

A Jobless Man vs. A Manless Job

A youngster of our acquaintance was graduated two years ago from Colgate University. When he matriculated at Hamilton, New York, no one gave him a "fiddler's chance" to finish four years of college. He had no money. But he plugged and finished only to come out into a hard world of economic royalists, WPA and no jobs.

Six months after receiving his sheepskin he was selling Real Silk Hosiery, running errands, and writing letters to the presidents of 100 different big industries to secure interviews for a job. Any kind of a job! He received kindly replies from most of them—from others opportunities for interviews at some vague future date. Nothing else. No important executive would insult a college boy by offering him a chance to sweep out the office or work in the grit and grime of industry. Here was a youth who deserved a good job—one with future. Unfortunately all these jobs were filled and had long waiting lists. The letter-writing was a "flop".

All the neighbors sympathized. Some of them were out of work too. "No jobs for men past forty." "A swell world for young men to enter." "No jobs for anybody." Still others more sentimentally remarked, "My heart bleeds for young people today—they haven't a chance." That was the gist of the help this young fellow got. He could have thrown in the sponge right then and applied to the NYA, WPA, asked for relief or joined the army to escape the reality of a world that demands hard men for hard jobs . . . of a world that says, as it always has said, "there is no soft way to success".

This youngster didn't know enough to be licked. He wasn't as smart as the chaps who refuse to work overtime or let business and a career interfere with pleasure. He was dumb by all modern standards so he answered a New York Times classified ad for a young man with some knowledge of photography. Photography had been one of his hobbies. He got the job. It was somewhere down in the Newark meadows. A combination office boy, sweep-up sort of job . . . similar to thousands of jobs beneath the dignity of a great many young Americans. But it was a place to catch on. A place where a college degree didn't mean a thing, but where the ability to sweep out the corners and do the task at hand well, and as though the success of the whole company depended on it, did.

That was one and one-half years ago. But the youngster was dumb, so he started to do a lot of extra work in his room nights learning about the products his firm manufactured. Sometimes the sun was breaking over the horizon when the light went out at his window. He was too dumb to yawn when he got back on the job or to shirk so that he could complain of the sacrifices he was making for a cold-hearted industry. He was even too dumb to get married.

Friends dropping into his room nights were interested in his gadgets—in his experiments with photography and the exposure meters his firm manufactured—asked him to explain them to their camera clubs. He did. Soon other camera clubs were inviting him to speak—on his firm's products, mind you. Then one day he suggested to that old crab his boss—he was too dumb to call him an old crab even to his back—that many people were interested in exposure meters—that many dealers as well would welcome a monthly publication explaining them and the results achieved with them. The boss gave him more work, gave him the responsibility of editing and getting out such a publication. But no raise in pay! Eight hours in the office, lectures at night—now another job. A smarter lad might have quit right then. This was too much of a good thing. After all he had been hired to do certain work. Wasn't he doing it? Wasn't he being paid to do just that work? Why do anything more?

Nobody patted his shoulder. Nobody "puffed his ego" or suggested that the company couldn't get along without him. And he was too dumb to see that. He worked as though the success of the whole outfit rested on his shoulders . . . and he didn't "bitch" when the going was tough or more work was thrown his way. One thing was sure the measly little job he'd been hired for had been expanded a hundred fold since he'd taken hold . . . he was too dumb to know it.

But the company wasn't. Neither was the old crab boss nor the president of the corporation that employs 3,000 men. The insignificant little job, too small for smart men, the job that any kid off the street could have handled, expanded the other day. The president and the old crab boss now have a job in their plant that few men are competent to fill. But there's an opening for a lad in a combination office boy and sort of sweep-up job.

And if a moral is needed for this story it is this: There are still plenty of jobs for men big enough to make them big jobs.

FROM PILLAR TO POST

Discussing Last Week's Front Page

Starting with the editorials, which is as good a spot to begin as any, the first on "A Great Book . . . is to be highly commended. As for the second, concerning the job of snow removal being too big a job for the Republicans, let me ask, what job confronting the Republicans has not been too big for them to handle in the last two years? Of course, this removal business strikes close to home. I agree that economy is economy, but safety is another thing entirely. It's not fun to pay insurance premiums, but we expect a lot from our insurance at a later date. Clearing highways, no matter what the cost, is not money ill spent.

The return of Lee Tracy to the legitimate stage is a news item to my liking. In Lee's "Front Page" days we saw a lot of one another in Jack Canovan's Place on 46th St., I have always felt that Tracy's real strength as a fine actor lay behind the foot lights and not on the screen.

My delight at finding Brooklyn will not be lost—like Atlantis—to the rest of the world, is great. The thought of never seeing so many jolly people from this nice residential section was almost too much to contemplate. Oh well—Joe MacVeigh knows what it is to be lost. He lived in Alabama once. I suggest to the Brooklyn folk that they accept Mr. Herber's invitation to go to Harrisburg on the matter of the bridge outlet and while they're down there they can throw out some of those 2700 Democrats still on the payroll.

If Fire Chief Warhola lost another battle below Silkworth, you can bet your firemen's boots that he and his crew were in there fighting.

Our good friend Cal McInnes now knows there is no security in politics although he may take some pleasure in the fact that his successor is getting less money than he. Cal acquired his education at a great institution where he, Professor Williamson and the writer seemed to miss each other some-

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DALLAS TO GET BIG NEW FOOD MARKET

Honor Memory Of Late Schoolman

Dedicate Program To Supervising Principal

In a program dedicated to the memory of Professor Maurice J. Girton, former principal of the school, one hundred and ninety seven students of the Elementary Grades of Dallas Township School will present an operetta, "The Kidnapping of Santa Claus", next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Mr. Girton died last January.

Taking leading parts in the performance will be: Eddie Adolph, Julia Updyke, Bobby Henney, Romaine Morris, John Kellogg and Glen Howell. Miss Lena VanTuyt is chairman, assisted by the following committee members; Misses Mary Jackson, Evelyn Everard, Aline Davis, Dorothy Williams, Martha Zehner, Emily Goldsmith, Ruth Carbaugh and Iona Evans.

A huge Christmas tree, the gift of Mr. C. F. Goeringer, will be trimmed and gay holiday decorations hung by high school students. Ushers will be: Grace Mahler, Molly Poad, Maude Jones, Janine Sawyer Ethel Harris, Roberta Quail, Marella Martin, Mary Louise Ward and Mildred Kitchen.

Band Orders 28 Uniforms

Seeks Funds To Pay For Them On Arrival

Twenty-eight new blue and gold uniforms have been ordered for Dallas High School Band and will be delivered about January 20th in plenty of time for the benefit concert scheduled for February 6.

Outfits consist of gold-braided, blue overseas caps and blue capes with gold trimming and insignia. Girls will wear white skirts and boys will wear white trousers. Approximate cost of a cap and cape for each musician is \$6.75, somewhat less than originally planned when it was hoped to include a white gold-braided vest in each uniform. Cost of the vests is \$2.00 each. Dallas Borough Band Parents' Association has decided to purchase new music and additional instruments rather than add to the expense of the uniforms. Several bass instruments are needed and there is also a desire to purchase a Bell Lyra. Cost of the Drum Major's uniform will be \$25.

With the nineteen uniforms already in use, those just ordered will completely outfit the forty-seven members of the organization. Contributions received are close to \$100, and include individual donations as well as \$20 received from the recent Alumni dance. Glass banks have been placed on counters in a number of business places to receive contributions from interested members of the community. A number of parents have signified their intention to purchase uniforms for their children. They are: Dr. G. K. Swartz, Charles Mayer, Mrs. Frank Perry, Paul Shaver, Fred Welsh, John Hislop, Prof. Ernest Wood and Dyke Brown.

Individual contributions include the following: C. A. Frantz, \$6.75; J. H. MacVeigh, \$6.75; Harry Ohlman, \$6.75; C. W. Lee \$6.75; H. L. Titman, \$6.75; Joseph Polack, \$6.75; Clyde Lapp, \$10; Addison Woolbert, Jr. \$6.75; Fred Kiefer, \$10.

Borough PTA To Have Xmas Party

Musical Numbers Will Be Featured Monday

A gay holiday program will be presented at the meeting of Dallas Borough Parent-Teacher Association in the high school auditorium Monday evening. H. W. Peterson, president, will be in charge.

Miss Mollie Crossin, student at College Misericordia, will give a reading; Howard Hallock, music director, several instrumental selections; Jay Gould, whistling numbers; Mrs. Thomas Moore, vocal selections.

THEIR SHIP WAS TORPEDOED



This dramatic photo, released by the Royal Canadian Navy, shows the rescue on the high seas of the survivors of a torpedoed merchant ship. The rescue was made by a Canadian destroyer. Note man in foreground, obviously too weak to climb the rope thrown to him, holding on for dear life.

Alderson Children To Present Delightful Christmas Pageant

"The House of Christmas," a delightful pageant directed by Mrs. Harvey Kitchen, will be presented at the Christmas service in Alderson Methodist Church, Tuesday evening, December 24, at 8 o'clock. Assisting Mrs. Kitchen are Mrs. Giles Comstock, Miss Bethia Allen, Miss Rohannah Shoemaker, Mrs. Albert Armitage, Mrs. Nelson Harris and Mrs. Alfred Rogers.

Proceeding the pageant will be the following program: "Star of the East," orchestra; "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," the congregation; "Christmas Time," song by the children; Welcome, Louis Kitchen, Thomas George, George White; prayer, Rev. David Morgan; Offertory, orchestra; "Joy to the World," congregation.

Taking part in the pageant will be: Spirit of Christmas, Edna Miller; Gaiety, Mary Delaney; Mother, Margaret Harris; candles, Thomas Bessecker, Neilon Garinger, Herbert Davis, Arnold Garinger, Leonard Bessecker, Billy Morgan, Betty Sorber; trees, Richard Stine, John George, William Bessecker, Larry Brobst, Junior Davenport, Charles White; star beams, Carol Scouten, Elizabeth George, Lois Ward, Ruth Zimmerman, Eleanor White, Angelina Biery, Dorothy Webber; wreaths, Lucy George, Barbara Zimmerman, Barbara Biery, Joan Murphy, Doris George, Elvira Murphy; bells, Jessie Armitage, Rita Searfoss, Henry Dalka, Robert Morgan; gifts and carols, Elaine Avery, Bernard Rogers, Dorothy Brobst, Robert Garinger, Harold White; recitations, Harry Allen, 3rd, Joan Cowan, Betty Cowan, Patsy Sorber, Nelson Condon, Joseph Galka, Cookie Morgan, Richard Garey, Loraine Sittin, Jerry and Jean Lutinsky, Jimmie Ward, Sandra Brobst, Beverly George; orchestra and chorus, Lillian Ward, Mildred Kitchen, Florence Ward, Wilda Zimmerman, Mary Delaney, Bernard Rogers, Earl Weyenmeyer, Teddie Davis, Kenneth Davis and Ethel Harris.

Harvey Kitchen is in charge of distributing holiday goodies to the children of the church.

Admission Is Can Of Food

A can of food to help fill the Christmas baskets of Kingston's needy is all the admission any child needs to attend the special Food Matinee which will be held Saturday morning at 10 a. m. at Kingston Theatre. The picture will be "Tug Boat Annie Sails Again."

FOURTEEN YEAR OLD OUT POINTS FATHER ON FIRST DEER HUNT

Clarence Elston of Huntsville shot a 4-point buck this week back of Mooretown, but his son Harold, aged 14, and hunting for the first time, went his father five points better when he shot a nine-point buck in Wyoming County.

Norman Smith To Speak At Banquet

Firemen Elect New Officers At Meeting

Plans for the second annual Kingston Township Football banquet to be held in the Shavertown Hose House Monday evening at 7 o'clock were announced at the meeting of the firemen Monday evening. Norman Smith, coach at Wyoming Seminary, will be the principal speaker and Herman Kern of Harvey's Lake toastmaster, chairman Howard Woolbert announced. Miss Dorothy Weaver will be accompanied. All reservations must be made by tonight (Friday).

New officers elected at the meeting were: president, John Miles; vice-president, Clarke Diltz; secretary, Byron Kitchen; treasurer, L. T. Schwartz; financial secretary, Dan Evans; trustee for five years, Herman VanCampen; fire chief, Howard Woolbert.

Bills amounting to \$184.88 were ordered paid. Claim for compensation for injuries received at the Ray Warden fire were filed by Asa Pembleton. Following the meeting Relief Association met and elected Byron Kitchen, president, Willard Looze, vice-president, L. T. Schwartz, secretary, treasurer, Fred Malkemes, trustees, James Merical and Clarke Diltz.

Republican Women

The Dallas Township Women's Republican Club will meet Tuesday evening at Squire Neyhard's office, Fernbrook. Every member is urged to be present as there is important business to come before the club and officers are to be elected for the coming year.

Main Street Property Is Sold To American Stores Executive

Alterations Will Completely Change Exterior; Floor Space To Be Doubled

Confident of the continued growth of this area and impressed with the immediate possibilities of Dallas as a business center, American Stores Company, operators of Acme Food Market, Main Street, will start at once on a program of expansion and improvement that will give Dallas one of the finest food markets in the grocery store chain.

ALVA EGGLESTON SHOOT HIS EIGHTH DEER IN AS MANY HUNTING SEASONS

Not since James Fenimore Cooper titled his famous novel, "Deerslayer" has any one in this vicinity deserved that sobriquet more than Alva Eggleston of Vernon. Last week Alva shot a doe deer near Forkston. It was his eighth in as many seasons. In the opinion of most local sportsmen that puts him in the classification of "Deerslayer". But, maybe, "Daniel Boone" would fit better because Alva shot a bear earlier in the season. Comparing venison with bear meat as a good food, the Vernon sure-shot, says, "it is a toss up. The bear meat was sweet and delicious, anybody that doesn't like bear meat, never tasted it." "It was just as tender as could be, I'd rather have it than turkey" were the words of Mrs. Wesley Himmler confirming her son-in-law's opinion.

A. A. Neely Feted On 80th Birthday

Father Owned Tannery Near Present Home

Alce A. Neely who has lived in the healthful atmosphere of this rural region all of his life, celebrated his 80th birthday anniversary Tuesday at a family dinner at his home in Idetown.

Mr. Neely will tell you that congenial surroundings, hard work, and a happy mind are the things that promote long life. His eighty years prove him right. His father, the late Zachariah Neely, operated a large tannery for many years in Idetown on the farm where Mr. Neely now lives. From boyhood until he retired some years ago, Mr. Neely led an active life farming—and still leads an active life, though he says officially he has retired. He still grows his own vegetables and potters among the flowers he loves. He cultivates three acres of land and in the words of his daughter-in-law, "does everything he ever did, although not so much."

He has always taken a great interest in the church and has been a trustee of Idetown Methodist Church for many years. His wife, the former Jennie Ellsworth, is 75 years of age, and to her devotion and kindness Mr. Neely attributes most of the congenial home conditions that make for long life—not forgetting the good air and beautiful surroundings of this rural region.

The Neely's have the following children: Mrs. Bessie Hawke of Bear Creek, Mrs. Ralph Welsh of Dallas, Ralph of Wilkes-Barre and Floyd at home. Ralph and Floyd are twins.

At the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Frantz of Chase—Mrs. Frantz is Mr. Neely's sister; W. R. Neely, a brother of Lehman; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hawke, Mrs. Ralph Welsh and daughter, Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Neely and sons, Ray and Ralph and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Neely.

A huge birthday cake with candles and "Happy Birthday" inscribed upon it was cut by Mr. Neely. Table decorations were purple and pink streamers with rose buds and lighted tapers as a centerpiece.

SPECIAL EDITION

As a special service to late Christmas shoppers and advertisers, The Dallas Post will publish a special two-color edition for distribution Monday morning, December 23. This issue will be four days earlier than our usual publication date. We ask correspondents and advertisers to forward all copy so that it will reach us not later than Friday night, December 20. Space in this issue can be reserved by calling Dallas 300.

THE POST WANTS:

1. Permanent and legible street markings and numerals on all homes in Dallas, Shavertown and Trucksville.
2. Emphasis locally on activities which will train men and women in national defense measures.
3. The installation of fire plugs in Dallas Borough.
4. The construction of a new, shorter highway between Dallas and Harvey's Lake before 1942.
5. Centralization of police protection in the Dallas area.
6. More sidewalks.

Disclosure of the company's plans, follows closely on the announcement that a five-year lease has been signed with Walter C. Herget of Kingston, assistant general manager of American Stores in this area, who purchased the building this week from the Commissioner of Closed Banks, following several weeks of negotiations.

O. R. Mullison, general manager of American stores in the Wilkes-Barre area, has always been interested in Dallas, having been reared in this section and spending his summers at Harvey's Lake. The new market will be the realization of a dream he has had for many years—to give his home community a beautiful Acme Market.

Mr. Herget said the building will be completely renovated both on the interior and exterior and that about 2,000 square feet of floor space will be added making a total of 4,500 square feet exclusive of storage room. A new 25x80 section of steel and concrete construction will be added to the building to give it full 50-foot width from front to back. Mr. Herget added that a wide double entrance will be built and there is a likelihood that a porcelain front will be installed. Apartments on the second floor will also be remodeled. Work will start Monday under the supervision of chief construction engineer Ward of Philadelphia who has been responsible for the most modern stores in the American Stores system. Mr. Herget said that construction will not interfere with the routine of the market during the holidays because work will first be started on the addition and walls will be removed when that section is completed.

Praise Dallas

J. K. Robinson, vice president and general manager and John T. Allen, real estate expert of the Philadelphia office of the American Stores Company, were in Dallas last week making a survey of the area and going over plans for the modernization of the market. Both were enthusiastic following their visit and were especially impressed with the modern front and arrangement of the Dallas 5c, 10c, and \$1 store next door to the present market. Mr. Robinson said that he believed Dallas had splendid business opportunities and hoped that he was right because the American Stores are going to spend a lot of money here to give Dallas one of its 1941 show stores. He expressed the opinion that Dallas with its new highways and fine homes will rapidly become a center of modern shops and stores.

Interior alterations to the market will include complete new fixtures throughout including the latest types of electric refrigeration in the meat, dairy and green goods departments. Shelving, display counters, cases, and arrangement will be of the latest design to afford convenient shopping.

Sold Once For \$21,000

While the price at which the building was sold to Mr. Herget was not disclosed, it was understood to be considerably under \$10,000. The location is one of the best on Main Street and has housed a business property for more than fifty years. It was formerly occupied by A. Ryman and Sons as a general store and sold by the Miners Bank as executor for Leslie Ryman to Rolland S. Stevens in 1923 for \$6,000. Additional land and the property now owned by John Williams were later purchased by Mr. Stevens from Earl H. Monk for \$10,000. In 1928 the Dime Bank purchased the property at a sheriff's sale for \$21,000. The lot has a 50-foot frontage and depth of 130 feet.

Scout Committee Meets

The Girl Scout Committee of Troop 16, met at the home of Mrs. Sara Chapin, Orchard Farm, last Tuesday evening. Those present were: Mrs. Dorey Rogers, Mrs. Edgar Adolph, Mrs. Walter Gerlach, Mrs. Edward Sidorek, Mrs. Claude Cooke, Misses Margaret Gerlach, Jane Case and the hostess.