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Battle Lines Drawn for Health Care Program

By ROBERT S. BOYD
Chicago Daily News Service

WASHINGTON, March 9—A nationwide battle of lobbyists is under way amid reports that the spring thaw may free a compromise hospital care plan from the congressional ice.

The American Medical Association is making a last-ditch stand to prevent the adoption of a compulsory federal program of

health care for the aged through Social Security.

A costly, highly organized campaign against the plan that was launched a year ago under the title, "Operation Hometown," is coming to a peak in state and county medical societies.

MEANWHILE, supporters of the hospital care plan also are stepping up their efforts, convinced they have the best chance in six years to score a victory.

The National Council of Senior Citizens is asking its 1,500,000 members to "put down a barrage of mail" to President Johnson and every member of Congress, demanding the passage of the bill.

The council, a labor-backed outfit headed by former Con-

gressman A. J. Forand (D-R.I.), is urging a campaign to persuade mayors, governors, state legislatures, city councils and other organizations to put the heat on Congress.

ORGANIZED LABOR is taking up the cudgels in union meetings and through its publications, radio and television programs.

On the other side of the fence, state and county medical societies are taking out newspaper ads seeking to whip up popular opposition to the program.

"Can you afford a 16 per cent increase in your payroll tax?" asked an ad inserted in the Hamtramck (Mich.) Citizen Feb. 27 by the Wayne County Medical Society.

THE AD called the plan "bad medicine" and told readers to contact "your family physician" for more information. It also urged a letter-writing campaign to Congress.

Similar ads have appeared in the last 10 days in newspapers in California, Oregon, Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana and Iowa.

Special attention is being paid to home districts of members of the House Ways and Means Committee, traditional graveyard of health care bills.

REP. AL ULLMAN, a supporter from Oregon, was the target of an ad featuring a "Dear Al" letter from the president of his county medical society.

DIAMONDS, precious stones, fine watches, gold jewelry. Inspect our used jewelry from our loan dept. & estates. MILLS JEWELRY, 503 Franklin St., "located in the Banking Section of Tampa"

Rep. Martha Griffiths (D-Mich.), has been receiving telegrams for the last 10 days from strangers in Fort Worth, Tex., urging her to vote against the bill.

The Jefferson County (Ky.) Medical Society took out a full page ad Feb. 24 assailing the plan as "impractical, wasteful and wrong." A Kentucky Democrat, Rep. John Watts, is considered one of the two swing men on the committee.

WATTS WAS also the object of a recent pitch by the president of the American Medical Association, Dr. Edward R. Annis of Miami.

Annis told the Kentucky legislature that the A.M.A. is "not opposed to smoking and tobacco—it is opposed to disease."

His speech was interpreted as a bid for support for the A.M.A. position in that tobacco-growing state.

IN THE PAST year, the A.M.A. has sent out to 2,300 state and county medical so-

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BOYS' CLUB BUILD Kites for Contest

The Ybor City, West Tampa and Interbay Branch Boys' Clubs are holding individual kite contests during this week.

The kites built and decorated by the boys will be judged in flight at the individual clubs on Saturday.

On March 21 the winners of the three branch Clubs will meet at the Interbay Branch Boys' Club at 10 a.m. to determine winners in the over-all kite competition.

Administration aides have been seeking a compromise plan that will be acceptable to Ways and Means chairman, Wilbur Mills (D-Ark.).

Mills has agreed to call the committee into a closed-door session later this month. If a satisfactory formula can be worked out, the votes of Watts and Thompson will be enough to pry the bill loose from the committee.

Administration nose-counters are confident they have the votes to pass it then on the floor of the House and in the Senate.

JOHNSON RETURNED to his job as the Democrats' Senate leader and in the last four years of Eisenhower's administration set a pace so furious and distinguished he decided he might even be able to be president himself.

In those years two of his outstanding achievements were getting a civil rights bill through in 1957, the first in this century, and another in 1960.

Johnson, a southerner, did this over the opposition of southern Democrats but these two measures never entirely satisfied anybody. They were compromises, stripped of sections which irritated southerners most.

Johnson in Middle Of Civil Rights Row

By JAMES MARLOW
AP News Analyst

WASHINGTON, March 9—President Johnson is the man in the middle in the civil rights fight starting in the Senate. It wasn't like this a few years ago.

As the summer of 1955 wore on he had plenty of time to wonder what the future held for him. He was recovering from a heart attack but felt far from finished.

TENSE NERVES HAVE CHANGED

even though watered down, was considered quite an achievement even if not perfect. But Johnson is president now, not just a Senate leader.

HE HAS GIVEN full endorsement to the present bill, the strongest ever offered in American history. Standing firm may hurt him politically in the South; yielding to compromise may hurt him in the North.

Normally it might be thought the battle over this bill would be won or lost in the Senate. But from the moment he became president he has asserted his leadership strenuously in dealing with Congress.

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February Rain Near Record In Plant City

PLANT CITY—Last month was the second wettest February in 10 years in the Plant City area, according to records kept for the U.S. Weather Bureau at the County School Farm here.

A total of 5.30 inches of rain fell last month, which coupled with January's 6.39 inches, amounted to 11.69 inches, a near record. It was the wettest two month period since January-February, 1936, when 13.38 inches fell—an all-time high since Plant City records were first recorded in 1923.

The average daily low for the month was 44 degrees, with the lowest recording being 30 degrees on Feb. 22. The highest recording was 82 degrees on Feb. 15.

The daily average for February was 46 degrees. A temperature of 70 or higher was registered on 16 days during the month.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

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BUILDING INSPECTOR
CITY OF TAMPA

MacArthur Reported Doing Satisfactorily

WASHINGTON, March 9 (UPI)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur is reported to be recuperating satisfactorily at Walter Reed Army Medical Center from the gall bladder operation he underwent Friday.

Lt. Gen. Leonard Heaton, Army surgeon general who performed the surgery, said yesterday that the 84-year-old military hero was "making satisfactory progress" following removal of his gall bladder.

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