

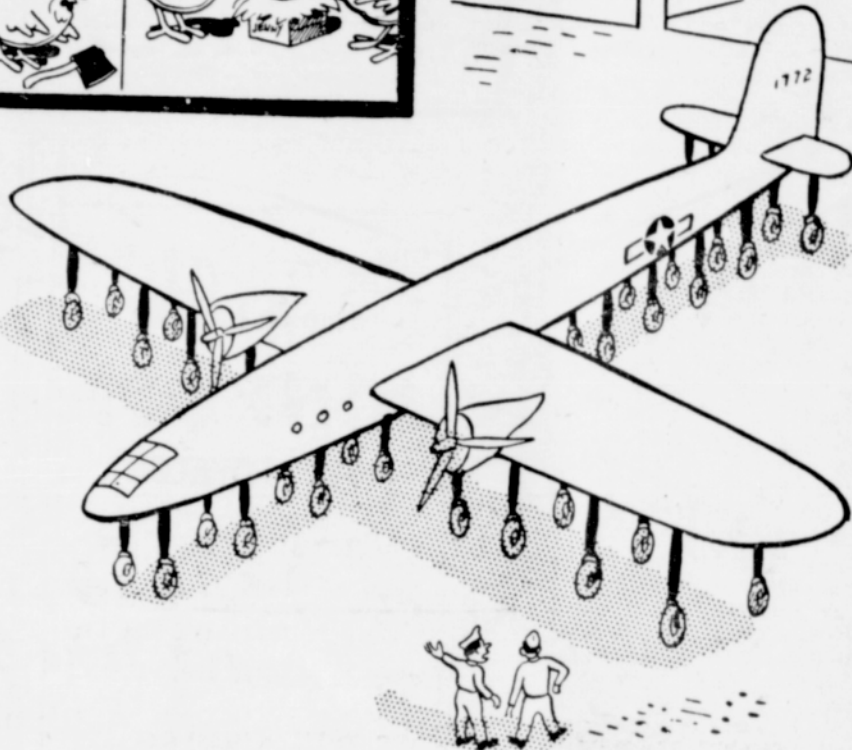
BEST LAUGHS of the WEEK



JENNY and BENNY



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Senate to Move

FOR THE FIRST TIME in 135 years the senate of the United States, according to present plans, will hold its sessions outside the Capitol building if and when it moves lock, stock and barrel, into the swanky, marble-walled, air-conditioned senate caucus chamber in the senate office building about June 30.

The occasion of this historic trek across the Capitol grounds is made necessary by the reconstruction of the roofs and the removal of the unsightly temporary steel girders and framework in both the house and senate chambers.

This temporary construction was placed there as a safety measure when the roofs of the two wings threatened to collapse back in 1939 and 1940.

During that construction period, the house did move out of the building and held its sessions in the ways and means chamber in the house office building, but the senate remained in the Capitol, holding its sessions in the old supreme court chamber which was vacated by that judicial body in 1935 upon the completion of the new supreme court building.

The present house chamber wing of the Capitol was completed and occupied by the lower body on December 16, 1857, while the senate chamber was completed two years later and occupied for the first time by the senate on January 4, 1859.

The only other occasion when the congress held its sessions outside the Capitol building was after the burning of the original Capitol by the British on August 24, 1814. From that time, until the new Capitol building was ready for occupancy in 1819, Congress met in what was then Blodgett's hotel at Seventh and E streets and later in a building erected to house them on a portion of the site now occupied by the new supreme court building.

In the meantime the beautiful grounds immediately adjacent to the Capitol on both the house and senate sides resemble a construction camp with high board walls surrounding temporary buildings and quarters for workers.

Tardy Budgets

During the 80th Republican-controlled congress, Democratic leaders belabored their Republican colleagues for failure to comply with the congressional reorganization act in setting up a legislative budget by February 15, required by the law. And today Democratic leaders are smarting under Republican attacks for failure to do the same thing. As a matter of fact, when the time set for agreeing on a legislative budget passed, the senate extended the time to May 1. That date has come and gone and as yet there has been no budget fixed, nor is there likely to be one set.

Ways of Debate

All sorts of extraneous matters creep into debates over appropriation bills. In the floor debate on the post office appropriation measure in the senate the two South Carolina senators, Maybank and Johnston, wanted to include some \$170,000 worth of cotton twine, and the battle went on for some hours and many pages in the Congressional Record.

"Senator Maybank—Is it not a fact that the United States government took over the poor cotton farmer and sold it at a profit of \$90,000,000?"

"Senator Taft (Ohio)—Mr. President, if the senator will yield I will say that the government never got the \$90,000,000. That was only the figure at which it was sold to foreign countries who never paid for it. That was the net result of lend lease.

"Mr. Maybank—But the senator will agree as to the figure; will he not?"

"Mr. Taft—Yes; but we got no money for it. We merely got in return credits that we canceled. That is all we got for it.

"Mr. Baldwin (Connecticut)—It was a paper profit of the most paperish sort, was it not?"

"Mr. Taft—That is correct."

So the department of agriculture claim of a 90-million-dollar profit by the CCC on price support for cotton is knocked into a cocked hat.

No School Curbs

In passage of the federal aid to schools legislation by the senate, that body decided two fundamental questions which have been moot ones for the past 30 years: (1) that illiteracy is a national problem and (2) that federal appropriations for schools does not necessarily mean federal control of schools.

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