

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, March 12. (Auto-caster).—The Supreme Court of the United States is once more the center of interest here, because of the highly important cases which are either now before it or on their swift way to it. Upon the Supreme Court's decisions will depend the fate of NRA and of so many of its provisions, as well as some of the other things which the Administration has undertaken, that there is a decided tendency both in Congress and in the Executive branch of the Federal Government to mark time until the Court has acted. A large part of Mr. Roosevelt's New Deal is, in effect, on trial.

The case which the Supreme Court now has under consideration is that of a southern lumber company which refused to recognize NRA or any part of it, and set up as its defense that the National Industrial Recovery Act was unconstitutional. The Federal District Court held that the lumber company was right, and the Government appealed.

A decision in this case is expected in the course of a few weeks. It may or it may not settle all of the questions which are raised in the three other important cases which have been decided against the Government in the past couple of weeks, by lower Federal courts.

Three Other Cases
One of those is the Kentucky coal-mine case, in which the mine-owners denied the right of the Federal Government to regulate the wage scale or the hours of labor. The District court ruled in favor of the mine-owners.

Another is the decision in the Weirton Steel Company case that the Government has no power to regulate manufacturing, under the interstate commerce clause of the Constitution. The Administration's contention is that anything which is manufactured comes under Federal jurisdiction if it is to be sold across state lines. The district court ruled that "commerce" does not include manufacturing; it also ruled that the famous "7a" section of NRA, the collective bargaining clause, had not been violated by the establishment of a company union in the Weirton steel plant.

The third case which is being appealed by the Government is of even broader scope. It is the ruling of Judge Grubb in the Federal District Court of Ala-

gama that the Tennessee Valley Authority, nor any other arm of the Federal Government, has no right to compete with private business. The TVA has been busy making contracts to sell power from the Government dams on the Tennessee River, in several states. Judge Grubb ruled that it had no right to build dams except to improve navigation, and could generate power only as an incident to that right. This ruling, if upheld by the Supreme Court, would put an end to President Roosevelt's "yardstick" plan, of making the cost of power generated by the TVA a measure by which to control electric rates everywhere.

Washington Surmises
Lawyers here who usually guess pretty closely how the Supreme Court will decide think that its decisions in these cases will put a pretty tight curb on NRA and TVA. There is a decidedly jittery feeling apparent in Administration circles, especially among the ardent young reformers who have had a hand in shaping these projects and "selling" them to the nation.

Some of the young men are complaining bitterly that the President has let them down, by not putting all of his influence behind their entire program.

The fact seems to be that Mr. Roosevelt is trying to consolidate his position for the Presidential election of 1936, and to regain some of the ground he lost by reason of giving the social reformers and radicals too much leeway. He is much more concerned with economic recovery than with social reform, just now; for it is becoming increasingly clear that it is to the conservatives and the liberal-conservatives that he must look for his main support in 1936.

Talk of Radical Bloc
The radical elements in Congress are also trying to consolidate their position. There is talk about a "radical bloc," but that doesn't mean much, as there are so many types of radicals, not two of whom seem to agree on more than one or two things. The feeling grows here, however, that a third-party is certain, with support from elements represented by such men outside of Congress as Upton Sinclair and Father Coughlin and in Congress by Senators Huey Long and Burton Wheeler of Montana.

Meantime, legislation is in a state of chaos. Perhaps by the

time this is printed some compromise between Congress and the President on the Work Relief program may be announced, but as this is written that is a deadlock over this important measure. The Social Security bill is all shot to pieces. The most likely outcome is that an Old Age Pension measure will be adopted in which the Federal Government will match any state 50-50 in providing such pensions, leaving it up to each state to take the initiative. The Unemployment Insurance feature of the bill does not now seem to have a chance of passage this session.

Looking Ahead
Donald Litchberg's assurance the other day that there would be no monetary inflation at least for six years, or so long as Mr. Roosevelt is President, indicates the confidence felt that he will be re-elected, whatever happens. That is a good five-to-one bet in the present tangles state of Republican politics. And the President may surprise everybody any day by "going to the country" with one of his persuasive broadcasts thus putting pressure on Congress from behind and reviving popular enthusiasm for his program.

The fact remains, however, that Mr. Roosevelt is at the moment a rather tired and slightly worried man, and needs a long vacation.

MOTHER'S EFFORT TO SAVE HER SON FAILS
Danville, Va., March 11.—A mother's courageous but vain effort to save her three-year-old son from burning was revealed today with the death of Millard Aaron at a local hospital.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Aaron, the little boy lost a dime in a tobacco barn close to the family dwelling at Mount Cross, secured a box of matches and went to look for it in the building filled with wheat straw. Suddenly Mrs. Aaron heard a roaring sound and saw the barn on fire. She knew her son was there, but entrance was prevented by a sheet of flame. The mother then ran to the flue hole which was choked with tobacco sticks. She tore them out and saw her son trying to worm his way through the hole. She seized him by the shoulders and drew him out but he was already ablaze.

Not over 25 farmers in all of Stanly county have failed to plant some lespedeza this spring. The growers have seeded from three to 50 acres per farm.

Rare Elements Considered Vital

"Impurities" As Important As Nitrogen Plant Food Researchers Reveal

New research into the great subject of plant foods is constantly adding new evidence of the importance of the lesser known elements to successful crop production.

For nearly a hundred years scientists as well as practical farmers have accepted the tradition that the three common elements—nitrogen, phosphate and potash—are all that a crop requires. The past few years, however, scientists have produced so much proof of the importance of the rarer elements—impurities, such as iodine, boron, magnesium, sodium, calcium, strontium, lithium and many others—that the subject of these impurities has become about the most important one in the whole realm of plant feeding. The rarer elements are coming to be considered as necessary to a crop as nitrogen itself.

The fact that the vital impurities are present in Chilean Nitrate of Soda is considered one of the main reasons for the outstanding effectiveness of this nitrogen fertilizer. Chilean Natural Nitrate was created, scientists believe, while the earth itself was being formed. Consequently they believe that it contains as many of the rare elements as sea water contains—thirty-five or perhaps forty of them.

Only very small quantities of these elements are required by growing plants but they must have them if they are to have the health that produces robust growth and a good profitable yield.

BROTHERS SHOT BY SAME BULLET

Hickory, March 11.—Pink and Lewis Reep, young men of Hickory Route 1, were both shot through their right legs this afternoon in a very unusual accident. One of the boys was said to have been examining a .32-calibre pistol when it was discharged accidentally.

The bullet entered the right leg of one boy and lodged in the right leg of his brother.

Having sold most of their broilers at a nice profit, Catawba poultrymen have started an additional lot of baby chicks under brooders from which to select laying hens next winter.

FORD EMPHASIZES DELIVERY EQUIPMENT

"Delivery equipment is a traveling advertisement that should reflect the prestige of the business concern using it," according to the local Ford dealer. "Clothes may not make the man," he said, "but they usually are one of the indexes by which his standing is estimated. Just as the exterior of a store building reflects the quality of its business."

"The smartest shop would quickly lose much of its distinction if it used run-down vehicles to make deliveries to its customers. No matter what the nature of the business, good-looking delivery equipment tends to increase its prestige. Such equipment is a traveling advertisement for its owner."

"Style is emphasized more and more each year in the production of commercial cars, and this is especially true with regard to the new Ford V-8 commercial cars."

"The new Ford commercial cars not only have the new longer springbase which is a feature of the passenger cars but also have more attractive lines than formerly. The sedan delivery and the panel delivery cars are especially handsome. They are cars

with which the smartest shop can add to its prestige, but their popularity is not limited to exclusive stores, for the prices are so low that they are adapted to a wide range of business. "The new Ford V-8 closed cab 'Pick-Up,' is a small truck which combines attractive appearance with wide utility. It has all the attributes of the new Ford passenger cars. Its 128-inch springbase has made it possible to increase space load in front of the rear axle although the maneuverability of the 112-inch wheelbase car is retained, as is the case with the other commercial models in the new Ford line."

BOOP-BOOP-A-DOOP GIRL ASKS DIVORCE

Chicago, March 11.—Counsel for Helen Kane, boop-boop-a-doop girl, today filed suit for divorce in superior court against Max Hoffman Jr., actor, whom she married in Washington, D. C.

Miss Kane is playing in a Brooklyn, N. Y., theatre. Her lawyer said no alimony is sought and the suit will be uncontested.

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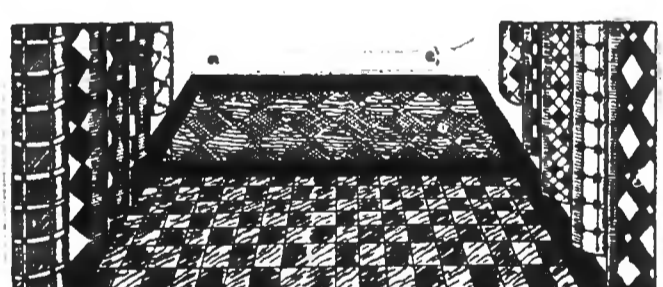
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