the affable congressman from the First District has built up a wide, intimate acquaintanceship among Washington officials. He enjoys the friendship and respect of key men in the House and Senate as well as important men in the executive branch of the federal government. These priceless contacts enable Rep. Boykin to get things done - and in a hurry.

Rep. Boykin has worked untiringly and without cessation for the people of the First District and elsewhere in Alabama. His eagerness, unmatched enthusiasm, optimism and energy have carried him to an influential position in Congress. Rep. Boykin's contacts, seniority and general know-how are invaluable. They are things which First District voters cannot afford to lose.

They are things which take many years to build up. They are valuable assets which few congressmen enjoy. They are assets which no first-term congressman, no matter how well qualified and able, could possibly have. These are assets which belong to the people of the First District because of Rep. Boykin.

First District voters should not lose sight of the fact that Rep. Boykin is a member of the important House committee on public works, which handles rivers and harbors, flood control, highways, public buildings and beach erosion. This committee carries on the work of a number of committees which were combined by the congressional reorganization act. Membership on this committee alone make Rep. Boykin ideally suited to serve the people of the First District.

With dark clouds hanging over the international picture and critical problems facing the nation and the Democratic party, Rep. Boykin, who has in abundance all those qualities which make for good representation in Con-

gress, is needed in Washington. We hope the voters of the First District will retain the services of Rep. Boykin. Because of his record and because of what he means to Alabama and the nation, we wholeheartedly endorse Frank W. Boykin's candidacy and urge that he be renominated for Congress at the May 4 primary.