

Today and Tomorrow

By Frank Parker Stockbridge

HISTORY . . . and laws
The key to the future lies in the study of the past. If you want to know whether this, that or the other scheme for saving mankind from the consequences of its own folly will work, read history.

From time immemorial people have had a belief in the magic of laws. Laws can make people good, or so they believe. The prohibitory laws were going to make everybody temperate.

Two thousand and more years ago the Greek philosopher Plato wrote: "How charming people are! Are they not as good as a play? Trying their hands at legislation and imagining that by reforms they will make an end to the dishonesties and rascalities of mankind!"

Solomon the Wise said much the same thing; so did Saint Paul. Today, as in the past, it is impossible to legislate avarice, selfishness and greed out of the human race.

PLANS . . . always selfish
Men of imagination have tried their hands from the earliest days at working out plans for the Perfect State, in which everybody would be happy and contented. Plato, Francis Bacon, Sir Thomas More, Edward Bellamy and many others have written fascinating books telling how a planned economy would operate.

None of them ever worked, because all of these schemes have been based on the idea that the mass of humanity is imbued with elemental justice and wants everybody to have a square deal. The fact is that few of us care whether the other fellow gets a square deal or not. If we get what we want, whether square or otherwise, the other fellow can have what's left, provided some one else doesn't get it first.

NATURE . . . steps in
The trouble with all human planning is that there are always incalculable factors which may upset all the plans. Nobody can ever be sure that he has taken all of them into account.

For example, the plans of the AAA for reduction of wheat and corn acreage were all very well—if anyone could have taken the weather into account. But Nature stepped in and did in one grand wholesale effort what the Government was trying to do with the cooperation of millions of farmers. The drought in the Northwest cut down production and sent prices up more speedily and more effectively than any human plan could possibly have done it.

The main trouble in getting plans for the benefit of humanity to work, however, is that you never can get everybody to agree to travel in the same direction at the same speed. That can only be done by force. In private business the force is the threat of loss of employment if one doesn't do team-work. Government can compel general compliance with any plan only by fines, imprisonment and, if those fail, machine guns.

That sort of enforced cooperation is only possible under a dictatorship.

RUSSIA . . . then and now
I knew the Grand Duke Alexander of Russia, cousin of the last Czar, pretty well. That is, I met him a number of times at the homes of New York friends, and had numerous conversations with him. I have just finished re-reading his book, "Once a Grand Duke," and I am again convinced that the common people of Russia enjoyed a great deal more liberty under the Romanoffs than they have had since the revolution under the Soviets.

The only things the Czarist government demanded of them was that they keep order among themselves and pay their taxes.

Now the poor Russian people are compelled to live according to a prepared plan, to conform to standards imposed upon them whether they like them or not. They are punished if they protest. Under the Czars the newspapers of Russia enjoyed greater liberty of expression than those of almost any other Continental nation. Now the press is muzzled and the people have no voice.

I have not heard that they are happy.

SECURITY . . . rather limited
The whole idea back of most plans for the regimentation of people is the redistribution of wealth and the equalization of the economic status of everybody. That is why every such plan is accompanied by propaganda against the wealthy and the means whereby wealth has been accumulated.

The plea is always that everybody is entitled to equal economic security. That is so contrary to human experience, in which there has never been any such thing as econ-

omic security for anybody, that it can only work so long as the dictatorship which enforces the plan is in full power. Eventually, every experiment of that kind—and they have been tried many times in the world's history—ends with the collapse of the plan and a return to the ancient system under which the competent get more than the incompetent, the industrious more than the lazy, and the competent and industrious have to take care of the others.

Arcola Items

(Omitted last week)

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Miller left on Tuesday for China Grove after spending several days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Person.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rhoads, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Russell, Mrs. Edward Bullock and Misses Alice Bobbitt, Ethel Russell and Frances Person attended the wedding of Miss Ella Boyd Russell and Lieut. William Mayo Gullett, U. S. Navy, at Kingswood Church, Bracey, Va., last Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Miss Louise Nash of Mt. Gilead is visiting Miss Vivian Person.

Mrs. Helen Moor and Miss Emily Milam left Tuesday for Wake Forest where they will attend Summer school.

Among the out-of-town visitors who added to the musical Wednesday night were Mrs. Herman Rodwell of Warrenton and Miss Jane Johnston of Littleton.

The Boy Scouts arrived home safely Wednesday afternoon after spending three days of pleasure in camp with their Scoutmaster, Mr. J. W. King.

Misses Essie and Arnie Belle Roberts are attending summer school at Louisburg.

Mrs. Nannie Gilliland of Rocky Mount spent last Sunday here with her son, Mr. J. H. Gilliland.

Miss Annie Lee Powell of Inez is visiting Mrs. W. S. Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shaw and son, Robert Jr., and Mr. Fletcher Bobbitt and Miss Alice Bobbitt attended commencement at Chapel Hill Tuesday night where Mr. Hilliard Bobbitt graduated in Pharmacy.

Messrs. J. O. and E. S. Tharrington and James Tharrington left Wednesday for a trip in the western part of North Carolina.

Misses Carrie Brame, Emily Milam, Mrs. E. H. Moor, Mrs. Helen Moor and Mrs. Kerr Harris spent last Friday in Norfolk.

Palmer Springs Items

(Omitted last week)

Mr. B. F. Long and Misses Frances Hayes and Helen Newell spent several days last week in Richmond with relatives.

Mrs. N. A. Coleman of Baskerville is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tanner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Wilson and Miss Minnie Wilson visited Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Newell last Sunday.

Misses Ruth and Pela Read and Harriett Hudgins visited in Raleigh last week.

Misses Rosa and Lizzie Palmer visited Mrs. C. B. Hendrick Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Haskins of Baskerville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tanner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans Coleman of Wise visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Palmer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Bobbitt of Greenville were guests of Mr. E. F. Bobbitt last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Newell of Warrenton and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson of Gaston visited Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Newell Friday.

Miss Harriett Hudgins is spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. Sallie Ricks, at Blacksburg.

Misses Margaret Tanner and Sallie Read spent last week with friends in South Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Newell of South Hill spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Newell.

Miss Alice Hayes of Richmond spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hayes.

Miss Helen Read of Drewry spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Read.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ivey of Warrenton visited Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Newell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bobbitt of South Hill were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Read.

Mr. Robert Tanner, who has been ill for some time, we are glad to report is better.

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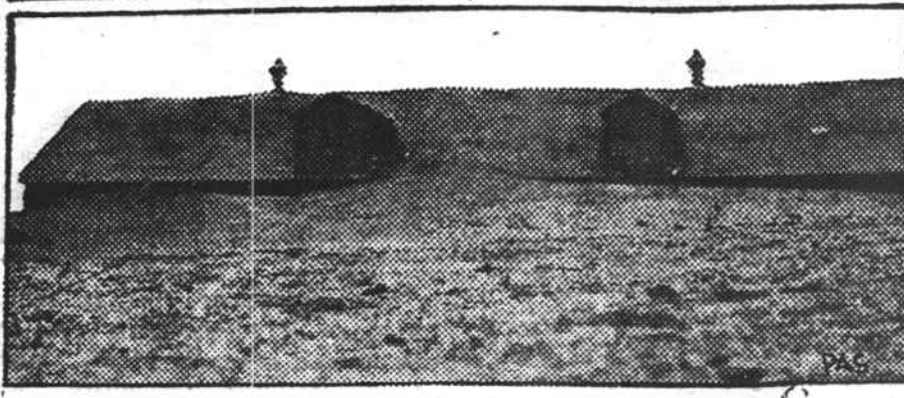
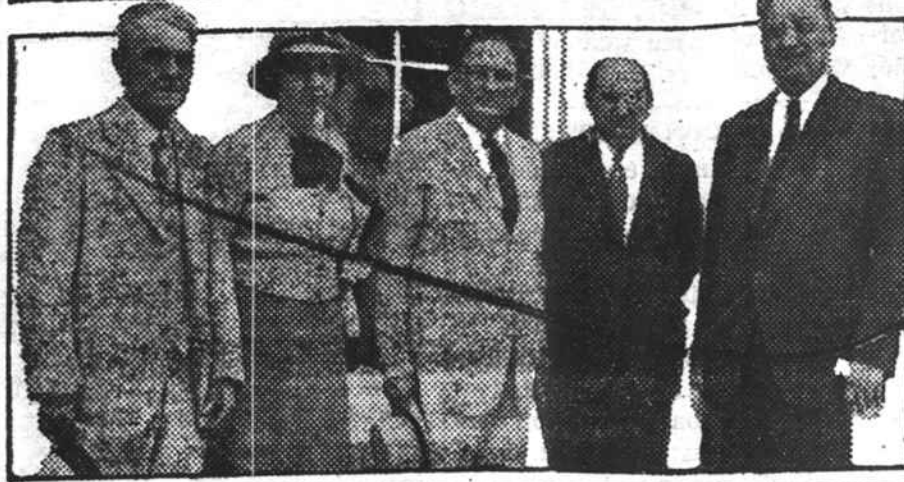
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Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stabler and Mrs. R. W. Hudson of Louisburg were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Pinnell on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Teague of Wake Forest spent the week end with friends in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Davis and Miss Blanche Burroughs were visitors at Wilmington and Carolina Beach on Sunday.

Farm Scenes from the Drought-Stricken West



WASHINGTON . . . From out of the mid-west comes photographs of desolate wastes in the drought areas to supplement reports of the dire need for relief and hurry the Federal Government in administering that relief. Upper photo shows half starved cattle vainly seeking grazing ground on a drought-stricken farm near Dallas, S. Da. . . . Center photo shows a congressional delegation from drought stricken leaving the White House after conferring with President Roosevelt. Left to right, Sen. Arthur Capper and Rep. Kathryn McCarthy, Kansas, Sen. Joseph T. Robinson, Ark., Sen. Lynn J. Frazier, N. Da., and Sen. John E. Erickson, of Mont. . . . Bottom, a partly dust-buried farm house in South Dakota as a result of choking dust storms during recent weeks.

Miss Marie Pinnell and Miss Virginia Frazier spent last Wednesday with friends at Spring Hope.

Mesdames S. H. Bowden and Jim Limer and son and Mr. Morris Pinnell spent Sunday with friends and relatives at Severn.

Miss Mary Davis spent Saturday night with Mrs. Richard Davis.

Mesdames M. S. Dryden and Gus Glenn were visitors in Raleigh last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Pinnell and family of Richmond, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pinnell of Henderson were visitors of their mother, Mrs. M. H. Pinnell, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Mabry and daughter were visitors of Mrs. J. D. Dowling of South Hill, Va., on Sunday.

Misses Arnie Belle and Essie Roberts of Louisburg College and Mr. Henry Fuller were supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Pinnell on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pullen of Castalia were visitors of Miss Marie Pinnell on Sunday.

Mr. P. W. Cooper of Littleton spent Sunday with friends in the community.

The Baptist Woman's Missionary society held its regular monthly meeting in the home of Mrs. W. C. Burroughs on Tuesday night.

The Afton Woman's club held its regular monthly meeting in the home of Mrs. Edd Fuller last Wednesday afternoon.

MISS LUCY JOHNSON

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was fashioned Eton effect and the neckline was finished with a rippling collar of white horsehair

braided which stood up at the back of the neck. The coat extended into a long, graceful train, several yards long. The bride's veil of illusion was cap-shaped, the cap being formed by medallions of white lace centered with tiny clusters of orange blossoms. The veil fell in graceful folds over the shoulders, large medallions of white lace being placed effectively at the shoulder line. The veil was finished with a row of white lace at the bottom and two large medallions of white lace were used as trimming near the end of the veil. The bride wore white kid slippers and long white gloves and her flowers were valley lilies and maidenhair fern tied with white silk net.

The bridegroom was attended by his brother, John Knox of Raleigh. Men in the wedding party wore boutonnières of white carnations.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Theodore Patrick, Jr., pastor of the Good Shepherd Church.

Mrs. William Thorne Johnson, mother of the bride, wore a gown of black lace over which was worn a jacket of the same material. The jacket had cape sleeves, elbow length. Mrs. Johnson wore a hat of black straw the brim of which was edged with a narrow band of horsehair braid. She wore a shoulder corsage of gardenias.

Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Knox departed for a wedding trip to western North Carolina. They will return to Raleigh for a few days before going to Port Washington, Long Island, N. Y., where they will make their home at 26 Ivy Way after July 5. For traveling, the bride wore a smart

jacket frock of dark blue triple-sheer crepe with blouse of white striped organdy. Her hat was a small taffeta turban trimmed with a white pin and her other accessories were of blue.

Mrs. Knox is the daughter of Mrs. Bettie Hall Johnson of Raleigh and the late William Thorne Johnson of Warrenton. On her maternal side, her great-great-grandfather was Judge John Hall of Warrenton who was among the first Supreme Court Judges in North Carolina and who also was a first cousin of General J. E. B. Stuart of Confederate Army fame. Her paternal great-great-grandfather was Dixon Marshall, whose brother was Chief Justice Marshall of Virginia, the first Supreme Court Judge of the United States. The bride attended the Misses Hawkins' School and the John Graham School in Warrenton. She has made her home in Raleigh for the past eight years.

The bridegroom is the son of Dr. A. W. Knox of Raleigh, and the late Mrs. Eliza Hardesty Smedes Knox. He is the grandson of Rev. John E. C. Smedes, whose brother, Dr. Albert Smedes, founded St. Mary's School here. His maternal grandmother was Henrietta Rhea Watts of Louisiana, and his paternal grandfather was Dr. Reuben Knox of Bradford, Mass., and his paternal grandmother was Elizabeth Washington of Kinston. Mr. Knox attended St. Stephen's College at Anna-Dale-on-the-Hudson and the University of North Carolina. He is a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. For the past six years he has been making his home in New York City, where he is manager of the Broadway office of the New York Telephone Company.

Among the out-of-town guests here for the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter White, Miss Nannie Margaret Brown, Miss Mary Frances Rodwell, Misses Emma and Lou Hall, Miss Estelle Davis and A. W. Hall, Jr., all of Warrenton; Mrs. Paul Nicholson of Port Washington, Long Island.

GULLETT-RUSSELL

Broadnax, Va., June 15.—The marriage of Miss Ella Boyd Russell, daughter of Mrs. Charles Leonard Purdy of Broadnax, and the late James Hendrick Russell of Bracey, to Lieut. William Mayo Gullett, U. S. Navy, was solemnized Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at Kingswood church.

Rev. O. M. Blackwell of Richmond, and Rev. J. L. Kibler, her pastor, were the officiating clergymen.

Miss Alice B. Bobbitt of Macon, N. C., sang "Love Divine" and "O Perfect Love," accompanied by Miss Lelia R. Shaw of Bracey.

Miss Russell, who was given her marriage by her brother, Armistead Goode Russell of Washington, D. C., wore a gown of white lace with a tulle veil caught with orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of gardenias, lilies of the valley,

gypsophila and bouvardia. Miss Lucy Burwell Boyd of Warrenton, N. C., was her maid of honor. Her frock was of pink mousseline de-soie, with blue accessories, and she carried an arm bouquet of gerberas, talisman roses and sweet peas. Mrs. George F. Baskerville of Petersburg, was matron of honor, and she was gowned in blue mousseline de-soie with pink accessories, carrying an arm bouquet of gerberas, talisman roses and sweet peas of contrasting colors.

Miss Nora Gray Russell of Broadnax was junior maid of honor, and she wore an Elizabethan dress of white organdy with an old-fashioned nosegay.

Lieut. Gullett, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Earl Gullett of Lincoln, Ill., had Lieut. Robert E. Braddy Jr. of Dublin, Ga., as best man. The ushers were Lieut. Paul David Grass, Lebanon, Pa.; Lieut. Norman A. Helfrich, St. Louis, Mo.; George B. Finch, Leonia, N. J., and Allyn P. Evans, Leonia, N. J.

The church was beautifully decorated with pines, white lilies, magnolias and cathedral candles. A reception at the old Russell home, at Bracey, followed the ceremony.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Gullett will be at home at Annapolis, Md., after July 1.

Out-of-town guests were: Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert W. Braddy Jr., of Dublin, Ga., Manson Baekers, Seattle, Wash., Lieut. Paul D. Gross, Lebanon, Pa., Mrs. C. L. Galbraith, Arlington.

Lieutenant and Mrs. N. A. Helfrich, St. Louis, Mo., William W. Evans, Palisade Park, N. J., Miss Mary Martling, Ridgefield, N. J., G. B. Finch, Leonia, N. J., A. P. Evans, Leonia, N. J., Dr. and Mrs. George T. Baskerville, Petersburg, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Russell, Macon, N. C., Armistead Goode Russell, Washington, Edwin O. Russell, Washington, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Gholson, Henderson, N. C., Misses Ethel Russell and Frances Person, Mr. and Mrs. George Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Price and Mrs. E. J. Bullock, all of Macon, N. C.

Mrs. Gullett, niece of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Russell of Macon, made her home with them for a number of years. She has many friends throughout North Carolina and

Virginia. She is the granddaughter of the late Mrs. Mamie Boyd Russell and Edwin H. Russell of Mecklenburg County, Va., and Warrenton county.

Mrs. Gullett attended school at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va., and Barnard College, New York. For a number of years she has taught in the public schools of Palisades, N. J. Lieut. Gullett is a graduate of Annapolis and will continue with post graduate work there for the coming year.

Pontiac Sales Show A Large Increase

Pontiac operations this year have been on a highly satisfactory basis according to E. E. Gillam. Production has been far above last year's with two months out of the first five breaking all monthly production records since 1929.

It was the production of 14,000 cars in March and 15,063 in April both record breaking months, that gave to Pontiac dealers throughout the country the cars that made it possible to show the general increase in sales.

"Although figures for the month of May are not available," said Mr. Gillam, "sales reports compiled at the factory show that more Pontiacs were delivered in April than in March, that April of this year was ahead of April of 1933 and that the first four months this year have been ahead of the same period of a year ago.

"The enthusiastic manner in which the motoring public has bought Pontiacs this year is very pleasing. It shows clearly that the American people have regained their faith in the business future of the country.

"Pontiac engineers sensed keenly the desire of the public for size, comfort, power and economy when they designed the 1934 car," continued Mr. Gillam. "Although the wheelbase is a generous 117 1/4 inches, its smooth, enclosed knee-action front springs give to its occupants the riding qualities of 130 inches of wheelbase. The powerful engine is said by engineers and other experts to be the smoothest straight eight in the world, while its fuel economy has been increased ten per cent."

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