

**Roosevelt To The Negro.**

**The President Admonishes the Negroes to Behave Themselves and Have Confidence in the White People of the South--His Speech at Booker Washington's School.**

Tuskegee, Ala., Oct. 24.—The President arrived at 8:30. The city was beautifully decorated. The platform from which the President spoke to the people of the city was made from \$30,000 worth of cotton in the original bales. Escorted by a company of State militia the President was driven to the Alabama Conference Female College, which represented a typical Southern scene. Cotton had been transplanted in long rows and two old Southern negroes with cotton pickers' sacks on their shoulders, were engaged in picking the staple from the plants. The President was greeted at the college grounds by students and public school children. The President's address was short, and at its conclusion he left for Tuskegee Normal and Industrial School.

AT TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE.

Tuskegee, Ala., Oct. 24.—President Roosevelt reached the grounds of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute at 8:30 o'clock this morning, and after a brief stop in the town of Tuskegee, where he was received by the Mayor and other distinguished citizens of Alabama, he spoke warmly and felicitously from a platform in the grounds of the Girls' College located here. The President's train was then carried directly into the grounds of the institute, over its private track which connects with the main line.

From 12 o'clock last night until morning great crowds of country people, white and black, have been coming from all sections of the surrounding territory to Tuskegee.

The President was received by Principal Booker T. Washington and members of the institute board of trustees and faculty. He then entered a finely built carriage, made by students of the school, drawn by horses raised at the school, and driven by a student in the school's uniform. Four other carriages, also made by the students, in which members of the Presidential party were seated, followed. The party at once proceeded to an elaborately decorated reviewing stand, erected in front of the office building, surmounted by the President's flag.

The President spoke in part as follows:

"To the white population as well as to the black, it is of the utmost importance that the negro be encouraged to make himself a citizen of the highest type of usefulness. It is to the interest of the white people that this policy be conscientiously pursued, and to the interest of the colored people that they clearly realize that they have opportunities for economic development here in the South not now offer-

ed elsewhere. Within the last twenty years the industrial operations of the South have increased so tremendously that there is a scarcity of labor almost everywhere; so that it is the part of wisdom for all who wish the prosperity of the South to help the negro to become in the highest degree useful to himself, and therefore to the community in which he lives. The South has always depended, and now depends, chiefly upon her native population for her work. Therefore in view of the scarcity not only of common labor, but of skilled labor, it becomes doubly important to train every available man to be of the utmost use, by developing his intelligence, his skill and his capacity for conscientious effort. Hence the work of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute is a matter of the highest practical importance to both the white man and the black man, and well worth the support of both races alike in the South and in the North. Your fifteen hundred students are not only being educated in head and heart, but also trained to industrial efficiency, for from the beginning Tuskegee has placed especial emphasis upon the training of men and women in agriculture, mechanics and household duties. Training in these three fundamental directions does not embrace all that the negro or any other race needs but it does cover in a very large degree the field in which the negro can at present do most for himself and be most helpful to his white neighbors. Every black man who leaves this institute better able to do mechanical

or industrial work adds by so much to the wealth of the whole community and benefits all people in the community. The professional and mercantile avenues to success are overcrowded; for the present the best chance of success awaits the intelligent worker at some mechanical trade or on a farm; for this man will almost certainly achieve industrial independence. I am pleased, but not in the least surprised to learn that many among the men and women trained at Tuskegee find immediate employment as leaders and workers among their own people, and that their services are eagerly sought by white people for various kinds of industrial work, the demand being much greater than the supply. Viewed from any angle ignorance is the costliest crop that can be raised in any part of this union. Every dollar put into the education of either white man or black man in head, in hand and in heart, yields rich dividends to the entire community. Merely from the economic standpoint it is of the utmost consequence to all our citizens that institutions such as this at Tuskegee should be a success. But there are other and even higher reasons that entitle it to our support. In the interest of humanity, of justice, and of self protection, every white man in America, no matter where he lives, should try to help the negro to help himself. It is in the interest, and for the protection of the white man to see that the negro is educated. It is not only the duty of the

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