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"The Only Thing
We Have to Fear,
Is Fear Itself."

F.D.R.

November, 1949

"KICK-OFF LUNCHEON"

"NATIONAL EMPLOY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK"

Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C., October 3, 1949



Under auspices of AFPH's EDUCATIONAL FUND, and co-sponsorship of the District of Columbia Lions Clubs, and the Business and Professional Women's Club of D. C., the Fifth Annual Observance of "NEPHWEEK" was a tremendous success. Hon. Jennings Randolph, Chairman, AFPH EDUCATIONAL FUND, presided, and the speaker of the occasion was Senator Matthew M. Neely of West Virginia. Other speakers were Paul A. Strachan, President, American Federation of the Physically Handicapped, and author of "NEPHWEEK"; Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Chief of Staff, Armed Forces; Harold Russell, National Commander, AMVETS; Miss Clara Longstreth, President, Business and Professional Women's Club, D. C.; Albert F. Brault, District Governor, Lions International. Others introduced were Mildred Scott, Secretary, American Federation of the Physically Handicapped; Dr. Charl Ormond Williams, Director, Field Services, National Education Association and Vice President, AFPH; Col. Robert

S. Allen, author, columnist and Vice President, AFPH; Mrs. Caroline Wentworth, Chairman, Public Affairs Committee, Business and Professional Women's Club; Lewis G. Hines, representing the American Federation of Labor; Allen L. Swim, representing the Congress of Industrial Organizations; Frederick J. Siddons, President, Washington Board of Trade; Jerome B. McKee, Acting President, Federation of Business Men's Associations; Robert Goodwin, Director, U. S. Bureau of Employment Security; Perry Faulkner, Chief, Veterans Employment Service; Harry B. Mitchell, President, U. S. Civil Service Commission; Rep. Augustine B. Kelley of Pennsylvania; Edgar Morris, Director, U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Rev. Crawford W. Brown, Canon, Washington Cathedral, rendered the Invocation, and the Very Rev. Msgr. Paul Tanner, Assistant General Secretary, National Catholic Welfare Conference, the Benediction. Miss Hazel Arth, Contralto, accompanied by Kathryn Hills Rawls, rendered several musical selections.

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NEWLY ELECTED A.F.P.H. NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENTS

The following have recently been elected to the offices of National Vice-Presidents of the American Federation of the Physically Handicapped: Albert Biederman, President, AFPH District Department, and an active worker; Dr. Francis A. Brown, Staff Associate, American Council on Education; Hon. Melvin Maas, former Congressman, Minnesota, and now President, Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association; Miss Alice E. Nash, able, energetic member of Rochester, N. Y., AFPH Lodge; James G. Patton, President, National Farmers' Union, one of the Nation's most vigorous leaders; and Mrs. Martha Shorey, registered nurse, long active in organizations dealing with problems of the Handicapped, and a devoted worker for their interests. We congratulate all of our new Vice Presidents and extend our best wishes.

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"National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week"

(Public Law 176, 79th Congress)

First Week in October of Each Year

To all Officers and Members of AFPH

Dear Friends and Fellow-Workers:

From November 15, 1949 through March 15, 1950, we shall conduct the "A.F.P.H. VICTORY CAMPAIGN."

The purpose of the Campaign will be to bring to the attention of all Handicapped—everywhere—and, to the general public, the need and desirability of their lending full support to AFPH and its program.

Your cooperation is earnestly requested. The Campaign will have many special features, which will be announced in detail, from time to time, by Secretary Scott.



Paul A. Strachan

Let us set the goal for thousands of new members, and several hundred Lodges by the time of our Fifth Biennial Convention, which will be held in Washington, D. C., Statler Hotel, August 27-31, 1950.

I want to thank all of the faithful members who have worked so hard to build up AFPH and to do the necessary "chores" that effectuate our legislative campaign. You have done a magnificent job, not only for yourselves, but for all the Handicapped, and they, and the Nation, are indebted to you for your zealous and patriotic uplifting work.

Let us unite in the faith that moves mountains. Let us carry the sublime gospel of AFPH SERVICE into the minds and hearts of countless thousands of Handicapped, throughout the entire Nation.

Let us drink deeply of the same inspiration which will empower us to spread the evangelism of this great work, as did the minister in Washington, D. C., who, when asked the secret of his power as a preacher, declared:

"IT'S SIMPLE. I READS MYSELF FULL. I THINKS MYSELF CLEAR. I PRAYS MYSELF HOT. AND THEN, I LETS GO!"

Let us "PRAY OURSELVES HOT" and "LET GO" right now!

Wishing you all the very best Holiday Season, I am

Faternally,

PAUL A. STRACHAN.

To All the Physically Handicapped:

HOW MUCH BETTER OFF ARE YOU TODAY, THAN YOU WERE BACK IN 1941, BEFORE A.F.P.H. WAS ORGANIZED

Now that the annual drum-beats for "NATIONAL EMPLOY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK" have, for the fifth time, faded into the distance, and with the imminence of the annual Thanksgiving Season, it is a good time to take stock and to ask ourselves, as Amputees, Blind, Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Arthritics, Cardiacs, Diabetics, Cerebral Palsied, Epileptics, Polios, victims of Multiple Sclerosis, Tuberculosis, and other disabled, including the congenitally defected and deformed, "WHAT GOOD HAS AFPH ACHIEVED FOR THE HANDICAPPED IN ITS NEARLY EIGHT YEARS OF EXISTENCE?"

Let us go back to 1941. Remember those pre-war years? Where, and how were the Handicapped then?

1. THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SPENT \$1,900,000 in 1941-42. In 1949-50, OVR HAD \$20,500,000 appropriations for rehabilitation! More than TEN TIMES as much as before AFPH entered the ring.
2. THERE WERE NO UNITS FOR HANDICAPPED IN EMPLOYMENT SERVICES OFFICES. In 1948-49 Employment Services placed MORE THAN 260,000 HANDICAPPED!
3. THERE WAS NO "NATIONAL EMPLOY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK," to provide suitable employment for more than 250,000 Handicapped; pay them in wages or salaries in excess of \$600,000,000, and, afford an annual period in which the attention of the whole public would be focused upon fostering employment of Handicapped.
4. THERE WAS NO "PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON

'NATIONAL EMPLOY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK'" to stimulate officials in the Federal and State Governments, and all outside organizations of Business, Industry, Labor, Veterans, Farm, Women, Educational, Religious, Fraternal, Civic, Scientific and Professional and other groups, TO KEEP A YEAR 'ROUND PROGRAM ON THE FIRE IN BEHALF OF THE HANDICAPPED.

5. THERE WAS NO REAL EFFORT ON THE PART OF MANY AGENCIES, public and private, TO PROVIDE NEEDED SERVICES FOR HANDICAPPED IN MEDICAL TREATMENT, TRAINING, VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE, and PLACEMENT IN EMPLOYMENT.

TODAY, approximately 65,000 Handicapped have received rehabilitation in the past year, and MANY AGENCIES ARE GIVING ATTENTION TO FILL YOUR NEEDS.

6. There was little, if any, UNDERSTANDING OF THE NEEDS AND PROBLEMS OF HANDICAPPED PEOPLE, BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC, and, TODAY, the AVENUES OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CONSTANTLY INCREASE THE SCOPE OF PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE IN THIS FIELD.

The American Federation of the Physically Handicapped took the lead in promoting these programs. It fought discrimination in every quarter. It keeps public and private agencies on their toes, and by the implied weapon of criticism, keeps them attending to their business—which is YOUR BUSINESS—far better than they did before AFPH was born.

AFPH, Then, Has Been Your Best Support. But Have You Supported AFPH?

National Rehabilitation Association

Opposes Legislation of Benefit to Handicapped

We have opposition from the National Rehabilitation Association, composed primarily of directors and employees of States' Rehabilitation agencies. For the 30 years of its existence, this organization on its own record, has shown no ability to develop and execute an adequate national program, beneficial to all Handicapped people.

All Handicapped and their friends are urged to oppose, vigorously, the program of the National Rehabilitation Association, H. R. 5577, H. R. 5485, H. R. 5370, and S. 5227, as these bills, on close analysis, do not cover the ground as well as does our bills H. R. 3095 and S. 1066, and, **THEY GUARANTEE NOTHING TO THE HANDICAPPED**, being only *PERMISSIVE LEGISLATION*, instead of being *MANDATORY* legislation as much of the AFPH program is.

Do not let these Rehab boys fool you. Their interest in the Handicapped is chiefly based upon what they, themselves, can get out of these programs, in power and prestige. In another communication I have clearly shown the failings of this National Rehabilitation Association, and I urge all members to write to HQ for a copy.

"AFPH CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION" AWARDED MRS. ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt was the principal speaker at the New York City AFPH Mass Meeting October 1. President Strachan, following his address on the "Case of the Handicapped," presented Mrs. Roosevelt with our "AFPH CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION" for her outstanding contributions to the Handicapped. Copies of both Mrs. Roosevelt's address, which contains an inspiring message to all handicapped, and that of President Strachan's, are being printed.

Senator Matthew M. Neely, addressing "Kick-Off Luncheon" — "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week," Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C. One of the most eloquent orations anyone ever heard was that of Senator Neely at the "Kick-Off Luncheon." Many in the audience wept at the graphic and moving speech, and we urge all AFPH members to preserve and study the copy which is being sent to them.



GOVERNOR LEHMAN PLEDGES VOTE FOR S. 1066

President Strachan addressed identical letters to Senator John Foster Dulles, and Herbert H. Lehman, candidates for the Senate, from New York State, asking whether or not they would vote for our bill, **FEDERAL COMMISSION ON SERVICES FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED**, S. 1066.

Senator Dulles' Administrative Assistant answered that the Senator was too busy to attend to this matter now.

Mr. Lehman wired that he would support the bill, or any bill that would effectuate the purposes of S. 1066.

On that statement, the 3,500,000 Physically Handicapped in the State of New York should support Governor Lehman in this race.

A.F.P.H. COUNCIL MEETS

On Saturday, October 23, the AFPH Council opened a two-day session in Washington, D. C. Many important matters were discussed. The Council pledged its whole-hearted support to the organization and membership campaign.

Council adopted a strong resolution criticizing the National Rehabilitation Association and officials of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation for attempting to gag witnesses who were to testify upon H. R. 3095, our bill for **FEDERAL COMMISSION ON SERVICES FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED**. The Resolution demanded the removal of Oliver Kincannon, Press Chief, OVR, the guilty party.

NAMES ADDED TO OUR AFPH GUEST LOG AT HEADQUARTERS

Among the visitors to AFPH Headquarters during the last few weeks were: Hon. David A. Morse, Director-General, International Labor Office, Geneva, Switzerland, who is a member of AFPH; Dr. Francis E. Townsend, the pioneer in promoting Old Age Pensions; Edgar Morris, Past President, Washington Board of Trade, and now Director, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; R. J. Thomas, International Officer, Congress of Industrial Organizations. Also, Miss Estelle Johnson, Binghamton, N. Y.; Estelle Tingle, Houston, Texas; Senator John J. Sparkman, Alabama; Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Fishel, Apollo, Pa.; Lois Ballard, Dallas, Texas; Lawrence J. Schneider, Vice-President, AFPH New York City Lodge 99; William Fred Gann and family (a boyhood companion of President Strachan) from Atlanta, Ga.; Vice-President Walter J. Mason, National Legislative Representative, American Federation of Labor; David Horowitz, editor, United Israel Bulletin and author of "Thirty-three Candles."

REPORT ON A.F.P.H. LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

President Strachan states, "The four months ahead will be the most important period in all the history of the Handicapped. Congress reconvenes January 3, 1950, and our tremendous Legislative Program is then in position for action, PROVIDED we keep the pressures on, meantime, and after that, until favorable action is had." His report on AFPH Legislation is as follows:

1. **FEDERAL COMMISSION ON SERVICES FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED.** Introduced by Senator John J. Sparkman and 17 other Senators (S. 1066) and by Representative Augustine B. Kelley, and 12 other Representatives, (H. R. 3095). Hearings were held in House Subcommittee on Education and Labor, and the bill was reported to the House Committee on Education and Labor. Representatives Lesinski and Kelley stated, on October 14, that the bill will have preferential, third place position on the Committee's agenda, in January, 1950.
2. **NATIONAL CEREBRAL PALSY ACT.** S. 1538, Senator Matthew M. Neely, and H. R. 1729, Representative James Percy Priest. Hearings were held before Senate Labor and Public Welfare Subcommittee, and before House Subcommittee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Both Committees are favorable, and will incorporate salient features of our bill in the Committee's Omnibus bill in January, 1950.
3. **NATIONAL EPILEPSY ACT.** S. 659, Senator William Langer, and H. R. 3893, Representative Andrew J. Biemiller. Hearings were held before Senate Labor and Public Welfare Subcommittee, and before House Subcommittee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Both Committees are favorable and will incorporate salient features of our bill in the Committee's Omnibus bill in January, 1950.
4. **NATIONAL LEPROSY ACT.** S. 2761, Senator Claude Pepper, and H. R. 5234, Representative J. Hardin Peterson. Hearings were held before Senate Labor and Public Welfare Subcommittee, and before House Subcommittee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Both Committees are favorable, but the bill cannot well be included in the proposed Omnibus Medical Research bill of the Committee, and must stand on its own bottom. Senator Pepper is especially anxious to see that this bill is enacted, and House Leaders informed me, on October 14, that they would make every effort to bring the bill out, under its own steam, in January.

5. **SURVEY (Census) OF HANDICAPPED.** S. 458, Senator Edwin C. Johnson, and H. R. 3937, Representative Gardner Withrow. No hearings in House. For second consecutive year Senate Committee on Post Office and Civil Service reported the bill favorably to the Senate, and for second consecutive year Senator Robert A. Taft (Ohio) blocked passage by his objection, claiming that this should be done by the States. No States have ever conducted surveys of Handicapped, as outlined in our bill, and no States are likely to. Senator Taft is absolutely wrong on this.

6. Senate Concurrent Resolution 37, former Senator (now Attorney-General) J. Howard McGrath, and HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 143, Representative Helen Gahagan Douglas. The purpose of these Resolutions is, that their enactment would repeal, by law, the recent adverse ruling of the Interstate Commerce Commission, prohibiting amputees from driving motor vehicles in Interstate or Foreign Commerce.

No hearings have been had in either House or Senate, because the matter came to a head, upon ICC decision, too late in the session to get hearings. We shall make every effort to get hearings in House and Senate next January.

"I am never optimistic," says President Strachan, "but I feel we have pushed our bills into strategic position where it is possible to get favorable action on them in the Second Session of the 81st Congress. The final results will depend upon the work of AFPH members, particularly those in the States, from now, on."

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Vigorously calling upon your Congressmen

Inviting folks to JOIN AFPH

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Rallying men and women to BOOST OUR CAMPAIGN

You all working together for VICTORY!

A.F.P.H. ALLIES

We are very grateful for the splendid support given to AFPH and its program by many outside groups. Organized Labor, in particular, has been a tower of strength. The American Federation of Labor, The Congress of Industrial Organizations, the International Association of Machinists, many of the Railroad Brotherhoods, and the United Mine Workers, all have shown themselves strongly aligned with AFPH.

We believe the program for the Severely Disabled launched by the United Mine Workers to be so far ahead of anything offered by so-called States' Rehabilitation Services that there can be no comparison. Under its aegis we have seen developments relating to paraplegics and other of those heretofore termed "totally and permanently disabled," which belie the decisions of the Rehab experts who termed these men "non-feasible for rehabilitation," and lends great hope to many of us who are in similar situation and yet lack the means to even attempt such treatments.

Many other Labor groups are promoting splendid welfare and health programs. The International Ladies' Garment Workers Union has a \$28,000,000 Health Program of its own, and the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, the Carpenters, the Machinists, and other unions are growing more and more conscious of the need for effective rehabilitation programs and are projecting their own.

It is not enough just to "pension a man off at \$10 to \$20 a week when he becomes disabled," but, rather, we must continually expand the horizons so that the public will realize the need and value of comprehensive programs which, in operation, go down to the grass-roots, rather than superficially scratch the surface as—sad to relate!—most of the Federal-State programs do today.

Another ally is International Civitan Clubs, and Mr. Randall J. Hicks, Chairman of Civitan's Committee on Handicapped, is one of our most devoted friends and co-workers. Lions' International also is taking an interest in development of an over-all program, although hitherto, it has had its own various projects for individuals and groups.

One of AFPH's strongest supporters is the National Farmers Union, of which James G. Patton is President. They know the miserable failure of so-called Rehabilitation Programs to reach the rural population and it may be pointed out that the AFPH bill, H. R. 3095, is the FIRST of all such legislation in which a definite sum is ear-marked for rural rehabilitation work, something which has never been done, or even advocated, by any of the Federal-State officials in this field.

Dr. Harvey Bartle, M.D., who testified for our FEDERAL COMMISSION FOR HANDICAPPED bill, is former Medical Director of the Pennsylvania Railroad

and, likely, has more experience in the rehabilitation field than any State Director of Rehabilitation in the country. Dr. Francis A. Brown, of the American Council on Education, is deeply interested in development of adequate programs for Handicapped and brings a wealth of experience in the education field to the AFPH Council. Dr. Charl Ormond Williams, Director of Field Services, National Education Association, and former National President, Business and Professional Women's Clubs, is one of the most noted women in the USA, and is one of our most devoted workers. Martha Shorey, our new National Vice-President, has long been active, as a Registered Nurse, and familiar with this field, and will bring valuable experience to AFPH.

The Handicapped should feel proud that this eminent group of men and women are beginning to work together to promote a better national program for all disabled people, and we confidently expect splendid results as an outcome of their deliberations.

A.F.P.H. EDUCATIONAL FUND "ROUND TABLE" BEGINS FUNCTIONING

Under mandate of the 1948 AFPH Convention, President Strachan was directed to establish a non-legislative, tax-exempt foundation, to promote "NATIONAL EMPLOY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK" and other phases of AFPH's Educational Program. With the aid of Secretary Scott, this was done.

Many of the most eminent men and women in the United States are officers of AFPH's EDUCATIONAL FUND, they being as follows: Hon. Jennings Randolph, former Congressman from West Virginia, and now Assistant to President, Capital Airlines, Chairman; Carter T. Barron, Thomas D'Arcy Brophy, William Green, Philip Murray, Walter E. Ditmars, Esther Van Wagoner Tufty, Marjorie F. Webster, and Joseph A. Wilner, Vice-Chairmen; Dr. Harvey Bartle, M.D., Thomas C. Carroll, Dr. Merle E. Frampton, Hon. Ellis Arnall, Col. George E. Ijams, Hon. Frank Carlson, Hon. Ernest W. Gibson, James G. Patton, Walter Reuther, Randall J. Hicks, Ernest K. Lindley, Harold Russell, Leon Henderson, Edgar Morris, Admiral Mahlon S. Tisdale, USN-Ret., Hon. Samuel A. Weiss, Directors, and Col. Robert S. Allen, John N. Carmody, Mrs. Olive Clapper, William P. McCahill. Executive Director, Paul A. Strachan, Secretary Mildred Scott, and Treasurer Albert Biederman.

The "NEPHWEEK" meetings this year in New York City and Washington were held under auspices of the FUND, and we predict a brilliant future for this organization.

Chairman Randolph has called a meeting of FUND officers at HQ November 10.

DETROIT AFPH LODGE 72 PARTICIPATES IN "NEPHWEEK" OBSERVANCE



Secretary Scott Receives Congressional Tribute

Our devoted National Secretary, Mildred Scott, was recipient of well merited praise during "NEPHWEEK." As a part of the "Week's" activities, she addressed the Zonta Club of Washington, whereupon our good friend, Representative Augustine B. Kelley of Pennsylvania, placed her address in the "CONGRESSIONAL RECORD" and paid Mildred a splendid compliment. Copies of this reprint have been sent to all AFPH members.



Mildred Scott

A.P.F.H. National Convention August, 1950

Official opening of the FIFTH BIENNIAL AFPH NATIONAL CONVENTION will begin Monday morning, August 28 and will last through August 31, in Washington, D. C., Hotel Statler. The AFPH National Council will meet on Sunday, August 27.

All members of AFPH are urged to attend—NOT just officers, or delegates—but EVERYBODY! And, have we got a real show for you! We HAVE! Washington—the Nation's Capital and present World Capital—will proudly present its "FREEDOM SESQUI-CENTENIAL EXPOSITION," a \$17,000,000 spectacle that will take rank with the great World's Fairs and Expositions of by-gone days.

It is indeed fortunate that Secretary Scott made our hotel reservation for the Convention several months ago. But, to all members of AFPH, I say, "GET YOUR RESERVATION IN, RIGHT NOW. IT IS GOING TO BE TOUGH TO GET A ROOM ANYWHERE UNLESS YOU GET BUSY AND ADVISE HEADQUARTERS." It is not too soon to begin making plans.

A Convention Committee has been named, with National Vice President William D. Johnson, Chairman; Albert Biederman, NVP, and President, AFPH District Department, and Martha Shorey, Vice Chairman. All National Officers resident to Washington have been named ex-officio members of the Committee. Stanley Golden has been named Secretary of the Convention Committee and Miss Elizabeth Licorinos, Corresponding Secretary.

Credential blanks and other detailed information will be mailed all Lodges later. But, meanwhile, every AFPH member should make plans to come to Washington for a glorious week in late August, 1950.

Think of seeing the National Capital—our most historic shrine, where the men who made this country great—Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Lincoln, Teddy Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and many others, have trod. Think of the great Art Galleries, Museums, and other public buildings! This is a trip worth more to you and others, than any you could make elsewhere. A full sight-seeing program will be developed, and you will see and hear one of the greatest and most educational of all Expositions, as well.

Come, prepared to be here EARLY and stay, LATE! You will need at least one week. Those of you who have cars, should contact others in your State and area, and start a motorcade, and engage cabins at some of the many local motels around Washington.

EVERYBODY COME TO AFPH CONVENTION. WORK and PLAY TOGETHER WITH YOUR FRIENDS.

A.F.P.H. CONFERENCES

President Paul A. Strachan spoke before the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Lions Club on November 1, outlining program for a survey and plans for fostering employment of Handicapped. President Strachan was accompanied by Secretary Scott and Albert Biederman, newly elected President of the AFPH District Department and a National Vice President.

On November 4, President Strachan spoke before the Women's Junior Club, Virginia Beach, Va. His topic, generally, was the necessity of public support for the AFPH program.

At the request of Mr. David Stowe, Assistant to the President of the United States, President Strachan,

Secretary Scott, and National Vice Presidents Charl Ormond Williams, Frank Fernbach and Walter J. Mason will attend a conference at the White House on or about November 17, at which time the whole picture of Handicapped legislation will be reviewed and thoroughly discussed. The objective is to endeavor to develop legislation that will contemplate the needs of the Handicapped; and still be within the purview of the Administration's program. AFPH is anxious to cooperate, but it does not propose to lose sight of its own objectives, and neither will it abandon its general policy of promoting the viewpoint of the Handicapped, themselves, based upon their known needs and problems.

The Secretary of Labor, Maurice J. Tobin, has invited President Strachan to address the Secretary's Conference on Labor Legislation, which will be attended by all Secretaries and Directors of State Departments of Labor, as well as representatives from national and international unions. The subject of President Strachan's remarks will be, "WHY HAS THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR BEEN STRIPPED OF VITAL PARTS OF ITS FUNCTIONS TO PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF THE WORKING PEOPLE, AND, WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?"

On December 10, it is understood that "THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON 'NATIONAL EMPLOY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK'" will hold its annual meeting to receive reports upon the results of the 1949 campaign. From preliminary reports, this year's observance has proven the most effective and successful of all. President Strachan and Secretary Scott will attend this meeting.

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