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Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

Members of the city commission have rightfully called upon the citizens of Cisco to give serious study to the proposal of the representatives of owners of Cisco bonds for settlements of the city debt problem, and to indicate their reactions to the proposal. The obligation is imposed upon the citizens to do this. It is their problem, not solely that of the men elected to represent them. The column believes that the city commission is earnestly trying to arrive at a solution which will be to the best interest of the community, and it certainly feels that the commission is due the earnest and unprejudiced cooperation of every citizen. This is a matter which vitally affects the future of the community. It is not fair to ask five or six men to bear the responsibility alone. They are entitled to know what the community thinks and to be guided in an action for which they will be compelled to take the blame if it doesn't meet with community approval.

With that thought in mind, the column may be permitted to state its views upon one concept of the case in particular, a concept which appears to have a controlling influence upon the reaction of quite a number of people who have discussed the case. It relates to the power of the federal court to arbitrarily modify the indebtedness.

Suppose it lay within the power of the federal court by fiat to invalidate three-fourths of the city's bonded debt on the grounds that the city of Cisco can pay only one-fourth of it. If that principle should be established, would it not mean that every other community, district or state, even the federal government, could have the principal of its bonded debt reduced on the same plea in the event the court found the pleadings in its case were true. Such a ruling undoubtedly would impair, by the very fact that such a principle should exist in law, the credit of every bond-issuing political organization in the United States. No investor could with certainty feel that once he placed his money in such bonds, the integrity of the debt due him would be maintained. The opportunity of cities, even the best of them, to borrow

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'The Last Mile' for Miami Trolley



Joining more than 200 other U. S. cities which have abandoned the trolley in favor of the bus, Miami, Fla., gives a "funeral" to its last street car. Large crowds turned out to see the car, covered with palms and black crepe, escorted by honorary, top-hatted "pall bearers," travel its "last mile."

Rumania Next To Enlist in Axis Powers

BERLIN, Nov. 22 (AP)—The German foreign office prepared a welcome for Rumania's iron guard premier, Gen. Ion Antonescu, today as the axis roundup of Balkan nations into a solid alliance pledged to a German-Italian order in Europe drove ahead.

The Rumanian is due in Berlin tomorrow morning, informed sources said, and will be received by Adolf Hitler in the afternoon.

Foreign diplomatic circles were of the opinion Rumania's entry into the German-Italian-Japanese alliance, expanded yesterday by the adherence of Hungary, was assured and that only the formal signing of the papers remained.

Still to follow suit next week, they believed, was Bulgaria and the little German-protected state of Slovakia.

The well-informed commentary Dienst aus Deutschland said Rumania's imminent joining of the axis showed how any state in Europe which desires order at home automatically becomes a partner of the axis.

Accompanied by his foreign minister, Prince Costin Sturza, and the German minister to Rumania, Wilhelm Fabricius, Antonescu was greeted at the Austrian border town of Bruck by Baron Alexander von Doernberg, protocol chief of the German foreign office, and other officials.

Observers pointed out that adherence of Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria would pave the way for Nazi troops to march to the Turkish and Greek borders to strike at the eastern Mediterranean bastions of Britain.

Ranger Guard to Be Mobilized Monday

RANGER, Nov. 22 (Sp)—The Ranger National guard will mobilize next Monday, November 25, and unless the order is changed will be inducted into federal service at that time.

The company will be stationed at the army until notified to move to Camp Bowie, at Brownwood, which will not be later than December 4, 1940.

During the stay at the army, the unit commander is required to complete reports, records, and actions with the minimum of delay.

Upon receiving news or notice of the induction of their unit, all members of the unit will report to their unit rendezvous of the specified date. Any members unable to report for any reason, will, if practicable, report that fact to their company commander, or have someone report it for them. Upon the effective date the unit commander will revoke all leaves of absence and furlough to insure prompt attendance. The unit commander will take immediate steps to determine officially the reasons why any member of his unit is absent without leave

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GREEKS TAKE ITALIAN BASE AT KORITZA

Another Vital Base Is Threatened By Greek Column

By The Associated Press
The vanguard of the Greek army was reported last night to be entering the strategic inland city of Koritza, Albania, one of the chief bases of the Italian invasion, while to the southwest a Greek column in the coastal sector was reported within six miles of Argirocastro, another vital base.

Dispatches reaching Bitolj, Yugoslavia, said the Italians were retreating along roads to Elbasin, northwest, and to Pogradetz, north of Koritza and observers on the frontier said they saw an Italian column, composed mainly of motorized units, 12 miles long.

As the Greeks moved forward on Albanian soil, England was opening a new session of parliament and Germany's foreign office, in the campaign to enlarge the axis alliance, was preparing a welcome for Rumania's premier, Gen. Ion Antonescu, and the Rumanian foreign minister Prince Costin Sturza.

They were due in Berlin today and Adolf Hitler himself, informed sources said, would greet them.

The prevailing opinion in Berlin was that Rumania would join the German-Italian-Japanese alliance as Hungary did Wednesday, and that Bulgaria and the tiny German-protected state of Slovakia would follow suit quickly.

Rumanian dispatches from Bulgaria said Bulgaria was expected to alter its attitude of "defensive neutrality" and present Greece with a demand for a corridor across Thrace to the Aegean. Greece, though at war with Italy, is still at peace with Germany.

Franz von Papen, German ambassador to Turkey, arrived unexpectedly in Sofia, capital of Bulgaria, yesterday from Berlin.

The opening of the new session of the British parliament was notable for three addresses:

King George informed the members that aid from the United States was arriving in "ever increasing volume" and that the empire would fight "until freedom is made secure."

Prime Minister Winston Churchill declared in "valiant and sudden uprising" of the Greeks had "almost purged" their country of the Italian invaders, and expressed confidence in British ability to defend the Suez canal.

Trade Pact With Russia
Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax told the house of lords the Britain had made trade agreement proposals to Russia and that he had "some reason" to believe the proposals would be acceptable.

The British acknowledged, a little after the Italian high command had announced it, that 51-year old air Marshal Owen Tudor Boyd, recently named vice commander of air forces in the middle East, was an Italian prisoner of war. He and six other men, four of them officers, were taken when their plane, en route from England to the middle East, made a forced landing on Sicily.

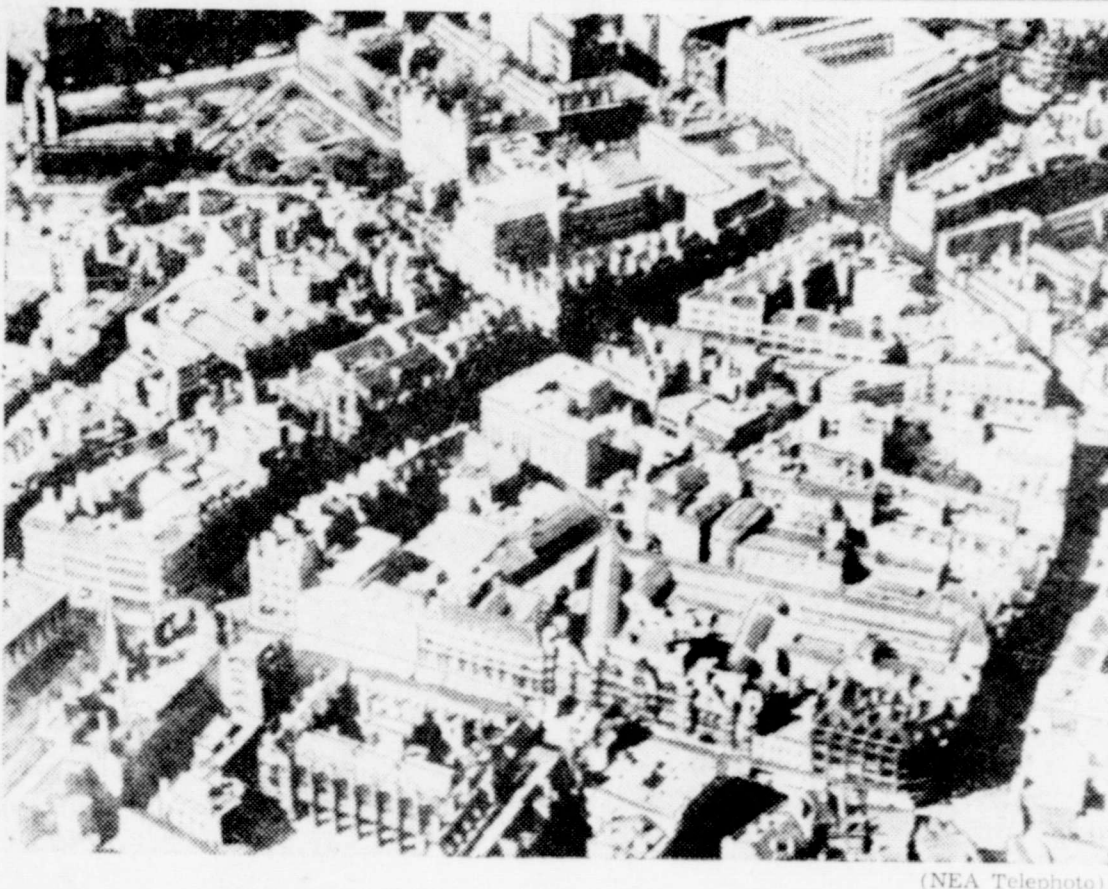
The air ministry reported 15 British fighting planes had battled 60 Italian planes in eastern Libya and had destroyed seven and shot down three others without losing any themselves.

The ministry also reported raids Tuesday night on Bardia and Tibruk, Italian Libyan bases, and on Tirana and Durazzo, Albania, and Assab, Eritrea.

The Germans were raiding Britain again last night, concentrating on London's "administrative center," informed German sources said.

The Berlin high command asserted that German speedboats since the start of the war have sunk six destroyers and two submarines and other war vessels, totaling 11,300 tons, and 212,000 tons of merchant shipping.

Birmingham Nazi All Night Target



This is an airview of central Birmingham, English industrial city of a million persons, which was the target for the Nazi dusk-to-dawn bombing raid. English sources claim that the city did not suffer to as great an extent as Coventry, private homes receiving most of the damage.

AXIS RAIDERS SMASH AGAIN AT MIDLANDS

LONDON, Nov. 22 (AP)—The axis air force smashed heavily Thursday night at the midlands factory area—where hard-hit Coventry and Birmingham are situated—for the third straight night, and struck as well at a great port of western Britain.

At least two towns in the midlands were under attack.

Here in London, the raiders looted the customary assault by flying in singly. Wherever they were heard in the thick darkness a mighty barrage went up and apparently turned them aside. There were no early reports of bomb damage here.

The British port raided probably was Liverpool, although the censorship did not permit a specific location.

Other hostile fliers also struck at a town in the southwest.

During the day there were three thrusts at London, two of them brief. The dead here were at least four—all members of one family killed by a single high explosive bomb.

By midnight, the blackness combined with adverse flying weather thinned the attack and the "raiders passed" signal sounded in London.

Liverpool had two short raids, the second following closely on one over a northwest town, and an east Anglia town also was bombed.

CIO Workers Strike In Aluminum Plant
NEW KENSINGTON, Pa., Nov. 22 (AP)—A walkout of several hundred CIO members Thursday shut down operations of the Aluminum company's sheet mill, a key division to the vast aluminum works, most of which is operating 24 hours a day on defense orders.

John Huser, business agent of the International Union of Aluminum Workers, said 350 unionists quit because they were extremely irritated over the failure of other workers in the division to pay their union dues.

There are 700 men in the sheet mill and Huser estimated they were 99 per cent paid-up union members. The entire works employs 7,500 men and women.

The company said it could make no statement since it was not directly involved in the controversy. Some observers, however, thought the move was a step toward obtaining a change in the union contract to provide for a check-off of union dues by the employer.

Miss Helen Crawford, who teaches school in Cameron, is spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Crawford.

French Vessel Surrenders To British

ALGECIRAS, Spain, Nov. 22 (AP)—A French battleship of the same type as the Paris was reported Thursday to have entered Gibraltar and surrendered to the British authorities. The battleship was anchored at the entrance of the port.

(France at the outbreak of war had two battleships of the Paris class, each of 22,189 tons—the Paris itself and the Courbet.)

All previous accounts had agreed that the only French battleship known to be left at large after the British had turned upon the French fleet at Oran last July to prevent its falling into German hands was the 26,500-ton Strasbourg.

The Paris, the Courbet and the 22,189-ton Lorraine were reported by the British some time ago to have fallen into their hands after the French-German armistice.

All this raised the possibility of a confusion of identity at Algeciras and made it appear that the vessel reported surrendered might have been in fact the Strasbourg.

Mrs. Crofts To Review Current Novel Monday

Mrs. Sutton Crofts will present a review of the current "Mrs. Miniver" in the parlors of the First Methodist church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. It has been announced.

The book was written by an English woman, Jan Struther, and its purpose is to reflect the reaction of the middle-class people to the current World war. The action begins during peace times and brings the plot up through today.

The review is on a subject prominent in the minds of Americans today and will give a closer glimpse into the lives of the average English family.

The Adeline Northrup circle of the First Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service is sponsoring the review. A small admission charge will be made.

Holiday Accidents Claim 71 Lives
By The Associated Press
Seventy-one persons lost their lives yesterday as two-thirds of the nation celebrated Thanksgiving.

Automobile accidents accounted for 52 deaths. The other 19 were accidentally electrocuted or killed while hunting or observing the holiday. One person in Ohio was injured fatally by a wagon.

The state of Washington led with nine deaths.

The national safety council said that 90 constituted an average traffic toll for a normal November Thursday.

TEACHERS ARE CHEERED BY NEW RULING

FORT WORTH, Nov. 22—The opening day of the annual Texas State Teachers' association Thursday was cheered by having heard the announcement that Atty. Gen. Gerald Mann had ruled that the legislature can appropriate directly from the general revenue fund to provide the state's contribution to teacher retirement financing.

The teachers have believed special taxes would be necessary for the state to match the fund into which a majority of Texas teachers have been paying for three years. Convention leaders saw in the opinion probability that the legislature will match the \$6,500,000 the teachers have paid.

"It won't be so long now—the route will be much easier," said H. W. Stowell, Texarkana, chairman of the legislative committee. "We are glad to learn no special tax will be necessary."

Mann's opinion will eliminate several sectional meetings which had been arranged during the convention, when legislative steps to be taken to bring about the special tax would be discussed. The opinion came at the request of Mortimer Brown, executive secretary of the teachers' retirement system.

Red Cross Drive For Membership Begins Monday

The annual Red Cross membership drive will begin in Cisco on Monday, November 25, according to Clark Roberts, local chairman. Roberts requested a meeting of workers to be held at the chamber of commerce offices Saturday afternoon at 3:30, to organize for the campaign. Others who will assist will also meet with the committee.

The Eastland county Red Cross chapter is headed by R. C. Kincaid, who announced that Cisco's quota for the drive would be \$600. It is hoped that this amount will be exceeded.

Memberships will be limited to individuals, it was pointed out, and the fee is one dollar per person. This membership is for one year. Companies and firms may contribute to the chapter, however, and one-half of every membership and contribution will go to the local chapter, the other half to national service.

Contribution, standing, life and patron memberships are \$5, \$25, \$50 and \$100, respectively.

Working with Chairman Roberts on the committee are Miss Lillian Shertzer, Miss Esther

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2 WELLS ARE DRILLING IN CARBON FIELD

Rigging Up Is in Progress on Location for Third

Reports from the South Carbon pool today brought no definite information on the Fox et al No. 1 Vaughn, latest producer to be drilled in that field, except that it will be a commercial producer. The rate of production could not be determined, operators said, until the well is cleaned out and completed.

Meanwhile two other drilling operations were proceeding satisfactorily. Dobbs Oil company was drilling ahead around 1,400 feet in its Thompson, offsetting the Mahoney Jackson No. 1 to the east.

Dobbs already has two producers in the field, which the company opened up.

South of the Jackson well, Galagher and Lawson were drilling at 1,200 feet in 10-inch wet hole and making satisfactory progress.

Mahoney was rigging up today to drill the Jackson No. 2 660 feet west of the Jackson No. 1. The latter is the largest producer in the field. It made almost 600 barrels in 24 hours on a railroad commission potential test.

Newspaper Man, Wife, Are Found Slain Thursday

MIDLAND, Nov. 22 (AP)—James P. Harrison, 38, business manager of the Midland Reporter-Telegram, and his wife, Mrs. Lilyan Harrison, 24, were found fatally shot at 1 p. m. Thursday.

The bodies were in the Harrison coupe in the driveway at their new home. An automatic pistol also was in the automobile. An inquest was to be held today.

Neighbors said they heard the automobile drive in about midnight, but none heard any shots.

Mrs. Harrison ate in a restaurant Wednesday night, after which they visited in a friend's home until 11 o'clock.

Harrison's body was slumped under the wheel of the automobile. That of Mrs. Harrison was on the seat beside him.

They were married July 10. It was Harrison's third marriage and his wife's second.

Harrison survived by his mother, Mrs. Minnie Harrison, a sister, Mrs. Clyde Barron of Grand Junction, Colo., and a brother, Bryan Harrison, of Coleman.

Mrs. Harrison's mother, Mrs. Lucy Fuller, lives at Colorado City.

Sofia Under Partial Blackout
SOFIA, Bulgaria, Nov. 22 (AP)—Sofia went under partial blackout Thursday night while its political leaders conferred with one of the highest of German diplomats and the Bulgarian public began frankly to ask whether this country had promised to cooperate with the German army against Greece.

In parliament, Deputy Peter Dumanoff denounced England bitterly as "Bulgaria's greatest enemy"; the press spoke of Bulgaria's "trust in Germany's friendship" and recalled Bulgaria's territorial claims against Greece.

The conference between Premier Borjan Philoff, Foreign Minister Ivan Popoff and Franz von Papen, the German ambassador to Turkey, was made possible by the fact that von Papen ostensibly missed the train which was to take him back to his Turkish post from Berlin, where he had talked with Adolf Hitler.

Miss Betty Lou Muller and Miss Reda Wray Clark of John Tarleton in Stephenville are spending the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Muller and Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Clark.

1940 Schedule of Cisco Loboos

- September 13—Eastland, 0; Cisco, 40;
- September 20—Burkburnett, 13; Cisco, 27;
- September 27—Sweetwater, 6; Cisco 12;
- October 4—Childress 19, Cisco 13;
- October 11—Mineral Wells 3, Cisco 12;
- October 18—Cisco 0, San Angelo 19.
- October 26—Stephenville 13, Cisco 0;
- November 1—Brownwood 20, Cisco 0;
- November 11—Ranger 6, Cisco 52;
- November 28—Breckenridge at Breckenridge (e).
- (e)—Conference game.

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The Balloon Tugs at Its Mooring Ropes

THE balloon called "Boom" is filling rapidly, and tugging nervously at its mooring ropes. America is going back to work. After 10 years of fruitless struggle to achieve that, the world has suddenly thrust forward a situation that achieved it for us. Jobs are at last beginning to seek the man in the higher brackets of skill, and in the Cleveland area, manufacturers are beginning to bid against one another for skilled machinists and toolmakers.

This has not yet gotten down to the rank and file of unskilled labor, yet the American Federation of Labor is confident that it soon will, and advances the possibility that by the end of 1941 as many as 7,500,000 of the present unemployed may be at work. Up to 4,000,000 will be directly needed in the expanding defense industries. That will give work to another 2,000,000 in non-defense and transport. The military will remove another 1,500,000 men from the labor market. That would leave only 1,000,000 unemployed at the end of 1941, with another 500,000 reaching employable age that year, and a reserve

of 3,500,000 people not ordinarily employed who could be brought back to jobs at need.

THIS is a pretty picture, and we hope it's a true one. But like all pictures, it is only on the surface. What does it mean?

It means that the United States is being driven to adopt the kind of economy Germany, Italy and Japan adopted by choice—that is, an economy in which a major part of the country's labor energy is diverted into armament regardless of cost or relation to "normal economy."

BUT some time this emergency, like all emergencies, must end. The men will come back from the training camps some day; the shell plants and armor plate mills will close.

Not only government, but every person, especially those in positions of responsibility on whose decisions will hang the jobs of others, must begin to hatch in the back of their minds plans for peacetime production that can replace that of war preparedness.

It is not that it isn't pleasant to feel the balloon begin to rise. It is pleasant. But there is no use kidding ourselves that any problem is being solved. The essential readjustment of the economic machine in "normal" times has not yet been made, and we must be ready with our adjustments when—and if—"normal" times come again.

Had that Rumanian quake happened in England Hitler would have lost little time claiming it as his new secret weapon.

Everybody agrees that national unity is a fine thing, so let's make up our minds what it really means.

Dallis Grubbs, Harrisburg, Neb., dug 462 bushels of spuds in 10 hours. Now, is that being nice to the K. P. lads in the army?

Smoke over the New World means construction—over the old, destruction.

Too much time is spent wishing for things we could have if we didn't spend too much time wishing.

The Japs bought 19,000,000 dollars worth of American machine tools last year. Any monkey wrenches?

If anyone has any 1940 resolutions that haven't been broken, there are only a few weeks left.

The Proposal to Feed Nazi-Occupied Europe



been painted by Calvin Williams, Earl Parks, Jack Powers, Dale Brightwell, Esther Carter, and others.

Mrs. Elliott Walls was hostess Thursday afternoon at a delightful party and gift shower honoring Mrs. James Rushing, a recent bride, who was Miss Agnes Holder before her marriage. A large crowd of friends gathered and many useful and beautiful gifts were presented to the honoree, who was a 1940 graduate of Desdemona high school. At the close of the party delicious refreshments were served.

San Powers of Hobbs, New Mexico, was here Saturday and Sunday visiting his sister-in-law, Mrs. W. H. Powers, and her son Jack. While here he looked after the marketing of the peacocks and lay that had been raised on the old Powers farm. The peacocks, grown by R. G. Buckley, amounted to about 2,000 bushels.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Paul and their daughter, Virginia, arrived early Sunday morning from Scandia, Kansas, for a week's visit with their son, Kenneth Paul, and family. The Pauls left here 10 years ago, after having lived here several years, and this is their first visit since they left. Their many friends are delighted to see them again.

Mrs. Ola Dorris Criesman of Eastland, assistant district supervisor of WPA libraries, was here on business Wednesday.

Mrs. C. A. Skipping and two small sons returned late Friday evening from Austin, where Mrs. Skipping attended the meeting of the Texas Federation of Women's

clubs. She was the delegate from the "21" Study club, of which she is president. While in Austin they were guests of a brother of Mr. Skipping and his family.

The Rev. Orville Richardson returned Friday evening from Houston, where he attended the state Baptist convention. In our office last week we stated that it was the Southern Baptist convention, instead of the state convention.

The "42" club met Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Skipping. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Abel, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Sparkman, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones, Mrs. W. H. Powers, Miss Della Wall, and the boys.

The Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service met Monday afternoon at Victor at the home of Mrs. Claud Parr, superintendent of study, who conducted the third lesson of the study, "Upgraded Americans." A special meeting of the members who live in Desdemona was held Saturday afternoon at the church and the second lesson was studied, with Mrs. W. C. Bedford as leader. The Victor members had met on Monday and studied the second lesson.

The Rev. H. C. Clark and wife moved Saturday from Caddo to Desdemona and are now at home at the Methodist parsonage. The Rev. Clark was appointed pastor for the Desdemona circuit, which includes Victor and Salem. He preached at Salem Sunday morning and at Desdemona Sunday night. As an act of friendship the Baptist pastor, the Rev. Orville

Richardson, dismissed his evening services and he and his congregation went to the Methodist church to welcome the Rev. Clark, who comes to our town not as a stranger. He has served several churches in the Cisco district and a number of people here have been members of his church at other places. We are glad to welcome him and his wife to our town.

According to the numbers of the tickets sold, there was a crowd of 750 at the high school gymnasium Friday night to hear the program given by the "Sunshine Boys," or "Bob and Joe" (Shelton) and their five assistants, who have for eight years been very popular radio entertainers. Their program featured singing, dancing, string band music, gospel songs and plenty of good clean fun. Members of the senior class and their director, Mrs. Sam Fin-cannon, were sponsors of the entertainment, and received as their 30 per cent of the receipts, \$38.85, an unusually large amount for one evening's entertainment. Cars were parked double on both sides of the street for about three blocks and some on the side street. People had come from almost every town and community within a radius of 40 miles. All who came were delighted with the program and will be sure to go to hear the "Sunshine Boys" (KGGK, Dallas) whenever they come again to this section of the state. Each of the entertainers is an artist in his special line of entertaining. Every one felt that the program was really worth much more than the price of the tickets.

Look in the Classified First

I Give You TEXAS

By BOYCE HOWE

As long as there remains anywhere a love of oratory, men will read Mark Antony's speech and the "Crisis of Gold" address of William Jennings Bryan—(we were talking about him a few weeks ago—remember?) There is a thrill, even in cold type, to such declarations as these:

"We say to you that you have made the definition of a business man too limited in its application. The man who is employed for wages is as much a business man as his employer; the attorney in a country town is as much a business man as the corporation counsel in a great metropolis; the merchant at the crossroads store is as much a business man as the merchant who goes forth in the morning and toils all day, who begins in spring and toils all summer, and who by the application of brain and muscle to the natural resources of the country creates wealth, is as much a business man as the man who goes upon the Board of Trade and bets upon the price of grain; the miners who go down a thousand feet into the earth to climb two thousand feet upon the cliffs and bring forth from their hiding places the precious metals

to be poured into the channels of trade are as much business men as the few financial magnates who in a back room, corner the money of the world.

"There are two ideas of government. There are those who believe that, if you will only legislate to make the well-to-do prosperous, their prosperity will leak through on those below. The democratic idea, however, has been that if you legislate to make the masses prosperous, their prosperity will find its way up through every class which rests upon them.

"Burn down your cities and leave our farms, and your cities will spring up again as if by magic; but destroy our farms and the grass will grow in the streets of every city in the country.

"Having behind us the producing masses of this nation and the world, supported by the commercial interests, the laboring interests, and the toilers everywhere, we will answer their demand for a gold standard by saying to them: You shall not press down upon the brow of labor this crown of thorns; you shall not crucify mankind upon a cross of gold.

No man—until the advent of the radio—was ever heard by as many people as was Bryan in the campaign of '96. He made as high as 30 speeches in a single day, in-

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BRUCE CATTON'S AMERICAN ROUNDUP

NEW DEAL STUDIES OLD AGE PENSION SET-UP WHICH RESEMBLES MODERNIZED TOWNSEND PLAN

BY BRUCE CATTON
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—High on the list of projects the New Deal plans to present to Congress this winter is a change in the Social Security Act which would greatly broaden the old-age pension system.

What is likely to come out of it is a pension plan remarkably like the modernized version of the Townsend Plan. Studies of ways to extend and amplify the old-age assistance section of the Social Security Act are now being made under supervision of Federal Security Administrator Paul V. McNutt, in line with President Roosevelt's campaign pledge that a better pension system would be introduced.

These studies have not yet been finished, but it is possible to get a fairly good line on the program. A good guess is that it will call for the elimination of the means test—by which local boards are empowered to decide whether or not an assistance eligible is actually in need—the extension of pensions to all retired citizens past 65, and government payments starting from a minimum of probably—\$25 a month, to which the individual states could add further sums if they chose.

CLOSE TO TOWNSEND PLAN
THIS means, of course, that the present "actuarial basis" would go out the window. It would no longer be necessary to estimate what percentage of persons will be in need, since pensions would go to all. Reliance on payroll taxes as a means of footing the bill would probably be abandoned too. The annual cost of a pension system such as has just been outlined is figured to be around \$2-

800,000,000 a year. Best suggestion so far is that some form of gross income tax would have to be levied to support it.

What comes out of all of this is something tolerably close to the Townsend Plan.

There is now pending in the Senate a bill introduced by Senator Downey of California, generally recognized as the chief spokesman for the Townsend idea in the upper house. Downey's bill, which bears Townsend's endorsement, would levy a 2 per cent gross income tax and pay pensions to all retired citizens past 60. Downey figures that a month at the start. The bill carries a \$260 maximum, which admittedly would be reached about half a mile this side of Utopia.

Dr. Townsend came out for Willie in the last campaign. Downey, on the other hand, stumped for Roosevelt. Late in August, Downey had a long conference with Roosevelt in the White House. The President remarked that he was "deeply disappointed" with the old-age pension phases of the Social Security Law and was convinced something much better was needed. He added he would recommend to the next Congress an extensive revision of the law, looking toward higher pensions and more pensioners.

Downey replied he himself had a bill in the Senate—the above-mentioned Townsend bill—but that a lot of senators were afraid of it on the ground it might get vetoed if passed. He said that, on the contrary, he would cooperate for the passage of the best possible pension legislation.

It was about 10 days after that the President made his address before the convention of the Teamsters' union in which he called for bigger and better pensions, with payments "given in a manner which will respect the dignity of the life of service which our aged citizens have given the nation."



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DESDEMONA

Mrs. Lucile Taylor and little daughter of Abilene were weekend guests of her sister, Mrs. Horace Lane, and family.

Mrs. Hugh Abel and Mrs. W. H. Powers went to Banner on business Thursday.

Mrs. Owen Clark of Cisco came to Desdemona and spent the day with her mother, Mrs. H. G. Slaughter. Mrs. Dick Cutting came with her and visited her aunt, Mrs. Charles Lee.

The Rev. W. E. Anderson returned from the annual conference at Fort Worth on Tuesday afternoon of last week and has been packing his furniture to have it moved to the home of his daughter,

Mrs. Jack Watkins, who lives on a farm between Carbon and Rising Star. He completed his moving Friday morning after Mr. and Mrs. Watkins had come over and helped with the moving. Many friends regret to see him leave his town, but are glad that he will be near enough to come back whenever he wishes.

Mrs. Hubbs Pulling of Garman visited her sister, Mrs. W. H. Powers, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Montgomery of Cisco were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee Sunday.

The fine art committee of the "21" Study club presented a very interesting program on Tuesday night of last week at the gymnasium of the high school. Members of the committee are Miss Della Wall, Miss Ava Grindstaff

and Mrs. S. E. Snodgrass. The main part of the program was "America in Song," presented by members of the sixth grade, who had been trained by Miss Wall, principal of the grammar school and teacher of public school music. A short explanation of the different periods in American history was given and the songs of each period were sung by the sixth grade pupils. After the close of that part of the program, there was a singing of familiar songs, with all who wished to do so taking part. The closing part of the program was an art exhibit, the pictures or woodcuts having been made by our local boys and girls, many of whom had been pupils of Mr. Preston Sparks. The pictures were not hung, but were placed on the sides of the room, where they could be easily inspected by those present. Pictures that were exhibited had

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SERIAL STORY DUDE COLLEGE

BY OREN ARNOLD

YESTERDAY: Ronnie hurries home, lands and reports her experience to her father. He advises her to call the sheriff. Ultimately, she talks to Inspector Sheridan Starr of the Border Patrol. He identifies the five men as aliens, sets out to trap them. Ronnie goes along. Even when they leave the car and Starr rides away, Ronnie follows. She hears Starr order the men to stop, then hears a shot.

ANDRE MAKES PLANS

"WHE-E-UW!" Andre Girardeau breathed that, then turned slowly down the arched corridor leading from the Pueblo U. administration building to the library. He went only a few feet before he halted, though he felt that, for personal as well as professional reasons, he simply must have another and better look at the Mexican girl. The bespectacled man was at her left, helping her to walk. With her right arm she handled her one crutch clumsily. Andre decided her act was none too convincing. But he also decided that any sort of act was important; what really impressed him was the appearance of this girl. "M-M-M-m-m-m!" Andre gave murmured tribute again, already

Heads Britain's Army Air Force



In an important shuffle of Royal Air Force officers, Great Britain set up a new aviation unit, the army co-operation command, which will give the army its own air force for the first time. The new command will be headed by Air Marshal Sir Arthur Sheridan Barratt, above, who led R. A. F. in France until the French surrender.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

SODA POP GAS (CARBON DIOXIDE) IS PART OF THE AIR WE BREATHE, YET IT KILLS FIRE INSTANTLY.

IN THE SHETLAND ISLANDS, SHETLAND PONIES ARE USED AS DRAFT ANIMALS.

WHAT IS A THUNDERBIRD, RAIN CROW, LIGHTNING CALCULATOR?

ANSWER: A legendary bird in Indian lore; a cuckoo; one who performs mathematical problems with lightning-like rapidity.

recognized none of them. Some of the co-eds were definitely interesting.

He asked a few if they knew where to find Ronica Bailey. They knew about her, but not where she was.

He kept looking for another glimpse of the Mexican girl, and while he did see several others of obvious Latin heritage, he did not see that particular one. He wished he had heard her name distinctly, somehow, soon, it would be his move to approach her and make himself acquainted, but that would have to be handled with infinite tact, at least so far as public eyes were concerned. It must appear entirely natural, normal.

He did see the bespectacled young professor once, striding across the main campus court with four books on his arm, but was not interested in that gentleman.

When he was back in his car, Andre drove in a filling station to be sure of his fuel supply, and there encountered a youth as talkative as his kind is likely to be, especially out west.

"You hear the news?" the youth asked, between windshield swipes. "About the Pueblo girl?" "I beg pardon?" Andre was democratic only by effort.

"Yep. College girl from right here at old Pueblo, by George! Plenty of the old nerve, mister, let me tell you! They say she didn't even take a gun out there, but when the right minute came she—Why how-d-do, Miss Montoya!"

A second car had driven up to the pump and Andre found himself instantly deserted. He had paid his bill anyway, and his windshield hadn't really needed cleaning. He glanced out. Something about that name Montoya had caught his interest and—there she was again!

The same girl. First time he had seen her, a bespectacled professor had jumped to help her. Now, obviously, she had a filling station lad enslaved.

"Is so sweet of you, Jimmie," she was saying, musically, "you come so quick to help me."

"Aw, I'm supposed to, ma'am. Anyway, I—well, gee! Say, have you heard the news, Miss Montoya?"

"News, Jimmie?"

"Sure! One of your own Pueblo girls. Gosh, maybe you know her! Her old man's the big airplane builder. Name of Bailey, ma'am."

"I have only coom here wan week myself, you know, Jimmie. But what is it that—?"

Andre, straining to hear, caught no more of it. A roadster piled high with collegians rolled up honking behind him and through their hilarity someone broke into a college song. All he could do was drive out of their way.

(To Be Continued)

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Tolerance and Intensity Essential For All Who Would Be Disciples

Text: Luke 9:49-62

BY WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D.
Editor of Advance

UNDER the title "An Exacting Discipleship," this lesson emphasizes two aspects of sincere and earnest Christian discipleship that have not always been associated in thought or in individual Christian experience. On the contrary, too often they have been regarded as mutually contradictory.

These two aspects of Christian discipleship are tolerance and intensity. If they had both been recognized and practiced, how different the course of the Christian centuries might have been! Is it not also strange how the clearest and most incisive teachings and examples of the New Testament are the things most disregarded in practice?

JESUS emphasizes the lesson of tolerance in a striking incident. Some man, observing the course of Jesus and probably under the influence of His teaching, had been casting out demons in His name. That is all we know about him, but evidently the man was acting sincerely and with efficacy.

But John, always very earnest and intense for his Master and for the rights and privileges of the inner group of disciples, rebuked the man and forbade him because, as he said, "he followeth not us." But Jesus rebuked John in very clear and emphatic words, "Forbid him not, for he that is not against us is for us."

That is the lesson of tolerance. The tolerant Christian cares more for right principles and right action and good results than he does for labels and organizations and for agreement with his own particular expression of religious opinions. He realizes that it is by their fruits that faith and teaching are known, and he is willing to recognize the good that is done even though it may be done by

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Football Party Honors Friends Thursday Night

Miss Mary Elizabeth Wright and James Robert Wright, Jr., entertained a group of their friends Thursday night with a "football" party in their home.

The Cisco high school colors, black and gold, were emphasized in all party appointments, and games and contests in keeping with the theme were enjoyed.

Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the games to Misses Brenda Warwick, Golda Warren, Betty Lou Powell, Mary Olive Garrett, Ada Rhone Mobley, Jane Moore, Lillian Spears, Alice Slicker, and James Flournoy, Wayne Barnhill, Albert Henson, James Qualls, Jibby Donovan, Coy Warren, Glenn Boyd, Garland Lasater, Cleveland Dunaway, Alton Lomas, J. B. Duff, Mrs. Lucretia Irby, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wright, Sr., Miss Mary

Industrial Arts Club Has Study Of Argentina

The First Industrial Arts club met at the clubhouse Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock for their regular business session and program. Mrs. F. J. Borman was hostess and Mrs. Joe Clements program leader.

The theme of study for the afternoon was "Argentina," continuing an imaginary South American tour, and roll call responses were native dishes. Reports of the Texas Federation convention, held last week in Austin, were made by the delegates, Mrs. John Slaughter and Mrs. John G. Jones. Mrs. S. H. Nance gave an interesting article titled "Christ of the Andes," and the English lesson was taught by Mrs. H. B. Allen. Present were Misses John Shertzer, C. P. Cole, Joe Clements, A. P. Clayton, Guy Broadton, M. F. Underwood, H. B. Allen, L. J. Leech, S. H. Nance, E. J. Poe, Ruby Miller, Rex Moore, John G. Jones, N. A. Brown, H. A. Bille, E. L. Jackson and F. A. McMillan.

Calhoun Anderson of Fort Worth spent Thanksgiving day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Anderson.

Round-up Class Has Party On Wednesday

The Round-up Sunday school class of the First Christian church was entertained with a party by Miss Mary Elizabeth Wright in the home of her parents Wednesday evening. Table games were played and delicious refreshments were served.

Present were Misses Evelyn Reynolds, Mary Olive Garrett, Sue Mobley, Ada Rhone Mobley, Dixie Bill's, Betty Lou Powell, and Ernest Glazner, Manning Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hood, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ward, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wright, Mrs. Alex Ward and the hostess, Miss Wright.

Keeping Up With The Boy Scouts



Receives Veteran Charter

The Sea Scout ship "Texan" of Breckenridge has received the charter for the year 1940-41. The ship, a member of the National Flagship fleet, is five years old and was recognized as such by the national office by presenting them with a veteran charter this year.

Tarleton Eagle Scout Alumni

The constitution and by-laws of the Eagle Scout alumni, at John Tarleton college, have been adopted. The purpose of this organization is to be of service to the student body and faculty; to be of service to the youth and scout organizations of the communities represented; to be of service to the nation as participating citizens and prospective leaders.

Miss Violet Elliott of Texas Tech, Lubbock, is spending the week-end with her mother, Mrs. E. O. Elliott.

Miss Eugenia Jackson, student in North Texas State Teachers college in Denton, is spending the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jackson.

Bluffdale Has New Troop

The Parent-Teacher association is sponsoring the troop recently organized in Bluffdale. The troop registered with fourteen boys as charter members, and the following officers: Pat H. Lewis, Scoutmaster; R. M. Hickman, assistant scoutmaster; W. S. Kemp, chairman troop committee; other members of the troop committee: Jno. A. Davis, Lack Deaver, W. F. Baker, and P. J. Fallin. H. V. Collins, district commissioner of Stephenville, will have charge of the charter presentation ceremony to be held this week.

Cisco Troop to Build Cabin

Troop 49 of Cisco, sponsored by the First Baptist church, is making plans to build a troop cabin. The sponsoring institution has given them a plot of ground and another friend of scouting is furnishing the logs. The members of the troop will do the construction work under the leadership of Scoutmaster Sam Ledford and Assistant Scoutmaster J. A. Smith.

"M" Day a Success

Mobilization day for all scouts in Brownwood was observed November 16. Many packages of clothing and toys were secured by the scouts from Brownwood homes to be turned over to the needy of the town will receive them. The work was completed during the morning. At the noon hour the scouts were served lunch. The group, 75 in all, went to the Lyric theater in the afternoon. They were the guests of Mr. Dooly, manager of the Lyric.

"Grim Reaper" Takes High Traffic Toll

AUSTIN, Nov. 22 (Sp)—Motor vehicle traffic played into the hands of the "Grim Reaper" during the month of October as 190 deaths were chalked up on the "Death Book" maintained by the state police statisticians in the accident records section.

During the first 10 months of 1940 there were 1363 persons killed in traffic accidents which is 114 more than for the same period of 1939 or an increase of 9.13 percent.

"Drivers who operate their automobiles at speeds which are too fast for prevailing conditions are traffic enemy Number One," according to Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the department of Public Safety.

"This wanton slaughter of Texans must stop and may I take this medium of urging each and every driver to reduce the speeds of vehicles operated on our public highways," said Col. Garrison.

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money would be reduced by the measure of this legal resort of a bond-owing community.

The sacredness of a bond, which is a contract between the borrowing community and the lending investor, is not alone the protection of the lender. It is equally the protection of the opportunity of communities to go into a money market and borrow funds for the improvements they need or desire.

For this fundamental reason, it would appear that a judge sitting in a case such as that which has arisen here, would recognize as much responsibility for the effect of his decision on the value of municipal bonds generally as he would feel toward Cisco. Undoubtedly he would feel sympathetically toward us and undoubtedly his decision would take into consideration the ability of the community to pay. But it is quite reasonable to presume that, with an eye toward the sanctity of a municipal bond, he would firmly insist that Cisco pay every penny that Cisco can.

Even if a judge were disposed to reduce the principal or interest of a city's debt, he cannot do so. The law will not permit him. It says that the obligations of contract cannot be violated. That is a constitutional provision and a court is bound by law. The only method by which the obligations of a previous contract can be modified is through the medium of a new contract. In other words, if two contracting parties agree to a new contract to modify an old one, the court can then require the enforcement of the new.

If the city and the bondholders do not come to any agreement on the city debt, and if the case comes into court and a judgment is rendered in favor of the bondholders, the court can determine what Cisco can pay, require that payment and allocate the proceeds among the bondholders. But it can reduce neither the principal nor the interest without formal agreement between holders of the city's obligation and the city.

It would appear therefore, that Cisco cannot place too much confidence in the tolerance with which a judge might view our own problems. He has much more to consider than what merely affects Cisco. Cisco's debt has already been ruled a valid and existing obligation by the U. S. supreme court, despite the fact that the court was aware of Cisco's inability to pay even a fraction of the more than six millions of principal and accrued interest which the debt amounted to at that time. The court held that Cisco could not escape its obligation, whether or not it ever paid it off.

For that reason it seems to the column, the concern of Cisco should be to determine whether or not it can get a better settlement out of the bondholders than out of the court, and to avoid, if at all possible a judgment which would not only further mar the community's record, but likely would serve as a serious bar to any further opportunity for cutting down the debt by agreement. If the city cannot obtain such an agreement, then it should be prepared to go into court to show that it is putting forth reasonable effort to pay every dollar that it can raise by taxation and income from utilities under the most economical management of the city's affairs. If there is a valid disposition on the part of the community and the bondholders to arrive at

compromise, the column does not believe itself in error in saying that the court can postpone a judgment and instruct the two parties to negotiate further. But undoubtedly it will be just too bad for Cisco's case if the court should get the impression that Cisco is trying to escape an obligation already held to be valid.

But no matter what your reaction to the case is, you as a citizen of Cisco are directly involved in this and you should, for your own interest as well as that of the community as a whole, get the facts, study them and arrive at a conclusion. If it is your opinion that Cisco should agree to the bondholder's proposition, or if you believe Cisco should risk the probabilities of a court judgment, you should give the commission the benefit of your attitude.

But in your consideration bear in mind these points:

1—A judge does not have the power to arbitrarily reduce the principal of a bonded debt already ruled valid.

2—A judge does not have the power to reduce the rate of interest fixed in contract.

3—A judge must, under the law, maintain the sacredness of a bond because the validity of a bond is a guarantee to the lender on the one hand that his debt is good and to the community on the other that it can borrow money.

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I Give You--

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cluding brief addresses from the back platform of his train; and millions came under the spell of his magnificent voice. Few candidates have stirred a greater enthusiasm and those whose hearts were broken when his colors trailed in the dust can understand these lines:

"Election night at midnight; Boy Bryan's defeat. Defeat of western silver. Defeat of the wheat... Defeat of the aspen groves of Colorado valleys. The blue bells of the Rockies. And blue bonnets of old Texas... Defeat of alfalfa and the Mariposa lily. Defeat of the Pacific ang the long Mississippi... Defeat of my boyhood, defeat of my dream."

(Quoted by permission of Macmillan company from Vachel Lindsay's "Selected Poems")

Though twice failing to reach the goal of the presidency, Bryan saw many of his reforms made into law and, even greater than these tangible results, was the influence of his grand character.

Joke-of-the-moment: An American, planning to visit Germany and knowing the rigid censorship, told a friend that if conditions were bad, he would write a letter in red ink and then, regardless of the words, the friend would understand. In due course, a letter arrived. It read: "Conditions are great in Germany. Everything is wonderful. All these stories you hear are the bunk. We have plenty of food, plenty of fuel, plenty of everything. The only thing I have been unable to get is red ink."

A variant of that is the story about the American, writing from Germany to a friend in the United States, who declared, "Everything over here is grand. I wish you would tell this to my father and

my brother; in fact, tell it to everybody and, above all, tell it to the marines."

Texas Second Only to New York in New Industries

AUSTIN, Nov. 22.—The state of Texas ranked second only to the state of New York in the number of large industrial building projects reported for the United States in the first six months of 1940. Governor W. Lee O'Daniel stated here today.

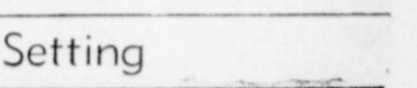
In the entire nation, 1,300 such large enterprises were reported for the first half of 1940, forty per cent of these being in four states—New York, Texas, Pennsylvania, and Ohio—each of which had more than 100 projects.

Practically no national defense items are included in these figures, Governor O'Daniel said.

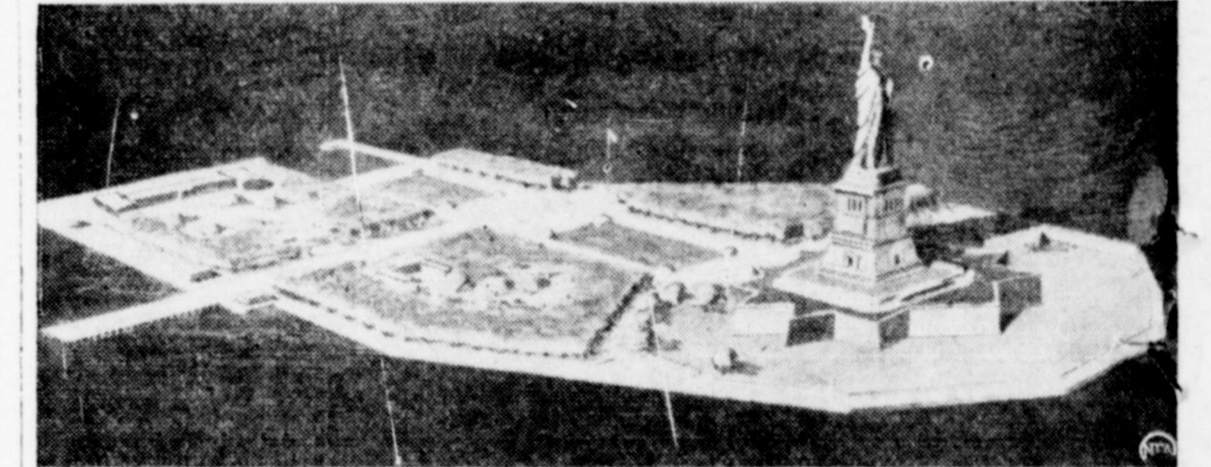
Encouraged over this indication of progress in the Texas industrialization program, Governor O'Daniel and his industrial staff are devoting much attention at this time to the promotion of small industries in scattered communities throughout the state. Active contact is maintained with these areas through Governor's industrialization committees which are now functioning in 237 communities.

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Goddess to Reign in New Setting



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Night-Hood in Flower... Image of a woman wearing a flower hood.

AFofL Awaiting FDR Peace Plea



(NEA Telephoto) A general view of the annual American Federation of Labor convention in New Orleans. Convention leaders hold that prospects for labor peace are not bright despite a new appeal which is expected from President Roosevelt for unity between the AF of L and the CIO.