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**ARMY OPERATED SCHOOLS**

Army operated schools proposed in Cuba cannot be understood in America. Undoubtedly the proposal paves the way for domination of the entire nation by army men. This, of course, means dictatorship, because army rule is predicated upon obedience, total and complete, of ranking officers. Therefore the ranking army officer would be the boss.

We have never been able to get unduly excited over militarism in this country. Americans will not stand for it. The part the organized armed forces of the United States play in the life of the nation is known and respected. But so far as dominating the nation, its schools and its ideas, the American army has had but little ambition. True, there have been some generals, notably General Bowley, stationed at Fort Bragg for awhile, who took some part in public discussion but even in his most inspired appeals about the bad bogey man of communism, he never attempted to do any ruling away from his post.

In Cuba, it appears that the army has won; that the schools are to be dominated by army officials, which means Batista is to be the real boss. It also means that trouble is still ahead of that unhappy island; that peace and security is yet to be reached.

**TRAILER PROBLEMS**

New problems caused by the growth of the trailer industry are arising every day. In some cities, even, authorities are fearing everybody will quit living in houses and take to trailers and where, they ask, "will we get our taxes?"

In resort sections sanitary problems have been found important enough that various regulations have been put in effect. In Florida, the old tin can tourist camps have been taken over by trailer villages with complete accommodations.

Probably the people most helped by trailers, next to carnival and other itinerant show people, are the migratory workers. Harvest of a number of crops depend upon this type of labor which, heretofore, has been forced to live in the worst sort of makeshift quarters because the short time they were needed for work justified no one in providing anything like permanent quarters. Trailers have made their lives much more pleasant and have given these people a chance at comfortable homes, regardless of where or how often they travel. For trailers do make comfortable homes, even though they are a bit crowded.

Even the government has recognized the expanding use of trailers and through the Resettlement Administration, is now operating two camps and proposes eight more. So far those operated and planned are in California in centers where migratory workers are needed for gathering various seasonable crops.

These camps are to be self-supporting, each family paying a small fee weekly. All will be governed by the dwellers, who are supposed to name a council. A representative of the government, however, will be the general manager.

That business leaders think the industry is one of value and promise is shown by the number of companies entering the manufacturing field. Some of the larger automobile companies are expected to put on the market shortly complete housekeeping cars at mass production prices.

While it is now a far fetched idea as to what will happen to property taxes if people quit living in houses, this industry is entirely likely to cause widespread change in American life in the very near future.

**A HARDSHIP ON ECONOMY**

The recently adopted constitutional amendment limiting the indebtedness of counties, cities and towns to two-thirds of the amount of debts discharged during the previous year, is working a hardship on Cleveland county which has been economical all these years and today has a debt ratio of only 1.1 per cent of its assessed valuation.

The school project for Shelby and Kings Mountain has been finally approved, yet it appears that the county will have to hold a bond election before we can obtain our 45 per cent of the necessary funds with which to match the 55 per cent grant from the Federal government. Our people are certain to

approve an issue, but it involves delay in building and makes it necessary to wage a campaign to sell the proposition to a group of voters who are not financially concerned in the matter.

Shelby school district No. 38 has already voted authority to the county commissioners to levy the necessary tax.

School buildings must be provided by counties, according to law, hence Shelby and Kings Mountain are forced to get permission from the county as a whole to pay for their buildings. The county's name and credit would be used, but the levy would be only on the property within the school districts benefited.

If the legal authorities are right in their opinion that a county-wide election must be held on the Shelby and Kings Mountain projects, we feel, however, that the citizens of the county will be fair enough to sanction the procedure through which we are forced to go because of legal technicalities.

Cleveland county's rural schools have recently undergone extensive improvements by means of Federal grants. Shelby and Kings Mountain graciously waited until the county projects were approved and executed before pressing their applications. In view of this consideration, and no tax levy be made outside the two districts, we believe the rural people will join the towns in their endeavors to get better school buildings.

We hope some avenue will be found whereby the grant can be matched without having to go to the expense and trouble of a bond election. This, however, is a matter yet to be determined.

**What Other Papers Say**

**AN OPTIMIST TO THE END**

(Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel)  
 In the last words he wrote, Arthur Brisbane, famous American journalist, was the same buoyant optimist at 72 as he was when he began his career 33 years ago.

Early in life he was such an optimist that he quit a \$15,000-a-year job on one New York newspaper to accept a job on another that paid him only \$8,000 but provided what Brisbane thought was a greater opportunity for use of his talents.

Arthur Brisbane believed in his own future and in the future of the world. His last editorial, written when he knew he was dangerously ill and must have known that the end of his work as a journalist was near, voiced the same unflinching faith in the future that 43 years ago impelled him to pay \$7,000 a year for an opportunity.

"Another Christmas has come," wrote Brisbane only a few hours before his death, "a birthday that means kindness and hope for so many millions of human beings."

"Nineteen hundred and thirty-six years ago a beautiful child came into the world; a few sad years later, the three crosses were erected on the bare hill called Golgotha, meaning, 'The Skull.'"

"From the divine smile on the face of that child and from the sacred life sacrificed on that hill a better world has come."

"It is still a world of war, cruelty and sorrow, but progress has been steady, 'peace on earth and good will toward men,' will surely come."

"Happy he who, today, can bring smiles to the faces of other children, and to the faces of care-worn mothers."

**Nobody's Business**

-- By GEE MCGEE --

**LATE HOLIDAY NEWS FROM FLAT ROCK**

dear mr. editor:—  
 please correct the peace in yore paper which crept into yore corry spondents collum last friday where it said that holsum moore had lost his ford by re-possession. he says he give it back to them hisself onner count of it run too fast and stopped too quick. he is mad, but is riding in a new secont-hand car just bought.

the health of our community is very satisfactory. mr. art square has the newmomy, but is resting very well considering no one has attended him but dr. hubbert green. mrs. izzie talker, the town gossip, is down with the roomy-tism and gout; she mought be in for several weeks, so maddam roomer says. this will give flat rock time to get her breath ansoforth. that's all of our illness at present.

a rail estate boom has picked up in our little city. the 4 corner lots on main and broad streets have ben sold for filling stations, and cemetery lots in the graveyard behind reboher church have advanced from 5\$ to 6\$ since the dimmercrats agreed to remain in power. other trades are in the nearby offing.

the recent cold snap wound up the hog killing program in our midst till the last frost in march. yore corry spondent, hon. mike Clark, rtd, killed a fine porker that netted nearly 75 pound. he will fetch you a mess of sausage the next time he happens to make a visitt to the county-seat. that is—if it ain't all et up by then.

the brownlow family of 10 children, a pa and a ma, also a cuple of grandpa's, have moved back to flat rock after trying to live a year at cedar lane. he is in the shoe-shop bizness, but so many folks goes bare-footed down there, he didn't make enough to live on, hence his return back home.

the holidays passed off with only 4 deaths from driving while drunk and 2 from being shot. this is 2 persons less to get killed this year as compared with last year. it speaks mighty well for our people, and we hope within the next few years to see only 2 or 3 killed at christmas time. aw revoir! (that's what miss jennie veeve smith says now when she gets up to go home.)

yores truly, mike Clark, rtd.



**A Washington Daybook**

By PRESTON GROVER (Associated Press Staff Writer)

WASHINGTON.—Anyone led to believe that the effort of John L. Lewis and his C. I. O. to unionize steel is dead should be reminded that the patient is not dead, but perhaps asleep.

Professors of father pay envelopes to steel workers were a blow at the dynamic Lewis efforts but both he and the steel operators know that a partial showdown is inevitable. PRESTON L. GROVER added next April. That is when the present wage agreements in the bituminous coal fields expire.

East Side Has Weapons  
 So closely are steel and coal allied that when the hour comes for negotiating new coal wages, labor observers predict each side will try to turn the screws tightest on the other. Each has a screw or two to turn. For coal wage concession, steel owners, who operate many coal mines, may insist that Lewis desist unionizing. As the price of peace in the coal industry, Lewis may ask unionization of steel.

If the trend in coal follows other major industries, an increase in pay is in prospect. Mine owners are on the paying end and that is an advantage. They have leverage to apply from another direction. Any extraordinary increase in cost of coal, the miners doubtless will be told, would increase the cost of producing steel and possibly narrow the range of steel wage increases. That would not make Lewis popular in the steel camps, where he especially wishes to be popular.

But the miners have their "arguments." They still have the Guffey bill, although in its original form it was held unconstitutional by the supreme court. This measure was designed to stabilize coal prices by regulating output but had a corresponding purpose of requiring wage and hour betterments. The bill was filibustered to death in the closing hours of the last session but is certain to be started afresh this season.

Lewis May Thumb Ride  
 The miners also have the ever available threat to strike. A coal strike might play havoc with the rising steel output right now. Likewise it would throw a bolt into many another industry whose prosperity rise depends upon steel.

A strike threat dangled over the industry last spring for several weeks while efforts were made to get the revised Guffey bill in acceptable form. The strike order was cancelled by Lewis in anticipation of enactment of the bill. Disappointed labor may insist this session upon a bill before agreeing to another year of peace in the coal industry.

Lewis undoubtedly will expect the administration to push the Guffey

**Belgium Knight**



Mr. B. P. Newton, vice president of the Gulf Oil corporation, has just been honored by King Leopold III of Belgium who conferred upon him the decoration "Chevalier de l'ordre de Leopold." Mr. Newton is one of the few Americans so honored since the order was founded by Leopold I in 1832.

The honor of being knighted into the order is possible only by nomination of the reigning monarch, or upon the recommendation of high governmental officials. This distinction is extended only to those men who have been of valuable military or civic service to the Belgium government.

**Hold Woman For Try At Extortion**

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 29.—(P)—United States Commissioner Paul Pinkerton said he will hold a preliminary hearing today for a woman booked as Mrs. Maxine Chadwick White on charges of attempted extortion.

A warrant issued by Pinkerton accused Mrs. White of demanding \$3,000 of Mrs. E. W. C. Arnold under threat of harming her son, Billy Knight, student at the Porter Military Academy of Charleston, S. C.

R. B. Nathan, head of the Jacksonville office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, said Mrs. White was arrested Christmas night when she picked up a dummy bundle left on the lawn of a Punta Gorda home.

Instructions to leave the money there were received in a letter by Mrs. Arnold.

Arnold, Billy's foster father, is a retired business man who formerly lived at New York and Boston.

**Woman Dies In Leap From Train In Ga.**

WAYCROSS, Ga., Dec. 29.—(P)—Authorities sought today to contact Illinois relatives of a woman tentatively identified as Miss Ann Kiskunas, of Cicero, Ill., who leaped to her death from a Chicago-Jacksonville train near here early today.

bill when he wants it most. He gave President Roosevelt a lift in the campaign. It may enter the Lewis head to thumb a ride with the president over the coal road into the steel camps.

**HOW'S your HEALTH**



Edited by Dr. Logo Goldstein, the New York Academy of Medicine  
 Treating Bunions  
 Bunions may be prevented by wearing suitable footwear, for this condition is essentially due to using stockings and socks which are too short and tight, or shoes which have excessively high heels, or which are too short or too narrow.

The development of bunions is so gradual that the condition may make marked progress before the sufferer notices the inward bent of his big toe and the enlargement of the bony and soft tissue structures at its "root." Therefore it is wise to be vigilant.

Parents should make a point of inspecting their children's feet for evidences of this and other deformities. If the big toe is beginning to turn inward, all the footwear should be discarded. Corrective measures should be started at once.

In the early stages of the condition, this simple exercise may prove very helpful:

Grasp the four small toes with one hand. Hold the big toe with the other hand and carefully rotate it 20 or 30 times. Repeat once or twice daily.

This exercise should loosen any adhesions that may have formed and stretch any contracted muscles which might tend to keep the toe turned inward.

Other attempts can be made to "straighten the big toe" by strapping and by using a variety of pads and rubber cushions. These should be chosen and applied by physicians expert in treating this condition. Unskilled attempts are more likely to do some damage to the other toes than to straighten the big one.

One clever mechanism for keeping the toe in proper position is the "toe-post." It consists of a special little compartment for the big toe. The toe-post may be fitted into ordinary shoes, or, better yet, the shoes can be made with built-in "posts." Of course, the patient must wear divided socks if he is undertaking this type of treatment.

In the more advanced forms, bunions can be corrected only by surgical treatment. This is indicated when the toe is bent very much out of line and when there is a marked bone growth and excessive thickening of the surrounding soft tissues. In such an operation, the affected joint is reconstructed by cutting away the excess tissues.

BOY FATALLY HURT IN HUNTING ACCIDENT  
 HERTFORD, Dec. 29.—(P)—A holiday hunting party ended in tragedy Saturday afternoon when Harold Chappell, 16, of near Chapel Hill, died in the Albemarle Hospital a few hours after an accidental shotgun discharge shattered his right leg at the knee.

FIND FARMER'S DEATH RESULT OF SUICIDE  
 WINSTON SALEM, Dec. 29.—Sheriff John Taylor reported today the death of Harvey Clifton Edwards, 22 year-old farmer found fatally shot in a wood, was from a self-inflicted wound.

**EVERYDAY LIVING**

The Eighty Club  
 "I am going to ask a favor," says a letter written in a slightly shaky hand, but singularly fine and firm when we know that the writer is ninety-one years of age.

"We have an Eighty Year Club in our town, of which I am acting president. We find your pieces very interesting to read at our meetings, and some of them fit us exact—Joseph Fort Newton ly.

"But I would ask you to write one especially for our group of men. It would apply to men of our age elsewhere, too. Here is the closing stanza of a poem I gave the club recently—  
 "They count our years and call us old,  
 But remember tho,' dear brother;  
 It is not in years, but in deeds you live,  
 Not in what you get, but in what you give!"

My greetings to the Eighty club—but what can a mere freshman tell the members of the senior class! They have forgotten more about life than he will ever know.

How one would love to listen-in on the meetings of the Eighty club, hear the stories they swap, the varied experience they relate, and the wisdom they have winnowed from the years.

To walk over so long a span of years, watching the whirl of events, the doings and undings of men and things, is a rare adventure—the net result ought to be serenity, freedom and kindness!

Age knows how life fluctuates, yet some things abide and may be trusted—old, sweet, simple things. It knows that most of our troubles do not happen, and that many problems work themselves out.

Age is a matter of feeling, not the number of our years but the number of our fears—gray looks, not gray locks. My reader said it all in his poem—life is giving not getting! Faith is for youth; trust is for old age—a wise confidence in the goodness of life and the veiled kindness of God.

Edmund Lowe will create a new super-sleuth named Chris Cross in his next picture.

**Haylus Moore Not A Hunter Results Show**

Haylus G. Moore, member of the state revenue department at Winston-Salem and a native of Cleveland county, the Sharon community, is disgusted with bird hunting. His stories to friends on returning home for Christmas are pitiful to the extreme.

Mr. Moore had a good gun. So he borrowed one of the best pointers in the state from his brother here. He was all fixed for the slaughter of the innocents. Now, after he has taken off four days of vacation and fared forth in quest of birds, he has not brought home a single feather.

The birds are friendly enough. In fact, to hear him tell it, they almost follow him around for safety. With his friend, George Hemingway, he had a good hunt last week. George got 10 good shots and H. G. got five. But the partridges kept right on flying.

On the last hunt, H. G. decided he would get at least one bird. His faithful pointer located one and the undaunted hunter spied it on the ground. He withdrew sufficiently so he wouldn't "blow the bird to pieces" and let drive at the feathered target on the ground. But he hit nary a feather. To complete the ignominy of the situation, George missed the bird as it sped away across the landscape.

Even the dog is reported disgusted. He hasn't smelled killed game in so long he's about to lose his interest in the sport.

At least, that is the tone of the stories H. G. is telling. It may be that his luck has been so good he is scared of the game warden and his yarns are just camouflage.

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