

Washington, June 14. (AS).—The Townsend Plan for Federal pensions of \$50 a month to everybody over 65 years old was finally brought to the floor of the House of Representatives and knocked on the head, as everybody expected it would be once it came to a vote.

Dr. Townsend and his followers had been trying for several years to get Congress to act on the project, and many members elected last Fall had given pledges to bring the measure to a vote. They kept that pledge, but only a few of them voted for the Townsend Plan, which was beaten by a vote of 302 to 97.

As an offset to the defeat of the Townsend Plan, the House Ways and Means Committee brought out a proposal to amend the Social Security Act so as to make it possible for the dependent aged people of the nation to receive old-age pensions up to as high as \$40 a month if the states will carry half the load.

Now both parties are trying to put the blame on the other for the defeat of the Townsend bill. Nobody knows how many votes there are behind the Townsend program, but all the politicians are afraid there are more than they know about.

Therefore the Democrats are trying to make capital out of the fact that two-thirds of the Republican members of the House voted against the bill, while the Republicans are saying that 85 percent of the Democrats opposed it. Both statements are true; the vote was 107 Republicans, 194 Democrats and one Farmer-Labor member against the bill.

Eye On Election
Such tempest-in-a-teapot disputes are the sort of things that indicate to experienced observers that a national political campaign is approaching and that politicians of all parties and shades of opinion are grasping at straws which may help their own causes or hurt the other fellows'. Nothing that is done in Washington these days, by Congress or the White House, is done without an eye on the Presidential election of 1940.

The belief is growing that President Roosevelt will put himself forward as a third-term candidate, though no prediction about the President's action can be certain. The opinion of practical, professional politicians, is that Mr. Roosevelt cannot be nominated unless he personally insists upon a renomination, positively and definitely.

That point of view suggests that Mr. Garner stands a better chance of becoming the Democratic 1940 candidate than does Mr. Roosevelt, even if the latter wants it. But with the President in opposition to the Garner candidacy, talk is swinging around to some candidate whom the President would be morally obliged to support, and who could also get the whole-hearted support of the Southern wing of the party. The man most talked of in that connection is Cordell Hull of Tennessee, the Secretary of State.

Hull Respected
Mr. Hull has been growing in stature as a statesman, and gaining increasing respect from leaders of both parties, in the past year or two. He does not "play politics" in the usual sense, and there has been no suggestion of any political implications in his proposal of a way to settle the vexed question of American neutrality in case of a European war.

Mr. Hull's proposal is that American neutrality legislation should enable our government to keep a free hand where our national interests are concerned and should not put the United States in a position where it might injure its friends and help its enemies.

Mr. Hull's program, which he has suggested to Congress, would prohibit American vessels from entering combat areas, and American citizens from traveling in those areas. There would be no restriction on any sales of any kind of goods to any belligerent nation except that the Munitions Control Board might decide that certain types of military equipment should be reserved for our own use. All purchases by foreign nations should be paid for in cash and taken away by the buyers in their own ships. No loans or credits of any kind to any nation at war should be given, and no one should be permitted to solicit funds in America to aid any nation at war.

Miss Evon Eldridge Glade Valley, has won the coveted

—honor of being listed in
"Who's Who Among Students
in American Universities
and Colleges." Miss Eld-

ridge, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Eldridge, has completed her junior year at Flora McDonald College, at Red Springs. During her three years at Flora McDonald, Miss Eldridge has received the following honors, which are included in her biography in "Who's Who": President of Literary Society; Member of Student Council; Student Marshal; on basketball team; Corresponding secretary of Literary society and vice president of Winston-Salem Presbytery. She majored in History, English and French, will receive the A. B. degree, and plans to teach.

"Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges" is published through the cooperation of 521 institutions of higher learning, bringing America's finest material before the business world. The record of each student's career who is listed in this publication will be placed before 500 personnel managers of leading United States corporations, to be considered for key positions.

Only juniors and seniors and students in advanced work are selected. To be included in "Who's Who," a student must have a combination of qualities listed below to indicate that he is outstanding and an asset to his school: Character, Leadership in extra-curricular activities, namely, athletics, society, religion, and student government; Scholarship, and Potentialities of future usefulness to business and society.

To Speak In Galax



ROBERT L. DOUGHTON (above), representative of North Carolina's Ninth District in Congress, and close friend and adviser of President Roosevelt, who is to deliver an address at the Young Democrats' rally and barbecue in Galax at Felts Park on Saturday, June 24.

R. L. Doughton is to deliver an address in Galax

—Va., on Saturday, June 24, at a big rally and barbecue to be held by the Young Democratic Clubs of the Fifth Congressional District.

Congressman Doughton is one of the closest friends and advisers that President Roosevelt has in Congress, and is chairman of the powerful House Ways and Means Committee, in which all appropriation bills must originate. He represents the Ninth North Carolina district in Congress.

Other distinguished Democrats who are expected to be in Galax for the event are Congressman Thomas G. Burch, of Martinsville, who represents the Fifth District of Virginia, in Congress; Congressman Colgate W. Darden, of Norfolk; Robert Lane Anderson, of Marion, state Young Democratic chairman, and C. Carter Lee, of Franklin, Fifth District Young Democratic chairman.

Advance tickets for the barbecue and the dance to be held at night, are on sale by the Young Democratic Clubs.

The D. W. Motor Co. was recently opened here in the building

—that was formerly occupied by the D. & R. Motor Company. The new business is owned by D. W. Graham, of Todd.

Mr. Graham announces that he will handle a complete line of Dodge and Plymouth cars—passenger cars, trucks, and pick-ups. He also expects to service and run a complete garage for all cars and trucks. A complete parts and service department will also be maintained.

D. T. Huff is sales manager, and H. G. Roland is bookkeeper and parts salesman.

Typhoid vaccine is among the most reliable

—vaccines and, together with cleanliness, as practiced through modern sanitation, has markedly reduced the number of cases of typhoid, it has been pointed out by local health authorities.

This vaccine causes the body to build up its own defensive mechanism, but this takes some six weeks at least. For this reason it is an excellent idea to take the vaccine at this season of the year, in order to be protected during the late summer and fall, when typhoid is most common, it is said.

Those desiring to be vaccinated can receive the treatment from their private physicians, or at the Health office in Sparta on Tuesday or Saturday morning. Smallpox vaccine is also given free at the same time and, for school children, it is a very desirable time during vacation days.

The North Carolina General Assembly enacted during the 1939 session a law requiring diphtheria immunization of children as follows: Chapter 126, Section 1: The parent or parents or guardian of any child in North Carolina shall have administered to such child between the ages of six months and twelve months an immunizing dose of prophylactic diphtheria agent which meets the standard approved by the United States Public Health Service for such biologic products.

Any willful violation of this Act shall be punishable by a fine of not more than fifty dollars or by imprisonment for not more than thirty days.

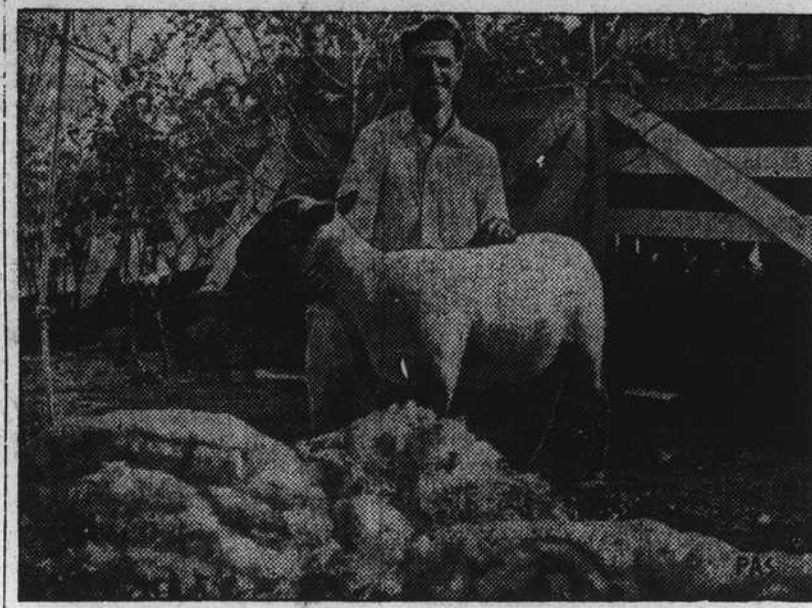
The General Assembly also enacted a law (Chapter 313, section 1) requiring that every prospective mother shall have the Wasserman test or other approved tests for syphilis. For this test, the services of the Health officer or the county physician are available to persons unable to pay a duly licensed physician. The penalty for violation of this act is a fine of twenty-five dollars, or imprisonment for thirty days, or both.

The act requiring a physical examination before issuance of license to marry follows: Chapter 314, Section 1. No license to marry shall be issued by the Register of Deeds of any county to male or female applicant therefor except upon the following conditions: The said applicant shall present to the Register of Deeds a certificate executed within seven days from the date of presentation showing that, by the usual methods of examination made by a regularly licensed physician, no evidence of any general disease in the infectious or communicable stage was found. Such certificate shall be accompanied by the original report from a laboratory approved by the State Board of Health for making such tests showing that the Wasserman or any other approved test of this nature is negative, such test to have been made within two weeks of the time application for license is made. Section 2 1/2. Residents of the State who are married outside of North Carolina, shall, within sixty days after they return to said State, file with the Register of Deeds of the County in which they live, a certificate showing that they have conformed to the requirements of examination required by this act for those who are married in the State.

If applicants are unable to pay for such examination, certificate without charge may be obtained from the local health officers of county physician.

Any violation of this act shall be punishable by a fine of fifty dollars or imprisonment for thirty days, or both.

Shearing Contest Held At N. Y. Fair



WORLD'S FAIR, N. Y. . . Clarence Jeffers of Zeasing, Ill., broke his own record of three minutes five seconds in a sheep-shearing contest on the Firestone Farm at the World's Fair recently. Five Shropshire-bred sheep were sheared by Jeffers, who is international champion, in his record breaking effort.

With Mrs. A. O. Joines presiding— The Alleghany Baptist Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary will hold

—its annual meeting on Tuesday, June 20, at the Laurel Springs Baptist Church. Mrs. Joines is general superintendent. Outstanding guest speakers for this occasion are to be Mrs. B. K. Mason, of Winston-Salem, superintendent of the Charlotte division of the W. M. U., and Mrs. E. C. James, of Elkin, vice president, of the state W. M. U. organization.

The opening session will begin at 10:00 a. m., and the host church will serve a picnic lunch at the noon hour.

The following program is to be presented: Hymn, "I Love to Tell the Story"; Devotional, Rev. A. F. Absher; Welcome Address, Mrs. Tom Moxley and the pastor; Response, Miss Cleo Jones; Secretary's Report, Mrs. R. L. Hickerson; Reports of Committee Chairmen—Stewardship, Miss Iva Grace Doughton; Mission Study, Mrs. W. R. Taylor; Personal Service, Mrs. W. P. Maxwell; Young People, Mrs. B. Wagoner; Margaret Fund, Mrs. C. A. Reeves, and Training School, Mrs. Eugene Sheppard; Attendance record and recognition of visitors; Announcement of Committees; Special music, Mrs. Nora Lee Stewart and Miss Edna Wall; Introduction of Speaker, Mrs. R. C. Halsey; Address, "Witnessing Far and Near," by Mrs. E. C. James; Lunch; Hymn, "Come Women, Wide Proclaim"; Devotional, Rev. Howard J. Ford; Facts about Missions, R. A.'s and G. A.'s, of Laurel Springs; In Memory of Mrs. Edna R. Harris, Mrs. George Crutchfield; Duet, Mrs. B. Wagoner and Mrs. Howard J. Ford; Introduction of speaker, Rev. Howard J. Ford; Address, by Mrs. B. K. Mason; Report of Committees, and Benediction.

Father's Day will be observed at the Methodist Church

—in Sparta on Sunday, June 18, when a special program is to be given at the regular morning worship service. The program will be in charge of the pastor, Rev. L. F. Strader.

The program follows: Prelude; Call to Worship (congregation standing); Hymn, "Faith Of Our Fathers"; Apostle's Creed; Prayer; Solo, Miss Emaline Hawthore; Responsive Reading; Gloria Patri; Announcements; Offering; Hymn, "True-Hearted, Whole Hearted, Faithful and Loyal"; Sermon, "The Ideal Father," Rev. L. F. Strader; Prayer; Doxology and Benediction.

The pastor and church officials are desirous of a large attendance for this service.

A DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS BEING HELD
—this week at the Sparta Baptist Church, in connection with the series of revival services in progress there.

Miss Ivy Grace Doughton, superintendent, is being assisted by the following teachers: Mrs. Bruce Wagoner, Mrs. James Hoppers, Mrs. Howard J. Ford and Miss Roberta Ford.

An interesting program on "Home Missions" was given

—on Wednesday afternoon, June 7, at three o'clock, when Mrs. R. L. Berry, Sparta, was hostess to members of the Glade Valley Presbyterian Auxiliary. Mrs. Bruce Wagoner, secretary of Home Missions, was the program leader.

Others taking part on the program were Misses Evon Eldridge and Clarice Thompson, Mrs. E. B. Eldridge, Mrs. C. C. Thompson and Mrs. Clay Thompson.

Special music was rendered by Miss Clarice Thompson and Mrs. Bruce Wagoner, with Miss Eldridge at the piano.

Fourteen members were present, and two invited guests, Miss Katherine Lyerly, of Salisbury, and Mrs. A. O. Joines, of Sparta. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Joines, Mrs. Wagoner and Miss Thompson, served a sweet course.

In the interest of obtaining a Home Demonstration

—Agent for Alleghany County, a committee of women from various parts of the county, headed by Mrs. A. O. Joines, appeared in Commissioners' Court here Monday, June 5.

Mrs. Joines pointed out the advantage of having such an agent, saying that she would mean as much to the housewives of the county as the county agent does to the farmers, and adding that none of the farmers would be willing to dispense with the services of the county agent, R. E. Black.

The services of a home demonstration agent can be obtained by an outlay of \$480 dollars by the county. If the county will pay that amount, the state will pay the remainder of her salary.

The Board of County Commissioners, which is composed of James McD. Wagoner, chairman, J. C. Gambill and Victor Phipps, agreed to take the matter under consideration, and announce a decision later. If the decision is favorable, it will be possible to obtain the services of a home demonstration agent by July 1.

Col. Harrington described the WPA as a great success

—Tuesday when he appeared as a witness before the House subcommittee in Washington, D. C., and then proceeded to write the final draft of a bill which members said would make sweeping changes in the relief system he had praised. Only last Friday night, Col. F. C. Harrington, WPA head, was one of several New Deal administrators who attended a tea party at the White House and explained details of their departmental work to King George, of England. Col. Harrington gave King George an account of the work relief projects under way in this country.

After Col. Harrington had read a 39-page statement branding many of the charges made against the relief agency as "unfair" and "obviously untrue," the subcommittee adjourned without questioning Harrington at any length. It prepared to present to the full house appropriations committee yesterday legislation which, informed members said, would include the following proposals:

1. Abolition of Harrington's post and substitution of a three-member board to run the WPA.
2. Establishment of a differential in wages favoring relief clients with dependents over those without.
3. Ear-marking of \$125,000,000 of relief funds for a public works program to be handled by the WPA. In this connection, President Roosevelt told reporters at his press conference Tuesday he hoped relief money would not be earmarked for WPA, adding that this would mean taking care of fewer persons on relief rolls.
4. Reduction of about \$50,000,000 from the \$125,000,000 sought by President Roosevelt to finance the national youth administration for the coming fiscal year.

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A donkey baseball game will be played in Sparta

—at Sparta High School, on Saturday night, June 17, at eight o'clock. The event will be put on by the Diamond T Ranch Donkey Baseball aggregation, and promises to be one of the outstanding entertainment features of the season for Sparta and section. A picked team from the town of Sparta will play a select group from the country.

Those selected to play are as follows: Town Team—T. R. Burgess (captain), Robert M. Gambill (manager), George Reeves, F. H. Jackson, Amos Wagoner, Dr. Leff Choate, Vance Choate, Sam Porter, Oder Joines, Walter Irwin, Duke Bledsoe, Albert Richardson, Robert Lee Nichols and Julius Womble. County Team—Sheriff D. T. Bryan (captain), Carl Irwin (manager), Jess Moxley, J. T. Inskip, Ralph Gentry, Hurley Edwards, Reece Miller, Van Miller, Frank Atwood, Mack Woodie, Marion Joines, Paul Richardson, Dillon Edwards and Claude Critcher.

A Donkey Derby will be an added attraction. This race, which will be fast and furious, it is said, will take place just before the Donkey Baseball game.

The public is invited to attend this game, the proceeds of which will be used for the benefit of the local school.

England's royal couple left the United States

—Sunday night, after having sampled American ways for four days, including a presidential picnic featuring "hot dogs" Sunday afternoon at Hyde Park, N. Y. They headed back into Canada for a brief visit before sailing for home.

The blue and silver royal train pulled out of the Hyde Park station at 10:09 p. m. (EST) after their majesties had spent a restfully informal night and day at President Roosevelt's Hyde Park estate.

The president and Mrs. Roosevelt, and the president's mother, Mrs. Sara Delano Roosevelt, brought their royal guests down to the plain, red brick station and waved them on their way, just as ordinary hosts do for ordinary week-end guests.

Before departing, King George gave the president a gold ink well as a token of appreciation, not only to the chief executive, but also to the nation he represents, for four momentous days in which the king and queen were taken into the hearts of America.

In the early morning hours, the train was to cross into the Dominion, where the royal couple will conclude their new world tour today (Thursday) and sail for home.

Neighborhood and informally, the Roosevelts and Windsors started their day together by joining in worship at St. James Episcopal church. After attending a typical Hyde Park picnic at the president's summer cottage—to which Mr. Roosevelt dashed off speedily at the wheel of his own car—the president and his guest went swimming together. Tea followed, and then dinner.

The royal couple seemed to enjoy relaxing after an exhausting tour, during which millions of Americans cheered them along the rail, water and motor route from Niagara Falls to Washington, New York and Hyde Park.

In six hours thunderous with the welcome of more than 3,000,000 residents of a city lost long ago to his vast empire, King George and Queen Elizabeth paid a historic visit to New York City Saturday and bowed at the New York world's fair to a moving demonstration of affection for them.

Guests of the nation for two bustling, repellant days, George and Elizabeth turned host and hostess Friday night to entertain President and Mrs. Roosevelt at a sparkling state dinner in parting appreciation of honors unstintingly heaped upon them.