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NOTE: The Eccentric is pleased to publish stories of events which have new value and which are written by persons not connected with the editorial staff of the paper...

The Whole Of Society To Blame For The Ulcers Of Crime

"Little Charles Matson was a tortured sacrifice to the general hope living of our day." So said a friend of mine at a conversation about the tragedy...

Have We Enough In Prisons?

Major law violations in the United States total around 1,300,000 annually, according to an estimate made by Thorsten Sellin of the University of Pennsylvania.

Practical Paragraphs

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All There Is Some Good In Every Living Person

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One Thing Is Clear

Whether or not the President understands the Constitution, right or not one understands the right and the wrong of the strike.

The President Permits

That threatened the President now seeks vengeance upon the Supreme Court. He now demands that Congress give him the right to appoint new judges.

Partial Revolution

President Roosevelt, through his unrestricted powers and, largely at his own discretion, to spend \$4 billion, all voted him by Congress.

Who, in '36, Elected Roosevelt?

In the last election there were 28 million votes cast for Mr. Roosevelt and there were, and are, far more voters than that.

Not So Bad

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Good Prospect

The California centennial, who credits a fair-aid-union meet to his longevity seems a high prospect for a salesman of Life Alone and Like It—Jackson Daily News.

Time Was When

Political events are being more than skinned. Seven Rhode Island Senators are suing a lady because

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WASHINGTON LETTER BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT Republicans Beginning Quiet Drive to Overtake Democrats by 1940

WASHINGTON—Behind the scenes, those men who direct the destiny of the Republican party are quietly working and working with the hope that in 1940 they will overturn the huge Democratic victory of last November.

Hamilton started off the Record with a message assuring the faithful that Mr. Roosevelt supporters, "hurt and disappointed" by the President's Supreme Court plan, "are pondering a new political allegiance."

For the information of key party officials, workers and members, to whom it is distributed, the Record charts new G. O. P. policy and strategy. In one place Hamilton says he would have the Republican party fight "unfair employers just as earnestly as it fights the lawlessness of the unions."

In reporting party accomplishments, the Record makes a proud point of recent voting conditions of Republicans and Democrats. A substantial number of Democrats is cited in the vote on the Byrnes amendment to the Guffey coal bill which would have consigned the bituminous strike without mentioning any provocative tactics of employers.

The amendment failed, but those who voted for it are very nearly the same members who oppose the Supreme Court plan. The list included several senators whom Republicans hope will be with them in the future, such as Adams, Bailey, Brown of New Hampshire, Burke, Byrd, Connally, Copeland, Geyer, Holt, King, Livingston, Maloney, Taylor and Walsh.

she referred to them as yellow rats. Time was when, in politics, such a term amounted to endorsement.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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Random Remarks

William E. Borah, U. S. Senator from Idaho: "This thing we call recovery is in a jittery, shaky condition."

Felix M. Warburg, banker: "There is an awful lot of powder in Europe, but the people are afraid of war; they don't want it."

Magistrate Ford, of New York: "It constitutes disorderly conduct when a diner refuses to remove his hat when ladies are present."

Irving G. Hubbs, Judge: "A wife is no longer the property of her husband in the eyes of the law."

Burton K. Wheeler, U. S. Senator from Montana: "Billionaires worth of property can be tossed around for a few million dollars. It (holding company system) is absolutely wrong."

Herbert Samvel, British Liberal leader: "A mixture of misery and education is highly explosive."

J. H. Roadhouse, Employment Service official: "Many men at forty-five have just about the place when experience makes them really valuable and dependable."

Henry Ford, auto maker: "A monopoly of jobs in this country is just as bad as a monopoly of bread."

Wm. Long, department store store: "A lovely girl is an accident, but a distinguished woman is an achievement."

King of the Saud, of Hejaz: "If I saw any one of my wives talking to any man, even my brother, I would kill both immediately."

Adolf Hitler, German Dictator: "I will not tolerate that the German peoples' authority shall be menaced from any quarter. That holds good also for the churches."

Higher Taxes—Or True Economy? BY RAYMOND PITCAIRN National Chairman of the National Chamber of the Republic.

During the past few weeks there have been increasing demands on Congress for curtailment of reckless spending.

From official sources come warnings that the choice lies between a program of reasonable economy and a series of bold additions to the already heavy burden of taxes.

To bureaucrats and politicians who must depend for their jobs and their popularity on a continued program of public spending, the decision will seem an easy one. Naturally they would have Congress oppose any program of economy.

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