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WASHINGTON COLUMN

Communists, Though Minority Control Power in Costa Rica

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent



WASHINGTON—(NEA)—If O. Henry were alive today and writing of Latin-American revolutions, he would have a new type of character to introduce in his plots. It would be the Latin-American Communist. The current revolution in Costa Rica offers an example. This little republic between Panama and Nicaragua has always been considered one of the most stable of the Central American countries. It has had no tradition of rich Spanish grandees and big estates. Coffee plantations on the central upland plateau have been run by small and middle-class land owners. There have been few great accumulations of wealth and little peasant poverty. Biggest operator in the country has been United Fruit Company. Most of its plantations used to be on the Caribbean coast, which is low and tropical. When disease hit the banana plants there some years ago, United Fruit moved over the mountains to the Pacific coast. The one railroad from the eastern port of Limon to San Jose, the capital, is British-owned. The extension to the Pacific is owned by the government. United Fruit runs most of the shipping.

In summary, Costa Rica's living standard is higher than in most parts of South America. There has been no great exploitation of the population. It hasn't been a country where there was great unrest. It wasn't a place where you would expect communism to take over. It apparently has in the current election revolt.

ACCORDING to Washington reports, the No. 1 Communist in Costa Rica is believed to be a woman. She was born Maria Isabel Cervantes. She now goes under the name of Carmen Lyra. She is 46 years old. She was once a school teacher, but she is better known as a writer. She has apparently never been outside her own country. Yet it is generally believed she engineered the formation of the Communist movement in Costa Rica. Her modest house in San Jose has been meeting place for native Communist leaders.

She picked men to be the leaders of her movement. Chief among them is Manuel Mora, now head of the Popular Front, a duly elected member of the Congress and chairman of its finance committee. When the Communist movement was first started in 1930 Mora was a young man just out of college. He began his political career as an exponent of "Yankee imperialism," which all native patriots like to shout about. He is considered an orator and writer of ability. During the war Mora became pro-American. He took the lead in advocating co-operation with American capital seeking to develop his country and raise its standard of living. This was after the Third International was abolished by Moscow. The Communist party in Costa Rica then dropped that label and became known as Vanguardia Popular, or the Popular Front. Mora is titular head of the party.

Another leader is Rodolfo Guzman. He is probably the only one of the group who has ever been to Moscow. He went there in 1935. He had received only primary school education in Costa Rica. He came back from Moscow a well-schooled labor leader. In all there are believed to be not more than 20 real leaders in the Popular Front. They form the Costa Rican Politbureau and organize the cells at lower levels.

Last year the Popular Front in Costa Rica got hold of a radio station. It has been noisily active, as has its newspaper. But the movement itself has been on the decline. It registered 16,000 voters in 1942. Its present strength is believed less than half that figure. As numerical strength has gone down, however, its influence has gone up. Today the Front has seven seats in Congress. The Republican party has 23 seats. The Unionist party 24. The Popular Front therefore holds the balance of power. That's just what it wants. No party can do anything without its co-operation. That gives the Communists control of the situation.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—(NEA)—An old-time scout calls the Cardinals' catching the worst in the history of the majors. "Well, not quite that bad," comments Eddie Dyer, "but it's certainly a jig-saw puzzle." The manager of the St. Louis Nationals last season had to alternate three backstops fairly evenly. Young Joe Garagiola doesn't get the ball away fast enough. The Dodgers, for example, would steal everything but the Red Birds' blazers. For this and other reasons, certain pitchers don't choose to throw to Garagiola. Harry Brecheen, for instance, insists on Del Rice, who, it will be recalled, handled the Cat throughout the 1949 World Series. He even marched in with the little left-hander when he went in to save the pay-off game. The trouble with Rice is that, while he treats southpaws as though he owned them, he can't hit right-handers with two bats, or a paddle. That's too bad, for the fellow has power. He manufactured a dozen home runs against left-hand pitching last season in 97 games, and wound up batting all of .218. Del Wilber, the Cardinals' third masked man, is big and slow and doesn't hit enough. This is why Dyer is taking such a good look at squatty John Bucha, who is attempting to jump all the way from Columbus, Ga., and Omaha. "And to think that in January, 1946, I could have had Phil Masi and \$50,000 from the Braves for Walker Cooper," means the personable Dyer, "but Sam Breadon insisted upon the \$175,000 from the Giants."

THE price tag on Cooper gives you a rough idea of what good catchers are worth today, stresses the acute shortage of capable hands behind the plate. Competent judges agree that in addition to Cooper and Masi there are no more than three Grade A catchers with the 16 big league clubs, giving them a total of just five. The others are the remarkable Bruce Edwards of the Brooklyn, Buddy Rosar of the Athletics and Ray Lamano, who teams up with the amazing Ewell Blackwell for the Reds. Rosar, by the way, is the only American Leaguer among the big five. Jim Hegan of the Indians is one of the more promising of the younger catchers. Yogi Berra of the Yankees has to demonstrate that he can throw quickly and accurately enough, and Niarhos has to prove himself. There is no question about major league catching being the worst in history outside of wartime. The only explanation for this is that the better kid players consider catching too hard work and don't care to run the risk of injury behind the plate. The catching, therefore, is assigned to the most inept youngsters on the lot. Organized baseball could solve this by picking out prospective catchers from other positions at an early age. That would be doing them a great favor.

Fear California's Drought Threat May Affect Nation's Food Supply

By James C. Anderson
United Press Staff Correspondent
SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—A drought is threatening California, the nation's richest farm state in gross income and producer of a large share of the fruits and vegetables eaten in the United States.

Economists and farm experts are gravely concerned lest the two-year-old dry cycle continue unabated through the remainder of the normally wet spring season and again next winter. They fear the drought will have a definite effect on prices and the supply of at least 17 items of food in which California is a major national producer.

This is the fourth consecutive year in which rainfall in the state has been below normal. In the first two years of the cycle rainfall was only slightly under average, but in the last two years it has been as low as 69 per cent of normal. The 1947-48 rainfall total in fact, is the fourth lowest in the 51-year history of weather bureau records.

So far, it has meant little to California's \$300,000,000 vegetable and melon crops or its fruit and nut industry, which returned growers \$431,180,000 in 1947. California primarily is an irrigated state and farmers simply pumped more water from the underground reserve and drew more heavily upon water piled up behind the network of dams and reservoirs.

This year, an almost normal yield is expected in those irrigated crops. But the drain on the water reserve has been staggering. One more dry year and there won't be enough water left to irrigate everything.

The drought already has struck those farmers producing field crops—a \$815,000,000 industry. Cattle and sheep raisers were hit first, since rainfall provides the only moisture for the pasture lands.

In the San Joaquin Valley, the heart of the drought area in the northern and central sections of the state, as much as 70 per cent of the grass crop was lost this year. Louis Arburua, of the California Farm Bureau Marketing Association estimated that cost cattle and sheep raisers in the valley about \$35,000,000. An estimated 200,000 head of cattle already have been shipped to other Far Western states or marketed early because the parched grass lands could not support them. At least 50,000 head of sheep have been farmed out to neighboring states. Many producers have had to import feed from as far away as Wisconsin and Kansas to nurture their remaining livestock.

The seriousness of the situation was reflected in a report by the state crop reporting service, which estimated one-third of the state's grain crop this year probably will

be lost. Meat production will suffer and a shortage of fresh milk was predicted. A million tons of hay, normally held in reserve at this time of year, already has been used for feed. At the moment, the effect of the drought has been confined largely to approximately 9,000,000 consumers inside the state in the expected boost in milk and meat prices. California does not produce enough of either commodity to export to other states. But if the drought continues through the 1948-49 wet season from November through February, housewives from Bangor, Me., to Portland, Ore., will feel the effect in higher prices for such foods as lettuce, grapes, avocados, olives, oranges, prunes, walnuts, artichokes, spinach, tomatoes, and many canned fruits and vegetables.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

BY MERRILL BLOSSE



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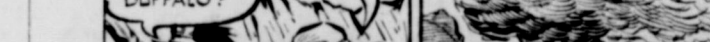
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THE SCOREBOARD

Cards' Gripe About Masi Stresses Lack of Catchers

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor



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Building Wizard Would Save Cities By Moving Rich Back From Suburbs

By Robert Musel
NEW YORK (UP)—William Zeckendorf awoke during the night with one of the fabulous dreams he makes come true with astounding regularity and grabbed for the telephone.
"Tell me," snapped Zeckendorf, "have you got too much money or are you interested in making more?"
"I've got some money," Rockefeller admitted cautiously, "but I believe in free enterprise—so I'm always interested in making more."
"Good," said the real estate wizard who had assembled the land for the United Nations site, "then listen to this."
His crisp, enthusiastic voice crackled on and before the financier went back to sleep, Rockefeller had agreed to place a whole research unit of the Rockefeller organization on an idea which Zeckendorf believes will revolutionize one phase of industry.
Behind his desk as president of Webb & Knapp, Zeckendorf is working on plans for saving the nation's big cities from the bankruptcy he believes many face inevitably unless they find new sources of revenue.
"You have this sort of thing happening all over," he said. "A city grows up on a cow pasture layout and then the rich folks begin moving to the suburbs. In other words, you begin to lose your most taxable citizens and the burden of municipal services falls on the poor. Unless many cities extend their boundaries to increase income from tax sources, they may be forced to encourage emigration and depend on the centralization of commerce and industry within the city borders."
One of Zeckendorf's solutions is what he calls thinking in "vertical terms." For a New York example he projected a city within a city to be called "X-City." That was well under way on the drawing boards when he was persuaded to give up the site for the United Nations.

At a cost of \$50,000,000, Zeckendorf was going to build four 40-story office buildings, three 30-story apartment buildings, a 6,000-room hotel, a garage for 5,000 automobiles, a helicopter air port, an opera house, a concert hall and several other buildings, including a night club. At peak occupancy, X-City would have had working or living accommodations for 100,000 people.
"Whatever the solution," he said "big cities must plan right now for the needs of the years ahead."
Zeckendorf, a movie-style go-getter whose loud neckties beat down on a gathering paunch, is a self-made man whose partners are the socially elite John H. P. Gould and Henry Sears.
He started by collecting rents for an uncle and a few years later was consuming million dollar deals by telephone. He became famous among realtors for reorganizing the tremendous Astor holdings in New York adding \$5,000,000 to their value.
At 42 he is a millionaire with a penthouse garden that provides him with his only exercise outside of hunting trips in Maine. He is one of the highest gardeners in Manhattan.
Zeckendorf, whose family originated in Tucson, Ariz., is committed to city life and spends most of his time dreaming up such items as business centers in Houston, Denver, and Atlanta. Once he bought almost the entire waterfront of Hoboken, N. J.
The distance of airports from big cities is another of his pet con-

Pension Check Fifty-Seven Years Old Found

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—A grizzled veteran of Texas' war for independence wrote his senator in Austin 57 years ago wanting to know what happened to his quarterly pension check.
The whereabouts of the check was discovered recently in Austin—tucked away in a roll-top desk.
The state treasury warrant was dated Nov. 18, 1891, and was made out to Lewis C. Clemons of Washington County. It represented a quarterly payment of \$37.50 on Clemons' \$250 annual pension.
Guy W. Bell removed the roll top from incumbent Senator Geo. Moffett's desk while refinishing senate furniture. The warrant and a roll of correspondence had been jammed beyond reach in the old desk.
The correspondence was a letter from Clemons to his senator stating that he had not received his pension check for July, August and September, 1891.
Records reveal that Clemons was born in Kentucky in 1816 and enlisted in Capt. Philip Coe's Ranger Company in 1835. He fought in the battle of San Jacinto and died in Washington County in 1893, two years after the effective date of the old warrant.
The Clemons warrant became non negotiable two years after it was issued. Survivors, however, can submit their claims to the Legislature for a special appropriation to cover the old draft.

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Eastland County Towns & Communities

(Editor's Note—The following is taken from the forthcoming book, "History of Eastland County," By Ed T. Cox.)

CARBON Continued

Carbon Lodge No. 786, A. F. & A. M., was chartered December 3, 1896, and had its first permanent meeting place in the second story of Postmaster, W. J. Reed's dwelling. The writer does not have to guess in this matter as it was there in 1897, he was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Judge J. R. Frost, of Eastland, was the Worshipful Master, at the time. At present the office is filled by H. L. Jackson. The lodge had worked for some time during the years 1895 and 1896.

She's No Lemon



If you can take your eyes off Pat Becker long enough, consider the fruit on the vines. They're lemons! The Ponderosa variety grows as big as grapefruit down in Lake Wales, Fla.

under a dispensation. The Masters of the Lodge have been as follows:

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- 1901—R. E. Pealer Dec'd
- 1902—J. D. Bond Dec'd
- 1903—T. H. Dingler Living
- 1904—W. P. Rankin Dec'd
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- 1910—E. Collins Living
- 1911—M. C. Tucker Living
- 1912—M. C. Tucker Dec'd
- 1913—F. B. Gillette Dec'd
- 1914—J. C. Gorman Living
- 1915—J. C. Gorman Living
- 1916—F. T. Weaver Dec'd
- 1917—C. M. Murphy Living
- 1918—J. A. McEntire Dec'd
- 1919—E. H. Boyette Living
- 1920—J. T. Elliot Living
- 1921—W. C. Greeg Dec'd
- 1922—S. P. Rumph Dec'd
- 1923—J. E. Collins Living
- 1924—T. J. Boston Living
- 1925—W. E. McCall Living
- 1926—W. E. Trimble Living
- 1927—T. G. Jackson Living
- 1928—E. R. Yarbrough Living
- 1929—D. James Dec'd
- 1930—W. F. Gilbert Living
- 1931—W. W. Kelley Living
- 1932—C. E. Eldridge Living
- 1933—M. C. Tucker Living
- 1934—T. G. Jackson Living
- 1935—L. A. Horn Living
- 1936—W. E. McCall Living
- 1937—W. E. McCall Living
- 1938—W. E. McCall Living
- 1939—K. M. Turner Living
- 1940—K. M. Turner Living
- 1941—W. L. Horn Living
- 1942—H. L. Jackson Living
- 1943—H. L. Jackson Living

The records of the Lodge disclose that no officer has died while serving his term as Worshipful Master. The records further disclose that Bro. T. H. Dingler, and Bro. M. C. Tucker, were voted Honorary Life Membership, in the Lodge, by unanimous vote, at

The Innocent Impostor

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THE STORY: Patience Monk goes to London three times a week to attend dressmaking school. It is the only freedom allowed her by the one man who has loved her since she was a child. The man who has loved her since she was a child. The man who has loved her since she was a child.

with the church brasses when the clock struck three the time she would have seen striving. A tear fell onto the heavy vase. And then another.

SHE went back into the house when at last her tears had stopped and upstairs to her own room. She sat down at the little writing table in the window and found note paper and envelopes. It was the first love letter she'd ever written. She supposed it would almost certainly be the last.

Patience was almost dreading the next morning. It came and she thought, "This evening I'll see him." Only she must take no notice of him. She'd given Aunt Helen her promise. She'd written to him and told him what to expect.

a stated meeting held on the 2nd day of Oct. 1939. The writer is indebted to Bro. T. H. Dingler a Past Master, of the Lodge for gathering the foregoing information.

tracks of the herds of buffalo then in the vicinity. Charles B. Jenkins a brother-in-law of J. T. Townsend was also a resident at the Townsend Ranch at this time.

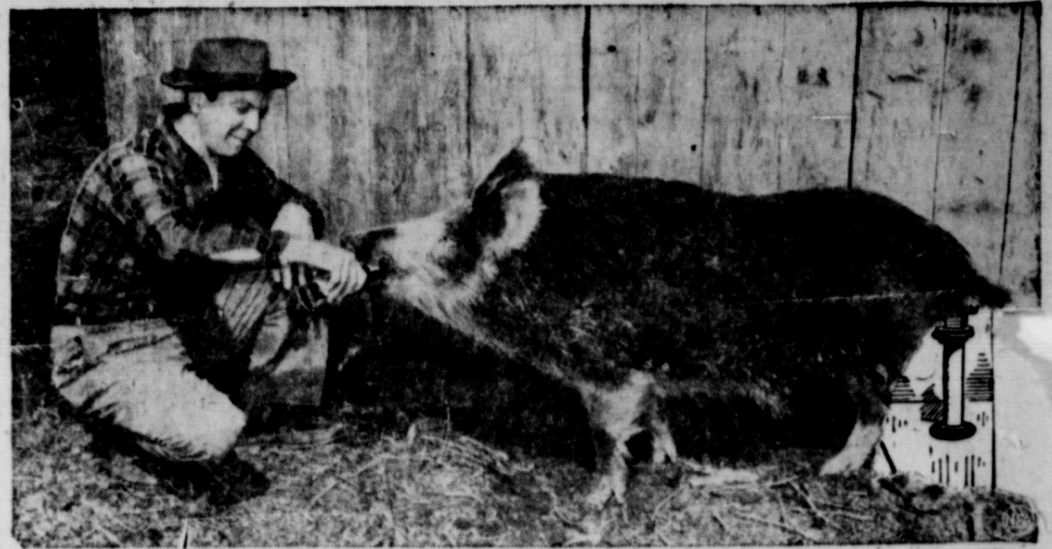
CISCO There seems to be some uncertainty as to who was the first to settle in the neighborhood of Cisco. John T. Townsend coming from Kentucky, stopped in Comanche in 1872 and after a few months, came on to Eastland County, settling near what is now Lem Switch. John Carter had a ranch on Sandy Creek, later known as the Robertson Ranch, but is not known to the writer what year it was established. Robert E. Townsend, now deceased, stated to the writer that when he came to the County in 1871 it was in operation.

Each of those mentioned as being at the Townsend Ranch soon established himself in the community and became permanent citizens of the county. Martin Owens married a sister of the Townsend Brothers and established himself some seven or eight miles North-West of the Townsend Ranch. He was the first to use wire for fencing purpose in this section of the country. Mr. Owens was killed in the Cisco Cyclone in 1893.

if he were not there on the train. If he decided to travel down on another one. BUT he was waiting at the barrier. Her heart snook a slight of him and her knees turned to jelly. He strode towards her and took her arm in a firm grip and said angrily, "What is all this nonsense? That ridiculous letter I received from you this morning—" "It's not nonsense, Paul. I meant every word of it." "I don't believe it."

Patience swallowed hard. Her hands gripped the brass rail running along the window. "The trouble is they can't." He looked at her for a long moment. "You're not really going to let them get away with it?" "How can I help it?" "Stand up to them. Tell them to go to blazes—" "Oh, Paul, Paul, if you knew them you'd understand that what you're suggesting is quite impossible."

Makes a Pig of Himself on Beer



Show a bottle of beer to Jack, a 200-pound Russian wild boar, and he pleadingly grunts until you uncup it and pour the contents down his gullet. Jack belongs to Deputy U. S. Marshal Hugh Watson, of Sweetwater, Tenn., who captured him while raiding a still in the nearby mountains three years ago. He brought the baby pig to his farm and raised it on milk from a bottle until it could forage for itself. Since his first taste of beer Jack has demanded his daily ration of the stuff. Above, Marshal Watson's brother Henry, gives him one of the five or six bottles he drinks every day.

Baby, Survivor Of Surgery Is In Best Health

BROWNWOOD, Tex. (UP) — Walter Bruce Croft was five months old this week and had gained four pounds since he became a marvel of medical science last Jan. 9.

"I haven't had a bit of trouble with him since the operation except for one cold," his mother said. His mother, Mrs. Bruce Croft, is a former treasury receptionist in Washington. She is the wife of ex-GI Bruce Croft, who took a pre-med course at Howard Payne College and is driving a truck out of Alvarado to earn a living for his family while he is preparing to enter Temple University, Philadelphia, for a course in chiropody.

The baby survived an operation brought on by a combination of situs inversus and pyloric stenosis—believed the first such successful operation. Mrs. Croft said letters had come from everywhere about the baby. Walter Bruce, born Nov. 1,

1947, in Medical Arts Hospital, Brownwood, weighs 13 pounds—just one pound under "normal" weight for his age and size, his mother said. The family lives at a veterans housing project at Camp Bowie, near Brownwood.

Thieves Clean Up

PHILADELPHIA. (UP) — Thieves broke into the garage of a trucking firm, stripped trucks of tires and rims valued at \$2,200 and stole tools and office equipment valued at \$1,000. Then they loaded their loot on a company truck worth \$3,500 and drove away, undetected.

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At Party

Guy Craig Fri- 1:00 o'clock Mrs. h was hostess to incheon for the er Club. nite birthday cake rs. G. L. Whitley was Mrs. Craig for the luncheon. Following the luncheon, a short business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Kenneth Garrett.

Mrs. Bob Burkett of Odessa and Mrs. Tom Earnest of Breckenridge former members of the club were present and the members enjoyed a social hour when secret pals were revealed and each presented a gift. No changes will be made for secret pals until fall. Present were: Meses, Kenneth Garrett, G. L. Whitley, Clarence strong, J. J. Cooper, Wayne Dalton, Hilton Kuykendall, L. W. Dalton, Tom Earnest of Breckenridge, Mrs. Bob Burkett of Odessa, Mrs. Guy Robinson honoree, Mrs. Craig, and hostess Mrs. Upchurch.

Begin Mission Study
WCS of the Methodist Church will begin the Mission Study Monday afternoon with Mrs. N. P. McCarney as leader, the subject is "We The People", the study is sponsored by the United Nations organization and Churches. The meeting opens at 3:00 p.m. at the church.

Personals

Miss Hallie Morris of San Antonio is visiting her mother, Mrs. Ida Morris at the Alhambra Hotel. Miss Morris is a registered nurse and came to be with her brother, Morris, at Ranger who is ill but is improving.

Mrs. Howard Brock has returned from a visit with her son, C. G. Brock and family at Palestine, and in Lufkin visited Mrs. W. E. Coleman and her son Francis and wife at Nacogdoches who returned with her for a visit over the week-end.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Van Geem are their grandson June Bryant, and Miss Clarence Walker of Palestine. Miss Walker is a friend of Mr. Bryant.

Mrs. Marshall Ivey, little daughter, Marsha Ann, Mrs. N. S. Kinard, and Mrs. T. L. Lasater all of Cisco were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Lasater, East Plummer street.

Miss Rhea Mildred Hearn, employed at Monahans, and Mr. and Mrs. John C. Ertel and their son Shannon of Fort Worth are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hearn, West Commerce St.

Mrs. Alex Clark and daughter Christopher from Houston are visiting her mother Mrs. J. L. Johnson and sister Miss Verna Johnson. Mrs. Clark is enroute to Tulsa, Oklahoma where Mr. Clark has been transferred and where they will make their home. Christopher will stay with Mrs. Johnson and Miss Verna until Mrs. Clark gets located.

Recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Carroll were: Glen Bowden and his mother, Mrs. A. F. Bowden of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. White of Rising Star, and Eugene Durden of Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Kloster of San Pedro, Calif. are parents of a son, T. H. Jr., born recently, which is the third child. Mrs. Kloster is the former Miss Pauline Blair of Eastland and who is a sister of Mrs. Guy Robinson.

Miss Dorothy Day of Houston is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Day, in Hillcrest.

Mr. and Mrs. Yancey McRae of Cisco were Eastland visitors Friday evening.

Plenty of Egg

MT. VERNON, Ill. (UP)—A. E. Baird found an egg in his henhouse almost big enough for the whole family. It weighed six ounces, measured nine inches around the long way and 7 1/2 inches around the middle.

Today's Issues Parallel Biblical Times

BY WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D.

It is not surprising that Sunday school lessons, sermons and comments on religion in general, are based very largely on the Bible and on Biblical times, since the Bible is "God's book for man's life."

Above all things also, it is the book of the Gospels, the story of Jesus of Nazareth, the book of His life and teaching, and the interpretation of the reality and meaning of His Messiahship, and of His coming into the world to be humanity's Savior and Redeemer.

But many parts of the Bible have to do with the life of an ancient people and with the individual lives of men and women who lived in a little land. It was situated between the great empires, warring for mastery in that ancient world, and in the history of the time seemingly of far more importance than Palestine and its people.

It is the little land that remains, while the great empires—Assyria, Babylon, Syria, Persia, Greece, and Rome—have all passed away. And that little land today, apart from its ancient religious interest and the way in which successive generations have turned to it for guidance and inspiration, is still a center of tragic interest.

Vital issues are centered there. Amid strife and struggle as in ancient times. And the world is watching, somewhat fearful lest the conflicts may involve the whole world once more in war. From every standpoint there is

reason to study that ancient land and all that happened there. Paul said that the chief advantage of the Jew (Romans 3:2) was that to the Jews had been committed the oracles of God.

That statement is amply proven. While in other lands men were bowing down to wood and stone and worshipping false gods, in Israel devout men and women were seeking the true God. And they found Him, giving to the world the truth, righteousness and beauty of which the Bible is the great and varied repository.

In the Bible, too, are the inspiring experiences of men and women of faith, courage and achievement, the stories of individual lives, that in any time and among any people would be outstanding in their encouragement and example.

Who, for instance, considering Palestine today, can fail to see the significance of Nehemiah, leading his people from the Babylonian exile, helping to restore them in their ancient home, facing some of the problems Jews seeking restoration there are facing today? Surely in all of this there is food for study and thought.

The "Christian Herald," some years ago when the famous Dr. Talmadge was its editor, used to have a page entitled, "The Bible and the Newspaper." On this page current events were linked with Biblical parallels, or with some teaching that they emphasized. It was a wise emphasis. The Bible, though it be an ancient book, is a book of daily life and man's best teacher and guide.

Midwest States To Commemorate Arrival of Swedes In This Country

By Sam Hancock
United Press Staff Correspondent
CHICAGO (UP)—Twelve midwestern states are preparing celebrations commemorating the tide of Swedish immigration 100 years or more ago.

The event will be marked by official visits of Swedish royalty and American officialdom, church services, exhibitions, music and song. Americans of Swedish descent and others thus will observe the centennial at various times and places in the Mississippi valley. The farm lands to its immediate east and west and at other points well removed from the midwest will join in.

Although there were Swedes in

Delaware in the early days of American colonization, the full tide of Swedish immigration came to the middle west between 1840 and 1850.

The war years halted plans for a Swedish centennial during the early '40's, but this summer there preparations then held back will materialize.

Prince Bertil, son of the Crown Prince of Sweden, has said that he will come to Chicago and visit other midwestern cities during the celebration. Gov. Dwight Green of Illinois and members of a Swedish pioneer centennial commission named by the state legislature sent the Swedish royal family an invitation on Jan. 2.

President Truman also has been invited to be one of the speakers at Chicago Stadium June 4, when Prince Bertil will be welcomed here.

Twelve midwestern governors—three of them of Swedish descent—have been asked to attend the stadium ceremonies. They include Peterson of Nebraska and Luther W. Youngdahl of Minnesota.

Chicago's plans for the royal party include a banquet at the Palmer House the night of June 5 for official visitors. From Chicago, Prince Bertil and his party will go to Rockford, Ill. for a two-day celebration, including a folk festival in the Rockford stadium June 8.

After Rockford according to the tentative itinerary, Bertil will go to Detroit on June 13 and 14. The party will go then to Omaha, Neb. for a June 19 banquet and outdoor festival on June 20.

After Omaha the prince and

To You



Zorro Torro, prize English bulldog at Oakland's dog show, gives his competitors a big Bronx cheer. The California dog shows it's all in fun, though, as he throws a wink to bystanders.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, April 11.

The Golden Text is: "Israel shall be saved in the Lord with an everlasting salvation" (Isaiah 45:17).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Touching the Atoning we cannot find him out: he is excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not suffer (Job 37:23).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The reality is in God and His creation, harmonious and eternal. That which He creates is good, and He makes all that is good" (page 472).

Jingle-Jangle Of Diesels Brings Old Bells Back

HOUGHTON, Mich. (UP)—When the Cooper Range railroad in Michigan's upper peninsula copper country replaced its steam locomotives with modern diesels, folks along the right-of-way complained.

Not about the diesels but about the bells they carried under their running-boards. The bells jangled continuously and had none of the fine old rairiding tone of the steam locomotive bells.

The railroad's president, Homer Johnson, made everybody happy by salvaging the old bells and substituting them on the diesels.

Reveler Gets Right Street But Wrong House

BARTLESVILLE, Okla. (UP)—A Bartlesville man awoke, walked into his front room en route to the door for his morning paper and found a stranger on the floor in front of the fireplace, sound asleep.

The man obligingly took a blanket

his group will go to Rock Island and Moline, Ill. and Davenport, Ia. Augustana College, which has furnished much of the impetus for the centennial celebration, it at Moline.

In Des Moines, capital of Iowa, the Swedish delegation will be taken on a June 23 tour of the city followed by a parade and banquet. June 25 will see them in the Minnesota twin cities, Minneapolis and St. Paul.

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It is not enough that a child is hungry. He must also be sick, if he is to receive relief feeding in Europe. That is what it comes down to, when you do not have enough food to go around.

The problem is not to feed the hungry, but to feed the hungriest of the hungry. Selection of which hungry child shall be fed is made on the basis of need. Many times need is determined by a doctor's certificate.

This is the grim factual situation confronting relief agencies serving the starving children abroad. It is highlighted in a report from Donald R. Sabin on observations in Europe where he served as assistant director of field operations for the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.

Dwindling resources of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, and of 25 American voluntary relief agencies aiding youth in Europe and Asia will be replenished by the Crusade for Children of American Overseas Aid-United Nations Appeal for Children which asks \$60,000,000 of Americans this spring. Meanwhile, starvation is an increasing reality to half the children of the world. It is increasing because:

Czechoslovakia had no rain for seven months last year, and as a consequence, farm animals were slaughtered for lack of feed, and the milk and food shortage is critical.

France, too, suffered drought, with the same resultant slaughter of animals, shortage of milk and cut in bread rations.

Greek political conflict has caused difficulties in supply, while long-term malnutrition shows in rickets, tuberculosis and stunted growth of the children.

In Italy, poverty is everywhere, the children ragged and barefoot and without milk. Last stocks of milk are being used up for the feeding of 200,000 orphan children.

Poland still shows the terrible destruction of war, streets still piled high with fragments of homes, farms devastated, food inadequate, and tuberculosis a severe threat to the children.

Two-thirds of the children of war countries suffer from tuberculosis. Millions of these suffer other diseases of malnutrition.

Many are literally starving. In 12 nations of Europe, the International Children's Emergency Fund is feeding between



VICTIM OF MALNUTRITION, this wan orphan is one of millions in Europe and Asia fighting against the ravages of tuberculosis, scurvy, rickets—dread partners of starvation. Americans are helping them in their desperate fight by supporting the Crusade for Children of American Overseas Aid-United Nations Appeal for Children.

3,500,000 and 4,000,000 children a minimum daily 600-calorie meal which means the difference between life and death. In those countries alone, there are 60,000,000 children who are equally in need of this life-saving daily meal—half the size of an American school lunch—but cannot get it because neither their own governments nor the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund have the resources to provide it.

This means that for every child who receives the survival-ration supplied by arrangement between his government and the Children's Fund, 15 children stand in a spectral line of starvation behind him. The brightest outlook is that the situation will get far worse before it gets better.

Its only chance for getting better lies in immediate, generous, voluntary assistance.

America's channel for that assistance is the Crusade for Children of American Overseas Aid-United Nations Appeal for Children.

This combined campaign represents the United States' share in the world-wide United Nations

Appeal asking voluntary contributions for the International Children's Emergency Fund, together with the appeals of America's major voluntary foreign relief agencies.

Forty-five nations of the world are cooperating in the United Nations Appeal. Nations which are too impoverished to collect money through the UN Appeal for the Children's Fund are sending products such as desperately needed fish, cod liver oil, clothing.

Of the \$60,000,000 goal of the American campaign, more than 70 per cent has been allocated to foreign relief projects directly aiding children, and the balance to activities helping children indirectly.

Contributions of money from Americans, which will be converted into food for the hungry, medicine for the sick, clothing for the naked and shelter for the homeless, may be given to local campaign committees in communities where they are formed, or sent to international headquarters.

Overseas appeal for New

ket from his bed, laid it over the stranger, and read his paper. When the man awoke, he rubbed his eyes and said: "Ow-w! I feel awful! Where am I?" "You're not at home," replied. "The dazed intruder lived two doors awa

THANKS

To the citizens of Eastland, Ranger, Cisco, Breckenridge and other towns and communities in the West Texas district served by the Lone Star Gas Co., Producing Dept.

The Chamber of Commerce of Eastland and all those who contributed to the success of our open house event Friday night, April 9, celebrating the opening of our new West Texas District Headquarters Building at Eastland, we say—

Thank You One and All

The Chicken Barbecue at the Eastland City Park, the flowers contributed by Eastland florists and those sent by friends in other towns, the complimentary items and news stories carried in local and other papers of the the district, are some of the things we would especially mention.

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NEWS FROM GORMAN

In the school trustee election Saturday, J. G. Leazar and Archie Skaggs were elected to replace the present incumbents, E. E. Todd and T. L. Jay, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Todd and Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Munn spent part of last week in Groveton visiting another daughter, Mrs. De La Fosse and family.

Mrs. Raymond Thomas of Eastland spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Vera Hamrick.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Rankin and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Britton, all of Lubbock, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cockrell. Mrs. Cockrell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rankin.

Bro. Harley Smith was a pleasant visitor at the morning service of the First Baptist Church Sunday morning. Bro. Smith served as pastor of the Gorman Church several years ago. Both he and Mrs. Smith are now serving as missionaries to Brazil.

Mrs. Bob Burton of Comanche

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spent Monday with her mother, Mrs. Ressie Moseley.

Mrs. Beece Allday was a visitor in Dallas Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Isbell and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Underwood spent Sunday in Fort Worth visiting Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown and daughter of Ranger visited Mr. and Mrs. Homer Mason, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ford and children of Odessa spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Woody and sister, Mrs. Floy Morrison. Mrs. Claude Archer of Cisco also spent the week-end with Mrs. Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hollifield, Mrs. John Clark and Mrs. Hubert Craddock attended the funeral of Mr. Dave Hallmark in Stephenville Sunday. He was an uncle of Mrs. Clark.

Mrs. Willis Winters of Corpus Christi and Mrs. Erie Mason of Kingsville spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Mason, returning to their home on Tuesday.

Mdms. Berenice Jeffs, Grace Clark, and Walter Davis report a wonderful meeting of the Texas

Federated Women's Clubs which they attended in San Angelo Thursday thru Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Allen attended the funeral of a brother-in-law, Mr. Cain in Rising Star, on last Thursday. The play will be presented, at popular request again on Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Allen attended the funeral of a brother-in-law, Mr. Cain in Rising Star, on last Thursday. Others attending were: Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Pittman and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Murray.

Word was received Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Dick Gray and Mrs. Martha Sutton of the death of their brother-in-law, M. J. Benefield at Odessa. His wife was the former Gay Neill. Mr. Benefield was serving as manager of the Odessa Chamber of Commerce at the time of his death. Burial will be in Brady.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bennett and children visited in Odessa and Carlsbad Cavern last week-end.

Public Health Nursing Week April 11-17

The State of Texas is planning to observe national "Public Health Nursing Week" April 11-17, as proclaimed by President Harry S. Truman. Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, urges high school graduates to consider public health nursing as a career.

"Public health nursing offers young women opportunities for lifetime careers which are highly useful and satisfactory. The demand for professional nurses now exceeds the supply in public health and other fields of work," Dr. Cox said. "Possibilities of travel, worthwhile service, income and other features of nursing profession compare very favorably with those open to women in other careers."

Education for nursing is available in 35 schools in Texas and enrollment is now under way for fall classes, which open about September 1. All schools still have vacancies. Applicants should be graduates of high school or have some college credit, with a record of good scholastic standing, be in good physical condition, and of high moral character. An interest in people and their problems, also

'Hey, Mom, Let's Keep 'Em All'



When Boo gave birth to 12 pups, Ronnie Wagner, 3, of Cincinnati, O., wanted to keep all of them. But his parents said no. Boo, a Spitz, had previously never had more than 10. Two of the new pups are hidden behind Ronnie.

City That Isn't There Awaits Birth

SITRUS CITY, Tex. (UP)—This city, which doesn't exist, has a well-financed chamber of commerce that doesn't exist either.

Citrus City is an expertly planned municipality in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, big. It's only in the blueprint stage.

Howard Moffitt, manager of the Texan Development Company, planned the city and is selling lots for \$500 each. His "city" includes 700 lots, has a main street 210 feet wide with six parking lanes and all its streets are named after fruit and flowers of the area.

Lot purchasers are advised to grow shrubbery, trees and flowers on their property according to the name of the street they're on.

ability to work well with one's hands is necessary.

Details regarding nursing education can be secured from hospitals, physicians, nurses' organizations, and local health departments, as well as the Texas State Department of Health.

From each \$500 for lots, Moffitt puts \$50 into a chamber of commerce fund.

So Citrus City has a chamber of commerce with every citizen a member.

But it has no residents, and its chamber has nothing. Except money.

1,765 Married Vets At A&M

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (UP)—There are 1,765 married veteran students in the classrooms at Texas A&M College, Taylor Wilkins, Veterans advisor, announces.

Wilkins says there are approximately 1,900 married students in school out of a total enrollment in the classrooms of 7,711.

A jimmy is an iron bar used by burglars to open windows and doors.

Texas Would Use Red-Green Lights For Traffic Only

DALLAS, Tex. (UP)—The standard traffic colors of red and green would be eliminated from electric and other night signs if the committee on engineering of the governor's highway safety conference wins approval of the legislature.

Gov. Beauford H. Jester has established several committees in Texas, each working on problems relating to traffic control and safety. The committees met here and compared notes.

The committee on engineering, one of the most important, offered several recommendations which it said would promote safer driving and thereby save lives.

"It is recommended," the committee said, "that in its long-range plans the State Highway Commission make a study of outdoor advertising along highways, with a view to the removal or the limitation of any and all features of same that in its opinion create or contribute to the safety of the traveling public."

"In conjunction with the municipalities, it is suggested that steps be taken looking toward the future elimination from electric and other night signs of the standard traffic colors of red and green."

Other committee recommendations urged that:

"The highway department be

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given endorsement to further emphasize the pavement markings of center lines, lane lines, and no-passing zones, and that signing of curves with safe speed indicators be given a wide application as means of promoting the safe movement of traffic.

"The State Highway Department be requested to restore the sign, 'If you drink, don't drive. If you drive, don't drink,' on the State Highway system."

He's Bragging

MINNEAPOLIS, (UP)—In 27 years the city's marriage license clerk, Carl E. Bruce, has issued permits to wed to 75,000 couples. "Most of them have been successful," he says.



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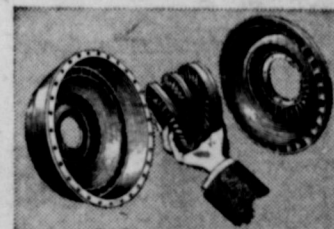
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