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One of Busiest Leaders
in New Deal.

Harold L. Ickes, Illinois Republican, probably has more important jobs than any other New Dealer. Besides holding the portfolio as secretary of interior, he is public works and oil code administrator. In addition he heads a half a dozen or more government corporations and is on another dozen or so boards. Here's how he has fared after a year on the New Deal.

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WASHINGTON, July 4.—A year of the New Deal has made of Harold L. Ickes a stern and irritable man. Harassed by attacks upon his gigantic public works program and worried by the widespread attempts to collect graft in connection with it, he has adopted a hard-boiled attitude, comparable to that of Hugh S. Johnson, his "recovery twin."

Each month of his administration has given him a new title or a new job until now Mr. Ickes is the busiest and most important secretary of the interior this country ever has had.

He is interior secretary, public works administrator, oil administrator, ex-officio head of the Federal Emergency Housing Corporation, and an officer of the Virgin Islands company, the subsistence homestead projects, the federal surplus relief corporation and numerous other presidential commissions.

Besieged by Hundreds

Congressmen after multimillion dollar allotments for their districts, politicians after jobs, builders after contracts and lobbyists seeking to exert influence have besieged him. Several of the latter he has made persona non-grata.

Time and time again he has exploded over the self-seeking of the men trying to do business with him. Two Chicago attorneys he accused of attempting to blackmail him. Instead of trying to hush the affair, he went to Chicago to testify against them.

At the moment he is incensed over the "kick-back" racket discovered on PWA projects from one coast to the other. He has written congressional committee to tell how contractors forced their workers to pay for their jobs. He has vowed that the racket will stop.

His oil administration also has become a sore point with Mr. Ickes. Blocked by injunctions and other maneuvers at almost every point, he has been unable to stabilize the petroleum industry as he had hoped.

All this buffeting has had its effect upon the 60-year-old secretary. At the interior department, some of his subordinates refer to him as "Cautious Harold."

One of Best Liked

Mr. Ickes, nonetheless, remains one of the best liked of the cabinet officers. He is honest and utterly fair. He treats his clerks well, insists that they take their regular holidays during the hot weather, and never attempts to pass the buck when things go wrong.

His irritability and his worries notwithstanding, Mr. Ickes has not lost his grip. He remains the able lawyer and the careful administrator that he always was. Occasionally his old-time smile flashes across his broad face and Mr. Ickes forgets his troubles momentarily.

On a recent Sunday morning, for instance, he served umpire at the baseball game between the teams of the interior department newspaper correspondents and the treasury newsmen. Interior lost to Mr. Ickes' deep disappointment. At his regular weekly press conference several days later, he said:

"I want to say that I wish this ball team of yours would get some practice. I did all I could for you in that last game. I missed church and everything. Still you lost. Something has to be done about it or I'll resign."

**FOUR CHANGES MADE
IN AIRLINE SCHEDULES**

Direct Connections for New York
Are Announced.

Schedule changes affecting four American Airlines flights out of Indianapolis daily and making possible direct connections for New York were in effect today.

The Washington plane now leaves at 11:35 a. m. instead of 1:05 p. m. It arrives in the capital at 5:28 p. m., making connections with a plane which arrives in New York at 7:50 p. m. The Cincinnati plane leaves here at 5:52 p. m., arrives there at 7:45 p. m. Chicago planes depart at 1:23 and 6:02 p. m. arriving at 2:45 and 7:36 p. m.



LAMONT'S SON JAILED

PHYSICIAN COOL ON PURDUE 'ICE CURE' FOR HEAT

New York Doctor Quotes
Mark Twain Remark
on Weather.

NEW YORK, July 4.—Commenting on reports of an invention of a hot weather "wrist watch" by scientists of Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., Dr. Iago Galdston, secretary of the medical information bureau of the New York Academy of Medicine, today quoted Mark Twain:

"The famous humorist, you know, said that while we all like to talk about the hot weather, there is very little that can be done about it," said Dr. Galdston.

Of the Purdue aim to cool the entire body with an insulated bracelet, containing dry ice, on one part of the body, Dr. Galdston said:

"Like the little dog Rover who, when he died, died all over, a man is hot all over when the temperature goes up. While it is true that ice applied to the wrist can give a sense of comfort, it is questionable whether the temperature of the whole body can be so reduced."

"However, we will await with eagerness further reports of this ingenious device. Meanwhile, like true scientists, we will hold our judgment in suspense."

BOOK ASSUMES NEW POST WITH C. OF C.

Three Are Dismissed in Reorganization.

Plans for the reorganization of the executive administration of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce were inaugurated yesterday when William Book became executive vice-president.

Due to the necessity of Mr. Book serving as state unemployment relief director until a successor is found, he will not devote all of his time to the new office.

James W. Carr, assistant to Mr. Book, assumed his office at the Chamber of Commerce yesterday.

Three members of the chamber staff were relieved of their duties yesterday. They are Harmon E. Snoke, director of public relations; Richard W. Bunch, financial secretary, and Miss Lou Ann Myers, secretary to Mr. Snoke.

FORMER OIL MAGNATE LEADS IN OKLAHOMA

One-Time Millionaire Tops Demo- cratic Governor Race.

By United Press
OKLAHOMA CITY, July 4.—"Custer's Last Stand, a Master-piece in Fireworks," will be the feature presentation on the program of the Sahara Grotto's pyrotechnic spectacle at Perry stadium starting at 7:15 tonight.

This year's entertainment will begin at 6:30 with miniature auto races across the ball diamond.

At 7 Sahara's uniformed band will parade. They will be followed by eleven past monarchs and Sahara's famous band of sixty-five pieces. The champion Blue Devil drill team, ceremonial cast, drum and bugle corps, revelers and clowns and merrymakers will complete the procession.

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POSTAL RECEIPTS GAIN

\$3,655,690 Taken in During 1933-34
Fiscal Year.

Total receipts for Indianapolis postoffice for the 1933-34 fiscal year ending June 30 were announced today as \$3,655,690, which represents an increase of \$23,617 over the previous year.

MAIL RECEIPTS GAIN

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Frank Butterworth, factory manager, announces more persons will be added to the pay roll as the plant is put in shape for more production.

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