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Question No. 2: "Who and why and where is the vice president of the United States?"

Now that junior is back in school mother is experiencing heap much big relief from the unemployment problem.

In adding seven years to the life of a man, science didn't mean that he should not watch his step in crossing the street.

When Bob Reynolds gets back from Russia he will probably bring with him much knowledge of liquor control that he had before he went across.

That Charlotte boy, a contortionist, who was fined for throwing his hips and shoulders out of place and begging on the streets of Washington, is what you'd call an opportunist.

Mr. Hoover recently visited his old home town, and the wonder here is whether his neighbors referred to him as one of the boys who had gone out into the world and made good.

John Wolfe, crippled baseball fan and booster for the Senators, failed to be in his place Wednesday, because he had died the night before. When the series ended, others pulling for the Washington team, must have envied John.

Home Loans

The announcement in our last issue that there is a probability that mortgages held by the Elkin National Bank against local home property may be re-financed through the Home Owners' Loan Corporation, should be of definite interest to those who have such papers in the bank against them.

In an editorial last week, written before this announcement was made, we made a stab at describing how the corporation operates. It was conceived and built to aid the embattled home owner, every bit of red tape possible has been cut away in order that it might function with speed and efficiency. That it has not made much progress cannot be charged to the principles upon which it is founded, nor to the officials charged with its administration. The plain everyday citizen has not understood the plan well enough to appreciate its value, and the mortgage holder has been dubious, perhaps for the same reason, or one more selfish.

The fact that the government places its okey on the plan, by accepting the corporation's bonds, is all the evidence that is needed to cure other mortgage holders of the idea that they are taking any risk in exchanging the mortgage for the bonds. If they refuse, it will be because they prefer to hold on to the long end of easy profits.

Hunting Ethics

Cool fall days and the approach of winter begets the urge to grab a gun and trek to field and woods at the opening of the game season. It is also a signal for many breaches of the sportsman's ethics, to say nothing of violations of the law.

It is hardly necessary to call the attention of the hunter these days to the fact that he must have a license when he a-hunting goes, if he would remain within the law; he must observe the open season for dates for such game as he seeks, and he must get written permission to hunt on the lands of another before he can do so without violating the trespass law.

The farmer who fosters a covey of birds or protects the squirrels on his lands, to the end that he may have the pleasure of hunting them himself, or invite some friend to enjoy it with him, deserves every consideration that the hunter can give. To ruthlessly and unceremoniously trespass on his preserves, is to invite trouble that cannot be justified.

The man who claims to be a good sportsman will not only be considerate of the man on whose land he hunts, but he will be considerate of the game itself. If he would hunt another year, or if he has a boy he wants to have recreation in the years to come, he will not kill everything in sight, just for the joy of killing.

A vast amount of antagonism may be avoided, if the man who hunts will only use a little common sense and make personal application of the golden rule when he shoulders a gun and goes into the fields or woods. Somewhat of pain and inconvenience, too, may be avoided, if he makes himself acquainted with the law, and follows its provisions.

Responsibility of Labor

National labor leaders reporting to the annual convention meeting last week in Washington, will have unusually favorable results from their stewardship to tell. Undoubtedly in the formation of codes for the various industries, labor has fared well. True the closed shop is no more guaranteed by these codes than the open

shop, but right of collective bargaining is recognized and the right to organize assured.

Organized labor can and will play an important part in the national recovery program. It is within its power to almost spell the success or failure of the plan. It remains to be seen how this responsibility fits the shoulders of labor leaders, and how they will measure up to the opportunity.

It is to be expected that an extensive organizing campaign will follow. It has already begun. Local units have been organized here and there in localities where formerly the mere mention of "union" was not the part of wisdom. A few scattering employers have in the past been so opposed to their workers organizing, that retaliatory measures were employed to accentuate their feeling about it. This policy would be unwise under NRA provisions.

It is our notion that after the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, the workers will settle down to a more even keel. Labor leaders, inactive, are soon side-tracked, therefore it has been necessary in recent days to have something to "point with pride" to and may in part explain much of the apparent unrest in the past few weeks.

Two Engineers

Dr. Julian Miller in The Charlotte Observer, draws two brief word pictures of Mr. Hoover and Mr. Roosevelt, that you will recognize as a true portrayal of each: "Mr. Hoover was a practical business-like, cold-tempered, analytical, statistical type of man. Mr. Roosevelt is idealistic, warm-hearted, politically-minded, adventurous and defiant of traditions and worn-out paths."

Dr. Miller says that never has America had two presidents in succession, who were more unlike than Mr. Hoover and Mr. Roosevelt—unlike in their capacities, unlike in their sympathies, unlike in their outlooks and unlike in their philosophies of government.

Mr. Hoover was heralded as the great engineer, and with a wide acquaintance with the material side of life as represented by his business, was expected to hold the nation on an even industrial keel. As such he appealed to the citizenry, and he was placed in the White House with the utmost confidence that he would deliver. Following the old theories and old methods of dealing with men and money he failed.

Mr. Roosevelt caught the popular fancy with his own theories and promises, and for six months has been trying to put them into effect. He has kept his political promises and has gone far beyond them. How far they will go to meet the needs of the nation, remains to be seen.

It also remains to be seen whether this nation prefers a social engineer with courage to blaze a new trail for civilization, or a scientific technician, content with the status quo.

What About Him?

Some newspaper paragrapher, trying to be smart, recently raised the question, "will men this year select their wives from among the bathing beauty contest winners?" He was intimating of course that when a fellow gets to thinking seriously of taking the great leap, he wants to be certain of brains and adaptability along with beauty in the woman who is to travel the long trail with him. Roe Fulkerson, who syndicates a popular bit of philosophy in the daily papers, lets The Hotel Stenographer give her side to this question, in her conversation with the house detective:

"When a man goes out to get a job, he thinks over the knowledge he has about that kind of work, the amount of energy he is willing to put into it, and how fit he is to hold it.

"When he goes to buy an automobile or house and lot, he figures out how much money he is willing to put into it. No matter what he goes after in this world, he takes into consideration what he has to swap for it.

"But when he goes out to look for a wife, he never considers for a minute what he has to offer her in exchange for her society for the rest of his life. He never thinks that she is entitled to something in exchange. The mere fact that she is going to have the proud privilege of being his wife seems enough to him.

"A man expects a girl to be a snappy dresser and a knock-out dancer. He expects her to have a pretty face and a neat figure. He thinks she ought to be a good cook and a fine housekeeper. He thinks she should be able to live on his salary and save something.

"But does he ever stop to think what he has to offer as inducements to such a marvelous woman? Is he so beautiful of face or so god-like of figure? Is he such a fashion plate and such a graceful dancer? Is he such an orderly soul that he appreciates good housekeeping?

"Kelly, marriage is a fifty-fifty proposition, and the man who expects the kind of a wife that his mother was, had better try to make himself the kind of man his father was. A man, however, thinks that he is entitled to the best woman in the world even if he is far from being the best man. How do they get this way? Don't try to give me an answer! There isn't any."

Older heads look on the present-day flapper with her rouge, lipstick, and cigarette and wonder where we are drifting; wonder how she will take to household duties and motherhood—if given a chance. Averaged up, they'll do very well thank you. You've seen these apparently care-free young things develop into loyal wives and loving mothers, and maybe you were surprised with the transformation.

The hotel stenographer points to the other half of the trade and properly wonders if the young man is giving his bride a 50-50 break. There is plenty of room for doubt about that, too, and while we are concerning ourselves about the girls, we ought to be worrying a bit whether the boy deserves her or not.

Birds of a Feather

By Albert T. Reid



An Unusual Family—Page Mr. Ripley!



Not to make a long story short, but here you see four generations intensely interested in the handling of Gulf Gasoline. At the Matthews Service Station out near the Ada, Texas, stop on highway No. 2 resides this unusual family. Mrs. B. H. Hatcher, 64, is the great-grandmother; Mrs. Andrew Abadie, 44, is the grandmother; Mrs. Phil Matthews, 24, is the mother of Dorothy Ann, 4, and Phil, shown in this picture. There is 20 years between each generation, and Dorothy Ann is the only daughter of an only daughter of an only daughter of an only daughter. Believe it or not, Mr. Ripley!

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THE STORM BREAKS

When Jesus failed to perform miracles in Nazareth the storm broke. All the pent-up envy of the little town for one who dared to outgrow it, gathered itself into a roar. They urged forward hurrying him through the main street to the edge of a precipice where they would have thrown him over. But the wrath which had been sufficient to conceive his destruction grew suddenly impotent when he turned and faced them. They shrank back, and before they could reform their purpose, he had passed through the midst of them and was on his way. In his ears sounded the buzz of malicious comment, but he was too heart-sick to look back. From henceforth Capernaum became "his own city." Nazareth, the home of his youth, the dwelling place of his boyhood friends and neighbors, had given its verdict.

He had come unto his own, and his own received him not.

The brothers of Jesus had been witnesses of his defeat, and were left behind by him to bear the ignominy of it. How the sardonic laughter must have rung in their ears! These home town sneers were bad enough, but the reports that came back from other towns threw the simple unimaginative family into a panic.

It was said that he made seditious speeches; that he claimed to have a special relationship to God; that he utterly disregarded the code of the Pharisees and denounced them openly before the crowds. Such conduct could mean only one thing. He would get himself into jail, and his relatives with him.

Hence the members of his family who should have been his best

helpers spent their energy in the effort to get him to go farther away from home.

"For even his brethren did not believe in him."

He was teaching one day in Capernaum to a crowd that hung spellbound on his words, when suddenly an interruption occurred. A messenger pushed through the audience to tell him that his mother and brothers were outside and insisted on speaking to him right away. A quick look of pain shot across his fine face. He knew why they had come. They had made up their minds that he was just a little bit out of his head, and they were determined to shut him up in an asylum before his extravagances should ruin them all. He drew himself up to his full height and pointing to his disciples turned to the messenger:

"My mother and brethren" he repeated. "Behold these who believe on me, they are my mother and my brethren."

M.P.I.-Belmont Abbey Play Scoreless Tie

Showing much improvement over their initial game of the season, Mountain Park Institute Saturday battled Belmont Abbey to a 0-0 tie. The game was hard fought and well played on the part of both teams. Fitzgerald, Davis and Lee starred for the Institute.

Mountain Park will meet Mars Hill at Asheville Saturday.

Business may be holding an even pace as reported, but recovery demands more than an even pace.

FIRM QUILTS JOB

The Ervin-West company, Statesville contracting firm, removed its men and materials to Statesville Friday from Gastonia following a disagreement over hours and wages in construction of a theatre there. Several days ago workmen claimed that the firm was not complying with the building code, their stand being upheld by the Gastonia NRA compliance board.

COTTON PLANS COMPLETED

A federal commodity corporation with capital of \$3,000,000 will be organized by the government to make loans on the current cotton crop at not to exceed 10 cents a pound to the farmers, for middling grade or better. It was announced at the White House Friday by President Roosevelt.

STATE GRANTED \$364,000

The state of North Carolina Friday was granted \$364,609 for unemployment relief, it was announced by Emergency Relief Administrator Harry L. Hopkins. The state has previously received \$2,186,380 making \$2,550,989 the total received to date from the relief administrator.

Correction

In a court story in last week's edition of The Tribune it was stated that Victor Wood, of near State Road, was sent to the roads for 90 days as the result of a drunken brawl said to have been staged at his home some weeks ago. This was in error, Wood having no part in the brawl which took place at another home of the neighborhood. The offense for which Wood was tried and convicted was for possession of whisky.

His 90-day sentence was later revoked and a fine imposed, according to Deputy Sheriff Crawford Hurt, who made the arrest.