

# THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, May 4.—Political interest here is beginning to focus upon the Republican situation more than for the past two years. Most of the political gossip has been centered upon the Democratic party, because of the evident split in its ranks and because up to now it has such complete control of the situation that the Republicans have been almost a negligible factor in Government affairs.

Now, however, the Republicans are beginning to show some signs of life. There is enough basis for Republican hopes to lead observers at the Capitol to believe that the party is actually on the way toward rejuvenation. There are few among those accustomed to surveying and appraising the political outlook who are not ready to concede that in the congressional elections this Fall the Republicans will gain a large number of seats in the House now held by Democrats. There are more than 150 Democratic members whose majorities in their districts in the 1936 elections were so small that a change of ten per cent of the total vote would have defeated them.

The Republican Congressional Committee has been for months at work on plans to go after all of those thinly-held Democratic seats, and its spokesmen express confidence that they will recapture many of them. Estimates in figures vary from fifty to 150. The latter would be enough to give the Republicans a majority in the Lower House, if they held the 90 seats they now have. There are 440 Representatives, so that a total of 221 is all that is needed to control, if held by one party.

### G.O.P. Majority Unlikely

That the Republicans will be able to achieve that objective is not seriously believed by astute observers at the present time. Conditions may arise which will make that more probable than it looks now. But careful analysis of each district already makes it seem a reasonable forecast that the Republicans will gain somewhere between 75 and 100 seats, which will not give them a majority but will make them a much more formidable minority. And there is little doubt that with a block of even 150 votes in the House, there would be few major issues upon which the necessary 71 votes of disgruntled Democrats could not be counted upon to go along with the Republicans.

When anyone in Washington today speaks of "major issues" he means issues or proposals in which the Administration is lined up against the President's antagonists in Congress. The issue is frequently not one between Republicans and Democrats but between President Roosevelt and his opponents, and the latter include more Democrats in Congress than the present total number of Republican members.

There are at least 100 Democratic Congressmen who can be counted upon to oppose any Administration measure which in any way smacks of "reform." There are more than that who are ready to fight any proposal to enlarge the powers of the Executive in any degree. There is probably an even larger number who will resist to the bitter end any proposals to give the President any more "blank checks" in the form of lump sum appropriations to be expended at his discretion.

### Revolt a Surprise

The Administration did not fully awaken to the extent of the revolt of Congress until the defeat of the Reorganization Bill disclosed it. The vote on that measure came as a complete surprise. Even so astute an observer of politics as Charlie Michelson, publicity director of the Democratic National Committee, was taken by surprise. He had prepared and sent out to newspapers in advance an article based upon the assumption that the bill would pass, and for the first time in his career was obliged to recall a carefully-prepared piece because he had guessed wrong.

There were 118 House Democrats who went on record against the Administration on that measure, which was not in itself particularly objectionable but which was opposed and defeated principally for the reason that the President demanded it and the belief that it would put more power into his hands. The prospects of the Republicans for a reliable working coalition in the next Congress, even though they fail to elect a majority, are based largely upon the hope that all of those recalcitrant 118 Democratic members will be re-elected to work with them.

Most of these Democratic Congressmen who are opposed to the Administration's policies come from districts which are normally overwhelmingly Democratic, and in which the Republicans have not a shadow of a chance to elect their candidate. How far Republican voters can participate in the nominating primaries to assist in renominating friendly Democrats in such districts is a matter under control of state primary and election laws. In some states it is possible for a voter to enroll as a Democrat for nominating purposes, even though he intends to vote for the Republican candidate at

### At Wimbledon



LONDON . . . It was early in the morning, but this press photographer was on hand to catch a practice preview of "Poker Face" Helen Wills Moody, one-time tennis queen, brushing up on her game before entering the Wightman Cup matches at Wimbledon. It will be her first keen competition since 1935.

### the election.

### Hopes vs. Realities

The principal reason why the hopes of the Republicans for gains large enough to give them complete control of the next Congress must be regarded principally as hopes is the lack of organization and leadership in the Republican party. The Democratic party organization is real, far-reaching and strong. If the Republicans had an organization comparable with it there would be little doubt of their gaining at least 150 congressional seats. In the nature of things political it is impossible for the Republican party to maintain any such powerful and working machine. Whichever party is "in" always has a great advantage over the party of the "outs". And the Republican party has not yet learned how to function effectively as an "out" party.

### AT E. C. T. C.

Greenville, April 30. — The Home Economics Club, furnishing the program at the College assembly Friday, presented a one-act play, "Educating Mary."

This is a comedy bringing out the value of education for the farm girl and boy.

Miss Mary Anna Clifton, Louisburg, created many laughs by her playing of the part of the old maid aunt of Mary, and Lindsay Whitard, Greenville, by his interpretation of the part of the old bachelor whom the aunt finally marries.

Mary was played by Miss Mildred Boyce, Woodland; her suitor by James Ippock, New Bern; and the parents by Miss Mary Craven, Roxboro, and D. R. House, Stokes.

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| Harris Township        | B. F. Wilder       |
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| Franklinton Township   | R. H. Jones        |
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| Cypress Creek Township | Arthur Strickland  |
| Louisburg Township     | B. B. Massenburg   |
- W. N. FULLER, Tax Supervisor and County Accountant.

### JAMES YOUNG MATTHEWS DEAD

On March 29th, 1938, James Young Matthews, of Canton, N. C., died of pneumonia, in Mission Hospital in Asheville. God completed his mansion and called him to dwell therein. We cannot think of him as dead, because he will continue to live in the hearts and minds of all who knew him and loved him for his useful life, kind deeds and assuring smile. Never was there a more affectionate and loyal son, a kinder and more dutiful husband and brother and a more devoted and indulgent father.

Although he was only thirty years of age, he was an old man in experience. His father died when James was quite a young man and he shouldered the responsibility as head of his family like an elder. He was never too busy nor too tired to lend a helping hand when needed and he always considered others ahead of himself. He was a devout Christian and always worked for the advancement of God's kingdom in any community he lived. God understood he had done his share and more, and called him home to rest where labors and trials are over. He is getting a rest he has long deserved.

Mr. Matthews joined Corinth Baptist Church of Franklin County in early life and remained a loyal member until he moved to Western North Carolina. At the time of his death he was a devout member of the East Canton Baptist Church.

He leaves to mourn their loss, his wife, Mrs. Theima Tweed Matthews and little daughter, Joyce Gayle, of Canton, his mother, Mrs. S. J. Matthews, of Franklin County, and Asheville, two brothers, W. T. Matthews, of Louisburg, and J. Russell Matthews, of Asheville, and a host of other relatives and friends. His father and a brother, Morton Matthews, preceded him to the grave.

The funeral services were held at the East Canton Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. Howard Hall, assisted by Rev. P. T. Hicks and burial took place in the pretty Canton cemetery.

The pallbearers were, Millard Teague, Ray Ellis, Sherril Plemons and James Rickard, of Canton, J. T. Smith, of Weaverville, and Sterling Cottrell, of Louisburg. Cousins and friends arranged the many beautiful flowers which bespoke the high esteem in which the deceased was held.

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H. G. Dozier, of Moyock, Currituck County, has grazed 92 hogs on 6.4 acres of spring pasturage seeded last fall to a mixture of vetch, wheat and oats. He says, as a result, the fish meal consumption was cut by 60 per cent and corn consumption by one-fourth.

"Yes, I know fish is brain food, but I don't care so much for fish. Hain't there some other brain food?" "Well, there's noodle soup."



Timber clear-cut, trees left too weak to produce seed. Land will be idle for many years. No crop — No harvest — No income.

### LOTS OF TIME IN TESTING

Few people realize that three-fourths of the time it takes to manufacture a good electric refrigerator, is spent in testing and inspecting, according to Wilbur Raynor and J. L. Brown, local General Electric dealers. "Yet that's the reason that thousands upon thousands of General Electric refrigerators a dozen years old are still giving satisfactory service to their original owners."

"Some of the veteran G-E refrigerators were taken to the research laboratory for a test recently. It was discovered that they use no more current to operate now, than twelve years ago when they were put in use. When the units were taken apart, they showed practically no signs of wear."

"Now the famous sealed mechanism, improved by twelve years of testing in thousands of homes and in the laboratory, costs no more than other types of household refrigeration. And from the General Electric laboratory comes the announcement that the new Triple Thrift unit has a potential life about three times that of its 1927 predecessor."

"The 1938 models, now on display at Raynor's Radio Shop and Brown Furniture Co., cost only one-half as much to buy, operate on less than half the current, are five times as quiet, have fifty-six per cent more unit capacity, more convenience features, and improved styling, as compared with 1927 models."

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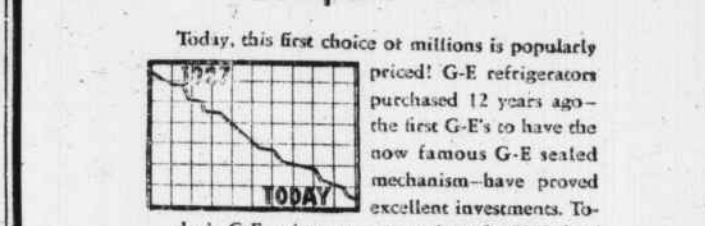
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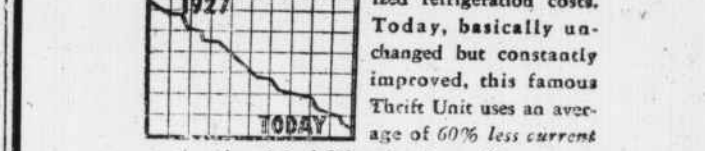
and the answer is Triple-Thrift!"

A six cubic foot electric refrigerator of today has almost twice the cooling capacity, almost four times the freezing speed, and operates for about one-third the cost of its 1927 predecessor. Yet, with all of these superiorities, the 1938 refrigerator is priced \$100 lower.

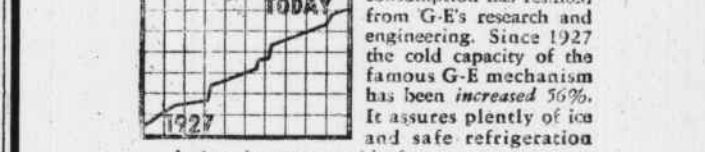
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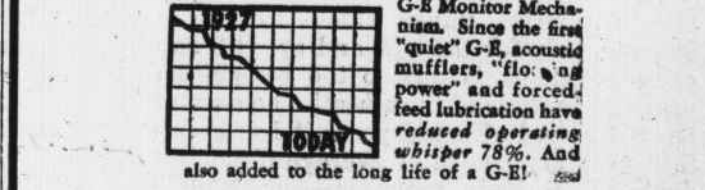
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