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## COGITATIONS and APHORISMS of JODOK

That was a mighty fine banquet we had at the school building Monday night that was sponsored by the local chamber of commerce—but my what a time I had getting ready to go to it.

It was steadfastly decreed that I should put on a clean shirt and my Sunday-go-to-meeting suit before going to the banquet, and, of course, I complied with the decree. But when I had gotten into the clean shirt, it seemed that my elbows or my thumbs and fingers were either rather stiff or just so naturally clumsy that I could not get the collar buttoned, so I had to take the shirt off to get it buttoned, and then I could not get into it again, and I was reminded that it would have to be unbuttoned before I could get it on. And so.

Then, lest I forget to take our tickets along I took them from my old wallet and laid them aside to be put into my Sunday pockets and later picked them up and placed them in my watch pocket (My watch is over at Roy Price's shop, where it has been for the past four weeks, getting regulated.) I did not place them in my vest pocket, for I feared I might forget to put my coat and vest on, and thus go off and leave the tickets, after all, but I was pretty sure I would not get away without my trousers, so I placed them in my watch pocket.

Getting stiff and clumsy arms and hands, and becoming more and more absent-minded. The Mayor claims it is on account of my age. He says I am 84 years old, but he cannot prove it. I claim that I am not that old; but he counters on me by stating that I cannot prove my claim either.

Well, "Be that as it may," as my good friend, Judge Simpson, used to tell me, I just am not 84 years old, though how much I lack of it is nobody's business. So there!

I did sorter stagger backward the other day and came up against a wall or a telephone pole or something else, and someone, it was probably my pastor, Carl Dollar, asked me if I was drunk. I told him I was not drunk, but that I was making so much money, it had probably gone to my head.

But I am getting away from what I started to write about, namely, the chamber of commerce banquet. It was a good banquet and was well attended and the committee had arranged a very nice program, and those young ladies of the Homemaking class surely did a fine job of preparing the menu and serving it, and my hat is off to them and their instructor, whoever she may be.

But that, as it occurs to me, is not the most important feature of the banquet. The important features were the talks that were made by the two local lady speakers and the reports of the various committee chairmen.

And of these two features I was more strongly impressed by what was said by the two lady speakers, who were Mrs. H. T. Magness and Mrs. Claude Osborn.

It has always occurred to me that the chief aim of any and all chambers of commerce throughout the entire country, is to attract all the available coin current in the locality, to traveling toward their particular city or town, and having done this it becomes a game of "every fellow for himself and the Devil for the hindmost" as the old saying goes.

Now, get me right, I am not making this charge against the local chamber of commerce individually, but against all chambers of commerce as a whole, the country over, as I have above stated. In fact, it occurs to me that our local chamber of commerce is about as clear of such a charge as any of them, and, in fact, more so than any that I have any knowledge of.

But our local organization is not clear of the charge by any means, and, if I so desired, I could quote plenty of conversations and chance remarks heard out on the street corner, to prove my charge, but it is not being necessary to do so at this time. I will not waste any more of my time and space on that matter now.

But those lady speakers made it

## Farmers-Business Men's Banquet Is Well Attended

A goodly number of our local farmers and business men drove over to Farwell, Tuesday night to be in attendance at the "Farmer-Business Men's Banquet" that was held in the high school gymnasium on that evening.

The banquet was promoted by the AAA officials of the county and attended by speakers and officials from the State and District offices at College Station, Lubbock and Amarillo, all of whom made short speeches explaining the workings and the successes thus far attained, of the AAA program.

The banquet was attended by 246 farmers and business men, who paid the closest attention to what was said by the speakers, and a number of questions were asked by members of the audience, which were answered by the speakers.

The speakers stated that the law is new and, in a way, still crude, and many errors are being unavoidably made in its administration, but that these handicaps are being gradually worked out and better results are being obtained with each succeeding year. It was further stated that a large part of the successful administration of the law depends upon those whom it was intended to benefit, that is, the farmers themselves, and that all who comply should use their best efforts to live up to the spirit of the law as well as the letter, and should try to influence their neighbors to do so, also.

It was also stated that many of the provisions had been arrived at through the law of averages, which was the best that could be done, and that averages are always dangerous. The farmers were urged to use discretion and patience in doing their part toward the proper administration of the AAA program, and that as perfection of the law and its administration was gradually reached, the entire county will be benefited.

The primary object of the banquet and the getting together of both farmers and business men, was to make all better acquainted with the program and more thoroughly sell it to all concerned. Excellent string music was furnished throughout the feasting hour during which a splendid menu provided by the Home Demonstration clubs of the county, was enjoyed by all present.

It was suggested that such an event should be held each year in the county.

## TO THE PEOPLE OF PARMER COUNTY:

This is my formal announcement as a candidate for the Democratic nomination to the office of District Attorney for the 69th Judicial District. I was born and reared in Delaware and received my college and



legal education within the State of Texas. Since receiving my law degree and license, I have, previous to my appointment as your present district attorney, been engaged in the private practice of law in Dalhart. While I may be somewhat younger than my opponents, I hope you will not deny me your support on this ground, as I feel that I have had proper training and sufficient experience to discharge all of the duties of the office.

As I shall be compelled to devote the greater portion of the time between now and the July primary to the duties of my office, it may be impossible for me to see each of you in person, but I shall endeavor to contact as many of you as possible.

I will appreciate your support in the Primary, and the opportunity to demonstrate to you that I can and will make you a competent district attorney if honored with the nomi-

## HOWARD WAYDE WRIGHT LAID TO REST

Funeral services for the late Howard Wayde Wright, who was accidentally killed in an auto crash west of Mullinville, Kansas, Monday night, February 19th, while enroute from Friona to Wichita, were held at the Methodist church in Barnard, Kansas, Friday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Fred Blanding of Minneapolis, Kansas. Burial was made in the Milo cemetery.

Music at the services was furnished by J. C. Kaul, Ross Loy, P. H. Gibbs and Richard Graves with Mrs. F. H. Gibbs as piano accompanist.

Those serving as pallbearers were: Ronald Loy, Keith Keeler, Geo. Snapp, Jr., Allen Clark, Paul O'Neill and J. J. Resch.

Howard Wade Wright was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wright. He was born near Barnard, Kan., on Feb. 15, 1912 and at the time of his death was 28 years and four days of age.

He leaves to mourn his untimely and tragic death, his mother, Mrs. Anna Wright of Barnard; two sisters, Mrs. Ellen Hodge of Barnard, and Mrs. Cleo Hughes of Eloy, Arizona; his grandfather, Geo. R. White, of Barnard, besides many other relatives and a host of friends. His father preceded him in death in September, 1937.

For many years the Wright family resided in the Milo community, east of Barnard, moving to Friona, in 1917, where Howard grew to manhood, attended the public schools and graduated from the Friona high school in May, 1929.

His many friends and acquaintances here were indeed shocked and grievously saddened when the news was learned of the accident in which he lost his life.

The sincere sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved family and relatives in the untimely passing of this young man in the prime of life.

Among those from a distance in attendance at the funeral services were: Mr. and Mrs. Herbert White and family, of Osborn, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Joe R. White of Wichita; Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hughes and sons of Eloy, Ariz.; Mr. and Mrs. Ross White and family of Augusta, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Earl White and family of Abilene, Kans.; and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. White of Paradise, Kans.

## CHARLEY LOVELACE ANNOUNCES FOR CLERK

In presenting himself as a candidate for this high office, Mr. Lovelace pledges his "very best efforts in administering the duties of the office." Following is his announcement in his own words:

In announcing my candidacy for the office of County and District Clerk, I ask your consideration of my qualifications for the position. Parmer county has been my home since 1920, and I therefore, feel a very deep interest in the affairs and progress of the county. I have never sought political office before. If elected, I pledge to the citizens of the county my very best efforts in administering the duties of the office. Your support and influence will be greatly appreciated.

CHARLES LOVELACE

## VISITED UNCLE AND AUNT HERE

Jewell Moore, a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Drake, and formerly of Raton, New Mexico, arrived here unannounced on Thursday of last week, paying them a surprise visit.

Mr. Moore is in the cattle feeding business, making it his job to contract the correct feeding of herds of show cattle, he understanding the mixing of the proper feeds to place the cattle in the best condition at the least expense of time and money. He is also an artist at the work of giving the best outward appearance to the cattle.

He had just completed the job of feeding and otherwise preparing for the show rins, a herd of fine cattle at Raton.

He went from here to Canyon with the expectation of securing similar employment there.

It will be my purpose to devote my time and efforts in assisting to enforce the laws earnestly and impartially. Assuring you that I shall feel grateful for your support and influence. I am

Respectfully,  
MILTON TATUM.

## Chamber of Commerce Held An Interesting Meeting

### MRS. LESSIE ANDERSON WAS WELL ATTENDED AND HEARTILY ENJOYED

Mrs. Lessie Anderson died at her home in the Lazbuddy community on Thursday night of last week, at the age of 30 years, 8 months and 9 days.

She was born June 11, 1909, at Blue Mt., Arkansas, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Browns. She was converted at the age of 15 years and became a member of the Missionary Baptist church, of which she remained a consistent member until her death.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Browns, two brothers, Owen and Edgar Browns, and one sister, Mrs. Lerie Bonds, all of whom reside in the Lazbuddy community.

The funeral services were held at the Lazbuddy Baptist Church on Friday, Feb. 23rd, at 3:00 o'clock, conducted by the pastor, Rev. H. B. Naylor, followed by interment in the Lazbuddy cemetery.

## Dan Etheridge Gets Promotion

Our people received the word with regret which informed them that Dan Etheridge has arranged to move from our city to Lubbock, where he and Mrs. Etheridge will make their home in the future; although they extend congratulations to Dan for the promotion he has received by his appointment as special agent for the Cravens & Darsan Insurance Brokers, of Houston.

Mr. Etheridge has been representing this large firm locally for the past several years and it is esteemed considerable of an honor to be offered the position as their special agent.

The word of his appointment was received by him last Saturday, and he was given, but a few days in which to accept or reject it, and he reached his decision Sunday to accept the position of which he must take charge not later than the 10th of March.

Mr. Etheridge has been successful here as a writer of practically all kinds of insurance and expressed himself as well satisfied with his business success, but felt that the new field will offer him greater advantages to climb upward in the insurance business.

He will dispose of his agency here at Friona as soon as a satisfactory deal can be reached, which will probably be this week, as he has two prospective buyers, one of which was here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Etheridge have formed a large circle of friends while living here, all of whom regret their leaving, but extend to them their sincere best wishes for success in their new line of business and their new home.

## STEPHENS-MORRIS WEDDING

At a quiet wedding ceremony, performed in the local Baptist parsonage, Rev. Joe Wilson, local pastor officiating, Miss Bobbie Stephens, of Dallas, became the bride of Mr. Morris Layton, of Tulia, immediately following morning services of the church, last Sunday, February 25.

The bride on this occasion is a niece of Mrs. Vernon Ely, and spent several months in this community with Mrs. Ely, following the death of Mr. Ely.

Mr. Layton is connected with the Rockwell Lumber Company at Tulla, where the young couple will make their home.

They were accompanied by another young couple, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Starnes, and following the wedding ceremony the two couples, together with Rev. and Mrs. Joe Wilson, had lunch together at Smiley's Cafe. Blessings on the newlyweds.

## HONORED WITH BRIDAL SHOWER

Mrs. Obie Sheets was honored on Friday, February 1st, with a bridal shower given by the ladies of the Church of Christ, at the home of Mrs. Worth Weir. The hostesses were Mrs. J. Miller and Mrs. New.

After a short program the bride was given a shower of beautiful and useful gifts, following which refreshments were served. Those present were: Misses Eugene Boggs, Clyde Sherrieb, Hinds Woods, Ralph Miller, Nelson and F. N. Welch, Ed Boggs, Ola Sheets, Bainum, Miller and Weir. Those sending gifts were: Misses Hinds, Miller, Joe Williams, Paul Renner, Bud Reed, E. M. Sherrieb and Viola Weir.

## CLASSES FOR LIVESTOCK SHOW GIVEN

(From State Line Tribune) The sixth annual Parmer County Livestock Show will be held on March 15th and 16th of this year, at the bus barn in Friona, it was announced today, following a meeting of interested men from over the county, the past week.

Prior to this year, the show has been held the first Friday and Saturday in March, in order that all local exhibitors might attend the exposition in Amarillo. However, it has been noted that more and more local owners are showing in Clovis and Lubbock, and the Parmer show has been just one week before the Clovis exhibit.

Due to lack of space at the exhibit building, which for the past two years has been more than filled to overflowing by the number of animals on hand, the show this year is confined strictly to junior boys, with no men's division being slated.

Any boy who is a member of a 4-H club, or a F. P. A. member (or both) in any school in Parmer county, is eligible to exhibit at the show, although it is not necessary that the boys actually live within the county boundaries.

Personal ownership of all animals being exhibited is required. Each contestant is allowed only one entry per class, although he may enter as many classes as desired, with exceptions on the litter class in the swine division, and the fat-calf division.

One of the cardinal rules of the show, concerning entry, reads as follows: "All entries must be in place by 12 noon Friday, March 15th, and remain in place until 4 p. m., Saturday, March 16th." Elaboration reveals that any entry not in the barn by twelve o'clock Friday will not be judged, and entry cards will be cancelled.

In cases where there is only one exhibitor in any division, the judges will award only one premium on the merit of the exhibit. Only one grand champion award will be given an individual, in case of duplication the second place winner will receive the award, but not the ranking or the ribbon.

Judges for the show are Sam T. Logan, county agent of Bailey county, and J. W. McDermott, Farm Security Administrator at Bailey county, it was learned today from County Agent Jason O. Gordon.

Following are the classes of exhibits for the show:

- Swine Division
- Class 1—Fat Pig
- Class 1a, Berkshire; 1b, Chester White and O. I. C.; 1c, Duroc-Jersey; 1d, Hampshire; 1e, Poland-China; 1f, Spotted Poland-China.
- Class 2—Fat Litter (must have 5 or more pigs in litter, averaging 160 lbs. or more)
- Class 2a, Berkshire; 2b, Chester White and O. I. C.; 2c, Duroc-Jersey; 2d, Hampshire; 2e, Poland-China; 2f, Spotted Poland-China.
- Class 3—Sow and Suckling Pigs
- Class 3a, Berkshire; 3b, Chester White and O. I. C.; 3c, Duroc-Jersey; 3d, Hampshire; 3e, Poland-China; 3f, Spotted Poland-China.
- Class 4—Open Gilt (any age, 160 lbs. or more)
- Class 4a, Berkshire; 4b, Chester White and O. I. C.; 4c, Duroc-Jersey; 4d, Hampshire; 4e, Poland-China; 4f, Spotted Poland-China.
- Class 5—Bred Gilt (weighing 160 lbs. or more)
- Class 5a, Berkshire; 5b, Chester White and O. I. C.; 5c, Duroc-Jersey; 5d, Hampshire; 5e, Poland-China; 5f, Spotted Poland-China.
- Class 6—Bred Sow (any age)
- Class 6a, Berkshire; 6b, Chester White and O. I. C.; 6c, Duroc-Jersey; 6d, Hampshire; 6e, Poland-China; 6f, Spotted Poland-China.
- Beef Calf Division
- Class 10—Fat Calf (all breeds competing)
- Dairy Heifer Calf Division
- Class 20—Junior Heifer (calved after March 1, 1939)
- Class 20a, Holstein; 20b, Jersey; 20c, Milking Shorthorn.
- Class 21—Senior Heifer (calved before March 1, 1939)
- Class 21a, Holstein; 21b, Jersey; 21c, Milking Shorthorn.
- Dairy Bull Calf Division
- Class 22—Junior Bull (calved after March 1, 1939)
- Class 22a, Holstein; 22b, Jersey; 22c, Milking Shorthorn.
- Class 23—Senior Bull (calved before March 1, 1939)
- Class 23a, Holstein; 23b, Jersey; 23c, Milking Shorthorn.
- Sheep Division
- Class 30—Fat Lambs
- Class 30a, Rambouillet; 30b, Muttons (all others).

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# Prologue to Love

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## THE STORY THUS FAR

Lovely, independent Autumn Dean, returning home to British Columbia from abroad without her father's knowledge, stops at the home of Hector Cardigan, an old family friend. He tells her that she should not have come home, that things have changed. Arriving home at the "Castle of the Norms," she is greeted lovingly by her father, Jarvis Dean, who gives her to understand that she is welcome—for a short visit. Her mother, former belle named Millicent Odell, has been dead for years. Autumn cannot understand her father's attitude, though gives him to understand that she is home for good. She has grown tired of life in England, where she lived with an aunt. Her father gives a welcoming dance at the castle. Autumn meets Florian Parr, dashing, well-educated young man of the countryside. Late in the evening Autumn leaves the dance, rides horseback to the neighboring ranch where she meets Bruce Landor, friend and champion of her childhood days.

## CHAPTER II—Continued

It was only when they reached the long avenue of Lombardy poplars leading to the Landor house that their voices ceased. Bruce seemed suddenly to have become preoccupied with something apart and remote as he rode slowly forward, his eyes fixed upon the house that stood among the shadows at the farther end of the avenue. A cool ripple of apprehensiveness passed down over Autumn's body, a feeling ominous and totally strange to her experience. She recalled now that as a girl she had always been afraid of Jane Landor, though she had never known the reason. And now, within a room there beyond that glowing window, lay the helpless form of the woman whose forbidding manner had often caused Autumn to shrink from her. It was not fear that overcame her now, but pity—deep pity for the woman whose staunch fortitude had been reduced to frailty by a life that had beaten her at last.

When Bruce finally dismounted before the doorway and stretched his hand up to her, she laid her own slender one within it and got down. For a moment she clung to his hand and hesitated.

"Wait, Bruce," she whispered, and the thought struck her that she should not have come like this to see Jane Landor.

He smiled down upon her and folded his other hand over hers. "You look—frightened," he said, leaning close to her.

She followed him into the house. The large room was in darkness, but a light from the open doorway of an adjoining room cast a soft glimmer over the old-fashioned furnishings of the place.

Immediately a woman's voice, small and nervous to the point of querulousness, spoke from the inner room.

"Is that you, Bruce?"

"Yes, mother, I've brought a visitor to see you."

There was a moment's silence. Then, "A visitor? Who?"

"I'll let you figure that out for yourself," Bruce said, and led Autumn into the room.

Jane Landor was in a half-sitting position among the pillows, a light attached to the bed above her thin, colorless face. Autumn had expected to find her changed from the woman she remembered, but she was not prepared for what she saw there under the soft light of the bed-lamp. She drew back instinctively before the look from the fierce black eyes that were turned upon her as she stepped through the doorway.

"Come in where I can see you," Jane Landor ordered, and struggled to draw herself up for a closer look at her visitor.

Autumn stepped into the light and stood for a moment smiling down at the frail woman.

"Don't you remember me?" she asked in a soft voice that was none too steady.

Jane Landor's face twisted suddenly as if in spasm. She lifted her thin hands to her wasted cheeks and drew her breath in a quick gasp.

"You! You!" she cried. "Millicent Odell! What brings you back here? Take her away, Bruce! Take her away!"

Her voice was a hysterical shriek now. She covered her eyes with her hands as she lay back sobbing among the pillows.

Bruce was beside her instantly, his arms about her shoulders.

"Mother—mother, it's Autumn Dean," he tried to reassure her. "Don't you remember Autumn? She has come back."

His face under the light was shocked and bewildered.

"Take her away, I say!" Jane Landor insisted vehemently. "Nothing but death follows in the way of the Odells!"

She clung to Bruce, who tried in vain to soothe her, and Autumn stole in a trembling daze from the room and out of the house.

## CHAPTER III

Breakfast in the Dean household had always been a ritual. In his busiest season Jarvis Dean nevertheless attended his table of a morning with the leisurely grace of a country gentleman. If a man could not begin the day becomingly, the Laird maintained, he had better remain in bed.

He was in good spirits this morning as he sat in his place, his daughter on his right and old Hannah opposite him at the end of the table nearest the kitchen. Hannah Stewart had, since the death of her mistress twenty years before, been accustomed to eating with the family unless there were guests. This arrangement had seemed to Jarvis to be the most sensible one while Autumn was small and had to be at-

tended to, and later Hannah was so much one of the family that it was unthinkable that she should eat alone. Hannah had seen to it that the paper streamers and other decorations that had festooned the dining room for the dance of the night before had been cleared away and the place restored to its wonted homely austerity. She would give her attention to the drawing room and the rest of the house as soon as the meal was over. Here in this room, however, life had returned to its accustomed way.

To Autumn, it seemed that some perverse fate had ordered the quiet scene so that she might find it impossible to seek an answer to the questions that had assailed her mind throughout an almost sleepless night. She had ridden home from the Landor place and had returned to her father's guests with a feeling that some curse had been laid upon her. She had moved about under a black spell that was as unreal to her as a delirious dream. And when it was all over and the last guest had gone, she had hurried to her room and lain awake until dawn.

Her father turned his eyes searchingly upon her as she seated herself at the breakfast table.

"It was a little too much for you, that business last night," he observed.



"You look—frightened," he said, leaning close to her.

served gently. "You look stale this morning."

"I didn't sleep well," Autumn admitted. "I'll be all right when I've had a little rest."

She had permitted her father to know only that she had indulged an impulse last night to get away alone for a ride in the moonlight; it had been impossible to tell him of her frightening visit to the Landors.

"I don't know what's wrong with the women nowadays," Jarvis continued. "In my time a young woman could dance all night and go to work the next day and be none the worse for it. But the women today have gone to pot."

Old Hannah sniffed. "I don't see that your men nowadays show much to brag about."

The Laird smiled. "Aye, they're a feckless lot, and have a mighty high opinion of themselves."

"It's hard to judge the present by the past, Da," Autumn ventured.

"Aye, my girl, there's something in that, too. It's the times that make the difference. It was a hard life we lived when I was a youngster—and it made hard men of us."

And hard women, too, Autumn thought, her mind upon Jane Landor.

"It'd take more than a hard life to make anything of the like of that Par lad, I'm thinking," Hannah suggested.

"There's no way of telling that," Jarvis countered. "There's good blood in the boy. His father comes of a good line."

"The world's full of fools who can boast of good fathers before them, then," said Hannah stoutly.

"Right enough," declared Jarvis, chuckling to himself. "It takes two to breed even a flock of culls."

"Will you be using the car today, Da?" Autumn asked abruptly.

"No. I'll be down at the pens till supper. Haven't you done enough traveling to be content for a while?"

"I have some things to do in town, she said. "I'll leave right away and be back early."

"There'll be no call for haste," the Laird cautioned her. "You drive that car like something that had lost her wits."

Autumn smiled at him. "I'd lose them completely, Da, if I had to sit and watch you drive it."

Her father grunted. "There's no taming you, I'm afraid." Well, you didn't get that from me."

"No," observed old Hannah, "that she didn't. She's her own mother over again, and there's little fault to find with her for that."

Silence fell upon Jarvis Dean as Hannah told of how Millicent Dean had ridden to the hounds in the days when the Cornwalls of Ashcroft Manor were still famous disciples of the chase. Autumn listened eagerly and would have ventured a question here and there but that her father's brows grew darker and his countenance clouded the more as the garrulous old housekeeper proceeded.

"That will be enough now," Jarvis interrupted finally, in a voice that quieted Hannah at once and the breakfast was finished almost in silence.

"You'd better be getting away," the Laird advised Autumn as they got up from the table, and Autumn felt that her father had no desire to leave her alone with Hannah. "Get your things together and I'll have the car brought out for you."

And while Autumn was in her room preparing for the trip to town, she could hear her father's voice in stern admonishment to poor old Hannah.

Hector Cardigan possessed a horror of glaring daylight, and the rays of the late morning sun that filtered into his drawing room between the heavy drapes of the windows suggested to Autumn the curious fingers of the present prying into the crypt of the past. She sat in one of Hector's armchairs, a glass of iced tea in her hand, her lids half closed upon that searching beam of light from the window.

"Hector," she said, glancing up at him with sudden directness, "I came to have a talk with you. Do you mind?"

Hector smiled at her. "We used to get on very well with our talks, if I remember."

"I was a child, then, Hector."

"Yes—that's so, that's so. I really hadn't considered that aspect of our—our friendship, may I say?"

"I am no longer a child, Hector."

"Very true, my dear. I recognize the fact—and I am forced to confess that I have never been a spectacular success in conversations with women."

"You don't have to be on this occasion, Hector. I am not here for small talk."

"Hm—m—well, of course—" "I want to ask you some questions."

"I cannot promise—ah, definitely, you know—to answer any question a young woman might put to me. Can I, now?"

Autumn could not tell whether his manner was becoming evasive or merely apologetic.

"You can answer the questions I have in mind, Hector. I am sure of that."

"Well, we shall see, perhaps. What, for example, are you going to ask?"

"I went over to visit Jane Landor last night," she began.

"I thought you were giving a dance."

"I left it for an hour or so—and rode over to the Landor place. I met Bruce and he took me to the house to see his mother."

"I see. Rather singular conduct—for a hostess, I should say."

"I'll admit it was—for the time being, in any case. I saw Jane Landor."

"You—spoke to her?"

"I'm not sure. Perhaps a word. I forget. It was what she said to me that I have come to ask you about."

Hector moved uneasily. "Poor Jane Landor is not to be held to account for anything she says these days, my dear. I understand she is no longer—coherent."

"I am not going to hold her responsible for what she said, Hector. I want to know the meaning of it, that's all."

"Hm—m—well, my dear—what did she say?"

"When I stepped into the room with Bruce, she became hysterical. She declared to Bruce that I was Millicent Odell and pleaded with him to put me out."

"Was that all?"

"Not quite. As I turned to leave, I heard her say that death followed in the way of the Odells."

"Anything else?"

"Nothing. I hurried out and rode back home as fast as I could."

For several seconds Hector remained standing with his back to the fireplace, his hands folded behind him, his eyes at gaze across the room.

ted expression in his eyes. "Your mother? She was the most beautiful woman I have ever known, my dear."

"I have heard that—years ago—from Hannah. Was she in love with my father?"

Hector smiled. "How can one know what is hidden in a woman's heart?"

"I know my father loved her—and loves her still, after twenty years. Did anyone else love her?"

"My dear child, we all loved her," Hector replied with a sigh. He turned slightly away from her then and picked up one of the yellowed dice on the mantelpiece. "She was the only woman I ever loved."

The simplicity of the statement brought a momentary silence to Autumn. She was aware suddenly of an awed thrill, as though some haunting fragrance of the past had for a fleet instant possessed the room. But then, as she glanced covertly up at Hector, it seemed to her that she had always known that the elderly soldier had cherished a romantic and hopeless passion for Millicent. Autumn made an effort to regain her composure.

"Did Geoffrey Landor love her?" she pursued.

"I don't see how he could help it, really."

"Please, Hector. I want the truth. You know exactly what I mean. I must know."

Hector Cardigan stepped slowly from his place and seated himself in a large chair opposite Autumn.



"Partly—as far as it goes," Autumn replied.

He spread his feet before him and slowly brought his hands together, the points of his fingers meeting.

"In my time, my dear," he began, "we were accustomed to living our lives in the best way we knew how, without giving much thought to the past. This country was settled by men who had left their pasts behind them in the Old Country, and were eager to begin life anew in this. It is only natural if I should feel a bit embarrassed, perhaps, in the presence of a young woman who demands that I tell her what manner of mother she had. I have not grown used to the ways of young people today. It happens, however, that I can be just as direct in my answer as you were in your question. You say I know exactly what you mean. I do. And I tell you that Millicent Odell, who became Millicent Dean, was a woman of honor and integrity and would have gone to her grave before she would have broken the vows that bound her in marriage to Jarvis Dean." He paused for a moment and gazed unflinchingly into Autumn's eyes. "Is that an answer to your question, my dear?" he asked finally.

"Partly—as far as it goes," Autumn replied.

"I think it goes quite far enough," Hector said. "I confess I—"

"Let me come to the point at once, Hector," Autumn interrupted. "Behind what Jane Landor said to me last night there exists a life-long hatred—or fear—of mother. A woman doesn't ordinarily hate another woman without reason, and somewhere at the bottom of it all, if you take the trouble to search, you find a man. It isn't reasonable to suppose that father is the man in question. We know him too well for that. What I want to know is whether Geoffrey Landor is the man."

"I think I have answered that, my dear."

"Please, Hector!" Autumn was losing her patience. "Do you think that Geoffrey shot himself because he loved mother too much to live without her?"

"It is too late—too late by many years, my dear, to answer that question. I could believe it. I knew Geoffrey well. He was headstrong. He was—romantic, I should say. But he was hopelessly in debt at the time—and he had been drinking heavily, as I recall, for several days before the tragedy. Given the facts, I should imagine your guess would be as good as mine."

"And your guess, Hector?"

He considered the question a long time before he made his reply. Then he got suddenly to his feet and stepped toward Autumn, his shoulders drawn back and his head erect in soldierly bearing. "I refuse to answer that question, my girl. You should know better than to ask it. There is a point in such matters beyond which a man of honor can not go. I must ask you to consider the question closed."

"TO BE CONTINUED"

### WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON  
(Consolidated Features—WNU Service.)

**NEW YORK**—Old General Plutarco Elias Calles, Mexico's strong-man for 11 years, has repudiated force, on several occasions, but has stopped for just one more round. Just now a resident in southern California, the former president will be allowed to return to Mexico City, to try to recover his expropriated land, according to a dispatch from Mexico City.

**Calles Returns To Mexico on Salvage Trip**

The revolution against Porfirio Diaz in 1910 made much of breaking up the great land holdings and distributing them to the peasants. He made the land revolution as much as any man, but on June 15, 1930, he proposed to liquidate it—thus: "If we wish to be sincere, we must confess that agrarianism, as we have understood it and thus far practiced it, has been a failure." Five years later with the ascendancy of Cardenas, lean Indian Savonarola of communal doctrine, he was exiled, and his great estates at Santa Barbara were confiscated.

As a peasant youth in his native mountains he doubled in bar-keeping and school teaching. He led a savage strike against the Sonora Dodge copper interests, and in the turmoil of the revolution, joined Obregon and was president from 1924 to 1928. He was in Cardenas' cabinet and was supposedly pulling the strings, but suddenly hopped a plane for San Diego and took up golf.

He was an unyielding foe of the church during the years of the dictatorship, in the presidency and out. Muscular and vigorous, at 63, with high cheekbones and squinting mongoloid eyes, he is of the cut of the latter-day dictator; and several times there have been reports that he was planning a comeback. It is now indicated that he is up to nothing more important than trying to salvage something out of the agrarianism which he helped to start.

**THIS** writer had a letter from his old friend, Eddie Persons, of San Francisco, the other day in which Mr. Persons put Santa Barbara

**When Champion Champions Cause It's Championed**

county, California, in a test-tube, as a clinical sample of what ruinous taxation can do to a minor commonwealth. It would appear that Santa Barbara county is carrying on just to save funeral expenses and Mr. Persons, one of the leaders of the San Francisco business community, is trying to do something about it.

It was a similar alarm, among many citizens, which started New York's unique tax march on Albany, in which thousands of citizens, representing 829 organizations, moved on the state capitol, "to apply the ax to the tax," as their banners and buttons had it. The new and seemingly unprecedented "economy front" is the state budget emergency committee, in which the various organizations converge. It was started by a man who was scratching gravel, literally and figuratively.

Henry M. Champion had a little sand and gravel pit on his 40-acre farm on the Chenango river, 20 miles north of Binghamton. He was doing nicely until taxes began to pull him down. He called a meeting of farmers in 1938 and formed the Chenango County Taxpayers' association, of which he was elected president. In their first year of ax work, they nicked \$75,000 from the county budget, and, moving on from there, found eager allies in similar organizations, culminating in the state committee, with Mr. Champion as chairman. They chalked up a reduction of \$26,500,000 in the state budget last year.

Mr. Champion was a punishing ax-man in his youth, working in logging camps in Arkansas and Wisconsin, the latter being his native state. His father is still a lumberman in northern Michigan. He came to New York state in 1914 and made his first visit to New York city last July, rallying the tax rebels.

He is a weather-beaten citizen, 44 years old, who doesn't look at all like the little man in the barrel—although his organization has this undernourished little chap, armed with a blunderbuss, on its badges. Many mystics regard upstate New York as the cradle of prophecy—many prophets having risen there. If it isn't a prophet this time, it would appear to be a Watt Tyler, and the capitol stands on Notting-ham hill. The little man in the barrel has had an uphill climb for many years and ought to take this slope easily.

### Fashion Designed For Large Women

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for the street, in thin wool, flat crepe or small-figured print.

It has just the detailing you like, if you have size to consider—a bodice deftly gathered for correct bust fit, beneath a smooth shoulder-yoke, a slim-hipped skirt, and a waistline drawn in by a sash bow or buckled belt. Everything about it is slenderizing as well as smart.

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### Cause for Hope

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**GENERAL JOHNSON Says:**

WASHINGTON.—In spite of their conductor's spirited defense of them, I still don't like Gallup polls except in simple choices of well recognized issues close to the end of a political campaign such as—"Are you going to vote for Mr. Roosevelt or Senator Taft?"

Dr. Gallup's sampling of opinion of infinitesimal groups may indicate trends, but it certainly does not warrant him in saying that "two-thirds of the voters" want to stop buying anything from Japan—any more than he is now justified in intimating that the present general tendency is for an embargo denying the right to any American to sell anything to Japan.

To understand these polls accurately, it is necessary to examine the phrasing of the questions they ask.

In this latest "study" of public opinion on the "embargo," the question asked was: "Do you think our government should forbid the sale of arms, airplanes, gasoline and other war materials to Japan?"

What are "war materials?" It is a highly technical question which few laymen could answer.

We are not selling Japan any direct war materials. There is no law preventing it, but our government has none the less effectively "forbidden" it through a so-called "moral" embargo.

The vice in this form of question is that if the person questioned thinks we ought not to sell weapons and are doing so, he is fooled by

**Navajo Indians Battle Effects Of 1939 Drouth**

**New Irrigation Facilities Required Because of Record Dry Spell.**

WASHINGTON.—Extension of irrigation facilities of the Navajo Indian reservation in the Southwest has been made necessary by the drouth of last year. The drouth was the worst in more than 50 years, destroying crops and causing distress among many Indians on the reservation.

"The Navajos number about 50,000 and are for the most part a pastoral people, grazing more than 1,000,000 sheep, goats, cattle and horses," says the National Geographic society. "There is the largest homogeneous tribe of American Indians on a reservation comprising the home of their ancestors.

"The reservation land is not fertile enough to feed great herds of animals. Last year some 10,000 horses were sold to lessen the demand on the resources of their land. The horses running wild each consumed as much forage as five sheep. "This reduction was a great sacrifice by the Navajos whose 'blue-book rating' is expressed in terms of horses. The Navajo 'stables' had been sufficient to provide every man, woman and child with a mount, but few of these wild horses were in use. Grass has become increasingly scarce, with 70 per cent of the reservation land eroded.

**Rainfall Is Small.**

"The reservation is a semi-arid tableland, more than half of it 6,000 feet above sea level. The rainfall is less than nine inches. Countless canyons and a mountain range traverse the territory, with the Carrizo mountains clustered in the north. The reservation is principally in Arizona, extending into New Mexico and Utah.

"When sheep herding proves less profitable because of drouth or low prices for mutton and wool, the Navajos plant larger corn patches. Only 45,000 acres of the reservation's 16,000,000 acres is farming land. Because of the possibility of early frost, the corn is harvested green in August and dried in the sun, with the entire family gathering in the crop.

"The men do the plowing and look after the irrigation; the women and children plant seed and weed the fields. Squash, melons and corn are grown in the valleys; and wheat, oats, potatoes and beans on the mountain sides.

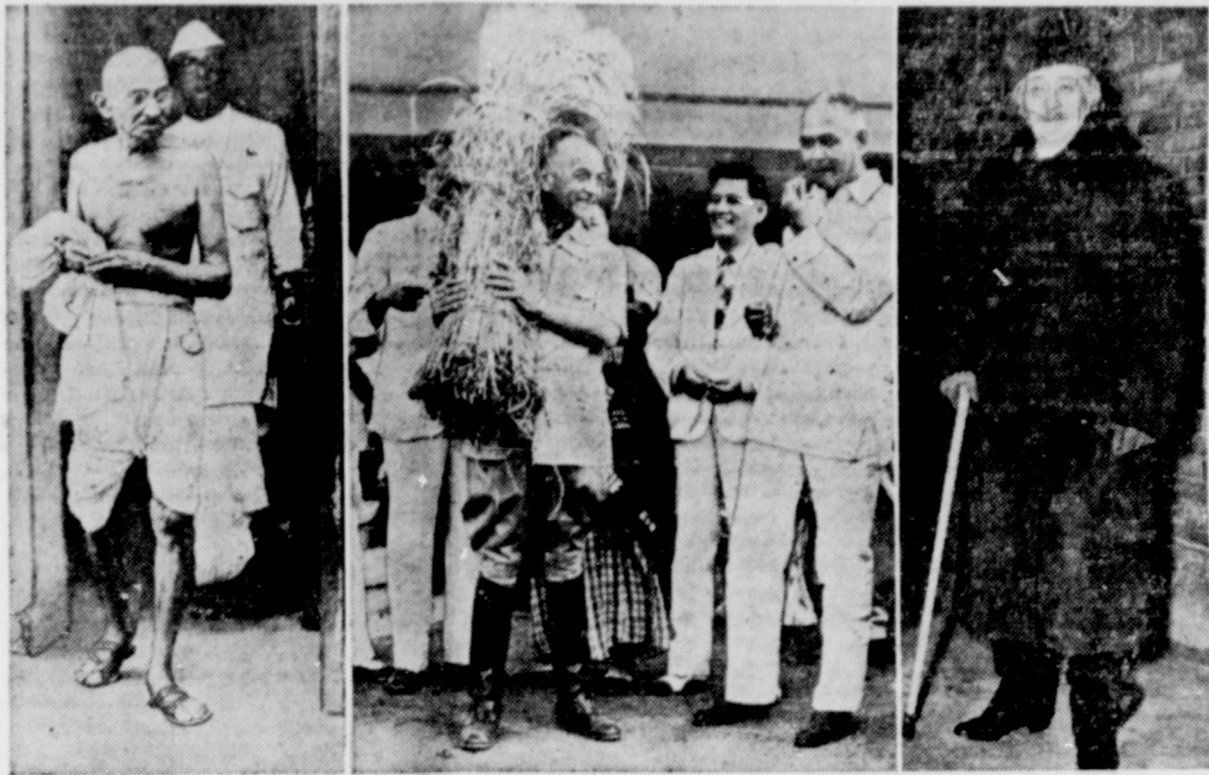
"Corn is ground between stones by hand and must be reground before it is of sufficient fineness for cooking. Mush is made with water or goat's milk, and is then baked in corn husks, or fried. Variety is effected by the addition of meat, wild onions or wild potatoes, while the corn bread may be flavored with cedar ashes.

**Home in One Room.**

"The Navajo home is a one-room structure of pine or cedar logs covered with dirt. There is a hole at the top for ventilation. The home furnishings include a few sheepskins and blankets, dishes, pans and baskets. There are no chairs, tables, or beds.

"These winter hogans, as they are called, are frequently hexagonal or conical in shape. They are built in the lower altitudes to escape heavy snows, and to be near a supply of spring water and wood for fuel. The summer shack of the Navajo is a

**Men at Work—They're Fighting Freedom's Cause**



Three national leaders whose independence efforts have made news around the world: Left: Mohandas Gandhi, Indian independence leader, whose demands for autonomy from Great Britain have increased since the British request for Indian support in the war. Center: Manuel Quezon, president of the Philippine islands, who led the national assembly that must choose now between permanent subservience to the United States or an insecure independence in 1946. Right: Ignace Jan Paderewski, famed pianist and former premier of Poland, who has been named president of Poland-in-exile, with headquarters in France.

**Old Man Coyote Finds Lunch as Buster Bear Causes Commotion**

By THORNTON BURGESS

lean-to, or just a framework of rock and branches over which a blanket, hide or piece of canvas is thrown.

"The Navajos are divided into about 50 clans held together by the relationship of the women. When an Indian marries, he takes his herds over to the tribal area of his bride.

"Every Navajo household weaves the famous Navajo blankets. The women spin the yarn and weave the rugs on simple looms. The rugs bring a considerable sum of money to the Indians annually. Soft vegetable coloring formerly used has given place to aniline dyes, and the designs now are those most saleable to the white man."

**Insects Fought 3 Miles In Sky by U. S. Planes**

WASHINGTON.—The United States is carrying on an aerial war less spectacular than Europe's, but vitally important to this country's welfare.

Government planes have captured thousands of "enemies" nearly three miles off the ground. These "enemies" and their kind annually cause millions of dollars' damage to growing crops.

The agriculture department has a fleet of planes that searches the skies for plant insects. Some of the planes are in the air almost every day of the year trapping the pests.

From the captured insects entomologists are able to gather valuable new information on the habits, and particularly on the spread, of some of the destructive crop pests.

Many insects fly long distances and thus spread infestation over large areas. Others soar high and then let the prevailing wind carry them. By learning their direction and approximate numbers, the department is able to chart their spread and take action against them in new areas.

**Holds Court in Church**

ALTON, MO.—Witnesses in circuit court will have another incentive to tell the truth, besides that of swearing on a Bible.

While the new courthouse is being constructed during the next year, sessions will be held in the First Baptist church.

**Pupils' Pet Is Teacher's Too**



Caught by father of fourth grade child in Grand Rapids, Mich., school, opossum "Pinkie" tries to find out what Gerald Stratton is learning about him in that book. Teacher Leone Bookery permits animal to roam about classroom.

**FRANCE TRAINS CANINE ARMY FOR FRONT LINE DUTY**

PARIS.—The French army has opened a recruiting station for army dogs.

Dogs will be accepted either as gifts or on loan for the duration of the war. They will be concentrated at a training camp, where they will receive special instruction, which, in a few weeks, will turn them into specialists for patrol work, Red Cross, dispatch carriers, or for observation duty.

An army order specifies that dogs should be neither too small nor too big, but be healthy, alert and intelligent.

Alsation police and sheep dogs are preferred because they have a natural camouflage color and because their natural talents are nearest to those of wolves.

During training each dog is handled by only one soldier, who later controls him at the front.

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By THORNTON BURGESS

FARMER BROWN'S BOY has nimble fingers. They fairly flew as he picked the luscious big blueberries up in the Old Pasture. Not one did he put in his mouth, because—well—because he knew that if he put one in he would put two in, and if he put two in he would put three in. In short, he knew that if he once tasted them he would fill his stomach before he had come for. So he shut his mouth firmly and thought of that berry pie his mother had promised him. Thinking of that pie and how good it would taste made it easier not to think of the berries themselves. And all the



time he didn't wait to take so much as a bite of one of those thick sandwiches, but started after his precious berries.

He had just lifted his dripping face for breath when he heard a noise back where he had left that pail of berries. It sounded as if some big animal was over there. Now, there were some young cattle which had been turned into the Old Pasture to spend the summer there, and right away he guessed that one of them had wandered over where he had left his berries.

"It would be just my luck to have one of the stupid things upset that pail of berries. I guess I better go look after them," he muttered. Now Farmer Brown's Boy believes in doing a thing when you first think of it.

So he didn't wait to take so much as a bite of one of those thick sandwiches, but started to look after his precious berries. He had worked too hard to get them to take any chance of losing them.

Now it just happened that that very day when Buster Bear and

Farmer Brown's Boy had decided to go berrying in the Old Pasture someone else had decided to have a look around up there. It was Old Man Coyote. He had been promising himself for some time that he would run up there and see if he couldn't surprise old Jed Thumper, the big gray Rabbit, who, you know, was father of little Mrs. Peter Rabbit. But old Jed Thumper was not to be surprised. Old Man Coyote hunted a long time before he found old Jed Thumper, and then he was safe in his brier castle. Hot, tired, and disappointed, Old Man Coyote decided he must have a drink and headed for the very spring where Farmer Brown's Boy had planned to eat his lunch. He got there just in time to see Farmer Brown's Boy disappearing among the bushes on his way to look after his berries.

Now Old Man Coyote has a very wonderful nose, and it told him right away that there was something good to eat there. He first made sure that Farmer Brown's Boy really had gone. Then he followed that wonderful nose of his straight to the flat stone where Farmer Brown's Boy had left his lunch. Old Man Coyote's eyes glistened as he saw the two thick sandwiches. Almost before you could say "Jack Robinson" he had bolted them down, not leaving so much as a crumb. Then as noiselessly as he had come he disappeared, licking his chops and grinning wickedly.

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**What to Do**

BY PHYLLIS BELMONT



THE matter of seating people correctly at a dinner table is always puzzling to me. Should husbands and wives sit together? At a restaurant where there are stationary benches against the wall, do the women sit together and the men opposite?

MRS. S. E. M.

Answer—The general idea in seating people is that men and women should alternate, and, if possible, relations should be separated. Every one enjoys a change of company and interest, so instead of seating a guest next to an everyday companion, the thoughtful hostess arranges to have each person seated next to someone new and interesting to talk to. For this reason husbands and wives, brothers and sisters should not be seated together, but alternate among the guests at a company dinner. The same rule follows in a restaurant, one man and one woman should be seated on the bench and one man and one woman opposite.

Phyllis Belmont.—WNU Service.

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Any Suggestions? Irate Parent—I'll teach you to make love to my daughter, young man. Sutor—I wish you would, sir. I'm not making much headway.

**SURE SIGN**



"How can you tell your wife wants money when she pouts like that?" "By the way she purses up her lips."

**In Trade**

"I shan't tell you any more secrets. You gave the last one away."

"I didn't give it away. I exchanged it for another one."

**That's Strange**

"What on earth is the matter with this shaving-brush?" stormed the husband. "It's as hard as iron and won't bend at all. It was all right yesterday morning."

"It certainly was all right yesterday, dear," replied his wife. "When I touched up the paint in the bathroom it was in splendid condition."

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**To Check Constipation Get at Its Cause!**

If constipation has you down so you feel heavy, tired and dopey, it's time you did something about it. And something more than just taking a physic! You should get at the cause of the trouble.

If you eat the super-refined food most people eat, the chances are the difficulty is simple—you don't get enough "bulk." And "bulk" doesn't mean heavy food. It's a kind of food that isn't consumed in the body, but leaves a soft "bulky" mass in the intestines.

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**Under Foot**

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**ODDS AGAINST FINNS**

The only thing that can save the Finns now, or could at any time have saved them, is a fully equipped organized and trained expeditionary force of at least two army corps—50,000 to 60,000 men with a proper complement of fighting planes—at least 1,000.

In the present temper of the American people, we never would have sent such a force, and we couldn't have done so if we would. We haven't got them. In our whole army we haven't even two fully manned and equipped divisions of the necessary type—not half the premium force necessary to save the Finns.

As for Europe, it is clear now that the aid Finland needs is never going to be given to her by any nation unless it feels that its own security is immediately and very dangerously threatened. Both the Allies and all the Scandinavian countries are so threatened in greater or less degree. They apparently have slipped Finland a little bootleg aid through some blind-pig entrance—as we propose to do—but, in the only kind of help that will do the trick, they have not acted and now it is getting perilously close to being too late to help.

**WHY ALL SECRECY?**

All the hush-hush business about the President's fishing trip is hard to understand. You could no more hide the progress of a President to Pensacola than you could hide a bull in a china shop.

It wasn't said, but it was allowed to be inferred, that the reason for the "secrecy" was the presence of hostile submarines in Caribbean waters.

This isn't the first time that phantom German subs have been pulled out of the political hat.

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(Re-election)
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positively clear that there are many other things that are just as necessary and perhaps more worthwhile than the attraction of commerce on trade to our city, and as I stated a few weeks ago, it is a mighty nice thing to have plenty of money, but there is a great danger of our losing sight of this fact, and that we pay too much for our money. In other words, if pay in the loss of many of these worthwhile things, 500 cents for a 100-cent dollar, we are paying entirely too much for our money and are, therefore, the positive losers of 400 cents for every 100-cent dollar we have secured.

The fact of the matter is, if we get money into our city, we must pay for it in some other commodity just the same as we must pay of our

money for any other commodity we may secure.

Most of us are mighty careful not to pay too much money for other commodities, lest we make a business failure, and is it not just as important that we do not pay too much for our money? It is said that "It is a poor rule that will not work both ways," and it occurs to me that it is just as important to apply this maxim to the money getting question as to any other.

Now this is what I am trying to get at. It occurs to me that there are a lot of things in this old world that are valuable, other than money, and we are very likely to pay too much for our money when we let these things get by us for the sake of holding onto our money, or in losing sight of these things in our blind struggle for money alone.

As I have said above, many of these things that are much more to be desired than gold, yee, than much fine gold, were suggested by the ladies above mentioned, along with suggested plans by which many of them may be attained, and their acquisition for our city would most surely make a more attractive as well as a cleaner and therefore, more healthful place in which to live and rear our families.

It just occurs to me that these suggestions made by these ladies, who have just as much interest in the welfare and progress of our city as the men have, are worthy of consideration and adoption by the officials, committees and individual members of our local chamber of commerce. Anyway, money is not the only thing that should be considered in building a city and a community.

And, it further occurs to me that we human people have acquired a habit of liking what we like and wanting what we want, and will many times go considerably out of our way to secure such things, and a clean, healthy and attractive city, populated by a courteous, cultured and progressive people is often more to the liking of the general public, is one of the things that people appreciate and desire, and if more attention is given to securing such conditions here at Friona, even if a little less attention should be paid to trying to attract trade or commerce, we will still find that the channels of trade and commerce will be found flowing toward Friona. I am wondering if we are paying too much for our money when we fail to do some or more of these things. How about it? Huh?

I have a circular letter issued from the Amarillo Times, bearing information of a great local talent show that will be staged there as an added feature to Amarillo Industrial Open House Week or some such name. The letter starts with "Girls, gags, giggles and gorgeous gowns are being groomed for 'Panhandle Pep,' that sizzling two-hour stage show to climax Amarillo Industrial Open House Week, her April 15, 16, 17."

This show will be staged by Dixie Dice, who has already signed more than 150 glamorous girls for the cast to date, and is seeking talent from all over the Panhandle, and urging singers and dancers to contact her immediately for parts.

I know that Friona has some of the prettiest girls in Texas, or in the world for that matter, and I also know that many of them are highly talented in the above mentioned arts of singing and dancing, and I am wondering why Friona should not be represented in this amazing show by some of these same splendid girls, who, I am sure, could do honor to themselves and their town by so doing. The show will also include a bathing revue, and other attractive features.

The letter closed by stating that girls wishing to enter the bathing revue or wishing any other information on the three days program should contact Pat Flynn, Promotion Editor of the Amarillo Times, for details. Why should not some of our Friona girls be counted in this show? Berger is reported to already have thirty talented girls registered for it.

I had the pleasure of attending the Farmer-Business Men's banquet at Farwell, Tuesday night. At this banquet each farmer who chose to go so, was supposed to buy two tickets and be the host for one businessman, and I became the guest of Leo McLellan, but Leo got his back hurt and could not go; but I went anyway.

After I had arrived at the banquet hall, Mr. Julian, of Lazbuddy, asked me if I were a farmer or a business man. I told him I was like the bat, which was neither bird nor beast, for I was neither one nor the other and neither class would claim me.

### WAS RETURNED TO HOSPITAL

Mrs. Edward Spring, who was brought home from the hospital at Clovis recently, was returned to that institution Monday owing to the fact that she was not getting along so well as was expected.

Reports on Wednesday, however, were to the effect that she was again getting along nicely and would be returned to her home within the next few days.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Halle of near Tulla, were business visitors here Monday. Mr. Halle has purchased the J. L. Riddle hardware store and residence here, and they plan to make this their home after Tuesday of next week.

### CLASSES FOR LIVESTOCK SHOW ARE GIVEN

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Class 31—Pen Pat Lambs (3 in Class)

Class 31a, Rambouillet; 31b Muttons (all others).

A complete list of the prizes, other than the traditional ribbons, along with names of donors, will be found in the next issue of this paper.

### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HELD INTERESTING MEETING.

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John White, chairman of the Publicity Committee, had stated that his committee had held one meeting, but as the chairman and each of the other members were absent, there was very little to be said about it.

Following Mayor Reeve's report the banqueters joined in singing "Auld Lang Sine" and this was followed by singing "The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You," at the close of which the meeting dispersed.

This meeting was conceded by most, if not all those present, to be the most unique, the most helpful, and the most interesting, as well as one of the most enjoyable meetings the chamber of commerce has ever held.

### CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS ANNOUNCED

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations for the positions listed below. Applications must be on file in the Commission's office at Washington, D. C., not later than March 25 if received from States east of Colorado, and not later than March 28, 1940, if received from Colorado and States westward.

Assistant mycologist (soils), \$2,600 a year, Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture. Completion of a 4-year college course with major study in botany and 2 years of research experience in the culture of fungi are required. Certain graduate study may be substituted for the experience. Applicants must not have passed their fifty-third birthday.

Chief, research and statistical service, \$5,600 a year, Office of Education, Federal Security Agency. Certain college education, including graduate study leading to the degree of doctor of philosophy in education, and highly responsible experience in education are required. Additional experience in certain educational work may be substituted for the graduate study. Applicants must not have passed their fifty-third birthday.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post office or customhouse in any city which has a post office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

### RHEA HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Rhea Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday, Feb. 20th, in the home of Mrs. C. L. Calaway with 12 members present. The day was spent in quilting for the hostess. A covered dish luncheon was served at noon. Club business was taken care of in the afternoon by the president, Mrs. Ralph Wilson. The club also met Feb. 23rd at the club house and canned 126 quarts of beef and chicken to be given to the needy, being divided equally between Friona, Bovina, and Farwell. The beef, chicken and vegetables were donated by members.

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The club will meet March 5 in the home of Mrs. Travis Brown for an all-day meeting. Miss Boyd will give a demonstration in the afternoon on "Good Housing of Poultry." All members are urged to be present and visitors are invited.

### IRA PARKER HERE

Ira Parker, a former resident of this city, was here the early part of this week, visiting his mother, Mrs. C. A. Wickard, and his many Friona friends.

Several months ago, Ira was seized with an attack of appendicitis, and taken to a hospital at Clovis. He was not cured of his trouble from complications which set in, and was transferred to the veterans hospital at Albuquerque, and from there to another veterans hospital in Arizona, where his case was pronounced incurable; but he was later transferred to a hospital at Los Angeles, California, where a thorough examination and diagnosis of his trouble was made, and treatment given.

He was discharged from Los Angeles hospital as cured a few weeks ago, and is now feeling perfectly well and looking well, although he said it is necessary for him to be very careful of the kinds of food he eats. His family is now at Littlefield, where Mrs. Parker is taking care of her invalid mother.

### SANTA FE GIVES AID

Again Railway officials and employees "go over the top" in aid of a distressed community.

This time in rescue of approximately 400 men, women and children caught helplessly and in danger of freezing to death on snow-blocked highways during the recent blizzard which harassed the Lubbock-Plainview areas and paralyzed highway traffic.

Again the Railway demonstrated spontaneity in responding to public emergency. Without expectancy of reward officials speeded rescue trains and regular trains upon requests of mercy.

Officials and train crews also braved the raging elements and zero weather, to provide succor to those in danger. Too, there was a considerable item of expense for extra trains and crews, but this was not even considered with lives at stake.

State Senator G. H. Nelson, addressing a Bible Club at Lubbock, declared that the only reward to the railway was "knowledge of a good will done plus the gratitude of the living and the noble."

"Had it not been for the prompt action of the railway, it is hard to consider the tragedy which could have resulted," he added. "We are indebted to the railway for the great help of the situation and the relief of the lives of the people, to the Santa Fe."

for its unstinted efforts in responding to the crisis." There were many such expressions, the gist of which add new leaves to the laurels of humane railway service to the public.

Word was received at the Star office from Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Chenoweth, of Dallas, to change their address of the Star to 134 North Clinton Avenue. Mrs. Chenoweth was formerly Mrs. A. C. Young, or Miss Lola Jamer, and formerly lived at Friona.

### Stethoscope Mine Testing

The stethoscope, an instrument used by doctors, soon may be used to test coal mine tunnels. The present method is to "sound the roof" with care or pick handles to detect weaknesses. When one is discovered timbers are placed under the faulty section to hold the coal in place. Some faults, however, are not disclosed by this method and large roof sections sometimes fall with lightning swiftness, killing miners. The mine-size stethoscope, it is hoped, might expand the testing sounds and disclose danger signals not heard by the unaided ear.

### Hetty Green's Clothes

When young Hetty Green, famous woman capitalist, went to New York to spend a winter her father gave her \$1,200 to spend on clothes while there. Hetty, however, even at that early age, had different inclinations and invested \$1,000 of the money in bonds. She went about the city looking shabby, until her hostess bought her a complete party outfit for a big social event. But Miss Green attended the ball in her shabby old clothes. When she left New York she took the clothing with her, still unworn.

### Record Photography Speed

University of Minnesota scientists have taken the fastest photograph on record—one that required but one one-hundred-millionth of a second. It was taken on a cathode ray oscillograph which recorded on a photographic plate the oscillations of an electrical current in a hundred-millionth of a second. It is called a vast improvement over any previously constructed oscillograph.

### World's Tallest Tree

The world's tallest tree has definitely been established as a giant redwood growing in the Dyerville Flat grove of Humboldt county, California, which reaches a height of 374 feet. Thousands of these giants of the forest are growing in the vast "Redwood Empire" where 97 per cent of the world's supply of redwood is located.

### Europe's Largest Garage

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### LAZBUDDY CHRISTIAN WORKERS CLUB

The Christian Workers Club met at the home of Mrs. Price Prather February 20th, with 21 members present, and two visitors who became members, before the meeting was over.

**Business:**  
Election of officers for the coming year.  
Song, Devotional, read by Mrs. Lance Hennington.

Each member drew a name for her Sunshine Sister, during the coming year.  
A quilt top was made at the meeting.

Club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Geo. Graham, March 5th.

The Christian Workers Club met at the home of Mrs. W. J. Menefee on the 22nd of February, for a quilting for Mrs. Floyd Cox. A miscellaneous shower for Mrs. Cox also. A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed at noon.

### M. E. MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Methodist Missionary Society met Monday at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. J. D. Hamlin, with seven members present.

The meeting opened with the leader, Mrs. Hamlin, in charge.

Lesson: "I Surrender Myself."  
"Call to Worship," Leader.

"Meditation," Ruth Jones.  
"A Vow of Consecration," Led by the Leader.

Responsive Reading, by Group.  
Missionary Topic: "Young J. Allen, Missionary Statesman."

First Part: Mrs. Verda Osborn.  
Second Part: Fernie White.  
Third Part: Neva Raymon.  
Benediction: Leader.

The Missionary Society will meet next Monday at the home of Mrs. Thelma Ford. Our lesson will be "The World Outlook Program."

Supt. of Publicity.

### Oregon's Criminals

Statistics kept by the Oregon state penitentiary fail to confirm the popular belief that the criminal class is being recruited more and more from young men. The average age of convicts in the penitentiary between 1896-76 was 30 years, 10 months. The average age of those now in the prison is 33 years, two months.

### Oil Boom for Boys

Discovery of oil near Falls City, Neb., brought an unexpected fortune to the town's enterprising boys. The youths took hundreds of small bottles to the first gushers, filled them with loose oil and sold small bottles of the oil and two pictures of the derrick for 25 cents to the curious thousands.

### West Indies Castles

There are several romantic castles in the West Indies, notably the one built by Ponce de Leon in Puerto Rico, Christophe's castle in Haiti, the buccaneers' castle in St. Thomas, and the Morros of San Juan, Puerto Rico, Santiago de Cuba and Havana.

### Automobile Vapors

Water produced by the autos in this country in the form of vapor from the exhaust annually amounts to 17½ billion gallons, or enough to fill a canal 25 feet wide and 6 feet deep running between New York and San Francisco.

### Gasoline-Auto Ratio

About 60,000,000 gallons of gasoline are consumed daily in the United States, according to department of commerce estimates. This is equal to approximately two gallons for each car and truck on the road.

### Denmark's Buried Church

One of the sights for tourists in Denmark is an old church in the sand dunes, south of Skagen. Buried by a sand storm in the Eighteenth century, today only its tower is visible.

### Ventriloquist Minister

The Rev. G. E. Bonney of Randolph Centre, Va., a ventriloquist, uses a dummy, "Jerry," to illustrate stories of the Bible and to drive home moral lessons, says the American Messenger.

### SANTA FE CARLOADINGS

The Santa Fe System carloadings for the week ending February 24, 1940, were 12,255, as compared with 11,264 for the same week in 1939. Received from connections were 5,076 as compared with 4,891 for the same week in 1939. The total cars moved were 20,331, as compared with 21,515 for the same week in 1939. The Santa Fe handled a total of 21,710 cars during the preceding week of this year.

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## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Sunday Church School, 10:00 A. M.  
J. M. W. Alexander, superintendent.  
Morning Worship Service, 11:00 A. M.  
C. Carl Dollar, Pastor; Mrs. P. W. Reeve, Music Director.  
"Comrades" (young people) 6:30 P. M.  
M. June Maurer, President.

Weekly:  
"Comrades" Recreation Hour, Tuesday night.

Orchestra Practice, Monday night.  
Choir Practice, Wednesday P. M.  
Monthly:  
Business Meeting on Monday night after third Sunday.

### FRIONA METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday

10 A. M. Church School  
11 A. M. Church Services  
7:15 P. M. Group meetings for all ages.

8 P. M. Church Services  
Monday

3 P. M. Women's Missionary Society.

Wednesday  
8 P. M. Fellowship meeting.

### BAPTIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Services:  
Bible School 10:00 a. m.  
Preaching Services 11:00 a. m.  
B. T. U., 6:45, Evening.

Prayer Meeting, Wednesday Evening, 7:30.

W. M. S., Tuesday, 2:30 p. m.  
Joe Wilson, Pastor.

### Notice of Services Summerfield Baptist Church

Sunday school each Sunday at 10:00 a. m.

Preaching each second and fourth Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

W. T. Legg, Sunday school director.

Thurman Atchley, B. T. U. director.

Rev. H. B. Naylor, Pastor, Evangelist.

### Lazbuddy Baptist Church

Sunday school each Sunday at 10:00 a. m.

Preaching services each first and third Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

W. T. Tiner, Sunday school superintendent.

### SIXTH STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

I. E. Carpenter, Minister

Bible Study each Sunday at 10:00 a. m.

Preaching each First and Third Sundays, at 11:00 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

Young People's Training Class each Sunday evening.

The time of the Ladies Bible Class has been changed from 2:45 to 2:00 o'clock p. m.

Prayer Meeting and Training Class, each Wednesday at 7:15 p. m.

You are invited to attend all these services.

### PENTECOSTAL CHURCH NOTES

Pentecostal Order of Services

Sunday school each Sunday at 10:00 a. m.

Preaching Service each Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.

Prayer meeting each Wednesday night.

Rev. E. E. Houlette, Pastor.

### China's Educational Status

Destruction of scores of institutions of learning has failed to weaken the traditional Chinese belief in education. Ten thousand persons have taken entrance examinations to qualify for admission to 19 Chinese colleges and higher technical schools, most of which are carrying on in temporary quarters hundreds of miles from their pre-war campuses in Japanese-occupied cities.

### Father and Son Parade

A 15-year-old Pasadena boy, who had borrowed the family car without permission, was being pursued so hotly by his irate father in a truck, that the boy in an effort to escape him, lost control of the wheel, and crashed into a church with such force that he knocked the corner stone out of the foundation. The juvenile court and all concerned went into a huddle on the affair.

### FORMER RESIDENT HERE TUESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. (Chick) Hughes and children, of Eloy, Arizona, spent Tuesday here visiting relatives and former friends and neighbors. They arrived here Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughes formerly lived here, he being a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hughes and a brother of Buford Hughes, and Mrs. Hughes was formerly Miss Cleo Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Wright.

They had been to Barnard, Kansas, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Hughes' brother, Wayde Wright, who was killed in a car crash near Mulenville, Kansas, last week, and they were on their way back to their home.

Col. Bill Flippin was a business visitor at Clovis, New Mexico, Wednesday. He was accompanied by his mother.

Mayor P. W. Reeve was a business visitor at Farwell, Tuesday, he having gone there on business connected with his duties as chairman of the Community Betterment committee of the local chamber of commerce.

Mrs. Charles Lovelace, nee, Miss Alice Guyer, of Farwell, was a business visitor in Friona, Tuesday forenoon. Mrs. Lovelace is Case relief Worker for the county.

Fred White and John Gosnell were business visitors at Farwell and Clovis, Monday afternoon.

Col. Bill Flippin was a business visitor at Hereford, Dimmitt, and Muleshoe, Tuesday, he having gone to these places to distribute sale bills advertising the big farm sale of S. H. Halle, near Dimmitt, on Friday of this week. Col. Flippin will be the auctioneer at the sale.

### ARKANSAS PEOPLE HERE

Messrs. E. M. Osborn, Floyd Kizzia and George Griffin, of Hope, Arkansas, arrived here Tuesday for a few days' visit with Mr. Osborn's sons, Sloan and Claude.

Messrs. Kizzia and Griffin are sons-in-law of Mr. Osborn and are here with a view to locating here if suitable locations can be secured. They have each been here on former occasions.

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# NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Reviewed by  
**CARTER FIELD**

Many politicians believe Democrats have great advantage in late convention . . . Expect economy wave to wane as presidential campaign warms up . . . Belligerent minorities forced congress to continue Dies committee.

WASHINGTON. — No one really blames the Democratic high command for its convention date maneuvers. It is part and parcel, of course, of the uncertainty as to whether Franklin D. Roosevelt will run for a third term, but both that uncertainty and the determination of the Democrats to do their nominating AFTER the Republicans name their ticket gives the New Deal a tremendous advantage.

It is not a fair advantage. It is not sportsmanship, but politics is never fair or sportsmanlike. In fact the word "politics" in Washington is frequently coupled with two other words in revamping the old quotation, "All's fair in love and war."

Assuming two major parties, the normal practice ought to be for the party in power to hold its convention, tell the country what it wants to do in its platform, and name its candidate before the opposition goes through the same motions.

From the Civil war on until the first election of Cleveland this practice was followed, of course, because the Republicans were in power. When Grover Cleveland's second term was reaching its end there was the same uncertainty that there is now as to which way the party in power would face in the coming election.

Cleveland was for "sound money"—gold. Not until William Jennings Bryan stamped the Democratic convention with his famous "crown of thorns and cross of gold" speech was the position of the party then in power made clear. Of course it was not the course of the administration. The administration was defeated in that convention.

Which is the sort of exception which seems to prove that there is no great importance to the question of whether the party in power meets first or last.

## Much Depends Upon What Roosevelt Decides to Do

This year the same uncertainty hangs over the Democratic course. No one knows whether Roosevelt will be the nominee—whether it will be somebody Roosevelt approves and who promises to carry on the Roosevelt policies, or whether some conservative like John Nance Garner or Jesse H. Jones will be named.



Jesse Jones

It is entirely possible that this uncertainty will continue right up to the day the Democratic convention meets. It is within probability that the preferential primaries in the Democratic party will prove nothing either as to nominees or platforms. In fact, it is conceivable that the primaries might indicate overwhelming support for Roosevelt and a third term, and that then, after Roosevelt has declined to run, a conservative might be nominated because of the sheer weakness of the individual left wing candidates.

All of which, should it develop, will certainly put the Republicans on the spot. They would want, for instance, to draft a very different platform if the nominee were Roosevelt than if the nominee were Garner. They might plan the campaign along wholly different lines if they were to fight Robert H. Jackson than if they were to fight Sen. Harry Flood Byrd. Vic Donahay would present a necessity for one sort of attack, Henry A. Wallace quite another.

## Congress Was Forced to Continue Dies Committee

So many people object to the Dies committee that there is general wonder why, when the test came in the house of representatives, the vote to continue the committee, even to the extent of giving it \$75,000 for expenses in the midst of a spree of appropriation slashing, was so overwhelming.

The answer is very simple. Nearly every representative from the South and West has learned that a lot of his constituents are enthusiastic about the committee's work, and want it continued. Not only that, but a certain percentage of these rooters for the Dies committee are very belligerent about it. It is this minority, curiously enough, which is responsible for the size of the majority in the house for Dies. The members are scared to death of a very belligerent minority—they are not nearly so much afraid of a passive majority.

This is the whole essence of politics. Let us illustrate with a typical district in the deep South, which must be nameless, but whose representative told the writer about it.

This congressman had a lot of mail from his district about the Dies committee. As a matter of fact, a great deal of it was critical of the committee. But what jarred him was that about 500 of his constituents—and he either knew them or checked up on who they were—were almost fanatical in their letters.

## Brought Out Various Lines of Reasoning

Their line of reasoning, he said, was that the subversive elements were attempting to throttle the Dies committee. Some of them thought it was Communistic influence. Some of them thought it was Nazi—though less of these. Others just thought it was part of a radical plot which aims at the overthrow of this government, and regarded the left wingers of the Roosevelt administration as part and parcel of the plot.

Now these letters, almost without exception, were from Democrats. If they had not been they would not have worried the congressman.

The point is that this fanatical minority of some 500, excited enough to write letters to their congressman, and so completely sold on the real danger to this government from subversive influences that it would be utterly impossible to unsell them, would be almost certain to vote in a unit against their congressman's renomination if he were to fail to vote to give more funds to the Dies committee.

Moreover, it is not so long since most of these partisans of the Dies committee were being thoroughly propagandized by an institution which, in addition to certain racial animosities, preached Americanism and the dangers of subversive influences. Dies is reaping, as a matter of fact, where Hiram W. Evans and other Ku Klux Klan leaders sowed. There is no attempt here to say that the pro-Dies rooters and the old Klansmen are the same groups. They are not. But the preaching of the Klan built up a sentiment which is tinder for the sort of stuff the Dies committee has been bringing out.

In fact, it was suspicion of a similarity between the Klan and the pro-Dies movement which resulted in the attempt to link Dies up with the Jew baiters, which embarrassed Rep. Frank E. Hook when the letters bought by Gardner Jackson proved to be forgeries.

## Economy Wave May Wane As Campaign Warms Up

The probability still is that the economy wave now rising on Capitol Hill will wane. If it does not the whole presidential campaign is unpredictable not only as to candidates but as to issues.

President Roosevelt put forward a budget message which certain Republicans, including Alfred M. Landon, characterized as "phony." Most observers agreed that the whole idea was merely to put off the evil day—that later on in the session deficiency appropriations, for instance for relief, would have to be made which would more than offset all the cuts being made in the early money bills.

But congress took the bit in its teeth, and first shot out of the box the house appropriations committee saw the President's cut and went him one better, lopping off appropriations for two of the President's pet agencies, and slashing deeply into the shipbuilding estimate. This last, comprising four-fifths of the total cuts, was not very reassuring to an honest budget balancer, because the committee approved "authorizations" for shipbuilding later on. In short, it provided that this cut of \$75,000,000 should be made in the budget for the year beginning July 1, 1940, but "authorized" the maritime commission to spend the money later.

Presumably, after Senator Dick and Representatives Tom and Harry have done their economizing, and carried favor with such voters in their states as are excited about budget balancing, the more pressing needs, especially those with a potent political motive, will receive attention from the lawmakers. That's what nearly everyone expects.

## Sharpshooters Awaiting Developments, Guns Ready

But the sharpshooters attacking the administration on spending are of course perfectly aware of this, and waiting for the development with their guns trained on the spot where they are sure the target is going to be. And the gentry trying to make political capital meanwhile by voting for cuts know all about these guns of the sharpshooters.



Senator Taft

For example, Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio. Now there are those who think Mr. Taft is a blunderer. There are even more, particularly in the New Deal crowd, who say his ideas about economy are the bunk.

As is often remarked about Taft's economy proposals, he may not be doing himself any good so far as his candidacy for the Republican nomination is concerned, but the Ohio senator is bad medicine for an opponent just the same.

All this is pointed out because there is a possibility—not a strong one, but it is there—that congress may be afraid to backtrack on economy; that it may continue to hack into appropriations, regardless of where the chips fall.

(Bell Syndicate—WNU Service.)

## ALWAYS A BRIDESMAID?

# Leap Year Day Suggestions Will Cure a Broken Heart—Maybe!

CONFUCIUS say: "Little man who wasn't there—lucky this year." The wise old Chinese philosopher had Leap Year in mind—open season on eligible bachelors everywhere.

Softened by four years of comparative safety, the single man is easy game for feminine wiles on Leap Year day—February 29—climax of the year-long man-hunt. Of course the season will continue for 10 months more, but the best hunters will have discharged their quiver of arrows on that day.

Rules for hunting? Confucius had little to say on that score. He leaves it to the individual. Some prefer the direct attack; others would sooner stalk their game in roundabout fashion. For example:

Mary Martin, who made famous the song, "My Heart Belongs to Daddy," prefers the musical ap-



*Fanny Brice, the famed Baby Snooks, has her own course of action. Here's how she would go about winning a decision: "Look, darling, this is Leap Year. For months I've been thinking about you. Let's get married so I can forget you."*

proach. "I'd probably sing something like 'I Love You Truly,' or 'Wonderful One,' or 'Home on the Range'—the kitchen variety."

Rosalind Russell, firm believer in the power of suggestion, admits that "Maybe I'm wrong, but if I had to propose, I'd probably say: 'I've got an appointment to take out a marriage license. Why don't you come along and fill out one with me?'"

Barbara Jo Allen, radio's "Vera Vague," does not profess to be too



*Lana Turner admits that "I'd make it easy by saying 'If you happen to have an engagement ring in your pocket, you might see if it would fit my finger.'"*

Dorothy Lamour, who made a garment famous all over the world, believes, "I'd probably have to do my proposing in a sarong. If I didn't, maybe the man wouldn't recognize me."

Colleen Ward, who plays "Kathleen" on the "Ellen Randolph" radio program, doesn't forget her pro-



*Madeleine Carroll, who will never have to, readily confesses that "I'd hem and haw around a lot, and say something like: 'Well, here I am—isn't there something you'd like to ask me?'"*

cession when asking the ever-important question: "Darling, for the first time in my life I have found something that's more important to me than being an actress. Instead of building a career I'd like to build a home and share it with you. I



*Greta Garbo, though not interviewed, would need but one approach. The words "I don't want to be alone" would see Hollywood crowded with the nation's bachelors. And while there's Leap Year, there's hope.*

am not acting now. Won't you be my leading man for life?"

Here's how other stars of screen and radio confess they would assume the prerogative and "pop the question" during Leap Year:

ELINOR POWELL: "I'd say: 'We certainly dance well together, don't we? Do you think we'd look well dancing down a church aisle together?'"

JUDY GARLAND: "I suppose I'd say: 'I've always wished I could marry Clark Gable and I think you're just like him.'"

ILONA MASSEY: "It might be best just to say: 'Do you think we ought to go to Niagara Falls when we get married?'"

PATRICIA MORISON, who holds out for the straight approach, would vary it from "May I suggest that we enter the bonds of holy matrimony?" to "Come on, guy, let's get hitched," depending upon the circumstances and the man.

OLYMPE BRADNA, who favors a quick flirtatious buildup, would follow that up with a purring "oooooh, let's get married."

JUDITH BARRETT, who has been the spurned "other woman" in seven consecutive pictures, admitted that "I'd rope and hog-tie the nearest male and drag him to the justice of the peace."

CONNIE BOSWELL, in admitting that she has misgivings: "I'm a professional at singing, but an amateur at proposing, so howabout comin' round next year?"

## Leap Year? Merely A Headache for Calendar Makers

### Truth Shatters Sentiment in Probing Origin of Long Year.

Leap year is an astronomical necessity. The year, or the time necessary for the earth to perform one complete revolution about the sun, is exactly 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes and 45 1/2 seconds.

Those few hours, minutes and seconds cause altogether too much trouble. If we agree that our year should contain 365 days, then each succeeding year starts nearly six hours too early; in four years the year would start a day too early. In 700 years January 1 would occur in mid-summer.

The earliest calendars were based on a week of seven days. Seven was a number of magical power and a week of seven days seemed to have certain indisputable advantages. The months were principally lunar months, measured by the phases of the moon. A lunar month is 29 1/2 days. The ancients early learned that the seasons returned in approximately 12 months, so a year of 12 months or 354 days was instituted.

With a year of 354 days the seasons shifted pretty rapidly. It became necessary to insert into the calendar or intercalate extra months. The Hebrews intercalate a month three times every cycle of 19 years, while the Greeks intercalated a month three times every eight years.

Caesar called in the Alexandrian astronomer, Sosigenes, to make a new calendar. He invented the year of 365 days and he made every fourth year a leap year of 366 days. This year, defined by Sosigenes, is known as the Julian year and it assumes that the year consists of 365 days and six hours. We explained at the beginning of this discussion that the year is 11 minutes and a few seconds less than this. This does not seem like a great error, but it amounts to about three days in 400 years. By the sixteenth century the error amounted to about 10 days.

In 1577 Pope Gregory XIII took up the problem earnestly and decided to make a change in the calendar. He decided to annul 10 days. October 5, 1582, was to be called October 15, 1582, and thereafter the century years were to be considered as leap years only if divisible by 400. (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)



By DREW PEARSON and ROBERT ALLEN

The recent Republican national committee meeting in Washington gave no indication of a swing to any one G. O. P. presidential candidate, but party chieftains have made up their minds about the man they will have to beat in November.

The G. O. P. high command now is going seriously on the assumption that President Roosevelt will seek a third term and is mapping campaign plans accordingly. This was the keynote of the national committee meeting here, the specter that haunted every discussion behind closed doors, over luncheon tables, tavern bars and in hotel lobbies.

Omens which have influenced this conclusion in the minds of party leaders are: First—the President's switching of the Thanksgiving date. G. O. P. heavy thinkers argue that in breaking this "sacred" tradition, Roosevelt was "conditioning" the voting public for the overturn of another.

Second—the "weak sister" type of Democratic candidates being promoted as Roosevelt successors. Some G. O. P.-ers believe that Hull, McNutt, et al, are "clay pigeon" candidates put up for purposes of "unflattering comparison" with the President.

Another third term harbinger raised in executive session of the national committee is the "waning hope for peace" in Europe, which plays right into the hands of third term advocates.

### Merry-Go-Round.

When the President makes a speech he keeps his place on the manuscript with two fingers of his left hand. They move from line to line as he reads down the page. He uses his right hand to grasp the rostrum.

Asked to allow her name to be used as sponsor of a Negro concert in Washington, Mrs. Burton K.



IT'S 1940—AND HOW!

Mrs. Burt Wheeler emphatic about this being presidential year. That's her daughter with her.

Wheeler, wife of the Montana senator, snapped, "Don't you know better than to ask a thing like that in a presidential year?"; and hung up.

In preparation for the forthcoming congressional primaries, the Townsends have set up a special committee to pass on all candidates. Head of the body is Dr. Francis Townsend. Other members are his young son, Robert, and L. W. Jeffery, vice president of the movement.

### Republican Chaf

All state delegations at the Republican national committee meeting voted en bloc during the balloting on a convention city, except South Carolina.

"Tieless Joe" Tolbert of Ninety Six, S. C., most colorful figure at the meeting, voted for Chicago while his daughter, Julia Tolbert, a national committeewoman, cast her ballot for Philadelphia.

Joe Pew, Pennsylvania's oil magnate G. O. P. boss, was boasting about the advantages the Republican convention will bring to Philadelphia.

"We'd a thousand times rather play host to the Republicans than the Democrats," he said. "Republican convention delegates are better heeled on the whole than the Democrats and spend three times as much money. Democratic delegates are usually poor boys who have to watch their pocketbooks."

### Justice Stone Walks.

Supreme Court Justice Harlan F. Stone is determined to get his walk-out every day. At a reception in a downtown hotel, a friend questioned him about this.

"Yes," said Stone, "I'm going to get my exercise today by walking home from this party."

The friend expressed surprise, in view of the distance and the slippery condition of the streets. "But you see," replied the justice, "in my job, I have to sit a good deal, and I need to walk for variety."

### Freddy Hale.

Congressman Brewster, who will be elected to the senate almost by default, will inherit the shoes of the famous Sen. "Freddy" Hale of Maine. Freddy is never heard around the senate, and rarely seen. Yet his departure from the senate—he plans to retire this year—will make history.

It will end the longest senatorial reign of one family in the annals of congress. Hale's father and grandfather also were senators, their careers dating back 72 years.



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Men, women, boys and girls are finding this a fascinating pastime, and with each order will be sent

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### Success in One's Aims

Success lies not in achieving what you aim at, but in aiming at what you ought to achieve, and pressing forward, sure of achievement here, or if not here, hereafter.—R. F. Horton.

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### In the Name of Fashion

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## DOAN'S PILLS

KALTENBORN SAYS:

# Enemies Stalemated After 6 Months Because Defense Outshines Offense

By H. V. KALTENBORN  
Noted Radio Commentator.

AT THE end of the first six months of war we find that the major belligerents have not yet begun to fight, while the major neutral powers have begun to fight for peace. Small wonder that the late Senator Borah called this a "phony" war.

Only in Finland is there a major military effort and mighty Soviet Russia does not even admit that she has gone to war against little Finland. When the war began no one expected Soviet Russia to participate in military operations and no one expected Finland to be invaded. On the other hand, everyone expected an immediate air-raid by hundreds of bombing-planes on the capitals of Europe, and for weeks the headlines spoke of the coming big offensives on the Maginot and Siegfried lines. Neither the raids nor the offensives developed during the first half-year of fighting. Why?

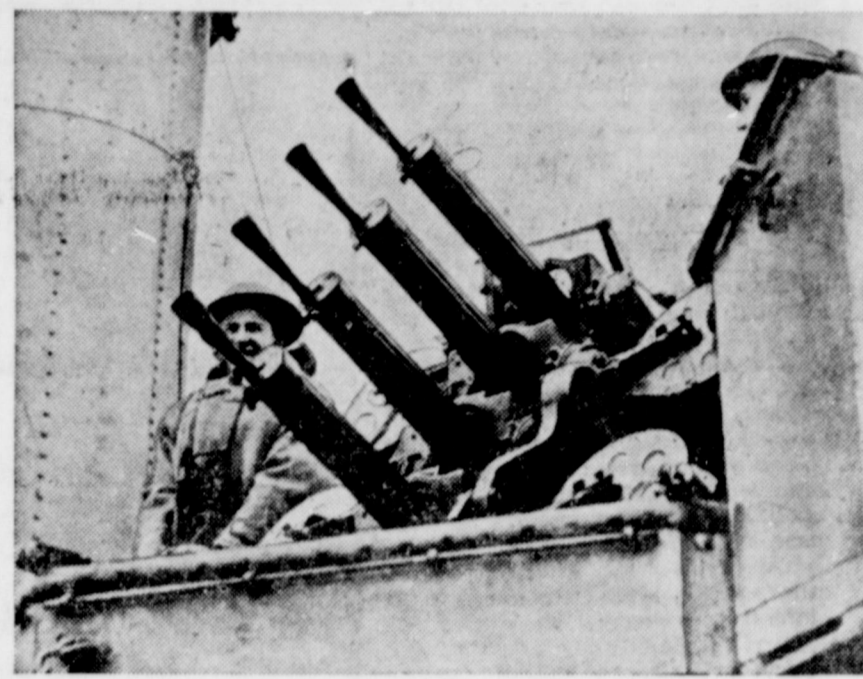
### Defense Is Major Factor.

The primary reason is that in modern war, defense is stronger than offense. The war in Spain showed the world that air attack on large cities is tremendously destructive, but it also showed that it is not likely to be decisive. The expense in planes, fuel, bombs and aviators who do not return is apt to offset the military advantages gained in any mass bombing flight. And the effect on neutral opinion of the killing of thousands of women and children, together with the destruction of historic monuments in cities far away from any actual fighting zone, might well be disastrous.

The fear of such wholesale air-raids led France and Britain to surrender at Munich. Now, after a year and a half of additional intensive preparation for air-defense, they no longer fear German attack. They are prepared to meet it and could make it so costly that it would probably not be repeated. The successful defense of the Mannerheim line against the most highly concentrated Soviet military effort showed the strength of defense fortifications in modern war.

### Why Poland Was Weak.

The two great surprises of this war so far have been Poland's weakness and Finland's strength. Poland's weakness arose from a lack of national unity and domination of the illiterate masses by an aristocratic caste. In the larger sense, the government of Poland was nei-



BRITAIN GUARDS THE SEA—Somewhere in the North sea a multiple anti-aircraft gun aboard a British mine sweeper watches for enemy raiders.

or indirectly through the air-waves. Nazi leaders are apprehensive about casualties in the propaganda battle. They impose severe punishment on anyone who listens to a foreign broadcast. The British and French, on the other hand, have enough confidence in their people to permit them to listen to whatever Dr. Goebbels orders said.

### More Activity on Sea.

At sea, a war of movement has been possible. This is why there has been much more activity at sea than on land. Britain's control of the sea has again demonstrated its importance. The German fleet is bottled up. Except for submarines, the German navy and the German Merchant Marine have been swept from the seas.

The Near Eastern Franco-British army of half a million men under the leadership of General Weygand is now waiting in Syria, ready for instant action against Russia or Germany in any part of the Balkans. This army may yet prove the decisive military factor in this war. Allied victories in Palestine and Turkey presaged the collapse of the Central Powers in 1918.

Germany's commerce-raiders were swept from the seas much more quickly than during the World War. The Graf Spee lies wrecked in Montevideo harbor after being put out of action by the combined efforts of three small British cruis-

ers. The Deutschland, her sister pocket-battleship, thought it best to return to a safe German harbor. Nazi stress U-Boat Warfare.

Raiding with surface ships is a minor factor in Germany's sea warfare against Britain and France. The Germans remembered how close they came to forcing a decision with their submarines during the World War. They had from 60 to 75 submarines ready when the war began. For the first few weeks of the war, they used these to excellent advantage.

Then the protective measures which Britain developed during the World War and since became effective. The larger ships were sent out in convoy; airplane patrols were created; minefields against submarines were established and all the resources of the British navy were mobilized against the U-boats.

On the whole, they have proved effective. In six months, the British have lost 550,000 tons of merchant ships. At the same time, the French lost 75,000 tons and the neutrals 350,000 tons. This makes a total of a little over 1,000,000 tons.

Losses Not Important. But nothing in these losses produced by mines and submarines even suggests the possibility of a decisive result. The British merchant marine alone totals 21,000,000 tons. The British claim that deducting from their losses purchases and new construction, their net loss in six months of warfare has been less than 200,000 tons. It is also probable that the losses will decrease rather than increase, since at sea as well as on land defense is proving itself stronger than attack.

Already submarine torpedoes are far less successful in destroying shipping than mines. The new mag-

netic mine sown by the Germans proved very destructive for the first few weeks in which it was used. Then more effective mine-sweeping methods and the establishment of narrow ship-channels which were carefully patrolled reduced the successes of Germany's mine-laying airplanes.

### British Also Unsuccessful.

On the other hand, the British have been no more successful in their raids against the German navy. Both German and British submarines have destroyed an occasional warship, but these forays have been costly to the submarines attempting them. The British and French claim to have sunk between 40 and 50 German submarines since the beginning of the war. The Germans admit the loss of less than half this number. Yet whenever a submarine is lost, the entire crew is lost with it, and it takes five years to train men to handle a submarine under war conditions.

Talk about the Germans building one submarine a day is nothing more than talk. It is more likely that the Germans are completing anywhere from six to ten U-boats a month, which is just about the rate at which they are being destroyed.

### Already Planning for Peace.

There is, then, nothing decisive in action at sea or in the air. Defense is stronger than attack. But what about the economic front? That is probably the most important front of all and the one that will be dominant long after the war has ended. Already Secretary of State Hull is negotiating with the neutral powers to work out a plan of economic reconstruction. The plan must be ready for instant application on the day of the armistice if Europe is not to sink into chaos when the fighting ends.

Every country in Europe, neutral and belligerent alike, has mortgaged its future. Only if the New World remains out of the war and stands ready to lend its resources for European reconstruction is there any hope of true peace. Europe was ready for revolution before the war came and will be much more ready for it when the war is done.

What After Collapse? France and Britain count on economic pressure to bring about the collapse of Germany, but one wonders whether they have asked themselves, what then? Will they march into Germany at the head of a victorious army, establish a new Kaiser and a new Junker government? Or will they stand aside while Germany's underground Communist movement re-asserts itself and calls out for assistance to the Red brethren in Moscow?

There is the third possibility of organizing those liberal forces that have either been driven out of Germany or driven under cover within Germany, and helping them to re-establish constitutional government by granting them a generous peace. That would be the hardest task.

Rumania Under Pressure. Meanwhile, there is more pressure behind the economic than behind the military war. Members of the Rumanian government are being bribed, bulldozed, flattered and cajoled by both sides. Both are seeking to purchase Rumania's oil and Rumania's grain. Each wants it so that the other cannot have it. The French and British offer gold, the Germans threaten war. So far, King Carol has kept a precarious balance; Britain and France continue to guarantee his frontiers and King Carol remembers the Blitzkrieg against Poland. Poland had been given the same guarantees.

On the diplomatic front, the Allied powers won their greatest victory in winning Turkey to their cause. This gives them control of the Dardanelles and the Black Sea, in case of war with Russia. It also assures France and Britain complete dominance of the Mediterranean thereby discouraging Italy from siding with Germany.

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## AROUND THE HOUSE

When poaching eggs, let water come to a full rolling boil, drop eggs into it, turn out gas and eggs will finish poaching in the boiling water.

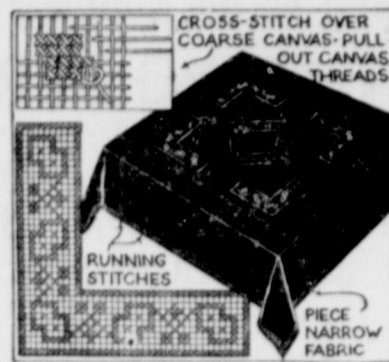
If a drawer runs unevenly and causes trouble in opening and shutting it is not always necessary to have recourse to the carpenter, for frequently the very simple method of rubbing a little soap on the inner edges of the drawer will overcome this difficulty.

Don't throw away bulbs grown in the house. After they are through blooming set away until leaves dry and plant in the garden in the spring. They may not bloom until the second year.

Save the Buttons.—The continual ripping off of buttons by the clothes wringer can be prevented by folding the buttons inside the garment and holding it flat as you turn it through the wringer.

# HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



CROSS-STITCH is combined here with plain running stitches to make a smart luncheon cloth that may be embroidered quickly in coarse white embroidery thread. The material may be broadcloth or other smooth-finish cotton. The color is a deep maroon and the white design is very effective on this background. Deep blue or

green are other fabric colors that are being used with white embroidery.

This cloth is made of two 14-yard lengths of 36-inch-wide material. Split one piece lengthwise through the center and join to the sides of the other piece by machine. The seams are covered by the rows of running stitches. You do not need a stamping pattern to make the cross-stitch design. Baste coarse open-mesh embroidery canvas over the material; then follow the design given here at the lower left. Repeat the corner of the design to make the four corners of the center square.

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## ASK ME ANOTHER ?

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### The Questions

1. Were the blood vessels in a human body placed in one line, how far would they reach?
2. Was the Statue of Liberty in New York harbor brought here as a finished statue?
3. What is meant by a runner getting his second wind?
4. When was the Mississippi river formed?
5. What kind of fruit is a monastery?
6. How many primary human emotions are there?
7. What portion of the Great Lakes belongs to the United States?
8. Why are bananas picked green?
9. What people first became civilized?
10. Do Mohammedans use coffins in which to bury their dead?

### The Answers

1. Over 2,000 miles.
2. No. After being exhibited in Paris, it was taken down and shipped in cases.
3. An adjustment of the heart rate to the intake and outgo of air in the lungs.
4. During the latter part of the Ice age, about 20,000 years ago.
5. A rare fruit from Puerto Rico with a taste similar to the pineapple and banana.
6. There are 3 primary human emotions: anger, fear, and love.

7. Of the Great Lakes, 60,770 square miles lie on the United States side, and 33,940 square miles on the Canadian side.

8. Bananas are picked green because they do not ripen properly on the plant. If they are not cut when green the starch fails to turn into sugar and the fruit is unfit for human consumption.

9. The Chinese claim that distinction. Early history being largely legendary, it may be other civilizations antedated that of China, such as that of Assyria or that of the Aztecs of Mexico.

10. Mohammedanism prohibits the use of coffins, the dead being wrapped only in a burial cloth.

### It Takes Desperate Action To Correct Some Conditions

Into the infants school rushed an excited woman, brandishing a heavy hammer.

"Where is Miss Davids?" she cried.

The teacher named fled, frightened. The principal said to the noisy visitor: "Madam, come to my room, where we can talk."

"Never! I've brought my hammer and I'm going to use it! You're going to see something! My young rascal has ripped his breeches—"

"But Miss Davids has nothing to do with it!"

"That's quite likely, but I'm not going away until I've driven in the nail my boy tore himself on."

### 35 Miles Down

The greatest depth at which engineers have tapped for oil is just over three miles. Seismographic readings tell us that there is oil 35 miles under the earth's surface, but with our present methods of drilling we cannot hope to tap this store. Now oil experts have decided that the more efficient of two possible methods must be used. Both of them do away with the heavy, unwieldy shaft, thousands of feet long, which must be capable of standing enormous stresses and temperatures.

One method is to send down a motor which fits snugly against the sides of the well, and which can be driven by thin, steel-encased wire. The other is to have a small water turbine behind the bit, and drive it by means of water and mud, pumped at high pressure. This method is being used in a modified form in many parts of the United States and Central America.

## Strange Facts

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The hottest man-made flame in existence is found in the atomic nitrogen electric arc and reaches a temperature of 18,300 degrees Fahrenheit. The heat is developed by the separation and recombination of the two atoms of each molecule of nitrogen as the gas flows through the arc at a pressure of 14,000 pounds per square inch.

The traditional headgear of chimney sweepers, members of one of the world's sootiest professions, is a formal silk hat.

Although a mammal, the hippopotamus is able to walk on the bottom of rivers and lakes and graze on the aquatic vegetation.—Collier's.



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## THE AUTHOR—

H. V. Kaltenborn attained eminence in the radio news field during the European crisis last autumn, when his frequent and accurate reports over the Columbia network were awaited each day by millions of listeners. A native of Wisconsin, he worked many years on the Brooklyn Eagle before entering the radio news field as a sideline in 1922. For more than 30 years he has been a keen student of international politics, a background which makes his extemporaneous analyses over CBS among the most accurate heard by the American audience today. His famous broadcast from a haystack in Spain is the first radio description of actual warfare on record. During last autumn's crisis he literally lived at the CBS studios in New York, prepared to go on the air at a moment's notice.



ther popular nor efficient. The Finnish people are literate, sturdy and possess a strong sense of social and political independence.

Just as the failure of Poland's defense plan undermined morale, the success of Finland's well-organized plan of defense has given tremendous encouragement to the army, the people and the government. But the success of the German blitzkrieg against Poland and the failure of Russia's blitzkrieg against Finland depended primarily on the difference between the attacking armies. The German army was well organized, well equipped, well directed. The Russian army is poorly organized, poorly equipped and suffers from bad generalship.

### Western Lines Invulnerable.

Already Finland's Mannerheim line has withstood an overwhelming Russian assault for more than three months. It is apparent, therefore, that the much more completely organized and much deeper Maginot and Siegfried lines would be similarly invulnerable to attack. And whereas Russia has a superiority of something like 20 to 1 against Finland, the forces lined up on both sides of the French frontier are practically equal in fighting strength.

In considering the progress of this war, we are too much inclined to dwell on military factors. Yet during this first half-year the military front has been less important than the diplomatic front and the economic front. There has even been a more continuous exchange of ammunition on the propaganda front than between the fighting armies themselves.

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Nazi Stress U-Boat Warfare. But raiding with surface ships is a minor factor in Germany's sea warfare against Britain and France. The Germans remembered how close they came to forcing a decision with their submarines during the World War. They had from 60 to 75 submarines ready when the war began. For the first few weeks of the war, they used these to excellent advantage.

Then the protective measures which Britain developed during the World War and since became effective. The larger ships were sent out in convoy; airplane patrols were created; minefields against submarines were established and all the resources of the British navy were mobilized against the U-boats.

On the whole, they have proved effective. In six months, the British have lost 550,000 tons of merchant ships. At the same time, the French lost 75,000 tons and the neutrals 350,000 tons. This makes a total of a little over 1,000,000 tons.

### Losses Not Important.

But nothing in these losses produced by mines and submarines even suggests the possibility of a decisive result. The British merchant marine alone totals 21,000,000 tons. The British claim that deducting from their losses purchases and new construction, their net loss in six months of warfare has been less than 200,000 tons. It is also probable that the losses will decrease rather than increase, since at sea as well as on land defense is proving itself stronger than attack.

Already submarine torpedoes are far less successful in destroying shipping than mines. The new mag-

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### A. A. A. NEWS

Again we should like to call your attention to the fact that in order to make a farm eligible for a payment in 1940 a worksheet must be signed to cover the farm. This is required by regulations and must be strictly adhered to by all farmers who expect to draw payment in 1940. Of course there is no obligation incurred by signing a worksheet. It

simply makes the farm eligible for payment and allows the county office to keep record of farming operations on the farm for future references in establishment of normal yields and acreage allotments.

It is also important to report any change in the land covered by a worksheet which is different from that covered by the worksheet for 1939. Most farmers have already reported this where such a change is being made. All such combinations or divisions must be reported not later than March 31, 1940. Range worksheets should be filed

now and practices which the ranch operator intends to perform should be approved. All such range building practices must be approved by the county committee before being carried out. All ranch operators who intend to perform any range building practices should contact either B. P. Abbott of Bovina, or the county office immediately.

At this time we have a large percentage of 1939 conservation payments. Most of the checks which have not been received are those on farms which show the Capitol Freehold Land Trust as owner. These checks should be received within the next few weeks.

Any farmer who has wheat planted and has not had a reporter measure this wheat should report it to this office at the earliest possible time. We expect to be able to make application for wheat parity payment very soon and all farms should be measured in order that no delay will be made in making these applications.

By Garlon A. Harper, Secretary  
Parmer County A. C. A.

#### Somebody Else Interested

The teacher was explaining to the class the meaning of the word "recuperate." "Now, Tommy," she said to a small boy, "when your father has worked hard all day, he is tired and worn out, isn't he?"

"Yes ma'am."

"Then, when night comes, and his work is over for the day, what does he do?"

"That's what mother wants to know."

#### The Hard Way

"I want you to understand," said Young Spender, "that I got my money by hard work."

"Why I thought it was left to you by a rich uncle!"

"So it was, but I had to work to get it away from the lawyers."

#### Tried and Tested

Jim (from top of building from which three wires dangle)—Red, catch hold of that wire.

Red—All right.

Jim—Feel anything?

Red—No.

Jim—Well, don't touch the other two; there's 2,300 volts on them!

#### DON'T BELONG TO RIGHT BIRD



"Ismist"—And why won't you join either the right wing or the left wing of my party?

Plain Citizen—"Cause they ain't the wings of the American eagle, you see."

#### Oh, Well

First Electrician—Have we any four volt, two watt bulbs?

Second—for what?

First—No, two.

Second—Two what?

First—Yes.

#### Talk Fast!

"My daughter certainly cured her scotch boy friend of stuttering."

"How?"

"She called him up long distance—collect."

#### Sort of a Rainbow

Smith—I understand Brown's wife was a very colorful personality.

Jones—Yes, she's either white with rage, black with despair, green with envy or rosy with happiness.

#### Western Sheep Lands

Studies show that more than four-fifths of American lambs are raised west of the Mississippi, while four-fifths of them are eaten east of the Mississippi.

#### Electric Currents

Alternating current is one which reverses its direction of flow periodically and rapidly. A direct current is one which flows in one direction only.

### HEALTH NOTES

AUSTIN—The State Health Department reminds Texans of the hazard of acquiring trichinosis (trichinosis) by eating pork that is improperly cooked.

The warning is directed primarily to Texas farms where rats are known to be numerous. The rat is perhaps the most common carrier of the trichina worm which causes trichinosis. There is evidence that on many farms, hogs acquire the parasite from rats.

Trichinosis is caused by a small round worm, *Trichinella spiralis*, which encysts in the muscle tissue of hogs. When transmitted to man through contaminated meat, the trichinosis worm deposits embryos in the human body, and these circulate through the blood and become encysted in muscle and other tissues.

The early symptoms of trichinosis include abdominal pains, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea, lasting about a week. Migration of embryos in the blood stream causes fever and severe muscle soreness, especially in the diaphragm and the muscles of arms and legs. The third stage, during which cysts surround the larvae in the muscles, is the critical stage. If infection is severe, there may be edema or swelling of the eyelids and elsewhere, marked loss of weight, weakness, and delirium. The disease usually lasts a number of weeks, frequently resembling typhoid fever. The mortality rate is usually low.

Prevention of trichinosis depends primarily upon thorough cooking of all pork. Most cases follow ingestion of wieners, sausage, or other pork products, eaten in raw or partly cooked form. Fresh pork should be cooked until it turns white and is no longer red in color. The hazard of the disease is greater in home butchering, unless safeguards are exercised. Prolonged refrigeration of meat at low temperatures destroys trichina larvae. Thorough cooking and use of meat that has been refrigerated and bears the stamp of approved inspection are the surest safeguards against trichinosis.

#### Nutritional Anemia Remedy

Bread and molasses is one of the best remedies for nutritional anemia in children, Massachusetts Institute of Technology announced after a series of experiments. The department of biology and public health said that molasses, a rich, easily available and inexpensive source of food iron, compares favorably with chemical injections used for anemic persons. Experiments showed that bread and molasses had a higher content of "usable iron" than even beef liver. It ranked far ahead of the previously highly rated spinach. In fact, so much "usable iron" is present that the body cannot absorb all of it in building hemoglobin—the red coloring matter in blooded corpuscles.

#### Ten Million Observations

A huge aviation-weather study, in which more than 10,000,000 separate observations at 239 major airports were used, is to be published in Washington shortly by the United States government. It will help airport planners to plan runway extensions and locate instrument landing systems. The work was done as a WPA project in New Orleans, more than 100 persons being employed. They extracted from the records of 239 airports data on visibility, wind direction and velocity, and other flying weather factors and correlated it.

#### Rabbit Changes Color

The varying hare, or snowshoe rabbit, sheds its hair twice a year, becoming white in the fall and brownish in spring. It is called the snowshoe rabbit because in winter its large hind feet are covered with a thick growth of hair which enables it to travel easily over deep snow.

#### Blind Journalism Student

Robert A. Ross, 21-year-old blind youth of Altoona, Pa., is enrolled in Pennsylvania State college's journalism school and depends on Rita, his Seeing-eye dog, to guide him about the campus. "Rita" still gets mixed up on some of the buildings," Ross said.

#### Tooth Within Tooth

One of the rarest dental anomalies is a tooth that grows within a tooth, declares Collier's. In a recent case in Tennessee, the outer tooth split in two during an extraction and the inner tooth, separate and loose, dropped out.

#### Psychasthenia

Psychasthenia is a form of neurosis in which the patient is a victim of obsessions or compulsions such as humming a certain tune or touching every fence post. The condition is characterized by lack of energy or decision.

#### Costly Indoor Entertainment

Each time a horse show, rodeo or circus is held in Madison Square Garden in New York city, the Garden has to provide seven hundred tons of earth, which it rents from a local contractor at a cost of about \$2,500.

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