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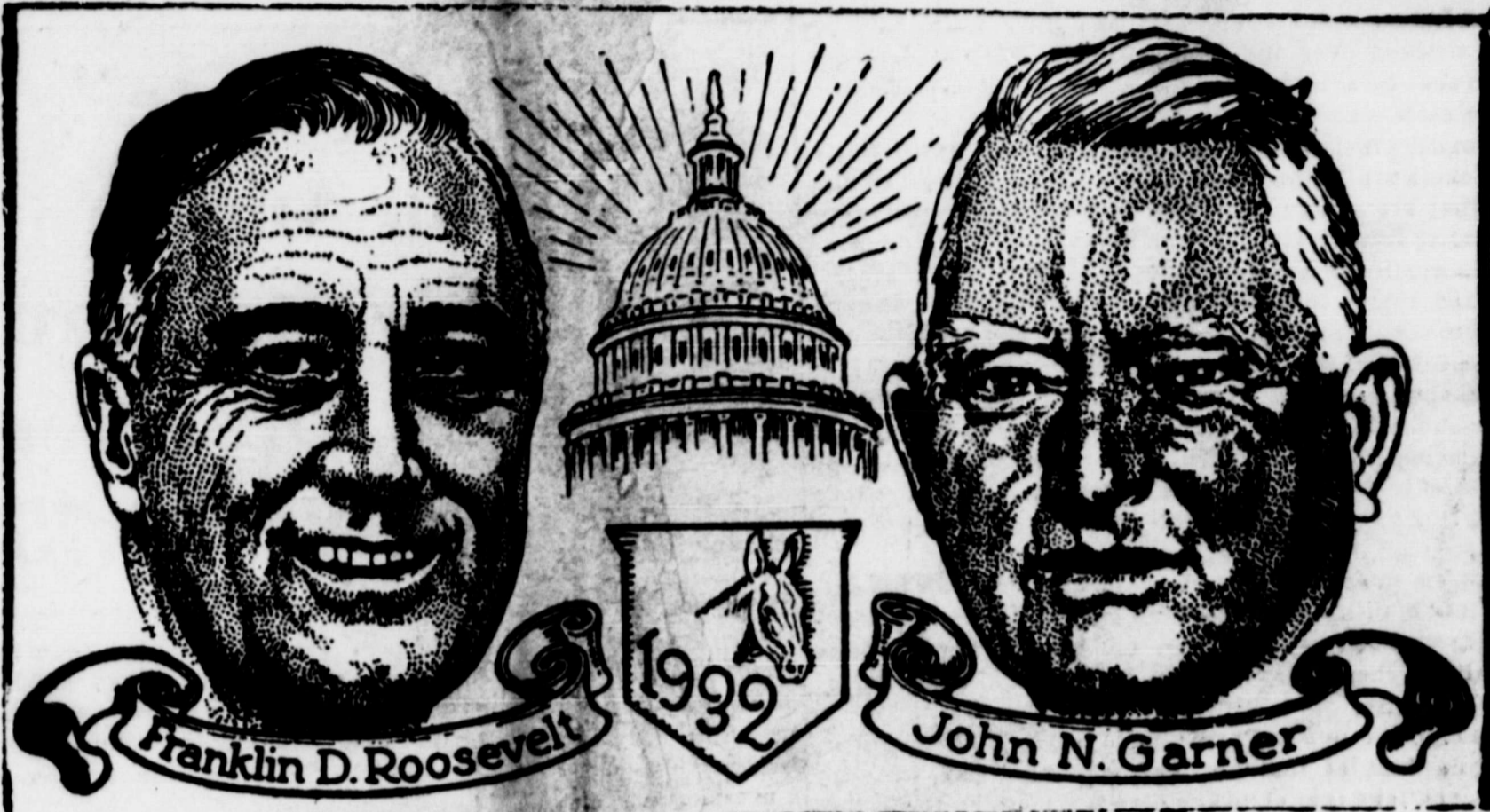
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What Would You Do?

I met a farmer on the street the other day and the following conversation took place. He says: "Say Puett, I am going to make 15 or 18 bales of cotton, enough to put me out of debt if I could get 15 cents for it, but you see where I am, I can't pay. The merchant that I owe was forced to cut me off—he's at his row's end. If I was even with him, he couldn't and wouldn't help me next year. But he's done helped me and I appreciate it, but I can't pay the man and live next year, every time I come to town I am embarrassed by that man—he wants his money. I hate to see him. It gets my goat. If I go ahead and pay him my kids will go hungry and naked next year. I've just got to keep what little money I get to protect my family next year. By the time I pay the ginning, rent and picking out of a bale of cotton there is very little left and everybody wants their money. I have sold one bale of cotton for more money than I'll get out of this whole crop and we have worked hard this year we've got to make our little dab of money go as far as we can and trade where the stuff is cheapest. What would you do Puett?"

I says, say boy; you don't have to do that, there is two sides to anything and the easiest one to see is yours—I tell you what you do, you walk right in that fellows store, brave as a hero and pluck him off to one side, (if what you say is true) and say; "old top, I can't pay you a cockeyed cent of what I owe you and not a going to attempt to do it, but I'll tell you what I will do, I owe it to you anyway and I want to do what's right about it, I'll pay you the interest on what I owe you and spend my cash with you from here out until such a time I can pay you, and if I see I can, I'll pay a little on the principal of what I owe you, but I don't want to be asked for it everytime I come to town and driven away from this town to trade somewhere else just because I owe it and can't pay. Now if that suits, big boy, I'm in." Yes but hell Puett he want do it, yes but I says, the hell he want, you got the wrong idea big boy, you go off to spend your cash and what you've done to this town is give it only what credit business you have, and that for an indefinite period of time. I says; "No town on earth can continue to live or exist under that sort of thing—he says, "well that's right but I hadn't thought of it in that way." I says, hell man, if that's all the small towns are far good bye small towns, and that means now, not 10 years hence, a man would be a damn fool to try to stay in business if that's all he got out of it, and furthermore you wouldn't do it if you could, I says if you had \$20,000 to go in business, would you put it out, to fellows that spend their cash with other men and



The Next President and Vice President of THE U. S. A.

HENRY FORD RESORTS TO COERCION

A Prison Cell Would Not Be Too Severe Punishment for His Arrogant Attempt to Tell Hungry Workers How to Vote

An employee who resorts to such office should be sent to the penitentiary. Such conduct is the worst kind of treason to the cause of popular government.

Unfortunately, we haven't a law to fit the crime, but it is a crime, nevertheless, and LABOR condemns it with every atom of power it possesses. Any candidate who permits his supporters to use this despicable weapon does not deserve to win.

These observations are prompted by the announcement prominently displayed in the press last week that Henry Ford is serving notice on his employees that their jobs depend on the re-election of President Hoover.

"We are convinced that any break in his (President Hoover's) program would hurt industry and employment," says a statement of the Ford Motor Company, put before workers in the River Rouge plant and mailed to Ford offices all over the country.

"To prevent times from getting worse and to help them to get better, President Hoover must be re-elected. These are our convictions, and we submit them to the serious consideration of all Ford employees throughout the country and their families."

Henry Ford is not quite so brutal as was Mark Hanna, but the difference is not spacious. All through the Ford announcement runs the plain threat: "Vote as the boss wants you to vote, or lose your job."

In these times, such a threat is as ominous as the voice of doom itself. In the first week of October, the automobile plants of this country were running at almost exactly one-sixth of their normal capacity. This means, roughly speaking, that for every worker who has a job in an auto plant, there are five unemployed persons who have worked in such a plant before; five hungry, desperate, partly experienced "hands," ready to do almost anything to get on the payroll.

Yet this is the time that Henry Ford chooses to crack the whip of dismissal over those who are still at work in his shops, and serve notice on all and sundry that they must let the boss mark their ballot—or go without a job.

Mr. Ford does not know—nobody else knows—what effect the election will have on business. In the past, elections have had little effect on business. It's anybody's guess, and Mr. Ford is entitled to his opinion—but he is not entitled to support that opinion by the thinly veiled threat of starvation.—LABOR

Hub! You boys ought to take a peep down here in Texas and see what the State Highway Department is doing under a bolting governor. And unlike Henry, using taxpayers money to do it. A lot of men in Texas that will say they lost their job because they had the courage to tell the boss they'd vote for whom they pleased—a right guaranteed all Americans. But what does these boys care for American rights? They've got the money.

G. Y. Lee Shot

The county was shocked with the news this week of the accidental shooting of G. Y. Lee of Eden, our representative.

Two men matched a scrap in Lee's office and during the scuffle the gun went off, glanced one of 'ems' head, glanced and struck Lee, in the chest and came out at his shoulder. He is in the Rush Clinic at San Angelo and it is thought he will recover, although his condition is considered serious.

The first big frost of the season was on the ground here Wednesday morning October 26th.

Bob Ivey was over from Bronte Saturday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Jolley Sunday night a 9 lb. girl.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Glasgow Sunday, an 8 lb. girl.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Wright, Monday a big 8 lb. boy

chance. All a man can do, is all he can do, but he ought to be willing to do that much anyway and that's all the world expects of him.

About 90 bales of cotton a day is being ginned here.

Mr. and Mrs. Cus Varnadore is here with relatives a few days.

For Sale—M. Johnson Stran of White Leghorn Cockerels 75 cents each—See Eddie Roberts. 1.1 pd

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ALARMED

Citizens of Lubbock and Sweetwater and other towns have become panic stricken over the death of Bob Tharp at Lubbock after he was shot by a hi-jacker in a hold-up there. They are parolling the streets and alleys at night so that none will appear, when right under their nose and in some of their own homes, future hi-jackers are being raised and none seem to be excited about it. They are going to go ahead and let the next generation get excited after it is too late just like they have. "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Any man and woman that will raise a bunch of children in town — send them to school nine months out of the year, and let them play in the streets and do as they please the other three months and never provides anything for them to do and see to it that they do it, is furnishing the nation with hi-jackers and nobody seems to be excited about it. They make little effort to strike at the creative cause of hi-jacking. Why is it that few farmer boys take to hi-jacking? Anybody with more than two brain cells working can tell you.

Send one of 'em to school that's done as he pleased all his life, and he gets into it with the teacher, and gets a little of the medicine he needs at home and don't get, and the whole community will get on the teacher about it. The trouble is at home boys—Daddies and mummies.

Until an indignant public rises up and says to his neighbor, "say boy, you can't let that child grow up that way, we want a school for it, you take that child and give it something to do that will be the making of it, or we'll take it away from you and put it in a state institution where it will get a show and at least a 7th grade education, and if you don't like it, Burdizzo for you, don't look for any improvement. Fact is, it's going to get worse, because nobody except the P. T. A. seems to care what his neighbor does with his children.

UNBECOMING STATEMENT

Editor Puett is having a hard time getting his crow where he can swallow it, and Editor Puett, of Robert Lee, is making it hard for him to swallow it after he has made up his mind to do the thing he knows is not right. When Editor Puett said Ferguson would be seated as Governor if they had to seat him with shotguns. "Uncle Bill" had to talk back just a little and chastise his friend Puett for his unbecoming statement — Eldorado Success.

Of course its unbecoming-nobody denies it, or has any desire to deny it. But you fail to catch the humor the American people are in buddy, when you fail to recognize one important thing; Thus explained.

When the masses, already with their backs to the wall, rises up against all the wealth, all the big newspapers, all the radios, steam rollers and what not and elect a candidate that stands for the common people, and then only to have that candidate kept or kicked out by capitalistic greed, money gluttons and grafters that they think will further exploit them, ignoring a democratic majority, falsely charging illegal elections etc. etc; and you don't believe they'll do it, just that quick you show me that you don't know very much about the humor they are in, or the nature of man—as God made him.—Yes, they'd a got him, and all able to get him yet, if he stumps the state for Bullington.

Don't know whether you know it or not buddy, but the American public is not going to be kicked around very much longer by capitalistic greed while they hovel over their hungry children, without offering some kind of resistance.

The world has been set afire several times over a lot less. Put on your specks boy and look at man as he IS—not as he AUGHT to be. It will be then you will understand why prohibition has failed. He's only 12,000 years from the late stone age, with a little modern refinements about him—rub the hair the wrong way on him boy and you stir up the devil. Millions years hence, when civilization finally arrives, there will be none of this. Remember as you go along, this is only the 20th century civilization. We move forward by inches, not miles. Reformers, with the right idea alright, wants to progress by miles and the public by inches and they don't know what in the devil's matter. They refuse to come back to man as he is and patiently travel along in the old ox wagon with him and coax him along. Did you ever hook a high strung well bred balky horse to a heavy load by the side of a sleepy headed mule and try to drive off?

The public is moving forward another inch now and Uncle Bill and I have both balked. I shot at a squerrell one time and a snake come tumbling down with his head blown off—I've always wondered what became of that squerrell. I didn't know the snake was in the tree. And I refused to eat my snake.

If you vote for a Democrat and get a Republican you wonder what's the matter. We elected a Republican governor two years ago, with a Democratic label on and now we hate it, but you republicans like it.

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We are sorry indeed that Pickett, Porcelled out of the penitentiary by Governor Sterling killed a young man while parked in a car beside the road talking to his sweetheart near Austin in a hold up. From the boog-a-boo the papers have been making lately we didn't think anybody but "Ma" and Jim could make a mistake like that.

THEY GIVE US A PAIN

The motto use to be "old men for counsel and young men for war." Genius usually blossoms in war; early in life, and old cusses set up and take notice, but still say they are too young for counsel.

Alexander commanded his father's cavalry and saved the old man from a licking at the age of 18, and was master of all the world within reach at 24. Conde at 22 tossed his staff of office into the enemy's trenches, and the son of the old Spanish monarchy got it out. Hannibal crossed the Alps at 26, and Napoleon was recognized as the world's greatest commander at 27.

A few old fellows still stand around on the street corner and say that Geron is too young to fill the office of County Judge and they are afraid of it, but hope they are wrong and intend to cooperate with and help him make his administration the very best. Well if you old fellows will just do that very thing we don't think you will have to do any worrying later.

All the new officers are young men and are going to make good even handicapped as they will be on the first day of January. All that is excused of them is to hold down expenses for God knows they are not going to have any money to spend during the next two years, and besides that any man with horse sense and a little get-up about him can handle any job in the court house. Those boys have both.—Luck to 'em.

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"I favor the organization of the 618 state banks of Texas into a state currency and credit system; a moratorium on all real estate mortgages and bonds until values are restored; a graduated inheritance tax as a substitute for the state ad valorem tax; and for a new state constitution to simplify and reduce the expenses of government. There will be no Proxy Governor in case of my election—no Jim Ferguson, R. B. Croager or any other Prime Minister. An effort will be made during the closing days of the campaign to stampede the people into supporting Burlington as a means of defeating Ferguson. Don't be deceived by it. There is no chance of his election, and even if he were elected he would not be much of an improvement over Ferguson. Regardless of what others may say, vote for the man you think will best serve the state in this crisis. I will speak over the radio on the following dates:

WPA, 8:50 P. M., Thursday, Oct. 29th.
KTAT, 9:30 P. M., Sunday, Oct. 30th.
WPA, 10:15 P. M., Monday, Oct. 31st.
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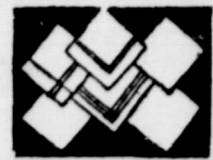
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Will- What's wrong with the one you have?
Jim- I can't pay for it.

Howard Preslar made a trip to Lobbeck Saturday.

Dan Campbell was in Colorado Saturday.

Vernon Billo is leaving soon on a hunting trip down in Big Bend Country where he will stay until the deer season opens.

J. D. Benningfield of Goldthwaith is visiting relatives here.

"Dock" Benningfield and Midland, visited relatives at several young people from Sil-

ver, went up to Colorado the other day and took an Aeroplane ride.

Several people up in this neighborhood are wanting cotton picker^s bad.

Lost- Near Robet Lee, by J. B. Cole, one car crank, sender please leave at printing office.
- Reporter Maurice Cole.

Elder S. T. Pate preached for the Church of Christ at Maryneal Sunday.

Mr and Mrs. Ira Lord and Mrs. and Mrs. Gifford Lord, of Sanco this week.



10 BUSHELS OF CORN FOR DEMOCRACY

F. A. Rogers, Hunt County farmer and lawmaker, swaps 10 bushels of 10-cent corn for a \$1.00 Roosevelt-Garner Medallion at the Democratic booth at the State Fair. "It's the only way I can do my part towards getting Hoover out and a friend of the farmer in the White House," says Farmer Rogers.

P. T. A. Puts On Play

On Friday night October 28th the P. T. A. will put on a play, "On Ione's Trail." All home talent at the school auditorium in Robert Lee.

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