

Economic Highlights

Happenings That Affect the Dinner Pails, Dividend Checks and Tax Bills of Every Individual. National and International Problems Inseparable from Local Welfare.

Seven major pieces of legislation have, at this writing, passed both houses of Congress—yet none of them have gone to the White House for Executive veto or approval.

Reason: All the bills are in conference. These conferences are something that the general public hears little about—but they probably have more influence on the actual fate of disputed legislation than all the dramatic and fiery speeches made on the floors of House or Senate.

Necessity for conferences is obvious. One branch of Congress will pass a bill. It then goes to the other branch. If, as often happens when really important laws are involved, amendments or changes are made in bills by this second branch, some way must be found to reconcile the differences. Conference committees each customarily made up of five Senators and five Representatives, are appointed. These men then get together, fight, argue and sweat. They are not supposed to add any additional provisions not passed by either branch of Congress—they deal only with the points of difference.

One important bill in conference involves amendments to the TVA act. As passed by the Senate, this bill gave the TVA power to issue bonds to the extent of \$100,000,000. The House version of the bill permitted only \$50,000,000. Similar differences mostly of minor importance, are keeping the AAA Amendment bill, the Social Security Act, the Rivers and Harbors Act and the \$300,000,000 Deficiency Appropriation Act in conference.

In some cases, conferees must attempt to iron out basic differences. That is true, for example, of the Public Utilities Act of 1935 and the Banking Act of 1935.

In the Senate version of the Public Utilities Act, holding companies were given a 'death sentence' under which all of them, with a few possible exceptions, would have to liquidate and go out of business by 1940. The House dissented—substituted strict regulation for execution. Conference members are getting nowhere in reconciling this vast difference of opinion—and some believe that the result will be no act at all this year.

A similar situation is holding up the Banking Act. The Administration wants an act providing for centralized banking, under which a politically-appointed board would rule the country's banks in major particulars. This kind of act passed the House, reached the Senate, and faced the ire of Carter Glass, father of the Federal Reserve Act. Mr. Glass wants a modernized federal reserve system continued, hates and scorns the idea of political dominance of banking. The issue at stake seems almost insoluble, unless Presidential influence can be brought to bear with unusually potent force.

As a matter of fact, presidents often have better luck with their pet projects in conference than on the floor of a branch of Congress. Reason: Committees are smaller, more responsive to pressure. If a president has all the conferees of one branch with him, he can often cause one or two members from the other branch to come over to his side.

At an rate, the conference has assumed unusual importance during this session of Congress—it has eventually become the arbiter of almost every bill of first importance passed by either house. And conference committees are likely to have to sweat some more over bills not yet passed, such as the 'Share-the-wealth' tax measure.

Is the President's prestige slipping? Answer, according to the view of most political experts, is Yes.

HI-WAYS TO HEALTH by ADA R. MAYNE OREGON DAIRY COUNCIL

NEW IDEAS FOR TOMATOES

The season for home-grown tomatoes has arrived. They are now so reasonably priced that they should be used every day in some form. There is nothing that can take the place of tomatoes, as their characteristic color and flavor, their adaptability to any part of the meal and their high nutritive value make them a unique and important food.

The food value of the tomato is much the same as that of the orange grapefruit and lemon, being particularly rich in vitamin C. Because of its richness in this vitamin and the fact that it is not destroyed by cooking, as it is in most other foods, it has been used more and more in recent years.

Tomatoes can be used in many different ways—raw, canned or cooked—and they can be served at any meal—breakfast, lunch or dinner. Some new ways to serve tomatoes are as follows:

- Open-Face Grilled Sandwich**
6 slices white bread
2 tbsp mayonnaise
12 tomatoes peeled
12 slices bacon, broiled
½ lb. American cheese
Toast the bread (crusts trimmed) on one side. Spread the untoasted sides with mayonnaise. Cover each slice with two slices of tomatoes, and two strips of broiled bacon. Place a generous slice of cheese on the bacon. Toast the sandwich under low broiler heat until cheese is melted. Serve immediately. Serves 6.
- Cauliflower with Tomato Sauce**
1 qt. cooked cauliflower (flowerets separated)
2 cups drained stewed tomatoes

2 cups soft bread crumbs

½ lb. cheese, grated
Thoroughly drain the cauliflower. Mix tomatoes (chopped or broken up with a fork) bread crumbs, seasoning and three-fourths of the grated cheese. Place half of the tomato sauce in shallow baking pan, add the cauliflower, and cover with remaining tomato mixture. Bake 30 to 35 minutes in moderate oven, 350 deg. Sprinkle with remaining cheese and return to oven for 5 minutes, or until cheese is melted. Serves 6.

Broiled Tomatoes with Asparagus Tips

¼ lb. American cheese
1½ lbs. fresh asparagus
4 large tomatoes
Grate cheese. Clean asparagus and cut tips four or five inches long. (remaining asparagus stalks may be used creamed, escalloped, or in soup) Cook in boiling water, salted, until tender. Wash and cut tomatoes in half. Place cut side up in shallow baking pan. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and bake in a hot oven 400 deg. 10 to 15 minutes. Cover each half of tomato with 4 or 5 asparagus tips. Sprinkle generously with cheese and return to a moderate oven, 325 deg. until cheese is melted. Serve at once. Serves 6.

Tomato Salads

6 tomatoes
½ cup cottage cheese
2 tbsp. chopped green onions
½ cup celery, chopped
Mayonnaise
Peel chilled tomatoes, and slice or cut in quarters. Place the remaining ingredients of the recipe in the center. Serve with mayonnaise dressing.

Will he be re-elected in 1936? The answer is Probably—but not by anywhere near the margin of his 1932 victory.

Have the Republicans a chance in 1936? A fair one—if Mr. Roosevelt keeps on slipping.

A real test of New Deal power recently occurred in a Rhode Island congressional by-election. The district was carried by the Democrats last time, by a 30,000 majority. This time the Republican candidate took the plume by a 20,000 majority. Issues were clear-cut—pro and con New Deal measures, with especial stress on Federal spending.

It is true that Republican leaders are more optimistic now than they were even a few months ago—and their attitude has changed entirely from the bitter defeated feeling they had after the Congressional rout of 1934, in which Republican Congressional representation dropped to one of the lowest points in history. Many Republicans, along with some unbiased publicists, feel that they can win next year—if they get the right candidate.

No outstanding candidate has appeared, in spite of talk about a dozen different men. Chances are that the candidate will be a middle-of-the-road man, with liberal tendencies.

Under any circumstances, the other will burn when Mr. Roosevelt and his opponent step before the microphones—unless all are wrong, it will be the bitterest and the hardest fought campaign in generations.

Reclamation Meet Asks Change in Repayment Plan

A new method of repayment of construction costs on federal reclamation projects was proposed in a resolution passed by the Oregon Reclamation Congress in annual session at Oregon State college designed to end the need of further moratorium extensions.

The plan proposed is to base annual payments on five per cent of the crop value each year rather than on a flat cash rate. The congress

expressed gratitude for the past moratorium but said it need not be extended if this optional plan of repayment is adopted.

The 25th or "Jubilee" session of the congress was pronounced one of the most successful in its history with every speaker listed appearing on the program, including Governor Charles H. Martin. The governor lauded the congress for its leadership in state development and commended it for refusing to follow Oregon's "prophets of timidity" and "stalwarts of stagnation."

Though much of the program was devoted to consideration of Willamette valley development through drainage and irrigation, official action of the congress as expressed in resolution took in the interest of reclamation throughout the state. Several proposals for minor changes in state laws were made and a request was sent the federal government to provide at least \$15,000 for long-time experiments in irrigation practices.

Vale will be the scene of next year convention when opportunity will be afforded to view the Vale and Owyhee projects in nearly completed form.

Robert Sawyer of Bend was re-elected president and Dr. W. L. Powers, O.S.C., secretary-treasurer. Olen Arnsplger, Medford, was chosen vice-president for the first district, Frank Morgan, Nyssa, second district and Kenneth Miller, Portland, third. The drainage section re-elected Sam Brown, Gervais, chairman, W. L. Powers, secretary; Ed Wist, Scappoose, vice-chairman, and Mrs. Grace Magruder, Clatskanie, legislative committeeman.

Mr. T. D. McDonough, engineer and Harry Skyrman and Guy Tex, Recorder are putting in long hours trying to present our application for a sewage disposal plant in before September 3.

Mr. Alexander is improving from his rest at home and will soon be back in his place at the store.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lees and family are spending a couple of weeks on the coast.

The World's Babies

PLEASANT HERBERT LAWTON
All nation have babies, and some become men.
Will War cut them down in their prime—
A sacrifice wholly to Greed and to Gain—
And do the same thing the next time?

If so, Loving Mother—whether wealthy or poor—
'Though your love for your baby be great,
When the Solons of earth want your babe for their wars,
You must sacrifice him for the State.

Shall the mothers of earth still continue to give
Of their flesh and their blood and their bone
To foster the greed of munitions of war?
Nor compel those who rule to atone?

We're supposed to be born to make better the world
To bring nearer the Kingdom of Love;
Any death sacrifice that accomplishes that
Should be written in Heaven above.

When your babe was sacrificed what was it for?
Did his death in the prime of young life
Bring nearer to heaven the whole human race,
And forever end all bloody strife?

Have the lives of the millions of babies (young men)
Sacrificed in the wars that are done,
Brot Peace to the earth—brot the Kingdom of Love
Brot assurance the millenium is won?

The slaughters of innocent humans in war
Every sensible person abhors,
When nations spent millions to care for their babes,
They won't need such billions for wars.

Just think of how easy World Peace could be won
If each nation would take as much joy
In producing fine women and wonderful men
Thru the raising of each girl and boy.

As they do in preparing for slaughter and blood,
Thru munitions of war that are sold
To the whole world of nations, in order that Greed
May gather more handfuls of gold.

If each nation has millions to care for its babes,
Each baby has millions in view.
That ought to bring joy to the parents and babe
And bring Peace to the whole world too.
CENTRAL POINT, OREGON

Mrs. O. D. Tucker, Marian and Bob left Wednesday for Los Angeles where she will visit her mother for a couple of weeks. They stopped enroute for a visit with Mr. Tuckers folks.

Mrs. Freda Lawrence and baby attended the Relief Corp picnic at Grants Pass. The baby is the State Mascot.

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LOCALS

Carl Ramstrom left early this week for Portland where he has accepted a position with the West Coast Lumber company. He is to be in charge of the inspection of lumber for the company purchases, covering the territory from Corvallis to Longview, Washington.

Mr. Lammey who suffered a broken leg and severe burns on his hands at the time of the fire is recovering nicely.

Otto Bohnert, one of the largest producers of vegetables in the valley reports that business is showing a decided improvement.

Mr. Mervyn Gleason and house guest, G. W. Coleman of Reno, Nevada spent last Thursday at Dead Indian Soda Spring. Mr. Coleman caught 19 very fine mountain trout. The other morning he caught 12 nice trout and one big steelhead. Mr. and Mrs. Coleman left for their home Saturday.

B. F. McManana has leased the Nip & Sip Service Station for two years to Mr. and Mrs. Coats of Ashland who took possession yesterday.

Mrs. Delpha Cox and daughter Delore are visiting relatives at Rogue River this week.

Rev. Geo. Geiwitz of Rogue River occupied the pulpit at the Federated Church Sunday in the absence of Rev. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Flook and children of Los Angeles visited at the Paul Martin home. Mrs. Flook is Mr. Martin's niece.

A couple of weeks ago A. T. Lathrop advertised for the return of some strayed ducks. A few days later some boys playing on Bear Creek found the ducks and having seen the ad notified Mr. Lathrop, who found the strays calmly feeding along the creek. As usual, it pays to advertise.

Mrs. Susie Peterson, and little son Dannie, of Van Nuys, Cal. visited a few days last week with her aunt, Mrs. A. J. Milton.

Mrs. Donald Foster from Wilmington, Mass. and her sister, Mrs. Donald Buckley of Burbank, Calif., whose parents were friends of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Moore, called on Mr. and Mrs. Moore Sunday on their way to Crater Lake. The visit was a great surprise to the Moore family, as they had not seen the two ladies in years.

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Grace G. Martin Taken By Death

Grace Gertude Martin passed away at her home, 310 Portland avenue, Saturday evening after a long illness. She was aged 56 years, being born in Fayetteville, Ill., December 4, 1878. Grace G. Jenkins was married to David Melvin Martin, August 28, 1888, in Arkansas.

Eight children were born to the union, five of them living today.

She leaves her husband, David M., two sons and three daughters, Wilton W., Central Point, Ore.; Forrest F., Medford; Mrs. Leona Durham, West Virginia; Mrs. Hazel G. Jones, Los Angeles; Miss Edith M. Martin, Medford, and one grandchild. The family has resided in Medford for the past twenty-six years.

Funeral services will be held at the Perl Funeral Home Tuesday at 1:30 p. m., Rev. Wm. R. Baird officiating. Interment in Jacksonville cemetery.

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