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Psychoanalyzing the Recession

Just incidentally in the course of a dissertation on a larger subject, "Capitalism Without Capital," a writer in Harper's, George Soule, presents an interesting theory to account for lack of capital investments which amounts to a psychoanalysis of the obvious lack of confidence.

First declaring that danger of inflation, heavy taxation, the capital gains and undistributed profits taxes, the spread of unionism under the Wagner act, government competition with business and regulation of the stock market are not barriers so great as the similar ones which other countries have surmounted in regaining prosperity, Soule concludes that the lack of confidence is principally psychological.

Then, to account for this present fear which is freezing up the heavy goods industries because no industry is spending money for expansion, Soule suggests that people with capital are afraid because they have always been afraid. They acquired capital, he reasons, because they were afraid of poverty, afraid to be without the protection which money could provide. Equipped with capital, they ceased to be afraid, but the fear was still present beneath the surface.

Came 1929 and it began to appear that money and its equivalents did not constitute the protection that these people had supposed, so the fears came to the surface again. That, he reasons, explains the fact that when recovery began late in 1933, it was an unhealthy recovery based almost entirely upon circulation of the money that new deal measures released, because, as has been pointed out repeatedly, there were no investments for new factories, for plant modernization, for expansion.

The fear endures because, no matter how learnedly economists expound upon the causes of the original depression nor how correct their analyses may be, these people with money who were shaken out of their feeling of security never have been convinced that any of these theories were correct. Their enemy is a phantom and they don't know where to attack him. So they hide their fears and these once more become dangerous, subconscious motivating forces.

In this frame of mind, it may be that their fear is fed almost to the point of panic by the tactics of President Roosevelt; more by what he says than by what he does, and more by the uncertainty of his course than by its general trend, just as a child is upset more by a parent's unpredictability than by the sternness of his discipline—so reasons Soule.

There are two courses which government might follow to cure the patient; cut loose all these restrictions upon business and turn sick capital loose into the sunshine to recover with nature's help, or else operate—that is, promote the cure with more government regulation. Soule favors the latter course at least with respect to housing, the railroads and the utilities. Government can, if it will, get these essential organs of the economic body to functioning, he reasons. His final warning is that if the capitalistic system is not put back into working order, "the outcome that is most dreaded"—socialism—will surely follow.

A Murderer Graduates

Among all the thousands of boys and girls who received high school diplomas in the last couple of weeks, there was none exactly like Herbert Nicolls, for whom individual commencement exercises were held in Walla Walla Thursday night. The diploma handed to him says that he is a graduate of Walla Walla high school, but the exercises were held behind the walls of the Washington state penitentiary.

Herbert, who will be 19 years old on the 19th of this month, is a life termer. Back in 1931, when he was 12, he broke into a grocery store at Astoria, Wash., to steal some tobacco. A burglar alarm was set off and when Sheriff Wormell entered to investigate, this 12-year old boy shot him fatally.

His commitment to the penitentiary presented the authorities there with an unusual problem but it was just the every day penology problem carried to the ultimate degree. Here was a boy, too young to be a criminal; a boy who was a criminal only by the force of circumstances which included lack of opportunity and home training. Yes, of course, he came from a broken home. And here he was, plumped down in the midst of the prison environment. Hard-boiled but conscientious prison authorities must have felt much as did those officers and crewmen of a British battleship who found, among their cargo of Spanish refugees, three women about to deliver.

However, the prison authorities went about the job that confronted them. They isolated the boy as much as possible from convict influences. The Walla Walla superintendent of schools took charge of his education, brought him books and an old school desk. In the prison library Herbert went to work. Some of his teachers were officials and guards, others were convicts, despite some protest when outsiders heard about it. These convict teachers were present at last Thursday night's graduation exercises.

Herbert has done well in his studies, particularly in music and mechanical drawing. He has repaired radio sets and built model airplanes. As a student he has done as well, considering the handicaps, as most boys on the outside. He has proven tractable and teachable. That much represents a gain over what he must have been before 1931.

To what purpose? At age 21, or some other age in the fairly near future, is Herbert going to be ready to take his place in the world outside the walls? He has shown promise under direction and discipline. Will he be able to "go it alone"? If it seems that he can, even those stern people who rage at the "coddling" of convicts will scarcely contend that his place is still behind the bars.

If the Washington prison authorities have made a man out of this unpromising material, it can scarcely be said that penology is a fruitless science.

That "WPA, Here We Come" slogan attributed first to a high school graduation class in Montana, is certainly getting around. Dexter M. Keizer in mentioning it at Salem high graduation exercises Thursday night, placed it in Colorado. The case there was not that it was actually the class slogan, but appeared in a banner headline on the commencement edition of a high school paper. If we are correctly informed, The Grants Pass Courier gives credit—or discredits—to a California high school, which of course was inevitable sooner or later.

Since quoting eminent authorities last week to the effect that government ownership of railroads is coming because they will never pull out of the slump caused by the combination of rising costs and government regulation, it comes to our attention that the Mexican railroads are also in a pickle. Down there they have government ownership, with the unions in charge of operation, but the railroads are demanding a 100 per cent increase in rates or a loan of \$50,000,000 pesos.

President Roosevelt made reference to the limited meaning of that word "bachelor" included in collegiate degrees, when he addressed the Annapolis graduating class. The real inference is that one with only a "bachelor" degree is not yet truly wedded to knowledge.

The English team won the Walker cup, outstanding award in golf competition, for the first time in the long series of matches between English and American teams. Of course it's just coincidence that the English team was selected this year from among the ranks of English golfers, and not strictly from the social register.

The present government of Mexico calls itself "The Revolution," even though it has been rather firmly in the saddle for a number of years. The idea may be that as long as this "The Revolution," there can't be any new revolution of real authenticity.

History of Dallas Shown in Pageant

Crowd of 3000 Is Present for Event Put on by School Students

DALLAS—An estimated crowd of 3000 people or more was present Friday night for the pageant depicting the history of Dallas which was given at La Creole field by students of the three Dallas schools. People were present from various towns and communities of Polk county and from several other towns and cities over the state. The crowd attending Friday night is said by old-timers here to be one of the largest ever to gather in Dallas.

The pageant was opened by Queen Beatrice following her coronation by Supt. R. R. Turner. Attendants of Queen Beatrice were Princesses Mildred Voth and Beverly Branch. Little Miss "Dimpy" Spaulding was crown bearer and little Miss Anne Louise Kutch and Mary Dick Craven were flower girls.

The pageant depicted seven epochs in the history of Dallas starting with the coming of the pioneers and ending with the modern Dallas of 1938.

Interesting parts of the pageant included the changing of the name of Cynthia Ann to Dallas, the locating of the county seat, the burning of the courthouse, Dallas during the World war and lastly modern times.

The different means of travel depicted in the several epochs featured the coming of the early scouts by foot and horseback and the pioneers in the covered wagons drawn by ox team and horses, later the settlers using wagons, buggies and surreys and still later the automobile.

The chief characters were Charles Lynn as Nathaniel Ford; Donald Sanders as David Goff; Donald Senter, Cary Embree; Harold Peterson as John Lyle; Thomas Riggs as John Lee; Ralph Russell, Nicholas Lee; Lloyd Linn, Horace Lyman; mony; Gilbert Schneider and Harold Hamm, contest speakers; temperance speaker, La Von Ford; Warren Bennett, storekeeper; Dudley Norman, saloon keeper; Bruce Perry, Chinese laundryman; Warren Bennett, unlawful citizen, and Hubert Springsteen, sheriff.

Miss Unrath Director Naomi Hayes appeared as a solo dancer and Hubert Springsteen as vocal soloist.

Miss Anna Mae Unrath was general director. She was assisted by a number of faculty members and a large number of students.

Following the pageant an old-time fiddlers' contest and dance were held in the high school gymnasium under the sponsorship of the Dallas chamber of commerce. Prizes in the contest were won by Jim DeWitt of Monmouth who received the first prize of \$5; L. C. DeWitt of Dallas, the second prize of \$3, and the third prize of \$2 went to Frank Searle of Dallas. The prizes were donated by the chamber of commerce.

In connection with the pageant, Miss Esther Greenwell, assisted by a group of students, arranged an excellent exhibit of heliostats which has been on display the past week in the windows of two business houses.

George F. LeFleur Dies at Woodburn

WOODBURN—George Francis LeFleur, 81, died at his home on West Cleveland street Sunday afternoon after a week's illness with pneumonia.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon, June 7, at 2:30 p.m. from the Beecher-O'Hair chapel with Rev. George R. Crowley officiating. Burial will be in Belle Vista cemetery.

He was born July 2, 1857, in Essex county, New York, and came from Wisconsin to Woodburn over 30 years ago and has lived here ever since. He worked on the Oregon Electric railroad as a bridge carpenter for a number of years and later was watchman for the company at Portland where he was injured a number of years ago and has since been unable to work.

Surviving are two sisters, Ella Clark of Woodburn and Alice Mack, of El Paso, Texas, brother, William E. LeFleur of Neillville, Wisconsin, a niece, Alice Rofinot of Woodburn and one nephew, Jim Clark, of Salem.

Woman Is Found Dead, Silverton

SILVERTON—Christine Thompson, 75, was found dead in her bed Sunday night when a neighbor, Hans Jensen, called to see how she was. Mrs. Thompson has been living alone on "B" street.

She had suffered from a heart ailment for a number of years. It was believed that she had died sometime during Saturday night. Funeral arrangements are in charge of Larson & Son.

Survivors include the following children: Ernest of Idaho; Tom of Seattle, Herbert, Portland, Lars of Louisiana; and Mrs. Ole Spilde of Albany.

General Marshall Will Address CCC Graduates

SILVERTON HILLS—General Marshall of the Vancouver barracks will be the speaker of the CCC graduation at Silver Falls Tuesday night. He will also present the diplomas. The American Legion Junior band, directed by Hal Campbell, will play during the evening.

"Voice of the Deep"



Ten Years Ago

June 7, 1928
Fire will be started in Salem's new city incinerator at 9:30 this morning, according to W. H. Dancy, chairman of committee.

Charles A. Levine, owner of monoplane Columbia in which Miss Mabel Boil and a 2-man crew plan to make a trans-Atlantic flight will take off tomorrow morning.

Announcement has been made by Willamette university trustees that Professor Florian Von Eschen, head of chemistry department has resigned and that Professor C. H. Johnson now teaching chemistry at Oregon State college would succeed him.

Twenty Years Ago

June 7, 1918
H. H. Corey, member of public service commission, has been appointed on committee on public utility rates of the national association of railway and utilities commissioners.

Lt. Julius Garinobst, who has been stationed at Fort Riley, Kas., has been visiting for a few days in Salem.

O. A. Hartman, one of Salem's prominent jewelers, was yesterday elected president of Oregon Retail Jewellers association convention which closed last night at Marion hotel.

Licensed to Wed

DALLAS—A marriage license was issued here recently by County Clerk Carl E. Graves to Ernest Landers, 25, laborer, Corvallis, and Bertha Hilbrand, 25, domestic, Dallas.

Middies Hold Color Ceremony



Traditional color ceremony takes the stage at the naval academy at Annapolis, Md., as the middies launch commencement week. In this photo, Capt. M. F. Draxel, commandant of midshipmen, salutes to passing middies as the color girl, Ruth Scheldinger of Monroe, Mich., stands at his side.

Interpreting the News

By MARK SULLIVAN

WASHINGTON, June 6.—The most important issue in the current party primaries, by far the most important, the one that transcends all others and symbolizes everything else, is the fate of a group of 9 democratic senators. They are singled out by one fact—they oppose President Roosevelt's court measure a year ago. They are singled out by the action of the administration in making war on them. More than 9 democratic senators opposed the court measure; 32 opposed it. But this group of 9 are the ones whose senatorial terms end this year, and who therefore come up for re-nomination in the current primaries. Against all 9 the administration has decreed extermination, "purge." Against 7 of the 9 candidates have already been set up, candidates who describe themselves or permit themselves to be described, as 100 per cent for the president, candidates who in some of the cases were more or less sought out and set up by the administration at Washington, who in all the cases will have the benefit of the administration's relief funds and other leverages of pressure. If in two of the cases candidates have not yet been set up, the reason is merely that the dates on which they come up for re-nomination are still far ahead.

The names of the 9 and the dates of the primaries (in two cases, conventions) in their states are as follows—In Connecticut the date is not yet set. June 6—Iowa, Gillette. July 11—Indiana, Var. Nays. August 30—South Carolina, Smith. September 6—Nevada, McCarran. September 6—Georgia, George. September 12—Maryland, Tyngs. September 13—Colorado, Adams.

These 9 are the "no" senators on the president's court proposal. Against these 9, Venetia Wab is declared. Rather, it is not declared, it is just waged, like Japan's war in China. President Roosevelt takes infinite and devious pains to have the war against these 9 carried on without himself being directly and overtly involved. The first battle occurs in Iowa on Monday.

The aspects this situation presents, the questions involved, the consequences of the action are many and far-reaching. What will the Republicans do? The war, so far, is within democratic primaries. In several cases, such as Maryland, republicans can do nothing, for Maryland law does not permit republicans to vote in democratic primaries. In other states, such as Iowa and Missouri, republicans can help, for in these states the primary laws permit members of one party to participate in the primaries of the other.

What will be the strategy of that wing of the democratic party which approves these 9 senators for voting against the court measure? Is there any unified strategy, and lend command managing the fight in behalf of these 9, as there is a unified head at Washington directing the fight against them?

I feel like saying, as Will Rogers used to say, "I don't know anything about politics or war. But all authorities on the latter are agreed on one maxim: 'The best defense is offense.' If this strategy is used, it will direct its fire against another group of democratic senators—the ones who were "yes" senators on the president's court bill.

The democratic senators who were "yes" senators on the court bill, and who have come up or will come up in primaries this year, are 18. In printing the names of them, I should explain that it is difficult to make an exact list. For there was never any roll-call directly on the court bill. But of the following, some made public declarations in support of the bill. Others took a position in support of the bill in other ways, public or tacit. I think the list is correct. The 18 democratic "yes" senators were:

Barkley, Kentucky; Berry, Tennessee; Bone, Washington; Brown, New Hampshire; Bulkley, Ohio; Caraway, Arkansas; Dietrich, Illinois; Duffy, Wisconsin; Hayden, Arizona; Hitchcock, South Dakota; McAdoo, California; McGill, Kansas; Pepper, Florida; Pope, Idaho; Reynolds, North Carolina; Thomas, Oklahoma; Thomas, Utah; Wagner, New York.

Of these, three have already met judgment. One Dietrich, Illinois, did not run—the circumstances of his retirement suggest that his support of the court bill was an impediment to him. Another, Hitchcock, South Dakota, ran and was defeated. A third, Pepper, Florida, ran and was victorious.

The other 15 come up in democratic primaries on various dates from now until September.

SCOTT'S MILLS — The Royal Neighbors club held its June meeting in the Scotts Mills park Friday, with 16 members of the Silverton RNA club guests. They were Mesdames Josephine Hartman, Eva Zimmerman, M. A. Dahl, Bertha Morley, Mabel Kirk and son Vernon, Mary Herr, Deleores and Gordon, Pearl Skipper and daughter Hava, Edith Grace, Gertrude Moon, Hattie Benson, Clara Enloe, Maud Peel, Nettie Thomas, Mary Moon, Alice Egan and Edith Hogg of Salem. The annual club picnic will be held Sunday, July 24, at the park here.

Mr. and Mrs. August Percy have returned from Glendora, California. They reported the temperature of that place at 106 degrees.

Honored on Birthday Mrs. Winnie Helms entertained at a beautiful dinner Friday for her daughter Louise who was 12 years old. Guests were Phyllis Helms, Elsie and Gale Jackson, Avanda Owens and Jean Magee. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Millard were hosts at a party for Mr. Millard Sunday school class one night last week.

The following program was presented at the commencement exercises here Friday night: Processional, Margaret Chun; invocation, Rev. Macy; vocal solo, Richard Boyd; address, Prof. Frank Childs; vocal solo, Mignon Macy; presentation of diploma, Mary L. Fulkerson; vocal solo, Richard Boyd; benediction, Rev. Macy; recessional, Margaret Chun.

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Outstanding

That Is the Word for These Programs—

The Johnson Family—1:45 p. m.

Community Hall—2:15 p. m.

Morton Gould's Music—4:00 p. m.

Howie Wing—5:30 p. m.

The Shadow—7:30 p. m.

Just Think—8:30 p. m.

Don't You Believe It—9:45 p. m.

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