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PROBLEMS FACING STRICKEN WORLD

Shall Chaos or Reconstruction in Europe Follow the Great World War?

CLASH OF FACT AND THEORY

Socialistic Idea of Communism in World Where All Men Are Equal Takes No Thought of Verities

Article XXV.

By FRANK COMERFORD.

On November 10, 1917, the bolshevik government was born. On Dec. 10, 1917, the bolshevik government abolished private ownership of land, declaring all real estate the property of the state. On February 10, 1918, they issued a decree declaring all state loans, internal and foreign, null and void, confiscating all maritime enterprises and all private banks to the state, and nationalizing foreign trade.

The constitution established the communism of land in the following words:

"For the purpose of attaining the socialization of land, all private property in land is abolished and the entire land is declared to be national property, and is to be apportioned among agriculturists without any compensation to the former owners, in the measure of each one's ability to till it."

The peasants of Russia seized the land. They willingly followed this command of the new order, but they did not take the land as community property. They are not communists. Their experience with communal land owning had never satisfied them. Under the old regime the peasants were allowed land by the communal Mr. The Mr. held title to the land and divided it by lot. The tenancy of a farmer on the land was uncertain under the Mr. system. The average length of the lease was about thirteen years. Then came a new distribution of the Mr. land, a new drawing. The peasant was compelled to move to the new strip of land allotted to him from the present allotment to get his lease into his hand. He had no motive for improving the land, it was not his. At the next drawing it would probably go to another, and he in turn be shifted on a piece of land which had been neglected and allowed to deteriorate. Experience fired the peasant with one thought, one ambition, to own his own land, to have a permanent home, something to work on and work for. So at the outset of the program to socialize the land we find the bolshevik government attempting a communistic program completely antagonistic to the wishes of the peasants.

Led to General Disorder.

Between the villages in Russia are the landed estates, the proprietary land. These lands were the best lands in the vicinity and were well cared for. When the order to seize the land was given, the peasants turned toward the proprietary lands. The villages fought with each other for the possession and division of these tempting estates. This was the beginning of general disorder, small civil war.

The bolshevik government attempted to force its program abolishing all private ownership of land. They justified the confiscation of land, the plan of land communism, by saying that the earth belonged to the people, that private title to land was immoral and corrupt, that every man should have all the land he could actually work, and not an acre more. They argued that if a man had more land than he could work, one of two things would happen: either he would allow the land to remain idle, which would be a waste, or he would hire someone to work it for him. They said the hired man would be either a farm laborer or a tenant; whichever relation he bore to the owner of the land he would be compelled to turn over part of his labor to the landowner. In one case it would be called rent, while if he receives wages, the wages would represent something less than the value of the hired man's crop. This would be the profit taken by the landowner. They called this exploiting the worker. Instead of this condition, they reasoned that the farm hand should work this land and keep the full product for the state. In the plan of distribution the state, the owner of everything, promised an equal distribution. The bolsheviks argued that their plan would make a better citizen out of the hired man and give him an inducement to work. He was not to work for himself, but for the good of all. It was a fine bit of idealism, but entirely contrary to human nature. It had to be worked out by human beings. Two things happened. One class of peasants worked the land only enough to produce what they and their families needed. They reasoned, "Why should we work after our needs are supplied?" This natural attitude of mind reduced production. The theory which promised increased production, in practice decreased production.

Refused to Share With State.

Another class of peasants went onto the land and worked hard and produced much, but they refused to give up the product of their labor to the state. They reasoned that the result

of their labor belonged to themselves. Both classes were individualists. Neither group were communists in practice, particularly when the operation of communism came home to them.

For a time those peasants who had a surplus sold their product to the government. For it they received questionable paper money with a doubtful value. Then began the hoarding of farm products. The peasants demanded manufactured things which they needed, in exchange for their farm products. The government did not have the manufactured articles the peasants wanted and wanted. The proletariat of the cities was hungry. It was up to the bolshevik government to feed them, or fall. Raiding parties were sent out. The "Red" army was organized. The peasants stood together to protect their property. The socialization of land failed. Production on the farms fell. General poverty resulted. The problem of the bolshevik government to provide food for the cities still remained. With the failure of communism of the land, the government set to work to cultivate the great proprietary estates on a co-operative plan. Graft, inefficiency of administration, and the unwillingness of the peasants to work, caused this plan to fail.

Kerzhubstey in the "Izvestia" of the provincial executive committees of January 22, 1919, gives a picture of the situation: "The facts describing the village soviet of the Uran borough present a shocking picture which is no doubt typical of all other corners of our provincial soviet life. The chairman of this village soviet, Rekhaley, and his nearest co-workers, have done all in their power to antagonize the population against the soviet rule. Rekhaley, himself, has often been found in an intoxicated condition and has frequently assaulted the local inhabitants. The beating up of visitors to the soviet office was an ordinary occurrence. In the village of Bere-zovka the peasants have been thrashed, not only with sticks, but have been assaulted with sticks, robbed of their footwear and cast into damp cellars on bare wooden floors. The members of the executive committee, Glakhov, Morev, Makhor, and others, have gone even further. They have organized "requisition parties," which were nothing else but organized pillaging, in the course of which they have used wire-wrapped sticks on the recalcitrants. The abundant testimony, verified by the soviet commission, portrays a very striking picture of violence. When these members of the executive committee, as soviet commissars, of Sudomovo they commenced to assault the population and to rob them of foodstuffs and of their household belongings, such as quilts, clothing, harness, etc. No receipts for the requisitioned goods were given and no money paid. They even resold to others on the spot some of the requisitioned stuffs which they had requisitioned." This is the testimony of a well-known loyal bolshevik leader.

Reports Flogging of Peasants.

The bolshevik, Latzis, reported in the "Izvestia" of January 15, 1919, that "in the Velizh county of the province of Vitebsk they are flogging the peasants by the authority of the local soviet committees."

The bolshevik, Krivoshegov, remarks in the "Izvestia" of May 10, 1919: "The soviet workers are taking from the peasants chickens, geese, bread and butter, without paying for it. In some households of these poverty-stricken folk they are confiscating even the pillows and the samevans, and everything they can lay their hands on. The peasants naturally feel very bitterly against the soviet rule."

The peasants' borough meetings of the province of Kostroma forwarded a resolution to Lenin, published in the "Izvestia" in which they say: "The members of the soviets are ruling us; they are violating our will and are tantalizing us as if we were dumb cattle."

The peasants are hiding their rubles, holding them for a day when they hope that the blight of communism will pass and sane democratic government will reorganize Russia, bring order out of chaos, establish freedom. Their safety-deposit boxes are empty bottles into which the peasants stuff the paper rubles and then bury the bottles. They look for a day when a stable government will reduce these paper promises called money, which today are of little value. It shows their lack of trust in the government and its banking system. It also points to the interest they have in the passing of the bolshevik government, and the hope they hold for the coming of a new state.

Many of the peasants who seized land are conscious of the dishonesty of their title and of the insecurity of their possession. They want good, honest title to their land. Several hundred million rubles were sent to the government treasury of Omsk by peasants asking that they be given honest title to their land. (Copyright, 1920, Western Newspaper Union)

Allies to Drive Turks Into Asia.

Internationalization of Constantinople and the straits of the Bosphorus has been decided upon along the lines laid down by Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain in a recent speech, according to the Paris Matin. It seems certain, the newspaper says, that the seat of the Turkish government will be transferred to Asia Minor and be located either at Brusa or Kocaeli. Details of the form of international control which will be established over Constantinople says not as yet become known.

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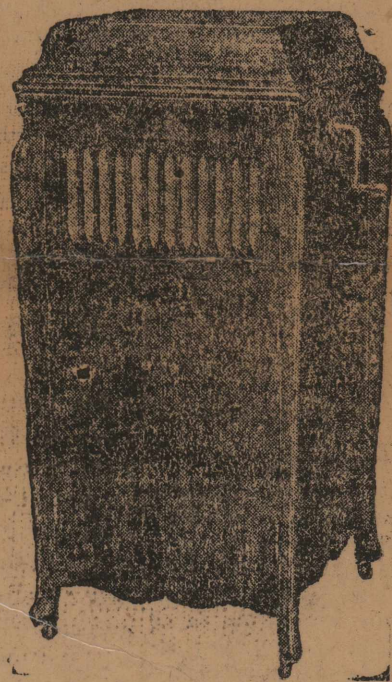
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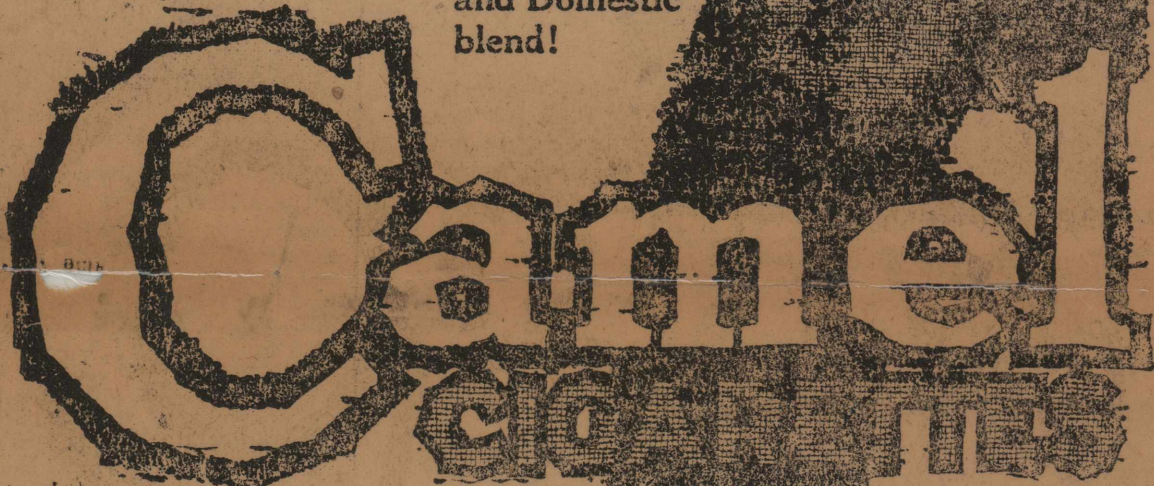
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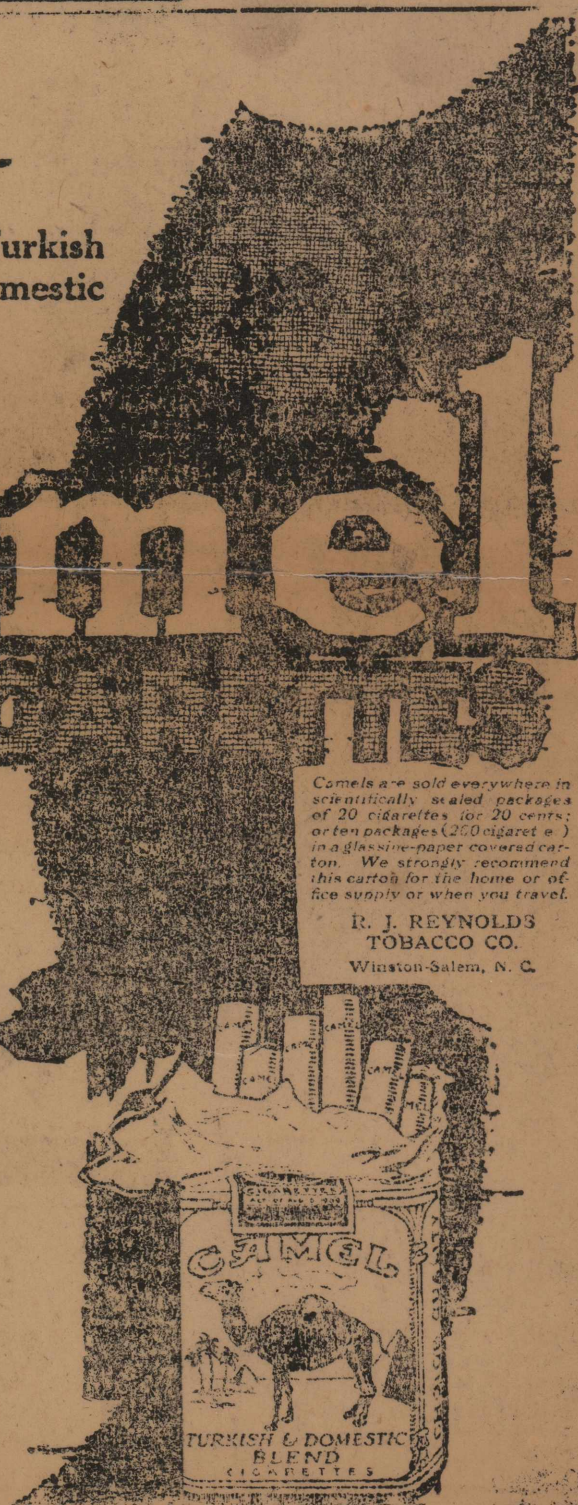
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STOCK NEWS.

RAMS FOR SALE—High-grade Rambouillet yearling rams for sale at ranch near Merzon. Phone or write, W. E. NEWTON, Merzon, Texas.

A. B. Whitehead of Del Rio was in Sonora this week buying muttons.

RAMS FOR SALE—High-grade Rambouillet yearling rams for sale at ranch near Merzon. Phone or write, W. E. NEWTON, Merzon, Texas.

George and Amor Whitehead, of Del Rio have traded their 21 section ranch in the Comstock country, and other considerations to Ab Rose of Del Rio, for his ranch in Old Mexico. The Rose ranch is in the State of Coahuila about 50 miles from Del Rio and contains 185,000 acres.

RAMS FOR SALE.

Graded Merinos and Half Blood Romneys at \$16 per head. THOMAS BOND, Sonora, Texas.

Mrs. Willie Drennan has gone to Ballinger on a visit to her parents.

The R. T. Frazier, Pueblo, Colorado, Saddles are sold by the Sonora Mercantile Co.

To remove bilious impurities in the system and be made internally clean and healthy, you need the fine tonic and laxative properties of Herbine. It acts quickly and thoroughly. Price 60c. Sold by the Sonora Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Espy were in town Thursday from the ranch in the Middle Valley country.

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I. L. Huff, formerly of Chicago is court reporter for Judge Cornell of the 83rd Judicial District. Mr. Huff also does public stenographic work and has an office in the Court House.

To get rid of worms in children give them White's Cream Vermifuge. The little sufferer improves at once and soon becomes healthy, active and robust. Price 35 cents. Sold by Sonora Drug Co.

Director of Athletics, R. W. Hamilton, and his High School football boys went to Junction to play their first game today. We don't expect them to win this game as it's the first time most of the players have appeared under control in public and that Junction bunch are goat getters. We are more hopeful of winning the game here, Saturday 16th, when our old rival, Ozona High, comes to the frying. All Sonora fans will be needed at the field. Put pep in your limbs and be there at 2:30 with lots of cheer.

Bucks for Sale.

200 head of Rambouillet Bucks 1 and 2 years old out of Registered Bucks and some of the best bred ewes in Ohio. These bucks are from the herd of G. F. Billings of Roswell, New Mexico. Henry Sharp, San Angelo, Texas.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNER SHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC.

Of Devil's River News published weekly at Sonora, Texas, required by the Act of August 24, 1912. For six months ending April 1, 1920. NOTE—This statement is to be made in duplicate, both copies to be delivered by the publisher to the postmaster who will send one copy to the Third Assistant Postmaster General Division of Classification, Washington, D. C., and retain the other in the files of the post office. Publishers, Steve Murphy, Sonora, Texas. Editor, Mike Murphy, Sonora, Texas. Owners, Mike Murphy, Steve Murphy. Known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders, holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities: None. Mike Murphy, Editor. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of April, 1920. Frank Decker, Notary Public, in and for Sutton County, Texas. My commission expires June 1, 1920.

HOW TO VOTE.

Any man or woman who has reached the age of 21, and is otherwise qualified, may vote in the General Election on the 2nd of November on the presentation of a poll tax receipt for the year 1920. Those who have paid the tax may do so before October 22. County Clerk, J. D. Lowrey, states that it is probable that in order to avoid confusion the "For County Treasurer" line will be omitted from the Democratic ticket and the names of the candidates for this office will be printed in the Independent or no party column on the right of the ballot.

Do not write the name of a candidate, whose name is printed on the ballot, in any of the blank spaces on or under a party ticket.

To vote a mixed ticket care must be taken to leave on the completed ballot only the names of the candidates you wish elected. As illustration: Leave the name of the Democratic electors and scratch all other electors; leave the name of the Prohibition candidate for Congress and scratch all other nominees for that office; leave the name of the Republican candidate for Governor and scratch all other candidates for governor; leave the rest of the ticket from Lieutenant Governor down and scratch all others; and then leave the name of your choice for County Treasurer. Do not write on the ballot and use a black lead pencil for scratching or marking the ballot.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I am a candidate for election to the office of Treasurer of Sutton county at the election in November and ask for your vote and influence. H. V. STOKER.

I am a candidate for election to the office of County Treasurer of Sutton county at the General election on November 2nd, and respectfully ask for your vote and influence. SALLIE WARDLAW.

To the Voters of Sutton County:

Having decided to enter the race for the office of Treasurer of Sutton County, subject to the voice of the people at the general election in November, I wish to respectfully ask the support and good will of the voters of the county.

If I should be your choice for County Treasurer, will assure you that the duties of the office will be faithfully performed, and the welfare of the people zealously guarded. I will personally put my best efforts into the work and endeavor by every means in my power to merit the trust you will place in me by your votes. Yours very sincerely, Mrs. A. J. Smith.

HEREFORD CATTLE FOR SALE.

Here is a nice start for an enterprising young cattleman. Because of engaging in other business John F. Allison, of Menard, is offering to sell his herd of Registered Hereford cattle. In a letter to Will Wilson of Sonora, who knows the stock, he says he has 38 grown cows, bred; 18 coming two year old heifers that will be ready to breed by the first of May next; 12 bull calves that will commence being yearlings in Oct; 15 Spring calves and two Herd Bulls. He will sell all or part of them, excepting the Herd Bulls which should go with the cows. The offspring of these cattle brought fancy prices last spring and anyone intending to engage in the raising of fine Herefords should see or write. JOHN F. ALLISON, Menard, Texas.

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REMEMBER THE DATES Oct 12-13

UPSET BELIEFS LONG HELD

Fossils Found by American Scientist Reveal Truth of Earth's First Forms of Life.

The first forms of life appeared on this earth 45,140,000 years ago, according to Dr. Charles D. Walcott of the Smithsonian Institution, who has just discovered several thousand fossils that contradict all previous deductions.

The find was made in the Burgess pass fossil quarry, discovered in 1910 in the Canadian Rockies, about 3,000 feet above Field, B. C.

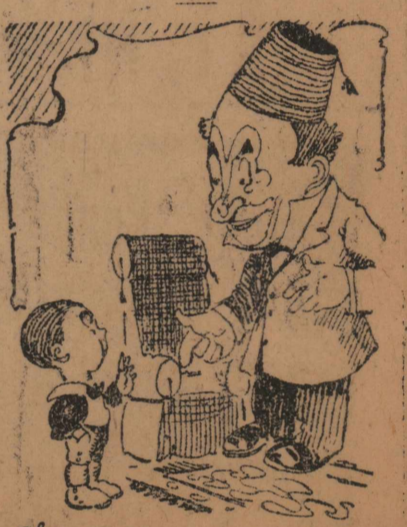
Prof. Walcott has taken annual parties into this district, blasting fossils out of what is known as the Cambrian rocks. When the large slabs were blasted loose they were split with chisel and hammer, and fossils of animals were exposed that were, in life, softer than the jelly-fish.

The shale bed suggests that the waters of the ancient Cambrian sea swarmed with life, just as the ocean does today at Santa Catalina island. But this was long before the advent of life on earth, and no trace of fish is found among the fossils.

The find upsets the theory that in the Protozoic age only one-celled Amoeba, etc., existed on the earth. Instead of only unicellular animals there were actual swimming and crawling water forms of animals already dominant.

Prof. Walcott estimates that fossils of these animals were engulfed about 27,640,000 years ago. He adds to this figure 17,500,000 years during which these and other creations were evolving from each other in the pre-Paleozoic period.

DEFINING IT



Tommy—Dad, what is a pessimist?

Dad—A pessimist is a man who would rather read the death notices in a newspaper than the jokes.

WORTH TRYING

The family had a new suction cleaner, and mother was elated over the demonstration and her first day's use of it. She showed the family how it took pins, needles and other foreign substances from the carpet and rugs.

Little James watched her a while. Then he crossed the room to her. "O, mom," he whispered, "Try it out on dad's pants, won't you? May be it will pull the change out of them so you and I can have a little more spending money."

QUEEN LAUDS Y. W. C. A.

A cable recently received at Y. W. C. A. headquarters, New York City, and sent from Bucharest, Roumania, expresses from Queen Marie her desire that the work begun by the Y. W. C. A. in her country be continued. The queen deeply appreciates efforts already made in helping her to rebuild her country and is firmly convinced that the Y. W. C. A. is of paramount importance to her people.

Prophetic Fire.

The death of Levi P. Morton reminds me of a strange occurrence of Cannoharie years and years ago, before Mr. Morton became the president. He was the guest of the late Senator James Arrell, they having long been intimate friends. During Mr. Morton's stay at the Arrell home a fire occurred in which the guest's suitcase, marked "Levi P. Morton," was burned on one end in such a manner that all the letters of the name were destroyed but the "L" and "M." Just at that time Mr. Morton was being mentioned in connection with the Republican nomination for either president or vice-president, and the versatile Senator Arrell ventured the opinion that the strange work of the fire pointed toward success in that "L" and "M" meant vice-president. A few months after the fire Levi P. Morton was nominated for and later elected to the vice presidency.—Fort Plain Standard.

Old Saloon Made Over.

An old saloon in the Italian section of New York has recently been taken over by the Y. M. C. A. and turned into a community center for Italian women and girls. The brown woodwork has been painted blue and lively chintz has been hung at the windows. The old place is hardly recognizable. This center is being used during the day as a nursery for children whose mothers are working, for a babies' clinic, and for mothers' club meetings; in the evenings for social times for girls who work during the day.



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Have Your Ticket Ready.

The first number of the Lyceum course being given under the auspices of the Parent-Teachers Association was a pronounced success. The Orpheus four gave a most excellent entertainment. Owing to the short time before the opening date was made known the Association did not sell all the season tickets they had for sale and they are now offering the tickets for the remainder of the course at very low rates. If the other numbers are as good as the first, and one of them is said to be better, this course will be the best entertainment for the least money given in Sonora since Mark was a pup. Get your ticket now at Jack Pierces. There will be another number this month.

Frank Decker, Notary Public, Sutton County, Texas.

Come to us for oil and wood heaters and cook stoves. E. F. Vander Stucken-Trainer Co. Will buy your Mexican houses and lots - if bargain. G. R. Warren, Phone 194.

Mrs. E. Webb and daughters and Mrs. F. A. Moody were here Monday from their ranch homes in Edwards county. The ladies came up to attend the Lyceum and did some shopping.

Big shipment and large assortment of Stetson hats for men has been received by the E. F. Vander Stucken-Trainer Company. Come in now and buy one.

Mrs. E. S. Noble of San Angelo was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken while here. Mrs. Noble and 'Felix' are friends of long standing, having known each other in Lampasas

Mrs. Heber Wyatt and daughter have returned from Angelo.

Necessary lines of furniture such as tables, chairs, beds and mattresses may be bought from E. F. Vander Stucken-Trainer Co.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Yancey recently of San Antonio are the guests at the Commercial. Dr. Yancey is the dentist who will make Sonora his headquarters, succeeding Dr. Chapman.

Florence oil stove and range is superior to any on the market. See them at the E. F. Vander Stucken-Trainer Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Peters of Rooksprings were here Sunday and accompanied Mrs. C. A. Trainer to San Angelo to consult a physician. Mrs. Peters is well remembered in Sonora as Miss Edith Trainer, the popular opera star at Central.

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SONORA WOMAN'S CLUB.

The Sonora Woman's Club opened the "after vacation" season on Guest Day, Saturday, October 2nd, with a full attendance of members and visitors, and the Club looks forward to a most interesting and profitable session.

The President, Miss E. F. Vander Stucken, in a few words of greeting, presented the Honorable Judge James Cornell, who gave a very masterful address on "The Future Outcome of Political Aspirants."

The Club also was honored on this occasion with the presence of Mrs. E. S. Noble of San Angelo, President of the Sixth District Federated Clubs, who, having been introduced by the President, delighted her hearers with her charming manner and the inspiring suggestions and instructive thought material in her message.

The following programme was beautifully rendered:

- Piano Solo
- Ill Trovatore..... Verdi
- Miss Ray Davis
- Duet
- Whispering Hope..... Alice Hawthorne
- Mrs. Louis Stuart and Miss McDonald
- Vio. in Solo
- Schubert Serenade.....
- Mrs. Louis Stuart
- Solo
- Today..... Carrie Jacobs Bond
- Miss Estelle McDonald
- Piano Solo
- Marche Grateque..... Sinding
- Mrs. W. J. Whinnica.

Mrs. Sam Hull, assisted by Miss Velma Savell and Miss Elma Evans, presided at the punch bowl.

LUNCHEON

The Sonora Woman's Club gave a luncheon in honor of Mrs. E. S. Noble, of San Angelo, President of the Sixth District Federated Clubs, at the residence of Mrs. Stella Stanley, at one o'clock Saturday. Mrs. H. Eastland was hostess and about forty members of the Club were present. - Press Reporter.

G. R. Warren, Notary Public at T. L. Benson office.

Misses Sallie Wardlaw and Clara Allison returned Sunday from a visit to San Angelo.

Going hunting? Then go to Morris-Gilmore Hardware Co. for your guns and ammunition.

Bud Baker was here this week from the ranch in Schleicher county and what he saw rested him very materially.

A good GEO ALLEN piano for sale. Price \$200. Apply to H. V. Stokes.

Mrs. Frank Turner returned last week from Del Rio where she visited her sister Mrs. Bob Cauthorn.

Ease the pain of a rheumatic attack by a rubbing application of Buller's snow liniment. It relieves tenderness and strengthens the joints. Three sizes, 20c, 50c and \$1.00. Bottles sold by Sonora Drug Co.

W. W. Williamson was here Tuesday from his ranch in the Owensville country. Mrs. Williamson and children are now living in town for the school session.

In all malarial countries the popular remedy is Herbine. People find it a good medicine for purging the system and warding off the disease. Price, 90 cent. Sold by Sonora Drug Co.

A. D. Jackson, Executive Assistant, of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, is here on a visit to Sonora Substation 14 and to assist Dr. Cox in the making of the economic ranch survey of Sutton county. Mr. Jackson is an ex-newspaper man and publicist and his services will advance the interests and welfare of the Experiment Station.

The Wilson wood heater and cook stove is recognized among the best. They are sold by the E. F. Vander Stucken Trainer Company in Sonora.

ALL FOR RAIL ROAD.

W. L. Aldwell, chairman, and Judge James Cornell, E. F. Vander Stucken and W. C. Bryson, of the Sutton county citizens railway committee, with representatives of similar committees of Tom Green and Schleicher counties met in San Angelo Monday relative to the recovery of the right of way and grade already built between San Angelo and Sonora. The committees met with the Board of City Development of San Angelo and a plan of organization was perfected by which the Committees representing the Counties of Tom Green, Schleicher and Sutton will become a corporation and the quit claim or transfer of the interest of the Orient in the property will be made to this Corporation. The Eldorado and Sonora committees were given much encouragement by the meeting in San Angelo and with the perfecting of the plans hope to be in a position to know something definite about the rail connection so badly needed by this vast territory.

On Thursday Judge Cornell and W. L. Aldwell of the local committee and Judge J. A. Whitten of the Eldorado committee conferred with the Chamber of Commerce of Del Rio relative to the railway matter and explained to them the plans of organization and to assist the Val Verde county committee in the recovery of the 28 miles of right of way and grade built by the Orient in that county. The Del Rio people entered heartily into the work and agreed to unite their efforts with those of their neighbors to the north and by a long pull and a pull altogether there should be no doubt of ultimate and early success.

READ THIS, EVERY BODY.

Dear Friend: - I have only three more services at Sonora this year. Next Sunday, October 10th, at 11 a. m. and in the evening at 7:30, and then the following Sunday, October 17th, at 11 a. m. will be the last service, as I must start to Conference that afternoon, as the first service will open Tuesday evening, October 19th.

This will end my fourth year as pastor of the Sonora Methodist church, and they have been four years of real joy and fellowship, and should I be fortunate enough to return to serve you all another year, I shall return with a happy heart and determination to make you the best pastor you have ever had; because I love every one of our Sutton county people.

How many times have you attended church during these four years? If you have heard me even one time I certainly appreciate it; if you have not worshipped with me these four years then you had better hurry, or you will have to say: "Well, old Dunn was with us four long years, but I never did hear him." Come alive now and be with us the remaining three services. Phone your friends and tell them to come. S. C. Dunn.

You want a first-class saddle. We sell the famous R. T. Frasier saddle at Pueblo, Colorado. Call and see them, at the Sonora Mercantile Co.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken visited in San Angelo for a few days this week.

Tables, chairs, beds and mattresses sold from stock at the E. F. Vander Stucken-Trainer Co.

Perry Valliant who has been ill with fever for the past fifteen months has recovered sufficiently to enable him to spend part of the day time in town. He is fast recovering his strength.

Morris Gilmore Hardware Co. have a full line of window glass, Devco paints and oils. Get our prices before buying elsewhere.

Miss Wynona Grimland came home this week from Washington on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Grimland. Miss Wynona has been employed in the Treasury Department in Washington for more than a year and took advantage of the reduced rates for the Confederate Veterans reunion at Houston to make a visit home. She spent a day in New Orleans and a day in Houston very pleasantly with friends and saw the sights of these famous southern cities.



The Ford Sedan is high class in appearance and appointments. The seats are restful, and deeply upholstered with cloth of high quality. Large doors give convenient entrance on either side; plate glass windows make it a closed car for inclement weather, and give fresh air when open. With high quality in appearance and equipment there is the simple and safe control in driving. A woman's - a family car for every day in the year.

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LIBERTY BONDS AT CURRENT PRICES.

The Liberty Bond issues of the Government, with their tax exemption features, yield from 4 3/4 to 5 percent on the investment. These bonds MAY sell lower but are now very cheap and eventually WILL sell at much higher prices, insuring a splendid profit if held to maturity. They are backed by the credit and good faith of the greatest nation in the world, and by every resource within its boundaries. They will be paid in full.

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HAIR IN PLACE OF POCKETS

Kaffir Makes Use of Treasures in an Odd Manner—Peculiar Headdress in New Hebrides.

Savages are fertile in the invention of hair contortions. Moslems have been known to shave away all their hair save a small clump in the center, which they think will serve as a handle by which they may be lifted up to heaven.

Natives of the New Hebrides twist their hair into as many as 600 whips, cords. The person who can show the greatest number of these thin hair cords is regarded as one of importance, and is revered accordingly.

Papuan wear large bones entangled in their hair, but Maoris go one better and allow only sharks' teeth to be used. The Inokins, a savage West African tribe, train their hair into a crest rising not less than twelve inches in height, and then let it fall backward, fan shaped.

In Samoa the women dress their hair to a shape somewhat resembling a gigantic royal crown. On the top of the crown, which is upheld by numerous thin bones or twigs, they place a wreath of flowers.

A wealthy Kaffir trains his hair into a cone, open at the top, and articles which the American stows away in his trousers pocket the cunning Kaffir puts in his hair.

FROM MINDS OF GREAT MEN

Wisdom Handed Down to Posterity by Philosophers and Thinkers of the Past.

While one man says of a thing, "It is impossible," and contents himself with saying so, another one passes him and does it.

They who cannot forgive others break the bridge over which they themselves must pass, for everyone has need of forgiveness.

We cannot say of anything that it is impossible in this marvelous world of invention and endeavor. We can only say, "It has never yet been done."

The gold of life does not lie hidden in mines; it sparkles in tiny sands all along the common path of every day. He only who gathers it bit by bit from daily duties and pleasures and opportunities and friendships will find himself the possessor of the real treasure at last.

SCARCE AND VALUABLE SUGAR.

Melastose, a form of sugar extremely rare, and of great value to scientists in laboratory work, occurs in a honeyed incrustation or manna on a leguminous tree in Persia and adjoining countries. Recently it has been found by the bureau of chemistry in a similar product on the Douglas fir in British Columbia. And now it has turned up in Pennsylvania stored away in honeycombs in ordinary hives. The origin of this still-scarce sugar is supposed to be due to the attacks on the scrub and, more rarely, other species of pine by a plant house and a certain scale insect. In the course of their activities these creatures produce a honey dew which is rich in melastose.

In dry summers after the white clover flowers have ceased to yield honey, the bees turn to this honey dew and collect it, but it crystallizes as fast as they store it away.

SUPPRESSED EMOTION.

"They tell me there was a great deal of apathy in your corner of the convention," remarked Mr. Dolan. "It wasn't exactly what you'd call apathy," replied Mr. Rafferty. "The truth is that every one of the boys was heart and soul for a different man and any one of us was afraid to raise a cheer for fear of starting a fight and getting put out with the bunch."

HARD LUCK.

Passenger (as the ship is sinking)—Captain, is there no hope—no hope whatever? Captain—None at all, sir—no hope at all! Passenger—Just my luck! And I wouldn't eat dinner for dinner for fear I'd have indigestion!—Pearson's Weekly.

WHAT NURICH THOUGHT.

Mrs. Nurich—This gown is just a—bit revealing of my figure, don't you think, Sam? Mr. Nurich—'I'd say it was a revelation in figures from the looks of the bill.—Kansas City Times.

TAUGHT NEW SINGING METHOD

Guido Aretinus, Benedictine Monk, is Credited With the Invention of "Do, Re, Mi."

What is the origin of these syllables—Do, Re, Mi, Fa, Sol, La and Si, as names for the seven notes of the scale?

The tale which one meets in histories of music goes back to Guido d'Arezzo or Guido Aretinus, a Benedictine monk of Pomposa, not far from Ferrara and Ravenna. His period was in the first half of the eleventh century, and a great many inventions and improvements were ascribed to him. As a monk of the Pomposa monastery, compelled by the imperfection of the existing teaching of music, he was credited with the production of a method which, according to him, gave immediate results in singing which formerly could scarcely be attained in ten years. The practical merit of this method awakened the jealousy of the abbot and his brother monks, so that he had to leave the cloister.

He was called by the pope of that time, John XIX or XX, to Rome to explain his method. His journey was a complete success. In the first lesson the pope was able to find the tone of an antiphon and to sing it. There is a portrait of Guido in the refectory of the monastery at Avelana bearing "Beatus Guido inventor musicæ" as an inscription. His system, which was called solmisation, consisted, in part, of the use of six syllables, Ut, re, mi, fa, sol, la.—From John G. London's Weekly.

THE HOUSE



"He offers us the house for \$5,000." "Not a bad buy. No profiteering there." "You don't understand. He offers to rent it to us for \$5,000 a year."

ACID FATAL TO TIRES.

The rapidity with which automobile tires are destroyed by acid was demonstrated recently in a Canadian city, when a large carboy fell from a truck and was broken. The strong acid flowed along the street-car tracks for a considerable distance, while a half-suffocated officer strove to divert traffic to safer thoroughfares. One driver, however, declined to change his course. Before he could cross the acidulated patch, his tires had exploded almost in unison. The fumes were finally stifled with sand.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

FILMS QUICKLY HANDLED.

Sixty rolls of photographic film handled in ten minutes' actual working time is the claim made for a system of glazed stoneware developing tanks now on the market, according to Popular Mechanics Magazine. The tanks are sold in sets of three; one for developing, one for fixing and one for washing. Each has a concave bottom, terminating in a brass drain cock. The last or washing tank is fitted also with an overflow connection to permit continuous water circulation from bottom to top.

NEW USE FOR X-RAYS.

Among the new uses of X-rays foreshadowed by Major G. W. C. Kaye in a lecture at the Royal Institution were the taking of fingerprints, in connection with criminal investigation, and the testing of championship golf balls in order to determine that they had a perfectly symmetrical center.

THE SYSTEM.

Scenario Editor—I'm sorry that I cannot accept your scenario. Scenario Writer—Why not? Scenario Editor—It's so good that people will think it's by a famous writer using a nom de plume.—Edw. Finn.

Picture Show

Regular shows Tuesday, Friday and Saturday.

The Jewel Theatre.

HOME TOWN HELPS

TOWN LEADER IN GOOD WORK

Sherburne, in New York, Praised for its Inception of Systematic Tree Planting.

The state of New York passed a law in 1912 making it possible for citizens, towns and villages to acquire, by purchase, lease, gift, or condemnation, lands having tree growth or forests thereon, or lands which are suitable for the growth of trees.

The advantages to be obtained are numerous, besides the income to be derived from the sale of forest products: the benefits of regulation of stream-flow, protection of the watershed, shelter from winds and storms, protection to birds and game, and a healthful resort for the people of the town and community.

Sherburne, a village in Chenango county, New York, has been planting trees systematically since 1912, and the work was begun without the knowledge that state laws were being enacted which might make tree-planting something of an inducement. It therefore deserves all the more credit for its interest in forestry. The Dr. Homer G. Newton, for many years a resident of that village, is due the honor of having initiated the policy of tree-planting and watershed protection. The development of this project should be followed with much interest by towns or villages that contemplate similar plantations or forests.—Bulletin of the American Forestry Association.

OUTDOOR ADVERTISING TO GO

Cities Generally Are Taking Concerted Action to Do Away With the Unsightly Billboards.

Our most progressive towns have nearly all demanded safety and sanitation in billboard construction, and a number of places limit the signs to business districts, or else require the written consent of a majority of the property owners before a sign can be indicated on a residential block.

The billboard companies have fought reform strenuously. In some states, civic associations claim that they have defeated legislation; in others, it was said that they tried to have ordinances put into effect which would not restrict use of boards to any extent, but which would make it appear that the town had settled the question.

Now that the courts are deserting them, some of the billboard magnates seem to be falling into line with community improvements and agreeing to the restrictions imposed. They still claim, however, that outdoor advertising is a legitimate and highly efficient method of business promotion. They point to the undeniably artistic signs painted by Maxfield Parrish as a sample of what a thing of beauty the billboard can be. They ignore the fact that Mr. Parrish has painted only a few ads of thousands displayed.

Advertisement for Cardui, 'The Woman's Tonic'. Includes text: 'Why Suffer?', 'Cardui "Did Wonders for Me." Declares This Lady.', 'I suffered for a long time with womanly weakness...', 'I finally got to the place where it was an effort for me to go. I would have bearing-down pains in my side and back...'

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PROBLEMS FACING STRICKEN WORLD

Shall Chaos or Reconstruction in Europe Follow the Great World War?

HUMAN NATURE VS. IDEALISM

Communist Theory of Ownership of Land, Put to the Test in Russia, Has Proved Dire Failure in Practice.

Article XXVI.

By FRANK CORMERFORD.

The bolshevik government seized industry; the working men took over the factories. It was part of the plan of communism. The promise was that the socialization of industry would increase production and free the workers from exploitation. The owners and managers were driven from the plants. These men left the floor of the school different men in aspirations and ambitions. Take them back to the factories and you will find that you will find that you have made managers, foremen, experts out of them, and that they are conscious of it. There will be some few whose great idealism will inspire them to go back into the shop and work for the common good. Such men are the exceptions to the rule. The great majority will insist upon recognition of their greater skill and demand compensation for it. Their thoughts would be "Now that I am skilled and educated, now that I am on my shoulders a larger and more important responsibility, I am entitled to increased consideration and a larger reward. Why should I be put on the level with the men who haven't the capacity I have and who do not shoulder the same responsibility I do?" Trotsky's plan reminds me of the intensely maternal hen, that after practicing on white door knobs, discovered some eggs in a barn, and with great enthusiasm began to set. In the course of time her patience and motherhood were rewarded. As soon as her brood was able to walk she took them on an excursion to the river bank to give them a worm for lunch. When she reached the water's edge she was startled at seeing her young ones pebble into the water and without even so much as a good-by, swim off.

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Element of Human Nature.

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While the theory of communism is beautifully ideal, human beings are not. The ugly fact is that selfishness is at the bottom of nearly all personal endeavor. It stimulates men to work. It is that will to work. Two years' experience with communism in Russia proves that the experiment is a failure. It disorganized life, demoralized people and diminished production. Instead of curing poverty, it made poverty universal. Instead of removing the spots of cancer—poverty—from the body of civilization, communism is causing degrading production, is making the entire social body a cancer.

Northern France Recovering.

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J. S. ALLISON, Vice-President.

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