

JAYCEES UNDERTAKE POLL TAX CAMPAIGN

1,500 IS GOAL IN CISCO BY JANUARY 27TH

Program In Line With National Campaign of Young Men

In line with the "Americanism" program which the junior chambers of commerce of the United States are sponsoring, the Cisco Jaycees have undertaken a campaign to secure payment of the greatest number of poll taxes this year.

Plans for the campaign were discussed and approved at the regular meeting of the Jaycees at a dinner in the Laguna hotel last night. C. M. Nevill and Edward Lee were named a committee to contact business men and secure their cooperation.

The Jaycees have set a goal of 1,500 poll taxes paid in Cisco this year, January 27, as indicated, is the deadline.

Poll taxes must be paid before January 31 to make the payee eligible as a voter.

Other business before the meeting, over which president Ed Brown presided, included reports on Christmas trade campaign activities of the junior chamber. The Jaycees showed enthusiasm over the outlook for the new year and indicated plans for a more aggressive promotion of civic enterprises during the period.

Dallas Jackson Dinner Speaker Endorses Garner

DALLAS, Jan. 9 (AP)—John A. Hanes, former undersecretary of the treasury, last night endorsed the governmental conceptions of Vice President John N. Garner. Speaking at a Jackson day dinner here, Hanes praised the present administration and said "I love and admire, as you do, the courage, the integrity, and the personality of the distinguished and able vice president of the United States."

"In his confession of faith a few years ago, Mr. Garner gave utterance to my conception of government in America. He said:

"There are just two things to this government as I see it. The first is to safeguard the lives and properties of our people. The second is to insure that each of us has a chance to work out his destiny according to his talents."

Hanes, before mentioning other Texans in the federal government, said "If I were called upon to write a political platform to-day I would give liberal interpretation to this (Garner's) thought."

Declaring that economic recovery should take precedence over all other issues, Hanes said, "It is plain that the root of our program is unemployment. We have several million people in this country today wanting to work, and finding nothing to do. Their idleness is not only subtracting from the productivity of the nation, but is causing a heavy drain on the resources of those at work in the form of great expenditures for relief and public works programs."

The speaker expressed confidence that "with the worker and the public generally continuing to pay close attention to the processes of business, I know that we are in a position to solve the problem of unoccupied men. x x x "It is imperative that we direct every effort towards encouraging investment in enterprises which will promote employment."

Bankhead Wields House Gavel Again



Thumping sound of Speaker William Bankhead's gavel once more echoes through the House chamber in Washington as the Alabama representative stands in his rostrum, above, and keeps the nation's biggest legislative body in order.

FINNS DEFEAT ANOTHER RED ARMY DIVISION

Thousands of Russians Reported to Have Been Killed

HELSINKI, Jan. 9 (AP)—Destruction of the 44th Russian division southeast of Suomussalmi was announced today in a special communique which said that Finnish forces, mopping up in the wake of the battle, were gathering large quantities of war materials abandoned by the enemy along the snow-packed highway.

Thousands of Russians were killed and more than 1,900 captured, military sources indicated, in the rout of the 44th—the second soviet division reported to have met its end in this wild, icy region in middle Finland.

Only 10 days ago at Lake Kianta, north of Suomussalmi, the 163rd Russian division was according to the Finnish high command—"cut up and for the most part destroyed."

The survivors of the 163rd were reported after this defeat to be fleeing toward Junturanta at the northeastern tip of Lake Kianta, about five miles from the soviet border, with the Finns in hot pursuit.

The reported rout of the 44th was believed here to mean the end of Russian attempts to drive across Finland's "waistline" and cut the country in two—at least for the winter.

For weeks the Russians have besieged Suomussalmi at the first objective in this drive. Finnish descriptions of the fighting indicate that the 163rd had attempted to close in from the northeast and the 44th from the southeast.

(Neutral military experts have estimated the strength of a Russian division at 15,000 to 17,000 men.)

Booty which the Finns reported capturing in the two victories included 129 tanks of various calibers, 54 trucks, 12 armored cars, one airplane, 75 submachine guns, 428 motor trucks, 59 field kitchens, 1,420 horses and large quantities of rifles and munitions.

Among the equipment were 16 anti-aircraft cars, each mounting four anti-aircraft guns each.

The Finnish communique said that "clearing up operations and the collection of spoils continues."

On other fronts the Finns reported little activity, except for "customary skirmishes and artillery exchanges."

C. B. Poe's Condition Reported Critical

C. B. (Uncle Cap) Poe, who has been seriously ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Spencer, for 13 weeks, was reported to be in a critical condition today.

Mr. Poe's children have been at his bedside for some time. His sister, Mrs. Mary Park, her son, T. L. Park, and Mrs. Park, a niece, Mrs. Russell Ruten, all of Stamp, Arkansas, and Mrs. Joe Hendrix of Idabelle, Oklahoma, left Monday for their homes after spending the week-end with Mr. Poe.

Can't Conquer Men's Souls

WARSAW, Jan. 9 (AP)—War and destruction have not been able to crush the innate love of the Pole for flowers. While houses were still burning and the debris of damaged property still filled the streets of Warsaw, the flower shops resumed business as usual.

Horticulturists in the vicinity of the capital continue to bring their beautiful flowers to the city, and the Warsaw burgher, no matter how destitute he may be, continues to buy them.

Nazi Seamen Keep War Waters Safe for German Ships



Keeping the North Sea clear of mines laid to trap German warships or submarines is the risky job assigned these Nazi seamen. All members of the crew wear life preservers, since at any moment they may be forced to leave the vessel if it strikes an enemy mine.

Approval Sought for New Soil Conservation Area

WATERSHED OF LEON ROUGHLY IN DISTRICT

Application to the Texas State Soil Conservation board has been made through County Agent Elmo V. Cook at Eastland for approval of a soil conservation district embracing Eastland and Comanche counties and a portion of Erath. Roughly the area coincides with the watershed of the Leon river. More than 1,000,000 acres of land is included.

Application for approval of the district is made under the terms of the state soil conservation act recently passed to enable the state to secure the benefits of collaboration with the federal soil conservation program.

The district is one of 52 which the state board, composed of five farmers, has approved as to need. It is not yet one of the 21 districts of the 52 which have been approved as to program.

If approved, farmers of the district will vote on the program, if they approve it will at the same time elect five farmers as supervisors through which the program will be carried on, the federal government cooperating in furnishing technical men and other funds. Participation in the program, even after the district is approved, will be voluntary on the part of all farmers.

The program is a broadened phase of the soil conservation work. Not only does it embrace terracing, contour plowing, strip-cropping, etc., but it includes also, proper land use studies, and the application of proper methods and programs to the individual farms. The program is both intensive and extensive in this respect.

It is expected that the district would be approved as to program without difficulty.

It's Cutting Weather Four Seasons a Year

PORTALES, N. M., Jan. 9 (AP)—Portales has a whittlers' bench with a sign over it that reads: "If you are under 50 years of age don't sit here." Retired cattlemen, merchants, and pioneers are among its steady patrons and when winter becomes too blustery the bench is removed to a hut.

Cisco Youth One of 20 in Air Training Program

Jack Lauderdale, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lauderdale of Cisco, who is attending John Tarleton college, has been selected as one of the twenty students at the institution to participate in the pilot training program sponsored by the Civil Aeronautics authority. The fact that he was one in the small group selected from over 130 applicants is an indication of his standing in college.

Lauderdale is one of those students who has the rare ability of combining scholastic achievement and outside activities. A high ranking student scholastically, Jack has found time to be a member of a social club, the Vikings, and a member of the college orchestra. He is also a cadet officer in the R. O. T. C. unit, a member of the college band, and of the symphony orchestra. Last year he was selected by the student body as the most popular freshman boy.

Jack, who is taking a business administration course, will graduate from Tarleton this year.

PING-PONG ASS'N TO BE ORGANIZED

All who are interested in the game of ping-pong, or table tennis, were invited to attend a meeting at the chamber of commerce this evening for the purpose of organizing a ping-pong association to conduct a tournament in this popular indoor game. In order to make the winners of such a tournament eligible to enter regional tournaments an association must sponsor the tournament, Joe Clark, director of the Cisco recreation project, pointed out. Mr. Clark said that the association is open to all who are interested.

The meeting will take place at 7 o'clock.

PARENTS OF DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Swartz are parents of a daughter born at their home, 304 West 6th, Thursday, January 4. The child has been named Deana Kay.

FDR WARNS DEMOS NEED INDEPENDENTS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AP)—Delivering a philosophical "plate-side chat," President Roosevelt warned the democratic party last night that it must retain the support of independent voters to win this year—and then added what some interpreted as his prescription for the party's presidential nominee.

"Motive in the long run is what counts—motive accompanied by good manners," he told the party's glittering Jackson Day dinner. "If leaders have good motives and good manners and—at the same time, knowledge of the different parts of the country and plenty of experience, you can be fairly safe in assuming they won't wreck your government."

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Then, lapsing into a vein of plesantry which ran throughout the address, he said that other qualities were needed, among them:

"The willingness to pay \$100 for a \$10.00 dinner, the fortitude to eat the whole of it, and the courage to make a half-hour plate-side chat at the end of it."

One hundred dollars a plate was what the party's top-ranking leaders paid for the privilege of eating the Mayflower hotel's best banquet fare, drinking two wine courses, and listening to the president and others.

Meanwhile, in 44 states, similar but less expensive repasts were served to mark the party's observance of the anniversary of Andrew Jackson's victory at the battle of New Orleans. When the checks are all in, the party leaders hope the campaign chest will be \$700,000 the richer, with \$219,000 of that amount going to pay off the party deficit.

Twitted Republicans

The president, who good-naturedly twitted republican leaders for declining an invitation to attend in the interest of "national unity," also spoke in glowing terms of the accomplishments of the administration and of the president's confidence that they are approved by the people as a whole.

"The enormous task which the democratic party has already performed in this generation has been to provide the energy and confidence to steer government in the interest and under the direction of

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Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

Active in the long run is motive—motive accompanied by good manners," President Roosevelt to Jackson day dinner at Washington. "If leaders have good motives and good manners—at the same time, knowledge of the country and plenty of experience, you can be fairly safe in assuming they won't wreck your government."

Question presents itself—who is to keep leadership informed and in good stead? And answering question returns us to fundamental that seems to have been overlooked in days of mass dependence and surrender to government.

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Our rejoicing is in the testimony of our con-
science, that in simplicity and godly sincerity,
by the grace of God, we have had our conversation
in the world.—2 Cor. 1, 12.

Fight the good fight with all thy might,
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right.
Lay hold on life and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally.—J. S. B. Mosell.

Remember

These are nothing in character or magnetic as
characteristics. Is not every day a festival to the good
man?—Shelley.

Renovating the Defense Machine

NO matter how hard Americans try, they
can't forget there is war in Europe. One
can't be casual about it. It pervades all our
national life. It hangs over us like a persist-
ent ghost, and it's pretty hard to shrug your
shoulders at a ghost.

For a little while before the president
sent his budget message to congress, people
in this country were beginning to look at the
war as something purely objective, some-
thing associated with the United States only
remotely. The Christmas season helped that
feeling along a little. We were sympathetic
toward Finland, contemptuous of Russia. We
sighed when the Graf Spee sunk off the coast
of Uruguay and were grateful that the whole

Nazis Won't Collapse Easily, German Warns

By PRESTON GROVER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—A
former counselor of the German
embassy in Washington, now
seemingly in poor standing with
the Nazi regime, can give you a
few fresh slants on the European
war.

In a three-column letter to the
New York Times, the former
counselor, Ernst Wilhelm Meyer,
cautions against thinking that
Germany will collapse easily, and
suggests that the allies may have
to revise their propaganda if they
expect to undermine Hitler.

Of the need of raw materials
and the effectiveness of the block-
ade, he says:

"Only major land battles result
in a very large consumption of
copper, cotton, rubber, etc. and
under the protection of his
vestrol, Hitler refrains from ma-
jor land battles, his need for raw
materials will be greatly limited."

Of the oft-expressed view, that

For Misery from
HEAD COLDS
use
MENTHOLATUM

Link them together
in your mind!
Are you at the mercy of a sniff,
sneeze, cough, or sore throat?
Mentholatum applied in each nostril
will soothe the irritated nasal
membranes, check the sneezing,
relieve the sore throat, and help you
breathe more easily.
Also rub Mentholatum vigorously
on the chest and back to improve
the local blood circulation, and the
extra help in relieving cold dis-
comforts. Rub it on the forehead
and temples to relieve headache and
migraine due to colds.

nasty incident didn't happen in some United
States port.

Even though the war scene was brought
closer to our front door, much of the fatalism
concerning our eventual involvement had
vanished. We had come to the conclusion
that the war wouldn't touch us and that we
needn't worry about it too much.

THEN the president submitted his budget.
Almost every item was clipped except
one—national defense. The chief executive
asked an appropriation of \$1,800,000,000 for
defense—more than was requested for any
other program. The unfortunate aspect of
the whole thing is that we've got to spend
money for defense, whether we'll need it or
not. As a matter of fact, the more we spend,
the less likely may be our need for it.

Even the \$1,800,000,000 isn't as much as
most observers had expected. But it's a good
deal more than can be comfortably laughed
off. On the basis of 130,000,000 people in this
country, that comes to about \$14 a head. To
help meet this item, about \$469,000,000 in new
taxes must be raised, preferably, the presi-
dent asked, through a super income tax plan.

Although we haven't taken up arms, it's
difficult for us to forget for long that the god
of war is abroad again. Everything we do as
a government, from now until the conflicts
are settled, will be influenced by events
abroad. We are not self-sufficient; the world
means a good deal to us.

MAKING one's way in a world that is being
shattered requires some pretty agile foot-
work. The United States government must
be careful in everything that it does, but no
more careful than every citizen within the
country must be.

It is the series of small, unimportant in-
cidents that can pile up and lead to a sudden
explosion. We are still neutral, but the rights
of a neutral nation aren't as exalted as we'd
like them to be. Many of the routine things
we do as a matter of course in time of peace
are banned or restricted when war gets un-
der way.

If we've got to spend \$1,800,000,000 for a
war machine—and we probably shall—let's
keep the machine bright and shiny. Let's
try never to find an occasion to use it.

That wheelchair lawn mower has been
perfected by an Oregonian. Now if someone
can only figure out a way of getting the storm
windows up.

Rex Tugwell, ex-brain truster, doesn't
think Roosevelt will run for a third term.
The only people who haven't been heard
from on this matter are President Roosevelt
and the Marx brothers.

Goering is a conservative with
whom the allies could negotiate
a peace if Hitler were removed,
Meyer says.

"To regard Goering as a con-
servative is tantamount to calling
Gandhi a warmonger or Trotsky
a capitalist."
Of the Russian alliance, he says:
"The final attitude of Russia is
undetermined; the chances of ever
close cooperation with Hitler's
bolshelized Germany are many
times greater than the opposite
chances."

Propaganda Effective
Hitler's constant propaganda
that Germany wants not one inch
of French or English soil is bound
to have effect, says Meyer, espe-
cially when British naval losses
begin to increase, as they may do
with a sustained air attack. After
all, he says, no one knows
yet just how hard the fleet may
suffer from the German air attack.

However, Meyer voices a view
held widely here that a victory
for Hitler "would be both a de-
feat for Germany and a defeat
for Europe."

"It would be a defeat for Ger-
many, for no transitory increase
of military and political power
could out-balance the definite
destruction of all the better
qualities of the German nation as
a result of the national socialist
destruction of law and justice;
of political freedom, replaced by
political insincerity and hypocrisy;
of freedom of science, education,
art and press; of free labor and
enterprise; of free worship, and
of all Christian, ethical princi-
ples."

Germans Not Hated
So far Meyer has found no bit-
terness against the German masses,
either here or abroad, but
wonders whether the bombing of
the big cities, so often predicted,
would not generate a spirit for
another punishing Versailles. That,
he said, would bestir in Germany
a desperate fear of an allied
victory.

"No help can come from telling
the German masses that the war
is conducted not against Germany,
but only against Hitler. Although
this might be entirely true, nev-
ertheless, they are tragically re-
minded of 1914-1918, when they
were told that the war was con-

In Congress Assembled



Long Fights Four for Louisiana Governorship

By JAMES MORROW

AP Feature Service
NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 9.—Louis-
iana voters will decide in the
democratic primary January 16
whether they wish to retain in the
saddle the political heirs of
Huey P. Long or overthrow the
state's strongest political machine
since reconstruction days.

Governor Earl K. Long, seek-
ing to keep his job, has cam-
paigning as a friend of the poor
man, the brother of Huey, and a
man bitterly persecuted by his
enemies.

More than 300 indictments have
been returned against one-time
strong-men or hangers-on of his
administration, but he has protest-

ed that he came before the elec-
torate with clean hands.
He has made prime capital of
his relationship to the late King-
fish of Louisiana politics and,
when sharply reminded by his
foes that he had once been Huey's
bitter enemy, has protested that
the quarrel was patched up before
Huey's death.

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didates, Sam Jones, State Senator
James A. Noe, Jas. H. Morrison
and Vincent Moseley, have all
based their campaign on this
issue: throw out the present office-
holders because during their
term of service the worst scanda-
ls in 60 years broke.

These opponents maintain that
dictatorial laws were instituted by
Huey, fostered by his henchmen
and political heirs, and thus,
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the public, made possible an era
of colossal graft and corruption.

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to unseat Long. Jones, Lake
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mander of the American Legion
in Louisiana, has built up a strong
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state and has concentrated his
fire on Earl Long.

Returns Compliment
Long, returning the compliment,

has turned his heaviest guns on
Jones, complaining that he is a
corporation lawyer with a war-
chest filled by big business.

Not, once an ally of Huey, but
now a staunch foe of his one-time
cronies, is an oil man who prom-
ises to carry out the work of the
late dictator, which he asserts was
interrupted when the present ad-
ministration took over.

In contrast to the other can-
didates, all of whom are in their
40's, Morrison, 31-year-old Ham-
mond lawyer, has come closest
to Huey's stump technique. He
waves his arms, rants, roars, pulls
open his collar and takes a "con-
vict parade" around the state with
him. This parade is made up of
farmers who dress in convict suits
to suggest the rate in store for
some of the highest men in the
present administration.

Says He's Poor
While denouncing Long with
great abandon, Morrison at the
same time says he is a real friend
of the poor man in the present
campaign and, like the governor,
declares Jones is a corporation
lawyer, Morrison, a Tulane uni-
versity graduate, sleeps in farm-
er's houses, protesting that he is
poor and without ample campaign
funds.

Moseley, an Opelousas attorney
and World war veteran, denounces
both Long and Jones with equal
vehemence, asks a chance to show
his stuff, and upon occasion quotes
a little Latin to bring home his
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FOOLED YOU!

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 9 (AP).—
The trial was over—but the evi-
dence lingered on. Court attaches
explained, in response to puzzled
sniffing about Justice Elben
Folkes' bench that contents had
been spilled from the jug used
as evidence in the case of a man
charged with selling without a li-
cense. The jug had contained
high-powered perfume.

Pay Your Poll Tax.

Political Announcements

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

**For County
Tax Assessor-Collector**
CLYDE S. KARKALITS

For County Clerk—
R. V. (Rip) GALLOWAY

For Sheriff—
LOSS WOODS (Re-election)

For County Judge—
W. S. ADAMSON (Re-election)

For District Clerk—
JOHN WHITE (For Second Term)

For County Comm'r., Precinct No. 4
ARCH BINT (Re-election)

STORIES IN STAMPS



Czech Army Flyers Fight Nazis on Western Front

A FLYING Legion of 600
mer aviators of the Czech
slovakian Army air force is fight-
ing with French and British
over the Western Front. In
their attempts to fly in
planes out of Czechoslovakia
when Hitler's armies pushed
the pilots have made their
secretly to France. The
air force was honored in 1938
an issue of eight stamps in
designs, showing types of
planes. The biplane is the
above.

Argentina's long awaited
post stamps, in three des-
igns and three values, have been
issued. The cost of the
covers payment for the
graph disk, recording of the
er's message, a special cover
mailing and postage. The
voice conveys his greeting in
the latest advance of postal ser-

Nigeria's advanced airmail
will be covered by a new
for early release.

BRUCE CATTON'S AMERICAN ROUNDUP

By BRUCE CATTON
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON—President
Roosevelt's 1941 budget looks
like an extremely smart move in
the intricate chess game that has
been going on between the execu-
tive and the Congress. Whether
it is much more than that is an
open question — open-and-shut,
maybe.

That the President put over a
very fast one indeed, with lots of
body English on it, is evident from
a simple study of the figures.
First of all, he handed Congress
a set of estimates which run about
\$788,000,000 under those for the
present fiscal year. These include
big cuts in things which a con-
gressman hates to cut in an elec-
tion year—money for roads, for
various forms of relief, for agri-
culture, for the government pay-
roll generally, and so on. Con-
gress will be under tremendous
pressure to go above the estimates,
and will almost certainly do so.

But the catch in it—the thing
that really makes it a fast one
—isn't just the fact that the Presi-
dent would then be able to turn to
the country and say, "Well, I tried
to reduce expenditures but Con-
gress wouldn't go along." The real
sticker is the fact that the law
sets the limit to which the fed-
eral government's debt may rise
at \$43,000,000,000.

Listen, now, to the canny way
the President figured this one. If
the President's budget should be
adopted in toto, the total govern-
ment debt at the end of the next
fiscal year would be just \$62-
000,000 under that legal debt limit
of 43 billions.

If Congress spends more—
if it goes only \$63,000,000 over his
budget—it must, at the same time,
vote to raise the debt limit. Which
is the one thing above all others
that a congressman approaching
a re-election fight would truly hate
to do.

The President, in other words,
gets himself out of a tight corner.

He avoids the necessity of
to ask for a raise in the debt
limit. He hands in a sharply
reduced budget. . . and he
the burden for both things on
the shoulders of Congress. If he
isn't plenty of back-pain on
one, just try to think of a tri-
one.

There's this to think about
—that third term angle.

Assume that President Roo-
sevelt's budget is adopted. It
covers the period from June 30, 1941,
July 1, 1941. The President who
is elected next winter—the one
is elected next fall, in other
words—the worrying about what is
after July 1, 1941. And that
President will find himself with a
big debt that is within reach
of the limit, and will either have to
raise the budget or ask Con-
gress to raise the debt limit.

Doesn't that sound very
much as if Mr. Roosevelt figured
that somebody besides him
was going to be President
next year?

Meanwhile, it is worth noting
that the budget is based on
sharply. This the Presi-
dent frankly admits is based on
hope that the present busi-
ness upturn will continue.

If it does, all well and
good. If it doesn't—if a recession
appears, or even if the cur-
rent business improvement
levels out and things stay as
they are now—the money budget
for work relief and, for farm
just won't be enough and
supplementary appropriations
will have to be asked later this
year. And if the President does
he must either get back into
tight corner by asking for a
raise in the debt limit, or get Con-
gress to vote new taxes.

Obviously, the President
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that business is going to continue
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VINCENT GREGG—soldier of fortune, in love with Mary.

CARLA MARCHETTA—a mysterious London socialite.

DR. GILBERT LENOX—surgeon, serving with British army.

YESTERDAY: Mary has little luck in finding a job. Discouraged, but not yet ready to give up, she is surprised when Lenox calls on her. He is leaving for the front. She regrets the loss of her only friend. Then Lenox asks her an amazing question—"Will you marry me?"

CHAPTER XIII
Mary fell back in her chair as she realized the full import of Dr. Lenox's strange offer. He could not be serious. But he was. His eyes, steady upon her, told her his proposal, however strange, was entirely sincere.

"Anna, I'm not expecting this to be a marriage of love. I know you're in love with someone else. I can understand why you've not gone to him only too well.

"What I am suggesting for us is an arrangement of friendship only. You are alone, and I am sure if you have found a job by now, your money is pretty low. I feel personally responsible for you because when you were so close to death I did what I could to bring you through."

Mary's eyes flashed with something of her old spirit. "You pity me," she accused.

He tilted her chin with his hand, forcing her eyes to look into his. "You must believe, at least, I am sincere in wanting to help you."

Mary's excitement lessened under his calm. "As my wife you will receive my army pay. You can stay on in these rooms without being embarrassed. But here's the best part of all. When Dr. O'Connell, the famous plastic surgeon, returns from the front, it will be easier to have you admitted to the hospital as my wife. Otherwise, it might be difficult, especially since I will be on the other side of the channel."

"Tongues of orange flamed from the burning coal. A clock ticked softly. Except for these tiny sounds, there was silence in the room.

At length Mary roused herself. "What you say is true. I am desperate. I have no money. While I'm disgraced like this, I can't bear to face anyone who knew me before..." Her voice faltered and he did not expect her to continue.

It was as if she was speaking her thought aloud. "But that doesn't mean I haven't any pride," she went on after a pause. "And that doesn't mean my dreams are over for always."

He knocked the ashes out of his pipe and waited for her to continue.

"A chapel wedding, a bridal veil and orange blossoms, organ music and a honeymoon, these are all part of what marriage has meant to me."

"I understand," he spoke quietly. "Naturally my strange offer of marriage has given you a jolt, coming as it did out of a clear sky."

"I appreciate your offer. I know you only spoke to help, as a friend. But you'll have to give me time to think it over. When are you going to France?"

"I don't know. Any day now." Dr. Lenox stood up. He reached for his coat. "Do think it over. Consider it seriously. I don't want you to do anything you might be sorry for. But on the other hand, if I do come back from the front, I'll give you your freedom whenever you want it."

When he had disappeared into the night, Mary sat motionless by the glowing embers, hands cupping her chin. Long after the fire had burned itself out she sat, unmindful of the growing chill.

Here was a way out. That very day had brought her to a new low in her already hopeless existence. But to marry Lenox would be unfair to him. She still loved Vincent Gregg. Even though Dr. Lenox was aware of that, and was willing to marry her on these terms, she could not allow him to make that sacrifice.

How long she had been thinking these things, she had no way to tell. But when the chimes of a hall clock announced midnight, she drew up with a start. Perhaps by daylight she could think of this thing out more clearly.

The next day the problems of the night before had solved themselves in no way. If she could only see Vincent without him seeing her! If she could only be sure that he was longing as much for her as she was for him! Then she could wait a lifetime, if necessary, for their reunion. Hunger, poverty, nothing would matter.

Hardly aware of what she did, Mary found herself walking in the direction of Vincent's lodgings.

She walked along Oxford street and turned into Charing Cross road to Trafalgar Square. She passed the narrow street with the restaurant where she and Vincent had dined on the night of that horrible air raid. She traced the few steps from the square and stopped in front of it, unmindful of the jostle of people in the noon hour crowd. Covetously she peered in. The restaurant was gay with luncheon guests.

She retraced her steps to Charing Cross road and past the National gallery, its windows boarded and sandbagged.

She had forgotten she was Anna Winters. She had forgotten that she, Mary Carroll, was supposed

to be dead, a victim of the sinking of the Moravia.

It was as if this strange desire to see Vincent was driving her on, without any volition of her own. She had forgotten the twisted cheek, the shabby, ill-fitting clothes. Reflected in her rapt face was the expression of one who awaits a miracle.

Back in the square, she walked to the street where Vincent had had lodgings. She would go down the street, just for a sight of the roomy, gray stone house where he lived.

Before it, courage ebbed. She turned back, to the protection of a doorway of a tobacconist's shop. Perhaps Vincent had long since left this neighborhood. Perhaps he

was not even in London.

Something made her turn to the kindly old man in skull cap behind the tobacco counter. Before she knew, it she had spoken.

"Does a young American named Vincent Gregg still live at the lodgings across the street?" she asked.

"You mean that handsome?"

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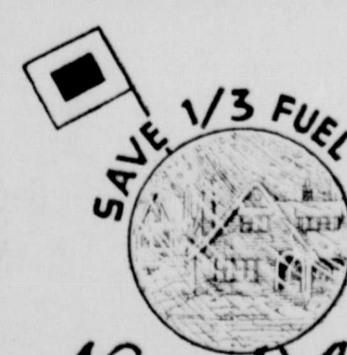
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SOCIETY and CLUBS

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Loyal Women in Monthly Meeting Monday Evening

The Loyal Women's Sunday school class of the First Christian church met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. James Haynie. The meeting was a regular monthly business session, presided over by the president, Mrs. Rex Moore. Mrs. James Mobley brought an interesting devotional. During the social hour that followed, refreshments were served to Mmes. Rex Moore, Minnie Hill, James Mobley, Fred Steffey, V. E. McCharen, Clark W. Lambert, H. R. Garrett, Lalia Smart, Sam Kimmell, George Atkins, John Stiles, Miss Susan Haynes and the hostess, Mrs. James Haynie.

Miss Gallagher Is Club Hostess

Miss Peggy Jean Gallagher was hostess Saturday to members of the Double M club. A short business session was held, after which refreshments were served. Those present were Misses Gloria Graham, Dorothy Jean Anderson, Rose Ann Woods, Patty Jean Boyd, Betty Slicker, Cathryn Shepard and the hostess, Peggy Jean Gallagher.

The Notebook

Wednesday
The Baptist Junior G. A. will meet at the church at 4 o'clock.

Thursday
The Thursday Forty-two club will meet with Mrs. C. H. Hale at 3 o'clock.

YWA Meets Monday With Opal Fenley

Mrs. Opal Fenley was hostess to the YWA of the First Baptist church when it met in her home Monday evening. Miss Miriam Ghormley opened the meeting with prayer, after which Miss Dorafae Collins presided over the business period. An interesting program, directed by Miss Eulalia Reames, was then presented. Mrs. E. J. Poe, counselor, led the closing prayer. Those present were Misses Dorafae Collins, Willie Frank Walker, Frances Caldwell, Velma Smith, Eulalia Reames, Miriam Ghormley, Mrs. E. J. Poe and the hostess, Miss Opal Fenley.

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Christian Class Meets on Monday With Mrs. Ezzell

With Mrs. David Duncan as hostess, the Willing Workers class of the First Christian church met at the home of Mrs. Audrey Ezzell Monday evening, for the regular monthly business and social meeting. After a brief business session, a salad course with tea was served. Those present were Mmes. I. A. Brunkenhoefer, Guy Ward, Harold Farquhar, C. C. Greenhaw, J. F. Benedict, George Groseclose, Troy Powell, Ace Lucas, David Duncan and Audrey Ezzell.

Grammar P. T. A. Meets Wednesday

The Grammar School Parent-Teachers' association will meet at the school Wednesday afternoon at 3:45, it was announced today. An interesting program has been arranged by the Rotary club. Members are urged to attend and visitors are cordially invited.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. James Lanning have returned to their home after visiting relatives and friends in Rockdale.
Mrs. J. B. Henderson and son, Johnnie, of Wichita Falls, are guests of Mrs. Henderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. McCarty.
Mrs. Joe Gallagher and daughter, Betty Jo, left Monday evening for Mineral Wells, where they will join her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fondren, of Houston, and accompany them to their home. Mr. Fondren has been confined to a hospital in Mineral wells.

FDR Warns---

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those of our people who do not want to be selfish and who do not want to be greedy," the president said.
"And I am convinced that most people in the United States do have a sense—with a real feeling of pleasure in the moralities involved—that we have been moving forward these later years in the right direction."
The philosophical thread which ran through the address emphasized the thought that what made Jackson and others of the nation's great men truly great was a devotion to the good of the whole nation, placed above what is good for the party. Government is more important than politics, he said, but politics and the two-party system are essential to the good of government.
Improving Breed
Parties," he said, "are good instruments for the purpose of presenting and explaining issues, of drumming up interest in elections and of improving the breed of candidates for public office."
The speech too abounded in the quips and drolleries for which Mr. Roosevelt is famous, many of them implicitly aimed at the three republican leaders—Senators McNary (Ore), Senator Austin (Vt) and Rep. Martin (Mass)—who declined invitations to the dinner.
He started out, for instance, with a story of a school teacher who described heaven to her class of small boys and asked how many of them wanted to go there. All but one held up his hand.
Teacher said, "Charlie, Charlie McNary, you don't want to go to heaven? Why not?"
"Teacher, sure I want to go to heaven, but," Charlie said, pointing to the rest of the boys in the room—"not with that bunch."
ROADSIDE CHARITY
HAYS, Kan., Jan. 9 (AP)—It wasn't actually an ill wind and snow storm that stalled a family and their mule-drawn trailer north of Hays during the Christmastide. Townspeople opened their hearts and provided toys, food and shelter.
Japan has been the largest buyer of scrap metal in the United States every year for 10 years, except in 1931. That year, Canada headed the list.
The total value of Swedish crops in 1939 is 1,169,000,000 kronor, or about \$292,250,000. This is an increase over 1938 of 85,000,000 kronor, or about \$21,250,000.
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Lady of Justice Goes Popular Front

PINEVILLE, Ky., Jan. 9 (AP)—A mother and step-father charged with contributing to the delinquency of their 11-year-old daughter were brought before County Judge J. M. Pursifull.
The girl told the court she had been reared by her maternal grandparents and preferred to live with them. After hearing testimony, Judge Pursifull asked spectators if raised hands which side of the case they favored. The spectators voted to return the child to her grandparents.
This the judge did.
Roughly three-fourths of Algeria is desert.

HARD COME, EASY GO

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 9 (AP)—Poor old Sariento Thompson, all his life a plunger, still doesn't know what it feels like to have 1,510 pesos (380 dollars) to spend. He won that sum in the races at Palermo racetrack here and five minutes later someone stole his wallet.

HAS ITS POINTS

SEDALIA, Mo., Jan. 9 (AP)—A Sedalia businessman is wearing house-slippers in his office. He purchased a pair of over-shoes but when he got them on he discovered he couldn't remove them without taking off the shoes at the same time. He just doffs both and settles down to solid comfort at his desk.
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William Powell Marries Again



The film colony, that usually sees all, hears all, tells all, was completely fooled when suave William Powell, 47, ducked away to a Warm Springs, Nevada, dude ranch and married Diana Lewis, 21-year-old starlet of the films. They are shown after the wedding.

Twin Toggery for the Ice Rink



Nancy, left, and Amy Green, socially prominent daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Norvin H. Green of Tuxedo Park, N. Y., wear identical skating costumes. The skirts are of black velveteen, jackets and shoes trim bits of bright red flannel.

He's 'Hitler'---She's Threatened



"Hitler" is just a name that he's been answering to for five years as far as the German shepherd dog of the Malcom Severance family at Lawrence, Mass., is concerned. But the family has received an anonymous letter and phone calls threatening them unless the dog's name is changed. Above, "Hitler," with Miss Marcelle Severance.

121,000 C-Men Ready to Cross Index America

By ALEXANDER R. GEORGE
AP Feature Service Writer
WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Government experts are trying to streamline the 1940 census—biggest set of questions ever to be fired by Uncle Sam at Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Public. Starting April 1, an army of 121,000 bell-ringers will carry these questions into every American home.
The census-taking job formerly was a comparatively simple one of finding out the number of persons, their age, and the amount of illiteracy in the United States. This time a flock of new questions will be aimed at getting a nation-wide picture of employment, work experience, finances, housing and educational background of Americans. Also sought will be a measurement of the large migratory movement of the last decade, caused by droughts and economic upsets.
Figuring that 200 questions will be required to get information re-

To The Ladies

The feminine attitude on the age question has caused statisticians to wonder just how accurate are the age returns from women. Hence, an astute C-man worked out a diplomatic approach which will be widely used.
The census taken will address the ostensible lady of the house in the third person, asking her "How old is Mary Jones?" instead of "Are you Mary Jones and how old are you?"
That, it is expected, will be a more dependable method of obtaining a correct and unembarrassed "47" for the answer.
Babies under one year and persons who think they are 100 years old present two of the biggest census uncertainties. Many householders, apparently forgetting that infants are "regular persons," fail to report them.
A large number of people in the nineties either are hazy about their exact age or like to boast of being 100. Consequently, it is believed that a goodly percentage of the 3,000 who were reported centenarians in 1930 had not attained the 100-year mark.

garding every member in each of 36,000,000 families, the enumerators will ask a grand total of 7,000,000,000 questions.
Among these inquiries will be:
Whether persons have jobs, are seeking jobs, how long they have been at work and what kind of work they do.
Salaries, wages or other income and the source.
Whether homes are owned or rented and their value.
School attendance and the highest grade completed.
Change of residence in the last five years.
The answers to these questions will be woven eventually into analyses designed to help government, business, agriculture and labor in their perennial struggle with economic problems.
Lots of Information
These analyses will provide comprehensive information concerning:
132,000,000 people.
25,000,000 homes.
3,000,000 business concerns.
170,000 factories.
7,500,000 farms.
13,000 mines and quarries.

Census officials, familiar with the average citizen's dislike of snooping, are banking on the iron-clad secrecy of individual returns to obviate any pronounced public resistance.
Not even J. Edgar Hoover's G-men or Uncle Sam's income tax sleuths have access to the files of the Census bureau. Al Capone's report is as inviolate as Franklin D. Roosevelt's. Moreover, should a census-taker tip off the Browns to the amount of the Smiths' income, he would be flirting with a prison term.
Census bureau experts already have figured that the 1940 population count will show about 132,000,000. And those statistical axes seldom miss by even as narrow a margin as one-half of one per cent, which would be 600,000 either way.
Dr. Leon E. Truesdell, chief population statistician of the bureau, was off only 100,000 on his population prediction for 1930, when 122,775,046 persons were enumerated. His margin of error was less than one-twelfth of one per cent. He projects his forecasts 30 years beyond 1940. Along about 1970, he guesses, the population of the United States will reach its maximum—some 145,000,000. Then a slow decline will set in, due mainly to the falling birth rate.

Population Shifts

Special interest will be attached to the population shift of the last 5 to 10 years. Droughts and economic upsets have driven many persons away from old homes.

Primo Carnera Saves Gasoline



Like other patriotic Italians, former world's heavyweight champ Primo Carnera is observing the drastic gasoline rationing rules. Here "Da Preem," pedaling away on his bike, during recent Milan celebration of the "Feast of Cycles."

population authorities hope to determine the direction and extent of the flow of job-seeking families.
The 1930 census showed a heavy farm-to-city trend during the twenties. It is believed, however, that city population made little or no growth from 1930 to 1935 due to the movement of jobless urban dwellers to the country.
The experts figure that since 1935 the trend toward the cities has been resumed, so that the urban population represents 58 per cent of the total, compared with 56.2 per cent in 1930.
The population, housing and farm census will be completed in approximately one month. Censuses of business and manufacturing and of mines and quarries started January 2 and will require about six months to complete.
The estimated cost of the whole 1940 census is about \$53,000,000. In 1930 it cost 5.1 cents per household to take the nose count, 43.8 cents per farm, and 37 cents per business establishment.

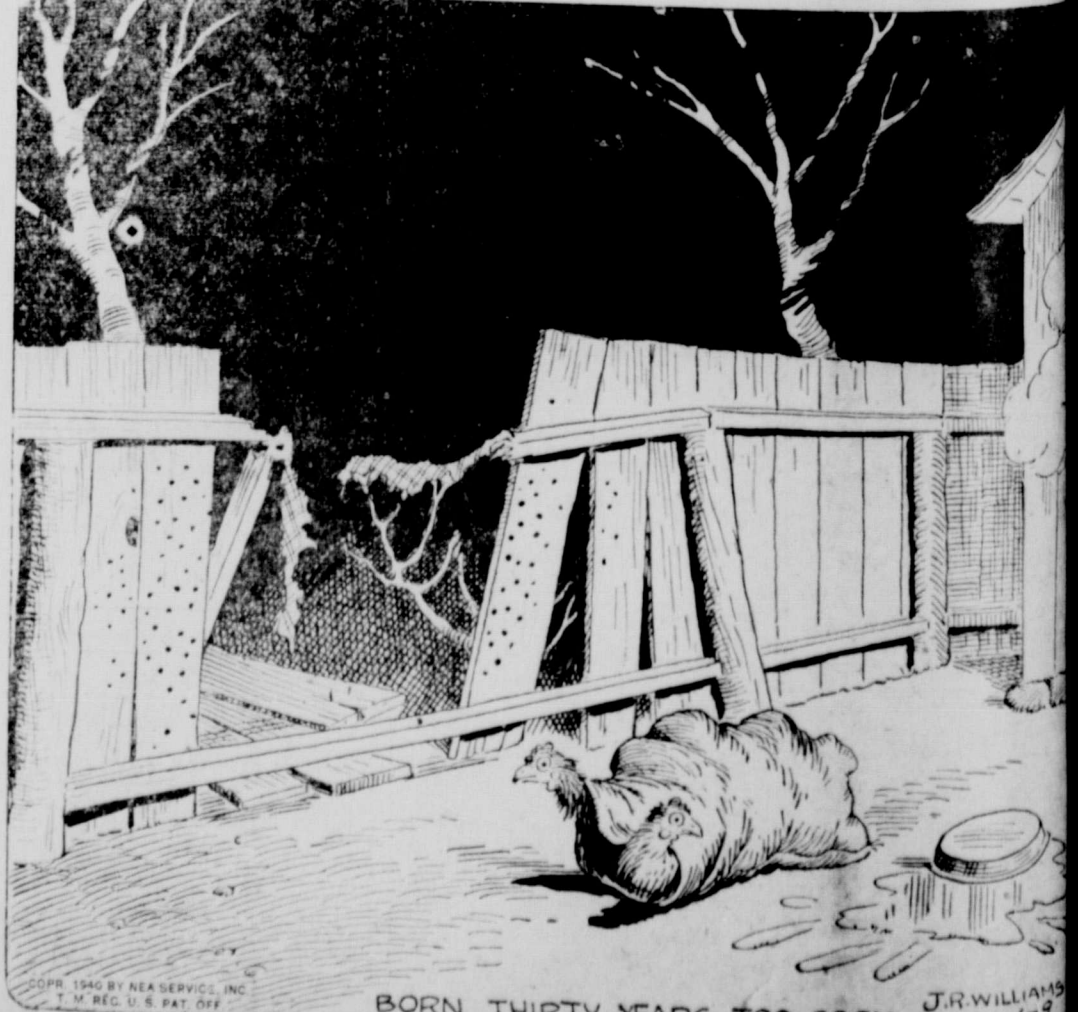
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Specs---

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his destiny according to his talents."
There is no point in perpetuating an institution of subjects, and the mere guarantee of social security at the price of character is a sorry objective for any government. But there is a great objective in building an institution of people, and the only path to that is along the route of personal contribution. Alert, free thinking, honest citizenship is the duty involved. This year offers opportunity for a more effective exercise of that duty, which is of itself a wonderful privilege. It is national election year. The Cisco junior chamber of commerce, in line with a national Jaycee program has undertaken to secure as near a 100 per cent payment of poll taxes in Eastland county as possible. It is a program that deserves the unanimous support of the citizens. Help the Jaycees make it a great success.

Hot Stuff In The Arctic

MOSCOW, Jan. 9 (AP)—Thanks to hothouses, inhabitants of remote soviet Russian Arctic stations will not suffer for vegetables during the winter months.
Hot-houses in which cucumbers, tomatoes, onions and other vegetables will be grown have been built on Wrangle Island, Dickson Island, Cape Wellen, Providence Bay and other far northern stations.

Blackout---

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young man with the star on his forehead?"
Mary nodded eagerly, "That's the one."
"Why, yes," the proprietor on "he buys his cigars. Always buys an American that I stock specially for in this morning."
"Thanks very much," stepped outside quickly. He was made up. She was to see Vincent at any cost. She loved her, he wouldn't let her happen. How foolish he had been to have hidden away. Her steps faltered as she crossed the street, her eyes nothing except the Vincent's house.
Then she stopped. The opening and emerging light was Vincent.
He did not see Mary. She cry in her throat and quite plain that he had no one except the woman on his side.
They were coming close. Mary drew back behind a ciful protection of a sandstone. She stared at Vincent at the tall, dark woman smiling down at him. Marchetta!
Carla was jesting. "My cent darling, how foolish not to trust me."
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