

Washington, D. C. ture which official Washington presents today is that of a renewal of the President's pressure on Congress for greater power for the Executive, and a much less resistant attitude on the part of the majority of members than was apparent a few weeks ago. That is not to say that Congress is again ready to "rubber-stamp" any proposal the President may make, but it is ready to give him-indeed, has already given him-things which a short time ago the recalcitrant leaders on Hill swore they never would give

An outstanding example is the failure of the much-talked-of plan to "earmark" the items in the new pump-priming appropriation bill, calling for the expenditure of above two and a half billion dollars for various kinds of public works and relief. The House Committee on Ways and Means had worked out schedules allotting the various items to particular uses. When the President returned from his vacation cruise to the West Indies the returns from the Florida primaries and other political signs of the times had indicated to many of the Democratic insurgents that it was not as safe for them as they had imagined it to be, to align themselves openly in opposition to Mr. Roosevelt. The same revelation had come to the President, who is about the most adroit politician who ever inhabited the White House. So when the party leaders called on him with a draft of the pump-priming bill so worded as to eliminate all Presidential discretion in the allot-ment of money to particular states and Congress districts, the President made just one suggestion.

'He pencilled the words "as the President may direct" into the bill and the Congressional spokesmen accepted it.

Score For F. D. R.

It was a complete abandonment of their previously-announced purpose of curtailing the political power of the Executive; for in politics control of the expenditure of public funds is, except in extraordinary circumstances, control of elections. The House accepted the Presidential demand and passed the big appropriation bill with practically full authority in the President's hands to spend the money as he pleases.

Another example of Congressional receding from its previous defiant position occurred in the Senate, on the bill creating an aviation authority. It is proposed to establish an independent commission like the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the Federal Trade Commission and many others. The commissioners are to be appointed by the President, but may be removed as the bill was originally reported to the Senate. only for malfeasance, neglect or

That did not please the President. He remembered that he had undertaken to remove Commissioner Humphreys from the Federal Trade Commission on the ground that Mr. Humphreys was not sympathetic with the aims and purposes of the Administration Supreme Court ruled that the Pre-sident had no power of removal except for causes specified in the Therefore word came to Capitol Hill from the White House, and the Aviation Commission bill was amended to give the President power to remove any commission-er who was "undesirable, unco-operative or antagonistic." The Senate passed the bill in that form by the narrow margin of 32 to 30 votes, in spite of warnings that such a provision, if extended to quasi-judicial and quasilegislative agencies of the Government would give the President full control of their opinions and

Senate Reverses Position

This action was a complete reversal of the Senate's previous position when the Reorganization Bill was before it last Winter. The House version of the proposed Reorganization program applying to all Federal departments and agencies contained a provision giving the President full power of re-moval for any reason or no rea-son at all. The Senate eliminated that provision, on the ground that it would be placing too much per-sonal power in the President's hands. Now, in a parallel instance the Senate has shown itself ready to "go along" with the President, although the White House victory in this instance was by a very nar-row margin and the issue was not strongly enough contested to bring out a full Senate vote.

It is, however, another straw indicating that the political winds are shifting and that the President's influence over Congress is regaining some of the strength which he had lost earlier in the year. How far Mr. Roosevelt will deem it prudent to press his gains is yet to be seen.

Reorganization Come-Back?

Mr. Roosevelt is definitely encouraged by the shifts of Congressional sentiment so far displayed, sional sentiment so far displayed, and is reported to be preparing to press his advantage still farther. Emissaries of the White House have been urging Congressional leaders to bring up again for consideration the Government Reorganization bill. There were 108

### Study Set-Up of Robin Hood Farm



Meeting to study the set-up of Hood Farms; D. C. Fussell, secre- John A. Park, publisher of Ralthe Robin Hood Farms and to tary-treasurer. Robin Hood eigh Times: Frank H. Jeter. Agriadvise with the promoters as to methods and committee needs was tary of State.

L. Vaughan, president of Robin State Director of High Schools; tion,

methods and committee needs was the above group of agricultural leaders attending a luncheon in Raleigh last week. Seated, left to right, are: Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer; T. College; Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, state director of vocational educations. State Director of High Schools: Hon.

Democratic Representatives who voted with the 90 Republicans to send that measure back to committee when it came up before. against 96 who voted for it. A shift of only eight votes in the House would pass the bill, it is figured, and efforts are being the state executive committee, made to obtain pledges from that made to obtain pledges from that meeting here-today. number or more who opposed the

CHAIRMAN PROGRAM COMMITTEE

the club; Miss Rose Pully, of Kin- Committee for the South the club; Miss Rose Pully, of Kin-ston, N. C., secretary; and Miss Mamie Grace Smith, of Kinston.

Committee for the South.

President Wilson decorated have assisted in developing this

Mrs. Gregory with the World War unique plan are: George Ross Pou. treasurer. Miss Ruth Greenberg. Service Medal for fled Cross serv-State Auditor; T. E. Browne. Di-of Louisburg, N. C., was elected chairman of the program commit-

tee for next year.
Miss Minnie Fowler, of Hickory, N. C., was chairman of the nominating committee. Miss Katherine Aycock of Selma, N. C., president of the club for this year, turned proceedings over to her successor.

. HEALTH DEPARTMENT Dr. R. F. Yarborough, County Health Officer
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Reorganization program, that they ment is a non-commercial, non- a granddaughter of the late State will vote for it next time. That sectarian vocational training pro- ('hief Justice Augustus Summercial)

Mrs. Gregory is president of the the 1939 Senate.

Salisbury Woman's Club and 'I know of no other person in the State so well qualified to ., was elected vice-president of Chairman of the National Defense ing on the appointment.

Carolina, Daughter of the late U The Robin Hood Farm move- S. Senator Lee S. Overman she is such a small number of Representatives have changed their minds in the light of the signs they read into the early Democratic primaries that the mass of the people are still behind the President, seems not at all unlikely.

Sectarian vocational training pro-Chief Justice Augustus Summersteet through which deserving Tar field Merrimon, Her son, Lee Overment have boys and girls above high man Gregory, was recently appointed State Assistant Attorney means for further education, can General. Her husband. Edwin obtain without charge, practical Clarke Gregory, served in the experience and training in farming operations. cominated without opposition for

Greensboro, N. C., May 23.—
Miss Alma Ormond, of Dover, N. C., has been elected president of the Speakers Club at Woman's College of the University of North Carolina for next year. Miss Mary Elizabeth Purvis, of Salisbury, N. of the National Society and Vice-C., was elected vice-president of Chairman of the Calonial Dames in the State so well qualified to act as Chairman of the Women's atom Counties for Committee for Robin Hood Farms. Wirs, Gregory realizes deeply the foundation. She has held important of the Daughters of the Heel boys and girls to become the American Revolution, includes self-supporting, respectable North Carolina citizens," said Secretary of State Thad Eure, in comment-C., was elected vice-president of Chairman of the National Defense in the State so well qualified to act as Chairman of the Women's also North Carolina director for the Robin Hood Farms. Heel boys and girls to become the American Revolution, included to act as Chairman of the Women's also North Carolina director for helping deserving Tar that Carolina citizens," said Secretary of State Thad Eure, in comment-carolina director for helping deserving Tar the Speakers Club at Woman's taken the Carolina Carolina citizens, said Secretary of State Thad Eure. In comment-carolina director for helping deserving Tar the Speakers Club at Woman's taken the Carolina Carolina citizens, said Secretary of State Thad Eure.

rector Vocational Training; W. Kerr Scott, Commissioner of Agriculture; I. O. Schaub, Extension Director: George R. Ross, former Director of State Farms; J. Henry Highsmith, Supervisor of High Schools; and John W. Harrelson, Dean of State College, John A. Park, Publisher of The Raleigh Times, is chairman of the publicity committee.

### NATIVE RETURNS

Lieutenant A. S. Joyner, U. S. Navy, a native of Franklinton, who returns in July to take charge of the Navy's recruiting service in the two Carolinas, with headquarters in Raleigh. He will succeed Lieutenant B. L. Doggett, chief officer for the past two years, who will return to sea duty. Lieut. Joyner, son of the late A. S. Joyner and Mrs. Joyner, now Mrs. J. Everett Brady of Myrtle Lawn, Franklinton, has seen duty aboard various warships since graduating at Annapolis in 1922. Among the vessels to which he has been attached are the U.S. S. California, Utah, Antares and more lately the Humphries, His wife, the former Miss Alice E. Butler of San Diego. Calif., will accompany him here early in July.

IF HE'S IN HEAVEN.

Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the State College Extension Service, was chuckling over a story yesterday which had to do with

seemed that an agent in a ation program had died. However, last wint the Federal headquarters paid no he says. attention to the letter and kept writing every few days for information on the way the farmer had

planted certain crops.

The agent again notified Washington that the man was dead Still more letters for the dead man came in.

In desperation, the agent finally sat down and wrote: "Gentlemen:

"As I have told you several times before, Mr. Jones is dead. Therefore I really don't know how to reach him. He's not in hell; that I am sure, for I have been there myself for the past thirty days. I have abandoned all hopes of that other place, so if you have to reach him there, it might be a good idea for you to get in touch with someone else."

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# But It's True



Mr. Grillo gets most of his business from people headed for mas-querade parties. But others ask him to paint in the eyes just to feel heir friends. He also makes a business of fixing black eyes obtained

Mr. Carruthers made his house with all the bottles pointing inward AGENT CAN'T LOCATE There are 6.000 altogether. The owner points out he'll never have to ake out a mortgage. He'll just tear down part of the building and sollect the deposit on the bottles.

W. H. Jones of Walstonburg. B. G. Moore of the Oakland county agents and acreage allot- Greene County, says his flock of Community in Rutherford County, ments. 106 white leghorn hens laid an to join a herd improvement as nearby county notified the Washington AAA office that one of the farmers in his county who had cooperated under the soil conservation program had died. However, and the soil conservation in the soil conservation of the soil conservation program had died. However, and the soil of the soil conservation of the soil conservatio Good feed now and the profit, Subscribe to The Franklin Times



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