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## $\$ 56,000,000$ Mistake

When the question of appropriating $\$ 8755,000,000$ ate last week, Senator Adams of Colorado, in arguing for th lower figure, charged that Col. F. C. Harrington, who suc
ceeded Harry Hopkis.
error of $\$ 56,000$.000 error of shb 000,000 in computing the amount necessary
operate this agency until the end of June, based ipon alread established figures as to payment, verhead and personnel.
it is interesting to note that the entire revenue of th It is interesting to note that the entire revenue of the United Sxates was, in round numbers, $\$ 56,000,000$ in the year
year sinpenditures were a trifle more, $\$ 63,000,000$. Every Year since, it has taken nine, ten, sometimes
represent either of these amounts of course, the Unites
States was much smaller in population and wealth in 1860 States was much smaller in population and wealth in 1860 .
But the government revenue in that year was $\$ 1.78$ per cap-
ita ita. In someone had remarked in the senate, in rather off hand fash
ion, that there was a $\$ 56,000,000$ discrepancy in the nationa
occon accounts-in other words that the nation's entire ininomene had
been unaccountably mislaid! Now, $\$ 56,000,000$ represents
slightly less then silightyy less than one per cent
 fills 30 of the large, fine-type pages of the Congressional Rec
ord. But the senate never came to about this discrepancy. According to Senator Adams, it wa a fairly simple matter; Harrington admitted having fund
to carry the WA to February 7 , but he figured from Febru ary 1 in his estimate of needed funds. That accounted fo
$\$ 45,000,000$, and the remainder was accounted cation of WPA funds or on onoor relief workers employed un Incontrovertible facts that the day's discussion dic
bring forth were that in the dead of winter,
low point of the "recession?, there wer at the sons on WPA, as compared to 3 ,2,25,0,000 on the Se Saturday nine
days before the general election last November, despite the fact that there had been a marked improvement in business,
industry and employment since July. There had been a similiar
increase in the comparatively prosperous year 193 a allo election year

Court Protection now Desirable dent Roosevelt's court packing bill were deoclaring that the the
power of udicial review of legislitive action had been us
urped by the supreme urped by the supreme court. The same group inferreden that
law as made by the majority, whether in congress or by di should in no instance be invalidated by a little group of nine old $\frac{\mathrm{If}}{\mathrm{It}} \mathrm{is}$. sound though it was, to note how fervently the opposition to the ant--picketing measure in Oregon is appealing to the
courts for reief. The arguments will be that the measure, de
spite a 50, ,ooo majority spite a 50,000 majority secured at a popular vote, vitiates cer of free speech. Either the Oregon supreme court or the fed eral supeeme court, or both, uitimately will have before them
theterintin of laying the law alongside the constitutions and
detemining whether fundamental statutes ted. If they have been., The courts will be asked to tominis We do not infer thet or in its suppor
 The argument was made that the courts had grown stale, that
 hastily drawn NRA or AAA act, must prevail courts are again constituted sit" goes out the window. The

 In the face of what happened in Oregon last
the eppartunity to protest to the courts now spppars \& sacred
hed power to pack the estate supreme ocourt; ;if any president had power to make a hurried house-cleaning of the highest
United States tribunal.

## Merit Rewarded

Felix Frankfurter is now an associate justice of the supreme court, filling the place made vacant by the late Jus
tice Cardozo. A tribute to his abfilty was the unanimous vote reecived in the United States senate. Often criticized in that overnment serrice, when the test came on his confirmation no senstor was wiling to to say that he was not a fit member or the hiphesst judicial body in the country
Frankfurter's advancement is a case
Iour years ako he was an immigrant from Austria, unable to speak a word of Eng iifo. By intellectual force end thruough
the drive of a splendid character, Frankfurter achieved national recognition as a lawyer and a scholar of law. The close
friendship he held with the late Justice Holmes as well as with his immediate predecesson on thest bench Herers strong for eral within the constiactior ont but he will not be. He will be wib-
forsakes the complete right and duty pass Then eleve constitutionality of laws.
proof anew that the thited Starvard proferessor to the bench
ite could have argued that his appoinnzes merit. The sen ause the court was left with no western members. It could None of these attacks ware unwise to provoke the Jevish issue. or ability in the latest nominee of the president. That abilustices Holmes and Cardozo.

Perennial Pinball Games
game bill should be given scoant attention by the punchisboara
tin bills, each banning these gambling enterprises from Oreeferendum wos invoked against the measures and the peocon hhes thus spoken throughber by selected repantiasentatetives are
by direct vote eys from people wha can ill -afford the loss.
nents that they are revenue producers gand will help the the old


