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EDITORIAL

DICTATORS FACE ECONOMIC RUIN

The news from Europe, so far as we have been able to judge, indicates definitely that the standard of living of the peoples of Italy and Germany has been gradually lowered under the rule of the dictators, Mussolini and Hitler.

Recent dispatches emphasize the difficulties that these regimes encounter in their effort to live on their slender resources and there is basis for the suspicion that both nations are nearing the end of their economic resources.

While Hitler is far ahead of Mussolini in dedicating national activity to the purposes of war, both dictators have expended vital national resources to build up their fighting forces. This has been done at the expense of the standard of living of the Italian and German people.

Having subordinated every national activity to the perfection of a war machine and having secured the apparent endorsement of their peoples, the dictators face a serious problem. They are finding it difficult to maintain the pace they have set, and the power of their armaments is diminished by the strengthened armaments of other powers. The dictators are unable to secure basic supplies by purchase abroad because of their weakened economic structure and they see their fighting forces losing the race with other nations.

In this situation Hitler and Mussolini must decide whether to lower the standard of living of their peoples to a new low and continue their program of rearmament, in the hope of surpassing other nations and thereby acquiring world control. If they continue the armament race, they will be matched by other powers and their relative position will not improve although the economic condition of their people become worse.

So what? Well, this: Hitler and Mussolini today are probably better prepared for war than they will be at any future date. They may create larger armies and construct larger navies but their adversaries are doing the same thing. Relatively, then, Hitler and Mussolini have a better chance to win a war today than they will have later. Consequently, this is their hour and if they do not take the gamble now the chances are that, in a few years, their extensive war machines will be too great a burden for their peoples to support.

Consequently, we look for trouble in Europe. If no war develops before the fall of 1940, there will be a likely chance that war has been averted for a decade or more. The chances for peace has been improved, we think, by the sale of airplanes to Great Britain and France, with the implied notice that American industry will sell necessary materials to the democracies as they need them.

THE JUDGE BEFORE THE BAR (Harrisburg Patriot)

Governor James is home from Chicago where he appeared before a committee of the American Bar Association. His appearance is said to have been purely voluntary and to answer to the formal charges that in retaining his seat on the Superior Court bench while a candidate for Governor last year, he was violating canons of the As-

The whole proceeding seems superfluous, not because the Judge became the Governor, because that has nothing at all to do with the case. But there is no dispute of the facts. There is and never was any mystery as to Judge James' reason for not resigning. All that was at stake then and is now and forever after is the soundness of the principle, from a public policy standpoint, on which the Bar Association canon rests.

In substance the canon which involved Judge James declares that it is not in the public interest for a judge to become a candidate for a non-judicial public office and retain his place on the bench. And the reason, in substance, is that such practices add nothing to the dignity of the courts or increase public confidence in the judicial system, for whether justly or unjustly, the jurist in such circumstances, will be accused of trimming his sails to

That seems like good sense. The fact that in years past both Democratic and Republican judges have been guilty of such practices and that many persons failed to catch the improprieties in such procedure does not make it any less a vital matter now. For Judge James' friends to insist that he, as a Republican, simply did what Democratic judges have done is unfortunate because an issue of this sort cannot under any circumstances be settled on a partisan basis.

There were Republicans as well as Democrats who last fall regretted that Judge James did not resign, as did Democratic judges in New York when nominated for non-judicial offices. It would have been a great opportunity for Judge James to have set the precedent in Pennsylvania, even at the risk of being guilty, as he quoted, of "political treason." Had such an example been set, the Commonwealth might forever have been relieved of a practice which members of the American legal profession have deemed serious enough to condemn.

So no matter what may be the Bar Association's verdict with respect to Pennsylvania's Governor, the principle remains unaltered. Either it is or it is not sound public policy to have a judge on the bench running as a non-judicial candidate for public office. No plea in defense, no citation of precedents, no partisan emotions affect the principle.

A CALL FOR FAIR PLAY

The following is a communication addressed to the editor of the Lewistown Sentinel and appearing in a recent issue of that newspaper:

Graft seems to be a favorite topic of the Republican party today. Apparently they don't believe the old proverb "People in glass houses." Are we Democrats supposed to be unusually dumb, old, or forgetful people? For you who think so let me tell you there are many young people in the Democratic party and many who are very tired hearing that word graft tossed about by "glass house people." Were we of a party of people who had had such men convicted as Senators Vare, McClure and Clark we would hesitate to criticize another party wherein such instances have not occurred. We are also aware of a lifelong friendship which existed between Senator Vare and our present Governor James.

Speaking of these above mentioned Senators did I hear some one say graft? Dishonesty? &c. Let us talk awhile about the Republican indictment of 1907. Have all Republicans forgotten this horrible mis-use of State funds. (Graft?) Have they forgotten too the Teapot Dome scandal? Did you say graft, Mr. Wood? Just these few things to mention to you that although we have not forgotten them we were not un-American enough at least, to bring them out in every possible opportunity. We Democrats pride ourselves on our leaders who have been courageous enough to brave utilities, bank failures, &c; in an effort to help all unfortunate people. The old ship of State is back in safe? hands. Yes, the same old hands which were piloting in the Pinchot administration when the old ship was almost under.

Now along comes our so-called "play-boy" Governor Earle. Building schools where in your own district Mr. Wood had your directors persistently refused to build a new high school which had been sorely needed for 15 years, the State in two years would have been forced to build you one at a much greater cost to your town.

Hospitals, as your own which would never be recognized with its new additions, by the old captain and whom I am sure would have felt would have cost too much. School teachers being paid regularly today is not a novelty any more. Jails filled with bugs and filth and in no way fit for human beings were weeded out by this "play-boy. Mentally sick were also thought of. He went along with WPA feeding the poor. His safety program was not the work of the "play-boy." Because he did not bow to Moses Annenberg, The Inquirer did not approve him.

So he lost re-election. But he steered our ship through some mighty rough water without dumping any poor overboard. Came through in clear water with \$5,747,800.00 to spare. The "play-boy" having had only a two weeks payroll to begin his administration. But I am afraid he is not given credit enough. Governor Earle will go down in history as Pennsylvania's greatest Governor. He had the roughest sailing.

Surprisingly, too, the Democrats know that Clair Ross, our State Treasurer, report was never mentioned in The Inquirer. I wonder why only Governor James' false description of State funds was given? We also know that every time our State or Federal ship gets in rough weather Democrat captains are called upon. Just as soon as the ship is placed above sinking level Republican captains are ready to hi-jack it again. Yes, our ship of State is in the same old hands. Graft will be as heretofore. Flood control along with everything else, Mr. Wood, will have to be cleared of Democrat surveyors, engineers, office workers, &c.; then, public opinion will be so great the flood control will have to be gone ahead with. The ship of State will sail merrily on until stormy weather come again.

We want every Republican to know that during Republican administration for 40 years we Democrats were not un-American enough to criticize but went helpfully along honoring our Republican Presidents and Governors on what little we had to honor some of them on, while today the Republican party leaders as a whole are doing more to undermine and destroy our government than any Nazi or Fascist in this country. We Democrats do not like isms. Hoover, the actual leader of the Republican party today is loved and lauded by Hitler. We Democrats prefer to do with our present President, Franklin Delano Roosevelt as we have always done with previous Presidents to take him at his word. We hope you will find before it is too late for all of us that Republican un-Americanism as it is being displayed today does not pay.

PEACE DEPENDS UPON:

Considering the amazing organization of Germany and Italy for war and the aggressive attitude of the dictators to other nations involved in the solution of what they consider vital national problems, it is apparent that peace in Europe depends upon:

(1) A continuance of the Chamberlain policy of appeasement, implemented by substantial concessions on the part of Great Britain and France; or,

(2) The rearmament program of the Democracies to create a relative parity of military strength so that the totalitarian powers will not venture to begin hostilities.

The United States can do nothing whatever in regards to the first condition, but in the sales of airplanes and munitions, it can do something definite to bring about the second situation. The recent purchase of airplanes in this country by Great Britain and France illustrates the method "short of war" by which this country can express its faith in democratic ideals and make effective its protest against the doctrine that might makes right.

American citizens should not befuddle themselves over a theoretical neutrality that, in effect, makes this country the ally of any nation possessing the most powerful military establishment. While the President, under our neutrality law, is required to embargo the sale of munitions to nations engaged in a war, there is no law prohibiting the sale of airplanes to nations not involved in a conflict. To refuse to sell Great Britain and France the airplanes that they can purchase for cash would be to assist the totalitarian powers. Such a "neutrality" would not only be a farce, but it would be contrary to the wishes of the American people.

DO YOU KNOW

1. What is the cost of a modern

2. How many persons get hunting are destroyed.

censes in a year? 3. Do insects instinctively know

when winter is over? 4. What percentage of the na-

tion's railroad mileage is involved in reorganizations? 5. Have funds been voted to ex-

tend the activities of the Dies com-6. Is Germany in serious econo-

7. Is the ice receding in the polar

mic straits?

Spanish government army under Gen, Maja?

The Answers

1. In the U.S. about \$5,500,000 2. About 7,000,000.

3. No; often they hatch early and

4. About one-third Not yet.

Many observers think so. Yes.

8. One estimate: 7,500,000 tons in 5 years.

9. As a general rule, no. 10. About 300,000.

Deer Impaled on Fence When three deer, leaving snow-covered feeding grounds on the hills. visited Sayre in search of food, one 8. How much scrap iron has Japan bought in this country?

9. Can a wife be compelled to yerne Hicks, president of the Sayre testify against her husband?

10. What is the strength of the Sayre sportsment army under the strength of the Sayre sportsment army under the strength of the Sayre sportsment army under the strength of the sarre to be opened at 2 p. m. March 10 at General State Authority is advertising for bids on six groups of equipment for Pennsylvania State adventising for bids on six groups of equipment for Pennsylvania State adventising for bids on six groups of equipment at the strength of the sagre sportsment army under the suffer warden at Towarda to kill the suffer.

THE OFFICE CAT

"A Little Nonsense Now and Then, Is Relished by the Wisest Men"

EVERY SUNDAY MORNING

When Ma starts to call the kids, and we raise our sleepy lids, Then the sexton calls the people all to church; On this morning, now for years, Ma inspects the neck and ears, While the Old Man snores so peacefully on his perch

When the kids are gone at last, then the time is quickly passed, With the filling of the bird and baking cake; As the clock sounds out the chimes, and the cuckoo coos ten times, Then Ma says "a little nap I think I'll take."

She is dozing, oh so well, when the Old Man starts to yell, What's become of all the bathroom soap?" Ma hunts the soap and towels, while Pa walks around and growls About the kids who ate his cantaloupe.

Sunday school is over now, do the kids set up a row, In the fight about the Sunday paper news; There should be a section more, just to scatter on the floor, Like they throw around their mittens and their shoes.

The dinner then is served, you can see Ma is unnerved, As she studies the reactions on Pa's face; It's a good meal we can see, but the Old Man won't agree, He's afraid that Ma may try to run the place.

So he fills his tummy there, then plops in an easy chair, And he grabs the paper up for just a peep. He just reads a line or two, and then starts the old taboo,

For he soon snores very loudly in his sleep. Poor Ma works very hard, with the pots and pans and lard, And never in the day her work does shirk. So Sunday is a day of rest, or for just the kids to pest, But to Ma it's just another day of work.

What A Ham I Am

I am a pig. I eat and make a hog of myself. Then you kill me and it? make me into bacon and sausage. Doesn't that take a lot of guts? You eat all of me you can, but that is not enough. You make what is left into a football and then kick hell out of me.

He Wanted To Know

stand and the lawyer asked her, "How many times have you been mar- ed Catholic services.

"She gave her head a dramatic toss and replied, "that's my business,"

The lawyer used the same words, only he put the emphasis on a different word. He said:

pastime or recreation.

OUR GOOFY VERSE

Little Jack Horner Sat in a corner, Eating a pumpkin pie; He put in his thumb And pulled out-a sweet potato.

Don't Go Wrong

No, folks, satisfactory isn't a good factory where they make chair seats; and an egotist isn't a guy who tests eggs.

How Could She Help It?

The colored parson was baptizing one of the female members of his flock, and each time he lifted her out of the water he would say, "Sister, an individual must be under thirty-four years of age, a citizen of the do you believe?" The sister had her mouth, eyes and nose so full of water United States, and must pass a physical examination she could not speak, but finally she got her breath and yelled: "Yes, Ah believe. Ah believe dis yer darn fool is tryin' to drown me, dat's what Ah

Hear About The Race? Remington Rand, but Endicott Johnson

Awful, Awful.

Gladys-"I can read minds." * Bill-"Read mine."

He was busy next day making alibis for his black eye.

That's His Headache

Surgeon-"Don't worry-you'll have a different woman when your wife gets back from the hospital. Gayboy-"But how'll I keep her from finding out?"

She Could Stand It

Smith took his daughter to a burlesque, and as the show became a bit

Molly-"Have patience, dad-it will probably liven up after awhile.

Back-seat driving is not new, and once was useful. In the bicycleilt-for-two days, she helped with her feet,

The Poor Souls

Two old Irish women were enjoying a talk, and one remarked to the other: "Did ye hear about me husband, Pat?"

Said the first woman: "The poor man had to have his tonsils cut

And the other: "Oh, good heavens, and ye both like children so well,

A Scotchman usually prefers blondes because the overhead is light.

Some Heavy Dates

A colored girl went to a colored lawyer's office and said to him: "Ah want to sue Rastus Brown for breach of promise. He promised to marry me and now he done went and married another girl." Said the lawyer: "What evidence have you got that Rastus has been making love to you?"

"Evidence. Evidence!" was the reply, I'se got three worn-out pillows, a broken down sofa and a lamp dat won't light."

POMONA GRANGE NEWS

member, that means "add to and are red, white and blue.

stick together," and that is the way | The second meeting of this series we grow and become strong.

will be held in the Balleyville Com-munity Building. Those travelling of which is "Appreciation of Local west on route 45, at point 3 miles Materials." from State College turn right on Masters and Lecturers' Conference Drive six miles and the Community juvenile matrons are urged to make Hall will be found located just to special effort to attend an evenin the left of this read. The host session for conferences which will Grange will have signs to direct be held at the Union Grange Hall chairs for this meeting and Port

General theme for our 1939 ser- | birthdays of some of those famous ies of Neighbor Night meetings is: persons who assumed much re-"Growth and Strength." Our slo- sponsibility and gave of themselves gan is: "Tuckabatchee." You re- for all mankind. The chosen colors

is scheduled to take place with Vic-The first in this series of meet- tor Grange. Tuesday evening, Mar. ings will be held next Tuesday eve- 7th, with Washington Grange prening. February 28th, with Bailey- senting the drill and conducting the ville Grange as host. The meeting business of the evening, Penn State

(macadam) road. All masters and lecturers, and Victor Grange will fill the Wednesday evening, March 8. This conference is of much im-

Matilda Grange will present a pro- portance for a well directed year's gram based on "Consciousness of work among all our Granges. Be Responsibility." The host Grange there. Conference will open promptwill, in tableau form, observe the ly at 7:30.

STATE COLLEGE PROJECT

equipment were estimated at \$1,000; three classifications of laboratory and scientific furniture and equ

Laboratory switchboards and other thority headquarters, in Harrisburg.

Query and Answer Column

PROBLEM-When you look into a mirror can you see yourself at others see you? (Answer elsewhere in this department.)

G. J .- I am writing to ask if you can tell me what a Pectoral cross

Ans.-A Pectoral cross is a golden cross worn on the breasts of

S. R .- Can you tell me what the heights and weight of the Waner brothers of the Pittsburgh Pirates? Also how they throw, and their bat-

ting averages? Ans.—Paul Waner is 35 years old, height 5.08 1/2, weight 155 pounds, throws and bats left-handed, and batted 354 last year. Lloyd Waner is 32 years old, height 5.07, weight 148 pounds, throws right-handed and

bats left. He batted 330 last year.

M. F.—Will you please answer how large or small is an atom? Ans.—An atom is the smallest thing known to science We hardly know what to compare an atom to that would give you an idea of its diminutive size. It is so small it cannot be seen with a microscope-so small that more than twenty trillions of them can rest together on the head of an ordinary pin head. If they passed a given point at the rate of

500 a second it would require two thousand years for all of them to pass. B. L .- On what day of the week was George Washington born? Ans.-George Washington, our first president, was born on Friday. A certain historian records that he was born on Saturday. The error occurs in the fact that 1732 was a leap year. Therefore Feb. 22, 1732, was on

P. W .- Can you answer why English policemen are called "peelers?" Ans.—The modern police system of England was originated by Sir

Robert Peel. Hence the policemen are known there as "Peelers; D. M .- I would like to ask you the names of the three saints that were canonized on Easter Sunday by the Catholic church? Ans,-The canonized saints on Easter Sunday, 1938, were: St. Andrea

Bobola, St. Salvatore da Horta, St. Giovanni Leonardi. K. D .- Is it true that dreams can fortell the future?

Ans .- No. There is no evidence that they do. Sometimes they are indications of the past—the forgotten and unsuspected past—but not of the future

L. H .- When did the Johnstown (Pa.) flood occur? And what caused Ans.-The Johnstown flood occurred in 1889, and was caused by the

collapse of their great storage dam. T. E .- Was there ever a Catholic that occupied the White House at Washington, D. C.?

Ans.-There were none as President of the United States. However. A lady who had been married a number of times was on the witness the wife of James A. Garfield, who was elected in 1880, frequently attend-

T. C .- How old is the Bryan Memorial Bible class in Miami. Pla.? Ans.—It was founded in 1918 by William Jennings Bryan, on a strictly non-sectarian basis. Because of the ardor and eloquence of the "Great Commoner" in expounding the Scriptures, vast throngs attend-"Oh, it's your BUSINESS, is it. Pardon me, but I thought it was just the work. No collections are taken at these services because a group of Miami business concerns have underwritten the enterprise.

F. M. L .- Was Charlie Chaplin on the stage when he first came to the United States?

Ans.-He had been on the stage in London ever since childhood and

called "A Night In an English Music Hall. E. H. J .- Is there an animal called a tapir? Ans,-A tapir is a large thick-skinned mammal with the nose prolonged into a short trunk. In appearance the animal somewhat re-

came to the United States in 1910 as leading comedian in a production

sembles the pig and the elephant. D. C .- What are the qualifications for a chaplain in the Navy? Ans.-In order to become a chaplain in the United States Navy a man must hold an academic degree from an accredited college and must be a graduate of a recognized theological seminary. He must be an ordained clergyman, preferably with experience in parish work Such

K. H. M.-Why is the word lucre used with reference to money? Ans-Lucre is from the Latin lucrum, meaning gain.

F. P .- Are any of Mrs. Calvin Coolidge's crocheted articles in the Ans.-There is a crocheted bedspread made by Mrs. Coolidge in the White House.

C. J. D .- Does China have much coal? Ans,-China is one of the foremost coal countries in the world with reserves estimated at 243,669,000,000 tons.

M. L. P .- What is the largest pension received by widows of Civil Ans.-Pifty dollars a month is the largest pension received by a widow of a Civil War veteran.

R. A. Y .- What is a proving box on a ship? Ans .- A proving box is used in the ship's bakery. It looks something like a locker and contains a number of shelves to hold bun pans in raising dough. It is usually about 24 inches wide, 33 inches deep, and 69

J. W. H .- Where is the church that is built out of a redwood tree? Ans.—The First Baptist Church at Santa Rosa, Calif., was built of a sequoia that yielded 78,000 feet of lumber. The stump of the tree is

Smith-"I'm sorry I brought you-this isn't a show for a girl of your a shrine where the congregation holds an annual memorial service. W. S. C .- What famous man died by choking on a grape seed? Ans.-According to Pliny, Anacreon, the lyric poet of Greece, met is death in this manner

M. H. S .- What is the attitude of the Catholic Church with regard to Pather Coughlin's radio speeches and other activities? Ans.-Current History says: "In response to numerous requests for an announcement of the official position of the Catholic Church toward Father Coughlin and his various activities, Cardinal Mundelein, of Chicago, has authorized the following: 'As an American citizen, 'I' did not, was the reply, 'faith and what can be the matter with Father Coughlin has the right to express his personal views on current are considered. events, but he is not authorized to speak for the Catholic Church, nor

does he represent the doctrines or sentiments of the Church." J. S. G.-Why was Jonathan Edwards, the preacher of the "Great Awakening" of 1741, dismissed from his own pastorate at Northampton,

Ans.-Edwards came into conflict with a system in many New England churches of permitting "as a means of grace" persons who did not profess conversion or regeneration, to partake of the Lord's Supper and enjoy other church privileges. This, Edwards, who was a strict Calvinist and appealed to the fear rather than the love of God, denounced as unscriptural. His greatest writings were done after this event and he was elected president of the college at Princeton. New Jersey, in 1757.

Answer to problem: When you look into a mirror you cannot see yourself-you see only your reflection.



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