

## INFLATION BLOC LOSES GROUND IN CONGRESS

Reaction to Veteran Issue  
Defeat Strengthens  
Administration.

BY RUTH FINNEY

WASHINGTON, April 24.—President Roosevelt may win his stock market fight, his reciprocal tariff fight, and other close contests which lie just ahead as a direct result of his defeat on veterans' legislation.

Congressmen who voted to override his veto are now hearing from the folks at home and what they hear is making their ears burn. Even veterans, in many cases, are writing that the veto should have been sustained. The results are already evident.

When a test vote was taken in the house Monday on the inflationary McLeod bill, opposed by the President, the bill's sponsors failed to rally even the number of members who petitioned for a vote on the measure last week.

### Inflationary Bill Losing

The inflationary Frazier-Lemke bill is losing signers instead of gaining them.

The senate silver bloc has voted to take its stand behind legislation so drastic that its defeat is certain rather than a moderate measure which might have some chance of success. The decision is interpreted here as a graceful way of ending a difficult fight in campaign year.

The letters from home may even tilt the balance in favor of the Norris amendment to divorce the home loan administration from patronage. Many congressmen are beginning to feel that if home sentiment prefers support of the President to support of veterans it may feel the same way about political jobs, usually one of the most delicate subjects just before an election.

### Lobbies Still Busy

But if the veterans' lobby has taken its place in legendary history along with the Anti-Saloon League, their successors are ready to carry on the tradition.

Just as the biggest lobby that against stock market regulation—was being exposed here, the most unusual lobby made its appearance.

This one organized against the administration's plan for control of milk production, did its work in the milk producing states rather than in Washington and little has been heard of it. It is the first, so far as the records show, that has been able to persuade a large group of citizens to decline a gift of \$165,000,000 from the government.

### Relief Program Dropped

That amount was to have been paid milk producers in return for a cut in production. Growers of other products have demanded similar control schemes in order to increase their incomes, with the result that cash received by all farmers in March amounted to \$417,000,000, just \$142,000,000 more than cash received in March of last year.

The National Co-operative Milk Producers' Federation led the fight against the administration's milk plan and succeeded in marshaling so much opposition at fifteen regional conferences called to explain and discuss it that AAA has declined to proceed with any program for dairy relief until a majority of the industry asks for it.

Still another lobby is grooming for the coming fight on the Johnson bill, designed to increase efficiency of utility regulation by taking jurisdiction over rate cases from the federal courts.

### Further Debate Due

This is known as the American federation of utility investors, just formed to fight all measures seeming to threaten profits on utility securities. It says it represents 10,000 investors, including, of course, orphaned children and widows.

The house will debate the Johnson bill in a few days under a rule giving the whole membership opportunity to reject the innocuous substitute reported by the house judiciary committee and restore provisions of the senate bill.

Representative Thomas L. Blanton's filibuster against action in this congress on old age pensions for the district of Columbia may help to speed nation-wide adoption of pension plans through NRA codes.

### Pensions in 28 States

Insurance companies report a spurt of interest in pension plans from industries which find that dismissal of old workers and their subsequent support on relief rolls is as expensive as attempting to use them for watchmen or in other capacities.

Twenty-eight states now have old age pension laws, and in addition 300 companies have put group annuity plans into effect through insurance companies.

Those who have done so are beginning to agitate for uniform ac-

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## SCARRED BATTLEGROUND OF DILLINGER'S LATEST ESCAPE—AND HIS UNWILLING HOSTS



One of the windows of the Little Bohemia Lodge near Mercer, Wis., after it had been riddled with bullets in the machine gun battle between federal agents and John Dillinger's gang. Two were killed and four wounded, none of them gangsters, in the fighting.



The living room of the Little Bohemia Lodge near Mercer, Wis., showing the table at which John Dillinger and some of his gangsters were playing cards when federal agents opened fire on their "fort." All of the desperadoes escaped.



Emil Wanatka, right, owner of the Little Bohemia resort near Mercer, Wis., with two of his employees, Frank Traube, left, and George Baszo, who said that John Dillinger and his gang forced them to permit the desperadoes to stay at their resort.

### GLORIA SWANSON TO SUE FOURTH HUSBAND

Actress to Divorce Michael Farmer,  
Her Attorney Reveals.

By UNITED PRESS

Trapped again by federal agents, near the town of Manitowish, Wis., John Dillinger escaped from the Little Bohemia Lodge, shown above, while two men were killed and four others were injured. One of those killed was a federal agent and the other was caught in the fire when he emerged from the resort and started back to Mercer, Wis., where they were connected with a conservation camp. Three women with the outlaw and his companions were captured.

which will make their competitors bear a similar charge, and in the absence of legislation are beginning to discuss amendment of codes to include a general agreement on pensioning.

When the smoke cleared away from the battleground where Mrs. Roosevelt and Senator Thomas Schall fought out the matter of subsistence homesteads it became evident that considerable progress had been made recently by the administration with this part of its relief Irish sportsman.

Her attorney, Loyd Wright, revealed he has been instructed to draw up the necessary papers which probably will charge incompatibility. A friendly action is planned.

Relief heads from New England and middle Atlantic states are in Washington now making plans to let destitute rural residents produce part of their own food and part time for the cash they need to live.

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