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HAPPENINGS THAT AFFECT THE DINNER PAILS

Every President according to American political tradition, is given a "congressional honeymoon"—that is, for a certain period of time, long or short as the case may be, his suggestions and requests for Congress are received with almost unanimous approval and are enacted into law. He is faced by no major defections from his party ranks, and his floor leaders need give but little effort to keep "the boys in line."

In our recent history, the shortest honeymoon was that of President Hoover who had to deal with a hostile Congress within two years after his election—a circumstance that had much to do with his crushing defeat when he ran for reelection.

Longest honeymoon has been that of President Roosevelt. For four years, every major policy he advocated was approved with a minimum of debate. He received no set-backs from Congress. In such matters as disbursement of government money, he was given almost a free hand. He had bills written by his advisors, sent them to Congress and saw them made into law within a few days. Never was the authority of the Executive so broadened.

To say that this honeymoon is now over is simply to state an obvious fact, apparent to both the friends and opponents of the New Deal. Cause of the split was the Court Bill. Ultimate effects of the split are today the subject for guessing, forecasting and editorializing by everyone in the country who takes an interest in politics.

The death of Senator Robinson—who, through his great personal popularity and mastery of the complicated parliamentary technique, was able to keep the Senate running like a well-oiled Administration machine for four years—was a serious blow to the President. But the seeds of discontent have been brewing for a long time. Even had Mr. Robinson secured the passage of the Court Bill, which is extremely doubtful, the breach between Congress and the White House would inevitably have widened. Faced with no effective Republican opposition, the overwhelming Democratic majority has been gradually breaking into a number of opposed, restive factions.

The upshot of this as the Washington columnists have been writing, is clear. The Court Bill—perhaps the most important piece of legislation proposed by the Administration—is definitely dead. There will be no increase in Supreme Court membership, no proctor, and no increase in the membership of the lower Federal courts unless a definite need for judges is shown. It is probable that a bill will be offered whereby the progress of cases involving Constitutional questions from District Courts to the Supreme Court, will be expedited, and the Attorney General will be empowered to appear in lower court cases when the constitutionality of a Federal law is questioned. These minor reforms have long been advocated by conservatives and liberals alike and will not stir opposition.

Furthermore, the other "must" bills on the Administration's five-point legislative program for this session are definitely in danger—the chances say the experts are against them passing. These bills would fix minimum wages and maximum hours for industry in interstate commerce; reorganize the government departments and bureaus; provide for low-cost housing; plug up loopholes in the tax laws, and set up a new farm plan, based on the "ever normal granary." Potent remark came recently for Representative Woodrum, a strong White House adherent who said that if the Administration insisted on passing an ambitious legislative program such as this, "Congress will still be here when the frost is on the pumpkin." The revolt in brief has reached a highly advanced stage.

The effects of this on the country are gradually becoming clear. First the chances are strongly against any additional "experimental legislation" on a wide scale. Second, the possibility of a split in Democratic ranks that will result in a new party, with the conservative Southern Democrats joining with the Republicans becomes constantly greater. Third, the President's power and hold over Congress is waning. Fourth, as recent surveys, such as that made by Fortune, indicate, the New Deal is slipping in public esteem, even though Mr. Roosevelt, as a personality, still commands the admiration of millions of voters.

This is all true whether Congress adjourns tomorrow, or next year. The attitude of the President, apparently, is that he will continue to insist on approval of his plans and will oppose, indirectly, the renomination of Democrats who are against him, such as Van Nuys and Wheeler. Not since the war has the political situation been so chaotic and so full of dynamite.

BABSON SAYS

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Now, however, I fear that the time has come when the pinch of higher operating costs will force the markup of goods which still do not begin to reflect the increase in labor, material, and overhead costs. How much such mark-ups will boost the cost of living this Fall and Winter no one can say definitely. I would not be surprised if total living costs a year from now may be seven to

ten per cent above today's level. The scientists and inventors are our only hope for keeping down living costs.

What You Should Do Now

Therefore the decline in commodity prices from the March peak seems to have pretty well run its course. Inflationary factors and increased foreign trade should not be forgotten. Hence, readers should act now to protect themselves. Householders should purchase furniture, clothing, canned goods, and fuel contracts now. Tenants should renew leases for as long a period as possible at current rentals. Remember that we are now just entering a period of prosperity the duration of which depends upon how much we learned from the recent depression. Continuing prosperity can exist only on a foundation of righteousness. Copyright 1937.

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Swami Vividishananda of the Vedanta Society of Denver, Colorado, will speak Sunday, 8 p. m., in the Masonic Temple Corinthian Room, on "THE DESTINY OF MAN" Phone BE. 1688 All Welcome

Oregon's Auto Deaths

A Series of Weekly Articles on the Problem of Highway Safety

By EARL SNELL, Secy. of State

The publicity given the safety work promoted by my department and the general use of the material sent out on this important matter, is most encouraging and gives cause for hope that definite results will be attained. The newspapers in every section of the state have shown their desire to assist in this work, and many columns of space are devoted to it weekly.

There are almost as many ideas of how to meet this problem as there are people. Ask any group what action they would take and you will get a variety of answers that will not only show an amazing divergence of opinion, but also a most interesting variety of plans for improving driving conditions on our streets and highways.

Those who have made a study of this problem appear to be agreed on only one thing—that something must be done. The large amount of favorable comment is greatly appreciated—and criticism is just as welcome. The motor vehicle operator who goes to the trouble of writing to tell us where we are wrong and the editor who devotes his space to suggesting things that should be done are being neglected, are equally conscious of the traffic safety problem, and doing something toward its solution. Regardless of his own belief the fact of his interest is proof conclusive that results are being attained.

Education and enforcement are the two necessities at the present time. They can be brought about in the fullest degree only by an awakened public conscience, an aroused and militant demand for safety. Discuss the problem with your neighbors and friends, your officers and your courts.

Suggestions are welcomed. Many valuable ideas have been received from people reading these weekly articles. If you have a remedy to present, it will be appreciated and receive careful consideration.

Oregon Teachers to form Branch of Organization

Teachers of Oregon plan to form a chapter of the Progressive Education, a national organization devoted to advancement in the profession.

The organization committee includes Joseph A. Holdaway and Earl E. Boushey, university of Oregon faculty members and Victor Phelps, principal of the Cottage Grove elementary school. They will work with Dr. Leighton and plans for affiliation with the national group will be laid before the Oregon principal's association meeting in October.

Educators in every section of Oregon are already carrying on experimental work in teaching fully as important as that under way in any section of the United States and organization of the Oregon branch of the association will not only bring teachers in this state but will bring the projects greater recognition nationally.

The Strangest Grange Meeting Ever Held

Probably the most unusual Grange meeting ever held in the United States recently took place in the state of Maine, where an entire family took over the whole Grange meeting of the evening—filled all the 16 officers' chairs and conducted the entire business session; provided a complete program of varied character lasting more than one hour; and then provided and served the supper, which was enjoyed by a large attendance of members.

The "family" referred to included a father and mother and 14 sons, daughters and "in-laws"; the venerable couple having a few days before celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Not only are all the 16 family members on the roll of a single Grange but several grandchildren as well, while the latter were present assisting in the serving of the supper. There are 26 grandchildren and when this Grange family all get together it is a reunion in a very real sense.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH
"Spirit" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday August 8.

The Golden Text is "No man hath seen God at any time. . . Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us his Spirit" (1 John 4:12, 13).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. . . For in him we live, and move and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, 'For we are also his offspring'" (John 4:24, Acts 17:28.)

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following correlative passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "We should consecrate existence, not to the unknown God whom we 'ignominiously worship,' but to the eternal builder, the everlasting Father, to the Life which mortal sense cannot impair nor mortal belief destroy. We must realize the ability of mental might to offset human misapprehensions and to replace them with the life which is spiritual, not material" (p. 428).

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