

This Week IN WASHINGTON

Washington, June 12 — The Townsend Plan for Federal pensions of \$50 a month to everybody over 65 years old was finally brought to the floor of the House of Representatives and knocked on the head, as everybody expected it would be once it came to a vote.

Dr. Townsend and his followers had been trying for several years to get Congress to act on the pro-

ject, and many members elected last fall had given pledges to bring the measure to a vote. They kept that pledge, but only a few of them voted for the Townsend Plan, which was beaten by a vote of 302 to 97.

As an offset to the defeat of the Townsend Plan, the House Ways and Means Committee brought out a proposal to amend the Social Security Act so as to make it possible for the dependent aged people of the nation to receive old-age pensions up to as high as \$40 a month if the states will carry half the load.

Now both parties are trying to put the blame on the other for the defeat of the Townsend bill. Nobody knows how many votes there are behind the Townsend program, but all the politicians are afraid there are more than they know about.

Therefore the Democrats are

trying to make capital out of the fact that two-thirds of the Republican members of the House voted against the bill, while the Democrats are saying that 85 per cent. of the Democrats opposed it. Both statements are true; the vote was 107 Republicans, 194 Democrats and one Farmer-Labor member against the bill.

Eye on Election

Such tempest-in-a-teapot disputes are the sort of things that indicate to experienced observers that a national political campaign is approaching and that politicians of all parties and shades of opinion are grasping at straws which may help their own causes or hurt the other fellows. Nothing that is done in Washington these days, by Congress or the White House, is done without an eye on the Presidential election of 1940.

The belief is growing that President Roosevelt will put himself forward as a third-term candidate, though no prediction about the President's action can be certain. The opinion of practical, professional politicians is that Mr. Roosevelt cannot be nominated unless he personally insists upon a renomination, positively and definitely.

That point of view suggests that Mr. Garner stands a better chance of becoming the Democratic 1940 candidate than does Mr. Roosevelt, even if the latter wants it. But with the President in opposition to the Garner candidacy, talk is swinging around to some candidate whom the President would be morally obliged to support, and who could also get the whole-hearted support of the Southern wing of the party.

The man most talked of in that connection is Cordell Hull of Tennessee, the Secretary of State.

Hull Respected

Mr. Hull has been growing in stature as a statesman, and gaining increasing respect from leaders of both parties, in the past year or two. He does not "play politics" in the usual sense, and there has been no suggestion of any political implications in his proposal of a way to settle the vexed question of American neutrality in case of a European war.

Mr. Hull's proposal is that American neutrality legislation should enable our government to keep a free hand where our national interests are concerned and should not put the United States in a position where it might injure its friends and help its enemies.

Mr. Hull's program, which he has suggested to Congress, would prohibit American vessels from entering combat areas, and American citizens from traveling in those areas. There would be no restriction on any sales of any kind of goods to any belligerent nation except that the Munitions Control Board might decide that certain types of military equipment should be reserved for our own use. All purchases by foreign nations should be paid for in cash and taken away by the buyers in their own ships. No loans or credits of any kind to any nation at war should be given, and no one should be permitted to solicit funds in America to aid any nation at war.

The demand for some amendment of the present neutrality law is so strong and increasing that it now seems certain that Congress will not adjourn until some such law is passed.

Nothing of consequence seems to have come out of the much-heralded dinner party which the President gave to a group of business leaders. They talked about the Labor Relations Act, and told the President how they thought it should be changed. According to Secretary of Commerce Hopkins, the President didn't say aye, yes or no to their suggestions.

Vandenberg Will Run

Politically the sensation of the hour is the open avowal of his Presidential candidacy by Senator Vandenberg of Michigan, coupled with the declaration that the 1940 candidates of both parties should be pledged to a single term, so that whoever succeeds Mr. Roosevelt will be free to act regardless of the political consequences to himself.

All Washington agrees that the next President is going to have a tough time of it, especially if he tries to cut down Government spending and increasing taxes, which would have to be done if the public debt is not to keep on growing. Only a man with no further political ambitions could afford to tread on the number of corns that would have to be trod upon to carry out any such program.

STATE ROAD

A group of young folks from here visited the air show in Greensboro Sunday.

There was an airplane crash near the home of Dan Thompson Saturday. The lone occupant was unhurt except for minor cuts about the face.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Faucett, of Reidsville, visited the latter's sister, Mrs. Bessie Smith, here Sunday.

Mr. Ward Carter, of Benham, visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. Luther Smith visited relative at Mining Ridge during the week-end.

Mr. Howard Pettyjohn was the guest of friends near Oak Ridge Sunday evening.

Funny People

"Aren't people funny?"
 "Yes. If you tell a man that there are 270,687,934,341 stars in the universe, he'll believe you—but if a sign says 'Fresh Paint,' that same man has to make a personal investigation."

Few and Far Between

"Sammy, how many make a million?"
 "Not many," answered Sammy quickly.

Watch Your Kidneys!

Help Them Cleanse the Blood of Harmful Body Waste

Your kidneys are constantly filtering waste matter from the blood stream. But kidneys sometimes lag in their work—do not act as Nature intended—fail to remove impurities that, if retained, may poison the system and upset the whole body machinery.

Symptoms may be nagging backache, persistent headache, attacks of dizziness, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes—a feeling of nervous anxiety and loss of pep and strength.

Other signs of kidney or bladder disorder may be burning, scanty or too frequent urination.

There should be no doubt that prompt treatment is wiser than neglect. Use Doan's Pills. Doan's have been winning new friends for more than forty years. They have a nation-wide reputation. Are recommended by grateful people the country over. Ask your neighbor!

DOAN'S PILLS

PRIVILEGE AND LICENSE TAXES

Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Elkin that the following special privilege taxes shall be levied and assessed for the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 1939, and ending June 30th, 1940. That the license taxes of the State of North Carolina shall apply and be collectible except as otherwise hereinafter limited and specified, as passed in regular meeting by the Board of Commissioners on June 8th, 1939.

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| Advertising matter—distributor of, for profit | \$ 7.50 |
| Automobile dealers or agents | 20.00 |
| Animal exhibits for charge, each day | 10.00 |
| Automobile dealers or Agents (non-resident Itinerant) | 100.00 |
| Automobile, Motorcycle or Truck (not for hire) | 1.00 |
| Automobile, for hire—five passenger | 10.00 |
| Automobile, for hire—seven passenger | 15.00 |
| Automobile Repair Shop | 2.50 |
| Automobile Battery Service Station or Vulcanizing | 2.50 |
| Automobile painting and/or Upholstering Shop | 2.50 |
| Automobiles or Trucks, selling and delivering from automobile or truck on the streets of the Town of Elkin | 25.00 |
| AMUSEMENTS: | |
| Moving Pictures | 31.25 |
| Traveling Theatrical Companies or moving pictures: | |
| 1st week, per day | 25.00 |
| Thereafter, per week | 25.00 |
| Circus, Dog and Pony Show or Wild West Show (See Schedule—Sec. 106) | |
| Carnival Companies (See State Schedule 107) | |
| Riding Devices, each device | 10.00 |
| Auction Sales (Real Estate) | 10.00 |
| Barber Shop, per chair | 2.50 |
| Beauty Parlors, each operator | 5.00 |
| Beer and Wines (See State Schedule—Sec. 500 et subsequent) | |
| Bill Poster, 50c each board, plus | 7.50 |
| Bowling Alleys, each alley | 12.50 |
| Bicycle or Motorcycle Dealer | 10.00 |
| Branch or chain stores | 50.00 |
| Carbonated Drinks, Wholesale Dealer or Bottler | 6.25 |
| Cigarettes, Cigars and Tobaccos, dealer in | 10.00 |
| Coal and Coke Dealers | 10.00 |
| Candy Manufacturer | 10.00 |
| Cafeterias or cafe, per chair or stool 50c, minimum | 2.50 |
| Dealers in Horses and Mules | 12.50 |
| Electric Power, persons, firms or corporations dealing in | 100.00 |
| Electricians | 7.50 |
| Electric Shoe Shop | 5.00 |
| Express Companies | 20.00 |
| Fireworks Dealers | 100.00 |
| Fortune Tellers, and Gypsies | 200.00 |
| Hotels, Boarding Houses, per room 10c, minimum | 2.50 |
| Hypnotist, performance or exhibit | 25.00 |
| Itinerant Merchant | 100.00 |
| Jeweler or Repairer, non-resident | 25.00 |
| Laundries, local | 6.25 |
| Laundries, Itinerant or solicitors | 12.50 |
| Lunch stands, per chair or stool 50c, minimum | 2.50 |
| Lightning Rod Agents or Dealers | 20.00 |
| Music Machines operated for profit | 5.00 |
| Oil and Gas Dealers in, Wholesale | 25.00 |
| Oil and Gas, Dealers in, Retail | 2.50 |
| Palmist | 200.00 |
| Pianos, Organs, Victrolas, Radios or Accessories, dealer in | 5.00 |
| Plumbing and Heating Contractors | 7.50 |
| Pressing Clubs and/or Dry Cleaners—not more than three persons | 12.50 |
| More than three persons | 25.00 |
| Outside solicitors | 25.00 |
| Pistols, dealer in | 50.00 |
| Peddlers, selling or offering for sale stoves, ranges, etc. | 50.00 |
| Peddlers, on foot or with horse | 10.00 |
| Peddlers, with vehicles propelled by motor, selling or delivering, per vehicle | 25.00 |
| Peddlers, fruits and vegetables (Except own raising) | 25.00 |
| Photographers, Canvassers | 25.00 |
| Pool and Billiard Tables (upon application to City Council) per table | 25.00 |
| Restaurants, per chair or stool 50c, minimum | 2.50 |
| Service Stations, or Gasoline Filling Station | 2.50 |
| Shoeshine parlors per chair or stool | .50 |
| Sign Painter (Itinerant) | 10.00 |
| Shooting Galleries | 10.00 |
| Soda Fountains, each Carbonated Draft arm | 5.00 |
| Skating Rinks | 10.00 |
| Slot Machines (Prohibited and outlawed) | |
| Sandwiches, prepared, retail | 2.50 |
| Telegraph Companies | 10.00 |
| Tourist Houses and Tourist Camps (See State Schedule Sec. 126½) | |
| Undertakers, Embalmers, and Retail Coffin Dealers | 25.00 |
| Weiner Stands per chair or stool 50c, minimum | 2.50 |

The above is an abbreviated form of privilege taxes levied by the Town of Elkin for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1940; and further be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Elkin that any person or persons, firm or corporations, carrying on business upon which a license tax has been imposed, or may be imposed by the Commissioners of the Town of Elkin, without first obtaining license to carry on said business, as prescribed by the ordinances, shall be fined \$50.00 for every offense or confined or imprisoned for a term of not more than thirty days, or both, provided that after the conviction the fine may be reduced to the sum of not less than \$25.00; provided further, that each and every day said business is carried on without license therefor shall be considered a separate and distinct offense and indictable, and further that said license is non-transferable.

J. R. POINDEXTER, Mayor.

Attest: PAUL GWYN, Clerk.

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6-22 PAUL GWYN, Clerk.

It's Just Better THAT'S Aunt Sally's Bread



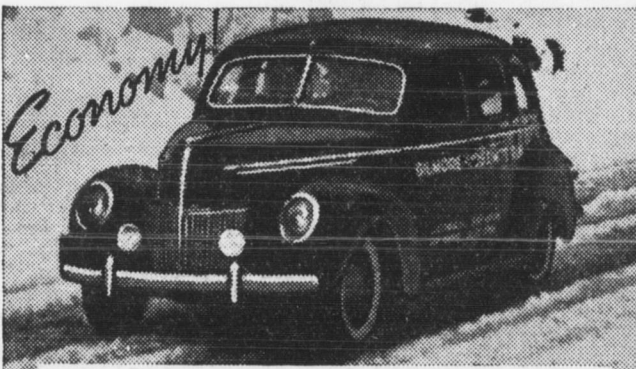
DELIGHT YOUR FAMILY WITH AUNT SALLY'S BREAD, ROLLS, CAKES AND MAYONNAISE — THEY'RE JUST BETTER ON SALE AT YOUR GROCER'S

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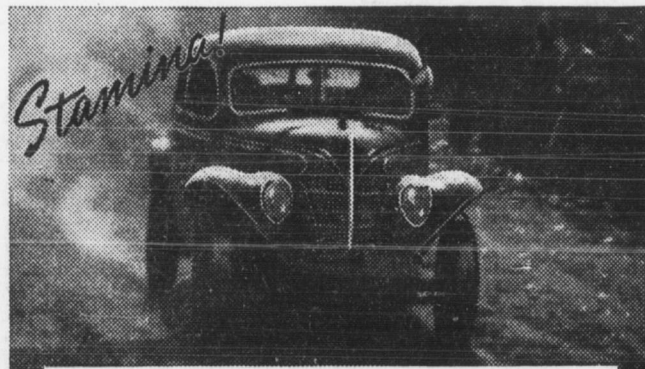
Statesville, N. C.

Who's REALLY Got It ON THE ROAD?

Action speaks louder than words! Here are the results of the 3 leading competitive automobile road tests held so far in 1939...



Last January, in the famous 315-mile Gilmore-Yosemite Road Run, an 85 h.p. Ford V-8 gave best gas mileage of all leading low-priced cars, with 24.57 miles per gallon! (Ford-built Mercury 8 also surpassed the low-priced sixes in gas mileage in this run!)



At Buenos Aires in April, 69 cars, including all leading low-priced American makes, started the annual 4515-mile South American Grand Prize Race. 28 cars finished the tough mountain course. Ten of them were Fords, including the winner with an average of 50.6 miles per hour!



In March, in the savagely contested Daytona Beach Race over 150 miles of road and sand, a Ford-built Mercury 8 took first place, averaging 70.34 miles per hour... while Ford-built cars took all the other prize-winning places! A clean sweep for the V-8 engine as built by Ford!

No wonder it wins... look what it's got!

- ONLY V-8 ENGINE in any low-priced car!
- BIGGEST HYDRAULIC BRAKES in any low-priced car!
- STADIEST-RIDING CHASSIS in any low-priced car!
- LONGEST RIDE-BASE of any low-priced car!
- TOP OVER-ALL-ENGINEERING in the low-price field!

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AN "8" IS BETTER THAN A "6"

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When She Hollers
 "Have you noticed how a woman lowers her voice whenever she asks for anything?"
 "Yes, but have you ever noticed how she raises it if she doesn't get it?"

Correct Charlie
 Teacher: "How many sets of teeth does a person have?"
 Charlie: "Three."
 Teacher: "Three? Name them."
 Charlie: "Temporary, permanent, and false."