

# The Danbury Reporter

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## PAYMENT STOPPED ?

The gambling instinct, like Pope's "hope," springs eternal in the human breast.

And, like Shakespeare's "Banquo," appears to be supreme in irrepressibility.

"You may break, you may shatter the vase if you will, but the scent of the roses hangs round it still."

How many times have slot machines been outlawed in the North Carolina counties, only to bob up again when things get quiet, under a new get-by fiction.

Now why should his Honor come into and spoil the picture. For instance see the WPA worker, just paid off, standing with a half drunk bottle of Red Top in one hand and a dozen nervous nickles in the other. Why not let him enjoy himself. Isn't he a manifestation of the great social trend, or a congealed example of it?

Why, if he didn't spend his money for this, wouldn't he spend it for something else—something to eat or something.

Ah, this great American mania.

Visit a baseball tape-announcement. A fellow comes around and bets you the "Wildcats" will win. Alright, you take him. Then he wants to wager you that you will lose. No? Then he will stake you 2-to-1 that you will win.

The mania has its more cultured aspects sometimes in the parlor or the drawing room. Dames will stay away from church to try their hands at the bridge prizes.

Not infrequently religious functions are made less dull—may we opine?—by chance features that insure good attendance.

Then we have races, and the Sunday afternoon poker game, or the dark alley where the loaded dice divert to the profit of the smart crook?

We must live long to learn that there ain't no money in betting against a piece of mechanism timed to win and that with mathematical accuracy always wins.

## THE STAR OF ROOSEVELT IS NOT DIMMED

The poll recently conducted by the Danbury Reporter showing the President more than 95 per cent. the favorite of Stokes county voters, may be an indication of the situation in the nation or not—take it as you will.

But the latest polls of the American Institute of Public Opinion, conducted by Dr. George Gallup, show this:

Michigan, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Iowa leading in Republican opinion—electoral votes 63—

And New York, Pennsylvania, Minnesota and California leaning to the Democrats—electoral votes 116—

While everywhere the anti-third termers are losing and Roosevelt is the overwhelming favorite for President still.

This week Garner was submerged in New York delegate-choosing by 5 to 1 in favor of the President while in Wisconsin FDR won over Garner by 3-to-1.

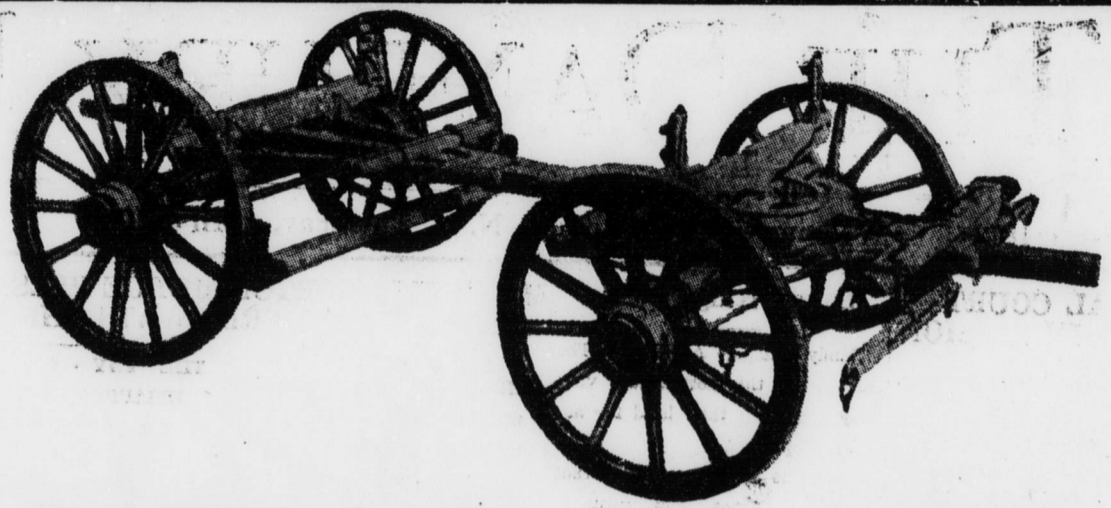
On the Republican side Dewey is beating Vandenberg.

## BIG THINGS COMING SOON IN THE WAR

When Winston Churchill is made "British War Dictator" it means that big things are coming soon on the European war fronts.

Winston is the fighting man of the British empire—the Briton is playing his biggest trump.

The news of this cabinet shake-up also indicates that the position of the allies is extremely precarious and that the situation is shaking the foundations of the democracies.



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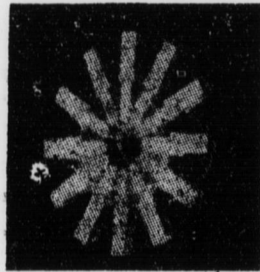
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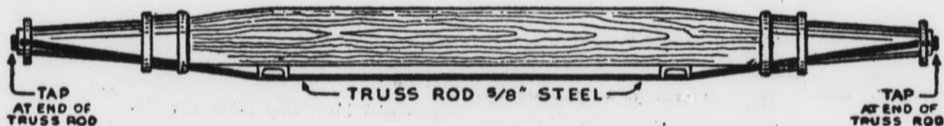


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## What They Think

(Contributed.)

Not often is Stokes county favored to the extent of having three such honored guests as it was this week at Danbury. Our next governor spoke to an attentive and appreciative audience; and, watching that milling throng in and around the courthouse, one could catch by the light on interested faces and by snatches of conversation, a composite verdict of things to be.

What people think is the material of which governments are built, and the thinking of those who listened to three gubernatorial candidates this week at Danbury, and the thoughts of those other thousands over the

State, will put one of these three candidates in the lead when the final vote is cast.

What do they think of Maxwell? They say: "He evidently knows much of taxation, but... we are tired of that subject."

What of Horton? They say: "Well, we appreciate the polished manners of this gentleman who sails from a sister state, and who has been honored by North Carolina as our Lieutenant Governor, but... when we are placing a man at the head of State affairs, can we not find a man grown and rooted in North Carolina history?"

"No, we hardly think the tradition in North Carolina will be broken this time... we just

don't promote Lieutenant Governors to the Governor's chair."

What of Broughton? They say: "Ah, now you begin to get close to me. Did you note his poise and catch the grace of his bearing? Others may do as they please, but for me and my house this is the man."

And so the bystander listened and so he heard. He seemed to see "a rivulet running toward the sea, and as it proceeded it broadened and deepened until it was a river that no man could cross."

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## If You're Planning To Build

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IN THE Spring many American families think of building new houses and plan homes which will be more ideal in every respect. Of course architects and building experts have to supply the technical knowledge, but if you are planning to build there are numerous little things to keep in mind. You should have some knowledge of the methods of construction and the building materials to be used. Keep in mind that the primary object of house-building is to make it into a harmonious unit. It is also important to know something of landscape gardening which will aid you in planning walks, lawns, trees and other decorative features.

The first object in designing a house is to provide comfort and protection, the second is to make it beautiful, and the third is to do these things in an economical manner. Saving in the first cost of a house is effected by making it as small as possible without sacrificing any of its essential requirements. Every house should be built so that it will be pleasing to the average house buyer. Expensive construction and peculiar design often interfere with the sale of a house, or compel the owner to sell at a sacrifice.

Beauty is an asset to any house. This element is not necessarily a matter of expense, but may be obtained by the application of thought and good taste to the design and arrangements. Certain elements, such as simplicity, symmetry, balancing of parts, good proportion and appropriateness, always contribute to the external beauty of a building.