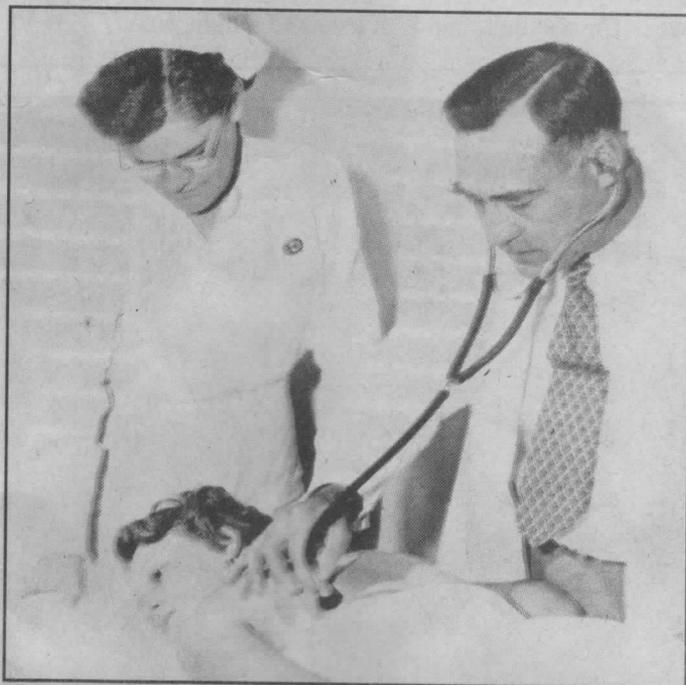


WIDE APPEAL- Author Martin Harmon says "there's something for everyone" in his new book.



FROM THE PAST TO THE FUTURE- Harmon also hopes the book will reveal the still unrealized historic potential of Warm Springs and its history.

'Warm Springs Story' Signing This Saturday

"Long overdue" is how Martin Harmon viewed the book he began working on while still public relations director at Roosevelt Warm Springs in 2011.

Following retirement in 2012, all he needed was an in-state publisher to share the story of Warm Springs, which he eventually found in Mercer University Press.

A local signing is planned for June 14 at the Warm Springs Welcome Center from 2 to 4 p.m.

Harmon is hopeful of a good turnout as he returns to Warm Springs to offer autographed copies of his Warm Springs Story.

"I want to publically thank Sabra McCullar for her support and willingness to host this event," he said. "She's been a mainstay and promoter of Warm Springs for a long, long time, and it seemed fitting to hold my first book signing right there at the Welcome Center right there in Warm Springs."

Thanks to Jamil Zainaldin, president of the Georgia Humanities Council for his informed recommendation of MUP, Harmon can now share *The Warm Springs Story: Legacy & Legend* with everyone.

ALREADY AVAILABLE on-line (MUP, Barnes & Noble, and Amazon), the book encompasses nearly 200 years of Warm Springs' history through the re-telling of significant milestones and the eyes of individual participants.

Not just the Franklin Delano Roosevelt story, it includes the behind-the-scenes stories of over 30 characters in the on-going saga, a list of contributors whose

chapters read like non-fictional short stories in the overall tale.

Among their number, Meriwether County residents will probably recognize the names M. B. Guy, Marion Dunn, Gerrie Thompson, and Claude Bray to name a few.

ADDED to those are major families in the drama like the Bullocks and the Rapers; little known players like John Alexander Hurst and Richard Mouzon; key contributors like Tom Loyless and Tom Murphy; significant examples of the "spirit of Warm Springs" such as John Steinhauer, Cass Irvin, Tim Butler, and Joe Lyttle; and more legendary luminaries like Henry Toombs, Louis Howe, and Missy LeHand.

"I think there's something for everyone, no matter what their reading tastes or regardless of whether they like to read history or not," Harmon emphasized. "It is local and regional history, but its significance is much more than that, and the fact the complete story has never been told made it seem a necessary labor of love."

Given his 13 years of access to the people, events, and records of Warm Springs, Harmon also hopes the book will reveal the still unrealized historic potential of the place.

Throughout the book, FDR's enormous influence remains obvious. Even in the toughest of times, Harmon believes "the name on the front door" has provided a bulwark.

•Additional signings are already planned for the Senoia Coffee Café June 28.