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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.

A Skeleton That Was A Man

There is infinite pathos in the uncovered skeleton of an unknown soldier on the battlefield of Gettysburg just as the veterans of the great war assembled for the seventy-fifth anniversary of the engagement.

Have You Defined Success?

Stated in general terms, this ambition is common to all of us. It is only when we attempt to define the meaning of "success" that differences of opinion develop.

So, today, when there are so many ideas about success, we suggest that the individual re-examine his or her conception of success. It should be obvious, we think, that one can only be successful when life is in harmony with inner convictions.

Stalin's Statue In New York!

The professional patriots and those who make capital out of denouncing the "Reds" will have something to work on.

THROUGH WE, PERSONALLY, are opposed to capital punishment, we can see why Governor Murphy is so excited about the federal government's intention of hanging Anthony Chebatoris tomorrow, July 8.

"It Makes No Difference to Me"

Speaking with an assurance that almost amounted to a boast, President Roosevelt last Friday evening indulged in another of his fire-side chats. It was a remarkable speech. It must have left lifelong Democrats sick to their stomachs.

Those were his words. It makes a difference to the people, Mr. President. It makes a difference to people without jobs. It makes a difference to people who were beginning to hope that they saw economic daylight ahead.

There was another obviously unfair statement, especially so when one recalls your speech last fall when you said: "Don't let anyone tell you differently... we planned it this way."

So, that was a mistake. What were they doing when they increased inventories? It takes men to manufacture... men with families who need to eat.

Why is it that you have never directly, Mr. President, condemned these industry-paralyzing outlaws? Why have you not been as outspoken against the relatively few laborers as you have the relatively few economic royalists?

But what about the life-long Democrats... the men who for years have believed and fought for a futile battle for the party?

That's a laugh. For... you immediately followed with this amusing explanation: "As head of the Democratic party, I am charged with the responsibility of carrying out the definitely liberal declaration of principles... I feel I have the right to speak in those few instances where there may be a clear issue between candidates."

But you will take a part as "President." You will take a part as "head of the Democratic party."

By the way, Mr. President, we didn't hear you say anything about the size of the public debt. Your administration is spending from \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000 a day of the earnings of future generations.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, the President, is not a politician, and says he will not campaign this fall; but Franklin D. Roosevelt, as the head of the Democratic party, is a politician and will campaign in the interests of the New Deal this fall.

Congressional Comment by Representative George A. Dondero

At 9:09 p. m., June 16, Speaker Bankhead brought down his gavel and announced that "pursuant to the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 67, the Chair declares the third session of the 75th Congress adjourned sine die."

During nearly six months of legislative deliberation the third session appropriated more than 12 billion dollars which with the nine billion dollars appropriated by the 1937 session established a new record high for authorized expenditures.

In the field of law-making, regulatory laws covering a wide range of subjects affect directly and indirectly every citizen of this nation.

That you may have a clear understanding of what took place, I review briefly the principal laws passed in the session just closed without attempting any political consideration of the measures themselves or stating the position which I took with respect to each proposal.

The Revenue Act of 1938 was enacted in response to public demand for modification of the undistributed profits tax and the gift tax.

The largest appropriation of the year was made by the Congress in connection with the government pumping program. The act authorized the expenditure of \$2,000,000,000 for the purpose of retarding the rate of inflation.

The Wage-Hour Act establishes minimum wages to workers and maximum hours of work. The enacted bill is a compromise of House and Senate views on the subject and includes provisions for regulating child labor.

The National Labor Relations Act is amended to prohibit the employment of children under 16 years of age, and under 18 years of age in hazardous occupations, except where special permission is obtained from the Children's Bureau of the Department of Labor.

The Congress also authorized more for the Army and the Navy than ever before in a year of peace. The Navy will have approximately 600 million to spend and the Army nearly 500 million in the 12-month period beginning July 1.

Under the new Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, any article of food, any drug, any cosmetic, or any health device that is adulterated or that falls on its face to state health or safety is contained therein, or what are the properties of the health device, will be barred from interstate commerce.

The outstanding proposal which failed of enactment was that providing for the reorganization of the Federal government into executive, legislative and judicial departments.

Several other matters came before the Congress in the session just closed which deserve mention in the resume of the work done, but space limitations do not permit further detail.

PARAGRAPHS

American Place Names Today's special: Bozoo, W. Va.

Mostly Other Things A girl shows great agility and other things when climbing into a tumble keg—Louisville Times.

Quite Natural An Atchison man is worried about his daughter. She spends her evenings at home—Atchison Globe.

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What's the Difference? The Field Museum of Natural History reports that the price of giraffes is steadily going higher.

Life in the U. S. A. Now approaches the time when Mr. Average American, who knows how to run a hotel, edit a newspaper, manage a bus line, finance the Government, and end all crime waves, is willing to take time out from other engagements and manage the local ball tossers.—Rochester Times-Union.

GET SET FOR THE TIDE



prevent kicking—Stockton Independent. In the event that you are interested in more specific information on these legislative matters, please write or call at my office, 527 Washington Square Building, Royal Oak. It is my desire to serve you to the fullest possible extent.

Funny and Annoying Funny how many relatives you have when you are proclaimed as having done something worth while—Wilmington Evening News.

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Random Remarks

Mahatma Gandhi, Indian leader: "I am ready to die when my Maker calls me, but I don't want to spare me until I finish my life work, which is to make India free."

Carter Glass, Senator from Virginia, arguing that long working hours do not always impair health: "I'm more than 80 years old and I used to work eighteen hours a day."

W. Averill Harriman, railroad executive: "The simple solution of the railroad consolidation problem for the Government to take its hands off except as umpire."

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, First Lady: "It is good for us to have freedom of speech, but we have to learn to take the criticism that comes with it and not be made bitter."

Mrs. James Roosevelt, mother of the President, describing the wedding of her grandson, John, to Anne Clark: "It was a fine shindig."

Alf M. Landon, Republican presidential candidate, in 1936: "The cost of illness and sound effects for the weird facial expressions the heroine used to emote with."

Josephine Roche, former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury: "The cost of illness and sound effects for the weird facial expressions the heroine used to emote with."

Phillip La Follette, Governor, Wisconsin: "At the end of ten years, we still have not solved the fundamental underlying problems that caused the depression."

Lots 'n' Jest SEVENTY THOUSAND saw a baseball game in Cleveland. A New York prize fight drew a million dollar gate. Oh my, these are hard times.

WABEEK STATE BANK Statement of Condition at the close of business JUNE 30, 1938 RESOURCES Cash on hand and due from other Banks \$1,267,567.37 U.S. Gov't Securities, direct and fully guaranteed 1,482,500.00 U.S. Gov't Securities, direct and fully guaranteed pledged to secure Public Funds on deposit 215,000.00 \$2,965,067.37 Other Marketable Securities 548,000.00 Other Marketable Securities Pledged to secure Public Funds on deposit 35,000.00 Loans and Discounts Secured 244,327.38 Loans and Discounts Unsecured 70,817.09 Real Estate Mortgages 156,150.44 Banking House and Site 20,000.00 Furniture and Fixtures 25,887.19 22.23 Other Resources 14,130.62 \$4,079,402.32 LIABILITIES Capital 300,000.00 Surplus 110,000.00 Individual Profits 49,286.68 Interest and Expense Accrued Payable 29,023.95 Other Liabilities 15,009.58 Public Funds on deposit Secured by U.S. Gov't and other Securities \$ 185,000.00 Public Funds on deposit Unsecured 133,295.72 Commercial Deposits 49,286.68 Deposits from Banks and Trust Companies 1,97,000.00 Savings Deposits 1,385,744.13 3,573,387.31 \$4,079,402.32 Officers: President G. B. JUDSON, Vice-Pres. HENRY T. EWALD, Cashier FRED E. SCHLOFFER, Asst. Cashier H. F. SAYLOR, Vice-Pres. and Asst. Cashier W. M. E. GRISWOLD, Manager. Directors: W. M. CORNELIUS, LEONARD L. HEALY, FRANK COUZENS, GEORGE E. JUDSON, HENRY T. EWALD, W. R. YAW.