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"With or without offense to friends or foes
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New Deal and Labor

Of the failure of New Deal experiments to solve the unemployment problem, the American Federation at its spring meeting at Miami, Florida, declared:

Unemployment is still the most acute problem of the nation. No orderly or intelligent effort has yet been made to determine the facts with regard to its causes, its extent and cure. As a nation we have not hesitated to spend billions for relief of those who are unemployed, but we have neglected to take the necessary steps to reduce and end unemployment.

At this time there are not enough jobs in private industry to go around. This is largely due, in our opinion, to the fact that lack of confidence has stunted business growth and expansion. We, therefore, demand that those in authority take whatever steps may be necessary to restore business confidence. We urge that all government actions that tend to unnecessarily discourage business expansion cease and that a positive effort be made to encourage greater industrial activity. We have learned the lesson that when opportunities for profit diminish, opportunities for jobs likewise disappear.

John L. Lewis, head and official spokesman of the rival labor organization, the CIO, which donated to the Roosevelt campaign in 1936 the largest sum ever given to a political campaign, said last January:

The democratic party is in default to the American people. After seven years of power it finds itself without solution for the major problems of unemployment, low national income, mounting internal debt, increasing direct and consumer taxation and restricted foreign markets. There still exists the same national unhappiness that it faced seven years ago. Labor and the people are losing confidence. They fear for the future, and rightly so.

If Mr. Roosevelt, with unlimited power and the expenditure of \$60 billions could not solve the unemployment problem in two terms, he certainly could not in a third with a continuation of futile experiments. The many compulsory laws have not benefited the working man seeking jobs though they have enriched the labor bosses and racketeers and promoted labor turmoil.

Rule of the Few

President Roosevelt in his "non-political" address accepting an honorary degree from the University of Pennsylvania again raised the class issue by warning against a return of government to control of the few supposed to be a touch above the average of ability, as jeopardizing the nation's freedom or leading to abolition of free elections. He went back to the conflict between Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson, federalist and democrat, whose opposing theories have colored our politics since.

Jefferson was the founder of the democratic party and believed in the rule of the people, in decentralized government and state rights, and individualism. He held the least government the better and opposed regulation, regimentation and collectivism. His theories were followed by the democratic party until the advent of the New Deal, since when Jefferson has become its "forgotten man." The Hamilton theories of federalization and centralization and its accompanying regimentation have been swallowed whole by Mr. Roosevelt.

What have we now but the rule of the few in much more concentrated form than Hamilton ever proposed? We are regulated, regimented and inspected and ruled by a bureaucracy dominated, as in totalitarian lands, by one man. The few that rule the many in every walk of life are not an aristocracy of ability or omniscience, but an aggressive, jealous, cruel bureaucracy of politicians and theorists intent only on increasing their own powers and feeding upon their own illusions, bankrupting the federal treasury to perpetuate the regime, for the submergence of individualism in the collective, socialized national state.

Welcome to Willkie

For a few fleeting minutes tomorrow afternoon Salem will be host to a distinguished political visitor who, regardless of his politics, is entitled to a hearty and courteous reception. He is Wendell L. Willkie, republican nominee for president of the United States, which fact in itself should assure him of a warm welcome whether we agree or disagree with his proposals and beliefs.

To have attained nomination by a major party for the highest office in the land is an accomplishment which entitles any man to a respectful hearing of his fellow citizens, not alone out of considerations of common decency but as an obligation of each voter to inform himself as fully as possible upon the qualifications of all candidates. Through the press and over the radio Salemites have been acquainted with Willkie's views and his program. Tomorrow they have an opportunity to gain a glimpse of his personality.

Salem owes Willkie a cordial welcome for the more intimate reason that he is largely responsible for the selection of our fellow townsman, Senator Charles L. McNary, as his vice presidential running mate, and nomination for vice president by either party is no empty honor for a resident of a sparsely settled western state. The least Salem can do is to turn out to honor a man who has honored her favorite son.

Suckers Never Die

The New York pari mutuel handle for the 1940 racing season will run over \$100,000,000, and the state's share of the "take" will be above \$5,000,000—plus "breakage" and admission taxes.

Prior to this racing season betting on races was unlawful—contrary to the state's constitution. However, betting was conducted by bookmakers through connivance with public officials. These bookmakers grew rich and the officials grew fat through their "take." Under the old system the state received, in 1939, as revenue from race track taxes, etc., but \$617,000. This year under the new constitutional amendment and enabling act the state will receive in revenue nearly ten times as much as it did last year.

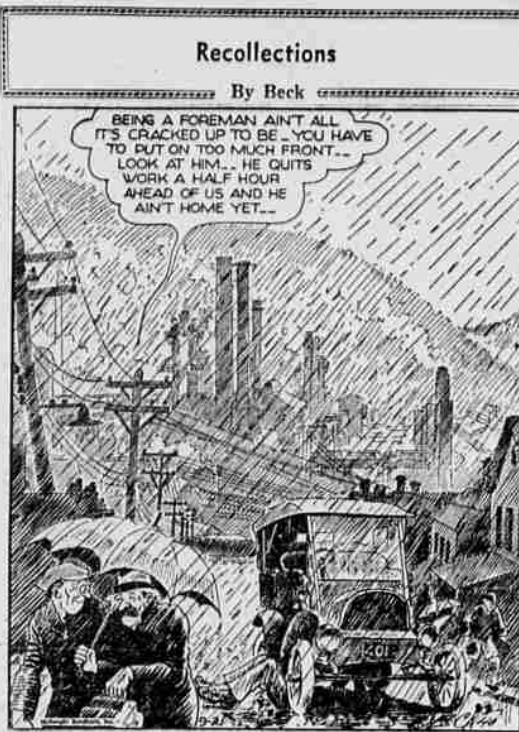
No wonder the bookmakers' trust fought the N. Y. pari mutuel law and it is not surprising that its members were able to spend their winters in Florida and live like kings. However, racketeers will thrive so long as we breed and raise suckers.

Auto Fractures

Small Child's Legs

Albany, Sept. 21 (AP)—An automobile driven by Fred Peterson, Klamath Falls school superintendent, struck Ruth Moorehouse, 5, of Harborsburg, yesterday, fracturing both of her legs.

Peterson told Police Chief Perry Steinhilber the youngster ran from a curb into the front of his car.



Recollections

By Beck

BEING A FOREMAN AIN'T ALL
IT'S CRACKED UP TO BE—YOU HAVE
TO PUT ON TOO MUCH FRONT...
LOOK AT HIM... HE QUILTS
WORK A HALF HOUR
AHEAD OF US AND HE
AIN'T HOME YET...

The Fireside Pulpit

By REV. E. S. HAMMOND

"I have called you friends." Jno. 15:15.

These words were spoken to His disciples by our Lord in that last conversation with them before His crucifixion. In one of his stories about happenings in the parish of Glentochy, Rev. John Watson, who wrote under the pen name of Ian McLaren, describes the house of the Scottish peasant. He tells us this house had two rooms called "the butt" and "the ben." The "butt" was the outer room where casual visitors were admitted, but the "ben" was the inner room, the heart of the home, the inner sanctuary. To this inner room were admitted near relatives and intimate, trusted friends of the family.

When the writer was a pastor in New England he once had a Scotch family in his parish. He recalls with delight the warm smile and the hearty greeting of the good mother of the family as she would meet him at the door and always say, "Coom ben." He recognized the invitation as her counting him a beloved and trusted friend of her family. In Ian McLaren's story in which he describes these two rooms in a rural Scotch home he tells of one of the farmers in Glentochy named Burnbrae. Burnbrae was greatly loved and respected in the "Glen" for his neighborliness, and his deep Christian character. But Burnbrae died, and the men of the neighborhood were gathered in the church yard prior to the morning service and were talking of the passing of this good man. Finally one of them summed up all the good things that had been said in one pregnant sentence. Said he "Burnbrae was far ben." Expressing his statement in his ordinary English phrasing, this man meant that while many men had an "outer room" acquaintance with God, Burnbrae had enjoyed an inner room acquaintance and a very intimate acquaintance at that—he was "far ben."

Sips for Supper

By Don Uppohn

Our customary annual begins its at hand when the customers may turn their hands and eyes to other duties than trying to wrestle with our column and we expect to hasten away some time today for a two weeks' period of deep research and application into the subject of how to enjoy one's leisure by doing nothing in the easiest way that one can do nothing while doing nothing. One of our compatriots suggests that nature set up an error when she didn't transpire time so that the two weeks vacation allotted doesn't seem like 50 weeks in the passing and the other 50 weeks go by like two. The idea is good but the execution difficult.

A. Volchok over at the Star Exchange confronted a tough situation in his store recently. Price tags began to disappear from articles on the counters and the disappearance became so frequent it was difficult to keep track of the prices. So he called in the police and they determined that the thefts were being committed by a grey squirrel, although the squirrel had not otherwise made his presence known. With the help of a police private were set but the tags continued to disappear and so did the squirrel. Finally an appeal was made to the penitentiary and a man was sent down from there who knew how to set a trap to catch a squirrel. For sure enough he was caught this morning. A new set of tags is going onto the goods and Volchok hopes they'll remain unimolested.

Novelties In the News

(By the Associated Press)
Proof by Verse
Charlotte, N. C.—Israel Peterson, charged with drunken driving, contended he had been to church. The prosecutor asked what the preacher talked about.
"He took his text from the first chapter of Nahum, third verse," replied Peterson. And he repeated it in full.
The jury acquitted him.

That's What!
Kansas City—"Say," exclaimed Jimmy Henderson, 4, "did you hear what Caroline did to the basement steps?"
Caroline Millett, 2 1/2, had crashed down the concrete steps on her tricycle, severely gashing her chin.
"No, what, Jimmy?"
"She ruins 'em, that what!"

Sign Language
Kansas City—Possibly the fact most of the switching is done at noon accounts for this sign in the central industrial district:
No parking
On railroad tracks
Especially between 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
Our acknowledgements to Warren Farmer, groceryman at Lincoln and Commercial, who has volunteered to see that a "Miss Sally" cardboard

Kelly Says: Contractors Swarm To National Capital

Contractors Swarm To National Capital
Lumber Operators Get Going Over
Industrial Eyes Taxes in Oregon

By John W. Kelly

Washington, Sept. 21—Contractors by the hundreds are swarming in the national capital from every section of the country—a score are from Oregon, as many more from Washington state—seeking orders from the procurement division for national defense work. They sit in rows outside the office, waiting their turn to enter and argue their ability to handle anything from a gun sight to a ship, from an army blanket to iron railings.

While these contractors, industrialists and what-not are hungry for some of the business being distributed, the administration has been asking (and receiving) authority to commander any plant whose management refuses to take orders. There are enough concerns begging for orders to cause wonder why the administration wants authority to take over plants.

To date, orders placed in the northwest (other than for airplanes) have been few and far between and represent less than \$10,000,000—a total which is insignificant compared with many single orders, and most of this has been placed in Washington state. There have been promises of orders for navy auxiliaries and tenders but little progress is being made.

Price Fixing Sifted
Thurman Arnold's trust-busting division of the department of justice is giving pine lumber operators a combing over before a federal grand jury in San Francisco. The jury is investigating to determine whether the pine lumber people have engaged in price fixing. The sales managers of several Oregon mills were ordered to report to the grand jury and tell what they know about various meetings when the general welfare of the pine industry was discussed. The inquiry is said to have grown out of a statement issued by the federal trade commission some months ago.

Axis Acts on Spain
The axis statesmen were widely believed to have decided how Spain should be fitted into their plans for prosecution of the war against Britain. Their decisions presumably will be made known to Spain through Ramon Serrano Sener, Spanish minister of government, who is in Germany awaiting von Ribbentrop's return.

Teamsters' Union Names Willkie Driver
Seattle, Sept. 21 (AP)—The teamsters' union, powerful in Pacific northwest political and labor circles, today chose one of its most skillful members (an ex-Indiana boy, himself) to drive republican presidential nominee Willkie's automobile during the candidate's visit here Monday.

Young Squirrels' Tiresome
At least two, if not three, of the top men in the national defense advisory commission will not vote for Mr. Roosevelt, but they are keeping mum, believing that their job is not political. These important figures have seen enough of inside workings that they heartily hope the Willkie-McNary ticket will win, confidentially whisper that the fate of the nation depends on republican success. The big shots are disgusted with what they call "young squirrels" occupying key positions who lack in experience but not in assurance.

Canadian Draft Limited
Canada, which is at war, has a conscription act applying only to young men who are single between the ages of 21 and 24. Their term of service is 30 days, and they cannot be sent overseas without their individual consent. The conscript army for Canada is for 30,000.

Albany Sophomores Select Officers
Albany—Rodney Russell will head the Albany high school sophomore class, it was announced following the annual election held Thursday. Other officers of that class are: Doris Kelly, vice president; Vivian Conler, secretary; Shirley Lee, treasurer, and Wilma Spence, faculty advisor.

Sunnyside Serves Hot School Lunches
Sunnyside—Sunnyside school started Monday with an enrollment of 45, 19 in the primary room, taught by Miss Alma Stauffer and 26 in the intermediate room, with Miss Ruth Pemberton teaching and acting as principal. Six pupils are in the first grade. Hot lunches are served daily by Mrs. Tucker which is sponsored by the WPA. New kitchen utensils were bought by the school board recently and since the consolidation with Illiee they have a new cupboard and table, also numerous things brought from the Illiee school which was recently sold to the Aschliman family for their home. Tom Barry and son, Robert, are filling the woodshed with dry wood.

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He's saying goodbye to his horse. Instead of being a lone ranger his ambition now is to drive a nice, big car like Dick Applegate!

Text of Kidnaper's \$100,000 Ransom Note

Hillsborough, Cal., Sept. 21 (AP)—Following is the text of the Marc de Tristan ransom note, as released by Hillsborough police: "We are presenting to you a very unusual matter—however—don't be unduly alarmed—we suggest you study our note quietly, remain calm and do not act on the impulse of the moment. Wait until you understand the situation clearly. "We assure you that your child is perfectly safe with us and of course will be returned to you in due-time. You are dealing with intelligent and enlightened people, and you needn't fear an unjustifiable act on our part—on the contrary—our little captive (guest, rather), will be most charmingly treated while in our care and shall enjoy every consideration for physical and mental comfort. Your child's supervision has been carefully selected in advance. "And we are certain this little interlude will NOT leave any pleasant memories or impressions for the future. "We have approached you in a conversational tone, and we hope you will appreciate and preserve this friendly spirit and in the absence of irritation and excitement the early and satisfactory solution of this problem is well assured. "We insist on absolute silence and privacy on your part. We cannot tolerate any meddling in this matter, and in your own interest we must warn you against any attempt to communicate with any law enforcement agency, either federal or private—your activities could not possibly escape our attention, much less be of any benefit to you or your child. "But their opposition would certainly create a complicated and dangerous situation—the negative or fatal result of their interference are too well known to deserve comment. Cooperate with us—it is your best protection. "We trust you will remain cool and collected and yet at the same time realize the seriousness of the situation—do NOT be coerced by our politeness. We entertain NO illusion about the consequences of our profession—we mean business—make NO mistake about that—and we want results. "We hesitate to suggest, but should, as a result of interference, our position become untenable, it will be difficult to control this matter and we could NOT resume any further responsibility—we have absolutely no desire to make your loss irreplaceable. We suggest you consider this as an abandonment of this case—however, this responsibility would rest entirely with our opposition. "We hope we have made ourselves clear. "A—we demand one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars for the release of your child payable in five (\$5), ten (\$10) and twenty (\$20). Secure money leisurely at your convenience. Avoid attention—you have money. "B—we will NOT accept treated, marked or otherwise conspicuous money. Acceptance of money at our discretion. Avoid conspicuousness. "C—we will return your child directly to your residence within four (4) days after receipt of payment. Note: money will be exchanged first. "D—we suggest you retain the enclosed piece of cardboard—the missing insert is our identification—at time of payment a duplicate of white paper will be found in each of our future letters—it is NOT necessary that you take anyone into confidence regards this matter, and our simple and positive form of contact will be explained later. "E—we assume that you are willing to meet our demands—if this assumption is correct you may place the advertisement listed below in the automobile section of the San Francisco Examiner. "F—Mrs. Zephyr—four door De Luxe sedan, Radio, Many extras. Beautiful light gray finish, \$845. Cash only. Box (insert number) 83. "G—the ad is a medium only—ignore inquiries—the insertion of the ad is the only step required at present. As soon as ad appears, you will receive further instructions—do NOT attempt to communicate with us through other channels. "Wait until you have received our next letter. We once more give you our assurance your child will at all times be under the most charming and generous supervision. (Signed) "UNCONVENTIONAL EC-CENTRIC."

State Rests in Murder Trial

Portland, Ore., Sept. 21 (AP)—The state concluded direct examination today in the murder trial of George C. Woolever, 39, charged with slaying Claude Wilson Shaver and Russell Shaver, Vancouver, Wash., brothers, April 9.

Claude Shannon, the accused man's former brother-in-law, testified Friday that Woolever telephoned him in the night of the killing, saying that the Shaver brothers were in front of the Shannon home with his ex-wife, Bessie Shannon.

"I'll fix that," Shannon testified Woolever said. Lorraine Shannon, 18-year-old niece of Bessie Shannon, testified that she heard two shots while in her grandmother's home with Russell Shaver. Woolever entered as the pair started out the back door, she said.

Robert E. Downing, Pioneer, Passes
Robert E. Downing, member of a prominent Salem pioneer family, passed away September 21 at the age of 75 years. He was the son of the late George S. Downing one of Oregon's respected pioneers.

School at Mehama Will Start Monday
Mehama—The Mehama school will open Monday morning, Sept. 23, with Mrs. Margaret Ware as teacher. Due to the resignation of the teacher formerly elected, the school, which was to have begun last Monday, was delayed for a week.

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