

Editorial — Senatorial Choice Of Great Gravity

Great responsibility is to be placed in the hands of Texas voters soon in naming a senator to succeed the late Morris Sheppard.

Just now it is a little early to reach definite conclusions until the field is more nearly complete. But gradually, as this candidate and that, together with the others, a better comparison of the timber is available.

Judgment in this matter should not be too hastily reached. It is an important decision, for we believe that the choice should not only be one to fill out an unexpired term, but one in which we could have reasonable hopes of continuing.

To begin with, we might as well recognize that the system of senatorial election in our legislative set-ups makes it expedient to invest in the

HEART'S HAVEN

Chapter 20
YIELDING

Eve turned, happily, to find that Neil had come to where she stood on the porch.

"That looks like a good idea." He nodded to where two figures were sitting on the sand, looking at the ocean, Lordy Mac romping about awkwardly and getting them covered with sand. "What say we take a little stroll—in the opposite direction?"

"All right," Eve agreed, her voice scarcely above a whisper. She went down the steps and turned toward the beachhouse, feeling a queer shiver of anticipation within herself.

But Neil, once they were walking, seemed to find it the time for reminiscence. He recalled a summer long ago at Bradley's Beach, and another time when he and a group of his friends had gone to the Riviera and tried to hang the bank at one of the famous gambling spots.

By the time they had almost reached the pier, Eve was listening, enthralled, to the story of a world she had never known. A world where the principal object was enjoyment, in where money—or rather, the lack of it—was not a constant subject of irritation.

She looked at Neil's tall, strong figure, and wondered what he would think of the small, scrubby town where she was born, and where her mother had worked so hard to provide the pitiful little bit of income needed to send her, Eve, through school.

"He probably gambled away in one evening more than my mother earned in a year," she thought.

She was looking at him, as he talked, and was utterly unprepared when he turned, suddenly, and met her glance. Her own eyes were hastily averted, but Neil had one of her hands in both of his, and he held it tightly.

"Eve!" His voice seemed, roughened by his thoughts. "I've been talking like a fool—trying to make you see something of me, and something of my background. But—but it doesn't really matter, does it? If—if I were someone else, and you were someone else I think you'd still feel the same. Eve—I know it isn't strictly according to etiquette, but—but will you marry me?"

As Eve started to draw her hand away, unprepared, in spite of her attentiveness, for the sudden proposal, he held it more tightly.

"Please—don't be unkind. You've known—you must have known how I felt from the first minute I saw you. The stars and the moon and heaven itself mean nothing at all unless you're beside me. Lord—I'm getting poetic! But don't please don't make me wait for an answer."

"There—there isn't any moon. . . . Eve said desperately, staring into where the sun was burning a bright pathway across the sea.

Man About Manhattan— Acting Reaches Stage Of 'Let's Return To The Scene of Crime'

By GEORGE TUCKER

NEW YORK—If you see a man walking along Broadway in the daytime with a lighted lantern, looking for an honest producer, kindly refer him to Russell Crouse and Harold Lindsay.

Crouse and Lindsay are the producers of that insane "whodunit" cyclorama at the Fulton known as "Arsenic and Old Lace." Such is the urge among the local taxpayers to see this lilylike trifle on homicide en masse that tickets are now selling far into June.

But the Fulton theater itself is not the most desirable house in Manhattan from which to view the drama. Some of its orchestra seats are so far to the side that only a portion of the stage may be seen from them.

When this condition came to the attention of Messrs. Crouse and Lindsay, they took the trouble to view their own play from each of the condemned seats. With bold flourishes they checked off the undesirable seats with white pieces of chalk. Each flourish meant a loss of \$3.30. In all, 18 seats were eliminated, and it was also decided to discontinue selling the usual 38 standee tickets for each performance. All of which amounted to a loss of hundreds of dollars each week.

"But what the hell's a couple hundred when you've got a couple million?" cried Crouse and Lindsay when asked about it. So remember this if you see that guy with the lantern.

Hollywood Sights and Sounds— Eddie Bracken's Story Of Life On Stage Interesting

HOLLYWOOD—Stories like Eddie Bracken's are the kind that keep stage-struck youngsters beating their heads against the hard doors of theatrical fame. If Eddie Bracken can do it, they say, why can't I?

Eddie is the young fellow with the classic Roman nose on the classic Irish pan. You'll be hearing and seeing more of him after "Reaching for the Sun." He started in it as a supporting player but now they've told him he will get stage-billing along with Joel McCrea and Ellen Drew. It's his fourth movie, so he hasn't been wasting time.

The girl-crazy comedian of "Too Many Girls" isn't the old Eddie Bracken of Hollywood and Broadway. Neither is he the erstwhile Dizzy of the Aldrich family. Eddie, along with Jackie Cooper, outgrew the Aldrich flickers. After the

Alsop and Kintner— Government Likely To Push Consumer Buying Downward

By ALSOP and KINTNER

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Every informed person here agrees that the result may be tragedy abroad if the all-out American war effort is put off much longer.

A few of the more far-sighted government officials are also beginning to realize that a secondary result will be tragedy at home. For it will be impossible to control the economic effects of the defense program, so long as the country continues on a business-as-usual basis. And until the real all-out effort starts, the transition from business as usual to a state of emergency can hardly be made.

In certain offices at the treasury, among both business men and economists at the office of production management, and almost everywhere else in Washington where men know the true facts, you hear the same desperately worried murmuring. In two years the national income is to be increased by \$30,000,000,000. In two years \$40,000,000,000 is to be poured into the national economy by the government.

In two years the entire visible labor supply is to be exhausted, and an acute labor shortage is to be created. Without the most stringent controls, such overwhelming stimuli as these can produce only one reaction—complete economic chaos.

A striking symptom of the growing concern for the economic future is the informal negotiation now in progress between certain government leaders and executives of the automobile companies.

The government men are asking the motor companies to cut the term of their installment buying contracts from the usual eighteen to twenty months down to a maximum of a year. It is thought that if the motor and finance companies agree, this will have the effect of reducing total automobile purchases.

And this, in turn will tend to ease the automobile business's competition with the defense program for raw materials and semi-finished products, and will also have an anti-inflationary effect. The negotiation, which is still only in the sounding-out stage, is part of a broad plan that is to apply to all the other so-called "consumer's durable goods industries"—such as the refrigerator industry, the washing machine industry, and so on.

The plan will of course meet with the bitterest sort of opposition from the finance companies. Labor groups are likely to be aroused. The general buying public itself is hardly likely to understand such an indirect attack on its buying power. In short, while the plan may be a step in the right direction, it has all the usual defects of half-measures.

Some other half-measures are also being taken. The improvised system of price control put in force by Leon Henderson's price administration is one of these half-measures. Another is the treasury scheme to divert national income from consumption spending to saving, by a big drive to buy defense bonds and stamps, now set to start on May 1.

Moreover, there is the treasury tax program, which cannot be classed as a mere half-measure. By raising levies all along the line, it is calculated to produce \$3,500,000,000 in revenue.

The test of its honesty of purpose is the fact that heavy taxes are to be imposed on the lower income groups which have the largest buying power, yet which have always escaped almost scot-free from the annual tax revisions.

The president himself has largely accepted the theories of wartime economics propounded by the British economist, John Maynard Keynes. The Keynesian plan is to finance the war and prevent consumer competition with defense by restricting consumer opportunities

Income Tax Boost Draws Opposition

WASHINGTON, April 23 (AP)—The first evidence appeared today of developing opposition to the treasury's drastic plan for collecting from two to six times as much income tax from taxpayers in the low and middle brackets.

Part of a program to raise \$3,500,000,000 in new federal revenue, the treasury proposal would impose a schedule of new and higher surtaxes on everyone who pays a penny income tax.

The plan, if adopted, would have the effect of making the tax rate on the lowest incomes 16.5 per cent. The present basic rate for the lowest bracket is 4 per cent, but taxpayers must add 10 per cent to their payments as a special defense levy. The higher rates would yield an estimated \$1,517,000,000 of the new revenues sought.

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In normal times, surtaxes are something that cause no concern to income taxpayers in the lower brackets. At present an individual must have a taxable income of more than \$4,000 before he has to pay a surtax. If the treasury program is adopted, however, the surtax and the basic tax would apply simultaneously—to the very first dollar of taxable income.

Both the current and the proposed income rates include the 10 percent defense surtax—or tax-on-a-tax—imposed by congress last year.

The treasury surtax schedule, it was reported authoritatively, already has encountered opposition in the staff of the joint congressional committee on internal revenue taxation, at least as far as some details go.

This also was said to be the case with some members of the house ways and means committee, which will do the actual drafting of the big new tax bill.

Cheddar Cheese Belittled

AUBANY, N. Y.—New York's leading cheese—cheddar—is suffering an injustice through failure of many people to call it by its true name, according to the state department of agriculture. Cheddar Cheese has been given a variety of names by grocers. Some term it "farmers' cheese," others "State Cheese" or "farmers' cheese."

Trailer Tintypes

Acting doubtless on one of those let's-return-to-the-scene-of-the-crime impulses, Tallulah Bankhead spent her first night in Manhattan seeing Ethel Barrymore in "The Corn Is Green" at the National. It was at the National that Miss Bankhead spent a prosperous year as the star of "The Little Foxes," and she has just brought that play's sensational road career to an end. Naturally she hurried backstage for a long powwow with Miss Barrymore.

"All we talked about was baseball," she cried upon emerging. "Oh, my poor Giants. I hope Ott hits a home run every day."

Around town Miss Bankhead has the reputation of being a noisy and enthusiastic rooster for the Giants, but actually her knowledge of the game is slim. They say her enthusiasm was born of a meeting in a tavern one night with Mel Ott and Harry the Horse Danning. Thereafter all her spare afternoons were spent at the Polo Grounds, screaming for the Terrymen and beating her fists in frenzies of excitement against the ledges of the boxes.

"They say around Broadway that a most vile trick was played upon

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Prisoners Of War Warned To Keep Out

WASHINGTON, April 23 (AP)—The United States put a stern new "keep out" policy into effect today for German prisoners of war who seek a haven here after escape from Canada.

The action followed the disclosure that Franz von Werra, Nazi war filer who escaped from Canada three months ago, had jumped bond of \$15,000 and fled the United States for Peru.

Von Werra's bond, posted by the German consulate in New York, covered deportation proceedings and a charge connected with his illegal entry into this country at Ogdenburg, N. Y., Jan. 25.

Attorney General Jackson ordered the borders closed to escaped prisoners last night. He called Von Werra's flight "a flagrant abuse of neutral hospitality."

Hereafter, Jackson directed, all escaped prisoners reaching the border must be turned back with "any force reasonably necessary."

If one should be apprehended after slipping through, the attorney general added, under no circumstances should he be released in the custody of consular officials. The attorney general's office, he said, would issue the instructions in such cases.

It was considered likely that the ruling would produce sharp reaction in Berlin. German comment was very indignant last month when two escaped naval officers were handed back to Canadian authorities at Clayton, N. Y. Berlin officials charged that this violated international law.



\$100 Worth of Happiness—Mrs. Eugene Bailey, Longview, is shown receiving \$100 in Happiness Certificates for first place in last week's Admiration coffee contest. Second place award of \$50 went to Mrs. B. E. Tatro, Harlingen. Mrs. Cecil B. Gray, Stamford, took third place and \$25. Among the 600 others receiving pound packages of Admiration was Mrs. James Little of this city.

LYRIC Ending Today "SANTA FE TRAIL"

Errol Flynn
Olivia de Havilland

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James Cagney
George Raft
George Bancroft

PLANES TRANSFERRED

SAN ANTONIO, April 23 (AP)—Officials of the Gulf Coast Training center at Randolph Field said today that 20 BT-15 basic training planes from the basic school at San Angelo have been ordered transferred to Curtis Field at Brady.

The transfer, it is understood, is to provide planes for basic training when the school at Brady becomes a basic school on May 3.

US Must Maintain England As Democracy's Defense, Says FD

WASHINGTON, April 23 (AP)—In President Roosevelt's judgment, Americans should take a long view of the fighting abroad and resolve to maintain England as the main defense of democracy.

In measured tones, he told his press conference yesterday that the war would not be won by one sea fight, or by one defeat in Greece or even the whole Mediterranean.

The people of the United States, he said, should view the struggle in the light of history and not allow themselves to be lifted to a pinnacle one day of a British victory in the Mediterranean, only to sink to the depths later on word of German successes.

The war can only be won, he asserted, by keeping the main defense of democracy going. That defense, he said, was England.

He answered with an emphatic affirmative when questioned whether he was confident that the defense of England would be kept going.

War supplies will be kept moving to Great Britain in undiminished quantities, he declared with emphasis.

NEWTON STARNES TO SPEAK HERE TONIGHT

The Rev. Newton Starnes, pastor of the Harrah Methodist church, will be guest speaker at the prayer meeting of the First Methodist church at 8 p. m. today.

A former assistant pastor of the church here, the Rev. Starnes will bring the devotional for the evening, said Dr. J. O. Haymes, pastor, who will preside.

made the trip in a truck, equipped with benches, bedding and four radios.

At Carlsbad they were guests of Col. Thomas Boles, head of the caverns, for a reception at his home. While in the caverns, they were included in shots of a technical travelogue being made that day and were recognized as the largest school group present at that time, exceeding 46 Tulsa, Tex., seniors in number.

They stayed one night on the Pecos river in Carlsbad and went motor-boating, and had dinner together Saturday night out of Latin club funds.

Local Latin Students Get State's Highest Award

A certificate denoting the highest award any Latin team in the state can earn has been received by Lillian Shick, high school Latin instructor, for the showing of her first year team in the recent state Latin tournament.

Members of the team, who earned the rating of having scored above 95 together, are Louise Ann Bennett and Myra Lee Bigony. Dora Flack, Dallas, chairman of the state tournament, sent the awards.

Another high spot for the Latin students was their second annual trip to Carlsbad Caverns last weekend. Accompanied by Miss Shick and Mr. and Mrs. Garland Sanders, the Latin pupils, numbering 51,

Stalin Talks Of Guarding Union

MOSCOW, April 23 (AP)—In his first public address since the present war began, Joseph Stalin, the uncommunicative leader of Russia's millions, reminded a Kremlin audience last night that Nikolai Lenin, founder and patron saint of bolshevism, had "taught us to guard this great union."

Stalin's last previous speech was to the communist party congress in March, 1939, when he declared that Russia had no intention of allowing herself to be drawn into a war against Germany to "pull other peoples' chestnuts out of the fire for them."

His words last night were spoken in the palace of the Kremlin, at a reception for singers and dancers of the middle Asiatic Tajik republic who have just concluded an art festival in Moscow.

Tass, the official soviet news agency, briefly reported that "Comrade Stalin spoke warmly of the great Lenin, who created the bolshevik party, organized the union of peoples of this free country and taught us to guard this great union. Then Comrade Stalin proposed a toast to the health and flourishing of the Tajik people and all possible development of their culture and art."

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did not make love to her, but sat close gazing with her at the water and talking now and then in a desultory fashion about nothing in particular. Eve, to her embarrassment, suddenly found herself yawning.

"Oh—I'm sorry!" she apologized quickly. But Nell laughed and drew her to her feet.

"Of course you're sleepy. We've had a rather hectic day. Just one goodnight kiss—he held out his arms and Eve was, for the moment thrilled by their strength and tenderness. She kissed him, and his arms lightened.

"I'm going to make you happier than any girl has ever been before," he promised, as if he were taking a vow. "And I'll never get over thanking the powers that be for letting me have you. As soon as we get off this place," he said more practically, "I'll send to New York for the ring—there's an old emerald in the safety deposit box that Mother's hung onto, for just such an occasion. Wait until I tell her that her future daughter-in-law has eyes to match the emerald!"

They ran with Lord Mac back to the house to find that everyone but Brett Rodman had already gone to bed. He was looking through the old book again, reading not the love story, but the account of how the original house had been laid out.

"What was in the secret room—Marguerite's room?" Eve asked.

"Absolutely nothing," Brett said "but dust and cobwebs. They'd even taken away the furniture. It's a terribly small room—whenever does the house over might make it a bath."

"You certainly are romantic." Eve could not resist the thrust.

"You're romantic enough for everyone," Nell chided. "Rodman's right. Eve and you know it. Run along to bed now. We'll talk for a while, if Brett doesn't mind."

"Glad to have you! I'll stir up the fire a little."

Eve submitted to another kiss, although it seemed rather embarrassing in front of Brett.

To be continued.

HARD TO SWALLOW

ST. JOSEPH, Mo.—John Cherry's foot slipped, sending him to a doctor for throat repairs.

He's a sword swallower.

Volunteers To Fill Mitchell Quota

COLORADO CITY, April 23 (Sp)—Volunteers will fill Mitchell county's draft quota for May 7. It was announced this week by the local draft board.

Those lined up to report in El Paso on May 7 for the county are: Lloyd Elmore Sweett, Cuthbert route; Bernard Olson Falkner, Jr., Lorraine; and Juan Barrera (Mexican), Colorado City. Barrera will be the first Mexican to go from the county.

Nearly 465 million pounds of sugar are required annually in the manufacture of soft drinks, says the census.

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