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Our Mistake

There are a lot of people around here who seem to be laboring under the impression that John L. Lewis took a awful lacing in that primary election in Pennsylvania. ... Lewis' candidacy was not a mistake. ... Lewis' loss was a mistake.

Crime Wave in Chinatown

Somehow it embarrassed us to read of the arrest and trial in Recorder's Court of the four Chinamen the cops caught gambling Sunday night. ... The stakes couldn't have been very high, since two of the Chinamen were only laundry helpers.

Careful, Statement!

The wage-and-hour bill looks to be headed for passage in the House — without a Southern differential. It has already been passed by the Senate.

Freedom Means Freedom

A frankly fascist party is taking form in Canada and bidding for popular support on anti-Jewish, anti-Communist grounds, with a co-operative state as their ultimate goal. ... It has been coming along for some time, especially in Quebec.

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of opinion carried with it the right to an opinion which may be utterly repugnant to the best thought and the best interests of a nation which is to prosper by the free exchange of goods between their heads. But when governments begin to abridge this freedom, with the consent and the approval of their constituents, those constituents often wake up to find that they have jeopardized their rights in a way which is not easily reversed.

Canada hasn't yet had the experience of the United States. The Communists are comparatively few and unimportant. But their appearance strongly suggests the wisdom of restoring democratic principles in their entirety, no matter how heavy the Canadian "load" is.

A Gallant Stand

The Czechs this last week-end lived magnificently up to the high reputation they enjoy among the family of nations. Acting with both determination and circumspection, they demonstrated plainly that they mean to rule at home, where they are the overwhelming majority, and that while they are not ready to let any wide-spread, they are prepared to resist to the last ditch foreign encroachment on their sovereignty.

They did something else, these Czechs. They demonstrated that fascism can be stopped by a genuine exhibition of the will to stop it, backed by some reasonable force. Mr. Hitler isn't through with Czechoslovakia yet, by a lot. And the prospects that war can be eventually avoided are probably not so bright. Nevertheless, the stand of the first check of his career. Neville Chamberlain stood up in the House of Commons yesterday, and, grinning like a Cheshire cat, tacitly took credit for that check. But that was a particularly shabby piece of conduct.

Well, of course. But when you eliminate Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, you eliminate some 3,000,000 people — or about half the population of Pennsylvania. More than that you eliminate some of the most heavily congested, and so the part of Pennsylvania in which Mr. Lewis was expected to score most heavily.

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WHAT MAKES JIM BUNGLE

By Hugh S. Johnson

WASHINGTON—It is any to suppose that Jim Farley, on his own steam, was sap enough to stick his head into the Pennsylvania steel trap at the last minute and take the risk of supporting the new CIO candidate, Tom Kennedy, and opposing the other on some theory of pleasing both the Democratic organization and the CIO.

Jim knows his politics too well. But he is no longer taking steps on his own motion, he takes them when Tommy Corcoran commands. Tommy is smart but he lacks political experience and he has another purpose. He never picks an outside chance to years before a national convention and guided him to two overwhelming elections.

There is a difference in their purposes. Mr. Farley's aim is to create a party. Mr. Corcoran's is to create a futher. There is a difference here as wide as the poles. In the first test of Mr. Corcoran's policy in a state where there was a real contest, it didn't work.

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There could possibly be such a thing as an internal explosion. Mr. Farley is a good soldier but he is also a pure-blooded Irishman and there is a limit to the length to which breed can be bootied. It is conceivable that in the end Jim will be forced by unofficial advisers to say what he does not think and do what he does not approve, he might say, "This is my show and while I am here I will run it."

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Unfair Taxes On Margarine Injure South

Product Furnishes A Market For Cotton Farmers And A Cheap And Good Food For Poor

Dear Sir: The Honorable Astor calls our attention to the appalling number of Americans who are suffering from malnutrition. Harry L. Hopkins testifies before a House hearing that 8,000,000 American families, comprising 20,000,000 persons, are receiving some form of public assistance.

It is a pointedly ironical that Governor La Follette, in denouncing our planned source of production, should be the chief executive of a state which long has championed the dairymen's selfish program to restrict the sale (and the production) of margarine. Wisconsin imposes a 35 cents per pound tax—almost a 100 per cent tax—on the sale of margarine. This has killed the sale of the product in Wisconsin.

Recognizing this, U. S. Senator John H. Bankhead, of Alabama, recently declared on the floor of the Senate his opposition to the proposed bill in such cases (Governor La Follette's sale of Wisconsin). Continuing, he said: "Recognizing the courage of Governor La Follette, I rejoice to anticipate that he will promptly proceed to have repealed the Wisconsin tax on margarine, which was intended to restrict the distribution of agricultural commodities."

Senator Bankhead's remarks are typical of a new attitude on the part of Congressmen and State Legislators of the South toward discriminatory taxes. They are fast realizing that these taxes are prejudicial to the welfare of their farmers and their low-income consumers. The South's producers of cotton-seed, peanut and soybean oils are being deprived of a market for their oils in the form of margarine, and the South's low-income consumers are often unable to buy any of these fats and (axes governing its sale. But the South's new awareness of these facts is not yet appreciated by Congressmen and State Legislators of other sections of our country.

Why emphasize that low-income consumers are deprived of this food product? First, to show that the millions of them suffer from lack of a balanced diet, and second, the use of margarine—that is made entirely of American farm products—would fill a deficiency in their diet. It is a low-cost product which they can purchase if it is not subjected to discriminatory taxes, and it is a pure and nutritious product. Margarine, like butter, contains about 3,500 calories per pound and has a digestibility of about 97 per cent.

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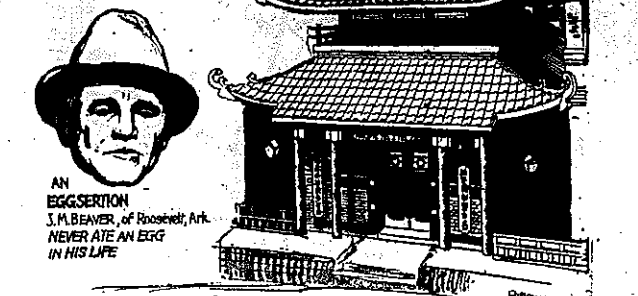
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BELIEVE IT OR NOT By Ripley



CAN YOU FIND A STAR IN THE ABOVE DESIGN? Solution Tomorrow



AN EGGSERTION J.M. BEAVER, of Roosevelt, Ark. NEVER ATE AN EGG IN HIS LIFE

THERE ARE NO WRONG NUMBERS IN THE SAN FRANCISCO CHINATOWN TELEPHONE EXCHANGE. CHINESE OPERATORS ARE TRAINED TO RECOGNIZE THE NAMES OF THE SUBSCRIBERS WHETHER THE NAME IS GIVEN IN ENGLISH OR IN THE 5 CHINESE DIALECTS. The S.E. Chinese Telephone Book is Handwritten!

The WPA and The Arts

By Dorothy Thompson

THE evolution of the Pepper-Coffee bill which has been recommended for revision to a subcommittee is interesting and important. This bill is called the Fine Arts Act, and its object is to provide for the continuation and modification of the Federal Arts Projects, originally started by the WPA. In the course of the hearings many criticisms have been heard from the groups of people who will be affected by it, and it has undergone great amendment. Nor has it yet reached a final form.

Several modifications are cheating. The preamble, or Declaration of Policy in the original bill, said, apropos the "Federal Arts Projects": "During the entire history of the nation and to the time of the creation of the Federal projects, the arts were the jealously guarded possessions of the few and were not made available to the majority. Works of art were confined to privately incorporated museums, difficult to visit and to the completely inaccessible and private collections of wealthy patrons. Great music was played only by a few orchestras in the largest cities, at prices prohibitive to the average person, etc., etc., etc."

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