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VIGILANTES—YESTERDAY AND NOW

In the early days of San Francisco when the great gold rush to California which began in 1849 was in full swing, the makeshift government machinery broke down so completely that the town was at the mercy of the crooks, murderers and bandits.

In most of the large cities of the United States today and in many smaller communities conditions exist in respect of crime as in the administration which make thoughtful citizens at times wonder whether a revival of the old Vigilantes is not called for.

There is another remedy, however, and one which does not savor of lynch law nor contravene the right of every person, criminal or otherwise, to his day in court.

It takes courage to tell the truth about local crime and criminals. It lays a heavy burden upon any one man to carry the risks which surround whoever tries to check lawlessness, for he is dealing with men who are not governed by the rules to which the reformer must adhere.

Sometimes he loses his life, as Don Mellett did in Canton, Ohio. But the name of Don Mellett, newspaper man, will stand forever in the annals of his city as that of the man who freed its citizens from criminal misrule.

More recently the newspapers of Scranton, Pa., exposed a conspiracy among gamblers and public officials and several "prominent citizens" of Scranton are under indictment in consequence.

A free press, the friend of every honest citizen, the fearless foe of every dishonest one, is the modern Vigilante.

THE PRESIDENT AND THE LAWS

There are times and occasions when honest people can honestly disagree about the policies of the President of the United States.

On one point, at least, of President Hoover's policies, it is difficult to see how honest people can disagree.

Honest men may dislike any particular law, for any number of honest reasons. It is not only their right in such a case to agitate for its amendment or repeal, it is their duty.

But so long as any law is a law, the effort of the Executive to enforce it to the utmost of human and administrative efficiency calls for the support of everyone who regards himself as a good citizen.

Heard Around The Corner

IS SPRING HERE?

While this is the month of April and Spring is not only around the corner, but is supposed to be here and in full bloom, the snow squalls of Monday night and Tuesday made it look more like winter.

EASTER EGG HUNT

With Easter only a week away, the kiddies are looking forward to the Easter egg hunt to be conducted once again under the auspices of the Dallas Rotary Club.

If you would care to donate any candy or chocolate eggs, send them to Earl Monk, chairman of the committee, at Shavertown, or if you do not have any means of sending them, a call to Earl will bring some one to your door.

CONSTRUCTING DRAIN

John L. Sullivan is digging a trench across his property in the rear of Main street, with the purpose of placing a water drain through to the creek.

SOME SALESMAN

Jim Oliver seems to have struck his stride with the improvement in business this Spring. During the past ten days Jim sold four Dodge cars and two Packards.

Contributors' Column

THANK YOU!

Editor The Post: I want to compliment you on the many improvements in the general news you are now giving in your paper.

I would also like to thank my friends in Dallas and especially the Dallas fire company for its good assistance at the time of the burning of our home on March 4th.

Wishing you every success, I am, Sincerely, W. M. MAJOR.

Lehman, Pa. That's nice of you, Mr. Major. We appreciate it and we know that the boys of the fire company will appreciate it, too.—Editor.

Editor The Post:

I notice that you are no longer printing the advertising of a local bus company. The bus schedule was for a long time a regular feature of your paper and I notice that this same company still advertises in other newspapers.

ONE WHO WAS THERE. I do not think that anything I may have said in that talk caused the company you refer to to withdraw its advertising.

President Hoover has asked Congress to put better tools into his hands for the enforcement of the Federal laws.

The price of wheat for the world is made abroad, where our surplus is bought. That will continue, in spite of well-meant Government efforts to create an artificial price.

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This Week

by Arthur Brisbane

Mexico's Great Future. No Mother Love, No Nation. Married at Two Years of Age. To Grow Less Wheat.

RECENT visits to Mexico convince this writer that to help in building Mexico's prosperity would be one way to build up United States prosperity.

Some of the billions that our bankers lend so cheerfully to Europe, not always to get them back, could be lent to greater advantage and more safely, to Mexico.

Every new, good road in Mexico would mean many American automobiles sold. Every Mexican, helped by credit to attain prosperity, would mean a new customer for American-made goods.

This is the continent that interests us. And the nations that should have our sincere and generous co-operation are our nearest neighbors, Canada on the north, Mexico on the south.

There would be a triple alliance worth while—Canada, the United States and Mexico. Neighbors, friends, allies, respecting the rights, and contributing to the prosperity of the other two.

Russia, forgetting Spartans' history, plans a human society made to order. Children, taken from their mothers in babyhood, will be raised wholesale by the State.

Russia should remember that when a mare is valuable, and a fine horse is wanted, the mare is not put to work before the colt is born or afterward.

We are wound up at birth, to run in a certain way, our inborn impulses are our main springs, and we cannot remake ourselves.

Throughout India, recently, thousands of little girls, from two to ten years of age, have been hurriedly married, a majority of them to full grown men, in time to escape provisions of a child-marriage law.

Ten thousand pine trees are being planted on the James W. Platt estate at Evans' Falls under the supervision of District Attorney Joseph F. Ogden of Tunkhannock.

Louis T. McFadden, member of Congress from the fifteenth Pennsylvania district, has renewed his efforts to have the United States erect a monument in commemoration of David Wilmot, author of the Wilmot Proviso.

The Government asks farmers, for their own price protection, to reduce by two million acres Spring wheat planting in Minnesota and the Dakotas.

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Where Ideas are Born

By Albert T. Reid



TWO FAMOUS WRITERS

Last week The Post published a signed article by the noted national writer, Frank Parker Stockbridge. The article was based upon a recent interview which Mr. Stockbridge had with President Herbert Hoover at Washington.

THE WEEK'S DOINGS

The Dushore Silk Manufacturing Company has started work on its new building to take the place of that portion of the plant which was destroyed a few weeks ago in a severe wind-storm.

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Company, former distributors of Tydol gasoline. Shell Oil, backed by the Bank of England, and is to England what the Standard Oil Company is to America, is now being distributed at all stations which formerly sold Texaco gasoline.

Tunkhannock borough is lighted with 104 incandescent lamps of 100 watt bulbs and nine boulevard lights of 400 watt bulbs.

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Miss Dorothy Thompson, who has been ill, is out again.

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Miss Mary and Genevieve Hefft has returned home after visiting their father at Lymanville.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tim Walsh and family and Lawrence Frempter spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. George Frempter of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Skromsky and little son spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sickler.

The many friends of Miss Frances DuBoise were glad to learn of her successful operation for goitre and all wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Jacob Sickler is ill. Mrs. George Turner is caring for her.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Evans, formerly of this place, are rejoicing over the arrival of a daughter.

Miss Cloe Evans entertained the following friends at a chicken dinner recently: Clyde Evans, Lemuel Troaster, Nancy Evans, Kingston; Karl Gruver, Harry Jones, Alma Faux, Joseph Faux, Joanna Faux, Wyoming.

Rumors are current that Bill Evans is opening his hall and running dances. Hurry up, Bill, we are getting anxious for a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Eggleston are spending a couple of weeks at the home of their son, Clyde. Mr. Eggleston is assisting him with his work on the sawmill.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith moved in their new home at this place, recently vacated by Floyd Dymond.

The following spent Sunday afternoon and evening at the home of J. H. Coleman: Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jones and Bertha Johnson of Kingston and Joseph Faux of Wyoming.

Sanford Turner spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. George Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sickler motored from Johnson City and spent Sunday with his grandmother, Mrs. Lydia Ann Sickler.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rogers has moved into the William Evans home.

Demuns

Rev. H. C. Munyon has been returned to the Centremoreland charge for another year.

William Martin of East Dallas is doing mason work for Warren Ferrell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Paddock of Kingston recently called at George Spencer's.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson of Plymouth were calling on friends on Sunday.

Mrs. Lyman Moore of Lake Catalpa spent Wednesday with her brother, George.

Scholastic Innovation

When Dr. William R. Harper became president of Chicago university in 1891 he arranged for extension courses. He offered courses conducted by regular members of the faculty, who planned the lessons, graded the papers and assigned credit for the work done.

WYOMING COUNTY VOTERS

FOR REPRESENTATIVE:

I will be a candidate for the office of Representative in the General Assembly at the Primary Election of 1930, and would respectfully solicit the support of the voters. If nominated and elected I will endeavor to serve Wyoming County to the best of my ability.

CHARLES L. TERRY, Nicholson Borough.