

**SECOND BONUS MARCH.** There seems to be authoritative indications that there will be another trek to Washington by bonus marchers and unemployed. In fact, a Congress of Unemployed is now being held in the Washington Auditorium and it is estimated that some 8000 are in the city. Comparisons may be odious but the fact is that instead of sending police and the military against them, the administration has agreed to aid them by established army cook wagons at the site of the encampment and supplying those in need with food.

**ALCOHOL-GASOLINE CONTINUES TO GATHER MOMENTUM.** The oil companies are now resorting to the radio, the newspaper, and the printed folder to send out propaganda against it. They have even managed to secure the President of a certain Farm organization to get out a folder over his own signature against this proposal. Sentiment however is growing in behalf of this proposal, in spite of the misrepresentations and misstatements that emanate from hostile sources against it.

**THE SECURITIES BILL** passed the House yesterday without a dissenting vote. Everybody seems agreed that drastic action is necessary to curb the activities of the racketeers who have swindled the American people out of billions of dollars in unsound securities.

**APPLE BLOSSOMS** have burst forth in all their glory in Virginia. This week was apple blossom week and the event is observed in a big way by the entire Shenandoah Valley where Apple Blossom festival is held at Winchester and the most beautiful girl selected as the queen of the season.

**NEW HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING** is spurned by some of the members. Since the story went out that the new office building for members is fitted with heavy brass chandeliers, parquet floors, rich blue leather furniture, elaborate book cases and that there is a "campaign issue in every door-knob" at least 17 of the older members who were given space in the new building have decided not to move in.

**LEGISLATIVE-ITIS.** The special session of the 73rd Congress is certain to establish a record for number of bills introduced. Already nearly 6000 have been thrown into the hopper in the nine weeks of it's life with one regular session in January yet to go. The 72nd Congress did not do so badly. They introduced nearly 17,000 bills. There is high hope in the fact that only 840 were passed.

**FISHING** is a popular outdoor sport in this vicinity. Here you can catch Bluefish, Hardheads, Sunfish, Catfish, Bass and many other varieties. In Virginia the license fee is \$5.00. In Maryland the same. However, one can fish in tidewater such as the Chesapeake Bay without paying a license.

**MEMBERS DIE** and one scarcely hears about it until some member during the session moves that the House adjourn out of respect for the memory of the deceased member. Life is impersonal here.

**WILL ROGERS**, the celebrated humorist paid Washington a visit this week and called on the Speaker Hon. Henry T. Rainey. When asked concerning the subject of his call he said "We were talking about the cherry blossoms." There is a young member from Oklahoma who also carries the name of Will Rogers. This week was the first time that the two Will Rogers' ever met.

**CONGRESSMAN SHALLANBARGER**, who was formerly Governor of Nebraska is, if I recall correctly, a native of Stark County. He has been here a long time and is now a member of the Way and Means Committee which will hold the hearings on alcohol-gasoline.

**SECRETARY OF COMMERCE** has an office in the new 18 million dollar commerce building that is the last word in elegance. It is spacious, panelled in expensive wood, heavy rugs on the floor, and elegant furniture. When seeking to communicate with his secretaries he pushed a button and from a mahogany stand at his side the voice of the Secretary can be heard saying, "Yes, Mr. Secretary, what is it, please?"

**FOUR HORSEMEN OF ECONOMIC DEMOCRACY.** Since Mr. Bullit, unofficial administration observer, has returned from Europe to join the White House force, he together with Mr. Moley, Mr. Tugwell, and Mr. Mordecai Ezekiel are now referred to as the Four Horsemen. Mr. Moley, formerly a professor at Columbia University, is now dubbed the "Assistant President."

**CONGRESSMAN LUCE** of Massachusetts, who has been here 6 or 8 terms is easily one of the most brilliant thinkers and speakers on the floor. Last week he had an embarrassing misfortune. While speaking on a certain bill, he became quite emphatic and in the midst of an impassioned outburst, his false teeth flew out.

Said teeth were restored with difficulty and prematurely determined the discussion **COMPARISONS.** More time was taken to debate a Deficiency Bill involving a total of \$86,000 than was accorded for debate of most of the measures involving millions and billions. You wonder why? So do I.

**VETERANS** are just now beginning to realize how drastic the Economy Bill was. Most of those who were presumed to have service connected cases will lose the benefit of that presumption and taken from the rolls. Likewise, it will take a gilt-edged rating for a veteran to secure hospitalization. Curtailing the hospital services means that the Veterans Hospital at Dwight, Illinois, and at Kansas City, will be abandoned and veterans cases discontinued so far as Great Lakes Naval Hospital is concerned. Hines Hospital at Hines, will be the centre henceforth for all veterans and much of the claims work will be transferred to the Central Office at Washington. This means more delay and more red tape.

**ILLINOIS DELEGATION.** Congressman Adair of Quincy, is a lawyer and werved in the legislature; Thompson of the 14th district was formerly mayor of Rock Island; Allen of Galena, is a lawyer; Dobbins of Champaign, Gillespie of Bloomington, Brennan of Bloomington, Major of Springfield and others are all attorneys. One