

Economic Highlights

Problems That Affect the Dinner Table

President Checks and Tax... National... Local Welfare...
 "The first time since depression began," said Henry I. Harriman, president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, recently, "business is rarin' to go."
 Harriman did not elaborate on that statement but the thought that it is not difficult to trace the crash came, business men could not believe that it was true—practically all of them, in company with the nation's principal economists and most government experts, were of the opinion that the setback was purely temporary, and that recovery would follow within a very short time. Recovery didn't come, and for the next year or two industry staggered around blindly, going from bad to worse, without a single bright cloud being observed in the economic skies.

Then came the Democratic victory and business, which had considerable faith in Mr. Hoover, even though he couldn't pull good times out of a hat, was frankly worried. The Roosevelt experiments obviously marked a new era in American government—no President in history had been so daring, none had tampered so much with the existing financial and industrial machinery. During the first two years of the Roosevelt administration, the attitude of business was one of a slightly hostile observation—it waited, not only to see what was going to happen, but what the verdict of the public would be at the polls.

That verdict was given last month in the voters, in the words of William Allen White, all but crowned Mr. Roosevelt. According to an Associated Press dispatch of November 17, business and government have definitely united in a mighty joint effort to produce recovery. The representative of business in this matter was Mr. Harriman—government was represented by NRA's head man, Lawyer Donald Richberg, and James A. Moffatt, head of the great housing administration which hopes to pour new financial blood into heavy industries by making it possible for people to build new homes and repair old ones more cheaply than they could in the past.

Mr. Harriman made the statement that heads this article after he called on Mr. Richberg—and he added a sentence of great importance: That there was no difference of opinion between the two men. He then said that business was entering a new period of "realism," and was leaving the painful period of "readjustment" behind.
 That that means, of course, is that industry and the Administration are gradually arbitrating their differences. Many observers are of the opinion that Mr. Roosevelt is now moving toward the "right," so far as the legislative trend is concerned, while business is growing more conservative, more willing to take a chance. Neither side is satisfied—it is a known fact that high administration officials have a number of reforms in mind which they would put forward if it were not for fear of frightening capital, while industry would prefer that the Administration go much farther toward the conservative side than it is likely to go. But both seem to be agreeing on a middle ground which will be reasonably satisfactory to all concerned.

There may be one difficulty with the new governmental—industrial—approachment—labor. Labor heads are distrustful of both business and government—they feel that they are getting the short end of the deal. Recent news dispatches indicate that a number of new strikes—principally in the textile industry—are in the offing.

Current business, in the light of depression standards, is neither good nor bad.

There have been few changes during the last few months. The seasonal drop that always comes with fall has been of about the size that was anticipated. Administration leaders are frankly disappointed with the progress of the recovery movement—it is obvious that the great hopes held out for improvement two years ago have not materialized. On the other hand, most of the business periodicals have lately reported that business leaders are more confident—that they feel a marked change for the better will take place before long.

The latest reports show: A larger-than-seasonal drop in AUTOMOBILE production; a decline in CAR LOADINGS to below the level touched in the comparable period last year; a slight fall in the COMMODITY PRICE level; improvement in

SOFT COAL and STEEL activity.

Several cases involving the constitutionality of the government's gold seizure law are now on the Supreme Court docket. All are similar in as much as the plaintiffs in the cases are suing various companies for payment in gold, as specified in securities. The government has requested that all be heard at once on January 8.

Whatever the Court's decision, it is generally believed that the gold cases represent the most important financial litigation in many generations. Attorney-General Cummings will personally represent the government—and attorney-generals do that only in cases of the first magnitude.

Motor Death Rate Mounting Monthly

No improvement in the automobile fatality record was made in the month of October, according to a report released by P. J. Stadelman, secretary of state, this week, which shows 33 deaths from motor vehicle accidents during the month as compared to 27 in October, 1933.

The trend of the year's record towards more fatalities and a greater number of injuries resulting from car crashes was maintained in October, although there were a few less accidents than in the same month of 1933. The report shows 1,893 accidents and 438 resultant injuries in October, 1934, and 1,905 accidents and 385 injuries in October, 1933.

Ten pedestrians were killed in October. Seventeen of the fatalities involved only one motor vehicle, having been caused by colliding with a fixed object, going off the road, skidding, or other non-collision type of accident.

During the first ten months of 1934, 251 persons have been killed and 4,002 injured, in 16,786 automobile accidents. In the same period in 1933, 199 persons were killed, 3,343 injured, and 15,653 accidents occurred. The increase in deaths from motor vehicle causes is 26 per cent thus far this year.

OUR CHILD AND THE SCHOOL
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Food Essentials for the School Child

I like to repeat certain topics from time to time because there are always new readers to be considered and because repetition gives emphasis. And frequently there are new scientific findings to be presented.

This week, chiefly because a new school year is beginning, I want to discuss again the food essentials. Perhaps I should mention the fact that these comments on food are not just mine alone. They do not represent merely a personal opinion. Instead they are the result of years of painstaking scientific research by nutrition specialists who have made the laboratory investigation of foods their life's work.

And, what is important to us, their findings are practically unanimous. They all stress the importance of milk, for example, both for children and adults. The familiar "quart a day" is not mere sales talk. It is in itself a scientific conclusion, resulting from countless calculations and recheckings of the growing child's need for the elements of milk. Similarly, we know the truth about eggs, and bread and butter. There should be a pleasing variety of course. Even milk is just as valuable given in many different ways. Meals should be cheerful, pleasant occasions, attractively offered. All parents and school lunch managers who adhere to these essentials can feel assured that they are doing their best to promote child health and development.

School Health Examinations, a most important topic, will be dealt with by Dr. Ireland next week.

HAM NEWS

Central Point now has six active amateurs located within its city boundaries, and all seem to be enjoying themselves to the fullest.

Sanford Richardson (better known as Sandy) located in the local telephone exchange office, gladdened the heart of Mrs. Rod Richards of Modesto, California by making it possible for her to have a very nice conversation with her husband located at Modesto, California while the lady was visiting friends here. Needless to say the novel experience was enjoyed to the utmost by both the husband and wife. This was all done via amateur radio.

Mrs. E. Caster is looking forward to the time when her husband, who is now at the new Oregon Caves camp will be back on the air with his transmitter. This couple have only been married a short time and nuff said. Better hurry Earsel.

Another local amateur of Central Point has ordered a new gross transmitter and expects to have it on the air soon. More voices to advertise Central Point to the world.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Scott recently talked with Mrs. L. C. Scott's folks at Santa Ana, California through the transmitter of M. H. Mears of this city.

Mr. M. H. Mears also is an active amateur of Central Point, recently having moved from Medford, Ore. He reports having put Central Point on the air away back east and also far up in Canada.

Sandy Richardson is now rebuilding his transmitter (as usual) to get on a lower wave-length, where greater distances are possible and expects to be working the east coast in the near future in the mornings. More power to you, Sandy.

Mr. Mears will also be on a lower wave and expects great things when he gets going there.

Seriously folks, did you ever stop to consider all the free advertising that Central Point is deriving from its amateurs. The name, Central Point (the Northern Gateway to The Crater Lake National Park) is getting to be a by-word from Canada to Mexico and east as far as Wyoming.

Anyone that is interested in amateur radio, drop around to some of the boys places some evening and get the thrill of your lives in talking to distant places with strange people. The boys will be more than glad to have you drop in. Incidentally the wives of the fellow "hams" get about as much kick and enjoyment out of talking over the mike as their husbands do. Naturally when the women get going on their talks, its canning, fruit, sewing, making rugs and what not. Rather hard to get them off the air when they get going on their pet hobbies.

Leo (Pat) Obenchain recently purchased Sandy's transmitter and expects to be working on C. W. Code in the 40 and 80 meter bands. Watch out Japan and Australia, for here comes Fat.

Mr. L. C. Scott, better known as L. C., has been bitten by the radio bug also and is energetically studying the code in hopes of getting himself a license someday soon. Go to it L. C.

Mr. J. O. Isaacson has also been bitten by the same bug and is perking up his ears. Perhaps another ham for Central Point.

Mrs. M. H. Mears, wife of WIDYK, has promised a ham party in the near future to the local Central Point Hams.

Ralph Buckles is temporarily off the air.
 —M. H. Mears, W7DYK

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HI-WAYS TO HEALTH
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INTERESTING WAYS TO SERVE BUTTER

In looking for ways to dress up the dinner table do not overlook the possibilities to be found in butter. Butter can be molded into dainty butter balls or crisp looking butter which will change the conventional butter pat into something attractive and inviting.

Often a simple change of this sort will help in solving a perplexing eating problem. Watching a golden ball of butter melt on the top of a baked potato or mound of vegetables will often stimulate the appetites of small boys and girls. It may be just as tempting to grown-ups to eat butter in party dress.

Proper tools and the right technique are the only requirements in shaping butter. A little tool called a butter-shaper is used for making the shells and these, as well as paddles and individual molds, can be purchased in almost any house-furnishing department.

Butter Shells
 Dip the butter-shaper into boiling water for a half-minute. Then draw it lightly over a piece of butter and drop the little roll into a bowl of cold or iced water. Butter shells are slightly oval in shape and the outside is daintily grooved by the serrated edges of the shaper. With a little practice, a number of interesting shapes can be produced.

Butter Balls
 Chill the wooden molds in a bowl of cold water and be careful to dip them into the cold water after each

Grows Large Field of Rye Grass
ALBANY — Probably one of the largest fields of English rye grass in the Willamette valley is that grown for seed on the farm of Frank Kropf of Harrisburg. Mr. Kropf entered the rye grass seed business several years ago with an 11 acre field and this year harvested seed from more than 400 acres.

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