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In an area of benevolent climate, blessed with an abundance of pure lake water, possessing the best in recreational facilities, situated on the Bankhead, all-weather route, with three railroads and many highways, Cisco is the best place in Texas to live and to work.

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Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

Noting estimates that between 70,000 and 150,000 dispossessed tenant farmers are roving the highways looking for work, the Dallas News editorially says that the south must find markets for its agricultural surpluses or adopt an economy that does not fit its natural conditions. The News reminds that the principal reason for the economic difficulty in which the cotton-growing south finds itself is the tariff and suggests that not until tariff policy is revised to enable southern agricultural surpluses, which are normal to southern economy, find a ready market can any satisfactory solution of the problem of southern farm unemployment be realized.

In our own area, although we are indirectly affected by the plight of the cotton-growing sections of the south, the situation is reversed in fundamentals. We, of course, do not grow cotton. There was a time when Eastland county did grow cotton to an extent commensurate with its production elsewhere in the cotton-growing south. Neither New Deal policies nor the tariff was a principal factor in the change that took place. The boll weevil was the cause. But the extreme economic dislocation that such a fundamental change in agricultural economy would have normally caused was not realized. The sudden, drunken prosperity of the oil boom absorbed the shock.

This section is confronted not with a change from one agricultural economy to another. It has been confronted with the change from a dead oil economy to an agricultural economy. In a measure this is fortunate. Again, it is not. The oil period withdrew the greater part of the necessary agricultural resources from the farms and left the land in the hands of speculators or fallow. What was gained from oil prosperity has, so far as the average farmer is concerned, been lost or wasted. Decline of oil production has loosed a large element of unemployed who can find no work elsewhere and little here. The large percentage of relief population in this area reflects that condition.

Since it has been found necessary to return to the soil for economic support this area has been confronted with the lack of financing for farm rehabilitation and the employment of a larger population.

The fortunate aspects of the situation exist in the fact that the change has been postponed over an intervening "boom" period which makes it possible to "start from scratch" with a new program conforming to new conditions without too much discouraging influence from the old. We, for instance, are not worried with the remains of the cotton economy set-up. The remnants of this have disappeared. Our landowners and farmers are able to build on a new basis. They are further favored in the nature of the soil and climate.

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Russian Infantry Advances in Finland



Behind slowly advancing infantry, the Russian artillery continues to blast Finnish defenses. Shown above in one of the first pictures from the Red front is an artillery crew loading its cannon. Officer at right directs firing. Photo passed by censor.—NEA Telephoto.

Negro Communist Calls Garner "Evil Old Labor Baiter"

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP).—While senate sponsors of anti-lynching legislation protested that he was hurting their cause, Benjamin Davis, negro communist, called Vice President Garner an "evil old labor baiter" Tuesday and accused him of agreeing with President Roosevelt to "scuttle" the anti-lynch bill.

Davis, who identified himself as an associate editor of the Daily Worker, communist newspaper, testified at a tumultuous hearing before a senate judiciary subcommittee considering an anti-lynching bill already passed by the house. The measure would provide penalties for counties and county officials in event of lynching.

The negro's remarks about the president and vice president, and his reference to southern members of congress as "stooges" for the landlord and mill-owners who degrade white womanhood by refusing to pay them a living wage," were stricken from the hearing record by Chairman Van Nuys (D-Ind.).

Van Nuys, himself a sponsor of anti-lynching legislation, warned the witness repeatedly against referring to members of congress and threatened at one point to call capital police and have him taken away.

"You crashed the gates of this committee just to try and send out communist propaganda," Van Nuys declared. "You have done more harm to prevent passage of this bill than anyone who has ever appeared."

Before Davis was allowed to testify, Van Nuys told other senators present that Earl Browder, general secretary of the communist party, had insisted that communist representatives be permitted to appear. The senator added: "I don't care a rap what Earl

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Garner Would Crack 104 Years of Precedent to Get in White House

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP).—Vice President Garner would have to crack 104 years of historical precedent to get the democratic nomination and be elected president.

Only one vice president since John Adams, the one-termer who succeeded George Washington, has been elected under his own steam without first having been moved into the White House by the death of his running mate. That was Martin van Buren, the New Yorker whom Andrew Jackson favored for the succession early in Jackson's first term.

Jackson came into office with a one-term pledge. John C. Calhoun, the South Carolinian whose temper was about as short as Jackson's own, was vice president during that first term. It was van Buren who helped talk Jackson into forgetting about that one-term pledge. Van Buren became vice president in Jackson's second

LIONS GIVE PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOL

The Cisco Lions club furnished the program for the high school assembly this morning with 22 members of the club attending.

The high school program took the place of the regular entertainment at the club's noon luncheon on the Laguna roof garden. There the program time was devoted to business.

A committee was named to work with the school to plan a May day program at the ball park. Carlos Turner was made chairman of the committee. Working with him will be Lions Stanley Webb, A. L. Osborn, Homer Ferguson and E. L. Jackson. Roy Tuggle was added to the club's publicity committee.

The club discussed placing a marker at the intersection of D avenue and Eighth street each Wednesday to advertise the club's noon luncheon, and also the placing of road signs on the highways leading into the city. No action was taken.

The city recreation project, directed by Joe Clark, will work with the club in conducting its annual Easter egg hunt, it was announced.

At the high school at 11:30 W.

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Famous Writer In Brownwood March 15

Dale Carnegie, famous lecturer and writer, and author of "How to Win Friends and Influence People," will make two personal appearances at the Howard Payne auditorium in Brownwood on Friday, March 15.

The lectures, being sponsored by the Brownwood clubs, will be held at 3:45 and 8 p. m.

250 Eastland Club Boys and Girls to Show

EASTLAND, March 6 (Sp).—Approximately 250 Eastland county youths will be in Fort Worth on Monday to take part in 4-H day at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock show, it was announced today by extension service agents.

A. C. Pratt, assistant county agent, said that 125 boys' 4-H club members plan to attend and Margaret Blount, assistant county home agent, indicated approximately the same number of girls will attend.

Elmo V. Cook and Ruth Ramey, county agents, also will attend. Pratt said that Raymond Beck of Morton Valley, S. W. Laminack, Jr., of Morton Valley, A. L. Whitley of Morton Valley, Jack, James and Billy Walker of Rising Star, Curtis and Grady Redwine of Alameda and Earl and Chester Ervin of Desdemona plan to enter registered Jersey cattle totaling 15.

M. A. Clyatt of Eastland will enter two registered bulls in a county herd group.

Jack Walker, Thomas Huling of Morton Valley, V. L. Shamburger and Raymond Beck will enter a total of five fat barrows at the show.

Activities outlined for the 4-H girls and boys Monday include a rodeo, parade and daytime fireworks.

Week of Prayer Closes Tonight

The Anne W. Armstrong week of prayer program for home missions will come to a close at the First Baptist church this evening at the regular prayer service, with the laymen of the church in charge. The program will begin at 7:30.

Tuesday, Mrs. T. H. Chumney of Abilene, a former member of the local church and president of the Women's Missionary society, taught the book, "Give Ye Them to Eat," at an all-day program of the W. M. S.

A good attendance is urged for this evening's meeting. After the prayer program, the monthly business meeting of the church will be held, at which time matters of vital interest will be presented to the church.

Study Group After Prayer Services

Following prayer services at the First Methodist church at 7 o'clock this evening, there will be a study and discussion group which will include superintendents of the various departments and all officers and teachers of the church school. All officers are requested to attend.

More than 176,000 wells have been drilled in Texas by oilmen at a cost of \$3,500,000,000 (billions). More than 52,000 of these tests were dry holes, representing a total loss to the owners.

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REFERENDUM ON SALES TAX IS DEMANDED

Issue to Confront Demo Executive Committee Meeting

AUSTIN, March 6 (AP).—A fair referendum on the issue of sales or natural resources taxes to finance Texas' social security program was demanded by Vincent Licata of Galveston, a member of the state executive committee.

He denounced what he said was an attempt to force down voters' throats an unfair and unwholesome choice of a sales tax or nothing. The attempt was sponsored by former State Senator V. A. Collins of Livingston, he declared.

He asserted that at the meeting of the committee in Hillsboro Saturday he would oppose "this undemocratic scheme to force voters to choose a sales tax against their convictions."

"It is fundamental fairness to give the voters an opportunity to express a choice of some alternative taxation method," Licata said.

"Well-Defined" Issue
"The issue of a natural resources tax plan as opposed to a sales tax plan has become a well-defined issue in Texas. I shall make every effort to see that the voters shall have an opportunity to express a choice between these two well-known and much-discussed plans.

"Mr. Collins' proposal is like the classic gag in which the table guest is asked whether he will have ham and eggs, or ham and eggs.

"To ask an old-age pensioner whether he will have a sales tax to finance social security or nothing is like asking a starving man whether he will have stale crumbs or nothing. It is the old story of trying to force people to bow down before the false god of expediency."

"I do not know how other members of the committee feel about the matter, but I feel sure that a majority will oppose any trick questions or clever schemes being put on the ballot to trap the voters."

There has been talk of a referendum in the July 27 primary on the sales tax, liquor prohibition and possibly other issues. Recently O. P. Lockhart of Austin, another committeeman, advocated a decision on submission if any at the Hillsboro meeting so that there would be ample time for discussion before the election.

33,000 Fish of New Species Put in Lake Cisco

Thirty-three thousand fish of new species were placed in Lake Cisco today, Water Supt. G. R. Kilpatrick announced. The fish, supplied by State Fish Hatchery Supt. Walton Baum, included Calico bass, long-eared bream, rock bass and red ear drum.

These represent some of the finest game fish and are excellent for eating, Mr. Baum said.

Republican Elected in Iowa Contest

DES MOINES, Iowa, March 6 (AP).—The sixth Iowa district held true to its republican traditions Tuesday by electing Robert K. Goodwin, youthful mayor of Redfield, Iowa, to fill the unexpired term of the late congressman S. S. C. Dowell.

Byron G. Allen of Des Moines, democrat who campaigned on a new deal platform, conceded defeat.

With 165 out of 218 precincts tabulated, Goodwin held a three-to-two lead over Allen.

Robert K. Goodwin (R) 24,555. Byron K. Allen (D) 15,316. W. W. Klein (Ind) 321. The election had been heralded as a test of the new deal's comeback power in Iowa after the republican triumph in 1938. Goodwin is 35, Allen 38.

Near East: A Swelling Army



Members of the second Anzac contingent to reach Suez, Egypt, where they are pictured above on recent arrival, made a bee line for English news. They're part of vast allied army magically forming in Near East.

Italians Protest Is Carefully Timed

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Associated Press Staff Writer

Whatever its real purport, Rome's harshly worded protest against the Anglo-French blockade policy came at an especially embarrassing moment for the Allies.

It was carefully timed by Mussolini, who has again professed himself an accomplished performer at the international poker table.

The war sap is rising in Europe under the urge of approaching spring. In France there is greater tenacity over the possibility of a German attack than at any time since the outbreak of the conflict.

The French and British are concentrated from Switzerland to the North sea behind vast fortifications, braced to meet either a direct nazi onslaught on the Maginot line or an attempt to flank it through neutral Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg.

Now, Mussolini steps forward with his protest over British interception of cargoes of German coal destined for Italy. He virtually reiterates nazi charges that allied blockade policies are both illegal and inhuman.

Despite the vigor of the Italian protest, however, there is much doubt that Mussolini has any notion of intervening in the war on the side of Germany. It is recalled that Italy's attitude toward Berlin cracked rapidly when the nazi struck up a friendship with Moscow.

Nevertheless, Il Duce has hole cards in the game of diplomatic deuces-wild that seem to demand some form of Allied concession. An increasingly restive Italy just now would require the Allies to take the precautionary step of decentralizing their armed forces to meet any Italian threat.

Certain as London and Paris may be that Il Duce is more or less bluffing in the German Coal controversy, they are not risking the possibility that he is not. Nor can they overlook the fact that Rome, in embarking on its new fishing expedition in war troubled European waters, has baited its diplomatic hook with a dramatic bid for world leadership of neutral protests against the blockade.

A mere gesture of war-like activity in Italy right now would be very troublesome to the Allies. Mussolini does not need to go to war to compel the French to re-man the Franco-Italian border in force or to make the British divert warships and aircraft from the vital waters about Britain to an extended watch-on-the-Mediterranean.

Oil companies made an average profit of slightly over two percent yearly on their investment for the 17 years from 1921-37 inclusive.

50 KILLED IN RED RAIDS ON FINN TOWNS

Five Direct Hits Are Scored on Hospital, Reports Say

HELINSKI, March 6 (AP).—At least 50 persons were killed and scores wounded in a small south Finnish town yesterday when Russian planes executed one of their worst bombing raids of the war.

Five direct hits were scored on a hospital, and one bomb dropped on an air raid shelter.

The raiders, diving out of the clouds to 1,400 or 1,700 feet, swept over in two flights 30 minutes apart.

Fifteen of the bombs struck in the vicinity of a military hospital and one big explosive missile went directly down the stairway from the top of the four-story building to the bottom.

Twenty-five persons, nearly all of them women, were killed when a bomb hit the top of the air raid shelter.

Two hundred bombs, all effective, were dropped in the raid by 32 planes just after a party of five foreign newspaper correspondents and photographers arrived in the town. (Military censorship forbids naming the town.)

The attack, a sample of the air warfare which Russia is pressing home, came as the Finns with their own air force had bombed and machine-gunned red army detachments attempting to cross across Viipuri bay. The Finns said they still were holding the Russians at the outskirts of that battered port.

Unofficial reports said a large number of soviet troops had drowned and several tanks were sunk when bombs and coastal artillery shells opened cracks in the ice.

The Finnish high command reported the air attacks without mentioning results and said fighting was still in progress among the rugged capes at the mouth of Viipuri bay in the mounting battle for possession of the strategic coastal city.

Immediate soviet objectives were Haapasaari and Virohatti islands, apparently with the purpose of gaining a base for operations on Finland's southern coast.

Although heavy fighting reached the ruined city's outskirts Finns asserted the Russians still had not entered Viipuri proper despite continued attempts to draw a net around the city.

Though Finns unofficially admitted that fall of the city was inevitable, the obstinate defender said they had fought off fierce attacks from the southeast, when the Russians had approached closest, as well as the trans-barricade thrusts.

With main interest centered along this western rim of the Karelian isthmus the Finnish high command said there was "harrassing activity by artillery" on the eastern end of the isthmus from where continued soviet poundings had failed to break through the Taipale sector.

Northeast of Lake Ladoga fighting eased up, but the Finnish high command said 500 Russians had been killed in the Kuhomo area midway along the Russian-Finnish frontier.

British Prisoners Taken by Germans

WITH THE BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE IN FRANCE March 6 (AP).—British prisoners were captured in a German raid on a British front line outpost. British general headquarters communique said today.

The communique said the raid "took place yesterday morning against a post in the British front line and the enemy succeeded in capturing some prisoners."

"The post was recaptured by the enemy retired, leaving one dead, two British soldiers were killed and one wounded."

The communique was the first to report any fighting since British troops arrived on an active front.

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart.—Isa. lxx. 14.

Be Christ our pattern and our guide,
His image may we bear;
Oh, may we tread His holy steps,
His joy and glory share!
—W. ENFIELD.

What is the true joy of a seeker after truth? That he may find the truth and surrender himself to it. And what is the joy of the soldier when he has found the chance to offer his life for Fatherland but to surrender to it? The joy in Christ is the joy of complete surrender to God, and this is the joy of the imitator of Christ.—Henry Nash.

School System Isn't So Bad

WHENEVER you get to thinking what's wrong with the American public school system and you wonder whether it will ever approximate the utopian visions set up by educational dreamers, think back a moment—back 50 years, or 25 or even 15.

Try to recall what the dreamers were talking about then as the "perfect" setup, and then snap back very suddenly to the present.

Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance

(Editor's Note: The following is the eighteenth of a series of articles prepared by W. O. King, manager of Abilene, Texas, Social Security board field office, to be published in this newspaper. The information contained in the articles is educational and for the public in general and the wage earners in particular. For additional information concerning the federal old-age and survivors insurance program, our readers are requested to contact the Social Security board field office, located at 205 Alexander building.)

CHANGES IN THE FINANCING PROVISIONS

Several changes were made in the financing provisions of the federal insurance system when congress amended the Social Security act last summer. The tax, which was to increase in 1940, has been "frozen" at its present level of 1 per cent on employers and 1 per cent on employees until 1943. It is estimated that employers and wage earners will thus save about \$225,000,000 in the next three years. Beginning with 1940, any wages over \$3,000 which a worker receives will not be counted toward benefits. A man who works for several employers may pay taxes on wages up to \$3,000 from each employer, but at the end of the year, he may file a claim with the treasury department and receive a refund of the taxes he paid for that year, on wages over \$3,000. The "Old Age Reserve Account," which was set up under the original Social Security act is replaced by an "Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund," effective January 1, 1940. All of the old-age insurance tax money collected by the treasury is now permanently appropriated to this trust fund. Old-age and survivors benefits will be paid out of this fund, which is to be managed by a board of trustees consisting of the secretary of the treasury, the secretary of labor, and the chairman of the social security board.

Safety Shorts

From Oil Belt Safety Council

PARENTS—

You've heard the expression—"You can't teach an old dog new tricks!" Perhaps not. But even if you can't—or won't—change your own bad habits, why not take the trouble to teach youngsters the right way of doing things. And there's no better way to teach them than by example. When a mother crosses a street against the red light, leading her small boy or daughter by the hand, the child naturally adopts the same disrespect for traffic signals. When a mother puts pins in her mouth while fitting a dress on her little girl, the child will do the same thing when making a dress for her doll. Children are great imitators. The Oil Belt Safety Council asks you to set them a good example.

Look in the Classified First.

No. 1 rose bushes, \$2.00 dozen. Gladioli bulbs, 35c dozen. Philpott the Florist.

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What have you? Why, the kind of perfection that was dreamed of half a century ago. Only it doesn't look like perfection now. It's still full of holes, so the critics protest, and practically the whole pattern has to be made over.

That's the trouble with utopia. It keeps moving away. It's like your shadow when the sun is low at your back. Every time you dive for it and you've hit the spot where you last saw it, you discover it has pulled ahead of you again.

THE public school system isn't so bad. It's been going steadily ahead, even if it hasn't caught up to its own shadow. Educators, who are often in the vanguard of the critical, reflected on the advancement of public schooling in the United States during recent years when they got together at the 70th annual convention of the American Association of School Administrators, affiliated with the American Education Association.

They took a general inventory, and while they conceded that there is still room for considerable improvement, the public school system hasn't as much to be ashamed of as might be gathered from periodical blasts of invective and fault-finding.

Chiefly, educators have succeeded to a large measure in removing much of the cold austerity of educating the very young. Schools are no longer dens of discipline, controlled by instilling fear into the youngsters. They are informal club gatherings, based on general participation and co-operation.

THERE'S no reason to let down on the progress. This is no time to be resting on laurels. The classroom is a much better place today than it was not so many years ago, but there is still plenty of room for expansion of ideas.

People are still saying Hitler is insane. In Europe's present condition, that seems to be beside the point.

Europe is in the middle of another cold wave—meaning mostly the attitude among certain Scandinavian countries.

A bust of solid gold, weighing four pounds, was dug up in Switzerland. So we haven't got all the gold in the world after all!

West Texas Young Demos to Meet in Amarillo

Young Democrats of west Texas will hold their annual convention again this year in Amarillo, meeting at Hotel Amarillo March 16, announces Calvin Hazelwood, west Texas president. Colonel Ernest O. Thompson, member of the Texas Railroad commission from Amarillo, will speak on the morning program. Other prominent persons who stated they would attend include Bascom Giles, land commissioner; J. E. McDonald, commissioner of agriculture; Bryan Bradbury, state representative from Abilene; Geo. Moffett, state senator from Chillicothe; G. H. Nelson, state senator from Lubbock; Alvin R. Allison, state representative from Levelland. Price Daniel of Liberty, president of the Texas Young Democratic clubs, will attend and speak on the part of the Young Democrats in Texas Politics. John McCarty of the Amarillo News-Globe will deliver the keynote address. John Ketter, president of the Pampa Young Democrats, will respond to the address of welcome to be extended by Mayor Ross Rogers of Amarillo. E. Byron Singleton, first vice president, is in charge of arrangements at the convention. Gene Jordan, president of the Potter county club, is working with Singleton to perfect all details toward making this the largest west Texas convention in history. Hazelwood, besides being president of the West Texas clubs, is also chairman of the state executive committee and has called a meeting of all officials of the state organization to meet in Amarillo at the same time.

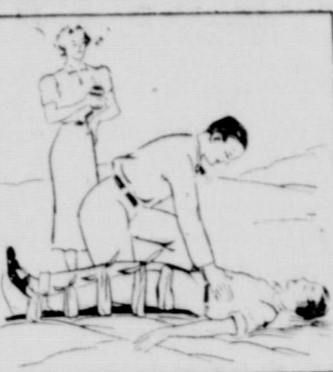
Last year the convention went on record condemning a third term for any president of the United States, endorsed John N. Garner for president, and recommended that all relief expenditures be extended on the basis of need.

Other officers of the west Texas clubs, besides Hazelwood and Singleton, are John Ketter, second vice president, Pampa; Mrs. Elmer Elliott, third vice president, Dalhart; J. Doyle Settle, secretary-treasurer, Lubbock; Marshall Formby, committeeman, Dickens; Maxine Fry, committeewoman, Grandfalls, and Mrs. Fancher Archer, parliamentarian of Amarillo and Corpus Christi.

PLANE IS MISSING

MEXICO CITY, March 6 (AP).—A tri-motored plane of the Mexican Aviation company with 12 Mexicans aboard was missing last night near Manatlan, Vera Cruz

LEAVE 'EM WHERE THEY LIE



A Broken Thigh or Leg—Simple Fracture of the Thigh, Knee, Leg or Ankle—Leave 'Em Where They Lie!

These cases are badly shocked. Death comes from shock, not the broken leg. Simple fracture means that the bone is broken in two. It is called a compound fracture when one of the ends sticks through the skin.

In fractures of the THIGH he is pale, sweating, has pain when he tries to move, can't lift that leg. So do what?

Some support that holds the leg still and straddle the thigh, knee, or ankle. Then wait for an ambulance or truck to move him so he can lie out flat with his leg held straight and steady, and his head down the slope of the highway.

Give him a drink of water or whisky. Keep him warm and quiet. Then wait for an ambulance or truck to move him so he can lie out flat with his leg held straight and steady, and his head down the slope of the highway.

He MUST NOT be jammed into a car which may compound (stick a broken bone end through the skin) a simple fracture, cause infection or blood poison and certainly increase shock—maybe enough to cause death.

Any broken bone can wait—shock will not wait "til it kills." When you arrive at the hospital, don't hurry and harass your doctor to set the fracture, fool with X-rays and such. Encourage him to TREAT SHOCK, give fluid, alleviate pain. The leg can wait—shock won't wait. The more that is done the worse the shock. Avoid excitement.

LEAVE 'EM WHERE THEY LIE—TREAT SHOCK.

If the HIP is broken, he cannot raise the thigh or cross his leg. The knee is rotated (rolled) outward. Treat shock. Splint him just as you would a broken thigh. Splint 'em where they lie—out flat—and bring 'em in—lying quiet—flat—keep warm and quiet.

A BROKEN KNEE or LEG is to be handled and splinted and treated in the same way except the splint need only go from the hip to the sole of the foot. TREAT SHOCK!

Every car should carry a Thomas splint for protection. It is just an iron ring 19" in diameter with 2 iron bars 3-8" welded on.

Cars turn over where they may be no sticks or branches, or at night when splints are hard to find. Get one—cheap insurance.

To splint the leg, relieve pain and so lessens shock. Keep him warm and quiet. Remember, shock causes more deaths than all other results of injuries combined.

LEAVE 'EM LIE—TREAT SHOCK—SPLINT 'EM WHERE THEY LIE!

(Prepared by the Fracture Committee, Texas State Medical Association; sponsored by the Highway Department and Texas Public Safety Commission.)

THE STORY OF DEMOCRACY

By Hendrik Willem van Loon
Illustrated by the author

The Ideals of Democracy Get Pushed Into the Background



Democracy is no more safe than it was 25 centuries ago when Plato witnessed the fall of democracy in Greece.

CHAPTER THREE
IN HIS recent book, "After the Deluge," Leonard Woolf makes the following statement. "The kind of lives men lead and the civilization which they enjoy are determined by the equilibrium or lack of equilibrium between these factors—political institutions, the economic structure of their society and its social ideas and ideals."

In our day and age when the so-called Economic Interpretation of History seems on the point of driving out every other theory and philosophy, it is pleasant to come across (in a bit of sound common sense).

Man is not and probably never will be an entirely logical being. He will be influenced in his decisions not only by his desire for food and lodging but also by certain ideal considerations which have nothing whatsoever to do with his purely physical desire to survive. It has always been that way.

Indeed, I think it is safe to say that many more people have been killed for the right to believe that which they wanted to believe than in their quest for food and homes and clothing.

With the penetration of Marxian ideas (a penetration which has gone infinitely further than most peaceful readers suspect), the ideals of democracy have gradually been pushed into the background until today the very word "democracy" has become a hollow phrase.

One still hears it repeated, morning, noon and night, but in a great many cases it is merely a disguise for some form of socialism. Just as most of the loud hollers for "Peace at any price" which just now resound so loudly from all the different Youth Congresses in almost all parts of the country really mean "Peace towards Russia, but war upon all the so-called capitalistic countries."

I am not writing this in the spirit of the alarmist who is able to detect Red in every one who suggests that our own system is still capable of great improvement. That sort of silly Red-baiting will get us exactly nowhere.

There is only one way in which we will be able to maintain our own ideals of democracy against all the outlandish and domestic "isms" and "wasms." We will have to face facts as we have never faced facts before.

Being a young and ignorant nation and therefore essentially an optimistic people, we are very apt to close our eyes quite deliberately against all facts which strike us as unpleasant.

But as General Gamelin, the philosopher now in command of the French armies, so wisely remarked the other day, "There is no use getting angry at facts which fail to please you. For they won't in the least care what you happen to think about them and therefore they won't change, but they will remain just as unpleasant as before."

If we want to live intelligently and constructively during these years of crisis, we should follow General Gamelin's advice. And before we listen to the easy optimism about "right always proving stronger than might" and about "the eventual and inevitable triumph of democracy over tyranny," we ought to examine the facts that bear upon the case.

During the last three thousand years of written history, we have accumulated so much data upon the problem of "self-government vs. totalitarianism" that we ought to have a fairly concrete idea about the age-old struggle for democracy.

It has been one of the bitterest fights that ever has been fought. And the end is by no means in sight.

Democracy today is no more safe than it was twenty-five centuries ago when Plato, having witnessed the fall of democracy in Greece, wrote the despondent lines with which I began this series.

Let us now, following the example of one of our shrewdest modern democrats, have a look at the record.

NEXT: Democracy Has an Eternal Quest for a Moral Substitute for Money.

state, on the Mexico City-Chetumal city route.

ORDERS CRUISERS

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP).—Apparently satisfied that the Eu-

ropean war at sea has proved their worth, the navy contracted Tuesday for two 10,000-ton light cruisers of the same general type as nine already in service.

RED RYDER



Garner Would--

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his new republican party went through the middle and took the presidency. A democratic split has been spoken of as an extreme possibility in the coming campaign. Conciliatory efforts which have been under way in the last eight months, however, have minimized that possibility.

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

For Sheriff: LOSS WOODS (Re-election) WALTER EVANS

For County Judge: W. S. ADAMSON (Re-election) R. L. RUST C. S. ELDRIDGE

For County Treasurer: GARLAND BRANTON (Second Term)

For District Clerk: JOHN WHITE (For Second Term)

For Criminal District Attorney: EARL CONNER, JR.

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

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STEVE CLAYBOURNE—wealthy playboy.
CLARA BROOKS—dime store counter girl.
IRENE TEMPLE—society debutante.

YESTERDAY: Ann learns more about Paul during their first date. He is a college graduate, anxious to succeed. There is no room in life for romance. They agree to be best friends. Two weeks after Ann's arrival in her new home, Florabelle asks her to go on a party.

CHAPTER XIII

Ann hesitated. There was a difference between going on a party and going to a party. When she hesitated, Florabelle said, "And you, too, Clara."

"Oh, Florabelle," Clara breathed excitedly. "That's swell—simply swell. Isn't it, Ann?"

"I'd like to go to a party," Ann admitted. "What—what kind of a party is it?"

"Oh, Florabelle continued carelessly, "we'll have dinner somewhere—and dance."

Clara's eyes sparkled. "Will we meet swell fellows?" She had a definite idea of swell fellows. They worked in offices behind big mahogany desks, they spent their evenings in night clubs? She had seen them in the movies.

"The best families in town will be represented," Florabelle assured her with a little grimace.

"Oh, gee," Clara sighed. "What'll I wear?"

"Have you got an evening dress?"

Both Clara and Ann shook their heads.

"Well, don't try to be dressy. Wear street clothes. The smartest girls in Chicago never dress."

Clara ran to the closet and brought forth an atrocious taffeta frock. It was crease, trimmed with cream lace. "Will this be all right?" she asked excitedly.

"It'll do." As she left the room, Florabelle said, "You're the important one, Ann. The party is being given in your honor."

"My honor?"

"Sure, Jake Bontel was in the taxi the other night. He saw you and asked me to bring you 'round."

"Will there be a man for Clara?" Florabelle nodded. "Three men will be there. Clancy Horton—he's mine and don't you forget it for a minute—Jake Bontel and Steve

"Well, stop wondering. Take things as they come. I go to parties like this five times a week and I'm none the worse for them."

She knocked on a closed door and it swung open. A large, beefy man with several chins and a bulging waistline beamed out at them.

"Three little gifts from heaven," he proclaimed loudly.

"This is Clancy," Florabelle said. "Ann and Clara."

"Howdy, Ann and Clara. Come in. The two male earth being behind me are Jake and Steve. Step up, boys, and do your manners."

Jake appeared on one side of his host and Steve on the other. Each carried a glass in his hand. There was a confusion of greetings. Jake removed Ann's hat and clumsily attempted to unbutton her little jacket.

"This stay on," she said, backing away.

He roared with laughter. "All right—all right—just wanted to be helpful." He patted her cheek.

"Look at her, boys," he yelled. "Am I a good picker or am I a good picker?" He had purple jowls and a bald head.

Ann knew right then that her doubts had been well founded. She looked about the apartment.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF ELECTION
 A resolution ordering a general municipal election to be held in the City of Cisco, on April 2, 1940, for the purpose of electing three city commissioners, for said city.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Cisco, that a general municipal election be held between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a. m. and 7:00 o'clock p. m. on April 2, 1940, in the City Hall in the City of Cisco, Eastland County, Texas, to be participated in by the qualified voters of said city, for the purpose of electing three City Commissioners for such city.

Be it Further Resolved that the City Secretary give proper notice of such election by publication of a true copy of this resolution in the Cisco Daily Press, for twenty consecutive days, the first publication being not less than twenty full days prior to the date of such election.

I, Lonnie Shockley, Secretary of the City of Cisco, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the City Commission at its regular meeting on February 27, 1940, as the same appears upon the minutes of said Commission.

Dated this 27th day of February, 1940.

LONNIE SHOCKLEY,
 Secretary, City of Cisco.

Ann fell properly squelched. "I just wondered," she said lamely.

No one lived there, that was obvious. It had merely been taken for the evening's entertainment. A kitchen, brilliantly lighted, opened off the main room. From where Ann stood, she could see down a hall from which opened bedrooms and bath.

Jake took her hand. "It's plain that you need a little drink," he said thickly. "Come with your old pal, Jake." He led her to a console table which had been turned into a bar. It was loaded with bottles and glasses.

Ann said, "I thought we were going out to dinner." Anything to get away.

"That's the surprise," he told her with shy heaviness. "We're having dinner right here. You like that, beautiful?"

Florabelle had removed her fur and hat. With a glass in her hand, she sat on the arm of a chair, looking extremely decorative.

Clara, aided by Steve, was laughing and talking insanely. Ann looked at Steve. He was younger than the other men, younger and nicer.

Jake had gone behind the improvised bar. "What'll it be

angel?"

Ann was at a loss. Evidently that was what was meant by "being on a party." She had never tasted intoxicating liquor, her father had seen to that. Inexperience as she was, she knew that it was up to her to bluff. She couldn't "put on an act" as Florabelle had said.

"Mix up something you think I'll like," she said indifferently.

"Did you hear that, Steve?" Jake bellowed. "You see before you a smart little lady. She says,

"Mix up something that you think I'll like."

By this time Clara was sipping a long drink. She was doing her best to be casual about it, imitating Florabelle's every move. While Jake hilariously mixed the drinks Steve crossed the room to Ann. He was an exceptionally good-looking young man, well groomed and nice mannered. He was a little less intoxicated than his two friends.

"I've never had the pleasure of

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Circle Two Has Luncheon On Tuesday

Circle Two of the First Presbyterian auxiliary held a luncheon at the home of Mrs. C. H. Fee Tuesday at one o'clock, the final circle meeting of the church year.

Mrs. J. G. Jones pronounced the invocation, and after lunch Mrs. Abbie C. Daniel opened the circle meeting with prayer. The devotional was given by the hostess. A roundtable discussion of home mission topics taken from the Presbyterian paper "Survey" was conducted by Mrs. N. H. Blizard.

A lovely gift from the circle was presented Mrs. E. P. Crawford, retiring chairman. The gift was presented by Mrs. Blizard, who read a clever original poem.

Those present were Mrs. N. H. Blizard, F. J. Borman, N. A. Brown, R. S. Cope, E. P. Crawford, Abbie C. Daniel, O. Gustafson, H. L. Jackson, W. L. Jones, J. G. Jones, Sr., Elizabeth McCracken, C. D. Roberts, W. M. Tanner, E. M. Shurtieff, Joe Clements and the hostess, Mrs. Fee.

Club Entertains Husbands with Party

Members of the Sew and Sew club and their husbands were guests at a party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Shockley recently. Games of bridge and forty-two were played, and delicious refreshments were served.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. Schaefer, Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Collier, Mr. and Mrs. T. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Denny and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Shockley.

Circle One Ends Church Year Tuesday

Circle One of the Presbyterian auxiliary closed its year with a lovely luncheon in the Alex Spears home Tuesday.

Mrs. S. E. Hittson, circle chairman, presided over the business session, during which the special offering for the Presbyterian home missions was taken, and Mrs. Gary L. Smith directed the Bible study.

After the exchange of circle gifts, Mrs. Hittson was presented a gift from the circle.

Members present included Mrs. A. E. Jamison, J. G. Rupp, Leith Morris, Ed Brown, G. C. Rosenthal, R. L. Ponsler, P. W. Warwick, Gary L. Smith, B. S. Huey, J. J. Tablieman, Frank Bond, W. F. Watson, S. E. Hittson, L. Y. Suddall, Miss Willie Ward, and the hostess, Mrs. Spears.

Girls' Club Honored With Recent Picnic

Girls from the SSD club were complimented recently with a picnic given by the ARWB boys' club. Members of the two clubs and guests present were Misses Lillian Spears, Marilyn Shertzer, Jane Gilman, Golda Warren and Gradyne Berry, Messrs. Raymond Thomas, Allen Wood, Bob McGowen, Wilburn Ghormley and Burkett Huestis.

ARWB's Meet With Bob McGowen Mon.

In a meeting of the ARWB boys' club at the home of Bob McGowen Monday evening, it was made clear that the membership would not include more than the six already enlisted members. Those are Allen Wood, Raymond Thomas, Wilburn Ghormley, Bob McGowen, Burkett Huestis and Jackie Leach.

The Notebook

Thursday
The First Industrial Arts club will meet at the clubhouse at 3 o'clock.

Saturday
The Eastland County Parent-Teacher association council will meet at the Ranger high school at 2:30.

PARENTS OR DAUGHTER
Mr. and Mrs. Leander Hall are parents of a daughter, Ruth Ann, born Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. The baby was born in Coleman, at the home of Mrs. Hall's parents. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Specs---
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conditions which are almost ideal for diversification. At the same time conditions are favorable to a general character of agricultural production, with sheep and goats as a major complement to the cattle industry.

The people of this section are responding to these opportunities. Gradually the difficulties are being overcome. Within a few years Eastland county will again have taken a place among the leading agricultural counties of the state. I think that can be safely said. Its opportunities place it in a much better position than are many of the so-called heavy cotton-growing areas. It has less deadweight to be rid of.

It is interesting to note the increased amount of land which is being put into cultivation in the row crop and grain areas about Cisco. It is also interesting to note the improvement in fencing and other evidences of a reviving agricultural economy.

It is important, as a community, to think seriously of what we intend doing about this revival.

ALLY OOP



Circle Three Has Luncheon At Wallace Home

Mrs. W. W. Wallace was hostess to Circle Three of the First Presbyterian auxiliary when it met at her home for a luncheon Tuesday at one o'clock. Daffodils, violets and fern were used cleverly in the table centerpiece.

After lunch, Mrs. F. D. Pierce presided over the circle meeting, during which routine business was transacted.

Members and guests present were Mrs. John G. Jones, Guy Brogdon, R. B. Carswell, A. J. Olson, H. C. Henderson, John E. Walter, Homer Slicker, H. H. Monk, F. D. Pierce, L. Baugh, Miss Virginia Carter, Dr. Gary L. Smith and the hostess, Mrs. Wallace.

Cisco Chapter 461 Meets On Tuesday

The regular order of business was transacted at the meeting of Cisco chapter 461, Order of Eastern Star, at the Masonic hall Tuesday evening at 7:30.

Mrs. Cleo Huestis, worthy matron, presided, and most of the regular officers filled their stations. Mrs. M. M. LeFevre was welcomed into the chapter as a visitor.

After the business session, a practice was held and the chapter adjourned.

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meeting you," he said.

"Perhaps you've never gone slumming in the right places," she returned coolly. Ann was angry, more angry at herself than at the three men.

Why had she come? Why had she let herself in for something she might not be able to handle? What was the fun in a gathering like this? Where was the excuse for it?

"Pert little devil, aren't you?" "I can hold my own in any crowd."

"Do I detect gravel in that remark?"

Jake came from behind the bar, a stemmed glass in his hand. "Here you are, my sweet."

"Thank you." She took the glass. What was she to do with it? Why—oh, why had she come?

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Lions Club---

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H. LaRoque, district governor, spoke on "Lionism." Stanley Webb sang a solo and there were several songs by the group.

R. V. (Rip) Galloway, county clerk, was a guest of the club at noon.

Negro Communist---

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Browder or his whole party thinks of this or any other bill."

Senator Wiley (R-Wis) suggested that the communist witness be granted 15 minutes and Senators Neely (D-Va.) Austin (R-Vt) and Connally (D-Tex) nodded approval.

Boys Invited to Meeting of Homemakers

DENTON, March 6.—Recognizing boys classes in home economics for the first time, officials in charge of the Area Four meeting of the Future Homemakers of Texas, which is to be held at the North Texas State Teachers college Saturday, March 9, have invited boys homemaker classes from ten schools in this area.

Invitations have been sent out by the local hostess club of the Teachers college demonstration school to 150 high schools in area four which have home economics departments. Visiting students will be entertained by the demonstration school homemakers department under the direction of Miss Editha Luecke, associate professor of home economics at the teachers' college.

The ten schools known to have boys' homemaker classes which were invited to the area four meeting include Bardwell, Bridge-

Maverick Says---

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what he thought was a foreign enemy of Germany.

"But what I sadly deplore is that Martin Dies does not give the same credit to Americans of equal patriotism. He is willing to smear men and women by the thousands, and in a manner strange to American ideals and constitutional practices. He is willing to pin the badge of un-Americanism, by unfair and cruel methods, on any one else, if this puts him to the top."

Six Officials Are Indicted at Detroit

DETROIT, March 6 (AP)—Six high public officials of Wayne county (Detroit) including Sheriff Thomas E. Wilcox and Prosecutor Duncan C. McCrea, were indicted Tuesday by Judge Homer Ferguson, sitting as a one-man grand jury investigating gambling and graft.

The indictments charged conspiracy to operate or permit the operation of disorderly houses, gambling houses, handbooks and policy games.

In addition to Wilcox and McCrea, the indictments named Bernard E. McGrath, chief deputy sheriff of Wayne county, Carl Staebler, chief of the civil division of the sheriff's office; Harry Colburn chief investigator for the

port, Bryson, Denton, Garland, Jacksonville, Krum, quite, Perrin and Wichita. Other schools in the area have boys' home economics instruction are also invited. Students to be invited.

Dr. W. J. McConnell, president of the Denton Teachers' college will welcome the students on campus at the main auditorium of the college. Other speakers are Dixon Ford, president of the demonstration school students; Evelyn Ridey, associate professor of the local Future Homemakers club, and a representative of the NTSIC home economics staff.



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