

EDITORIAL

FUTURE OF RAILROAD MANAGEMENT

Railroads in the United States have long felt the firm hand of government regulation. Their cut-throat competition and needless duplication of facilities were outlawed soon after the roads reached their hey-day.

In recent years, the depression and bus and truck competition have put the rails in serious straits. Railroad employment has suffered as a consequence. There have been some mergers, but some sort of unification may be necessary for them to achieve permanent stability.

That there is a renewed demand for government ownership of railroads is chiefly because of the slash in employment rolls. It is hoped, apparently, that political pressure will enable wages to be sustained or increased under government ownership. Would this mean that roads would be kept operating where trucks have removed the need for them, that payrolls would be maintained when there were no trains to move—for want of business—and mechanical progress slowed up because it would interfere with the present set-up? These are some of the questions which taxpayers may well ponder.

It is true, as often charged, that railroads have been victimized by banking cliques. It is true that shortsighted management has prevented the roads from meeting bus and truck competition. But today the roads are showing signs of recovery. Schedules are faster, new equipment is being purchased, the stream-lined speedsters and air-conditioned coaches are well known. Carloadings increased this year.

Could Uncle Sam meet competition any better? Would he tolerate competition of bus and truck lines? Would he raise the rates to meet demands and force competition to do likewise? Uncle Sam usually permits no competition. Just try, for example, to set up a cheaper postal system.

Government ownership of railroads would virtually force ownership of all forms of transportation—rail, air, water, highway. And if that isn't a large order, there isn't any in our time.

BEHIND THE SCENES IN WASHINGTON

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WASHINGTON—Don't be surprised if Congress hires a "brain trust" of its own.

It will be asked soon to create a staff of experts which would advise it on economic and technical aspects of proposed legislation. The idea is the outgrowth of a study of proposals for a national economic council, made by a sub-committee of the Senate Commerce Committee, composed of Senators Buckley of Ohio, Costigan of Colorado, and LaFollette of Wisconsin.

The man who worked out the plan for the committee is Leon Henderson, who was drafted from a group of protesting consumer representatives by General Johnson and made chief of research and planning at NRA and lately has been directing the economic council study.

In the last two or three years Congress has frequently passed laws which few of its members understood and it's usually agreed that isn't a good thing, quite aside from the increasing desire of Congress not to be a New Deal rubber stamp.

If you were surprised to hear that John Lord O'Brian, former Republican assistant attorney general, had been specially engaged to present the government's TVA argument before the U. S. Supreme Court, you would have been even more surprised if you could have seen him in action.

It is the opinion of court attaches that O'Brian, the Republican, made a more brilliant presentation than any other government attorney has made since New Deal cases first began to reach the court. (Such attorneys include Attorney General Cummings, Solicitor General Stanley Reed, Donald Richberg for NRA, and ex-Solicitor General J. Crawford Biggs.)

O'Brian proved quick of mind and tongue and was never caught off base. Many were delighted when he became what court followers termed the first attorney in years to put Justice McReynolds (famous for asking biting, often irrelevant questions) "in his place."

O'Brian's eloquent urbanity and good humor came into play, for instance, when McReynolds asked a question which was off the point.

"Now, if your honor will concede that this question has nothing to do with the issues here, I shall be very glad to discuss that phase for a few minutes," O'Brian said pleasantly.

Even McReynolds smiled, though few attorneys ever dared be so firm with him—an exception being Assistant Attorney General Joe Keenan, famed as a kidnaping expert, who not long ago, when McReynolds asked if he were arguing so-and-so, replied: "I didn't make any such stupid argument and I didn't even infer it!"

Stanley Reed, upon whom the burden of presenting New Deal cases falls, is not a brilliant advocate, although he has greatly improved the Department of Justice legal staff in the last few months.

His worst fault is that he gets mixed up in answering questions from the bench.

It's worth recalling, however, that never were so many searching—and often partisan—questions asked by supreme court justices and that never before did a solicitor general have such a load to carry as has Reed.

The new dollar bill carries the motto "E Pluribus Unum" (One From Many), the significance of which will become immediately apparent every payday.

At this season it isn't hard to explain the AAA to Junior. He has undoubtedly been paid for not footing his Christmas sax.

Live and learn. Stratosphere photos recently revealed world was round, and now a movie exec says most popular actors have large heads.

"Czechoslovakian President Benes has supplied valuable advice to many European diplomats." This will shatter the canard that they didn't know Benes.

A cable from the front says that Italians have lost more men in motor accidents than in combat. All Ethiopia has to do now is to lighten the traffic laws.

For the embattled legal "and/or," the timid wife, about Christmas time, can find a use, as in "I'd like a fur coat and/or a roadster."

STORM PILES UP WRECKAGE IN SOUTHEAST

SNOW STORM RAGES IN CAROLINAS AND GEORGIA

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP)—A destructive blizzard swept up the New England coast today after causing at least 16 deaths and millions of dollars damage between Georgia and New York.

In Atlanta alone damage was estimated unofficially at \$2,000,000. Lights, heat and telephones were missing from many homes, and street car service stopped during the week-end.

Forty-five thousand men and 1,300 snowplows were called out at dawn in New York to clear the streets of snow more than 3 inches deep.

Coastal shipping was disrupted and railroad and bus service was hampered by heavy winds and snow combined with falling temperatures. Air lines in the east grounded or rerouted their planes.

The deaths of five persons in the southeast, six in Oklahoma, one in New York, and four in Philadelphia were attributed to the storm. Damage in Georgia centered in a 40-mile circle around Atlanta. Light and telephone circuits began going out Saturday evening as ice-laden trees started losing branches.

Two hundred linemen struggled today to restore 5,000 Atlanta phones, while the electric power company sent out 350 repair men. Five to 13 inches of snow fell in the Carolinas, with bus and motor traffic virtually at a standstill. Street cars stopped in Charlotte and other cities.

In three North Carolina counties the reopening of schools was postponed. Temperatures remained below the freezing point, and many trains below Washington were delayed two or three hours.

Several vessels in Chesapeake bay asked aid from coast guardsmen as ice stopped ferry service. For the third time in 20 years Great South bay off Long Island, N. Y., was frozen over, and coast guard craft were icebound at their docks. The temperature in New York yesterday ranged between 8 and 22.

A Friend of Man

HORIZONTAL Answer to Previous Puzzle

1 Man's favorite animal friend.
4 In its wild state it is...
13 Jewel.
14 Before long.
15 Hastens.
16 Tennis fence.
17 Spartan.
20 Either.
21 Imitated.
22 Sea eagles.
23 Note in scale.
24 Two-edged sword.
25 To hover.
26 Ye.
27 Chums.
28 Kind of gull.
29 Fairy.
30 Bronze.
31 Representative.
32 Credit.
34 To devour.
35 Before.
36 Pronoun.
37 Preposition.

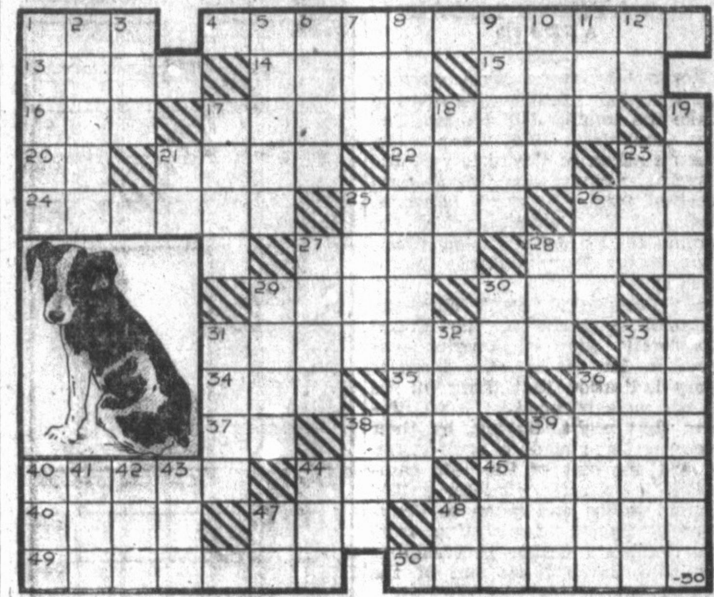
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38 Social insect.
39 Afternoon meals.
40 To change.
44 To strike.
45 Mends.
46 Genuine.
47 To murmur as a cat.
48 Compressed fodder.
49 It belongs to the family.
50 There are many domesticated.

11 Unit.
12 You and me.
17 Hurried.
18 Part of the eye.
19 Washerwomen.
21 Sloth.
23 Because.
25 Food.
26 Affirmative.
27 Animal skin.
28 Golf device.
29 Irish coal.
30 Devoured.
31 Expensive.
32 Work of skill.
33 Variation.
36 Harem.
39 Powder ingredient.
40 Part of a circle.
41 Meadow.
42 Light brown.
43 Prophet.
44 Color.
45 To perish.
47 Father.
48 Spain.

VERTICAL
1 Giver.
2 Music drama.
3 Gun.
4 Part of a circle.
5 Spiritus.
6 Avenue.
7 Netter.
8 It is the most of beasts.
9 Figure in prayer.

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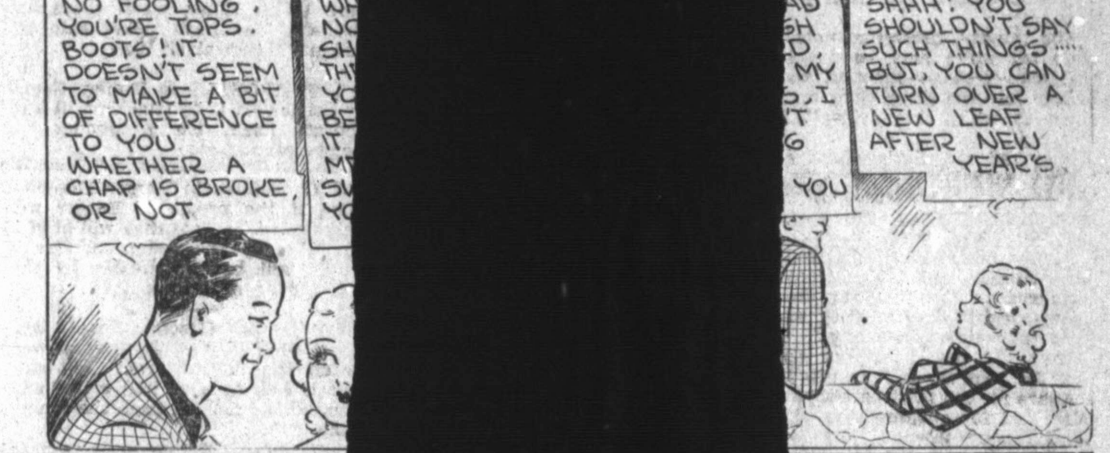
OUT OUR WAY -- By WILLIAMS



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



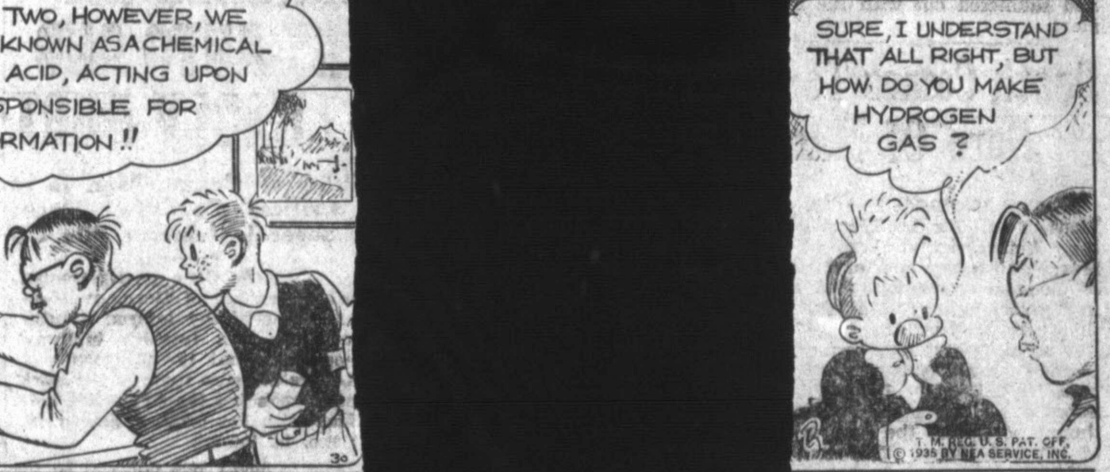
Proceed, Jimmy!



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



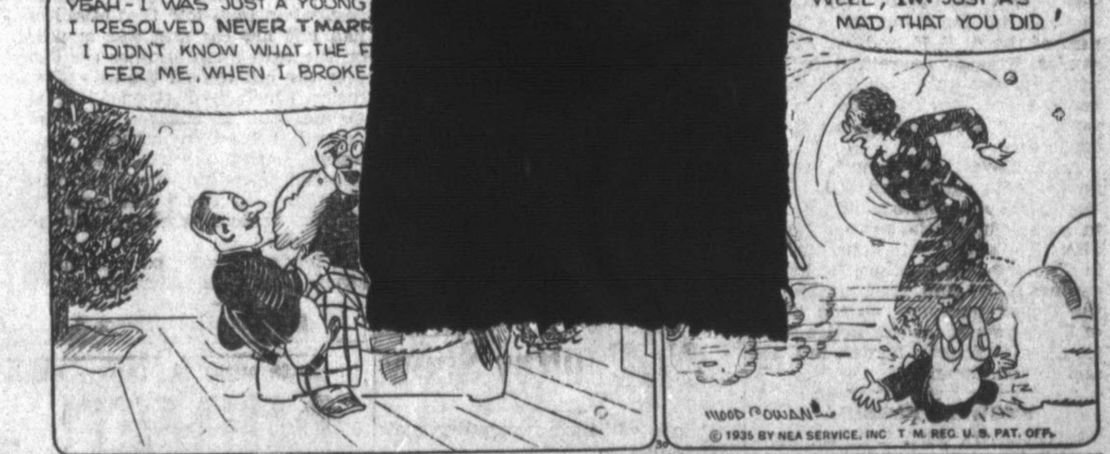
Poor Ossie!



THE NEWFANGLES (Mom'n Pop)



That Makes Them Even



ALLEY OOP



Our Hero Gets the Blame



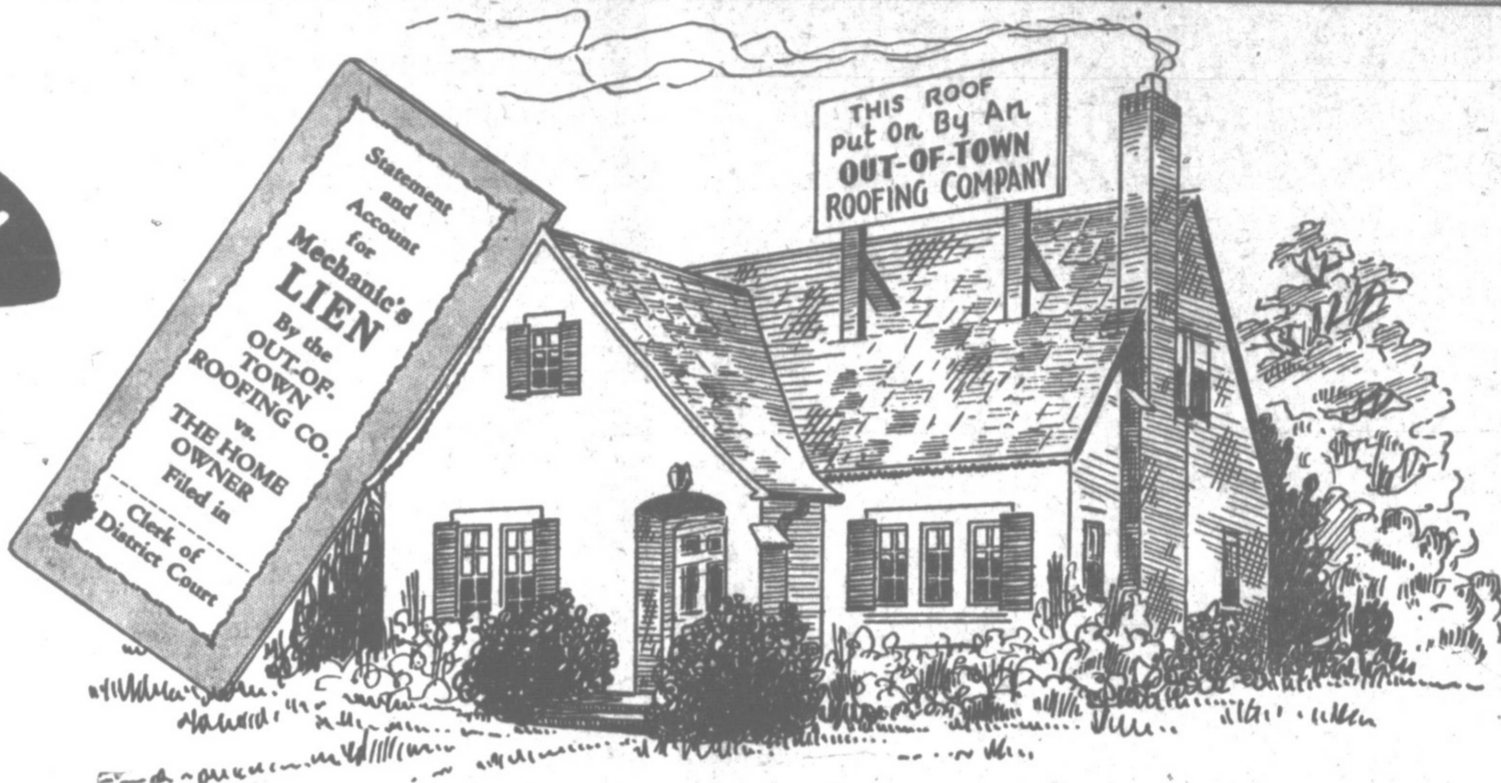
DOES YOUR HOME SHOW THESE SIGNS *to Your Neighbor?*



UNLESS YOU PAY CASH

For Your Roof—

A Lien Is Placed
Against Your
Home



THE SIGN OF AN OUT-OF-TOWN ROOFER *ON YOUR HOME Is Nothing to be Proud Of*

Every Time You Allow the Out-of-Town Roofer to Do Your Work

It is a Knock Against Home Labor

Many carpenters and workmen maintain their homes in this city. They support their families here. Employment has been scarce enough when divided among our own people. WHY give this work to outsiders—strangers?

Besides Are You Sure

The itinerant roofer is measuring your roof correctly—often times you are paying FOR MORE SQUARES of roofing than required. Double check his figures before signing a contract.

Have You Been Tricked Into Signing a Contract TODAY So As to Save 20% or 25% Discount?

This method of HIGH PRESSURE SELLING SHOULD WARN YOU against the Itinerant Roofer. As to their values, quality of work and methods

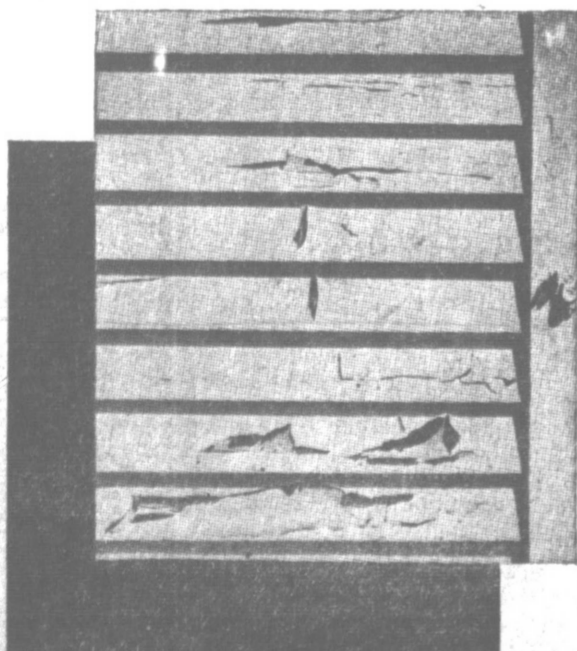
What Guarantee Have You

that the materials used will be up to standard quality and at the right price.

WHAT WILL YOU DO

In the future if the roof proves unsatisfactory? Try to locate the peddler—he has your money and is GONE.

THE ITINERANT PAINT PEDDLER TELLS YOU *"He Sells Cheaper" But—Does He?* *You be the Judge*



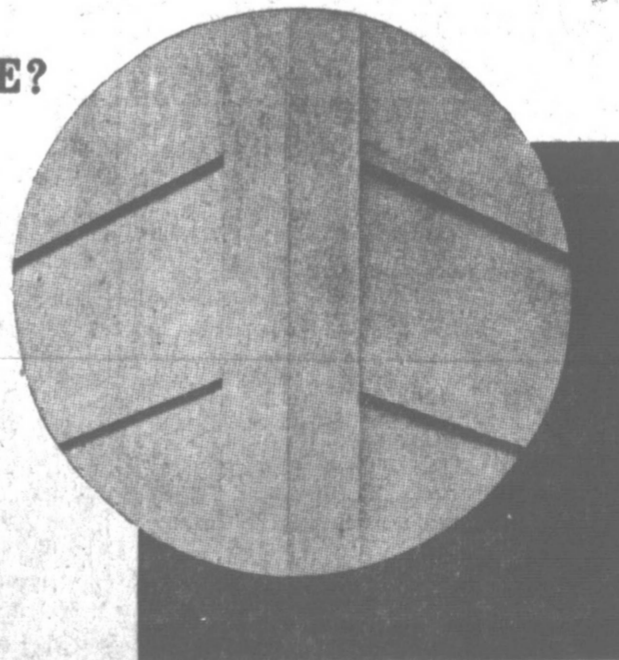
WHO GOT THE BARGAIN IN THIS CASE?

← *An Actual Photograph*

unretouched — showing "cheap paint." This picture tells the story—a complete failure, both from standpoints of protection and appearance. Note the surface—it will be necessary to go to the expense of burning or scraping all the old paint off before a re-paint job can be done.

Another Actual Photograph →

In the same city—another house. The paint used here was NOT purchased from an itinerant paint peddler. This picture shows a WHITE LEAD, the essential to quality paint, job after FIVE YEARS. It is still good—the surface is smooth and in perfect shape for re-painting.



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Do Not Confuse Local People or Local Representatives of Local Institutions With Itinerant Peddlers

Beware OF STRANGERS AND PEDDLERS AT YOUR DOOR WARNS CHIEF OF POLICE

To The Citizens
and Housewives
of Pampa:

THIS IS A WARNING issued for the protection of Pampa homes and citizens from the HAZARDS of DEALING WITH ITINERANT PEDDLERS and STRANGERS.

OWING TO THE FACT that there have been many cases of High Pressure Selling Schemes reported to the Police recently by the housewives and citizens the following is issued:

STRANGERS SHOULD NOT BE ADMITTED to your homes UNTIL THEIR CREDENTIALS HAVE BEEN CHECKED UP AND VERIFIED—and that you ARE SURE YOU KNOW the party at your door to be a LOCAL PAMPA CITIZEN deserving your consideration.

ONE NEED NOT BE AFRAID of offending the HONEST SALESMAN, living here, or REPRESENTING A LOCAL BUSINESS FIRM. He will have his CREDENTIALS WITH HIM—that is why all are required to carry their identification SO AS TO PROTECT YOU.

DO NOT PAY CASH IN ADVANCE to Strangers on orders, as in many cases the customer has NEVER RECEIVED THE MERCHANDISE—nor has there been any refund of the cash-in-advance payment.

DO NOT CASH CHECKS OR ISSUE A CHECK to a Stranger on an order, often times these checks have been "ALTERED" and later cashed by an innocent party.

IN CASE YOU ARE SUSPICIOUS, PHONE THE POLICE AT ONCE. PHONE NO. 555. DON'T DELAY IN THIS—as it will enable our police to overtake anyone making false representations at your home.

IT'S BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY—Protect yourself—BE SURE you know who the Stranger is at your door before allowing him admittance to your home. ASK FOR IDENTIFICATIONS.

S. A. HURST,
Chief of Police,
Pampa, Tex.

