

Desire For Third Term Seems To Accompany Presidential Office

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Quiet reports are circulating that President Truman has decided to run for a third term. He is said to have told friends in his administration not to begin looking for jobs to take effect after 1950.

Few people expect Mr. Truman to admit this intention now, if he has it. There's too much political advantage in keeping everyone guessing.

But if he should run again it would be the strongest evidence yet of how greatly he has changed from the days in 1945 when he was telling the world he didn't want the job—that it had just been thrust upon him. It would be a sign that Mr. Truman has been bitten by a bug that seems to bite most presidents.

We have a popular notion that the third term never really became an issue until Franklin D. Roosevelt's time. But the historians say otherwise. According to Arthur M. Schlesinger, Sr., Harvard historian:

It is hardly an exaggeration to say that since Jackson every incumbent who finished his second term has been an active or receptive aspirant for a third term and in this respect, there has been no distinction between the parties."

"Grant wanted a third term in 1876, was discouraged from trying, but then came back and bid for the office again in 1880. Grover Cleveland, finishing his second term in 1896, neither confirmed nor denied ambition for another term. His enemies in the Democratic party effectively squelched any hopes he may have had.

Theodore Roosevelt, after expressly supporting the two-term tradition and bowing out to William Howard Taft in 1908, changed his mind and actively sought another term in 1912. Had Republicans united on him, he probably would have won.

Woodrow Wilson was an invalid in 1920, but historians are agreed he wanted a third term to vindicate his stand on the League of Nations. The right moment for him never came.

Though Calvin Coolidge appeared to many to remove himself completely by his "I do not choose to run" statement in 1928, numerous observers believe he actually was willing to be drafted for further White House duty. One intimate says he was gravely disappointed when the GOP convention named Herbert Hoover.

You can't explain this behavior among presidents simply by saying that, once kindled, ambition burns exceedingly bright. Historians see more to it than that.

They find that most presidents develop two worries: (1) that their "program" won't be finished unless they complete it themselves, and (2) that a man of true presidential stature can't be obtained to replace them. In other words, from the Olympian heights of the White House, all other candidates look less impressive than the incumbent. He comes to feel that he alone is qualified for the particular job to be done, that no one else can

New Treatment Helps Women in Childbirth

SAN ANTONIO, Texas.—(AP)—A new hormone treatment is helping diabetic women to bear children successfully.

This was reported by Dr. Alexander Marble of Boston, clinical associate in medicine at Harvard medical school. He spoke to the international post-graduate medical assembly of Southwest Texas.

Dr. Marble said tests in several New England hospitals showed living babies could be obtained by the new treatment in nine out of ten of pregnancies. Only two-thirds of pregnancies in diabetics are successful with the aid of insulin alone, he said.

Child labor, which has nearly ended in the United States, reached its height in 1900 when 26 percent of boys 10 to 15 years old and 10 percent of girls of that age were working.

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Couple Repents After Deciding To Abandon Infant

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But it was Mildred, the 23-year-old mother, who was in tears as she and her husband were held in jail on abandonment charges.

Police said the couple abandoned their four-month-old daughter, Victoria Frances, in a Bronx apartment house lobby Tuesday night, but two hours later telephoned police to reclaim the child.

"The baby was always crying, and we got panicky," the mother was quoted. "Our apartment was depressing. We decided to sell the furniture, and then abandon Victoria Frances."

Adams, 24, joined the coast guard a few days ago, after leaving a \$55-a-week clerk's job. He was awaiting assignment. The couple said they had made unsuccessful efforts to have the baby adopted, and felt inadequate to care for it.

As soon as they left the child, they said, they became worried. "We love her very much," the

Iron Lung Use Falls To Save Grants Pass Child

GRANTS PASS, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Janet Bernice Youngberg, six-year-old twin, died yesterday in an iron lung which had been state police escort when the child rushed here from Ashland under suffered a relapse from a brain tumor. She was operated upon at the Los Angeles children's hospital last November.

The husband, also in tears, nodded assent.

Laymen Urged To Occupy Pulpits In Rural Areas

COLUMBUS, O., (AP)—A suggestion that "qualified laymen" help fill the thousands of empty pulpits in rural areas was made at the home missions congress here of 23 Protestant denominations.

The idea was advanced by the Rev. Dr. Mark Rich of New York, secretary of the town and country department of the American Baptist Home Mission society.

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Some 1,000 delegates are at the congress, sponsored by the Home Missions Council of North America.

Dr. Rich said: "In many rural churches, during the war and post-war years when a trained ministry was lacking, lay people did the preaching and held congregations and institutions together. What has been accomplished in an emergency could become a more permanent contribution to the rural church." He urged the church take immediate steps to get the help of "lay ministers."

Statistics show, he added, that 40 per cent of the rural churches are growing in membership, 41 per cent are declining and 19 per cent are "stationary." In another seminar talk Dr. Conrad Hoffman, secretary of the committee on the Christian approach to the Jews, said: "Failure to combat anti-Semitism successfully may mean the downfall and decay of America." He called the Jewish people an important part of America.

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