



Congress couldn't compete with the White House in the headline department last week.

The announcement by President Truman that he won't run again, the resignation of Charles E. Wilson, the firing of "clean-up man" Newbold Morris and the "resignation" of Attorney General McGrath set off explosion after explosion here. Each rumble seemed to disintegrate further the confidence the people had in the administration.

Rumors are rampant on Capitol Hill as this is written. Some of them may have been verified by the time this column is printed. For example, Attorney General McGrath is said to have threatened to expose a great many things he has been keeping quiet.

Mr. McGrath has been very cooperative and personable in his official relations with me. Of course, I know nothing about any behind-the-scenes affairs that may have been going on.

As for Mr. Morris, I don't believe anything that he could have done, or anything that could have happened to him could surprise me. His first public appearance convinced me that Mr. Morris is temperamentally unstable.

Russell's Chances

The departure of Mr. Truman from the Presidential picture will have little effect, one way or the other on the chances of Senator Russell of Georgia getting the nomination. The people who were for Senator Russell will continue to be for him, and those who oppose him because of his views on the so-called civil rights matters will still oppose him. I believe his chances of getting the nomination are excellent, provided the proper fight is waged.

Notes In Passing

Now that the third month of this session of Congress has passed, things are beginning to hum... The appropriations measures are being considered, and every day I receive many letters and telegrams urging that I support an increase in this appropriation or that one. Many of these come from citizens who previously have urged me to fight for a reduction in government spending... I was impressed by the address delivered last

Thursday before Congress by Queen Juliana of The Netherlands. She is a very charming and intelligent lady... Don't be fooled by that unjustified criticism of Senator Holland of Florida for having a "lobbyist" on the floor of the Senate during the debates on the Tideland measure. The man actually was Walter E. Johnson, former attorney general for the state of Nebraska, who is now representing all of the individual states, including North Carolina, in this important matter. It is customary for Senators to have such technical assistance on complicated matters. For example, when a Senator is arguing for a measure which the government favors, government employees are permitted on the Senate floor. The only difference in this case was that Mr. Johnson is paid by the individual states rather than the federal government... Miss Jane Blythe, daughter of Mrs. Joe Blythe and the late Mr. Blythe of Charlotte, made a fine impression as North Carolina's Cherry Blossom Princess here last week. Incidentally, the cherry blossoms in Washington should be at their best about the time this is published... More and more school children are coming to see us. I missed seeing a couple of classes last week when they came by, but I've managed to catch most of them so far.

WHITESTON CLUB MEETS

The Whiteston Home Demonstration Club held its regular meeting at the Community House, March 27th, with Mrs. Arba Winslow and Mrs. William Bure as hostesses.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. William Winslow, and the song, "Long, Long Ago" was sung, after which the devotional was given by Mrs. Percy Winslow, Jr.

Several business matters were discussed. As a means of gaining new members, a motion was made and carried that each member bring a visitor to the April meeting.

The meeting was then turned over to Mrs. White who showed pictures, and gave an interesting demonstration on "Homes Designed For Better Living."

Lena Winslow, recreational leader, conducted an interesting quiz on flowers.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses.

DURANTS NECK-CLUB MEETS

The Durants Neck Home Demonstration Club held its regular monthly meeting on April 2nd, at the Community House with Mrs. Gariand Bak-

er as hostess. The meeting opened by singing "America," followed by repeating the Collect. Minutes of March meeting and treasurer's report were read and approved. The roll was called with sixteen members present. Mrs. Eva Perry was welcomed as a new member.

The poultry leader, Mrs. P. H. Own-

by, gave a report. Mrs. Nina S. White, Home Agent, gave a demonstration on "Floor Finishes."

A short business session was held. Mrs. Frances Wood won the door prize. The hostess served ice cream, cake and Easter candy.

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