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TYDINGS POINTS THE WAY

When Senator Millard E. Tydings told his hearers at the gathering sponsored by the Young Democratic Clubs of Maryland in Baltimore last Thursday evening that he did not propose to "take a walk" in the coming presidential campaign, few in that great throng realized at the time the real significance of those words and the effect they were destined to have on the country as a whole and the Democratic party in particular.

For months, Maryland had been counted upon heavily by the Republican master-minds as an anti-Roosevelt State; in fact, in the forecast of electoral votes, Maryland's eight had been placed in the Republican column. Up until Thursday night there was possibly, as political observations are made, some weight to the prediction, and it goes without saying that these same observers awaited with much interest and speculation the speech from the senior Senator.

One of the outstanding opponents of many of the New Deal devices such as the NRA and the AAA, and outspoken in his fight against measures that he felt did not conform with the principals of Jefferson and Jackson, Maryland Democracy loked to him as holding the balance that could swing the State for or against the President. Granted that there was no reason for great surprise in the Senator's pledge of support, he did however, go further; and, to give the President's opponents no rhyme or reason to look upon that support as weak-kneed or half-hearted, he threw down the gauntlet to come out solidly for renomination and reelection and left no middle ground or fence-straddling.

The effect of Senator Tydings' speech had an electrical and heartening effect upon Maryland Democracy which now looks forward to another great victory in November. He not only unged and pointed the way for the renomination of Mr. Roosevelt at the Philadelphia convention, but he also marked the course and gave conclusive and satisfactory reasons why the best interest of the great majority of the American people can best be served through his reelection in November.

THE SENATOR SHOULD EXPLAIN

The action of Cecil county's representative in the State Senate, who denounced relief and moved that the Senate adjourn sine die as soon as it convened for the special session to which Governor Nice called the General Assembly, is hardly to be classed as commendable in view of the situation that now confronts the State of Maryland, but if Mr. Cobourn has grounds for his insistence to have the Legislature adjourn without any action on the matter of relief, certainly he should give the public the advantage of that knowledge

It is possible that, since it has been revealed that the Cecil county Senator was a paid member of the State Survey Commisison at a salary of $2,000, that he has uncovered some irregularities here or there, but it is unbelievable that it reaches to such an extent that all relief should be classed as a "racket," as the daily press quotes Mr. Cobourn as dubbing it. However, if through his investigation, the Senator does know whereof he speaks, and indications point to his finding of a "racket," then the public, and the taxpayers he represents, should be apprised of his findings.

That there is some waste in relief, few people will doubt, and it is possible that there is some waste in Cecil county, but certainly we have neither seen reasons for it being, nor heard it locally, indicted as a "racket." Quite a large amount of money has been distributed in Cecil county to the needy, and, according to Pierre N. Lebrun, chairman of the Cecil County Welfare Board, the present need is urgent and will continue to be for some time to come—these needs he outlined to the Legislature on Wednesday in person, when at the same time the county's representative in the Senate vehemently denounces the project to the extent of calling it a "racket" and urges that same body to ignore the question.

It has always been the understanding, and figures verify, that relief in Cecil county has been administered at a most economical overhead. But in his denouncement, the Senator, speaking in generalities, evidently includes his own people in his indictment. If then through local relief, the taxpayers of Cecil county are being hi-jacked, they are entitled to know the reason why and it is up to Senator Cobourn to lay bare the facts, and expose this so-called "racket."

WELCOME TO THE CIRCLE

The first edition of the Newark Post under the editorship of Charles H. Rutledge has reached our desk; we extend our congratulations to the new editor and heartily welcome him into the circle of the select.

In taking up his work at Newark, the new editor is assuming the responsibility of a paper that has enjoyed a long and honorable career in Delaware journalism. Following the lamented death of Everett C. Johnson, founder and for a long time editor and publisher of the Post, the paper has been continued along the policies laid down by the founder, and these, with additional features, it is understood, will be followed by the new owners and editor.

In passing may we caution that the road of journalism is not always smooth and level; there are bridges to be crossed, hills to climb and obstacles to overcome. But, we assure our colleague, there is pleasure in the work and we know of few callings that offer any greater opportunities for service. Here in Cecil county, his ability, both in an editorial and executive capacity, are well known. His connections with Cecil county newspapers have stamped him as a wide-awake, progressive and talented journalist, and with these qualities, we feel confident the new editor in taking over the work in his new field of labor, will conduct this widely read paper in a manner that will reflect credit to himself and the newspaper fraternity.

Secret Service Man Addresses Commerce Group

U. S. Treasury Dept. Operative Gives Interesting Talk Here Monday

HAS INVESTIGATED CASES IN CECIL

George A. Almony, operative of the secret service division of the U. S. Treasury Department, was the guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Elkton Chamber of Commerce held Monday evening at the Howard Hotel.

Mr. Almony said the service to which he belonged was not affiliated with the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, headed by J. Edgar Hoover, but that it was an older organization that came into existence in 1861. The service has been headed by Mr. William Herman Moran for the past fifty-two years.

Duties Are Many

The duties of the secret service division of the Treasury Department are many. A few of its many duties are the recovery of stolen bonds, investigation of U. S. Government checks that may have fallen into wrong hands, the guarding of the President and the investigation of any threats to the President or his family and the investigation of counterfeit money.

Mr. Almony has personally investigated several cases in Cecil county in which the passing of counterfeit money has been involved and in practically all cases in which the secret service has been called in time, the people responsible for the passing of the bogus money have been apprehended.

Times Are Better

"During the height of the depression," the speaker said, "practically all bad bills passed were of small denomination but of late the counterfeiters have grown bolder and the denomination of the illegal tender has grown from the $1 and $5 variety to that of $10 and $20." Possibly this is an indication that times are better.

Prior to the talk by Mr. Almony, James W. Hughes, president of the chamber, called for a report from various committees. Mr. Hughes told the other members of his proposed plan to stimulate business in Elkton. He will later appoint a committee to work with him on this problem.

Difference in Climate

Strange as it may seem to many, when it's winter in the United States, it's summer time in Chile and other South American countries.

California Turns Back the Hoboes

HORACE GREELEY'S famous words, "Go West, young man, go West," became "Go East, young man, old man," as the Los Angeles police border patrol tightened its blockade along California lines. Indigents by scores were turned back from the state line, if they could not prove residence or show sufficient means. This photograph shows a group being returned to Arizona by police officers over the bridge which connects the two states.

PAPA KNOWS—

"Pop, what is an encyclopedia?"
"Boarding house hash."

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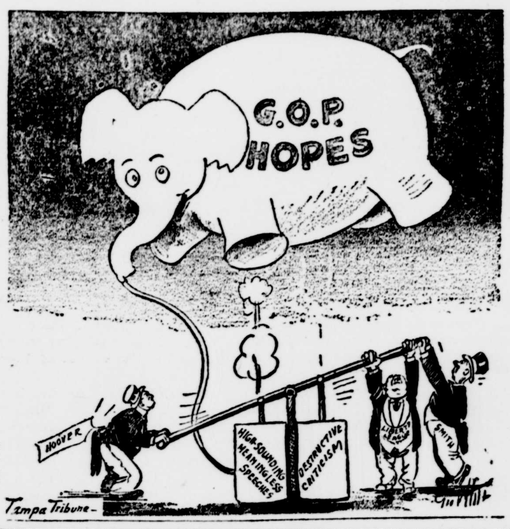
New Century Club's Fashion Show Attracts

The Newark New Century Club's fashion show held Monday afternoon proved to be an attractive event for a capacity audience of members and their guests.

Mrs. C. Robert Kase, Mrs. Perry Arnold, Mrs. George Haney, Mrs. G. Taggart Evans, Mrs Francis Squire and Mrs. Robert Bausman, all members of the club, served as models to display the approved styles in spring gowns, coats, suits and becoming accessories.

A Wilmington sylist pointed out the interesting features in the various gowns and suits worn by the models as they promenaded back and forth across the stage and through the aisles of the clubroom. Miss Elizabeth MacNeal, pianist, furnished musical accompaniment. Spring flowers added a colorful and decorative note to the occasion.

Speaking Of Inflation



Dispelling The Fog

Take it from the "Liberty League," the nefarious plot to despotize the Government; to make it Moscow instead of Washington, and to substitute the red flag for the stars and stripes, is proceeding as fast as our Machiavellian President can arrange the blue prints for the putsch.

There isn't a duPont among all those contributing to the billion-dollar annex to what is left of the Republican party, who cannot give you all the specifications of the plan to make the Stalin-Hitler-Mussolini a firm foursome.

First and foremost of the manifestations of dictatorship has been the rubber-stamping of Congress which, as every Lobby Leaguer announces and reiterates, has been terrorized into abdicating its powers at the command of the President.

The other day Feuhrer Roosevelt sent up to the subservient legislative branch a bill relieving the Government from having to pay State taxes on bank shares it acquired in the process of getting the banks on solid ground. The idea was, of course, that as the Government had no intention of holding these shares for profit but merely to supply the depositories with funds and reestablish the people's faith in them—as it meant to get rid of them as fast as private investors would take them of its hands—these securities were not valid subjects for taxation. And the cowering House of Representatives, disregarding the rules of autocracies, promptly turned the administration down!

The episode is valuable as showing how the legislative branch of the Government is being regimented and forced to march in goose-step when the Executive cracks the whip.

Another equally forcible instance of the domination of the White House—which every one of the fifty-seven varieties of Republican candidates proclaims on every occasion—was the episode of the bonus. Congress passed it over the President's veto without pausing to take breath. With a House of Representatives of his own party by more than a hundred majority and a Senate about as Democratic in proportion, the President saw his veto overridden according to precedent—just like former Congresses that were not supposed to be dragged at the President's chariot wheels.

Nevertheless, the very next time one of the Republican aspirants, or one of the members of the Liberty League's super-Supreme Court, goes on the air you may expect to hear that Congress has abdicated its powers in connivance with the purpose of the President to communize the United States Government.

Likewise you may expect to hear that the present administration is grossly extravagant, with some side remarks about boondoggling, and a lament at its failure to take steps to balance the budget.

Double Decked Partisanship

There is still lacking any suggestion from any of these pusating patriots as to where the extravagance is manifest; just what they mean by boondoggling, and how they would go about balancing the budget. Candidate-hopeful Landon the other day indignantly denied that if the Republicans got in relief would be abandoned. He is for continuing the relief but promises to purge it of partisanship ,waste and incompetence.

There are two angles to the partisanship story. The first is that the Democratic state organizations are all complaining that Republicans are being named and retained for relief jobs—for it is a matter of record that more of the opposition party are partaking of Federal employment than in any recent administration. The other angle is that the opposition regards a job being given to a Democrat as partisan, but, if they should regain the Government, a job given a Republican would be an example by choice by merit and without factionalism.

As to waste no specifications are given. A barber set to shaving the unemployed; a preacher or an artist set to holding services in a churchless emergency employment camp, or decorating a community recreation center—none of these perhaps contributes a great deal to the national economy, still it might be difficult to put them to driving trucks or digging ditches. Nevertheless a barber, a preacher, an artist or a manicure girl can get just as hungry as anybody else, and has to be taken care of until a regular job is forthcoming.

In the matter of "incompetence"—it is always the contention of the Outs that the Ins are not capable of doing the jobs of Government. There is, at least, a partially efficient yard-stick by which to measure the relative skill and ability of a Republican and a Democratic administration. Now where does the comparison take us as between the administration that left us drift into the Hoover panic, and the one that has lifted us out of that dreadful swamp?

A Not So Sweet-scented Comparison

What story does that comparison tell as regards the administration that produced ten thousand bank failures, and the one that has made our banks so safe that nobody thinks any more about the security of his bank deposits? Incidentally the aggregate of those bank deposits is three billion dollars more than it was before the New Deal came into the picture.

How does the factor of competence figure between the era when farm strikes were threatening to shut off food supplies from some of our cities and today when the annual farm income is nearly three billion dollars higher?

Perhaps some other people might have done a better job than the Roosevelt administration, but so far none of its critics has indicated any process they have in mind by which this could be accomplished. Would they cut off relief? No.

Would they abandon the farm program? There is yet to arise one Republican politician who has even hinted at it. The way in which they have dodged and skirted that particular issue is one of the finest examples of political tightrope walking in the whole history of campaign circuses. Governor Landon charges that the present administration has made a political football of agriculture—without details or specifications, of course. That is about as definite as any of them come to a declaration.

Take Senator Dickinson of Iowa—a minor light in the scramble for the Republican presidential nomination. When the President gave notice that he would put up to Congress the framing of tax legislation to pay the costs of the soldier bonus, and the farm benefits invalidated by the Supreme Court, the Iowa hopeful exclaimed with bitterness that when the President spent money he did it himself, but when it came to raising taxes he left it to Congress. There is no record of Senator Dickinson failing to vote either for the bonus or the agriculture bill.

However, in the days to come the costs of these things will be added to the deficit, the responsibility for which Dickinson and the others lay on Franklin Roosevelt's doorstep. They will not suggest that the farmers do not get the money; or find any fault with the soldiers getting theirs—but will they scream with indignation because the President has not balanced the budget? Just watch and wait. It was these two things that spoiled the President's budget-balancing program—perhaps he had them in mind when he said a while ago that he anticipated no increase or additional taxes unless large additional expenses were forced on the Government.

Paul Muni Will Portray Pasteur At State, Newark, On Mon.-Tues

Paul Muni comes to the screen of the State Theatre, Newark Monday and Tuesday in what is said to be his greatest film characterization, "The Story of Louis Pasteur," a Cosmopolitan production released by First National.

Muni portrays Louis Pasteur, the great French chemist and bacteriologist who contributed so much to science. The story, by Sheridan Gibney and Pierre Collings, centers about Pasteur's battle against ignorance and prejudice, to save life through sterilization and the use of vaccines against disease.

So bitter against him, and so powerful were the physicians who hated him, that they succeeded in having him banished from Paris. But Pasteur did not give up his fight against disease. He struggled on in a different part of France and lived to see his work recognied finally and he himself acclaimed.

Josephine Hutchinson plays the part of his faithful wife who shared his exile and aided him in his experimental work. The romantic roles are carried out by Anita Louise, as the daughter of Pasteur, and Donald Woods who portrays one of the few physicians who believed in the great chemist.

Others in the cast include Fritz Leiber, Henry O'Neill, Porter Hall, Raymond Brown, Akim Tamiroff, Halliwell Hobbes, Frank Reicher, Dickie Moore and Walter Kingsford. William Dieterle directed the production.

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George Olsen

Olsen, in addition to batoning his great show band and announcing the festivities, presents stars of stage, screen and radio each Saturday evening on his new series of "Celebrity Night" broadcasts. His programs, which immediately follow the Chateau hour over the same stations, also offer the soprano lyrics of the lovely Ethel Shutta.

*** Sigmund Romberg is one who doesn't seem to break hi New Year's resolutions. Last December Romberg promised listeners that he would write and present one brand new song on his Studio Party broadcasts. That is just what he has done

*** Greatest strides up the ladder of success during the past six months have been made by Bob Burns and Frank Fay. "Bazooka Bob" is heard Thursday evening on the Bing Crosby program, and Frank Fay tosses his deft comedy into the Vallee microphone the same night, two hours earlier

*** Out in Encino, Calif., Ruby Keeler is known as the "radio Mayor." Recently Al Jolson was elected mayor of the town and when he goes into Hollywood to put on his Saturday evening Chateau broadcasts, he has arranged to have Ruby, his wife take over the office while he is broadcasting. Ruby admits nothing ever happens while Al is broadcasting though and it is just as well, because she doesn't care to be disturbed while she listens closely to her famous husband's programs.

Ruby Keeler

*** Statisticians figure that more than ten million listeners are dialed to the CBS Radio Theatre programs each Monday evening. Radio editors everywhere voted this series the best of the dramatic entertainment on the air. Broadway producers admit a new interest in drama as a result of these important broadcasts which give real theatre to a national audience.

*** Lee Wiley, the melancholy stylist of song, who has just returned from Arizona, is host to her mother in New York, and is spending most of her time taking her parent around the big city.

*** Janice Gilbert, who plays the role of Janice Collins started her radio career with "The O'Neills," and in no time at all has won many many followers by her portrayal of this sweet little kid that lives around the corner from "The O'Neills." Without any training or experience, this child stepped into the studio and performed in a manner that would do credit to a veteran of the stage. Janice is always a source of entertainment between rehearsals for the cast of "The O'Neills," with her perfect impersonations of radio and screen stars.

Janice Gilbert

*** Peter Van Steeden calls attention to the fact that radio, more than any other field of entertainment, will "try anything once." In support of this, Van Steeden calls to mind the broadcasts of such novelties as, frog jumping contests, tap dancing, the roar of Niagara Falls, riots in foreign countries, the crackling of flames in a big Chicago fire, and the court room drama attendant to many trials of international interest.

*** Jack Benny has introduced the understudy of the theatre and the stand-in of the screen to radio. Ever since Mary Livingstone missed a broadcast due to laryngitis, Jack has been using one of the "Chicken Sisters" as a stand-in for her.

*** One of radio's most colorful musical stars has practically done the impossible. He is Juan Manuel Oyanguren, one of the two world's greatest guitarists, who is heard over WOR, WLW and other stations Tuesday nights on the Tex O'Reilly show. Featuring only classical solos on the guitar—a musical venture unheard of two years ago—he is building up a following on the show, which, from his fan mail, is regarded by radio experts as highly unusual.

Oyanguren

*** Rosario Bourdon, the musical director, makes a plea that the listener give good music a fair chance. Bourdon believes that the majority of people who shout, "switch that program," are generally engaged in some other pursuit, and are not giving their undivided attention to the musical selection

Letters to the Editor

The President Of The Cecil County Woman's Christian Temperance Union Calls Attention To The Membership Drive Of That Organization Which Is Now In Progress.

Editor of the Cecil County Star—Sir: The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is the largest organization of women in the world. Its aim is to rid our country of demon drink, knowing that alcohol is a racial poison which indulged in as a beverage, destroys our citizens.

Our motto is "For God and Home and Every Land." Our purpose to educate the youth the truth about alcohol when used as a beverage. When the youth understands why coaches forbid its use if they wish to become worthwhile athletes, they will leave it alone.

We believe the Bible when it states: "No drunkard can enter Heaven." "Woe unto the man who putteth drink to the lips of his brother" and many other such truths. Therefore, we are concerned and determined to do our part to safeguard the youth of our land and to remove temptation from those who are unable to resist it. We know that no amount of revenue can repay for broken homes, lost souls and little children unable to get proper food and clothing because the salary has been spent for "That which satisfieth not" but on the other hand destroys those who indulge in its use.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union makes an intensive drive yearly, for additional members; we are now conducting that drive in Cecil county. This is an appeal to you, Christian brother and sister, to unite with us in this organization, to fight the liquor traffic. You know "In Union There Is Strength" and numbers can do what individuals are unable to do. Every Christian man and woman; every parent of boys and girls, should ally themselves without our organization. This does not mean that our organization has lost members, except in cases of death, for we added more than 10,000 last year during our drive ,but it means that you and you are here and now urged to give us your membership. Membership consists of signing the pledge and paying yearly dues of $1.00. We have many lines of work and you can find a place for your activities where they will tell for something worth while. You are your brother's keeper.

The law was repealed, but the effects of alcohol cannot be repealed, don't overlook that fact. Every driver of a car on our highways since repeal, reiterates that fact; the numbers of accidents mounting higher and higher as the days go by.

Write me your desire to join, sending $1.00, I'll send a pledge card for your signature, assign you to Union nearest you, or if you wish a Union in your midst, plan a meeting and I'll come and organize your Union. The State Convention will meet in Rising Sun in October of this year. Let us report more new members gained in Cecil county than any county in the State of Maryland!

Come on, friends, the time is ripe for action!

BERTHA M. TYSON,
President Cecil Co. W. C. T. U.
Colora, Md., March 9, 1936.

February School Attendance Hits New Low Averages

Full Month Of Frigid Weather Kept Many Out Of Schools. Transportation Was Problem

Perry Point Leads All With Mark Of 94; N. E. High Leader With 91 Average

The effects of the severe weather that held through the entire month of February was greatly reflected in the school attendance all over the county. In many places attendance marks hit an all-time low, especially in the rural sections but the greatest was among the colored schools.

While other schools went far below their usual averages, the two teacher school on the Perry Point Reservation showed a complete reversal of form and by gaining twelve points over the same month of last year, was well out in front of all the schools of the county with an average mark of 94. North East high school and Pierce's Neck, a one teacher school, tied for second place each with a mark of 91, while Cecilton high, Providence, Zion and Rowlandsville, the last three elementary schools, all tied for third position.

Chesapeake Leads Grades

Of the twenty-seven one-teacher schools, eighteen did better than the county average for schools of that class, which was 78. Nine fell below the county average. Pierce's Neck with an average of 91, Zion and Rowlandsville with 90 and Charlestown with an average of 87, were the leaders in this group. Of the two-teacher schools, Perry Point, the county winner, lead with 94, Providence was second with 90, and Cherry Hill and Colora tied for third place with 83. Elk Mills and Leeds fell below the county average mark of 83.

The attendance in the graded schools was close with Chesapeake City leading this group with a mark of 86. Three schools, Cecilton, Perryville and Calvert tied for second place, 84, while third place went to North East with a mark of 81 which was below the county average. Elkton was next to last with a mark of 80 and Rising Sun last with 78.

North East Leads High Schools

The high schools too finished up in a close race with North East in the lead with an average attendance mark of 91. Cecilton was a close second with 90 and Chesapeake was third with 89. Perryville and Calvert just beat the county average getting over the line by one point and finishing with 88. Rising Sun, Elkton and Kenmore trailed below the county mark in the order named.

Wilson Colored School On Top

Wilson, of the colored school group, lead the ten county colored schools, the mark of the leader being 87. Elkton was second with 80 and Chesapeake City third with a mark of 77. Elkton high, the only colored high school in the county had an average of 81.