Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

'Has business lost inter-?" questions noted author nning Pollock in one of most provocative articles t we have ever read and ich appears in the current ue of the Rotarian, magne of Rotary Internation-The strangely indifferent itude that seems to have ected a large area of modbusiness is reflected in a ries of incidents which Polk relates, principal of nich was the experience of friend in attempting to sere the modernization of e bathrooms by a plumbconcern in which that end held stock.

The order for the fixtures ded for the work was ced early in March for deery in the forepart of oril. Late in April, after a ies of delays, complaints d red tape incidents, one thtub and a bill arrived. om then on, over a period time, the material arrived ce by piece, each in the ke of a trail of telegrams 1d telephone messages. en a complaint to the present of the firm resulted in desultory reply from the ficial's secretary.

I sold my stock in the said Pollock's friend. ame sort of thing has to me three or times this year, and I it has happened to a many other people. I asking myself, 'Has ss lost interest?' If it nd if, as I suspect, begins to be more world-wide, you can from me that prosisn't a matter of pols or of peace or war, or purchasing power, but of revival of that 'will to without which my docis me not one patient | ment was not yet known. survives."

'Heretofore," comments llock, "the will to live has nost dominant characterisic. Throughout most of its istory, most of our race has truggled against heavy najority of all captains of ndustry * * * began with a | held in the governor's office. erguson ew borrowed dollars, or ounds, or francs, or crowns, nd, by sheer faith and grit and energy and enthusiasm, mashed and pushed forward to triumph. In peace or war, hethey they knew it or not, heir motto was: 'Nil desperdum, damn the torpedoes.

and go ahead'."

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"'Is this spirit quenched in trade and industry, and, if so, why? A professor to whom I relayed my sailing question, snorted, siness conditions have thing to do with it. We've ne the way of all flesh at has been too well fed nd had too much. We've n leisure loving and efte. We don't want to fight nything-evil, or foreign es, or domestic ineptitude, r Japanese beetles. We're ut to be spoon fed. We ded pensions and social and something for It isn't only capital t has lost interest, but o labor. If the latter yells | 1940. a 30-hour week, the fortakes a 65-hour week-The president of your plumbing - supply was probably playing at Pinehurst, and his ptinued on Page Four)

Why It's Cold Up in Finland



If Finnish soldiers find the fighting cold, its because they are battling in a climate comparable to this hemisphere's Canadian or Alaskan regions. Map shows position Finland would occupy if swung around the Arctic circle from Europe to North America.

Brownwood Man on **Board of Control**

AUSTIN, Jan. 2 (A).-Harry yesterday and began a six-year to the legislators the following term as a members of control at day. salary of \$7,000 annually.

oath of office, he was elected by but the anti-lynching bill by Rep. the board as its chairman for the Gavagan (D-NY) is scheduled to next two years. Other members come up in the house next week. are Tom Deberry of Bogota and House leaders of both major par-Frank Davis of Itasca.

The change in board membership gave appointees of Governor W. Lee O'Daniel control of another important state agency, Davis having been named by O'Daniel a few months ago to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Claude D. Teer. Whether there would be any material personnel or policy changes in the depart-

The board supervises the numerous state eleemosynary institutions and buys millions of dollars worth of supplies each year for state agencies. DeBerry will en perhaps, humanity's remain on the purchasing desk and Davis will continue on the eleemosynary and budget desk.

Knox, who replaces Henry Meyer of Rockdale, was administered the oath of office by Judge J. H. dds * * * An impressive Baugh of the Austin court of civil appeals. The ceremonies were

Railroads Steam Into the Black

roads wrote their earnings in to talk with the chief executive Christmas and New Year's holiblack in 1939, rolling up a profit today or tomorrow. There was days, which came to a close yesof approximately \$100,000,000, much speculation as to what might terday. compared with a deficit of \$123,- occur at the latter meeting, in The schools returned to their sand, is the best that has been 000,000 in 1938.

year, although carloadings then in the past. were 11 per cent greater than in The vice president returned to 1939. Cuts in operating costs made the capital six pounds lighter the difference.

Electrical Goods Demand Over Supply

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (AP).-Orders received by electrical equipment manufacturers rose steadily in 1939, and total bookings for Royal Air force has announced proximately 35 per cent.

able to keep pace with new orders vice killed or missing since the and sales actually billed to cus- conflict started. tomers were only about 15 per cent greater than a year ago. Large backlogs of unfilled orders assure a high rate of operations at least through the early months of

increase of 10 or 15 per cent in of the coast.

she will make her home.

FDR TO PLACE RELIEF CUTS UP TO SOLONS

Congress Convenes on Wednesday; Message at 2 p. m.

WASHINGTON, Jan 2 (AP) -President Roosevelt will put it up to congress this week to decide whether federal expenditures for relief and similar purposes should be reduced, an influential administration supporter pre-

The administration adherent, a senator who declined to be quoted by name, said he had not discussed the question directly with Mr. Roosevelt, but that he believed the chief executive would tell the reassembling legislators to do what they liked about cutting outays and retaining or raising the \$45,000,000,000 debt limit.

This informant predicted that congress would make no great reductions in appropriations for relief, farm benefits and the like, and he said the lawmakers therefore would bear the responsibility for continued large-scale spend-

Congress will reconvene at noon Wednesday and at 2 o'clock will hear Mr. Roosevelt deliver personally his annual message on the state of the union.

Any advice which he has to Knox, Jr., former Brownwood give on financial matters probmerchant, relinquished his \$3,600 ably will be reserved for the buda year job as adjutant general get message, which he will send

Neither senate nor house has Shortly after Knox took the much business in sight this week, ties agreed today that this measure was sure to be passed in their chamber after two or three days discussion. Senate opponents gave notice, however, that it would meet staunch opposition there.

Conally Firm "As far as I am concerned," Senator Connally (D-Tex) told reporters, "there will be no antilynching legislation. There may be a bill, but that is not legislation.

Connally, a member of the senate finance committee, predicted there would be no general tax bill at the forthcoming session, because this is an election year.

He said he thought congress would not enact a special tax to meet extraordinary national defense outlays.

Many legislators have already reached the snow-covered capital for the opening of the session, but because yesterday was New Year's ecause yesterday was New Year's ay, few were at their offices.
Vice President Garner and day, few were at their offices.

Democratic leader Rayburn of the house arrived yesterday morning. Rayburn is to see Mr. Roosevelt NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (A).-Rail- tomorrow and Garner is expected resumed their routine after the

> than when he went away. Friends said he lost poundage from his midsection during recent hunting trips in Texas. He laughed and chatted with newsmen but had nothing to say about politics, economics or social questions.

437 AIR CASUALTIES

LONDON, Jan. 2 (AP).-The the year exceeded 1938 by ap- the addition of 57 names to its neutrality, for the rest of the Eu- year was a day old. war casualty list, making a total Production, however, was un- of 437 members of the air ser-

Weather

WEST TEXAS: Mostly cloudy tle on December 13. and colder Tuesday with rain or Miss Laura Lu Waring planned snow southern portion. Wednes-

War! Want! Industrial, Social Advance! All Born in Decade---Spawn of 'Terrific Thirties'



The book closes on the last page of the last year of the "The Terrific Thirties," a story of progress and retrogression. __

EDITOR'S NOTE: Shaken and a bit puzzled, the world is emerging from another decade-"the Terrific Thirties." Here is an article telling, from the viewpoint of the ordinary man, the story of this period.

By WILLIS THORNTON

When the bells rang out De cember 31, 1939, the Terrific Thirties were over. For John Q. rescued by the Home Owners' Forties are a clean, unopened tees the mortgage.

and disappointment of the past 10 camp and a small college respec- on public relief. John, though do-

now affected by national regula- him get a job. Neither boy was 9,000,000 and 14,000,000 others tion of a wage and hour law, and able to get one after leaving high, were in the same boat, and that as

ne industry. His hours are short- The family's small account

GOVERNMENT COMES TO JOHN'S AID

The home he was buying, and FOR ONE OF SEVEN which he nearly lost in 1934, was

Youth administration project to help much. He still has the same job he had help him through college, hoping when the 1930's opened. But it is that better qualifications will help came from the fact that between

iving. His state has a sales tax corporation. As further security of 3 per cent on everything John for the future, John is one of the spends, but still he eats, dresses, 912,000 people for whom 1940

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

John's brother, Henry, fared less

Henry's greatest consolation

well. Out of work early in the to reduce production and thus Citizen, average American, the Loan corporation, which guaran- 1930's, he worked on civil works. make prices rise to a point where public works and Works Progress it is worth while to produce food His sons, John, Jr., and Ed, are administration jobs when he could The long succession of experi-Despite all the disillusionment in a Civilian Conservation corps get them. Several times he was ments by a tremendous organiyears, John has managed to get tively. Ed works on a National ing all right himself, couldn't ment administration have made

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SCHOOLS BACK Grandy Well Near **Putnam Cemented**

The Cisco public schools today!

view of Garner's candidacy for normal class routine with no spe- drilled in the new area and oper-Net income in 1937 was about the presidency and his opposition cial program. The Christmas holi- ators who have watched it assert \$1,500,000 less than in the past to some administration measures days interrupt the first semester, that it may have opened up a

Tacoma Interned By Uruguayan Govt.

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Jan 2 (A).—The black-clad nazi freighter Tacoma rolled dismally entered two air victories agains at anchor in Montevideo harbor two sea losses in the 1940 was today, prisoner of Uruguayan ledger Monday before the new ropean war.

Her master, Captain Hans the Shetland islands, north of Know, submitted to internment Scotland, one of them dropping Monday morning at expiration of bombs as it went into a power a Uruguayan deadline giving him dive over a British warship, but until 8 a. m. (5 a. m. CST) to failed to inflict damage, the air get out.

Tacoma made Sunday of taking ship, unnamed in the ministry's EAST TEXAS: Fair and colder to sea to face British warships, report, directed heavy fire at the If general business activity con- Tuesday; Wednesday fair, not which have watched this harbor raiders and apparently downed tinues good, trade sources esti- quite so cold in north portion; since the German pocket battle- one of them. mate that 1940 will see a further moderate to fresh northerly winds ship Graf Spee fled into refuge | There were "no hits on his mahere at the end of a 14-hour bat- jesty's ship and no casualties,'

The Charles Robarts et al No. 1 Grandy Estate find, two miles nort

of Putnam, was cemented yesterday on top of sand at 604 feet to shut off gas which kept breaking around the casing when the well was

two million feet of gas and a heavy show of oil on top of the great or greater than those of the south Putnam pool.

The well which encountered

Two Air Victories Claimed by British

LONDON, Jan. 2 (A),-Britai

Two German warplanes raided ministry said.

Thus ended the bold show the! Anti-aircraft guns on the war-

the communique said.

relatives in Dallas.

572 Bales of Cotton Ginned in County

which comes to a close the latter shallow pool of proportions as cotton were ginned in Eastland six months. county up to December 13, 1939, Reports of the enumerators wil as compared with 344 ginned to be tabulated in the district office nie Mancill, special census agent, building, by a clerk and a clerk-

Public Utility— Every Bit Is Free

BAZILLE MILLS, Neb. (A)-

Henry, conceived the idea of in- inspection to anyone, not even stalling a hydraulic ram on Spring other government agencies. Creek near their home. They built The general population census a dam and installed the ram, lat- will not begin until April 2. About er extended the service to the rest 50 more enumerators will be emof the community.

The only operating cost has in- that time. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Edwards Mr. and Mrs. Raby Miller have volved replacement, about every Miss Kathleen Alenxander has to leave today for Dallas, where day partly cloudy and continued have returned from Dallas, where returned from a holiday visit with five years, of a valve which costs returned from a week-end visit in

ABILENE, Jan. 1 (Spc).—First part destroyed."

census will consist of a census battlefield. Five hundred and 72 bales of expected to take from four t

the same date in 1938, Mrs. Lan- on the third floor of the federal

such as barber shops, construc- afternoon tion, amusements, hotels, laun-1 Residents of this small inland town dries, sales finance companies and pioneer Virginia family, and is believe they have an ideal water the distribution of manufacturers' survived by four daughters and sales for 1939.

and costs 60 cents a year to oper- operate fully with enumerators. ate. It pumps 10,800 gallons of Reports of the enumerators will be strictly confidential, Shipman S .A. Saunders and his son, said, and will not be open for

ployed for the Abilene district at

FINNISH CITY IS SET AFIRE BY RED BOMBS

Air Raids Are Apparent Reprisals for Soviet Defeats

HELSINKI, Jan. 2 (A) .-Many buildings in Turku, seaport city which has been the terminus of war materials sent to the Finns from their Scandianvian friends, were reported in flames after a

Apparent Reprisals

(Dispatches from Kirkenes, Norway, opposite the Petsamo region, said numerous Russian soldiers on that front had tures of 40 degrees below zero Fahrenheit were reported, re-

stricting activity on both sides. (The Finns in that region were

The Finns reported their latest success against invading Russian columns in the Salla region, just shove the Arctic circle, where they said, "our troops destroyed an enemy column of 12 cars." About 160 miles to the south near Suomussalim, the communique told of further development of the "great victory" reported yesterday, in which the 163rd red army division, some 15,000 strong, was said to have been

alf of the 1940 census will begin Pursuit of its routed remnant this morning, J. C. Shipman, Ab- continued, the Finnish command ilene district manager, said last reported today, and more booty was added to the huge quantities The initial part of the national already collected on the snow

"definitely cut up and for the mos

Mother of Cisco Woman Is Buried

Charlottesville, Virginia, where she was called because of the the channels through which com- death of her mother, Mrs. James modities are distributed and es- Garrett White, 75. Funeral sersential services rendered. This vices for Mrs. White, whose death canvass will cover retail and terminated a year's illness, were wholesale trade, service businesses held in Charlottesville Monday

Mrs. White was a member of a

Mrs. Patterson will remain in Shipman urged last night that merchants and businessmen co-Virginia for another two weeks before returning to Cisco.



And Pollock conel

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

He always wins who sides with God:

whoever he meets him goes away more confide and joyous for the contact.—LILION WHITING

Stopping Crime Before It Begins

beginning to meet with some success, problem will meet with more success. A boy Charles Lionel Chute, executive director of or girl below the age of 21 is seldom lost the National Prohibition association, recent- to society unless he has some incurable ly reported that his organization had de- mental disorder. In most cases he will retected a general tendency toward reform in spond satisfactorily to the proper type of fashion expert, in London during neck to hem it was easy to don, lifebelt." the operation of juvenile courts.

Most encouraging, said Mr. Chute, were increases in the age limits below which the forgeries of 20,000 federal government givenile courts may assume jurisdiction. In checks were investigated by the secret sergion, serving with British army.

CARLA MARCHETTA—a myshandbag an essential. Mary autoto the waters' edge. But she was a they obeyed megaphoned dicerballed abruptly. A beam struck as they obeyed megaphoned dicerballed abruptly. A beam struck of my competitors are this tions from the captain, relayed her and the blindness of pain shut through their officers.

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Political

Announcements

The Cisco Daily Press is authorized to announce the following as eandidates for the offices under which their names appear, subject to the action of the voters in the democratic primaries of 1940.

come one, but his entire character is still ment. The best way to make him a firstclass gangster is to shut him in a prison with a crowd of older prisoners, thoroughly

RADUALLY, civil authorities are becoming aware of the importance of handling properly teen-age offenders. If given effective treatment, these offenders can be placed among the communities' most useful: citizens; if treated negligently and without regard for the consequences, they maybe-

Edward Young, an 18th century English poet, said: "Who would not give a trifle to prevent what he would give a thousand worlds to cure?" But even the trifle must be exact and must fit the case in hand. Juve-SUBSCRIPTION RATES: Within First and nile judges and probation officers can oper-Second Postal Zones, Por Year, \$3.50. Rates Higher ate on no established formulae. The statute Within Other Zones, Weekly Rural Edition, per books are no good in the juvenile court. The treatment prescribed must be individualized.

The criminal facies is not inborn but acquired through the criminality and re-Any erroneous statement reflecting upon the acquired through the criminality and re-character or equitation of any person will be gladly actions of the criminal with other people," if brought to the attention of the publish- recently commented Dr. Ales Hrdlicka, for errors in advertising insertions beyond anthropologist of the Smithsonian institution. "Except for brute violence and actions Entered as Second Class Matter December 11, due to brain disorders, crime itself is no organic entity, but is a social phenomenon, differing vastly individually in degree and

> CRIMINALITY is pretty much like cance -it can be checked with comparative facility if caught early enough; but it nearly always fatal if allowed to take to some diseases in its early stages. It is scarcely ever discovered in a boy or girl until some crime, usually petty, has been committed, and the delinquent has been brought before

EFFORTS to fit the punishment to the governing the handling of juvenile delin-criminal rather than to the crime are quents, penologists concerned with this individualized treatment.

susceptible to benevolent changes in environ- Democratic Menu for January 8th



STORY

BLACKOUT

BY RUTH AYERS

VINCENT GREGG - soldier of Then, with whatever there is fortune, in love with Mary.

Yesterday: The stranger who hand flashlight sent beady rays through their officers, and followed Mary on deck returns her beret. She is angry, then mystified as he promises to

Specs---

(Continued from Page One)

clerks were far more concerned with their motors and movies than with bills of "Most of us have h goods, but they had begun tough struggle the past being that way long before the big crash. If they hadn't, it's 20 to 1 there wouldn't have been any crash. It wasn't hard money that did this to us, but easy money, and it's been doing the same

going to hit, And it did." Mary knew her panic was only the indifference and remotely conscious of what was alty of our employes taking place around her. But one have concluded that brief drama held her fascinated times are permanen

a familiar figure. His light hair 'blow' what we have, a and foreign hair cut were too in- the future take care dividual ever to be mistaken. They self. Maybe we are right could belong to one person only— I know one young to the blond youth who had returned her beret only a short half! who borrowed \$5,000 hour before. She saw him ap. April and took over a proach the rail and the single by automobile business shaft of light fell full on his coun- had succumbed to two tenance. One could not fail to read its painted surprise, its look of loathing and, above all, of resolution. The youth gained the rail wouldn't buy a certain and, with the quiet of a cat, of car because 'I got one dropped over the side.

It was difficult to believe this wrong, the dealer re final horror in a chain of grim events. For what reason had this to do anything.' handsome foreign boy died, Mary "'O. K., said my wondered. It was certainly not friend, 'I'll replace the because of heroism. The stewards blesome part, fix the e had said there was a place for my expense, and do the everybody in the lifeboats. He wanted to die, she knew. But any time another

There was no time for reflec- "The stranger tion. Just as her group was order- to be a big contractor nation came over the ship. All stood breathless as a black shaft then he has bought rose up in the path of moonlight, trucks from my friends, The periscope of an undersea boat was clear to be seen

"Another torpedo!" But nobody spoke it aloud. It was a thought so horrible as only to be whis- a square deal.' The vo

would sound in her ears until the fore the second deadly charge hit station attendants give h home. The Moravia again con-"My baby, oh, my baby!" she vulsed with the seizure of awful heard, and shuddered. "I must pain as the explosion ripped a seem in need of repair, great gash into her leviathan side. "I must find Anna Winters," she! When the second torpedo hit, viewed, he has done busing CAST OF CHARACTERS up the simple wrap-around of Mary Carroll was propelled for- with 31. In less than a year Mary CAROL — American Anna's gray uniform. Open from highest."

on the boat deck, the confusion bulwark. The ship trembled in the loan, and is planning an a of the stairway was a prelude to water. Again Mary was thrown dition to his shop. about a woman that makes a the terrifying chaos of the fe- forward, toward the place where "'How come?' he eche vered scene. Sailors, stripped to the prow was dangerously close my question not long a out all else.

"Life saving station 41, launch | Great arms encircled her. She thinking what I can g

day of her death, Mary knew.

find my baby!"

thing since and before justly celebrated decline fall of the Roman emp

years, and begin to be t Many of us can see not but more struggle, with less reward, in the fi Some of us are wear working to pay moun taxes; weary of restriand restraining laws, a In the flare of a torch she saw we may as well take it llong ago, and when it

proves defective.'

neighboring town, and two men I know have to ferred their custom to 'because you get service! merchant made a bargain It seemed like bare seconds be- which half a dozen fill the numbers of cars of the 106 owners in

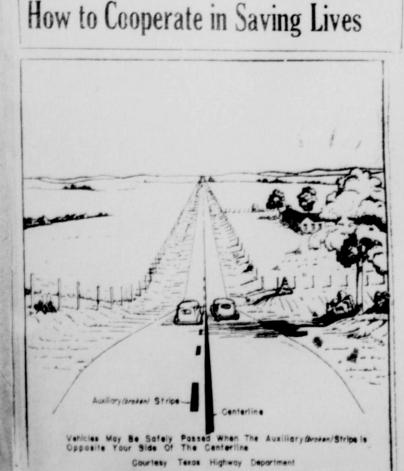
found herself being lifted up. Then Sure there's a lot to disco "Fourth watch, count your pas- all she knew was the sickening unsteady motion of a light craft ways was, I guess, and

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supply, both for food and clothing and for chemical conversion into products of various kinds, offer our section opportunities of a consequence before undreamed of.

ket. As the stardard of living of our farmers is raised so is the magnitude of the market they offer. Therefore, we believe it to be our sensible duty to improve the agricultural status of the section about us, so that the farmer may live better and provide better support for our community.

every business man and every other citizen in Cisco, regardless of whether or not that business man or citizen receives a direct benefit from relationship with the farmer. We firmly believe that Cisco can never be assured of prosperity until the farmer is first considered.

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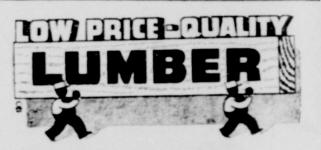
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