

# Comparison In Statesmanship

**GOV. HARRY W. NICE**, returning from the West Coast, has been in office nearly seven months. In view of the fact that he and former Mayor William F. Broening are the two outstanding Republicans of Maryland, it is interesting to compare their progress as national figures during the early months of their respective offices.

In the following lists appear such items as may be important in building up Governor Nice as a national figure, covering his actions to date, and similar items from the first seven months of Mr. Broening's first term as Mayor of Baltimore.

## BROENING

- May 20, 1919—He takes office as Mayor, the first elected Republican Mayor since 1897. He was elected by a plurality of 9,229 votes.
- May 27—It is announced that his campaign cost him \$6,115.
- June 6—He leaves for Pittsburgh for a celebration there by the Loyal Order of Moose.
- June 8—He is officially entertained by the city of Pittsburgh with a luncheon.
- June 17—Ben Hadad Temple, No. 93. Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan, presents him with a walrus traveling bag, the presentation address being made by State's Attorney Harry W. Nice, royal vizier of Ben Hadad Temple and imperial prince-elect of the national order of the aforementioned knights, pending official confirmation at Peoria, Ill.
- June 25—He is made supreme dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose in the United States at the Moose convention at Moosheart, Ind.
- July 3—He writes to all Senators and Representatives, urging free ports.
- July 13—He is invited to attend the international industrial congress at Alberta, Canada. Unhappily, he is busy and must decline.
- August 6—He joins the Patriotic Sons of America.
- August 11—He inspects the Loyal Order of Moose schools at Moosheart, Ind.
- August 12—He inspects the public schools of Gary, Ind., and bestows praise.
- August 19—Returning home, he comes out in favor of the use of motion pictures in churches.
- August 26—He goes to Providence, R. I., "for a little Moosing around"; also to confer with the municipal authorities concerning water works.
- September 9—He goes on a junket to Philadelphia, New York and other places.
- September 11—He invites General Pershing (in New York) to visit Baltimore.
- November 3—A New York news agency requests his advice concerning the award of \$10,000, a sum left by an Italian count to be bestowed upon some Providence (R. I.) girl of 20, "marriageable and the daughter of common people." He replies, citing the homely virtues and urging that the award be made to a girl noted for service, especially "in the field of humane endeavor."
- November 11—He is elected vice-president of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association.
- December 20—He sports a snappy, double-breasted overcoat made from a \$4.50 army blanket—and this is good for a short feature story, widely circulated by the

## NICE

- January 9, 1935—The Governor takes office, being one of the very few Republican candidates to win in the nation-wide elections swept by the Democrats. It cost his party \$39,798 to elect him.
- January 10—Congratulations are received from party hacks, local, state and national.
- January 16—The navy gives him a salute at Annapolis, and the Naval Academy superintendent pays an official call.
- January 30—President and Mrs. Roosevelt invite Governor Nice to a White House reception.
- February 21—He is initiated into the Loyal Order of Moose, being put through the ritual by former Mayor William F. Broening, supreme dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose.
- April 12—He goes fishing with Hoover (Herbert).
- April 24—He is photographed with Daniel Willard and Alfred P. Sloan, Jr.
- May 26-27-28—He is the guest of Governor Brann on a fishing trip in Maine, along with Governor Earle of Pennsylvania, Governor Curley of Massachusetts, Rudy Vallee, Emil Fuchs, president of the Boston Braves, and other notables.
- June 12-13-14—He attends the conference of twenty-two Governors at Biloxi, Miss., where he makes a speech calling for the return of "national sanity" and the reduction of taxes. Also, he denounced "false prophets" and declared: "The Republican party must ever function within constitutional limitations."
- June 21—The Naval Academy Officers Club of Annapolis makes him an honorary member.
- June 22—He is the honor guest of the Southern Maryland Society at its annual convention held on the steamer Yorktown, on the Chesapeake Bay.
- July 12—He leaves for a Western junket.
- July 13—At Chicago, en route to the West Coast, he issues a statement expressing distrust for "purchased prosperity" and of the "aftermath of the New Deal."
- July 17—At Los Angeles he is photographed with a group of Hollywood girls.
- July 19—At home, the Pulaski Republican Club booms him for the Presidency, urging that he be named to run in the forthcoming Presidential election.
- July 20—At San Francisco, he attends a conference of the California Republican leaders.
- July 22—He visits Hoover at Palo Alto, Cal., to talk over the impending campaign, making headlines in hundreds of newspapers throughout the country.