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"With or without offense to friends or foes
I sketch your world exactly as it goes."
—Byron

Recovery Decisions

A federal district judge in Florida has declared the AAA unconstitutional and granted an injunction against its operation.

A federal judge in Texas has declared the NRA petroleum code penalties could not be applied against oil companies which have not signed the code or which engage only in intrastate commerce.

The Florida injunction has been stayed by the circuit court of appeals until this court has passed upon the question. A similar appeal will follow the Texas decision and eventually the supreme court will decide the issues.

A number of federal judges have upheld this emergency legislation, and the supreme court has upheld one case, the Minnesota mortgage moratorium. Usually these favorable decisions have been in northern districts, and the unfavorable ones in southern districts, where the fetich of state rights, in everything except liquor prohibition, still obtains.

The fact that a national emergency exists, and the codes are designed to speed recovery, is lost sight of by the strict constructionists, to whom the constitution, like the ark of the covenant, is a holy of holies and must be narrowly followed, despite the fact that the constitution itself was an emergency proposition and a compromise designed to tide over the crisis and unite the nation.

Nothing would surprise the framers of the constitution more than the sacrosanctity the instrument has acquired under the guiding hand of privilege. This construction was an interpolation by John Marshall and other of our pioneer jurists. It was not originally designed that the court could set aside the will of congress and nullify the will of the people.

The courts must eventually follow the will of the people—the election returns—and in the long run they do. Otherwise they would be destroyed. The best they can do is to delay its accomplishment and force constitutional amendments to comply with their viewpoints. If the strict constructionists are adamant, they bring on a civil war, as they did over slavery. The lesson then learned has made for a liberal interpretation in harmony with changing conditions. In national emergencies the welfare of the living outweigh the dictation of the dead.

The Austrian Revolt

Engelbert Dollfuss, the diminutive "vest pocket" chancellor of Austria seems well named. His fussy essence "like an angry ape" has far exceeded the doll stage however in his bloody attempt to crush the nazis, the socialists and other political parties in Austria. He has lost his sense of proportion and the sympathy of the world, by such massacres of women and children as attended his shelling of the world's largest apartment house.

The present revolt in Austria is the culmination of the year long struggle the chancellor has waged against Marxism on the one hand and nazism on the other. Charged with conspiring with the bolshevik elements in "an unprecedented criminal plot" the socialists declared a nation wide strike and in the attempts at suppression Austrian cities are like armed camps and blood flows in the streets.

Recent decrees have marked the domination of the fascist heimwehr in Austrian government. The frenzied effort to prevent the peaceful penetration of nazism by the Austrian born Hitler from Germany have been futile and sooner or later they will seize power to achieve a political union of Austria and Germany—people of common blood and heritage.

The strength of the nazis has grown apace. It is estimated that at least half the population are adherents and that in case of new election, they would dominate the government. They vastly outnumber the heimwehr, smallest of Austrian parties numerically.

If the heimwehr, following the crushing of Marxism, begin a new warfare against the nazis, civil war is certain. Socialists second only to the nazis in numerical strength, will probably link themselves with anti-nazi elements for a finish fight.

Them Days are Gone

Writing on the epidemic of graft investigations raging at Washington, John W. Kelly, Oregonian correspondent relates the following effort at graft in war supplies:

For a dozen years one man in particular has bought surplus army supplies. He purchased raincoats for 25 cents each and tried to sell them back to the government for the CCC at \$1.37 1/2 each. His proposal rejected, he appealed to Congress. MacCracken, then in the contract as he was lowest bidder. A well-known senator raised a huller last year demanding justice for the injured trader. Now the trader is being investigated by the federal grand jury and has been barred from the army department.

All of which shows how history repeats itself, in some respects. It was by the purchase in civil war times of old Springfield muskets and other supplies from the government and their resale back to the government at several times their cost that J. Pierpont Morgan, Sr., helped increase the fortunes of the house of Morgan.

The historical repetition ends here, for though the scandal was made public, nothing was ever done about it in the era of corruption following the war. It really increased the Morgan prestige because he got away with it. But "them days are gone forever," as the profiteers of today are finding out. At least we hope so.



Washington, Feb. 13—Smart, unprejudiced lawyers believe the senate is picking on the wrong man in the MacCracken case. They say there is hardly a chance

in a hundred that Lawyer MacCracken will be convicted, the way things are going now. He has certain wide open legal loopholes and has employed the world's greatest loophole attorney, Frank Hogan, to defend him. Hogan once got Colonel Robert Stewart of Standard Oil out of a much worse sensational jam through a legal hole no bigger than the eye of a needle.

Insiders in the case believe MacCracken and Hogan have figured out an impregnable defense, based on the idea that MacCracken's papers were not his, but his clients, that MacCracken was bound as a lawyer to give the papers back to his clients.

That explains why MacCracken and Hogan have been so willing to

take the limelight in the case, demanding that MacCracken be arrested and all that.

Chances—The senate may have a much better technical case if it proceeds against one of MacCracken's clients who destroyed evidence.

Courts are strict about such matters. Such a client could not claim the immunity of an attorney. Also, it might be difficult for him to prove legal justification. He has no such loopholes as MacCracken. The senate seems to miss the late Senator Tom Walsh. He handled all contempt cases for the senate during the past twenty years. He favored turning such cases over to the district attorney without so much fuss.

Game—Politicians all agree privately that the senate is not primarily after MacCracken or his clients. The real postum they want to try is ex-Postmaster General Walter Brown.

Postmaster General Farley has been groveling about Brown since March 4. When Farley moved into Brown's office, he found Brown had left the political cupboard bare. Brown had even arranged so that his own and Mrs. Hoover's names were chiseled on the corner stones of postoffices now then built. Farley had the names chiseled off. The papers burned in the furnace were civil service records which the democrats could have used to throw republicans out of office for cause.

Their destruction prevented Farley from firing possibly 100 republican postmasters before their terms expired.

Brown also let all the airmail contracts he could, intending to leave none for Farley. Congress put a stop to that by passing a law preventing Brown from doing anything except extending old air mail lines. Thereupon Brown extended every line he possibly could. Farley set out immediately to cancel those extensions.

That situation is what appears to be at the bottom of the current turmoil.

Pollitics—Brown is a clever politician. He has spent a life time learning to be one. He made no secret of the fact that he favored the large established air lines. He openly asserted it was better to pay them a little more to carry the mails than to trust the little independents. He handed out the gravy with a big ladle.

The air mail industry sprang up under republican administrations. It hired republican attorneys, like Mabel Walker Willebrandt. Wild Bill Donovan and MacCracken. You will probably not even find an office boy in that whole industry who is a democrat.

Therefore the current expose will be entirely at republican expense. Farley is also a clever politician.

Slip—There was a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip on this stock market legislation.

Mr. Roosevelt's Dickinson committee had recommended moderation in regulating the exchange. The highest Wall Streeters thought they had been promised privately a 100-word bill merely licensing them. The exchange accepted the Dickinson ideas. A majority of the senate committee was apparently willing to go along.

Then suddenly a new bill was proposed which had fangs instead of teeth in it. No one is supposed to

Boles and Stewart Featured



A cast of virtually all-star proportions takes part in "Beloved" the Universal musical romance at the Eldorado theater Wednesday and Thursday. Players from the musical stage as well as new and old time screen favorites are included in its splendid casting.

John Boles and Gloria Stuart, two players of exceptional popularity, head the company of players, which also includes Jimmy Butler, Dorothy Peterson, Albert Conti, Lucille Gleason, Edmund Breese, Ruth Hall, Morgan Farley, Richard Carly, Anderson Lawler, Lucille La Verne, Besse Harricane, Mickey Rooney, Mae Busch and Holmes Herbert.

know where the bill came from. Mr. Roosevelt said he never saw it.

Possibilities—One of two things may have happened. Mr. Roosevelt may not have liked the reaction to the Dickinson report. He may have decided a stronger bill was necessary, and screened his maneuver by entrusting the matter to Prosecutor Pecora.

The other possibility is that the ultra-reformers swung Pecora around and put Mr. Roosevelt on the spot by offering a bill contrary to his wishes.

There is also a chance that Mr. Roosevelt submitted both sides of the question and now is going to let congress fight it out. If that is the case, there may be no legislation at all.

In reading the proposed bill, one thing should be kept in mind: The soup is never eaten as hot as it is cooked.

Notes—Skeptics may doubt whether it is any better to let the retiring chairman of the Democratic National committee, James Farley, handle air mail contracts now than it was to have permitted such a politically minded man as Walter Brown to have handled them in the first place.

It appears that the administration arbitrarily took the stock market bill out of the hands of Chairman Stengall of the house banking committee and gave it to a closer White House ally, Chairman Rayburn of the House Interstate Commerce committee.

The army people are delighted at the opportunity of handling the air mail, figuring they can get appropriations for even more planes out of congress.

It was Chairman Jones of the House Agriculture committee who put over the provision for protecting consumers against excessive

world 18.1 bakline and cushion carom billiard titles, today was tied with J. N. Roseman of Vallejo, Cal., for first place in the world's three cushion billiard championship.

Hoppe drew even with Bozeman last night when he registered his fourth straight victory by beating Klurey Matsuyama of New York, the national champion, 30 to 40 in 44 innings. Hoppe's high run was

7 against 5 for Matsuyama. It was the latter's third defeat in five starts.

PAST MATRONS MEET
Sheridan — Mrs. Guy Seth was hostess Thursday evening to the Past Matrons club at the Seth home in North Sheridan. Mrs. Otto W. Heider is president of the club. Mrs. Seth was assisted by her

daughter, Miss Genevieve, in serving her guests. Those present included Mrs. Loll Hamstreet, Mrs. Alfred Irie, Mrs. George Censky, Mrs. Alison Fry and Mrs. Seth. The club will enjoy a pot luck luncheon at the home of the president at their March meeting.

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Thomas Olsen, who sailed a 26-foot boat across 9,000 miles of ocean, says:

"There's one cigarette that I can smoke steadily without getting nervous or 'fed up' with smoking. I mean Camels. They taste mild—never flat—and there is a delicate flavor to Camel's costlier tobaccos that certainly does set Camels apart from other cigarettes."

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