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# STREETS TO BE PAVED

#### **OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS** AT OUR DOOR

By a coincident of conditions and circumstances Robert Lee has an invitng opportunity to It will be necessary to figure pave the main street, connecting out some way to finance a lighted with the paved highway. It is footba'l field, the school does not possible to get WPA aid and for have any money to invest in a a few thousand dollars co-operat- lighted field, however if the ing with that, the county, the school board could be induced to city and property owners have take charge of the program we already been contacted and will- could work out some scheme ing to do their part. Boost our whereby it could be financed and town we have a good one.

Chesley, visited here last week field wants to put the program with her husbands mother, Mrs. J. J. Murtishaw, and sisters. Emory was reared here, and friends will be glad to know he has a good paying job with the Woolen Uniform makers of Cincinnata Onio. and works eight Land Use Planning Meeting states. They make their home at Atlanta, Georgia.

#### **Private Employment** Vr. Relief

employer called at the local Wel- dance: Mr. and Mes. Noah Pru- er passes on the amount of clothfare office and asserted that a itt and Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Coal. ing that each person may have. criticised because he wanted to as follows: Year Book, Mmes. man who had been in his employ, son of the Union Community, Mrs Ruby Pettit county com- investigate different lems, has Cartez Russel, J. S. Gardner and on a job that would last several Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Adams of the munity mar ager and J. C. Jordan proven to be on the right trail D. S. Craddock. Finance, Mrs. months, had quit without notice Robert Lee Community, Mr. and store clerk. when he was assigned to WPA. He felt this was an unpardonable offense and the man should never again be allowed to work on WPA The WPA worker explained that he had been hired by this employer some three weeks before and that during the three weeks he had been allowed to work a total of five days. When he received his WPA assignment he accepted it. Four days later he was called by the employer to work a half day. He went to the WPA job instead.

Investigation proves that the version of the WPA worker is correct. Moreover, the job the employer said would last months was completed within the week.

In the present uncertainty of WPA work a man risks as much in giving up his assignment as if he quits a job in private industry. Five consective days of absence forfeits his assignment and he is reasonably certain that he will not be able to get another soon. Is a man to be censured for doing thething that will bring greatest security to his family? He can hardly afford to give up his WPA income, scant as it is, for a temporary job at the same pay without greater assurance that he will be able to get WPA work again when he needs it.

Labor is probably the cheapest commodity in the United States.

There are now some two dozen men in Coke County who are certified to WPA work but not assigned to work. They will be in an American Democracy.

#### **TURN** THE LIGHTS

other source.

Mrs. Emory Hughes and baby directly interested in lighting a value to our community Observer will help any way that Grits, Lard, Raisins and Prunes,

At the Land Use Planning meeting which was held in Rob. tion to Mrs Iva Scorgins Case ert Lee, Texas, May 21, 1940, for Worker and get her approval and the purpose of outlining, discuss. a card to be used at the commod ing, and adopting the Cotton ity store, as to groceries the iu-Mattress Making Demonstration structions come from Washing-Program for Coke County, the ton D C, as to amount issu d to Early this month an outraged following people were in atten- each individual. The case work Mrs. Will C Shamblir of the Blackwell Community, Mr. and Mrs. Lem Cowley of the Valley View Community, C. N. Webb and Mrs. C. E. Arrott of the Tennyson Community, H. A. Williams of the Wildcat Community, Clint Wilkins of the Bronte siener, bas this to say 'I am Community Service Club, Mr. withdrawing from the race be-Sam Gaston, Commissioner of cause of lack of financially abili-Precinct IV, and S. A. Kiker, ty to finish the campaign, I have Commissioner of Precinct II, re- found in some cases that powerof the Agricultural Conservation spent years in public office. I do Holliday and Mr. Dire of the these. Farm Security Administration. and P. P. Fitzbugh, Vocational Agriculture Instructor of Robert Lee. This group indorsed the Cotton Mattress Making Program in this county and estimated that approximately 480 eligible applications would be received for mattress making in this County.

Committees will be organized in each Community. These committeemen will have a supply of application blanks, and any family who was employed in any farm or ranch labor in 1939 with a gross income of less than \$400 is eligible to make application. Applicants should contact their local committeemen, who will be announced at a later date, or make as plication at the County Agents Office for a mattress.

Mr. J. D. Prewit, District Agent, and Miss Ruth Thompson,

# Inspected

Many citizen visited the commoney be provided through an- modity store to be enlightend on this feature of Rehef work and If the bootball boys and others to learn how it operates and its

There are seven commodities over, get your heads together and in the Grocery Department as have a meeting and lay plans, the follows; Flour, Graham flour,

In the clothing department there are garments for babies for boys and girls, men and women

A definit plan is set up for ob-

taining these eats and wearables First you must make applica-

instructive and a help to better guard. understand just how "Relief Helps to Pay Ones Community'

Raymond Motley who had announced as Railroad Commispresenting the Commirssioner's ful financial interests are backing Court, A. W. Jewell. Secretary some of the candidates who have and wife.

> Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Puett moved a few days ago to Big Springs, he having been called back to switching for the T. P Railroad Co.

Claud Barger and family of Apine are visiting his parents in Robert Lee this week.

Frank Sturman from Elida, gone about a month. New Mexico is visiting n.s grand parents Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Bell.

Mr. J. L. Hall and wife from Stanton, are guests in the W. H See us for your needs. Bel home.

R. M. Lowry, wife and son Robert, from Ballinger were visitors in Robert Lee Sunday.

Alta Bell Bilbo is visiting in Elida, New Mexico.

District Home Demonstration Texas. Mr. C. B. Ray, Assistglad to accept any job that is fair Agent explained the Cotton mat ant in Agricultural Planning, astress Demonstration Program in sisted in explaining the program.

## FILTERATION PLANT THE WORK COMPLETE



Martin Dias the man who was and has already dug up enough Bruce Clifc. Recreation, Mmes Our inspection proved to be evidence to put U.S. on its G.T. Hester, Henry Brisco and

> Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor visited their danghter and son-inlaw at Odessa, Saturday night and Sunday. Mrs. A. J. Tayler accompained them to Big Springs to visit her daughter, Mrs. Ear! Evans. Mrs. T. E. Puett also accompained them to Big Springs to visit I. G. Puett

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Good and Association, T. R. Andrus, Mrs. not feel that I can cope with children, Katie Sue and Eddie Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bryan visited in Midland Sunday.

> Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Conner who has been living at Carrizo Springs, are moving back to their home in Robert Lee. We are glad to welcome them back.

> visiting their daughter, Mrs S J McFadden at Marfe, and will be

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One day next week the city expects to turn water into the new

> switches for the electricity. We ought to celebrate the occasion with some kind of a program, as it means a great deal to have good water system.

filt ration plant, as everything is

ready with the exception of some

#### Lacal Garden Tour

The El Valle Garden Club ob. served its local annuel tour last Wednesday with twelve members

Nine gardens were visited and the tour ended at the home of Mrs. J. S. Gardner, where delicious refreshments were served and ashort business session held. Mrs. Jack Lasiter, the new president appointed her committees D. P. Walling. Press, Mrs. J.C. Snead. Expansion, Mmes. H. L. Scott, B. A. Austin and W. H. Campbell. Clinic, Mmes. W.K. Simpson, F. C. Clark and Chism Brown, Exchange, Mmes. Conger, Frank McCabe. J. K. Griffith. Exhibit, Mmes. H. E. smith. W. J. Cumbie and Fred

Mrs. Lizzie Davis of Robert Lee, and Mr. and Mrs, Posey of San Angelo, made a trip to Gauze Texas, and spent the week end with friends and relatives. Mrs. Davis's nephew Tommie Murry of San Antonio and her niece Margie Walker of Gauze. Texas, come home with her to spend their vacation.

Miss Naoma Brown who has been making her home in San Anlelo during the school months has come back to Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Brown are Robert Lee for the summer months. Coach Multins will again oocupy the residence when school begins in the fall. Miss Viola Brown who has been teaching school at Brownfield will spend her vacation with Miss Naoma.

The Town Where I Live-



#### WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS BY ROGER SHAW

### German March Toward Paris Marked by Terrific Fighting; U. S. Maps New Defense Plans

(EDITOR'S NOTE-When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.) (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)\_

#### II GERMAN WAR: III Reich

Nothing succeeds like success. The latest Third Reich included Germany, Austria, Czecho Slovakia, Poland, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg, Memel, the Saar. Its friends and allies took in Russia, Italy, Japan, Spain, Hungary. Its sinister "list" seemed to include Switzerland, Jugoslavia, Rumania, and some said Sweden. It was more than Napoleonic-Poland in 18 days; Norway in 21; Holland in 5. So what next? England by parachute? France by tank?

There was serious talk of moving the French government out of Paris -destination unknown. England rounded up another 3,000 Germans and Austrians between the ages of 16 and 60: two-thirds of them refuhome. Some quarter-million Eng- them, naturally, pro-ally - were lish volunteers enrolled to sharp shoot parachuters, and Premier Winston Churchill nervously promised his new constituents blood, and sweat, and toil, and tears-always a clever psychological trick in dealing with dogged Englishmen.

German authorities indicated that the government of any of their "protectorates" depended on how much resistance the "protected" had put up. Thereby, Denmark was getting grade-A treatment, Norway perhaps grade-B, and Poland a very low grade indeed. Holland was expected to get a rating similar to that of the Norse, though perhaps a trifle lower. For the Dutch had fought rather hard.

#### Belgian Bungle

Brussels, Namur, Liege, and Louvain fell as the Germans pushed ahead in Belgium. (The three big Belgian fortification sites were Namur, Liege, and Antwerp.) The Belgians, on the whole, fought better than the Dutch, but as the Belgic capital surrendered to Hitler, the German invaders were within 75



MARSHAL HENRI PETAIN A cabinet post for this hero of Verdun.

miles of that not so gay Paree. The Belgian government decamped to a safer spot, Ostend on the channel.

In at least four places, the Germans had pierced the French Maginot line extension, back of the Belgian border. Dr. Robert Ley, the not very Nordic Nazi minister of labor, announced that the German army was performing a "God-given natural mission." The Field Grays, he added, intended to make the world "happy and reasonable." But the French refused to be happy, and the English were certainly not feeling reasonable. In desperation, the English Churchill government began to woo Russia with a "new and more friendly approach"-Russia, the recent "red beast" that victimized brave little Finland, Meanwhile, the United States and the 20 Latin American states went on record with an official denunciation of Germany's invasion of Holland and Belgium. Harsh observers branded the joint resolve as a Uruguayan "publicity stunt." And in France, a cabinet reshuffle found the hero of Verdun in the last World war, Henri Philippe Petain, named as vice premier to Premier Paul Reynaud.

#### Bull on Spot

John Bull, said critics, was on the spot. The state department warned 7,000 Americans to get out of Britain, and stay out, and ordered them to go to the peaceful, prosperous Irish Free State. It was indicated that a Yankee rescue ship would fish the U.S. refugees out of the emerald Eire. But many Americans refused to leave J. Bull.

#### POTOMAC POWER: FDR Wants Money

The President told congress, dramatically, in joint session, that he wanted a billion bucks and 50,000 warplanes to defend our country against 3,000-mile blitzkriegs. Twothirds of the billion were to go to the U. S. army. Roosevelt hinted that it might be nice to raise the legal national debt limit-which is \$45,000,000,000. He asked that he be given \$100,000,000 in cash, to provide for "emergencies." But an answer, in part, came from presidential possibility Willkie, in an Indianapolis speech. Willkie said that adequate national defense depended on domestic recovery. Meanwhile, the continentalists rallied against the anglophiles and internationalists, in and out of congress. Senators gees from the nasty Nazi terror at | Johnson, Norris and Wheeler-all of



WENDEL WILLKIE He has an answer for a tough problem.

especially active against any "1917" wiles. But old Pershing, a big man in 1917, spoke of the "possibility of war," while War Secretary Woodring spoke of our maintaining peace. It was all very confusing. There was even talk of lending some money to the no-pay French and English, but

#### Good Old Garner

There was a tale to the effect that Vice President Garner now admitted Roosevelt's nomination for the Third Term. He said, supposedly, that Roosevelt had absolute control of the Chicago convention, and that was that. But, Texas Jack continued (so they say) that he himself would not run again, because he was opposed to Third Terms for vice presidents, as well as for Presidents. Thereby, he established his consistency, and may have opened the door to a swarm of ambitiously would-be V. P.'s. Roosevelt had at least 431 convention delegates pledged or committed, and was expected soon to possess more than the necessary

#### U. S. CIVIL WAR:

#### Down in Looseana

Down in Creole Looseana, there was an American civil war going on. It was being fought out between hard-working units of Uncle Sam's tried and true regular army. Some 30,000 blues were defending the state against 25,000 red invaders from Texas. Somehow (an unusual feature of this La-Tex struggle) the defenders were reported as employing blitzkrieg tactics, and seemed to be forging ahead. There even was a fifth column, to make things perfect. This fifth column (so-called) consisted of local bovines, who licked the insulation of army telephone lines, and thereby committed military sabotage in the first, second and third degrees. In Russia, they'd have fixed 'em! But these fifth-columnar cows of Dixie gained reprieve. As to the battleground itself, Looseana-its new governor, Sam Houston Jones, told 100,000 people at a barbecue that no more Huey Longs would run the state.

#### ON THE MOVE:

25,000 residents in the Dutch East Indies, definitely were off the move. These were suspects, both German and Dutch, rounded up by the watchful colonial authorities, only too conscious of fifth-column and Trojan Horse tactics. Simultaneously, in New York, great dissension arose when a popular native declared: "The fifth column in this country is headed by that fellow in the White House." At this, the pro-Roosevelts decidedly got a move on.

#### Wonder-of-the-Week



Here is the latest wonder of the plant world-the "Topato." It is displayed here by its "inventor," George H. Chisholm, superintendent and horticulturist at the greenhouses of the Yonkers, N. Y., estate of the late Samuel Untermyer. Chisholm crossed a tomato and a potato to produce a new non-fattening type of potato, which he has dubbed the "Topato."

#### ANTI-PARACHUTE: Penn Patriots

England's new war minister, cutelooking Sir Tony Eden, has been active in organizing local corps of sharpshooters to pick off, willy nilly, invading parachute jumpers from across the channel. Jeannette, in western Pennsylvania, was not to be left behind. It formed a group of "sharpies"-the first civilian antiparachute legion in the United States. Its members feared that parachute activities might be directed against the Pittsburgh industrial belt, of which Jeannette is a part. "Gauleiters" Brust and Landis, local marksman and local editor, headed the Jeannette parachute-pop-

#### S. S. HARDING:

#### In Memoriam

The former United States liner, President Harding, was sunk by bombs off the Flemish coast of Belgium. She was built in 1921, and her tonnage totaled 13,869. Your correspondent returned on her from the war, last October. The U.S. lines sold her to a Belgian shipping corporation, after American neutrality rules precluded U. S. boating in the war zone. The Belgians renamed the Harding, the Ville de Bruges. So perished the namesake of the leader of the Ohio Gang. But out of death comes life-two brand-new American destroyers were launched in Washington's Puget Sound: the Hughes and the Monssen, both named after Yankee naval heroes, and christened by their widows.

#### YANKEE JAW-POWER: We Can't Bite

America is not short on manpower, but it was announced that Americans are short on jawpower. Fortyfive years ago, the average Yank could bite 171 pounds-worth. But in 1940, the Yank, degenerated, can only bite 125 pounds-worth. Soft food, alas, has done it. Take the average Eskimo, lucky fellow. He has, it is said, a good strong bite of 300 pounds-worth. This is called "chewing-force."

## NAMES

. . . in the news

The woodchopper of Doorn, Holland, figured again in the news. The ex-kaiser was skirted by the Nazi invaders, guarded and ultra-courteously treated. This was to keep the still monarchist army officers-East Prussian Junkers - contented and happy. Gossips have had it that the ex-kaiser, deeply religious and anti-revolutionary, is mildly pro-ally and intensely loyal to his kindly refuge of Holland. It was said that Prussian Wilhelm nearly fled to England with Dutch Wilhelmina!

Known as the "right hand" of Generalissimo Ferdinand Foch in the last World war, French Gen. Maxime Weygand, now 73 years of age, is named commander-in-chief of the Allies in their present conflict with Germany. He comes to the Western front from the Near East where he was in top command and replaces General Gamelin. Born in Belgium he became a French citizen and was head of the army from 1931 to 1935.

#### AROUND the HOUSE Items of Interest to the Housewife

grinding bread or crackers. The fore storing. sack will catch all of the crumbs.

removed by rubbing them with objectionable food odors in the warm water and soap. Rub brown house stains with alcohol.

ing. Put the rice in a strainer water. and wash it in cold water, placing the strainer over a bowl of water. Change the water and re-

Fasten a large paper sack over | Flour sifters and kitchen strainthe end of the food grinder when ers should be dried thoroughly be-

A pinch of cinnamon or sugar Black shoe polish stains may be burned in a tin can will remove

Always melt marshmallows in Always wash rice before cook- the top of a double boiler over hot

Use adhesive tape to mend worn window shades. Use it, too, to peat three times or until the water patch together broken pieces of bric-a-brac.



#### Mirth Like Lightning

clouds and glitters for a moment. ity.-Addison.

Cheerfulness keeps up a kind of Mirth is like a flash of lightning daylight in the mind and fills it that breaks through a gloom of with a steady and perpetual seren-

#### **HOMER BERRY, veteran test pilot, says:**



in recent laboratory tests, CAMELS burned 25% slower than the average of the 15 other of the largest-selling brands tested - slower than any of them. That means, on the average, a smoking plus equal to

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FROM 50 to 500 miles per hour-Homer Berry has flown them all. This veteran test pilot started flying back in 1913 . . . started smoking Camels the same year. "No other cigarette ever gave me anything like the pleasure of a Camel," he says. "What's more - in 26 years, Camel's slower burning has always given me a lot of extra smoking." Try the slower-burning cigarette made from costlier tobaccos . . Camel. Get more pleasure per puff and more puffs per pack (see left).

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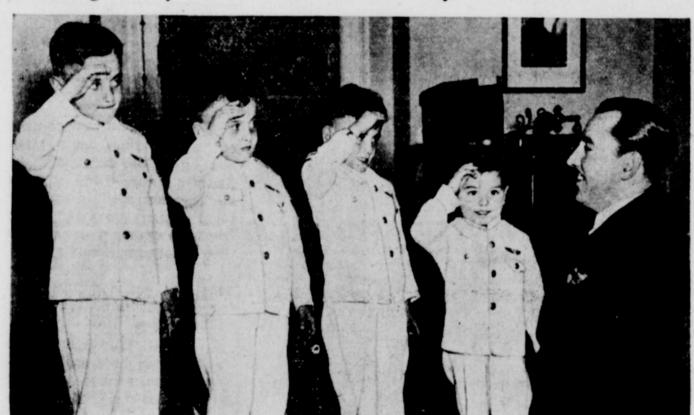


Anti-Tank Squads Reinforce 'William Tell Line'



A Swiss anti-tank squad is pictured (left) on a small but well-protected link in its "William Tell line." Practically every border village of Switzerland has several of these fortifications. Right: Everlasting vigil is maintained in danger zones. These iron sticks are a formidable barrier erected against tanks of a belligerent mechanized force. Switzerland's army consists of 600,000 well-trained, well-equipped men.

### Big Navy for U. S.? Yes, Say D'Alesandros



An indication of how he feels about the United States having a big navy is given by Rep. Thomas D'Alesandro of Maryland, who is shown with his four sons, all in naval uniform, during a recent visit to the house of representatives in Washington, D. C. Left to right are Franklin Roosevelt D'Alesandro, 7; Nicholas, 5; Hector, 4; Joseph, 21/2, and their proud father, Representative D'Alesandro.

#### Duce Decorates Hero of Spanish War



Premier Benito Mussolini of Italy, resplendent in army uniform and steel helmet, pins a medal for valor on the breast of an Italian hero who lost his legs in the Spanish civil war. Mussolini, during the past few weeks, has had occasion to review almost all of his troops.

#### Swaps Racket for Gun



Adrian Quist, 27, one of the world's ranking tennis stars, pictured in his uniform after having completed his military training period at Victoria. Australia.

#### IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL CUNDAY CHOOL Lesson

of Chicago, (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

#### Lesson for June 2

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#### TESTING CONDUCT BY ITS USEFULNESS

(A Priciple of Temperate Living)

LESSON TEXT—Ezekiel 15:1-6; Matthew 5:13-16; 7:16-20; I Corinthians 10:6, 7.
GOLDEN TEXT—Ye shall know them by their fruits.—Matthew 7:16.

Sound principles are foundational to right living. Right living is temperate living.

The emphasis of modern thinking is upon learning, upon the brilliance of scientific achievement, with little or no concern about personal character. Christianity and the Bible go to the root of that matter, stressing the need of stalwart moral and spiritual character, without which other attainments are lacking in real value and meaning. Unless what a man accomplishes is the expression of the greatness of his character, it is transient and often detrimental in its effect on society.

Tested by its results, the liquor traffic stands conclusively and completely condemned. Even its own frantic efforts to clean up and be more presentable indicates that McAlpine made a rather acute comment when he said,

"IF I WERE A LIAR . . . I'd advertise beer as a food, whisky as the promoter of the abundant life, and cocktails as the badge of social correctness. They say that if you repeat any thing times enough, people will believe it."

The Scripture portions before us present five inconsistencies, five instances where fact denies a false profession.

I. Wood Without Strength. (Ezek. 15:1-6).

The branch of a vine is at its best too crooked and pliable to be very useful, but here we have a piece of vine which has been charred in the fire until it is so useless that it can only be burned up. This is the picture of a life, possibly somewhat limited in its abilities and gifts, but nevertheless valuable, but made utterly useless by careless or dissolute living. How tragic!

II. Salt Without Savor (Matt. 5:

True salt is penetrating, antiseptic and purifying, but savorless salt is good for nothing but to make a road for the feet of men. "Ye are the salt of the earth." Christians, if they have the true savor in their lives, will count, by their very spiritual pugnency, against sin and corruption in their communities.

III. Light Without Illumination

(Matt. 5:14). A light is intended to give illumination to all around about it. It always does that thing unless someone hides it under a cover, and then it becomes not only useless, but dangerous. A life lighted by faith in Christ will shine to the very ends of the earth and, as a missionary once said, "The light that shines farthest shines brightest at home." We are the light of the world, but if we cover our light we deny the very essence of our natures. Here is no thought of proud or selfish display. Light does not shout about itself, it just shines-but it really

does shine. IV. Trees Without Fruit (Matt. 7:

Every plant brings forth fruit after its own nature. We do not expect figs from thistles, but we do expect figs on the fig tree. The countryside bears no more desolate figure than a blasted, fruitless fruit tree. Quickly the owner cuts it down and terminates its shame and uselessness by burning it. What about men and women? God has made them in His own image and likeness. He has given them intelligence and personal ability. He has a right to expect the fruit of a useful life from every one, and particularly from the Christian, who is "a good tree."

V. Life Without a Purpose (I Cor.

10:6, 7) Light and salt are inanimate objects. Trees and vines with their wood and fruit are alive, but they are without intelligence and morality. Man, however, as we have already suggested, is the moral and intelligent crown of God's creation, made in His own image and likeness. If they who know better, live lives of careless indifference, yea of outright wickedness, how shall they escape the judgment of God in the day when they shall stand before Him to give an account of the manner in which they have used this precious gift of life?

#### Gems of Thought

STUDIES teach not their own use; but that is a wisdom without them, and above them, won by observation.-Bacon.

Let every action be directed to some definite object and perfect in its way. - Marcus Aurelius.

A sudden thought strikes me; let us swear an eternal friendship.-J. H. Frere.

Forgiving without forgetting is a good deal like giving a receipt for money without signing your name

The more honesty a man has, the less he affects the air of a saint .- Lavater.



Justice in Rebellion

Men seldom, or rather never, for a length of time and deliberately, rebel against anything that does not deserve rebelling against.-Carlyle.



Present as Past

The present contains nothing more than the past, and what is found in the effect was already in the cause.-Henri Bergson.

Miss Great Things

Those who apply themselves too much to little things usually become incapable of great things .-La Rochefoucauld.

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Conceited People

I've never any pity for conceited people, because I think they carry their comfort about with them.-George Eliot.



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The lighting of a football field putting our school on record as wide awake progressive recrea-Convention instructed for John Garner Forty six votes instructed to carry out

A surveying crewjust complet- programs already in operation. ed the surveying of several installments susveys for the purpose of building a dam across the Colorado River for conservation flood control and irrigation, This one project would be a real send off for our district.

We also have a highway to Bronte that is to receive special consideration in the very near

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

nounce the following Candidates for the Office next-above their names, subject to the Action of the Democratic Primary, July 27, 1940.

Announcements are Cash.

For District Attorney 51st Judicial District O. C. FISHER

re-election

COKE COUNTY, TEXAS

For County Judge & Ex-officio School Supt. McNEIL WYLIE (re-election)

For County & Dist, Clerk

WILLIS SMITH (re-election)

Send in your news please

For County Sheriff, & Tax Assessor-Collector FRANK PERCIFULL (re-election)

ForCounty Treasurer Mrs. B. M. GRAMLING (re-election)

For County Commissioner Precinct No. 1

H. C. VARNADORE (re-election)

For Commissioner Pret. No. 3 T. R. HARMON (re-election)

LOST: Some one borrowed our concrete forms for building water troughs Please return to, W. K. Simpson Co.

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#### Church Notes

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BAPTIST Sunday School 10:00 Preaching Service 11:00 Training Union 7:00 Preaching Service 8:00 W. M. S., Monday 3:00 Officers-Teachers Meeting, Tuesday 7:20

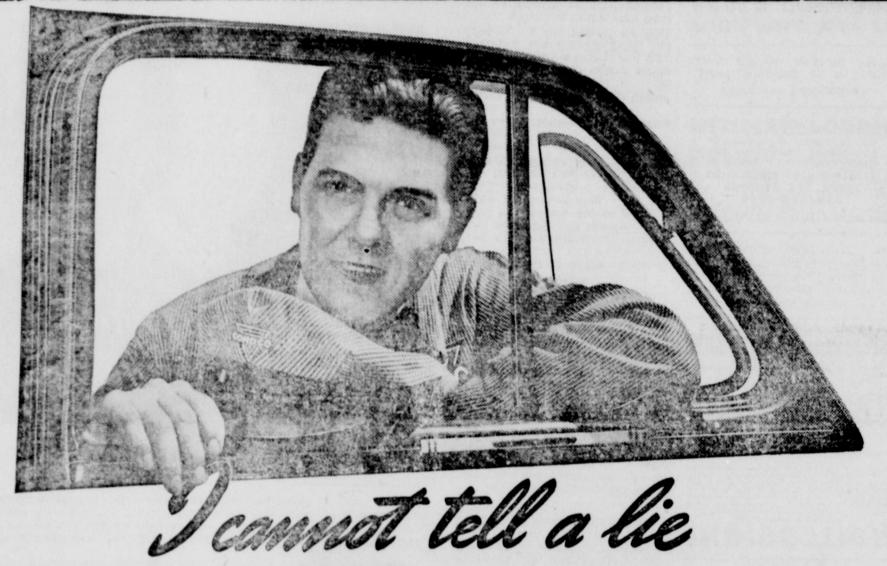
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#### CHAPTER XXI-Continued.

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At the foot of the stairs, Norwood pulled out his cardcase, produced a card and gave it to one of the palace servants:

"Send that up to Miss Lynn Harding. Say I will be waiting outside. I will meet her near the front steps."

He walked out. Under the glare of the portico light he pulled out his handkerchief, raised his right arm and waved it.

O'Leary's shrill whistle answered: long-short, long-short-"Order received and executed-okay!"

O'Leary had released the Bengali doctor.

#### CHAPTER XXII

Lynn looked like a ghost in white chiffon. She turned instinctively to the right and stepped into the darkness. She stood within a few paces of the spot where, one night ago, she had bridled at Norwood's blunt comments. It seemed as if a whole lifetime had passed in the interval. The guitar and the songs on the wall were a far-off memory.

Norwood strode out of the darkness. "Silence!" he said. "Not a word. Nothing so easy on the nerves as saying nothing."

They continued walking until they came to a moonlit lotus pond and stood together staring at the reflections of trees. Then Norwood spoke: "Feeling better?"

"I can't analyze it. I suppose I'm feeling guilty.

"Want some more silence?" "No. I would rather you'd say

what you think." Norwood chuckled: "You remember the parrot. I draw extra pay for thinking and not talking. I have only one virtue."

"You say only one virtue? What is it?" "I never use double meanings."

"Are you telling the truth?" "Yes.

"Good. Then please say what you think of me, straight, without any double meanings or reservations. Let's get that over with."

quite sure you won't be belligerent scious mystery in which the lover about it? I didn't bring you out here to start a fight."

"I never am belligerent," she an-

"No? What a pity. Of course, I don't expect to be shot but I don't even want to make you really angry. You're a bit angry now, aren't you?"

"Yes, but with myself. I'm not angry with you. Go ahead, punish I'll take it. Say what you

"I think the same now that I did when I first saw you."

"What is it?" "Perhaps I'm not being quite accurate. It wasn't until that astonishing picnic at the palace that I made up my mind to marry you. I fell in love with you at first sight, without guessing who you were, when I saw you with the Maharanee in the carriage. When I saw you on horseback in the early morning, it was all over as far as I'm concerned-nothing further to argue about. I've committed myself to

the hilt. How about you?" Lynn caught her breath. "I-I

never dreamt of it!" "I know you didn't. And you're not dreaming now. We're both of us stone-cold sober and wide awake." "Do you always make love like

this." "I don't even know the first rules of the game. I'm a chronic bachelor, suddenly converted."

"But Captain Norwood-" "The only girl I ever fell in love with calls me Carl or else calls the

police." "But I wouldn't know what to say

Carl." "And now to use one of your phrases, let's get this over with: I'm a pauper. I've four hundred pounds a year and an Engineer Cap-

tain's pay."
"Carl, I hope you don't think I'm wealthy. I haven't a cent in the world. I've been disinherited."

That's marvelous! Oh, my God, what luxury! I was scared stiff."
"You? Scared?"

"Yes. Scared of you. Afraid you'd think I was after your money." "Carl, I haven't a cent."

"All right. More preliminaries. Mostly I live in a tent. My servants are scandalous rogues, who know nearly as much as I do about crime and treachery and worse."

Lynn laughed: I never lived in a ! tent, and I've been kept away from sinners. I'm a very ignorant per-You'd better think again, hadn't you?"

"No. I've finished thinking about that. But how about you? It's your last chance. Lynn, you're on the edge of the abyss of matrimony. Any questions?"

"Millions of questions! Billions! I don't even know you. I'll ask them afterwards."

"Good. That's the style. There'll be lots of time afterwards. Well, you've refused to call the police, and you've promised not to talk back or make a scene. So I'll be damned if I'll wait any longer. Lynn, I love you.

The Indian night and the Indian stars; the perfumed silence and the moonlit lotus pool all merged into



Lynn looked like a ghost in white chiffon.

a consciousness of love-one moment of eternity that swept away "Very well, Lynn. But are you the past-one moment of unselfconand the loved were one and all life was their realm, all values were in true perspective. Love was real. Everything else was illusion and unreal. Until gradually, even in Carl Norwood's arms, Lynn's awareness of earth resumed its spell and she looked away at their reflections in the moonlit lotus pond.

"Look, Carl. See us! Look." "Shadows." Then he spoke strangely: "Shadows of reflections that reflect what? You and I are shadows. We move in response to something else. What is it?"

"Carl are you real? Is that you talking?"

"I suspect it's the real me talking to the real you. Lynn, I'm steeped in eastern thought. Life's good. We're growing-getting wiser gradually. That's why I spared Rundhia. He'd have been hanged if I hadn't done what I did. Now he'll get some money from the Maharanee and live in Europe."

"But Carl -" Lynn hesitated.

"Perhaps I shouldn't say it." "All right, I'll say it for you. He'll go to Europe and do it again. And blots of women won't have sense enough to stand him off until he's ruined them and sneered and gone."

"Yes, I was thinking of that. It was a mean thought." "No, it wasn't."

"But if I've made him wretch-

ed-' "That's his business. Each of us pays for his own mistakes."

"Carl, I'm shameless. I really am. I'd forgotten Aunty.' "Did you ever have toothache?

to the police. I'd better call you One forgets that, too, afterwards." "But this isn't afterwards. You don't know Aunty. Carl, I'll go to her. You mustn't come. Please, really, you mustn't. She will say things that I don't want you to hear. They're not true but she'll say them.'

"Are you sure?"

"You mean, am I sure they're not true?"

"I mean, are you sure she'll say them?"

"Yes. She always does when she's

angry.' "Let's find out."

"Carl, I'm-"

"You're embarrassed, So'm I. It's good for both of us, so let's do it together."

They took their time, strolling! along shadowy moonlit paths toward little sarcasm, eh? Maharanee, if I the guesthouse, too interested in each other to notice voices until me before she has had time to slanthey were quite close up beneath the darkness of the overhanging trees.

The trunks no longer stood in a row on the garden path. There was a light in the servants' pantry at the rear, and a smell of cooking.

"Hush," said Norwood. "Listen. Rule number one is don't talk in the dark. Rule number two is listen and learn, but never tell tales."

The Maharanee's voice came quite distinctly through the open window: "If I, who am broken-hearted, can forgive my nephew Rundhia-'

An unmistakable voice interrupted: "You're being silly. Don't be sentimental. You probably ruined Rundhia by being sentimental. At your age you ought to know better. You should have spanked him when he was young, and kept him short You go in. I'll follow you presently. of pocket money when he was old-er. I neglected to spank Lynn. That's the trouble and I'm ashamed of myself. Are you sure you know where she is? Are you quite sure? Who told you she is near the lotus pond with Captain Norwood?"

"Six servants," said the Maharanee, "and one gardener. Also the Chief of Police very kindly took the trouble to phone me about it.' 'Imagine the impudence of that

"But I haven't noticed that she is impudent."

"If she was in love with Captain Norwood she should have told me." "Do you think she knew it?" asked the Maharanee. "I knew it, late this evening. But do you think

that Lynn knew it?" Aunty Harding cackled a chairwoman's ladylike laugh on two

notes, politely derisive: "Knew it? Maharanee, what this younger generation knows is more than you and I ever will know. They're incorrigible. That girl has more whalebone in her will than there are cents in a dollar. It isn't brittle. You can't break it. It's resilient."

"Yes," said the Maharanee, "this generation has its own ideas. It goes its own way. Lynn will go far."

Aunty coughed drily: "Go far? he will go to the devil, I don't doubt. But I have this consolation. If what you say is true, she has disgraced herself with the only gentleman I have met in India."

The Maharanee protested loyally: 'His Highness my husband-" "Oh, kings don't count," said unty. "They're middle class now-

adays. I can't forgive kings for the way they've sold out to the politicians. I never will forgive them. I'm a Democrat and I'll die in my boots.'

"But you'll forgive Lynn?"

"Getting back at me, are you? A can get that minx Lynn to forgive der me to Captain Norwood, I'll think I'm lucky. I'll be a wizard-

or is it a witch?" "Or are you a little wiser than you were?" the Maharanee suggest-

Norwood whispered: "How much did you bet? Are you still scared?" Moses Lafayette O'Leary's whistle piped from the nearby shrubbery a few notes of a private signal: C. D. F,-C, D, F,-C, D, F-C. It startled Lynn.

"What was that? It sounded like someone in hiding. Are we being watched?"

"Yes, the night has eyes in India. They've a saying here that even diamonds see in the dark. That's a very rough diamond informing me that all's clear and he's off home. I want to speak to him."

Norwood walked alone into the shrubbery. He almost walked into Moses O'Leary.

"I warned you," said O'Leary, 'about women. By the hundred they're all right. One's a problem. But you wouldn't listen. I suppose you'll get yourself a new man now. to say yes to you and tell you you're Solomon. But Solomon had him a thousand wives, and concubines on top o' that. So put that in your pipe and smoke it. Am I out of a job?"

"Where's your horse?" "'Tain't a horse. I rode your baby mare. She's near the gate." "When you get back to camp see that she's rubbed down carefully and give her a light blanket. Stand by and see it done. Do you hear me?

"Yes, sir, Captain Norwood." "Here's the key to the whiskey. Help yourself. You've leave of absence until noon tomorrow. Turn up sober or I'll-" 'Is the Government broke?"

"Here are ten rupees. But that's not Government money. It's personal. Don't get into trouble with "Well, sir, I've seen miracles in

my day. I've seen you pick winners. Maybe she's as reliable as she is good looking. Here's hoping. I'll say a prayer for you. "Don't keep that mare standing.

Good night." "Good night, sir, and here's hop-

Moses Lafayette O'Leary strode away into the night, until the sound of his footfall ceased on the dusty path and there was nothing more heard of him but the tune that he whistled:

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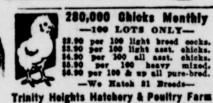


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### Washington Stirs With War Talk As Defense Plan Takes Shape

President Roosevelt Asks Congress for Billion Dollar Military Appropriation in Addition to Regular Annual Grants for Army and Navy.

By WILLIAM BRUCKART WNU Service, National Press Bldg., Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON .- I shall try, in this article, to provide you with a picture of your national capital during the last few weeks. It is a situation, a condition that, in general, gives rise to very little pride. But the facts must be faced, for in this capital city things have happened that can best be described as the screaming and play-panic of children playing cops and robbers. Only, of course, the screams were screams of men and women in places of official responsibility and the panicky outbursts and orders were the excited and unbalanced procedure of leaders in public and private life.

In the midst of this period which I am attempting to describe came President Roosevelt's voice, heard over the din of the others because the President and his office are respected. He drove to the Capitol building and there, before a joint assembly of senate and house, he asked for new national defense measures, and he asked for \$1,196,-



SEN. HIRAM JOHNSON—He's been in the Senate since the last World war and is "still going strong."

000,000 in appropriations to pay for an expanded army, navy, marine corps, shipbuilding plants, munition plants, gun production, etc.

Mr. Roosevelt foresaw desperate need for these things and he told congress to speed up these appropriations. According to the President's view of the conditions that our nation faces, fast enemy airplanes can reach Kansas City or St. Louis-the heart of America-before we can do anything about it. Moreover, parachutists from enemy planes might drop in, most any day now, and start taking over our cities and towns and countrysides. The fact is that Mr. Roosevelt made Europe's war appear so close to Washington that we really may expect to hear bombs exploding almost any minute.

In view of all of these things, Mr. Roosevelt thought we ought to have approximately 50,000 airplanes, and build them tonight or tomorrow.

### President's Request Added To Regular Appropriations

The vast sum for which the President asked is in addition to about \$3,276,000,000 in appropriations that were requested for the military services in the regular annual appropriation bills for the fiscal year that begins on July 1, 1940. He assured congress there was no overlapping of items. This was all new stuff; it represented the best thought of what ought to be done to meet the challenge of Hitler's legions.

As Hitler's legions overran Holland and Belgium, the war fever of Washington hit a new high. It had started up when the German dictator went into Norway. Naturally, the temperature increased when the awful forces of the Hitler machine were turned loose in the Low Countries. Mr. Roosevelt's speech to congress, well advertised in advance to a nation of people that was waiting for decisions from Washington, turned on all of the valves of excitement as a street cleaner floods a street from a fire hydrant. Only the fire hydrant gives off cool wa-

But before the President's speech, there were such sour songs as that sung by Senator Austin of Vermont, assistant Republican leader in the senate. Mr. Austin rose gravely in his place in the senate and there

blared forth in loud tones the learned wisdom of a statesman. It shouted to the world that the United States of America must do everything it can to help the allies. Yes, we must supply money! And so, Senator Austin argued for repeal of that so-called Johnson Act.

Now, it may be remembered that Senator "Hi" Johnson of California fought and fought until he was able to convince congress that none of the foreign nations who had not paid their debts should be allowed to borrow any more money in the United States. The California senator is one of seven men now in the senate who were there during the first World war, and he is still going strong.

#### No Payment on War Debts Has Been Made Recently

The law that he forced through congress, almost single handed, was a good law when it was passed. It is a better law today, considering that those nations which we helped by men and billions of dollars are involved again in a war to save democracy. And, incidentally, they have paid nothing on their debts in the last 10 or 12 years, so that they still owe around \$13,500,000,000.

Lights have been burning late in the war and navy offices. Mr. Roosevelt worked one night until two o'clock in the morning. That was while he was preparing his defense speech. Even the gambling spirit is around. One can get bets in the capital city that we will be mixed up in Europe's war, and the dates that are offered range anywhere from a few weeks to next winter.

And the politicians! Yes, they are busy about the thing, also. The 'inner circle' and the third term advocates are smiling with that selfsatisfied appearance that goes with a knowledge that they have gained ground. Privately, many of them will say that the nearness of the war makes certain that Mr. Roosevelt will be elected for a third term. They are sure the country will not dare to change horses in the middle of the stream, not even if France and England did change their principal leaders. Mr. Roosevelt will have to remain on the job because his two terms give him a great advantage in dealing with these foreign problems, they are saying.

### 'He Kept Us Out of War' Is Now Being Revived

And dear Mr. Secretary Wallace of the department of agriculture. He couldn't get in on the excitement any other way, apparently. So, in his keynote speech to the Iowa Democratic state convention, he announced that Mr. Roosevelt had kept this nation out of war. That was his tribute, but immediately there were a good many persons able to recall a similar slogan from back about 1916 when it was used with great effectiveness.

All through these days that I have sought to describe was a steady stream of bad news from Europebad news for all of us who want to see the allies (or anybody else who can do it) knock Hitler and his gang into smithereens. The United States is pro-ally. Of that there is no doubt. The Hitler drives into Holland and Belgium have made it certain that few supporters of Hitler dare assert themselves in this country. But I have a hunch that allied censorship has been opened somewhat in order that we, here in the United States, can get the full impact of the slaughter, rape and arson being committed by the German legions. I say it is just a hunch. You see, it might be possible after all that the allies would like to have us in the war on their side to pay their bills and have our soldiers killed, again.

Anyway, this whole thing gripes me beyond expression. It is disgusting to see activities that were hardly equaled in the midst of the World war. It is more disgusting to listen to talk that represents perfection in lack of balanced thinking.

There is no doubt at all that our army and our navy are far below par. That is to say, this nation has nothing like the necessary or proper defense structure that a great nation must have. But if there is to be preparations against enemies, why neglect enemies within our gates. If we face the facts, it must be admitted that we have "fifth column" dangers within the boundaries of America, dangerous "fifth col-



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#### Methodist W. M. S.

The Society met at the church Monday afternoon to study the first chapter of the new Home Mission study book "Homeland Harvest". It is being taught by Mrs. J. S. Gardner.

All members are urged to attend the class sessions. The following members were present. mes. Fred O. Green, W. K. Simpson, Hattie Day, F, C. Clark, J. K. Griffith, J. S. Gardner, Bruce Clift and G.T Hester.

BAPTIST W. M. S. Mrs. G. C. Allen entertained the Society at 10 a. m. in her home. Mrs. Gramling opened the meeting with prayer after which she conducted a Bible quiz to the following ladies: Mmes. R. C. Roberts, W. J. Cumbie, S. R. Young, J. C. Snead, H. E. Smith, Paul Good, J. N. Adams, H. L. Lewis, P. P. Fitzhugh, Miss Juanita Barger and the hostess Mrs. G. C. Allen.

A picnic was planned for the next meeting, June 3rd. at 6 o'clock, and for all to meet at Mrs. Gramling's house. Each one present was given a name to ask to come. Miss Barger closed the meeting with prayer. Refreshments were served to those present.

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