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Share-Croppers and AAA

SENATOR JOE ROBINSON was the spokesman for the new deal in its reply to Al Smith. He tried to hook Al up with the "money bags" of Wall Street, those wicked devils who seek to foil the efforts of the Sir Gallahad of the white house. Senator Joe failed to defend the workings of the new deal in his own state of Arkansas. There the crop reduction program has played havoc with human relations; has set sharecroppers adrift and left negroes without employment save on relief jobs.

Senator Joe can find plenty of words to sustain the white house in its thrusts at capitalist employers; but he has no words in defense of the helpless poor whites and negroes of his own and other states, victims of the triple A program of restricted production. These share-croppers have formed a union, but apparently the national labor relations board has heard nothing about their distresses. Those who join this union are evicted, and blacklisted from getting other jobs. As the union executive secretary writes: "The struggles of the Southern Tenant Farmers Union against the domination of the landlords and planters in Arkansas and other states of the south and southwest have aroused the determined opposition of the plantation interests. Mass evictions of tenants who are members of the union have taken place on numerous plantations. Union meetings have been broken up by planters and officers of the law, while men, women and children have been kicked and flogged, shot, arrested and jailed."

Senator Joe has done nothing to stop the terrorism against these victims of the south's old economic order. He can find words to scourge some of the rich northerners who probably pay the highest wages of any factories in the world, but offers no criticism of the treatment accorded the share-croppers of his own southland.

One of the worst complaints against the AAA was its ruthless disregard of the interests of the workers dependent on normal farming operations—farm laborers, tenants, warehouse hands, boat and railroad and mill workers. These were cut off from their usual occupations, robbed of their livings already very precarious. Even the idealistic Secretary Wallace has overlooked this evil phase of crop reduction.

Court a Bulwark of Liberty

WILL those who have been abusing the supreme court as "old fossils" and "corporation lawyers" (it was the ass from Seattle, Zioncheck, who so labeled them) please pause in their diatribes to take note that by a unanimous decision the high court sustained the constitutional guarantee of freedom of the press, which is one of the provisions of the "bill of rights" embraced in the first ten amendments to the constitution? Abridgment of freedom is the first move of dictatorships, and that was what Huey Long intended when he clapped a high tax designed to apply to only a few papers in Louisiana which were fighting him. The highest court intervened with an order of estoppel. At one time the Minnesota press gag law was ruled invalid by the narrow count of only five to four.

To quote from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, a leading democratic paper, founded by Joseph Pulitzer:

"The United States Supreme Court itself has provided the answer to the question whether we need a supreme bench to apply the test of the Constitution to challenged acts of state legislatures and Congress. By unanimous decision, the nine members of the court yesterday killed the Louisiana newspaper tax law. Had there been no court to invalidate this law, the people of Louisiana would be confronted with the operation of a statute seriously threatening the fundamental constitutional guaranty of freedom of the press."

"The Post-Dispatch has said repeatedly that the guarantee of the Bill of Rights need the protection afforded by judicial review of the acts of legislative bodies. Huey Long's attempted gag rule in Louisiana is a striking case in point."

Tension in Germany

RENEWED drives against Jews and Catholic organizations in Germany is attributed to the need for diverting the public mind. The internal tension in Germany is tremendous. Something may snap. Louis Fischer, leftist journalist, writes from Berlin in The Nation: "The strength of the regime lies in its enemy's disunion, in its own large armed forces, and in the strong, almost mystic hold which Hitler still has over many Germans."

The body of the people are pretty well disillusioned over the reforms promised by the national socialists. The subordinate leaders are not in favor. No election at all was held in 1935. Fischer writes: "I have never known it (Germany) so pessimistic, not even in the worst period of currency inflation, when the suffering was greater. Germans . . . are resigned to a long siege of gloom. No improvement is expected."

While his contacts probably were more with underground socialists, it must be true that the bizarre regime of Hitler's is unstable. It rests on a foundation of mass emotionalism. When the seance fades the awakening may have explosive results.

Sailors Beware

SOMEONE must have called out "Sailors Beware," probably from Washington, to cause the speedy adjustment of the labor difficulties that have harassed ocean transport on this coast for nearly two years. Just at the moment when bitter strife was about to break out anew the sailor groups yielded, and vessels began to move. The action of the International convention in ordering sailors' unions to break off affiliation with the coast Maritime federation is what broke the impasse.

Sailors earn nothing lying in port and cussing the employers. The boats earn nothing. The shippers lose because they are forced to resort to higher priced transportation. It is a mistaken idea to think that strikes bring prosperity to the workmen. They should be avoided like a plague; and resorted to only as the last extremity.

The radical leadership of the Maritime federation is more concerned with communist propaganda than it is with improving the immediate lot of the workers.

Work That Has Endured

A POLITICAL canard which has strange powers of survival is that Hoover "did nothing" to stem the depression. The fact is that several of the best agencies now functioning are those set up under his administration. Roosevelt has continued the RFC with Jesse H. Jones, a Hoover appointee, as the chairman. Under Hoover increased facilities for credit to farmers and to home mortgage organizations were provided that still are flourishing. The "bank for co-operators" was set up in the Hoover administration, and its commissioner said at the meeting of the Oregon cooperative council last week that farmers' cooperatives fared better during the depression than most other businesses; and part of the reason was that credit had been provided by the old farm board.

Salem's Philharmonic orchestra is maturing. Its concert Friday night showed greater assurance. The numbers too were well chosen, with broke brass and drums in them to please those who, like ourselves, brought into music appreciation through listening to the town brass band. At the other extreme, that of pure, limpid music, Dalbert Jepsen's violin concerto was an exquisite number, beautifully done. Besides, we got a chair with a back to it; so we considered the evening quite a success.

The Great Game of Politics

By FRANK R. KENT
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Transparent Tactics

Washington, Feb. 15
THE BEST yardstick by which to measure the strength of Republican Presidential possibilities is the degree to which the New Deal publicity agents extend themselves to disparage them.

THERE ARE a lot of these agents. Some of the paid variety are the chief treasury; some of the Federal funds; others, more or less unofficial, are attracted to the White House side by a variety of personal reasons, not paid in cash but compensated in sundry subtle ways. Lump them together and they constitute a more formidable propaganda machine than any President ever had. One indictment of the New Deal is that its agencies are not coordinated and often operate at cross purposes. For example, there are some 15 separate divisions dealing with the housing problem. No such charge will be against the units (many more than 18) of the propaganda department. It is true they function separately, but they all aim in the same direction. The objective is to exalt Mr. Roosevelt and smear the figures calculated to menace his political career.

IT IS interesting to observe them in action. Their fire is leveled upon every aspirant who appears likely to develop strength as a candidate. For months it has been recognized that the Republican choice probably would be upon one of three men—Colonel Knox of Illinois; Senator Vandenberg of Michigan, and Governor Landon of Kansas. All three seem to be getting their turn upon the griddle. Colonel Knox, who some time ago appeared in the lead—and still is well up toward the front—ran into a grand journalistic barrage, in which he found himself accused of being for the bonus, told his farm plan was cockeyed, and the public generally informed that he had "talked himself out of the race." Then came Senator Vandenberg. The line taken with him was that he is a trimmer, a "yes and no" man, re-elected largely because he was mildly pro-New Deal. The chief assault came in Professor Moley's magazine, financed by the great proletrian, Mr. Vincent Astor. But the same note ran through the whole literary output. It ignored, of course, the rather important facts that Mr. Vandenberg voted against AAA, NRA, WPA and the bonus—twice.

NOW, it seems the turn of Governor Landon, whose speech a few weeks ago got an unusually favorable reception, though it certainly was not a great speech. He is soon to make another. The Administration wants to spike this Landon effort, just as it wanted to spike the Smith speech last months. Some amazing overtures were then made to certain conspicuous anti-New Deal Democrats in an effort to have them make a public pro-Roosevelt statement just ahead of the Smith attack. With Mr. Landon's disparagement is taking two forms. One is talk that he is that dreadful thing, a "drinking dry," with whispers that later on he is to be "dynamited," and reproductions of speeches made before repeal. The other is the effort to show that while he did balance the Kansas budget and reduce taxes, that really amounted to nothing at all. He could not have avoided balancing the budget. A feeble-minded child could have done that. Anyhow, Kansas got a million millions of Federal money for relief, and the Governor is nothing but an old fak. That is the gist of the argument and its original promulgator was Mr. Harry Hopkins of the WPA. It is going reviewed now evidently with the idea of crimping the Landon style.

IN contrast to these attempts to disparage is the boosting of the venerable Borah. Senator Borah is a semi-inflationist, a bonus supporter, a real Prohibitionist, a free silviculture and a septuagenarian. His nomination would be like a gift straight from the gods to the New Dealers, but that they do not expect. The next best thing is to encourage the Borah boom as the greatest potential troublemaker for the Republicans.

To this end the New Deal publicists are Mr. Borah's most ardent boosters. They cheer his attacks upon the "Old Guard," love him when he howls for "liberalization," think it grand when he lights into the "favorite sons."

It is all a pretty transparent business, but it takes some people in. There are even indications that to some extent it takes in Mr. Borah himself. Despite those deeply discerning people from whom nothing can be hidden, and who would have us believe Mr. Borah a wily old boy just having a lot of good sense, the fact is that he takes the situation with solemnity too awful not to be real.

Start Pouring Cement
On New Dayton School

DAYTON, Feb. 15.—Pouring cement was started Thursday at the new Dayton union high school building in course of construction with a crew of 16 men.

Mrs. Fred Matches entertained the Kiwanoid club with a Valentine bridge party at her home Thursday evening with 12 members and one guest, Mrs. Paul Lundershausen, present. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Matches served refreshments in keeping with the Valentine theme. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mitchell.

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Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

The city of Stayton . . . 2-14-36

Its trade district has interesting history:

(Continuing from yesterday.) The answer under date of Feb. 7 of H. C. Porter, Aumsville's most prominent citizen and oldest native son, follows:

"In answer to yours of the 3rd, will state that Allen J. Davie married a daughter of Gabriel Brown, and that his donation land claim joined Brown's on the west."

"Henry Foster married another one of his daughters, and his donation land claim joined Brown's on the south."

"Lovy Gartman married another daughter, and his claim joined Brown's on the north."

"Gabriel Brown's son, James D. Brown, owned a claim about a mile or a mile and a quarter north of Sublimity on the east side of the road opposite and east of the Philip Glover donation land claim."

"John Brown I believe was Gabriel Brown's youngest son, and he lived near Sublimity, but just where his claim was located I do not know. It was perhaps joining Gabriel Brown's claim on the east, and if James Denny may have bought land on the claim, it would be left off the town of Sublimity."

"John Brown was living in southern Oregon and took part in the Modoc war, as a volunteer I suppose, and was reported as missing." However, George Davis, a barber at Stayton and a grandson of A. J. Davie, told me a few days ago that his body and those of four other men were found in the lava beds after the war was over.

"A little later there was another family of Browns near Sublimity, the father's name being Merrett. He (I do not know just how this name was spelled), and he had five sons, the eldest one being named James, who was of dark complexion, and in order to distinguish him from Gabriel Brown's son James, they were referred to as black Jim and sandy Jim."

"A. J. Davie's oldest daughter married Louis Miller and Miller's daughter married Isaac Small, the father of Brazier Small."

"I do not know anything about August or Joseph Hendricks. As they crossed the plains with our people in 1848, it might be that some of the Hendrickses stopped off in this neighborhood for a while, but I do not think this was the case."

"Robert Downing of Salem or

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Bashford mentions in the '42 immigration Gabriel Brown and family, and, separately, James Brown, and William Brown.

Bashford gives "Foster" as a member of the '42 immigration. No doubt the Henry Foster who married a daughter of Gabriel Brown was in that immigration.

Henry Porter accounts for four Gabriel Brown daughters married to men in the Stayton-Sublimity-Aumsville district. There was at least one more Gabriel Brown daughter. She was Adaline, married to Medeson Crawford, who old mission 10 miles by water below the site of Salem, an incident of one of the early and outstanding romances of pioneer Oregon.

(Continued on Tuesday.)

Health

By Royal S. Copeland, M.D.

FACIAL NEURALGIA is a painful and annoying affliction. It is sometimes spoken of as "tic douloureux." The symptoms are produced by a disturbance of the "trigeminal nerve." On this account the doctors refer to the ailment as "trigeminal neuralgia."

Without previous warning the sufferer is seized with violent pain on one side of the face. This attack is often described as coming "like a bolt of lightning." It lasts for several minutes and then disappears as quickly as it came. Unfortunately, the attacks recur at frequent intervals. The pain may be so severe as to require an opiate of some kind.

An attack may be brought on by washing the face, by talking or eating, or by smiling. The sufferer soon learns to avoid those particular movements that tend to bring on a spasms.

Cause Not Known

Though the actual cause of trigeminal neuralgia is unknown, many plausible theories are presented. An infection in the teeth is always regarded as an important factor in producing this disease. But when once the neuralgia has made its beginning, removal of the bad teeth has no control over the symptoms. Pressure on the nerves from hardening of the blood vessels is regarded by some as a factor that must be considered.

As a rule trigeminal neuralgia occurs in persons of middle or advanced age. Only in rare instances are young adults afflicted with it. Women are more susceptible to the ailment than are men.

It is only during the past decade that the sufferer from this disorder has been offered hope of relief. Two methods of treatment are available. They are spoken of as the "conservative" and the "radical" treatments.

Inhalant Used
The conservative method is to inhale the sufferer is taught how to inhale a substance which the doctor will prescribe. It has a big name, "trichloroethylene." Twenty to thirty drops are placed on a handkerchief or piece of cloth which is held closely to the nose. The fumes are inhaled until no odor remains on the cloth.

This treatment is used by those who favor it two or three times a day. It is continued for weeks even though the pain disappears.

If this treatment does not prove to be beneficial, alcohol is injected directly into the nerve trunk. Contrary to the popular belief this is not a dangerous procedure. When successful the pain is markedly less and the attacks are no longer experienced.

The more radical treatment involves the actual removal of the root of the nerve. This is a simple operation in the hands of a surgeon who is trained and experienced in this field. It is only advised in those cases where all other forms of treatment have failed.

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J. B. Grier of Stayton might be able to give you some light on the matter. Carter Keen was an early settler and owned a donation land claim about one and a half miles northwest of Stayton. But the Keen family have long been residents of French Prairie. J. B. Grier of Stayton could give you much information about the early residents of Sublimity and vicinity.

"There was Charley Benson, known by everybody for his eccentricities and uprightness of character. Mrs. Benson was a Greenest and when I was first discovered she walked six or seven miles and cared for me the first few weeks of my existence. She afterward named one of her boys after me, the late Henry Benson, who recently passed away on the old homestead."

"Mrs. Herman Schellberg of Salem is a daughter of Charles Benson."

"There are so many of these old pioneers who played an important part in the laying of the foundation of this western empire, men and women who long since crossed the great divide and their names are being forgotten, leaving to the people of Oregon a sacred obligation they owe to these early pioneers to perpetuate their memories in some way."

"And, as I have heretofore suggested, that a suitable room be set apart and dedicated to their memory and their names alphabetically arranged in volumes properly indexed of all who came to Oregon or were born here prior to the year 1860, said room to be constructed in our new state capitol now being planned, I hereby renew my plea that a room in our new capitol be devoted to the pioneers of Oregon."

The reader has no doubt noted that the Bits man spells the name Davy—Allen Jones Davy, whereas Mr. Porter spells it Davie, long with many others; and, be it known, many writers of Oregon history have made it Davy. The Bits man holds that he is correct, and has heretofore argued his side of the case in this column.

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The Safety Valve

Letters from Statesman Readers

MORE RELIEF
If the fellow who stole my trailer, wheel, tire, tube and all, will call at my front door I shall return to him his wrench. He made his get-away so hastily, evidently, that he overlooked it. Perhaps he was so hungry or thirsty that he thought only of getting the prize sold and getting something to eat—or drink. But "non pro word and honor," if New Dealers won't loan him a shovel handle with which to "keep the wolf from the door" because he was sufficiently honorable to make his own living all summer, why, I'll return to him the wrench.

Or perhaps he is unfortunate enough to be on direct relief and unable to wrest a sufficient amount to keep his children from crying for bread. In that case, he may have the wrench and a hand-out, too. "He that hath mercy on the poor lengtheneth unto the Lord; and that which he hath given will he pay him again."—Prov. 19:17.

Crime and burglary are on the increase in Salem. Is it any wonder? People will eat. And if the existing governments will not furnish it, then the hungry men and women will eat. Four billions and more of relief monies, also two millions of booze money right in our own state—and yet citizens go hungry and poorly clad. To be specific: I know of one elderly lady who clawed her breakfast out of the garbage behind a store. Her name is "The Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave!"

I read in the Christian Builders' Blueprint about feeding the hungry and clothing the naked. Will they come forth in the hour of human crisis? As Ralph Waldo Emerson challenges: "Go up your creed into your deed; Nor speak with double tongue."

Will they, or will they not let George do it all—if he can. Very truly yours,
FRANK CHEDESTER.

Girl's League Gives Valentine Tea Friday After Monmouth Game
INDEPENDENCE, Feb. 15.—The girl's league of Independence high school, gave a Valentine tea Friday afternoon following the girls' basketball game with Monmouth High. They had as their guests the Monmouth girls' team, the faculty members and some of the parents of the girls' league members.

A program was presented in the form of a skit entitled "She Got Her Man," the twelve characters

The Lid Is Off!



"HIGH SCHOOL TRAGEDY"

By MAXINE CANTY

CHAPTER XXXIV
The Inspector's next victim was Mrs. Carrington.

"To you I grant less cowardice. But you were still intent, even as these others, upon preserving your own, even to the extent of sacrificing others. You were jealous of your husband's renewed interest in his childhood sweetheart. You were arrogant and proud and assumed the person to efface yourself. You have been in your handling of the affair. I do not believe your motive, when you demanded that Miss Sinclair rectify the situation, was love of your husband so much as a selfish pride that refused to admit another woman's attractiveness."

"You are a deliberate and calculating personality. You have stated that you decided either you or Miss Carrington's life. You are not out of love to Miss Sinclair. You are a woman with gangland connections. In your rage of frustration, in your frenzy of fear, you ran down the stairs, leaving behind you the end of your periled death for the innocent teacher!"

O'Brien rose. His great finger leveled itself at the principal of the high school.

"Frederick Perkins, I charge you with the murder of Miss Constance Sinclair!"

"I didn't believe it. I didn't believe it even when Perkins, looking like a gasping goldfish my brother once held out of the water when we were kids, flopped with open mouth and set eyes to the floor in a dead faint. I didn't believe it even when the other five almost collapsed from sheer relief. I still didn't believe it after Allen had kissed me and gone and the others were cleared out by the detectives. O'Brien wiped the perspiration from his forehead."

"When Miss Julie, I don't often put on my imperiousness. I don't think of it." What did you think of it?"

"I thought it was swell," I said, "only I think you picked the wrong horse."

O'Brien was too amazed to be angry at my imperiousness. I hastily went on, but covered slyly. "The case against him isn't any sounder than that against any of the other five, except in the point of time, is it?"

And it seems to me that that is offset by something awfully important that you forgot. You didn't provide him with a gun anywhere along the line. You base the whole thing on his sudden realization of the situation after he got there that night, on his acting on violent impulse. If she had been choked to death, or hit over the head with a book, or something, it might have been different. I was terribly sure of myself. Everything he had said in summarizing the cases against the six that afternoon had strengthened my conclusion."

"Then, what, Miss Watson, is your discovery?"

If he was sarcastic, I was too much in earnest to notice it, then, I told him about Poe's Purloined Letter and how finding the obvious solved that mystery. I told him I had thought and thought about the obvious clue which would point out the murderer to us surely. And

twenty. She was alive, you say. Yet in ten minutes she is known to have been dead. You were the last to hear her speak, and the worst she said threw you into despair. You were in love with her. Her manner, her speech, her whole self drove home to you the conviction that she was beyond any reach of yours. You could not offer her marriage because you were secretly a married man!"

The Inspector paused and then resumed sternly:

"Your wife, who at first condoned your visits to the teacher because they were a blind for your secret relation to her, heard your avowal of love to Miss Sinclair. You are afraid of your wife, for she is a passionate, determined woman, a woman with gangland connections. In your rage of frustration, in your frenzy of fear, you ran down the stairs, leaving behind you the end of your periled death for the innocent teacher!"

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of the play dealt with different phases of health. Girls in charge of tea and program were: Lorena, Birchfield, Jean, Ellen, Irvine, Lillian, Holschek, Frances, Knott, Francis, Ithit, Marr, Marie, Williams and June Ramey.

Linn County Agent Ordered to Resume Compliance Reports
ALBANY, Feb. 15.—According to an announcement by County Agent Floyd Mullen, he has received orders, via telegraph from Washington, D. C., to resume making compliance reports, preparatory to payment to Linn County farmers for corn, hog and wheat control. According to the ruling of the Supreme Court holding the act unconstitutional, is restored at least for the present.

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Twenty Years Ago
February 15, 1916
Engineer Joseph Wears of Portland was in Salem yesterday investigating the location for the new Marion-Polk county bridge.

Knights of Pythias will celebrate the 52nd anniversary of the founding of the order tonight.

There is a real estate boom on in Chicago, the wildest one in its history.

Ten Years Ago
February 15, 1926
New York gave the captain and crew of the President Roosevelt a tremendous ovation today. The vessel rescued 25 seamen from a sinking British freighter in mid-ocean.

The city council has voted to declare the office of the city health officer vacant and to put \$1150 of the health fund into the salary of the full-time doctor, Vernon Douglas.

Brrr! But It's Warm in Oregon Aver Murdock
MONMOUTH, Feb. 15.—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Murdock who have been visiting in Chicago with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Murdock, since late October, are back in Monmouth and expressing loud appreciation of Oregon weather. Snow and cold in the midwest proved more than these elderly Oregon fans could abide. Mr. and Mrs. Murdock celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary in October, Monmouth has been their home 25 years.

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