

Fear—a Parasite and Cannibal— Plays a Part in Human Race

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK—(AP)—Fear has a home in you. It has a home in every man.
Fear is a color—yellow. Fear has a taste—and men in war know its acrid flavor. Fear is a hand clutching at your throat, or squeezing your vitals.
Fear is a parasite and a can-

nibal, feeding on you and on itself. And as it feeds it grows.
Fear wears many faces and moves with many sounds. To a soldier on patrol it is a football in the dark. To a mother it may be a new note in her baby's cry. To a drunk it is the last drop in his last bottle. To the family man it is the pink dismissal slip in his

pay envelope. To the miner it is the warning rumble of falling rock.

Fear is every place in the world. But different places have different fears.

People who live in big cities have fears all their own. These fears come with the cities, and will pass perhaps only when the cities are gone.

One of the strangest big city fears is that of being hit by something falling. It is a fear that becomes stronger with many persons the longer they live amid Manhattan's high canyon walls.

What could hurt them? Icicles crashing down hundreds of feet from skyscraper towers in winter. A window washer's bucket slipping from a ledge. Lighted cigar stubs tossed from a high window. A flower pot falling from a penthouse farmer's garden. Miscellaneous objects thrown from upper-level apartment by quarreling couples or playful children.

New York is a city of tunnels, and most of its passenger traffic moves underground on the subways. Many of the tunnels burrow beneath rivers, and there is always fear in some riders that the tunnel walls will give way, crushing the trains with concrete and water.

Perhaps the greatest fear among women is to walk a dark street alone. A wave of "muggles"—robberies by prowlers who choke their victims—creates terror in millions of hearts.

The fear of being lonely here is common, but it has a terrible quality in New York, because it is always worse to be lonely in a crowd. There are more hermits in this city than in all the deserts of the West.

The fear here isn't what your neighbor may think of you, but rather that he'll try to become friendly—and expect something from you. The fear of being late to work, home, or play explains why New Yorkers are always in a hurry.

But the fear of fears in this market place of the world, where every kind of talent seeks a buyer, is the fear of failure—the fear of falling behind the mob that clamors for what you seek. This is the fear that makes the human race—so hard.

AT DEXTER

DEXTER—Mrs. Sam Bergstrom and son Burt have arrived from Auburn, Wash., to be with Mr. Bergstrom. Burt will enter U. of O. this fall.

Mrs. Clifford Warner and three children are here from Kansas and visiting the Warner and Stevens families.

Mrs. Ray Quick and daughter Caroline left Sunday morning to visit relatives in Wisconsin. They will be away for a month.

AT DANEGO

DANEGO—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Horellou and daughter Roberta and son Tommy of Portland visited Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Bacon of Dove Lane for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hammond and new baby, Gordon Hammond are visiting at the Paul Brithard home. Mrs. Pritchard is caring for the mother and baby.

Simple Form Too Confusing

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The treasury has come to the conclusion that its "simplified" income tax form used by wage earners is too confusing.

It will be abolished as a tax form next year.

Treasury Secretary John W. Snyder said that a four-year test of the Form—W-2—has proved it has "caused much confusion."

Form W-2 is the one wage earners receive from their employers

showing their total salary and withholding tax for the year. They could fill it out, mail it in and let the government figure their tax.

Most of the confusion, treasury said, "to simplify language and many wage earners worked for more than one employer during the year and had difficulty deciding how to fill out the forms."

Hereafter, it will serve merely as a receipt to the employee for wages and withholding tax. Snyder said that form 1040-A will be revised and simplified to incorporate the present good features of Form W-2 and eliminate its defects.

Farmer Shot In Bible Theft

HARRISONVILLE, Mo.—(AP)—Sheriff's deputies Monday hunted for three gunmen who shot an elderly farmer when he refused to tell where he had hidden an ancient and rare German Lutheran bible.

After wounding 63-year-old J. Frank Miller in his home seven miles north of here Sunday, the bandits ransacked his home, found the Bible, and fled in a late model car.

Miller later worked himself loose from his bonds and staggered to a neighbor's home for aid. Attendants at Memorial Hospital said Miller was treated for a flesh wound in the neck and dismissed. Miller's son, Joe, of Pleasant Hill, Mo., told Cass County Sheriff

Temple Forrest that the Bible was one of only two in existence was "between 400 and 500 years old." He said it had been in his family for many generations. "I once read in a newspaper," he said, "that a similar Bible, quite as old, had sold for \$40,000 and is in a museum in England."

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