

# This Week IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Aug. 1.—The first session of the 76th Congress draws to its close with no patching up of the rift in the Democratic party.

Because of this rift, the President has lost major engagements in the struggle between himself and the Legislative branch.

Perhaps the most important act of Congress, in the last fortnight of the session, was the passage of a bill introduced by Senator Carl A. Hatch of New Mexico to prevent federal workers, including WPA workers and others on relief, to take part in party politics. After it had been amended on the floor of the House and the Senate had concurred in its amendments and sent the bill to the White House for the President's signature, it made it illegal for any official or employee of the Government to take any part whatever in party politics, under penalty of a \$1,000 fine. Only the President, the Vice-President, Senators, Members of Congress, and officials whose positions make them responsible for formulating national and international policies—otherwise, the Cabinet—are exempt from the operation of this new law.

The net effect, if the Hatch Act is enforced, will be to keep all Federal office-holders from taking part in next spring's primaries to choose delegates to the Presidential nominating conventions of either party, or from being delegates themselves to any party convention. That is calculated to destroy the ancient system whereby Presidents in office are renominated by conventions largely composed of office-holders.

Eighty-three Democrats joined the solid Republican block in the House to carry the Hatch bill by a vote of 242 to 133.

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After the final passage of the Hatch bill by the Senate, forty or fifty Southern Democratic Senators crowded to the Vice-President's rostrum to congratulate him and Senator Hatch, the author of the bill. Vice-President Garner beamed his appreciation; for the new law gives him a greatly improved chance of getting delegates elected who will stand for him in the Presidential nomination.

The Garner Presidential boom is now fairly launched.  
The second major piece of legislation in the closing weeks of the session was the adoption by the House of a resolution pro-

posed by Representative Cox of Georgia, for the appointment of a special Congressional committee to sit during the recess and investigate the administration of the Wagner Labor Relations Act. Here, again, 104 Democrats, mostly from the South, voted with the Republicans to carry the resolution by a vote of 254 to 134.

The ground for this investigation is the charge, frequently made not only by employers but by the American Federation of Labor, that the Labor Relations Board has refused employers a hearing in labor disputes, and has discriminated against the A. F. of L. and other labor unions in favor of the C. I. O.

Simultaneously with this action by the House, the Senate passed the Logan bill providing for the judicial review by the courts of all administrative rules, decisions and orders made by any branch or instrumentality of the Executive arm of Government. This is aimed not only at the Labor Relations Board but at all other agencies.

**Conference Fails**  
The most severe blow to the President's aims was the failure of his conference with Senatorial leaders of both parties in a last desperate effort to win support for the changes in the Neutrality laws which Secretary Hull formulated and the President urged on Congress.

The Senatorial leaders of both parties, the chairmen and ranking minority members of the Foreign Affairs committee and the Vice-President himself, sat with the President and the Secretary of State for three hours while Mr. Roosevelt told them, and Mr. Hull confirmed, the reports from American Ambassadors in Europe about the danger in the international situation.

The Senatorial conferees were adamant in their refusal to accept the President's point of view. Senator Borah went so far as to say that he could not accept the Administration's statements of the "gravity of the situation, for he had contrary information from sources he considered equally trustworthy.

The Vice-President asked each Senator present whether there was any chance of getting the Neutrality act amended, and all gave a unanimous negative answer.

**Upset by Outcome**  
There is little doubt that the President was upset by the outcome of that conference, which closed with his declaration that he would see to it that the country understood that the responsibility rested on Congress.

One result of the President's failure to obtain the changes he asked in the Neutrality Act is a change in his plans for his trip to the West after adjournment. Originally he had intended to go to Alaska and make a speaking tour of the Northwest on his way back. Now it is understood that he will go only as far as the San Francisco World's Fair and return East immediately, to be on hand to call Congress into special session if the expected European war breaks out before the summer is over.

**Who Is Donkey**  
Small Boy: "Can't I have a ride on a donkey, Mother?"  
Mother: "No, darling, father says not."  
Small Boy: "And why can't I have a donkey, Mother?"  
Mother (aside to father): "Oh, Fred, give him a ride on your back to keep him quiet."

**NOTICE**  
Having qualified as Administrator on the estate of Triphenia Park, dec'd., all persons holding claims against said estate will hereby take notice that they are required to present the same to the undersigned within 12 months from this date or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. Also all persons owing said estate will please make immediate settlement. This the 21st day of July, 1939.

J. W. PARK, Administrator.  
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## BRANON

Mr. William Van Hoy, Jr., is spending this week in Barnesville, Ohio, attending the All-American Young Friends Conference.

Mrs. Charlie Helton spent part of last week with her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Hoots, in Durham.

Miss Annie Pearl Parks, of Winston-Salem, is spending some time with Mrs. Rosa Wooten.

Mr. Page Brannon, of Winston-Salem, was the guest of his brother, Mr. Claude Brannon, Sunday. He spent last week-end at Carolina Beach.

## GOSSIP BETWEEN US BRANONITES

One hundred fifteen pretty sixteen year old girls from all over the United States, and Hawaii and Puerto Rico, responded to Dick Cummings' article in True Confession Magazine for pen pals in the April issue; that's quite a flock of gals chasing you, Dick.

We're wondering what's so funny about singing as the girls' quartet of Branon which includes Doris Ruth Smith, Mildred Garner, Opal Cooke and Zelma Steelman, overflows with laughter; tell us, girls, what's so funny about singing? We're dying for amusement. . . . What's happened to the upswep coffures that Mrs. Hazel Wooten, Opal Cook and Margaret Cornelius were sporting around recently? Yes, we all admire it! . . . Surely our No. 1 quartet is not going to the wall, as the singers are hardly ever present at the same time. It includes Mrs. Cora Wooten, Davis Brannon, Mut Swisher and George Wooten. Hurry and get re-cooperated again, we're anxious to hear you. . . . What would happen if Doris Ruth Smith didn't sport a new frock to Sunday school? . . . Several people marveled at Dick Cummings' piano playing Saturday night at Hanes Grove. . . . Keep it up kid!

## UNION HILL

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Norman, of Mt. Airy, were the overnight guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Crouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Hanks, of Winston-Salem, were the Sunday guests of Mrs. Hanks' sister, Mrs. J. W. Glaspie, and Mr. Glaspie.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Isaacs, of Stokes county, were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Apperson, of White Plains, were the Sunday guests of Mrs. Rachel Wolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson Harris, of Mt. Airy, were the Sunday guests of friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Moore and children, of Flint, Mich., spent last week here with Mr. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Moore.

Mrs. Lucy Andrews, of Mount Airy, spent last week here with her daughter, Mrs. G. L. Crouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Norman and son, Kenneth, spent the week-end in Alleghany county with Mr. Norman's prother, Robert Norman.

## PLEASANT HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Couch spent the week-end in Leaksville, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Gambill had as their Thursday guest Mrs. Sam Gambill, of North Wilkesboro.

Mrs. Eliza Fenimore, of St. Louis, is here for a summer vacation with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Darnell spent the week-end in Fayetteville visiting Mrs. Darnell's parents.

The F. H. C. Class held its regular meeting Thursday night. Miss Anna Laura Ray spent last week with Miss Vernice White, of Dobson.

The Ladies' Chorus sang at the regular fifth Sunday singing at Oak Ridge Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ray and family were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. White, of Dobson.

Rev. Clete Simmons will preach here Sunday night.

## BENHAM

Our Sunday school was small Sunday on account of the singing which was held at Cool Spring.

A large number of people from this section attended the revival at Little Elkin last week.

Mrs. Mattie McDaniel and daughter, of Winston-Salem, were the guests of her brother, Mr. Roe Yarboro, and Mrs. Yarboro, Sunday.

Friends of Mr. Arthur West are glad to know he is improving from an illness of several weeks.

## ORDINANCE

Ordinance passed by Mayor and Board of Commissioners in meeting of July 7, 1939, as follows:  
The Mayor and Board of Com-

missioners of the Town of Elkin do enact:

(1) That there be, and there is hereby established, a district to be known as District No. 1, within the boundary lines of which, there shall not be built or constructed, any building, to be used or occupied, for a purpose other than a dwelling, dwelling house, apartment or apartment house, rooming house or hotel, the boundary lines of said district to be as follows to-wit: Beginning on an iron stake 250 feet west of intersection of Market and Church Streets, on north side of Market Street and runs north and northward parallel with, and 250 feet from Church Street to an iron stake at a point 250 ft. East of intersection of Church Street and Gwyn Avenue, thence crossing Church Street Extension runs Southwardly 250 feet from and parallel with Gwyn Avenue to an iron stake on Main Street. Thence with the north side of Main Street and Market Street to an iron stake the place of beginning and containing all streets, alleys, and territory embraced within said boundary.

(2) That it shall be unlawful for any person, persons, firm, or corporation to build or construct any building within said district, to be used for a purpose other than a dwelling house, rooming house, apartment or apartment house or a hotel.

(3) That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to build or construct within said district any market house, storage house or place where poultry, chickens or eggs are bought and sold, or a house for the sale or exchange of either, or a house for the sale or exchange of any kind of merchandise, of any sort or nature whatsoever.

(4) That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to erect, build or operate within said district a gasoline filling station, or a place where gasoline, kerosene or petroleum products are bought, sold, or exchanged, or a place where automobiles are bought, sold, or repaired for commercial purposes.

(5) Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the terms or conditions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall pay a fine of \$50.00, and each and every day said building is operated for such purposes shall constitute a new and separate offense.

(6) That no building shall be built or constructed in said district until the owner, person, firm or corporation shall have been granted a license to build said building by the mayor and board of commissioners to whom the person constructing said building shall make application in writing, showing, the owner of said property, the kind and nature of the building to be constructed, the material to be used in the construction of same, and the purpose for which the building is to be used. Any person, firm or corporation who shall undertake or begin the construction of any building, without first having obtained a license or permit as herein provided shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and fined as provided in the preceding paragraph.

(7) This act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

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(8) If any paragraph, clause, or section of this ordinance shall be declared illegal it shall in no way affect the remainder of this ordinance.

This ordinance is duly passed

and ratified, this the 17th day of July, 1939.

J. R. POINDEXTER, Mayor.

PAUL GWYN, Clerk to the Board.  
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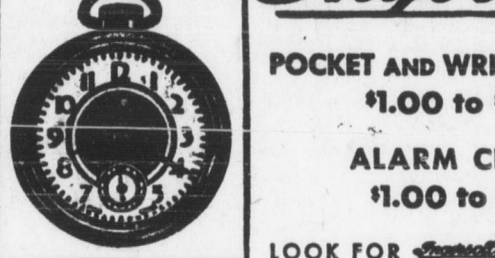
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