

## THROUGH STATE CAPITAL KEYHOLES

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**Chiseling On The Farm**  
 Tenant farmers attending the meeting of tobacco growers at State College let the cat out of the bag on some landlords signing the acreage reduction contracts that boosted wheat prices. These young-handed sons of toil said that their landlords kept them on the place according to the terms of the contracts but appropriated all the tobacco allotments and made the tenants raise cotton and other less profitable crops. The share-croppers said they thought the Roosevelt program was a fine thing and that it was working swell in raising prices but that they would like to have the contracts revised to compel these chiseling landlords to let tenants in on the profits.

**Trouble Brewing**

Political newscasters are spreading the word that Doctor (that's his name, not a title) Mac Johnson, of Enfield, is getting his ducks in a row to oppose Congressman John L. Kerr for the Second District seat in 1936. The same guys also say that A. J. Dickens, Wilson attorney, plans another attempt at the job two years hence. Judge Kenner, co-author with Senator Cotton E. Smith, of South Carolina, of the Kerr-Smith law, is saying a tax on tobacco will not gather if the government's tobacco importation program. On the same day farmers at State College were practicing the law others met at Winston-Salem in protest against a amendment against it.

**Squabblers**

Word trickling into Raleigh from Western North Carolina indicates signs of the difficult Democratic campaign in a significant country are experiencing a Nov. 6 election draw. Campaigning, many farmers are with the GOP on the Kerr-Smith bill, but the Democrats are going to "keep up" and the rest of the state, the Democrats are not inclined to do so that the grapevine has it, indicating that the condition may now Democratic voters to the extent they will turn Republicans to the General Assembly in some cases. It is followed by a editor who would like to know what is in store for Republicans after the election, any way over the situation.

**Tightening Up**

Some time ago Keynotes called your attention to the coming drive of the State Revenue Department against delinquent tax payers in order to swell receipts and justify the reorganization that has been going on for a year. Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell and his executive assistant, Mr. M. C. S. Nolle, Jr., started out by prosecuting a number of Raleigh lawyers who had not paid their license fees. If suits against merchants and cafe owners haven't been filed in your town by this time you either live in a prosperous community or the suit-filers just haven't been able to get around to your town yet.

**Boys, Get The Money**

If you want a little money you might organize your neighbors and start a drive on the State highway fund. At least you could join the crowd. At present the schools want some of the money collected from gasoline taxes; county commissioners want some; cities and towns want a bit for paving streets and the automobile tax reduction league wants some as to cut gasoline and license tax. If there's any left you may get the toll taken off your bridge and the bums and mudholes in your road repaired.

**It May Be A Race**

Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby's gift to the Democratic Party, and Congressman R. L. Daughton, have both signed up for a long list of speaking engagements during the present campaign. Both are considered almost certain candidates for the gubernatorial nomination in 1936 and some of the political gum-shoes are wondering if these two prominent Democrats are conducting a get-acquainted campaign while driving a few tacks for the party's candidates this fall.

**Badly Needed**

Western North Carolina Democrats wish that Senator Robert Rice Rey-

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## Labor Again Endorses Weaver Because Of Record In Congress

**ASHEVILLE**—Two of the largest brotherhoods representing a vast cross-section of organized labor this week endorsed Congressman Julian Weaver to succeed himself as United States representative in the 11th North Carolina Congressional District. Hayden announced, Mr. Weaver's campaign manager announced today.

The endorsement of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen comes in the current issue of the Brotherhood's official magazine, published in Cleveland.

In a communication addressed to the Brotherhoods of North Carolina, the Brotherhood of Railways and Steamship Clerks gave its endorsement to Mr. Weaver and pledged its support of the forthcoming election.

By the 50th year of support of Mr. Weaver, along with other legislators throughout the nation, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen in an article headed, "Let Us Support Our Friends in the Coming Election," asks its membership, their families and friends to "support confidence in him who are sincere advocates and friends of the cause of the wage earners and the community in which he is known by his standards of those most records."

The article, including signatures of Weaver, have been signed by the members of President Roosevelt's cabinet, the National Board of Education, the National Brokers Association, the American Association of Negroes, the Negro Academy, according to a copy of the statement shown in the magazine.

The communiqué was signed by the Brotherhood of Engineers, the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Waymen, Mr. Harrison, Chairman of the House Select Committee on Small Business, Mr. George W. Norris, of Nebraska, and many others.

Many more political delegations from the various organizations will effect the appearance of the Brotherhoods in the congressional campaign.

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