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EDITORIAL

by James Thrasher

DOMESTIC SYMPHONY

President Truman's relations with Congress during his first few months in the White House have been described as a "honeymoon" period. And if the description was not at the time, it seems even more so in retrospect.

It was the honeymoon of a wartime marriage, taken in the face of danger and uncertainty. The new President and Congress were old acquaintances, to be sure, but they had not foreseen that their friendship would develop into this new relationship.

But the honeymoon ended, as was to be expected. Spats were frequent. Each party to the union was headstrong and inclined to be bossy. Each felt that the other was listening too much to outsiders, with the result that waning affections were alienated further.

Things got worse a year ago, when the President tried to lay down the law to Congress about how the national household should be run. Congress wouldn't be bossed. The President wouldn't budge. More wrangling followed.

Then there appeared on the scene a neighbor from over the river in Alexandria. A big coal man, he was. He tried to tell both heads of the household how things should be run and, in doing so, disrupted things so badly that the President and Congress became alarmed and forgot their own quarreling for the moment.

The other members of the household had grown impatient and, in November, gave some orders of their own. This outspoken attitude served to quiet the family dissension even more. And with the return of relative peace, the President and Congress looked about them and perceived just what a state of disruption the house had got into.

So, on Jan. 6, the President and Congress got together. There was nothing of the honeymoon in this gesture. Rather, it was like a reconciliation of two people who have lived together learned each other's strengths and weaknesses, and decided to get along for the sake of the family.

It would seem from Mr. Truman's State of the Union message that he and Congress have reached a realization of their family responsibilities. Perhaps it won't endure. Still, it's natural to feel a little more confidence in the mature guidance of those who have weathered a few domestic crises than in a more apparent but untested affection.

WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NEA)—President Truman's state of the Union message and the Senate Republican conference labor program provide the first opportunity to see how close together and how far apart the two parties are on revising labor legislation.

Two specific references in the President's message drew applause. First was when he said there should be early legislation to prevent jurisdictional strikes. Second was when he said collective bargaining agreements should be faithfully adhered to by both parties.

But there is a lot more agreement than on those. Another "unjustifiable labor practice" which the President mentioned was the secondary boycott.

Labor unions use this kind of strike against an employer to make him stop handling parts or material produced by rival unions or non-union workers.

The Republican conference labor committee goes along with the President in opposition to the secondary boycott, but they go much further.

The President says there should be no blanket prohibition against boycotts. He would not deny unions the right to boycott to preserve their existence or any gains made through bargaining.

The GOP leaders would outlaw all boycotts, jurisdictional strikes and strikes conducted to force union recognition during organization of the workers.

The Republicans would go even further here, by authorizing anyone who suffered a loss from any of these union practices to sue in federal courts for triple damages.

Q. TILL another remedy which the President asked is legislation to provide machinery for arbitrating and settling disputes arising under a labor contract.

The Republicans would handle this one by permitting either management or unions to sue in federal court for enforcement of the contract and recovery of damages.

Republican thinking goes along with the President on the need for extending Department of Labor machinery to assist in collective bargaining by mediation, voluntary arbitration and fact-finding.

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THIS CURIOUS WORLD



SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—The Dodgers will have more than 1000 players in a half-dozen different training camps this spring yet all depends on Dr. Robert F. Hyland's operation joining the clavicle and breastbone on the right side of Pete Reiser's upper chest.

In baseball, the only reason for quantity is that with it the chance of finding a good one is greater. Only nine can play at a time, and one man easily can be the difference. Take Slaty Marion out of the Cardinal infield, for example.

A sound Reiser would be the finest ballplayer of the day. There is a bit of Ty Cobb in him. Pistol Pete will just be turning 26 when—and if—he goes to Havana next month. He is just getting started.

Today, with racing a year-round open-air gambling casino, jockeys are flown across the continent for a race and live like imperial potentates.

If you think there is too much whistle-blowing in basketball these nights, recall the early days of the one strictly American sport.

Players wore football pants and padded shirts. The dribble had not been introduced. It was not unusual for an athlete to tuck the ball under his arm and run through opposing players.

The baskets were all the name implied, being inverted peach baskets. The game was played for several years before the bottoms were knocked out so that the ball could drop through.

Before that it was necessary to knock the ball up and out with a pole after each goal. That would be a good job for most present-day officials, yet the sport has to have them.

At least four jockeys were credited with having earned more than \$50,000 in 1946. Time was when a successful jockey, if married, received in addition to his wages, which were

STOP JOHN CLAY! By Lionel Mosher

THE STORY: Pike Calvin senses an ominous air about THE SADDLEBACK INN, exclusive mountain resort, around Ranger. Pike also senses that Pike is there only to see John Clay, powerful magnate who owns the Inn. He also senses to know what happened to Mary Butler. Pike's luggage is searched. He later walks into town with Fay Tudor, Clay's lovely niece. About to return a book to the library, she offers to let him take it out on her card.

During World War II, 100 generals were either killed, wounded or captured.

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OUT OUR WAY By J. R. Williams



Wreck Produces Surrealist Picture



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### Tell of India



### Land Battlewagons Added To Weapons

DETROIT (UP)—Forerunners of the weapons of the future may be the huge tanks and mobile guns delivered to the Army Ordnance department by Chrysler Corporation.

Fred M. Zeder, vice president in charge of engineering, said the giant vehicles include a 63½-ton tank-type land battlewagon and a 60-ton heavy fighting tank with twice the speed and armor of any other tank of comparable size.

The battlewagon is designed to carry either a 10-inch howitzer with a barrel more than 27 feet long or an eight-inch rifle with a barrel more than 35 feet long. The howitzer can hurl a 360-pound shell 16 miles and the rifle can shoot a 240-pound shell 27 miles. The new tank has a 90 millimeter, 21½-foot long high velocity rifle which can hurl a shell at three times the speed of sound.

### St. Paul Joins Parade As Rodeo Moves Eastward

In a nationwide lecture tour of the U. S., Krishna Nehru, sister of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Head of India's interim government, will tell Americans of her country's problems and hopes. She's pictured in New York after arriving by plane from India.

ST. PAUL, Minn. (UP)—St. Paul has been added to the rapidly growing list of cities east of the Mississippi River planning to stage "big-time" competitive rodeos. A nine-day show, expected to attract some of the nation's top riders, bulldozers and calf-ropers will be staged next Sept. 13-21, at which \$9,000 in prizes will be awarded official points toward establishment of national championships.

A one-eighth horsepower electric motor operating steadily can be expected to do the work of one man.



Chart prepared from Department of Labor data, shows the number of man-days of production lost by work stoppages during 1946. Secretary of Labor Schwelienbach points out that stoppages at year's end were at lowest ebb since V-J Day.

### CORNUSKING BECOMES ART AS MACHINES TAKE OVER

By Gerald Hogan United Press Staff Correspondent DES MOINES, Ia. (UP)—The sound of corn crashing against the bang-boards of horse-drawn wagons—once familiar on cornbelt farms when husking contests were at their peak—no longer is heard through the midwest. Cornhusking contests are rapidly becoming victims of the machine age as more and more mechanical pickers make the hand picking technique a lost art.

The last national contest was held near La Salle, Ill., in 1941, and although there was some discussion among farm leaders of reviving the contest, it hasn't been done.

In Iowa, the nation's leading corn production state, crop statisticians estimate that 70 per cent of the record crop of more than 661,629,000 bushels was picked by machines this year.

Iowa, the scene of the first national cornhusking contest in 1924 has produced three national champions. Fred Stanek of Fort Dodge won the first contest and repeated in 1926, 1927 and 1930, to become the only husker ever to win more than one crown.

Elmer Carlson of Anthon won in 1935, and his brother, Carl, in 1936. Verlo Butts, now of Successful Farming Magazine and who formerly managed national contests, believes expert corn pickers are now hard to find. Expert cornhuskers, like star athletes, says Butts, must keep in trim, and they get out of practice when machines do all the work.

One radio farm editor who has been interested in husking contests for years, sums it up this way: "Corn husking served a great purpose in the past, but it no longer demonstrates a practical farm activity."

But the Carlson brothers who fought it out for the national

champion a decade ago, didn't agree. Elmer believes farm people still are interested in contests. He points out the fact that more than 1,000 persons attended a contest which he sponsored Thanksgiving Day. The winner, Carlson said, received more than a national contest winner in the past.

### Xmas Eve In Jungle Delights Prelates

PITTSBURGH (UP)—Two Catholic missionaries believe there is nothing to compare with a Christmas Eve midnight mass in the wilds of Tanganyika.

"I believe I would prefer to spend Christmas among the black men of Africa than here in the United States," Father Vincent de Paul Deer said after returning here with the Rev. Edward Baker from 10 years service at a mission on the snow-capped slopes of the 19,700 foot Mt. Kilimanjaro.

They recalled the thrill of seeing hundreds of Wachagga tribe natives snaking their way through dark forests, swinging lanterns and singing Christmas carols, on their way to the service.

"Hundreds of melodious voices," Father Deer said, "would mingle in a single song as they converged on the mission. It was beautiful and impressive to see the lights flashing in the darkness, to hear their songs reverberating in harmony."

### Safe Slider



Irving Bassett, 65, slides safely to the ground in 29 seconds from the ninth floor of the Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Ga., to demonstrate the "Safety-Scape," device he developed for quick evacuation of burning buildings.

### Lawmakers Urged To Make 1947 Reforms

CHICAGO (UP)—Twelve recommendations for streamlining the legislative process will be presented by the Council of State Governments to each of the 44 state legislatures scheduled to convene early this year.

Legislatures in all states except Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi and Virginia are scheduled to meet in 1947. All sessions will begin in January except those in Florida and Alabama, which will open April 8 and May 6, respectively.

The council's committee on legislative processes and procedures drew up the recommendations. It also considered legislative reapportionment, unicameralism and annual versus biennial sessions and voting procedures, but these were classified as beyond the scope of the current report.

Recommendations were summarized as follows: 1. Remove restrictions on length of regular state legislative sessions, which now are limited in 26 states. 2. Remove constitutional restrictions on legislators' salaries. 3. Broaden merit systems to include key legislative personnel. 4. Reduce the "jumble" of legislative committees through consolidation and reorganization on the basis of subject of matter and

co-operation between houses. Provide for public hearings in all major bills.

6. Lengthen and stagger legislator's terms to provide for continuity of membership.

7. Provide for legislative councils or interim committees with adequate clerical and research facilities.

8. Renew and strengthen legislative reference, research, bill drafting and statutory revision services.

9. Limit the period during which bills may be introduced and provide for filing and printing of bills before sessions open.

10. Review and revise legislative rules "wherever necessary, with due regard for adequate deliberation and fairness."

11. Provide for a budget adequate to meet all probable expenditures during a fiscal period and further centralize legislative fiscal responsibility.

12. Provide for local "home rule" legislation. Revision of state tax and fiscal policies will be the leading topics for discussion at the eighth biennial General Assembly of the states, to be held here Jan. 16 through 18.

More than 700 state officials, including governors, legislators and key administrators, will attend the meeting, sponsored by the Council of State Governments.

Blotting paper was discovered when a paper manufacturer accidentally left the sizing out of a batch of paper pulp.

### AUSTRALIAN DESERT FRUIT HAILED MIRACLE

CANBERRA, Australia (UP)—Hugh Williams, high commissioner for the United Kingdom, believes the transformation of desert lands in southern Australia into citrus fruit area is one of the greatest experiments of its kind in the world.

After a tour of the areas, Williams said, "I saw the desert grim and forboding, and then I saw nearby areas fertile and productive. I shall never forget the sight. What Australia has done in these arid parts is a miracle. There is no reason why Australia cannot become the greatest producer of dried and fresh fruits in the world."

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Running Rur:



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Has Second Set of Twins at 42



Mrs. Doris Henson, center, of North Ridgeville, Ohio, smiles proudly as she stands between her two sets of twins, born 13 years apart. Mrs. Henson, 42-year-old wife of Edward Henson, 52, had Sandra, left, and Sally, right, 13 years ago. Last December the new twins, Jennifer, left, and Gerald, came along. The Hensons have two other children, Neil, 18, and Joyce, 14.

Two Syrian Doctors Enter Texas University

GALVESTON, Tex., (UP)—Two Syrian doctors have come 6,000 miles to begin a year of specialized study at the University of Texas School of Medicine.

The men, Dr. Mukhtar Wasfi and Dr. Faik Nahass, were selected by the Syrian government for training in their respective fields.

Dr. Wasfi is specializing in radiology and is studying in the X-ray clinic here. Dr. Nahass is a psychiatrist and will work at the Galveston State Psychopathic Hospital. Both men said they and their government are anxious to obtain the benefits of American medical methods.

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The Houston Geological Society will sponsor a special train to the National Convention of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists to be held at Los Angeles beginning March 24 of this year and have extended invitations to all other societies in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi to join them, according to Carlton D. Speed, Jr., chairman of the transportation committee.

Mr. Speed advised that the Los Angeles meeting will be unusual interest to the geologists throughout the nation and that a special itinerary is now being prepared to be mailed to the members of the association in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi and will be ready for mailing within the next few days.

Mr. Speed declared that he had arranged with the Santa Fe railway to provide a deluxe special train with all the comforts of home including club-lounge car, observation and dining cars, to leave Texas March 21. The special will stop over at Grand Canyon on the morning of March 23 for a specially arranged trip along the rim with a lecture by the National Park Geologists.

B. F. Morgan, Stanolind Oil and Gas Company and F. W. Mueller, Rutherford Drilling Company, Houston, members of the transportation committee are assisting Mr. Speed in arranging for this special train.

Dairy Men Warned On Frozen Milk

CHARLSTON, W. Va., (UP)—The state department of Agriculture suggests three ways to dairy farmers to protect milk against damaging freezes during the winter. Warning that frozen milk causes loss of production as well as reducing the quality, the department suggested that dairy farmers:

- (1)—Store milk in a good, covered, insulated cooling tank filled with cold, clear water. The level of water should be at least equal to the level of milk to insure proper cooling and at the same time prevent freezing.
- (2)—See that the milk or cream is in good condition before it leaves the farm.
- (3)—Seek an insulated, covered truck to haul the milk to dairies. If such trucks are not available demand that the cans be protected with a clean tarpaulin.

World Will Now Beat Path To Door

CHICAGO (UP)—Henry Hillbrand has invented a mousetrap for dainty persons.

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