

# FLOUNDERING CONGRESSMEN GREET ROOSEVELT HAPPILY; THEY NEED HIS DIRECTION

Capitol Hill Changes Its Mind and Seems to Think More of the President Than It Did Two Weeks Ago.

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WASHINGTON, April 13.—The President's trip up the coast from Florida was a little like Sheridan's ride.

No general, inopportune absent from a battlefield, was ever more needed than Roosevelt has been in the last forty-eight hours. To this the presence of welcoming Democratic congressmen at union station, when the presidential train pulled in early this morning, testified eloquently.

Congress seems to think more of the Roosevelt brand of leadership today than it did two weeks ago.

It has discovered that no matter how much its pride is hurt by firm direction from the White House, anything is better than floundering along with no direction.

Pulled and torn a dozen different ways on the intricate question of stock market regulation, the Senate wants to know whether the "just as good" substitute its banking and currency committee has devised during the President's absence will pass muster.

Pounded unmercifully with demands for more inflationary legislation, both houses of Congress are hoping the President will find some way for them to satisfy the clamoring voters at home without stoking up future financial grief for themselves.

The Roosevelt bag of tricks has yielded up many a pleasing expedient in the past and they hope it holds a few more.

## Want No More Vetoes

Furthermore, Congress would like to know exactly how the President feels about taxes. The house is on record for a \$258,000,000 levy. The Senate has raised the ante to \$600,000.

It has inserted dynamite into the bill by voting a 3 cents a pound tax on cocoanut oil brought from the Philippines in spite of the terms of act. The leaders don't know whether the President will veto the tax bill if it goes through in this form or not. They don't want to get snared up with any more veto messages.

Within the next few days President Roosevelt must make up his mind and announce decisions on the following additional matters:

What to do about the omnibus silver bill reported by the Senate agriculture committee, which the Senate will pass unless Roosevelt finds a way of stopping it. The Treasury's renewed drive to find out who is speculating in silver may give a clew to administration thought on the subject.

What to do about the McLeod-Brown bills proposing that the government pay off depositors in closed banks. House leaders, finding that backers of the plan were going to secure signatures enough to force a vote on the floor, maneuvered for a time by having a modified bill reported from committee. This gives the House rules committee jurisdiction unless another petition is circulated and seven days must elapse before this is done.

## What About the Air Mail?

What method of extending government loans to industry is most advisable? Three plans are pending before an ad hoc committee, advocated by a group of "experts."

What to do for the relief of bankrupt municipalities? A new \$300,000 loan plan was lying on the President's desk when he reached it.

How to solve finally the complex air mail situation.

He will have to make up his mind whether he would rather have Congress get out of town quickly and stop campaigning from the capital or stay here long enough to pass some of the measures he or some of his aids have advocated. On this list are the bills for unemployment insurance, regulation of communications, regulation of bus and inland waterway transportation, establishment of a permanent labor board, extending public construction, extending licensing provisions of NRA.

And, of course, the problem of how to sustain and enforce NRA principles is always with him.

**ANTARCTIC DARKNESS  
CLOSES ON BYRD MEN**

Expedition Digs in for Winter Night Lasting Seven Months.

**LITTLE AMERICA, ANTARCTICA, April 12.—(Via Mackay Radio)**—Winter night was closing in today, to leave Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd isolated in a tiny hut out on the Ross barrier and the fifty-five men of his expedition at the base here in darkness until next spring, when it will be fall in the United States.

Eight days more and the sun will be gone. Even now there are only occasional glimpses of the sun, and the rapidly shortening days are beginning to the fullest limit to finish the last outdoor tasks.

Admiral Byrd reported today that all was secure in the little hut 123 miles south of camp where he intends to remain absolutely alone for seven months.

**FILM STAR'S HUSBAND  
GUILTY IN BANK CASE**

Helen Ferguson's mate awaits sentence Monday in U. S. Court.

**LOS ANGELES, April 13.—Richard L. Hargreaves, former president of the defunct First National bank of Beverly Hills and husband of Helen Ferguson, former screen star, will appear for sentence Monday on a charge of misappropriating bank funds and making false reports to the controller of currency.**

A jury in federal court last night found him guilty after deliberating more than ten hours. The two counts of misappropriation on which Hargreaves was convicted involved approximately \$41,000.

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### BOY, 5, SHIPPED AS BAGGAGE 1,700 MILES, GREETED BY MOTHER

By United Press

HOUSTON, Tex., April 13.—Baggage parcel No. 15-52-60, was delivered safely and in good condition to Mrs. Dorothy Kelly, consignee, here today, after a 1,700-mile bus trip.

The "baggage," with the serial number on a coat lapel, was Donald (Scooter) Kelly, 5, son of Mrs. Kelly.

Mrs. Kelly left the lad in Erie, Pa., while she came here to find work. After she obtained a job she sent for him and he was checked in baggage rooms at stop-over points for safe keeping.

### MIRACLES PROVE FAKE, ITALIAN GIRL ARRESTED

Child Who Won Attention of Priests  
and Doctors Exposed.

By United Press

LICATA, Italy, April 13.—Anna Mongiovio, a peasant girl, was convicted today of faking "miracles," which caused tremendous excitement in this district.

She exuded blood, which she pretended was blood-sweating, and caused a crucifix at her home to exude blood. Large crowds, including priests and physicians, were attracted to her home for several days.

Investigation proved it was ox blood.

The prosecutor asked for a heavy sentence on the ground she had offended against religion, but the court sentenced her to three months in prison and then suspended it.

### OFFICER WOUNDED BY COY REPORTED BETTER

Sergeant Welch Still Serious, but  
Has Fair Recovery Chance.

Revenues from brewers and importers for the month of March totaled \$74,314.04, at the tax rate of 5 cents a gallon on beer.

**BEER SALES INCREASE  
WITH WARM WEATHER**

64,500-Gallon Gain for March  
Reported by Tax.

Warm weather in the latter days of March caused an increase of 64,500 gallons in beer consumption, as compared with the first fifteen days, according to Sam H. Lesh, auditor in the state excise department.

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