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FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1936  
Gaston Means who claimed to be the real kidnaper of the Lindbergh baby has always courted trouble. What if officials should believe him once and give him the juice along with Hauptmann?

### JONES PAYS THE FREIGHT

As long as Washington does the spending and each section of the country gets its share, we delude ourselves into believing that it costs nothing locally. It should be borne in mind that every community will eventually have to pay its part for "running the show." There is no getting around the fact that "Jones pays the freight." Every tax goes back to the consumer sooner or later.

President Roosevelt is trying to curtail expenditures. In doing so, he is running into difficulties. Communities are so pleased with having money come from Washington that when the flow dwindles, letters and telegrams are rushed to members of Congress urging them to use their influence to keep a CCC camp, complete a WPA or a PWA project, in fact retain everything we now have and get more if possible.

Such a situation as this is quite embarrassing to President Roosevelt and members of Congress in an election year. Tax payers might as well learn that the money stream from Washington can't keep up indefinitely. It must and will gradually dry up and as long as the let-up is general throughout the nation and no favoritism is shown here or there, we should resign ourselves to a curtailment program.

### THE WET EAST AND REVENUE

The problem of how to handle revenue that comes from the sale of liquor is almost as big a problem as liquor is itself.

Down East the 17 counties which secured the passage of legislation in the last days of the last General Assembly permitting them to operate liquor stores, do not want to be deprived of revenue by reason of state control.

This issue might be projected into the gubernatorial campaign. Each of the four candidates seem willing for local option but neither has gone far enough to amplify his position on liquor revenue.

The wet counties have profited greatly by liquor sales. They want to keep that revenue. In the event of state control, the state would likely demand half of the profits.

Therefore, the 17 wet eastern counties declare that they will vote dry in a state referendum rather than see the whole state go wet and deprive them of needed revenue to run local affairs. The representatives who come from the wet counties may form a bloc that holds the deciding vote in the coming session.

Coming events promise interesting developments. Division of the revenue is becoming a question as mooted as liquor itself.

### WEATHER INFLUENCING LEGISLATION

The condition of the weather is playing an important part in the trend of legislation. In fact, the recent flood disaster is completely reversing the thought of Congress on pending matters.

Curtailment of the CCC camps had been ordered and was about to be enforced when the flood waters came and inflicted a damage of hundreds of millions in the stricken area. The rich top-soil that was washed away inspired a demand from Congress that CCC camps be continued. Congress has gone further and is appropriating millions of dollars more than it had intended to build dams across the raging streams and thereby control floods of the future.

"Big business" was about to be soaked with higher tax levies. The flood water aroused sympathy for and appreciation of businesses big enough to rebuild their damaged properties and promptly restore service to the public. Public utilities such as gas, electric, railroad, telephone and telegraph companies operating in the flooded areas lost millions from the flood. If these companies did not have the reserves with which to rebuild, there would be prolonged suffering in those areas. Large industrial plants are rushing to get their houses back in order and the sooner they do, the sooner will thousands of employees be back on their work and wages.

that bigness and strength of business enables them to rebuild and restore. Hence, the new revenue bill now pending in Congress may be kinder and more sympathetic than originally intended. The disaster, therefore, was a lucky break for "big business" in spite of their huge losses.

### THE NEED OF THE NATION

Thomas R. Marshall, a former vice-president of the United States, once said that what the country needed most was a good five-cent cigar. That time has arrived.

The most urgent need today are comfortable and modern homes that may be acquired at a minimum of cost. A recent press dispatch stated that the Federal Housing Administration had perfected, after a year or so of study, a small family residence that can be built for \$1,200. Just how many conveniences this particular priced house has, we do not know, but the cost should be in line with the means of the great masses of people with moderate incomes.

Traveling through Georgia recently we saw tenant houses without even window glass. Only a slab door swung on hinges, closed the openings in bad weather. We need not go to Georgia to find tenement houses on farms and in cities that are unfit places in which to live. We have them in Shelby and throughout the county.

Fortunately for this moderate climate, heating systems are not necessary, but every house in which human beings live should be ample in size to properly house the family that occupies it, every house should be screened, the roof should be free from leaks, the walls, ceiling and flooring close enough built to keep out the cold. Yes it should have sanitary arrangements, proper plumbing where city water is available and if not, a surface toilet built according to health board specifications.

When a family is furnished such a home the members are encouraged to properly care for the property and beautify the interior and exterior, whether that home is owned by them or rented from a landlord.

Every facility for financing the erection of a home is furnished to the thrifty and ambitious person. Banks, building and loans and the government itself are willing to make loans to home owners.

Not everybody can have the home of their dream, but they can start in a modest way and enlarge as their income will permit.

This matter of home-ownership is one of the greatest needs of the nation today. The millions of shanties should be abandoned for more habitable places and there is no better time to begin than now while the government as well as every other agency is lending encouragement.

## Nobody's Business

By GEE MCGEE

### I Didn't Know It

I spent a few hours last week at the place where I was bred and born. The old gully behind the barn wasn't so big after all. The spot where I used to jump in that gully, a distance then (apparently) of about 50 feet, was there all right, but the gully, after all these years, was about 5 feet deep.

I had a hard time locating the fence corner where I always dug doodles; the fence was gone and so were the doodle dens. The old smokehouse where I generally hid when I outran mother who had a healthy switch in her strong right hand was not there, nor was there any sign of it ever having been there.

The peachtree where all of us skinned cats had disappeared. The rock that my head struck when I fell out of the shade tree was easily found in the front yard and I had no trouble in locating the identical edge where my cranium contacted that rock; a large piece of it was chipped off. Some folks say I never got over that lick.

I couldn't find the old stump where I kept my pet bull-frog. He was a fine frog, and could jump a little bit faster than I could push a stick right behind him. I spent many a hot hour catching flies for that frog, but he always appreciated them. I was even glad to find one for him in the grave. His name was Scoop.

The room in the big house where I always slept in a trundle-bed seemed mighty small. It wasn't celled when I lived in it, and it still ain't celled. I found the nails in the kitchen where mother used to hang her red pepper pods and squash seed and the nook behind a rafter where I hid my 2 or 3 ears of popcorn to keep my brothers and sisters from popping it up.

The old well was just like it was at the top, but the bottom of it was not so far down as it was when I had to draw water for 4 mules, 2 yokes of oxen and 2 milk cows, as well as for an old steam engine during sawing and ginning seasons. Not a word about it did when I was a boy except the old fire place and the cracks in the floor in the company room (we had 3 rooms, counting everything) where we always hoped visitors would drop a nickel or something thru so's we could find it, but never realized that ambition.

Your friend,  
Gee McGee.

### Flat Rock Stages A Big Dog Lawsuit

A big lawsuit was hell at the home of Judge I. C. Justice our local magister, over a dog. The said dog was run into and killed by the party of the first part, vizzy: hort moore, the second son of holsum moore, and him and his ford was being sued by skinny littleton, the party of the second part.

It was proved by the party of the first part that the dog was in the middle of the highway road, but the party of the second part proved that the said dog was standing on the right hand side of the road attending to his own business when the said ford dodged out towards him and killed him mallis-aforethought.

## A Washington Daybook

By HERBERT PLUMMER  
(Associated Press Staff Writer)

WASHINGTON.—Politicians here believe Senator Vandenberg of Michigan, prominently mentioned for the Republican presidential nomination, tripped badly when he introduced his resolution in the senate calling on the farm administration to make public all benefit payments in excess of \$10,000.

Some go so far as to say it is the first major political misstep which can be charged against him since his name has figured in all discussions of the probable G. O. P. nomination at Cleveland.

While he stoutly maintained he was "asking only for information" before the public policy involved, publication of these figures would have wide repercussions on the political front.

Cached in the files of the farm administration are records of benefit payments which, if made public, would necessitate a lot of explaining in a national election year such as this. AAA checks during the past three years have been mailed to some of the most prominent political personages in the country, including those who have both praised and criticized the administration's program.

Charge "Snooping"  
Vandenberg's proposal also runs counter to the very thing Republicans and anti-New Dealers have condemned so strongly—prying into the private affairs of the individual.

Republicans were outspoken in their opposition to the so-called "pink slip" law which made income tax returns available to the public, and were instrumental in having it repealed. They have pounced on the Black lobby committee for endeavoring to obtain copies of private telegrams. And there have been other examples where alleged "snooping" on the part of the government has aroused their ire.

Inject Sectionalism Issue  
From the standpoint of the coming campaign, there is another important aspect to be considered, both by Senator Vandenberg as a possible G. O. P. presidential candidate as well as by his party.

The west is admittedly the battleground for the 1936 campaign. Records of benefit payments to farmers under AAA reveal the following interesting comparisons:  
For two years that AAA was in operation, forty-two counties in the state of Iowa received total benefit payments of more than a million dollars each. For three years under AAA, only five counties in the state of Mississippi received total benefit payments exceeding that amount, and the state of Arkansas only eight. Arkansas and Mississippi contain huge plantations.

In the state of Texas, over a period of three years, thirty-four counties were recipients of benefit payments in excess of a million dollars. In Kansas, the home state of Governor Landon, thirty-three counties received benefit payments of more than a million dollars in two years.

It's easy to see what a political hornet's nest the Vandenberg resolution, if carried out, could stir up.  
Helen Adams Keller was born at Tuscumbia, Ala., in 1880. When she was two, an attack of scarlet fever deprived her of sight, smell and hearing.

### Announcements

FOR CORNER  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for corner of Cleveland county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, June 4th. Your vote will be appreciated.  
61 Mar 30 - DR. D. M. MORRISON.

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## LETTERS to the Editor

WOULD LET STATE MANUFACTURE LIQUOR  
To Editor of The Star:

I noticed an article written by Mr. J. R. Anderson concerning the whiskey question. I think he is right except he doesn't go far enough. I am 89 years old and have never taken a drink of any intoxicating liquor. Therefore, I think I am capable to advise on this great and serious problem. Now, yet us get to the bottom of this great evil.

I suggest that the state make a good article and put the price so low that the bootlegger cannot compete with this price. As a result, he will be bound to quit his job. As long as the situation remains as it is, it is playing into his hands and many, otherwise, honest men, engage in the making and selling of whiskey on account of the high price of government whiskey as it now stands.

There are two great factors with which we are confronted, namely: youth and motherhood. Are we as a great nation and state to answer for the ill effects to both of these?

The remedy I propose is as follows: Let the state manufacture or purchase sealed packages with revenue stamps attached and place same in reputable places, preferably drug stores, allowing them a small fixed profit for handling. Require them to sell to no one under 21 years of age and submit names of purchasers to the state at stated intervals.

Upon the motherhood and youth the destiny of our great commonwealth depends. Why place the handling of whiskey in the county outside of the city limits when we have more protection for both of these inside of the city limits?  
J. Z. FALLS.

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SHELBY, N. C.  
MARCH 4TH, 1936

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$529,848.37
United States Bonds	300,323.53
North Carolina State Bonds	54,767.70
Other Stocks and Bonds	27,998.00
Banking Houses	75,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	7,961.07
Other Real Estate Owned	75,469.41
Other Assets	18,283.14
Cash on hand and due from banks	863,466.59
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,953,117.81</b>

  

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock (Common)	\$150,000.00
Capital Stock (Preferred)	\$100,000.00
Undivided Profits	30,611.83
Reserves for Contingencies, etc.	51,765.56
Bills Payable	NONE
Re-Discounts	NONE
Other Liabilities (Insurance Dept.)	5,790.88
Deposits	1,614,949.51
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,953,117.81</b>

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10,000 members for accident insurance  
MEMBER

## STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE First National Bank SHELBY, N. C.

MARCH 4TH, 1936  
(As Condensed from Report to Comptroller of the Currency.)

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$1,181,617.45
United States Bonds	284,010.38
N. C. State Bonds	105,670.82
Other Stocks and Bonds	100,429.29
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	22,500.00
Real Estate Owned	81,685.77
Furniture and Fixtures	3,150.00
Other Assets	1,529.19
Cash on hand and due from banks	1,095,108.70
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,875,701.60</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock (Preferred)	\$250,000.00
Capital Stock (Common)	\$250,000.00
Surplus	500,000.00
Undivided Profits	250,000.00
Reserves for Interest and Contingencies	25,842.42
Due Federal Reserve Bank (Deferred Credits)	24,686.16
Bills Payable	NONE
Re-Discounts	NONE
Deposits	2,050,164.47
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,875,701.60</b>

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