

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, January 20.—The question everybody in Washington is asking everybody else is: "What sort of a substitute for AAA is the Administration going to turn out?"

Nobody knows the exact answer as yet, but a good many straws in the wind give some indications of what is being planned. The first straw was President Roosevelt's statement that he was not in favor of an export debenture plan, which would, as he put it, amount to making a present to Europe of the fertility of our soil. In other words, what is being sought for is a method of crop control based upon the necessity of land conservation.

The representatives of the farm organizations who were summoned to meet in Washington are united on the plan that the so-called marginal lands should be withdrawn from commercial production, through rental at equitable rates, of such land as may be necessary to promote conservation of soil fertility and to bring about a balance of domestic production at profitable prices.

Maybe Domestic Allotments
Instead of export bounties, it is regarded as probable that the Administration will propose a domestic allotment system, based on bounties to farmers on the proportion of their crops consumed at home. This has been considered by Congress many times in the past but never as part of a comprehensive nation-wide plan.

The Supreme Court's decision in the AAA case did not negative processing taxes as such, but only the allotment of processing funds to a special class or group. It is held that processing taxes are entirely within the power of Congress, provided the money so collected goes into the general revenues, and that Congress has a right to appropriate, from general revenues, funds for the payment of bounties to farmers for soil conservation and other purposes.

This idea of soil conservation has been one of President Roosevelt's pets for a long time. On October 25 he indicated it as the basis of any long-term and permanent agricultural adjustment program, and pointed out that benefits could be made to encourage individual farmers to adopt sound farm management, crop rotation and soil conservation methods. He was talking then of the more or less distant future, but it would appear that the Supreme Court's decision may force the immediate adoption of such a plan.

Cotton and Rice Suits
The dismissal last week by the Supreme Court of the suit brought to declare the Bankhead Cotton Control act invalid had no relation to the merits of the case. It was dismissed on a technicality, as not having been brought before the Court in a proper and legal manner.

In the case of the Louisiana rice millers who had obtained an injunction in the lower courts against the collection by the Government of processing taxes, the Supreme Court ordered the return to the millers of about \$200,000,000 which they had deposited with the Courts pending the decision, on the ground that the tax had not actually been collected.

The agitation for Constitutional amendments to give the Federal Government greater powers is naturally more active than it has been before. Most of the union labor groups, some of the farmers' organizations, a very large proportion of the radical element, and the advocates of economic planning by the Government, are expected to back one of the proposals for amendment, in the hope that the present session of Congress may submit them to the states. How far this movement will get at this session is rather doubtful. There is no desire on the part of the Administration to make the Constitution an issue in the coming campaign. Certainly the President is not likely to advocate Constitutional changes before election, which would tend to break down the rights of the states.

Revenues Wanted
The killing off of the processing taxes knocked a big hole in the Treasury budget estimates. These had been counted on for more than \$500,000,000 of revenue. It looks as though the Government would have to pay at least half that amount to farmers under existing contracts, so some new way must be found to raise money for this purpose. Also to pay the bonus. Under any of the bonus plans that are now under consideration at least a billion dollars of cash will be required.

Seemingly, the only answer to this situation is more tax revenues which may take the form of upping the income taxes and extending them further down the economic line, or the imposition of a general manufacturers sales tax. The latter plan is not believed to be popular with the voters, because it makes the ordinary man tax-conscious. But the idea is being revived on Capitol Hill and it may shortly be taken seriously.

Borah Backs Vandenberg
Political interest still centers

Lindbergh Host?



LONDON . . . Aabrey Nell Morgan (above), husband of the late Elizabeth Morrow, will likely be host to Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh and their son Jon, at his secluded home at Cardiff, Wales. Kidnapping threats at home brought the Lindberghs here.

on the question of whom the Republicans will nominate. Recent developments indicate that Senator Borah is really working for the nomination of Senator Arthur Vandenberg. Borah does not want or expect the nomination himself but he wants to control enough delegates so that he can dictate the nomination of Vandenberg. The influence of former President Hoover, it is believed, will be thrown to whichever candidate he thinks is best equipped to put up a vigorous knock-down-and-drag-out fight with President Roosevelt. Governor Landon, it is being said here, has not so far demonstrated his fighting spirit and ability.

Those who hold that the coming campaign will be a battle of personalities regard Frank Knox of Chicago and Senator Dickinson of Iowa as the two best-equipped scrappers now in sight.

N. C. Music Festival

The famous Westminster Choir under the direction of Dr. John Finley Williamson, will be heard at Memorial Auditorium, Raleigh, Feb. 19. The North Carolina Music Festival Association is sponsoring the appearance of this celebrated group of singers. This concert will be one of the high spots of musical entertainment during this current season. Singing entirely unaccompanied, no instrument of pitch except the human voice. They portray nearly every tone color possible to the human voice.

Programs presented by the Westminster Chorus range through a wide assortment of musical moods, dramatic, sentimental, sombre, and bright even to merry. Spirituals, classics, and modernistic popular arrangements are all included on their programs.

There are forty-one singers in this symphonic chorus, and they are every-one real singers. This group are tuned up before each concert just as you would tune an orchestra. The members of this unique organization are not only singers but each individual in this choir directed by Dr. Williamson are, in fact, complete musicians, each having attained professional rating as a player of either the piano or organ. Perfect diction, sonority of tone, flexibility of rhythm, vitality these are four of the major requirements of good choral singing according to Dr. Williamson and he demands this and gets it from the Westminster Choir. His idealism in accepting nothing less than the best at all times from his singers has made it the important organization it is today, an internationally famous group which has won superlative praise from critics both here and in Europe.

Every choir director, choir member, and singers of any calibre, who love singing should especially hear this concert and receive the inspiration and pleasure afforded.

Moves Offices

Secretary W. F. Davis, of the North State Mutual Burial Association, was in Louisburg Saturday and informed the TIMES that this company had decided to make Wilson its permanent headquarters. They have fitted up offices in the National Bank Building. He says they are meeting with the greatest degree of success and are more than pleased with their beginning.

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GOLD SAND P. T. A.

The Parent-Teacher Association of Gold Sand High School met Monday night at 7:30. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. T. R. Gupton. The roll was called, the minutes read and approved. Mrs. M. M. Person conducted the devotion. A report was given by the Ways and Means committee which is conducting a bed quilt campaign in the various communities of the district, coming to a close at the next meeting in February.

The meeting was then turned over to the program committee. A program on "Play as a factor in Education" was given by the Beta Club members. Following this Miss Anna Belle Murphy, costumed as an old-fashioned school teacher, called from the audience selected parents and teachers with whom she conducted an old-fashioned school. This brought much amusement to the audience as well as to those taking part.

The meeting adjourned to meet again in February at its regular time.

More parents have been present to the last several meetings than usual. More still are needed. Do your part in the quilt campaign, buy chances and be present at the next meeting in February to see the winners and a hilarious program.

Happy 4-H Girl



LITTLE ROCK, Ark. . . Romano Tate, 18, (above), says she's the happiest girl in Arkansas. She won the National Achievement championship of the 4-H Clubs for 1935 and with it the President Roosevelt Trophy.

Local Junior: Daddy, what is bankruptcy?

Dad: Bankruptcy, my boy, is when you put your money in your hip pocket and let your creditors take your coat.

FARMER'S NIGHT SCHOOL

The TIMES is requested to announce that a Farmer's night School will be organized at Gold Sand High School Thursday night Jan. 30th at 7:30 o'clock. The school will be conducted by Mr. J. M. Hagy, agriculture teacher, and he is anxious that every farmer of the surrounding communities be present. Problems and improvements of farm conditions will be discussed.

WOOD P. T. A.

The regular monthly meeting of the Wood P. T. A. will be held Friday evening, Jan. 24th, 1936, at 7:30 o'clock. The following program will be given: Song, Onward Christian Soldiers; Devotional, Randolph Denton; Roll call and minutes; Business; Roll call of Grade Mothers; Song, The Glad New Year, 4th and 5th grades; A Playlet, The Foods we Eat, 4th and 5th grades; A poem, The First Snowfall, Patience Denton; Introduction of Speaker, Mrs. F. A. Read, Pres.; Speech, Mr. Miller, Supt. Edward Best High School; Piano Solo, Miss Ruth Parker; The social hour.

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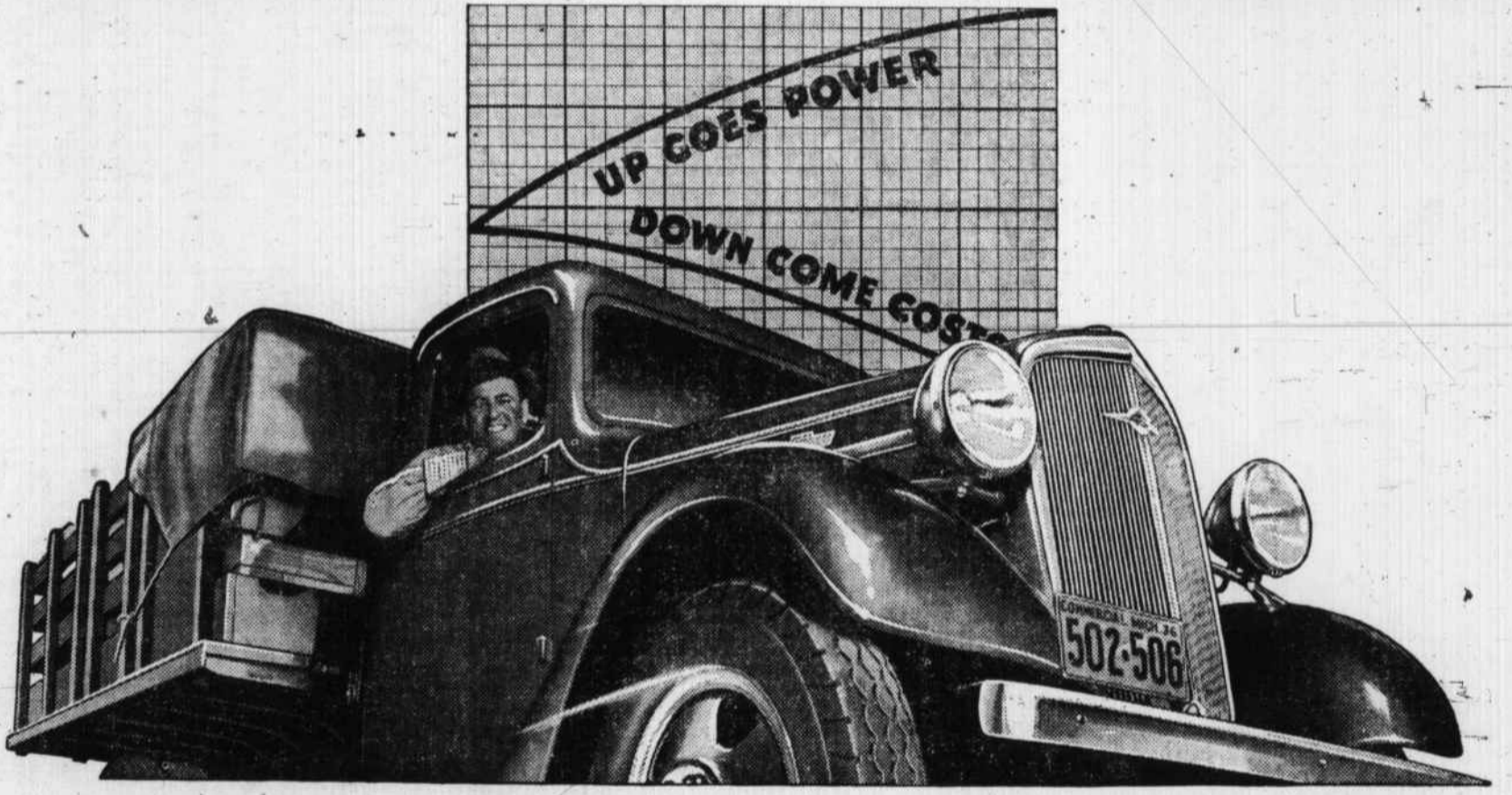
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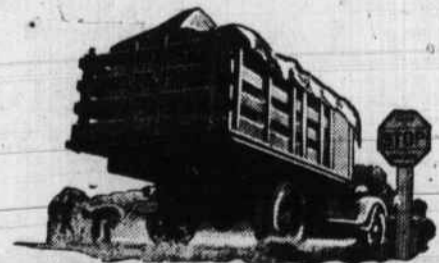
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