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RESENTMENT IN HOUSE GROWING

Washington Wonders How Far Congressional Revolt Will Go

WASHINGTON, July 17.—How far will the House of Representatives go in its revolt against the President? That is, by all odds, the most widely-discussed question in Washington these days. The lower House of Congress, having overwhelmingly voted down one of the President's "must" orders, the "death-sentence" clause in the Utilities Holding Company bill, is feeling its oats. It may take the bit in the teeth and run wild.

The boys have been taking orders without open protest, though with a good deal of grumbling, for the sake, mainly, of party harmony and their own chances of reelection. Now they are beginning to wonder whether it is good politics to keep on as they have been going. A lot of them, particularly from the South, are getting word from back home that the folks are getting tired of having new projects sprung on them, and wish Washington would slow down for a while.

There was pretty general resentment in Congress of the President's effort to have his new "share the wealth" tax program rushed through on five days' notice, and that resentment was not materially cooled by his concession that they might take all Summer to consider it. Congress may or may not work out a new tax bill that will meet the President's views. Talk of adjourning and letting committees study the tax matter, for report and action at the next session, is heard on many sides. What is more likely is that the boys will stay here until Fall and maybe try to put over some things which the President does not want.

It is more than likely that, instead of a bill to tax only huge incomes, enormous estates and wealthy corporations, such as President Roosevelt asked for, Congress may give him a general revision of income and inheritance tax laws running all the way down the scale. Also, a few greenback, silver and bonus bills for good measure.

Lobby Investigation

Another thing that has got the boys on Capitol Hill all stirred up is the open charge that the Administration sought to buy votes for the "death-sentence" measure, by promise of patronage and threats of withholding work-relief funds. Representative Ralph Brewster (R.) of Maine made the flat statement that one of the "brain-trusters" who drew up the Holding Company bill, Thomas G. Corcoran of the R.

Farm Girl Speeder



FULTON, Mo. . . . Not content with having broken the world's 100-meter record for women with a time of 11.6 seconds, Miss Helen Stephens, 17, Fulton farm girl, thinks she can lower the mark below 11 seconds.

F. C. staff, had warned him that if he voted "wrong" the funds for the Passamaquoddy power project would be held up. The result is a Congressional investigation of lobbying by both outsiders and insiders.

The President's latest bombshell is his letter to Representative Sam B. Hill, of Washington, urging Congress to disregard the Constitution in considering the Guffey Bituminous Coal Miners' Regulation bill. Mr. Hill is chairman of the sub-committee having the bill in charge. Mr. Roosevelt wrote:

"I hope your committee will not permit doubts as to constitutionality, however reasonable, to block the suggested legislation."

The President explained in his letter that the only way to find out whether coal-mining was subject to Federal regulation, was to try to regulate it and so bring the question to the Supreme Court. "A decision by the Supreme Court relative to this measure would be helpful," he said, "as indicating, with increasing clarity, the constitutional limits within which this government must operate."

The Constitution Issue

Now the boys are asking each other whether that would be good politics—for them individually and for the Democratic Party. The Opposition would like nothing better than to fight on the battleground of the Constitution. Indeed, it becomes more nearly a certainty, from week to week, that the question of Constitutional amendment to permit the Federal Government to do a lot of things this Administration has been trying to do, but which the Constitution, as interpreted by the Supreme Court, says it has no power to do, will be a major issue between the two parties next year.

Some of the President's closest friends are wishing that his wise old political strategist, Col. Louis McHenry Howe, were not disabled. Nobody else has the complete confidence of Mr. Roosevelt; from nobody else does he recognize political advice as uncolored by personal ambition.

First Humane Legislation

The first humane legislation was passed by the parliament of England. According to a report on the history of the prevention of cruelty to animals published by the Royal Society of England, a bill was introduced in the year 1800 but failed to pass. In 1822 a bill was introduced by Richard Marton, who was nicknamed "Humanity Dick," to relieve the suffering and to prevent cruelty and improper treatment of cattle. This bill after considerable discussion was passed. Later on bills were introduced and passed for the prevention of cruelty to all animals.

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