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THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Dec. 31.—There's a new "Third Party" movement looming up to complicate the political situation in the Presidential election year of 1936. It is big enough, and has enough votes behind it, distributed all over the United States, to make the seasoned politicians of both major parties sit up and take notice.

This is the "Townsend Plan" Party.

Washington regards the announcement by Dr. Townsend will put a third party in the field, unless the Democrats and his followers, as a political party, since the death of Huey Long and the recent collapse of the Anna Senator's third party threat. It is big news, and something to be taken seriously, for two major reasons.

1. Neither the Democrats nor the Republicans can satisfy Dr. Townsend and his followers in Washington territories, if he has kept his ear to the ground while back home. The Townsend Old Age Pension plan has enrolled literary millions of voters in its thousands of Townsend Clubs, all pledged to work and vote for \$200 a month pensions for every man and woman over 60 years old.

Power of the Group

Politicians know the power of organization. Those with long memories recall the way in which the Anti-Saloon League put over Prohibition, by organizing the church people in every community and using the "pressure group" method to defeat "wet" candidates and elect "dry" ones. They were laughed at as fanatics—but they got Prohibition. The Townsendites are looked upon by the politicians on Capitol Hill as equally fanatical—but they are beginning to feel the pressure.

Congress Action Predicted

One inevitable effect of the Townsend threat, observers here believe, will be a desperate effort to put through at the coming session of Congress some amendment to the Social Security Act, to make the Old-Age Benefits provided for by that measure payable immediately and in full to every qualified person, instead of at some time in the distant future. Also, to "raise the ante" from the present sliding scale, which runs from \$10 to \$55 a month, to come nearer to meeting the demands of the Townsendites.

There is little belief, however, that such a program can be put over. It is fairly certain that President Roosevelt would veto it if it were passed. The Social Security Act only received his approval after the parts which would have required direct appropriations by the Federal Government were stricken out, and the plan put on an actuarial self-perpetuating basis.

The political implications of the Townsend threat as it may affect the choice of the Republican candidate, and the election next November, are being carefully appraised. It is a quite general understanding that Senator Borah would be a satisfactory candidate to Dr. Townsend and his followers. But that fact, on the face of it, provides another reason why the Republicans are not likely to nominate him.

Republican strategists would welcome a strong third party movement of this kind, for the general assumption is that it would draw many more votes away from Mr. Roosevelt and the Democratic Party than from the Republicans. That assumption, however, is somewhat debatable. There is no evidence that Republicans are any less desirous than Democrats of getting Old Age Pensions.

F. Leaders Warned The Republican hope is that around the Townsend movement

there will rally all of the diverse groups of malcontents, who are dissatisfied with the New Deal and distrust the Old Guard. While all of the polls that have been taken, public and private, indicate a decided trend away from the New Deal, the Republican leaders who met here for their National Committee's annual meeting last week, were warning each other and everybody else against overconfidence.

Mr. Roosevelt's personal charm and popularity, wise ones in the Opposition ranks recognize, can overcome a huge amount of dissatisfaction with the acts and policies of the Administration to date. Nothing would be easier than to lay the blame for failures on underlings who "betrayed the President's confidence," while claiming personal credit for the successes.

Very Latest



Designed in Sizes: 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30 and 32. Size 18 requires 4 3/4 yards of 39 inch material.

SLEEP OR LOUNGE

Pattern 8345—Here is a pair of pajamas which is so cleverly designed that it is equally suitable for sleeping or lounging, depending upon the material used.

Those of us who like to keep very snug and warm when the thermometer is way down, will find this pattern perfect for flannel, either in a solid pastel or in a gay print. Hardier souls will prefer to make it in cotton and may prefer the short sleeves. For a really luxurious effect, this model lends itself beautifully to silk crepe and satin, and it would make a stunning gift in either of these materials.

Note how the trousers are set on a well-fitting yoke, and how they flare gracefully at the ankles. The scalloped bodice, collar and cuffs are most appealing. Because both long and short sleeves are given, this is a good all-year-round pattern—one which you should have for use from time to time.

REVIEWING 1935 by A. B. Chapin



The WOMAN'S ANGLE by NANCY HART

Women's colleges are engaged in celebrating anniversaries. First Bryn Mawr celebrated its fiftieth anniversary in October. Dr. M. Carey Thomas, founder of the college, recently made this thoughtful comment on these changing times:

"No woman under seventy can realize how changed is the woman's world in which we are living today."

Next Barnard College at Columbia University is preparing to celebrate, in February, the twenty fifth anniversary of Miss Virginia Gildersleeve as Dean.

The Family DOCTOR by JOHN JOSEPH GAINES, M.D., F.I.C.

A BACKACHE REVIEW Remember that backache is only a symptom. It is the same of a headache and other "aches." In my experience, backache is far the more common annoyance of men and women, especially the latter.

proper function. In woman, we look out for the uterus, ovaries, colon and bladder. Chronic rectal disease in either sex excites backache. Remove the cause and the trouble disappears.

A lumbago may be rheumatic but I never call it so unless the rheumatism is elsewhere in the patient. To give treatment for rheumatism in lumbago is blind practice, guess-work.

Sunday School Lesson by Rev. Charles E. Duane

Jesus Meeting Human Needs. Lesson for January 5th. Luke 1:46-58. Golden Text: Luke 1:46-47. Lessons for the first six months of the new year are taken from the gospel of Luke. Under the general title, "Jesus Meeting Human Needs," we shall study what has been aptly called the most beautiful book in the world.



BRUCE BARTON Says

Mrs. President, Unlikely A woman who had obtained a job as co-pilot on an air-mail line resigned because she could not enter the Pilot's Union and so was not permitted to fly passengers in bad weather. This caused Amelia Earhart to suggest the raising of a fund "to break down the barriers against women in aviation."

RAMBLING ROUND NEW YORK with JUGH KENNY

Lorgnettes and monocles and Rolls Royces paraded up to the Metropolitan Opera house last week to the opening of the new season. Flashlights, jewels, opulence were the order of the evening. And the house was sold out a week in advance to the tune of \$16,000 box office receipts.

Hansel and Gretel was greeted by piping cheers from an audience of children at the Metropolitan's matinee on Friday. The name of its composer always strikes me as almost as amusing as the opera—Engelbert Humperdinck.

To see a barber in New York pull out a roll of bills big enough to wrap up a wet dog is something of a shock, at first. Frequently the bills are in denominations of fifties and hundreds, and eyes pop from all sides—until people know the answer. Dozens of barbers are "bookies"—book-makers for the horse betting fraternity.

The House Of Hazards By MAC ARTHUR



DAVE here da Mrs. daughter parents, from W Mr. their B Shmary Pike he Mr. B children heady Misses Dallas and Mrs. days. Misses Stanton Hempel Miss niece, N visited during the dinner. son De Horton Sullivan and Mr. daughter son. M and Needham kinson. kinson. Will Ba row an Mrs. visited Mr. a of Dall holiday Mr. s childrer father A 'day' of e. child. tives h Mr. s lin and spent t atives. Miss ing in holiday Mr. s on a week e and M Coffey. here t home. Mr. s sons, v for so and farm. Mr. s family, of Sw and Mr. They a Mrs. teaches a holiday Mr. s church was s came I Xmas i talk w Mr. s Dublin E. Bry Jam workin phenvi Mr. s som an ed his holiday Mr. s in Hico Mr. s Meridi holiday With of Sar week Mr. s Mr. s and d here t Mr. s daught Hewett 81 Day and M and cl spent ena. J Mr. s of W Mr. s Tom Stoph created tis. Mr. s and cl holiday Miss her au lin thi Miss dian Appli during Mr. s and M Lorain er Mrs. I Miss I sills r Thurs a few fine. Fred co du Miss runnin ear of Breashtng so Rev. Fort i Cleop with a well c

News Of The World Told In Pictures.

Grand Champion of Junior Feeding With Owner



CHICAGO . . . Robert Lemana of Eldred, Ill., got the thrill of a lifetime when his Hampshire barrow, Silver Light, weighing 320 pounds, won for him the title of Grand Champion of Junior Feeding in the early judging at the annual International Livestock Exhibition here.

Farmerette Show Togs



CHICAGO . . . There is a style angle to a livestock show, believe it or not. . . Above is Miss Marjorie Frye, 18, of Peoria, Ill. in her Farmerette show togs as she exhibited 3-year old "Amos" in the International Livestock Exhibition.

Knew Her 'Cello



NEW YORK . . . Miss Hilger (above), came here for a concert from her home in Philadelphia and on the stage she saw her stolen \$10,000 'cello over which loss she had grieved for two years. It was returned to her.

A Bad, Bad Indian Hits Broadway



NEW YORK . . . A bad Indian, a real bad Indian, hit Broadway this week in a grand new show of his building stories high. Called a rubber and a ball of human goo and was directed by a grand show of comedy and building two ways. When a particularly high boom caught the crowd's attention, he showed up out of control, but was kept under control by a timely splash of a department store.

Football Star of 1935



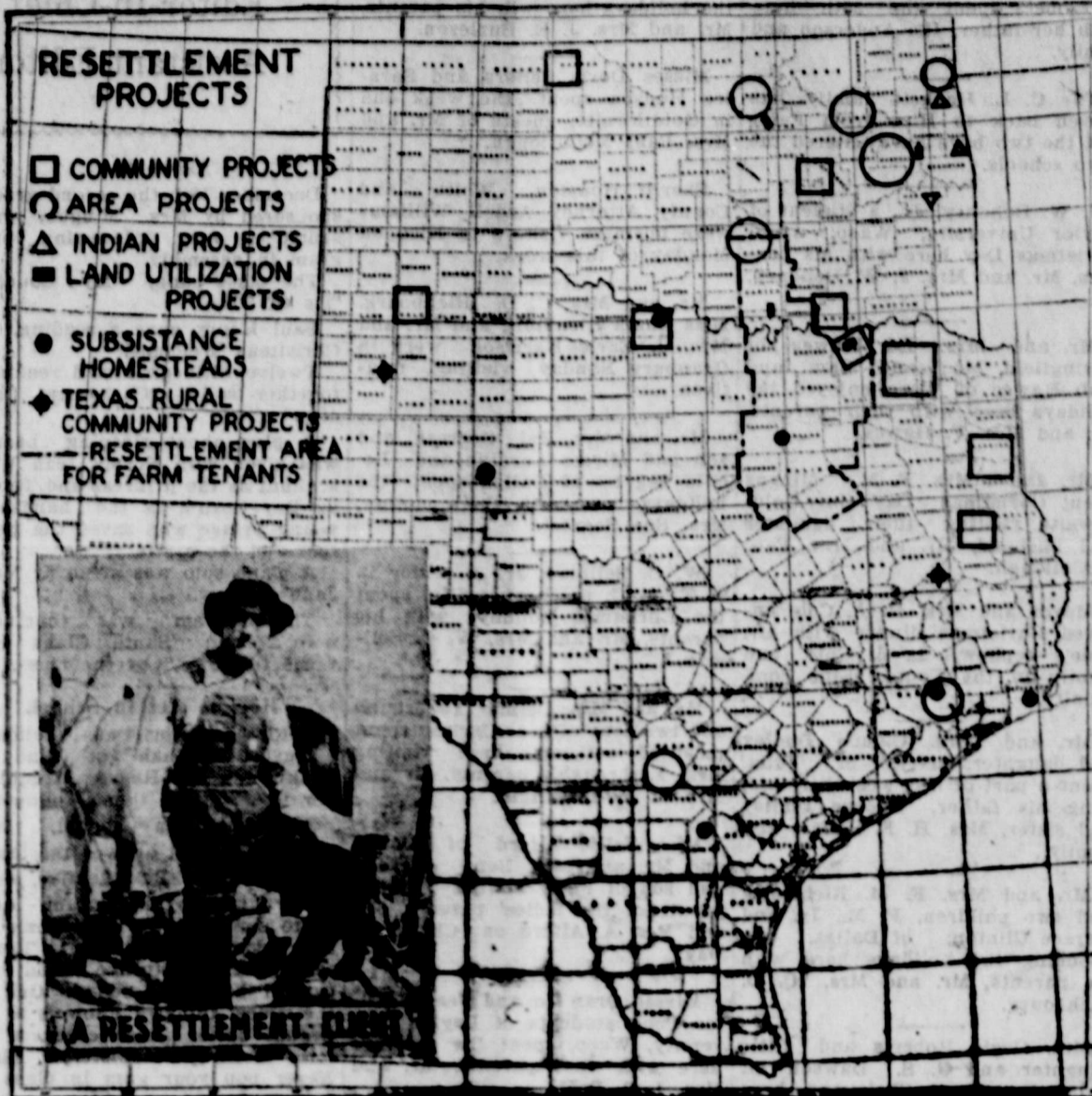
NEW YORK . . . Jay Berwanger (above), University of Chicago football star, has been awarded a trophy as the outstanding gridiron star of 1935, in the section East of the Mississippi.

Richest Woman, Bride



NEW YORK . . . Mrs. Marjorie Post Close Hutton (above), heiress to the nation's richest fortune and one of the nation's richest women, is now on honeymoon with her third husband, Joseph R. Davies, Washington attorney.

Map Shows Resettlement 1936 Plans



Surveys have been authorized in seventeen areas of Texas and Oklahoma, leading to development in some of these areas of land projects where tenant farmers and share-croppers will be given an opportunity to purchase homes. Community projects, in which a single tract of land will be subdivided into 100 or more farms, are being considered for Oklahoma in Bryan County, in North Central Oklahoma and at Laverne, Texas. Community projects considered are in Delta County, the Wichita River Valley, Harris County, Hale County, Fannin

County, and Central East Texas. Area projects, in which individual farms are scattered over several adjoining counties, are under consideration in Oklahoma near Muskogee and Tulsa, in the Washita River Valley and in the Indian lands of the Okarks. An area project for Texas is under consideration in the coastal prairie south of San Antonio. The area enclosed by a broken line in North Texas and Southern Oklahoma will be the location of farms for 265 selected tenants, if the project is finally approved. Subsistence homesteads shown

on the map are "inherited" by the Resettlement Administration from the Department of Interior, and are occupied by 328 families employed in cities near which the subsistence tracts are located. Only a few acres are included with each home. Texas Rural Community projects were also inherited by Resettlement. At Woodlake in East Texas 100 families had been placed on 15-acre tracts. At Ropesville, Texas, near Lubbock, 120-acre farms are being opened to 33 families.

Plans Developing For Projects in Texas-Oklahoma

Dallas, Dec. 18.—Authorization to develop plans for projects in Texas and Oklahoma upon which farmers will be given an opportunity to purchase homes was announced today by D. T. Trent, Director of Resettlement in these two states, following his return last week from conferences with Resettlement authorities in Washington.

"Surveys have been authorized in seventeen areas," Director Trent said, "but funds available will be sufficient to complete projects in only a few of these. The largest project, which has final approval, will call for the purchase of farms for 265 tenants or share-croppers in a part of the blackland belt of northern Texas and southern Oklahoma. "Only good land will be bought, and only the highest class of tenants will be selected for this initial venture into a long-time program for helping farm tenants to become owners." Trent said. County advisory committees, he said, will play an important part in the location of farms and selection of resettlers; and the Extension Service, through its field workers, will also cooperate.

The largest project being considered is in Delta County, Texas, 100 miles northeast of Dallas. If finally approved, this will provide farms for 257 families. Many of these will be selected from the best of the rehabilitation clients who were transferred from rural relief rolls last year and who loaned money for teams, equipment and subsistence by the Texas Rural Communities, Inc.

"Projects will be finally approved on the basis of very careful studies and surveys as to the quality of land available, the price at which land can be purchased, and the number of farm families in the area who need help," Trent said. "We must also consider availability of labor, accessibility of markets, health conditions and social conditions."

"The number of farm families to be placed on these projects is only a small percent of the total number included in the rehabilitation phase of our program," Director Trent said. "The remainder will continue to receive rehabilitation loans as tenants until further opportunity of ownership is provided, and until they prove themselves able to profit by it." Such opportunity, he said, is contemplated under the Rankhead-Jones Farm Tenancy Bill, up for action in the house of representatives at the approaching session of Congress. It passed the House last session and is expected to come up for consideration at the coming session. With the announcement of President Roosevelt's support of "President Roosevelt

Director Trent said that the surveys announced today are part of a national plan to stop the advance of tenancy and to promote owner-operated farms of suitable size. Texans and Oklahomans whose fathers struggled to farm ownership in the sixties, seventies and eighties lost that ownership in the last generation, Trent said, and now, although they farm some of the richest land in the nation, more than sixty percent of them are landless tenants.

Five of the proposed projects are "area" projects, in which farms will be scattered individually or in small group over several counties wherever good land is available at reasonable prices and where conditions are suitable for resettlement. The remainder are "community" projects, in which one unit tract of land will be cut into one hundred or more farms and a complete community established. Where houses are to be built, they will cost not more than \$1,500, but the Administration hopes to make these houses models for the farm home of the future from the standpoint of economy and convenience. Each house will be individual and each family will have their own farm. "Farm ownership must break the way for rural electrification," said Director Trent. He added that a survey of 55,000 farm houses in Texas made by the CWA is being used to "tell us what farmers have striven for in their homes." When a house is completed, its plans will be left with the housewife, in order that neighbors may use them.

Some of the proposed projects are for resettling families from submarginal land which has been purchased by the government and will be turned to parks, game refuges, recreational centers or such other public use as may seem best. These include the Indian projects, the Muskogee and North Central Oklahoma projects, and that in Fannin County, Texas.

There were 28,000 rehabilitation families enrolled in the two states during the past year, Trent said, and some 32,000 additional families are to be enrolled during the immediate future. "Thousands of these families, on relief a year ago, have demonstrated their energy, intelligence, and willingness to accept supervision," said the Director. "They have repaid this fall a million dollars on loans made last spring to purchase teams, tools and supplies."

Besides the seventeen new projects, the Resettlement Administration in this region inherited from other federal agencies a number of partly finished projects.

Five of them are "subsistence homestead" groups, near larger cities of Texas, which have been completed and occupied by 328 families employed in the cities at incomes of \$150 a month or less. These homesteads are being sold out at the rate of \$175 to \$180 a month, Trent said. These home-

steads are only a few acres and intended only for home gardens and home-use livestock. One project similar to the new ones is being completed at Ropesville, near Lubbock, Texas, with 120-acre farms for 33 families. A "rural industrial community," with 15-acre tracts for 100 families, was turned over, completed and occupied, to the Resettlement Administration by the FERA. No more of the "rural industrial community" type are planned.

Crossing-Tender Mayor



AUBURNE, Mo. . . Ernest C. Etoles (above), railroad gate tender here for years at a salary of \$15 per week, is the new mayor of this town. He won over a Harvard opponent. Office hours, Crossing, 7 A.M. to 3 P.M.; City Hall, 5 P.M.

"G-man" Rewarded



CLEVELAND . . . Eliot Ness (above), 32, is a former "G-man" who "broke" the Al Capone beer racket a few years ago. Today he is the new deputy sheriff here, in charge of Cleveland's police and fire departments. He was the youngest man ever to hold the job.

Naming 4-H Champions for 1935 Difficult Task



CHICAGO . . . Crowning the 1935 Boy and Girl 4-H Club champions this year was difficult enough, even before they came to the "Health" group. Then the deadlock developed. . . The scoring was so close that the judges named seven champions. They are shown in the top picture, reading, left to right, Howard Cobb, 18, Greene, N. Y.; Eloise Garrett, 15, Uriah, Ala.; Frederick Abel, 20, Gadsden, Ala.; Marion McLaughlin, 15, Tremary, Mich.; J. Alton Riffe, 20, Pleasant Hill, Mo.; June Casline, 15, Ridgeway, S. C.; and Charles Jordan, Jr., 18, Beloit, Kas. Below are the national Boy and Girl Leadership champions, Viley Johnson, 19, McAlester, Okla. and Betty Brown, 19, Emporia, Kas.

The New But Old, Old Story, "Santa Claus"



THROUGHOUT the land, many, many lands, children's eyes are bright and the morning seems so far away, when Santa Claus will have visited their homes to leave the gifts their young hearts desire. It's daddy here, who tells them the old, old story before they go to Sand-man-land, and it's none other than Fredrick Jagel, Metropolitan Opera tenor with his sons, Paul and John, 4 and 6.

Candy-House Postoffice Shrine at Santa Claus



SANTA CLAUS, Ind. . . The town this small town has obtained, in thousands upon thousands of letters of mail are sent here during the holidays for the special mail to be processed by a new post office building dedicated on a part of the celebration of America. It is an official building of the post office, and it is the post office building of the town. Santa Claus is the person presiding with his assistant at the post office. . . to Santa.

