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An Inaugural Week's Bewildering End

To fanciers of political linguistics, this first week of the second Eisenhower administration opened in eloquence and ended in bewilderment.

By no means a blueprint, the President's inaugural address nonetheless fixed some firm national purposes. In an outburst of Herbert Hoover, who with Sen. Taft had framed it, the President buried the "fortress America" concept, and declared American involvement with the destiny of all men.

There Is Absolutely No Resemblance

"The treasurer wants me to announce that unless some of the members pour their back dues, she will simply lose her mind."

WHENEVER civic ne'er-do-wells turn their sneering condescension upon U. S. clubwomen they call them "Hokinson types," after the old New Yorker cartoon by one of America's most penetrating chroniclers of the upper-middle-class matron.

New Substance For Hysteria's Obituary

BALES of hopeful obituaries have been written on the Red scare that sowed wild seeds of suspicion throughout the U. S.

MULTIPLYING TEENAGERS

The low mark in youth population resulting from reduced birth rates during the depression has now been passed, and young people between 14 and 17 years of age are becoming relatively more numerous, the Bureau of Labor Standards reports.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Alcorn Appointment Angers Old Guard

Alcorn was actually picked by outgoing GOP chief Len Hall and Assistant President Sherman Adams, the same political twosome who persuaded President Eisenhower to run again. Ike went along with their selection.

Mr. Humphrey, on the other hand, had a policy—in the form of the administration's budget. But he did not argue for it. He left with Congress a rather wild hope that it would cut the budget somehow in some unspecified place.

Sen. Humphrey said rather testily that he was tired of hearing the President "plead for something one day, only to observe the next day a Cabinet official in the cloakroom, calling someone off the floor politely—but very urgently—suggesting that it might be a good idea if a budget request for a particular item were not adopted."

Catnip In Short Supply

IKOMA, Tanganyika nothing but foot and a big branch to aim at. What now, mighty intellect of yours, the enchanted leopard of ours the other day and larked the space to you, complete the story.

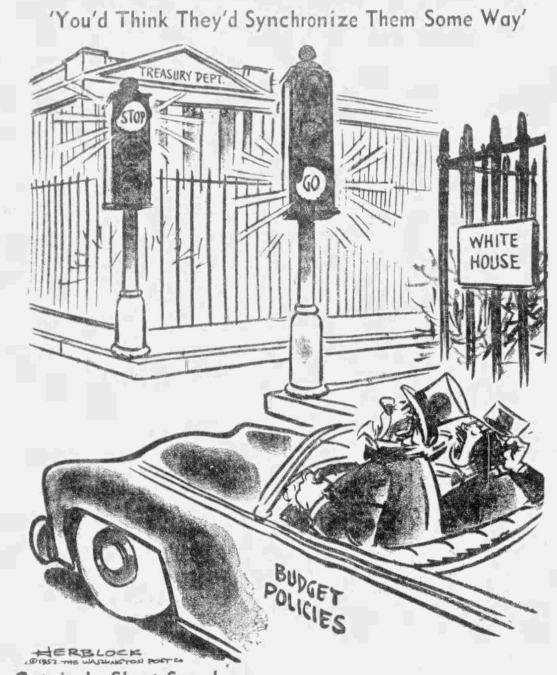
EVERYBODY else having failed to be a disease with John Sutton, a professional hunter and friend of mine, and me, the same conversation was reduced to what Mama calls the babbling of immature girls.

Private Grumblers

Finally Ike said he would "appreciate it very much if the committee would name Meade Alcorn."

Policy Dictation

Conservatives in Congress are particularly upset over Alcorn's pledge to strengthen the Republican National Committee. They interpret this to mean that he will try to displace the U. S. Republican congressmen. If he tries this, they have sworn to fight him.



The End Of An Enchanted Leopard

By ROBERT C. RUARK

I WAS telling you that I was in the enchanted leopard of ours the other day and larked the space to you, complete the story.

Sheepish Smile

Alcorn was "elected" national chairman by a voice vote. He asked for a voice vote with a sheepish smile after announcing the President's choice.

Johnson And Labor

It's been discussed only in backstage whispers, but Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon Johnson has been trying to appoint anti-labor Democrats on the Senate Labor Committee.

Greatest Blow

In the view of State Department policy-makers, from this first crack in the monolith came the revolutionary events of the past six months that have shaken the Communist empire to its foundations.

Partisan War

The dispute was heightened during the savage partisan war after Tito consolidated his power, charges of collaboration with the G.ermans were brought against him, including Archbishop Aloysius Stepanic.



MARSHAL TITO Dates Are Elusive

wanted an invitation to Washington, is put. If we were to base our invitations on the degree of civil liberty in a particular country, as one official expressed it, we would never have invited King Saud of Saudi Arabia, who is now on his way to America.

Stephanic was imprisoned and became a martyr in the eyes of millions around the world. In 1953 he was released with permission to leave the country or confine himself to his native village where he could officiate at mass in the village church. Two years ago, with the agreement of Stepanic, the Church and the regime in Belgrade, a bishop coadjutor was named to carry out the duties that had been those of the archbishop.

Reds Continue Arab Courting As Dulles Spars With Fancy

By JOSEPH ALSOP

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Congress Reluctant

Strong protests against the Tito visit have come from various members of Congress. Rep. John W. McCormack of Massachusetts, majority whip of the House, has intimated that he will try to block any foreign aid if Tito comes to America as a state guest.

In the hottest phase of the political campaign last fall President Eisenhower, on Dulles' recommendation, resisted a similar move when he found that Yugoslavia was entitled to American aid. Congress had approved the charges of collaboration with the G.ermans were brought against him, including Archbishop Aloysius Stepanic.

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