

News From Washington

By Your Congressman
CHARLES J. GOLDEN

The decision of the Supreme Court against the Railroad Pension Act has given the members of Congress quite a jolt who are in favor of old pensions. The constitutionality of the Social Security bill was discussed considerably on the Floor of the House, some contending that it was constitutional and some that it was not.

The constitution gets in the way of a number of new ideas. The supreme judges were divided, five declaring the railway pension law unconstitutional and the four progressive judges declaring vigorously in favor of its constitutionality. Chief Justice Hughes, as usual, was on the progressive side of the question. If one judge had changed his mind, the result would have been different. Even the judges of the supreme court have serious differences of opinion.

Some of the members of Congress are in favor of legislation to require at least two-thirds of the judges to agree on constitutional questions. Such bills have been introduced since the recent decision. Now if Congress passes such a bill and the supreme court decides it is unconstitutional, then what? One of the members of Congress has introduced a resolution asking Congress to submit a constitutional amendment to the states requiring three-fourths majority of the supreme court to annul an act of Congress.

Of course, I am not a constitutional lawyer or a supreme court judge, but I agree with the progressive minority of the supreme court and it is my belief that if the constitution is to retain its hold as the fundamental law of the country, it must be sufficiently flexible to meet the demands of our social and economic life. Of course it can be amended but it takes a long time to make changes in the constitution. The supreme court itself, at least a very able minority, has declared its belief in the general welfare clauses in the constitution which are open to a wide interpretation on measures in behalf of the people. The general welfare was the motive that governed the action of our forefathers in framing the constitution.

The New Deal measures are being attacked all along the line on constitutional grounds. The question has already been raised and decided in the action of Congress in devaluing the gold dollar. The N. R. A. and the A. A. A. are also involved in other suits. So it is a constitutional battle all around.

The Tennessee Valley Authority is also being assailed as unconstitutional. The power trust has been laying a foundation for a strong assault on the Administration's policy in the power business. This power fight is reaching into all parts of the country. Secretary Ickes gave the power companies a good wallop recently in the case of San Francisco. Some years ago the public ownership advocates of San Francisco succeeded in securing certain water and power rights in the Hetch Hetchy mountain

FOREIGN TRADE WEEK

The annual observance of Foreign Trade Week is under way this week, with many events scheduled by the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. As usual the week will culminate with Harbor Day, Saturday, May 25, when free harbor boat trips will be available. Tickets may be obtained at the Chamber of Commerce in Torrance.

people with about one-third of the bank deposits. He also stated that the insurance of depositors up to the amount of \$5,000 would cover over 98 percent of the fifty-one million bank accounts in this country.

An amendment was offered to the banking bill to provide for the government purchase of the stock of the federal reserve system thereby making it strictly a federal bank. This amendment was voted upon in the House committee of the whole and received 61 votes for and 112 votes against it. I voted for the amendment and I consider it one of the most important votes that I have cast in the House even though I was on the losing side.

Mother's Day was appropriately remembered by the House of Representatives on Friday, May 10. My colleague, John McGoorty, delivered the principal address. When the House assembled, there was not a very large number of members on the floor, so I made point of no quorum which caused a roll call and brought the members out of their offices in a jiffy. It seemed to me that no national day is too busy to pay a proper tribute to the motherhood of this or any other country.

The House is usually in a controversy with the civil service commission. The law provides that each state should be considered in the selection of civil service employees but in spite of the law and the protest of the members, the states in the vicinity of Washington get most of the jobs. Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia have far more than their share. California is entitled to 1,564 jobs and has received but 422. The big Democratic state of Texas with a powerful delegation in Congress has but 406 jobs under civil service and is entitled to 1,604.

When the Roosevelt Administration was inaugurated and the banks were closed and business prostrate, the business interests of this country were yelling and moaning for help. The government poured out billions of dollars to help the railroads, the banks and other industrial and commercial interests. Now that the country is improving and we are on our way to recovery, these same interests now on the road to recovery, are yelling lustily for freedom of action, the restoration of their old privileges and demanding that the government cease its interference with business.

It is a sort of a parallel of saving a drowning man and then after he is safely on shore, for him to berate his rescuer because someone else is being saved. You will never know how selfish this world is until you become a member of Congress.

In the hearings before the House banking and currency committee, Mr. Leo T. Crowley, chairman of the board of the Federal Insurance Corporation, testified that 800,000 individuals and corporations or 1.6 percent of our depositors control about 65 percent of the bank deposits, or two-thirds of one percent of our population control about two-thirds of the bank deposits of the entire country. That leaves the great majority of over 99 percent of the

Westinghouse Refrigerator Is Given "Turkish Bath" In Test

Before a large group of magazine and newspaper representatives Dr. Phillips Thomas, noted scientist credited with lighting A Century of Progress by means of a gleam of light taken from the star, Arcturus, subjected a Westinghouse refrigerator to a dramatic heat test to prove how cold the refrigerator could remain.

The test was made at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City.

A large recording thermometer was connected to the inside of one of the new Westinghouse streamline refrigerators, now on display at the Torrance Electric Shop, 1419 Marcellina avenue. Another was fastened onto the outside of the cabinet. After initial readings had been taken, six high-powered Westinghouse electric heaters, arranged in a semi-circle around the front of the refrigerator at a distance of 15 feet, were turned on full force.

Although the thermometer on the outside registered 120° F. after 45 minutes of the "Turkish bath," the temperature on the inside of the refrigerator did not rise a single degree. After an hour of heat treatment, the inside temperature was only two degrees higher.

Torrance Electric Shop, local Westinghouse dealers, offer the test to their customers as a convincing argument for the superior insulation of the new Westinghouse, and claim it provides undeniable proof of the refrigerator's low operating cost. They claim, also, that every Westinghouse on display at their store, whether the new Streamline DeLuxe, or the inexpensive "Master Series," is as perfectly insulated as the refrigerator tested by Dr. Thomas in New York.

Auxiliary members, with the chairman, Mrs. Jean Patterson, will be out early Saturday morning to offer the poppies to the public. Ten cents is the price of the poppies, but all contributions are thankfully received.

A cotton and cord dance at the American Legion hall Saturday evening will celebrate the completion of the poppy sale. Good music and a good time is promised. The public is invited to join in the fun. Secure tickets from auxiliary members.

FREE THEATRE TICKETS! Turn to the classified page.

of chance to add variety to the entertainment of the patron. Sooner or later, the problem of licensing tango games in Torrance will have to be confronted, and the ruling of the county council as to the responsibility of city officials who permit such games to be licensed is awaited with interest.

REVISED WATER bond ordinance IS PASSED

A revised ordinance affecting the retirement of \$125,000 in water bonds which are to be purchased by the Public Works Administration was adopted at first reading by the Torrance city council Tuesday evening.

Under the revised plan, to which the P. W. A. has given its consent, retirement of the bonds will begin at the rate of \$5,000 per year beginning in 1941, instead of at the rate of \$8,250 beginning in 1937 as originally planned. The new arrangement is more advantageous to the municipal water department, City Engineer Leonard explained.

Civil Service Course Is Popular

The new course in civil service which was begun last week at the Torrance high school is proving popular among adults and high school graduates. The class is in session every forenoon from 8 to 12. The lessons are arranged in series so that a person may enroll any time. During the period from 8 to 9 instruction is offered in typewriting, comptometer, book-keeping and shorthand.

27 Years Too Long to Wait

LOS ANGELES (U.P.)—Mighty patient in the law, but 27 years is too long to wait. So Judge Edward Bishop dismissed a lawsuit filed March 2, 1908, by J. P. Dodson, contractor, against A. M. Smith for a small sum said to have been due in a paving contract. The suit had never been followed up by prosecution.

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STRONG DURABLE KITCHEN BROOMS	each	49c	DOMINO ASPARAGUS TIPS	No. 1 can	17c	
BEST FOODS NUCOA NEW	16-oz. bottle	9c	A & P FANCY PEAS	No. 2 can	14c	
CLICQUOT CLUB GINGER ALE	16-oz. bottle	9c	ALL FLAVORS JELL-O DESSERT	2 pgs.	11c	
BEST FOODS-QUART JAR-45c MAYONNAISE	1-lb. jar	27c	BAKER'S PREMIUM CHOCOLATE	1/2-lb. cake	20c	
MINUTE TAPIOCA	1-lb. pkg.	11c	CAKE FLOUR SWANSDOWN	large pkg.	27c	
OLD HEIDELBRUNN BEER (PLUS DEPOSIT)	4 11-oz. bottles	25c	BAKING POWDER CALUMET	6-oz. can	10c	
Half & Half, Prince Albert, Velvet	1-lb. can	10c	BAKER'S PREMIUM COCONUT	5-oz. Style 4-oz. Pkg.	9c	
TOBACCO	28-oz. jar	23c	MAXWELL HOUSE COFFEE	2-lb. can	29c	
HEINZ CUMBER PICKLES	1-lb. pkg.	22c	GOLD MEDAL WHEATIES	1-lb. can	11c	
UNEDA BAKERS RITZ CRACKERS	1-lb. pkg.	13c	TOILET TISSUE SEMINOLE	4 rolls	25c	
ORANGE PEKOE 1/2-LB. PKG. 25c	1/2-lb. pkg.	13c	CALIFORNIA TOMATOES	3 No. 2 1/2 cans	25c	
HOLLY "FREE FROM GRIT" CLEANSER	4-oz. bottle	19c	QUAKER PUFFED WHEAT	pkg.	7 1/2c	
"KILLS ANTS IN THE NEST" ANT SYRUP	10-oz. can	13c	EL MORO APRICOTS	No. 2 1/2 can	15c	

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PLATE RIB BOILING BEEF	lb.	12 1/2c	POT ROAST	lb.	14c
FRESH LEAN GROUND BEEF	lb.	15c	Rump Roast	lb. 25c	
SUNNYFIELD FANCY EASTERN SLICED BACON	1/2-lb. pkg.	17 1/2c	Rib Roast	lb. 19c	
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EASTERN GRAIN-FED PORK LOIN	Roast	24c	Center Cut Chuck	lb. 19c	
CUDAHY'S SMALL PORK LINK SAUSAGE	lb.	29c			
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