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IN A FRIENDLY SORT O'WAY "When a man ain't got a cent, And he's feeling kind of blue, And the clouds hang dark and heavy And won't let the sunshine through

s a great thing. O my brethren, For a feller just to lay His hand upon your shoulder In a friendly sort o'way.

It makes a man feel curious; It makes the tear drops start, And you sort o'feel a flutter In the region of your heart; You can look up and meet his eyes, You don't know what to say When his hand is on your shoulder In a friendly sort o'way.

Oh, the world's a curious compound, With its honey and its gall: With its cares and bitter crosses

But a good world after all. And a good God must have made it Leastways, that is what I say When a hand is on my shoulder In a friendly sort o'way."

-James Whitcomb Riley.

#### MAN'S SEVEN MISTAKES

Man's imperfections lead him to make many mistakes in life, and the pointing out of these frailties has engaged the attention of philosophers and reformers in all ages. A recent writer en grates what he considers to be the seven greatest mistakes of man, as follows:

1. The delusion that individual advancement is made by crushing others down.

2. The tendency to worry about things that cannot be changed or corrected.

3. Insisting that a thing is impossible because we ourselves cannot praising past achievements in safeaccomplish it.

preferences in order that important things may be accomplished.

5. Neglecting development and refinement of the mind by not acquiring the habit of reading.

sons to believe and live as we do. 7. The failure to establish the hab- what courteous, "fixless" law it of saving money.

agnosis of what is the matter with us, and everyone might profitably check up on himself in the light of these suggestions.

#### THE TRAGEDY OF EXCESSIVE TAXATION

If anyone wishes to know why industry is finding it difficult to go ahead these days, he can find one potent reason in the gigantic tax burden.

The American Federation of Investors recently made a study of 150 representative large corporations, involved in every leading line of business. The tota assets of these companies amounted to nearly \$42,, 000,000,000. Their capital has been furnished by 6,490,000 shareholders, most of them small investors with less than 100 shares of stock. Their total number of employes was 3,171. 000 in 1937.

In that year, the compales paid their common stockholders an aver age of \$1,45 per share. And their tax bill amounted to \$2.62 for each share of common stock outstanding-close to double as much as was received by the companies' owners.

Putting it another way, these 159 typical large corporations paid taxes amounting to \$291 for each common shareholder, and \$514 per employe.

Those cold figures tell a tragic story. Excessive taxation is depriving investors of revenue that would flow into the stream of commerce. creating purchasing power and business opportunities. It is depriving a legion of workers of productive jobs. It is an ever-growing barrier in the road of progress.

### GAINING ON DEATH

During the first six month of this year, 3,670 automobile 'raths were prevented in this country! That is based on a comparison of motor vehicle deaths in the first half of 1938 as against the same period in 1937. The decline in fatalities that began last Nevember carried through encouragingly into July.

So far so good. But, as the National Safety Council points out, "This is no time to quit in our fight for safety. This is just the beginning." We've won a partial victory. Unremitting effort on the part of every motorist, pedestrian, traffic judge and law enforcement officer is need ed if the victory is to be ultimately

## Here and There . .

By Haywood E. Lynch

Kings Mountain Battleground may be in South Carolina and the per of the York Chapter of the D. A. R., but when they want cards or letters mailed with Kings Mountain cancellation they have to send them to the local Postoffice to be remailed. Postmaster W. E. Blakely is in receipt of a number of cards and letters that have been mailed from York to be remailed and cancelled with Kings Mountain NORTH CAROLINA on it. The mail is to be cancelled October 7th, the date of the famous battle that marked the turning point of the American Revolution.

If I ever build another newspaper office, I will make arrangements to have a barber shop in it. I can pick up more news in just a few minutes in a barber shop than any other place in Town. Most of the information learned

if it was printed, it would make interesting reading.

Charles Mauney, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mauney, decides every now and then that he wants to call up his daddy at the Mauney Mill office. The phone number is three and the number of the D. F. Hord Furniture Co. is nine-three. Now, just about every time young Mauney calls he gives the number as "number-three which sounds a great deal like 'nine-three," and instead of his daddy answering the phone, Mrs. Nell H. Fulton at Hord's answers. Charles replies, "I want my daddy" and then Nell tells him to call just "three" instead of nine-three.

Pretty Sight: Little Ann Mobley Dilling down town Tuesday morning with her mother, Mrs. Charles Dilling. Little Ann had her baby doll with her, and she was as cute as she could be.

Ross Roberts says he is going to try and make a Baptist out of me, now that my office is so near his church.

Here is a good one on Charlle Thomasson. He has been doing quite a bit of private detective

Some of the most dangerous driv ing months lie ahead. And with the coming of the rains, snow and ice. plus the shorter daylight hours of fall and winter, motoring presents new and difficult hazards. There will be no time for standing still and ty, until December 31 has passed. 4. Refusing to set aside trivial and the figures are all in.

A saving of 3,670 lives is a magnif icent thing. And it shows that traific accidents, can be sharply reduced. During the first half of this year there was more and better organized 6. Attempting to compel other per community and state safety work than ever before. We are learning forcement can do. And we are also This appear to be a pretty fair di- learning the excellent results that ollow better traffic engineering and cientific traffic control.

> You're one of the soldiers in this ight against death. The country needs your help. Keep up the good work-and make t still better.

## The Menace of Autocracy

By RAYMOND PITCAIRN

The world, as this is written, gazes shocked and amazed at new and dramatic evidences of the dangers inherent in autocratic rule.

That humanity should be shocked is natural. But that it should be surprised is less understandable.

For more than a century and a half it has seen, in the great American epic, that where the people rule—where the press and speech and religion and opportunity are free—men have attained high standards of living and liberty and

For many centuries it has known that where the reins of power are grasped in the hands of one—or a few—the indi-vidual is oppressed, religion suffers, freedom languishes, and the people are sacrificed on gross altars of hatred and personal ambition.

These are natural outgrowths of the soils in which the two contrasting ideas of government—Democracy and Autocracy-are nourished.

The first, Democracy, is founded on Faith; the second, modern Autocracy, prew out of Despair.

The first looks with confidence to the Future; the second, with apprehension

The first seeks to govern through rea-son and progress; the second, through blind acceptance and regression.

The first bases its strength on the freedom of the people; the second, on the thickness of the chains that shackle There are other differences. One

modern Autocracy, glorifies that cold abstraction, the State; the other, Denocracy, that warm reality, the family. One glorifies the barracks, the other the nome; one, terrorism, the other, toler-ince; one, the weapons and conquests of war, the other the tools and achieve-ments of peace. One breeds hunger and desperation, the other, comfort and confidence.

These are reasons why America established the principle of Government by the People. They are reasons why the American people should and must cling isolously to that principle of self-rule. Every surrender, however slight, of the power of the people serves only to weaken our sound heritage of freedom, and to bring closer the black shadow which lowers over so much of Europe.

work lately trying to solve the mysterious robberies that have been taking place at Vera's Beauty Shoppe. This may be part of the services he renders his tenants. You know he and Peeler own the building in which Vera's is located. Well, anyway he has been hard at work trying to catch the thief. And then by crackle, when the stolen goods were found, they were under one of Charlie's warehouses at the Elmer Lumber Company.

#### October Busy Month For Home Gardeners

October finds the careful gardenhands, according to Glenn O. Rand- should be covered lightly with a of Horticulture.

Since this month is the time, to bulbs such as tulips, narcissi, and scale insects. Those plants should be given to the preparation of frost and which show scale the soil. Most bulbs require that the ha on be pulverized to a depth of 8 to have fallen with an oil spray recom

10 inches.

Hardy bulbs respond favorably to commercial tertilizers, the formula most commonly used being 3-8-10. Such fertilizer should be applied at the rate of two to three pounds per 100 square feet of soil. Stable manure should not be used as a fertilizer unless it is thoroughly decayed and carefully mixed with the soil.

Randall also pointed out October is the time of year when many lawns show areas where the grass has made poor growth. A top dressing of thoroughly rotted stable manure and good top soil about two inches deep should stimulate more vigerous growth.

In the flower garden, annual seed such as sweet peas, poppies, pansies and snapdragons may be planted r with a multitude of tasks on his now for spring blooming. The seed all, of the State College Department mixture of screened rotted manue and garden loam soil.

All shrubs, especially liacs plant hardy or spring flowering japonica, should be examined for Dutch hyacinths, special attention naturally drop their leaves after which should

mended for this purpose.



#### Chapter One

The bright yellow sunlight streamed in through the window and over the profusion of blankets and the pleasant disorder of the l. . knees drawn up, peering in-tently into the glass, turning her face from side to side and uttering little gasping cries of dismay from time to time.

first glance you wondered whether she was child or woman, with her rich, touseled, glinting hair, her slender childish form. But if you had once glimpsed the shimmering pools in her eyes, sensed the quiet hurt behind their sparkling gaiety, you knew she was a woman in whom the child had never died.

Six o'clock, seven o'clock, eight lock," Peter chanted outside her "Six o'clock, seven o'clock, eight o'clock," Peter chanted outside her door. "Gaby, are you up? If you aren't up I'll be late for the concert, I shan't be able to play. If I don't play we go to the poorhouse."

Then he rushed into the room and seized her while she squealed in protest. "I was looking for wrinkles," she complained. "I have got lots of wrinkles."

A brief intermission occurred and they were seated. Gaby peered at the file of violinists at the left of the conductors stand to find her Peter and smile to him. He frowned.

There was a sharp patter of applause that suddenly broke into a wave of handelapping and Gaby gazed up at the face of Miguel del Vayo, gracefully acknowledging his reception from the center of the stage and felt a sudden tremor

pass through her body.

From the instant he made his appearance until the close of his concerto Gaby's gaze was riveted on his face. He played the Becthoven D Major that evening, and Gaby who had listened to that immortal music had listened to that immortal music dozens of times, actually heard it for the first time as it poured from his strings, alive with utterance only for her. When the last chord had been played, he bowed gracefully to the storm of applause, then turned and approached Peter and offered him his outthrust hand.

Gaby, standing on the sidewalk after the concest, sensed a tremendous compulsion that bade her go

dous compulsion that bade her go back. "Where is Peter?" she said turning to Christine, "I'm going to look for him."

lots of wrinkles."

"Bosh!" he said, ruffling her hair and kissing her. "If you have got wrinkles I can't see none."

"Oh," she cried, "it's very sad a voice bade her. And she opened



"Oh, Peeps, I have millions of wrinkles!"

head from the plate.
"Darling, either the black one or wife.

"Darling, either the black one or the white one."

"I think 'either' is more dignified,' be told her, were in the sixth row. And Christine would call for her at seven, so she would have no excuse for tardiness. And she would be wearing the black. It was really more dignified. Peter tucked the violin under his right arm and gave her one final, clinging kiss and was gone.

The concert started at eight fif-

The concert started at eight filteen. And promptly at eight fortyfive Gaby hurried into the outer
lobby of the hall, clad in white.
The orchestra was completing the
last measures of a Mozart symphony, "Xou are always so early
that people think they have lots of
time," she was telling Christine. But
Christine, who was Gaby's friend
because she was her exact antithesis, merely humphed and said
I thought it would be me in the

indeed. I have got wrinkles. In a moment I shall be old, you will be old, our teeth and hair will fall out, We will die and be buried . ."

"And go to heaven together!" he concuded triumphantly. And with that he selzed her from behind and piloted her energetically to the breakfast table. "I want to get my face lifted. I do!" was her cry now.

Peter paid no attention to what she was saying. He was cating energetically and talking about the concert. The most wonderful thing, he said, Miguel del Vayo, the great del Vayo, with whom he had attended the Conservatoire would be the solist that evening. And what would Gaby wear?

"Oh, Peepa," she cautioned him, "Don't talk with your mouth so full." Then, after a moment's consideration, she said, "There isn't much choice. It's either or."

"Either or?" he echoed lifting his head from the piate.

"Darling, either the black one or the white one."

"And how about the wayo, not five face of Miguel del Vayo, not five fact from her.

Neither spoke, but their eyes met and held each other for a second that seemed an eternity. And when he lifted his hand as if he were about to ask her a question, she turned and fled down the corridor. Christine, who was still waiting.

Christine, he down the corridor.

Christine, he could her to take Gaby home and to tell her that he would try not to be late. Gaby returned home with her in a strange silence.

While she lag dach other for a second that seemed an eternity. And when he lifted his hand as if he were about to ask her a question, she turned and fled down the corridor.

"No women?" queried Peter with wondering gaze. "One in a while, Miguel answered gruffly. Thete be cause Peter was really his eldest friend, he decided to tell him of the stranger who came to his dressing room that evening.



"Lemme Go! Me Mother's Callin' Me!"

## Washington Snapshots

ther private or government figures.) as head of the House committee has These August figures showed that been developing information about employment in non-agricultural occu the activity of foreign Isms in the pations had in creased 320,000. That United States, now proposes to oris far from taking care of the mil- ganize a League of Americanism. Of licus unemployed. But the trend is the 12-point program he has outlined in the right direction at last.

ward trend has developed none too the American form of government. soon. They reason that jobs must be Dies sets it forth as follows: found. Government spending cannot "To oppose every effort to undercontinue forever. At the close of Sep mine or weaken our system of check tember the national debt was rough and balances and the maintenance ly 38.5 billions of dollars. This is of the three independent departwithin 6.5 billions of the limit Con- ments of the Government.' gress has placed on the national The Texas Legislator should have

prchibiting a public debt in excess The fundamental difference between of 45 billions. Public opinon s likely the American form of representative to roar against any increase in that government and the dictatorships of amount - say to 80 illion as some Europe lies in these words. No dictapropose. All of which makes it more tor can operate unless he has a rubimportant than ever that voters be ber stamp legislative body and a con sure to know how the candidates trolled judiciary .... And the man they will vote for in November view all other men are looking for is the this situation.

The Nobel Peace Prize will be a warded this year, as usual. The judges may be perplexed. Certainly, at the outset they can eliminate the statamen of two continents, Europe and Asia. America, however, has a for 19 growers with top animals real candidate - that is, of course, bringing \$8.75 a hundred pounds at if the judges place a broad interpre the first fall shipment for this seatation upon the rules governing the son. award.

He is Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming, Crairman of the National Economic (Monopoly) Study. The Best He is trying to clear up the misunderstandings between government and business. Business men were much pleased with the Senator's recont statement that he would seek to have representatives of industry invited to sit with the Economic Committee during prospective hearings "so that industry will have first hand access to every fact we devel-

Congressman Dies of Texas, who

for the League, point No. 2 is much Many economists think this up-talked of today. It is a vital part of

added these words .... the Legisla-The legislators have enacted a law tive, the Executive and the Judicial. one who suggested that all husbands should pay their wives a salary of \$1,000.00 a year.

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