ENGINEERING ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF WORLD DURING 1935

Dynamite and steamshovels, dredges inverting "guns," concrete mixers, picks and shovels—these, in the hands of hundreds of thousands of men, have changed the face of the world noticeably during 1935, according to a bulletin from the Washington, D. C. headquarters of the National Geographic Society, listing some of the major engineering projects completed during the year.

"Premier engineering event of 1935 was the completion of Boulder Dam across the Colorado River between Nevada and Arizona," says the bulletin. "Other projects of major importance finished during the year included: the bridging of the Mississippi River near New Orleans, and of the 'Little Belt' in Denmark between Jutland and the Island of Fyn; electrification of the Pennsylvania Railroad between New York and Washington; changing to standard gauge of 150 miles of the Chinese Eastern Railway between Harbin and Hsinking; the inauguration of a great ship canal in Russia connecting the Baltic and White Seas; the completion of a highway between the Texas border and Mexico D. F.; opening of the Moscow subway system; and placing into service of the world's largest steamship, Normandie.

"The huge solid block that constitutes Boulder Dam, and bars the Colorado River contains 4,360,000 cubic yards of reinforced concrete," continues the bulletin. "It rises 726 feet and is thus the highest dam in the world. Water was first permitted to gather above the dam February 1, but the first concrete was not poured until May 29. By the end of the year the water level had risen more than 200 feet and a lake reaching nearly 30 miles up Lake Mead. Work is still in progress on the power house impatiently below the dam, and it is not expected to be in readiness for operation for at least a year.

"In the Tennessee Valley, where a coordinated system of dams is being constructed, two of the twenty-odd structures are nearing completion. Norris Dam, in the Clinch River 30 miles northwest of Knoxville, built primarily to impound water for use downstream and to generate hydroelectric power, will be finished early in the new year. Wheeler Dam, at the upper end of Muscle Shoals, 15 miles above Wilson Dam, will also be completed in a few months. Dam was built to control floods, facilitate navigation, and provide electric supply for the locks. Pending Congress during the early months was improved by the completion in June of the Madden Dam.

"Another of the 21 dams which eventually will be built across the upper Mississippi River to improve navigation, was completed in September, bringing the total completed to five. The newest dam is at Alma, Wisconsin. Work, now under way on most of the remaining projects.

"Construction of three great dams in the Northwest was in progress: Bonneville Dam, across the Columbia River and Portland, Oregon; Grand Coulee Dam, also on the Columbia in north central Washington, and Fort Peck Dam on the Missouri River in northeastern Montana. Work was under way on 14 dams in Ohio which, eventually will control the flood waters of streams that feed the Mississippi system.

"An irrigation dam, two miles long, was completed across the Manjira River in Hyderabad, India.

"Noteworthy among the canals completed during the year is the Stalin Canal, connecting the Baltic Sea, near Leningrad, with the White Sea not far from Archangel. The waterway cuts the water trip between Leningrad and Archangel from 2840 to 647 miles and opens up a region rich in raw materials. Its construction involved the building of 19 locks and 15 dams.

"An important 20-mile section of the 70-mile Albert Canal between Antwerp and the Meuse River near Maastricht, was completed in May. The Juliana Canal, 21½ miles in length, along the Netherlands bank of the Meuse River, between Maastricht and Maasbracht, was formally opened to traffic September 16. Its construction has required 10 years.

"In the United States, a ship canal in Texas connecting Brownsville, on the lower Rio Grande, with Port Isabel, on the Gulf of Mexico, is nearing completion; excavation for the All American Irrigation Canal to carry Colorado River water to the Imperial Valley of California is in progress; and preliminary work is under way on the 195-mile ship canal planned to extend across northern Florida from Jacksonville to Port Inglis.

"Most important of America's bridges to reach completion was that over the Mississippi River, 1½ miles upstream from New Orleans. The New Orleans span—officially the Huey P. Long Bridge—has railway tracks, highway lanes, and footpaths. It rises 135 feet above the high-water level. Slowly the invading line of bridges has been extended Gulfward along the Father of Waters. The Eads Bridge at St. Louis, completed in 1874 and for many years the farthest south Three other bridges across the Mississippi have been added at St. Louis since 1874. Farther down the river are bridges at Cape Girardeau and Cairo. At Memphis, 305 miles below St. Louis, are two bridges, one built in 1892 and one in recent years. In 1930 a bridge was completed at Vicksburg, more than two hundred miles up the river from New Orleans.

"Western Europe's outstanding feat of the year, and one of the largest bridges ever constructed on the continent, was completed in Denmark to connect Jutland and the Island of Fyn. It spans the body of water known as the 'Little Belt.' The structure, of the cantilever type, is 3,916 feet long and is a combined railroad and highway bridge.

"An even longer bridge, for use of a railway, was opened over the Volga River at Saratov, Soviet Russia. It is 3,220 feet long.

"Soil of Romania and Soviet Russia unprovoked in rail since shortly after the Russian revolution, were linked again by the opening of the Dniester River rail and bridge near Tighina, Romania, October 18. The bridge is only about 65 miles northwest of Odessa.

"In Maryland, a bridge one mile and three-quarters in length over the Great Choptank River on the Eastern Shore of Chesapeake Bay, near Cambridge, was completed October 26.

"The New Orleans, a 32-mile long island in the St. Lawrence River, opposite Quebec, was connected with the city in September by a new 2,770-foot bridge.

"The Sette was spanned by a concrete arch bridge near La Roche-Guyon, 40 miles on an airline below Paris.

"A bridge across the Sabi River, Southern Rhodesia, one of the largest single span structures in the world, was opened December 20. It is 1,000 feet long.

"The 3½-mile bridge to connect San Francisco and Oakland across San Francisco Bay, has passed well beyond the half-way mark in construction. It is scheduled for completion in approximately one year. August marked the half-way point also for the great suspension bridge across Golden Gate, San Francisco. It will reach completion about the same time as the bay bridge.

"The great Triborough Bridge which will connect the Bronx, Manhattan, and Queens, New York, is within six or seven months of completion as the year ends. Five new steel highway bridges across bays and river mouths along the coast of southern Oregon, are nearing completion.

"Among other bridges of more than local importance completed in the United States were a highway bridge carrying the Lincoln Highway across the Juniata River, near Bedford, Pennsylvania; two highway bridges over the Niagara River in the region between Buffalo and Niagara Falls, connecting the New York mainland with Grand Island; two highway bridges over the Cape Cod Canal, at Bourne and Sagamore, Massachusetts; and a vertical lift railway bridge over the canal near Buzzards Bay.

"Turkey and Eastern Asia continued during 1935 to be among the foremost builders of new railways. The Irmak-Filyas line, more than 200 miles long, was completed in Anatolia (Turkey). It extends from the mouth of the Filyas River on the shore of the Black Sea in northwestern Anatolia inland into the Irmak River basin. In the region of Diyarbekir, in southeastern Anatolia, more than 5 hundred miles of new railway was completed opening up this hitherto neglected section of Turkish territory and connecting it with the entire Turkish State Railway system. It is planned to extend this railroad to the Iran border. In western Anatolia a north-south section of railroad was completed from Afyon to Isparta, only 60 miles short of the Gulf of Adalia (Antalya).

"In Manchukuo the network of rails continued to grow. Notable additions were a one-hundred-and-fifty-mile section of track from Taheiho on the Amur River southward to Peanchen, connecting north central Manchukuo with Tsitsihar and Harbin; and a section extending between Hsinking in central Manchukuo to Tanan, 200 miles to the northwest. This line roughly parallels the old Chinese Eastern Railway, and reaches out toward the Mongolian frontier.

"Although details of the work have not been made public, reports persisted during the year that double-tracking of the Trans-Siberian Railway between Chita and Khabarovsk had been completed, and that the construction of a new railway paralleling the Trans-Siberian, several hundred kilometers to the north, was progressing rapidly.

"Other important railway building of the year included: the southernmost railway in Europe — 18 miles of track in the southeastern corner of Sicily, from Noto southward to Pachino; fifty-five miles of track completed in Latvia, extending rails from Riga almost due east to a north-south line near the Soviet border; in China the South Railway (Hwei-nan) was completed from the Hwei River region to Lichowfu.

"Greatest railway transaction of the year was the sale and delivery, March 23, of Russia's half interest in the Chinese Eastern Railway, to the Japanese. The price was $89,200,000, one-third in cash, and two-thirds in goods over a period of three years, Japan guaranteeing payment. The road, approximately 1,000 miles long, was completed by Russia in 1901. It crosses Manchuria from Manchuli to Pogranichnaya. After the sale, the name of the line was changed to the North Manchuria Railway.

"On September 1, 150 miles of the newly-purchased road, extending southward from Harbin to Hsinking, was changed in three hours from a 5-foot gauge to the standard gauge of 4 feet 8½ inches used on American and most European railways.

"Electrification of railways previously operated by steam proceeded in several countries. Electrification of the Pennsylvania Railroad between New York and Washington was completed early in the year and the first electric passenger train operated between the two cities February 10. Twenty-eight kilometers of electrified railroad was placed in use between Voss and Eide (Granvin), Norway. In southern Austria 38 kilometers of rail was electrified and opened for use May 13. In Germany, 137 kilometers between Augsburg and Nuremberg was inaugurated May 15.

"Use of motor equipment on railways extending even into outlying regions. Madagascar inaugurated such service during the early part of the year.

"Ambitious tunnel projects planned and under construction were many, but few important bores were completed during the year. The newest Hudson tube at New York City was holed through August 2, four months ahead of schedule, but it will not be in use by automobiles for two years. It extends between 39th Street, Manhattan, and Weehawken, New Jersey, and is more than a mile long.

"Pacific slope water was brought through the Continental Divide to the Atlantic side, in Colorado, as the result of the completion of a 12-foot tunnel, February 4. The tunnel extends under Independence Pass near Leadville and brings into the Arkansas River basin waters that formerly flowed into the Colorado Basin.

"The tremendous project for piping billions of gallons of Colorado River water to the Pacific coast cities of southern California progressed steadily during the year. The trilling of more than 100 miles of 16-foot tunnels was between three-fourths and four-fifths completed at the end of 1935 approximately, the concrete will not be ready for water to flow for more than a year.

"Gadak Tunnel, Iran, 6,922 feet high and about three kilometers long, highest and longest tunnel on the Trans-Persian Railway, was completed. In Madagascar, the Tatamaly Tunnel on the new railway between Fianarantsoa and the east coast was completed.

"Highways great and small were completed in all sections of the United States, while work progressed on scores of others.

"A scenic road up Whiteface Mountain, at the head of Lake Placid, New York, was dedicated by President Roosevelt, September 14. The road, eight miles long, is a memorial to World War veterans.

"A 20-mile section of road across marshes and Caminada Bay, tied Grand Isle, just west of the mouth of the Mississippi River, to the highway system of Louisiana, and gave the island its first direct outlet to the mainland.

"Carlsbad Caverns National Park, New Mexico, was made more accessible by the completion of an 8-mile road in the park.

"In Canada a new highway was opened from Vancouver to Lynden on the United States border.

"The long awaited highway from the Texas border to Mexico, D. F. (capital of the Republic) was finished toward the end of the year, but three bridges remain to be completed. Ferries are now in use.

"An important 20-mile link in the Austrian road system, the Gross-Glockner transalpine highway, was opened August 9 in the central part of the country. The highway penetrates the highest mountains in Austria by means of the Hochtor tunnel, 8,262 feet high, and forms a direct route between Germany and Italy.

"Approximately 200 miles of new motor speedways were opened in Germany. In Spain a new road to extend from Granada across the Sierra Nevada Mountains at a height of 10,800 feet has been built almost to the top of Mount Veleta. A new road over the Elburz Mountains, in the most direct route from Tehran to the Caspian Sea, was opened early in the year.

"Italy added many miles to her automobile highways, among the Alps in Tuscany, from Padua to Venice, from Rome to Ostia, across the mountains from Genoa to the Po Valley, and in other sections of the Peninsula.

"Several hundred miles of substantial highway, in addition to thousands of miles of military roads, were constructed by Italians in Eritrea and Italian Somaliland.

"Opening in China of the Shanghai-Wusih road gave Shanghai its first direct highway route to Nanking. In other parts of China construction work was in progress on more than a thousand miles of road.

"Additions to the subways of the world included the first 7½ miles of the Moscow system, opened formally May 15; a 3½-mile subway in Newark, New Jersey, put into operation May 27; the Houston-Steinway line of the Independent Subway in New York City, opened January 1, 1935.

"The second largest telescope in the world, with a 76-inch mirror, was put into use May 31, at David Dunlap Observatory, at the University of Toronto, Canada. (The largest telescope is the 100-inch mirror-telescope at Mount Wilson, California.)

"Jerusalem opened an addition to its water supply late in the autumn.

"The Normandie, French steamship largest ship ever to be put into service, made her sea tests May 6, and her first crossing of the Atlantic between May 29, and June 3. The ship is 1029 feet long, has a beam of 119½ feet, and a gross tonnage of 79,280."

Looking Backward

Items of more or less interest from the Headlight file of Twenty-Four Years ago.

JANUARY 20, 1912

Southern Pacific passenger train No. 10, running 10 hours late on account of a wreck further west, was wrecked eight miles east of Eagle Lake, two miles east of Lissie. Monday afternoon, injuring a dozen or more people. The engine, first to leave the rails, is believed to have cut the bolts on the rails, causing the rails to spread when the coaches hit them. Four coaches went into the ditch. Four coaches, tender and baggage car, left off the rails, did not leave the roadbed.—Lawrence F. LeTulle, died at Alleyton January 12th. He was born in Guynoldte, Virginia, December 14, 1824. He served throughout the Civil War, taking part in many of the major engagements of that conflict. He had been a resident of Colorado county over fifty years.—A cutting affray took place near the Atanas Pass railroad track in the colored section of town at 7 o'clock Saturday evening in which Annie Watson and Rachel Thomas were severely cut. Zella Cox, another negro woman, was arrested.—After four years of successful management, J. H. Owen has sold his Drummers' Home hotel lease and hotel furniture to Henry Frecke of Rock Island, Ill. one, who will succeed Mr. Owen in the management of the hotel.—Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Carney and children left last week for their new home at Glen Flora, where Mr. Carney is with the Northington Mercantile Company.—Our congratulations are extended Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Loughridge on the arrival of a pretty little daughter at their home. She has been named Ruth Orlean Loughridge.—Word is received from A. L. Baring and his sister, Miss Johanna Baring, both of whom are taking the Pasteur treatment in Austin for the bite of a mad dog, that both are getting along all right and that the present week will conclude the treatments.

BIRTHDAY DINNER PARTY IS ENJOYED ON SUNDAY

A delightful birthday dinner party was enjoyed at the W. P. Wade home at noon Sunday, when Mrs. Wade entertained, complimenting her daughter, Miss Corinne, on the occasion of her sixteenth birthday. The guests included Misses Mary Ethel Hight, Jane Reed, Johanna Balas, Madeleine McCarty, Alice Mae and Ruth Thomas, Rudy Balas, Cookie Munck and members of the family.

An elegant menu was served, for which Mrs. Wade has a community-wide reputation.

George—Yes, the bullet struck my head and went careening into space.

Sam—How terrible! And did they get it out?

"Yes, that's why she shot him."

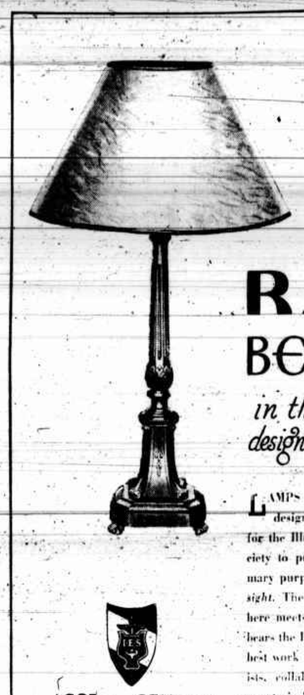
Pianos At Sacrifice

Have two pianos in this vicinity. One almost new, the other used but in excellent condition. Will sell these for balance due, less 10%, rather than ship to Houston. Can arrange easy terms to responsible party. Write or wire (collect) L. V. Aldridge, adjuster, 715 Fannin St., Houston, Texas.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 304 of the Banking Act of 1935, notice is hereby given by the First National Bank in the City of Eagle Lake, State of Texas, that the liability imposed upon the holders of shares of its common stock by the provisions of Section 3451, U. S. Revised Statutes as amended, and Section [illegible] of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, shall cease on July 1st, 1936.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. E. LENHART, Cashier



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Calotabs are quite economical; only twenty-five cents for the family package, ten cents for the trial package. (Adv.)

R. E. ALTMAN NEW BUTCHER IN THE A-B MEAT MARKET

R. E. Altman of New Ulm has assumed the duties of butcher in the A-B meat market, succeeding J. E. Snelling.

Mr. Snelling has received a promotion and has been transferred to Houston, where he will be the representative of the Colly and Thomas Packing Company.

SUNDAY NIGHT DANCE AT SCHNEIDER HALL

The Bill Cornelson orchestra will furnish music for a modern dance at the Schneider Hall, near Columbus, Sunday night, January 19th. The admission price, will be 55 cents, including tax.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Smith of Austin spent a portion of the week here visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Brisbois, Jr.

A GIRL AND HER AMBITION

There is a certain girl in Ontario who may not know all the answers, as the old saying runneth, but she knows one very good answer.

She was the only girl in her college who gave this particular answer to one particular question—"I want to be a good wife."

Of all the others who answered that questionaire, none had this particular ambition. Some wanted to be great actresses, some great musicians and other wanted to paint, write books or do something else that comes under the head of creative art.

Those other Misses would be much astonished if some one were to tell them that the girl with the sole ambition to be a good wife is seeking the ways of the finest of all the fine arts.

No form of creative work is greater than the making of good homes.—Tyler Courier-Times.

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GARWOOD STATE BANK

at Garwood, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1935, published in the Eagle Lake Headlight, a newspaper printed and published at Eagle Lake, State of Texas, on the 17th. day of January, 1936.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, on personal or collateral security		$43,997.11
Loans secured by real estate		450.00
Securities of U. S. any State or political subdivision thereof		53,224.21
Other bonds and stocks owned		150.00
Banking House		540.00
Furniture and Fixtures		450.00
Real Estate owned, other than banking house		569.14
Cash and due from approved reserve agents		54,071.88
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand		1,677.12
Cash Collections (Sundry Banks)		405.93
TOTAL		$155,845.39

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$25,000.00	
Total Capital Structure		25,000.00
Undivided Profits, net		$ 1,460.10
Individual Deposits subject to check, including time deposits due in 30 days		113,890.25
Time Certificates of Deposit		15,495.04
TOTAL		$155,845.39

STATE OF TEXAS,)
County of Colorado)

We, Wm. K. Lehrer, as President, and J. L. Chapman, as Cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

WM. K. LEHRER, President.
J. L. CHAPMAN, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th. day of January, A. D. 1936.

WM. F. ARNOLD
Notary Public, Colorado County, Texas

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EAGLE LAKE, TEXAS

THE JOKESMITH

Some few made, mostly stolen; some merely borrowed. If you run across a good one, mail it to us.

Jones: "It seems that everybody is getting married."

Brown: "Yep, the I do's is got it."

Mr. Snap: "My motto is: What is worth doing is worth doing well."

Mrs. Snap: "I notice that when you make a fool of yourself."

Jumbled headline in a Charleston paper: "Three Million Rats Killed; Banquet Season Opens."

Rescuer: "How was it you came to fall in?"

Rescued: "I didn't come to fall in at all. I came to fish."

Social Worker: "Do you own any back house rent?"

Relief Seeker: "We ain't got a back house, we have modern plumbing."

"An how's yer wife, Pat?"

"Sure, she do be awful sick."

"Is it dangerous she is?"

"No, she's too weak t'be dangerous any more!"

Judge—How could you swindle people who trusted in you?

Prisoner—But, judge, people who don't trust cannot be swindled.

John: "How did it happen that the good man was forced to pay his divorced wife alimony?"

Jack: "He became nervous in court, while she remained cool, calm and collected."

"Are they very strict at your college?"

"Huh! Are they? Why, when a man dies in a lecture there, they prop him up until the end of the hour."

Teacher—Tommy, translate "Rex fugit."

Tommy—The king flees.

Teacher—You should use "has" in translating the perfect tense.

Tommy—The king has fleed.

"They say that when a handsome millionaire proposed to Margaret she didn't give her consent right away."

"Really?"

No, but just as soon as she regained consciousness she did!"

"Rastus, if you want to prosper in this world, you must go to bed with the chickens."

"Yassar, I'se willin' to go to bed wiff em, but de folks dat owns chickens ain't sufficiently trustful."

Then there was the film star's father who remarked, when the suitor wished to marry his daughter: "Can you divorce her in the manner in which she has been accustomed?"

Mother: "Now children, don't quarrel. What's the matter?"

Harold: "We're playing shipwreck an' Susie won't go in the bathroom and drown herself."

"That's it," exclaimed the photographer enthusiastically. "Just hold that pleasant, benevolent expression a moment."

All right," groaned his customer, "but hurry up. It's hurting my face."

"Daughters need discipline at times," remarked Mr. Hilfyer.

"They certainly do," snapped Mrs. Upallnight. "My Margery's sixteen, but only last night I had to send her to bed without breakfast."

"Yep!" said the farmer. "When a feller has to know the botanical name of what he raises, and the entomological name of the bugs that eat it, and the pharmaceutical name of what he sprays on it—things is bound to cost more!"

Floorwalker: "Come, come, my man, you've been looking around here a long time without buying. What do you want?"

"Guess I want another floorwalker," replied the old gentleman. "I'm the new owner."

Self-Denying Father: "Son, can't you cut down on your college expenses? You know they are almost ruining the family."

Self-Indulgent Son: "Well, I might possibly do without my books."

A man, who was cut off relief and didn't get a WPA job was telling his hard luck tale to a friend who had a good-paying job.

"My friend," said the latter, "I feel very much in my heart for you."

"What about feeling in your pocket for me?" asked the unfortunate one.

Thomas: "What's de best way to teach a girl to swim?"

Swartz: "Well, yer want to take her gently down to de water, but your arm round her waist, and—"

Thomas: "Oh, cut it out. It's my sister."

Swartz: "Oh, push her off de dock."

Judge: "This man said that after he fired a shot he saw you run from his chicken coop."

Sam: "He could easily be mistaken, judge. Fast as Ah was runnin' it might have been someone what faintly resembles me."

Flint—Did you ever win an argument with your wife?

Stone—Yes, once. It was years ago.

Flint—What about?

Stone—I don't exactly remember that. But I do remember very distinctly that we were laying carpet and her mouth was full of carpet tacks at the time.

"See here," said the Indian inspector, "it is a violation of the law now to have more than one wife, and the law must be obeyed. When you get back home you tell all of your wives, except one, that they can no longer look upon you as their husband."

"You tell 'em," suggested the Indian after a moment's reflection.

Doris: "Yes, she was furious about the way in which the newspaper reported her marriage."

Mary: "Did it allude to her age?"

Doris: "Indirectly, it stated that Miss Olde and Mr. Yafe were married, the latter being a well-known collector of antiques."

Flubb—What's your hurry, old man?

Dubb—I'm going to the airport to catch the 4:30 plane.

Flubb—There's no hurry. It's only 3:30 now.

Dubb—I know that but I always have to figure on a few chumps stopping me to ask why I'm hurrying."

Ole had bought a tractor but couldn't run it in spite of the fact that the dealer had shown him again and again how to operate it. The dealer finally quit in disgust. "I can sell you a tractor but I can't sell you brains to run it," he said.

"Shoor you can't," retorted Ole. "You can't sell vat you haven't got."

Janey — Mother, isn't it funny that bats cost more than radios? Mother—But they don't, dear. What makes you think so?

Janey—Well, a sign in a window back there said, "Bats, $10 up," and we just passed another window with a sign that says "Radios, $10 down."

There was a new brakeman on that railroad in Wales which goes to that place called Llanfairfechanpwllygilgaregogoch. When the train reached this station the brakeman—who himself had never mastered the pronunciation of the name—pointed to the sign and bellowed: "If there's anybody here for there, this is it."

1st Campaign Worker—I'll bet Congressman Bunkum will be defeated for re-election.

2nd Campaign Worker—Why do you say that?

1st Ditto—Why, in his first important speech in the campaign he got excited and shouted: "May the best man win!" And a lot of people will certainly take him at his word.

Hardware Salesman: "Yes, madam, these knives represent the greatest value we have at the price. They are very good-looking, as you can see for yourself, and they are guaranteed to last until they are worn out."

Customer: "But will they cut?"

Salesman: "Now that you have asked me that question, I am bound to say that they will not—but that is their only fault."

A B Houghton, the former American Ambassador to Great Britain, recently told the story of buying a newspaper from a London newsboy, who charged the usual price of one penny.

"I guess I would have to pay double the price of this paper if I were in America," Mr. Houghton remarked.

"Well," said the urchin, "you can pay me double, guv-nor, if it'll make you feel more at home."

A young man and a girl rose from the darkened corner of the lounge and made their way back to the dance room.

The breast of the young man's evening coat was white with powder.

"Look at your coat, Jack," she said, rather embarrassed.

"Never mind, darling, he told her, "it will easily brush off."

"Oh," she said rather sharply, "how do you know?"

Newspaper accounts of the presence in China of several officials of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company suggested to an educated native youth in Shanghai the possibility of making a new business connection, his employer having died. His application for a job, in which he absolves himself from any part in the death of his late boss, was as follows:

"Dear Sirs:

"I am Kung. It is for my personal benefit that I write to ask for a position in your Honorable firm.

"I have a flexible brain that will adapt itself to your business, and in consequence bring good efforts to your Honorable selves. My education was impressed upon me in Nanking University, in which place I graduated number one. I can typewrite with good noise and my English is great.

"My reference are of good, and should you hope to see me they will be read by you with great pleasure.

"My last job has left itself from me for the good reason that the large man has died. It is on account of no fault of mine.

"So, Honorable Sirs, what about it? If I can be of big use to you, I will arrive on some date that you should guess.

"Yours faithfully,
(Signed) "Sing Kung."

HALLETTSVILLE GIRLS HAVE TREASURE HUNT

Miss Ruth Burger, teacher in the schools at Hallettsville, had five of her home economics students as her guests Friday night and entertained them with a treasure hunt. Saturday the group attended a home economics conference in Houston.

The young ladies comprising the party were Misses Mary Stavarotha, Marjorie Jahorshek, Janette Rother, Shellye Moore and Jo Marie Compeglon. Local young people who participated in the treasure hunt were Miss Johanna Balas, John Duty, Bub Burger, Louis Balas, Dick Ney, Tom Haley, Robert Campbell and Leonard Seaholm.

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The New Year Is Likely To Bring What We Deserve.

(By Bruce Catton in Clarksville Times)

Probably there is no better proof of the fact that man is an incurable optimist, than the ancient custom of say "Happy New Year."

That phrase represents a little more than just a pious hope that things will go well in the next 12 months. It springs from an uneasy realization that we somehow didn't manage to do quite as well with the last 12 as we had hoped to do, and that once a year is by no means too often to take stock of past mistakes and get a new grip on the future.

From the lowly mortal who hopefully swears off cigars to the world statesman who resolves to give his people a slightly better break henceforward, we all come up to the start of a new year with a feeling that it is up to us to take a brace. If a glance at our pasts makes us pessimistic, we can at least become hopeful again by looking forward.

So we make our New Year's resolutions and set out to run one more lap against the old gentleman with the scythe and the whiskers; and if our performance never quite comes up to what we expect of it, we at least do edge ourselves forward a little bit—which is an imperfect and sinful world as a whole makes most of its progress — by slow, painful inches, with many a back-sliding and many a skinned knee and bruised foot, and not by sudden, spectacular leaps.

The landscape is fairly well cluttered up these days with all kinds of gentlemen who want to lead us up to the millennium by day after tomorrow. Stuff of them talk grandly of the revolution in which every hill shall be made low and every valley shall be exalted; some of them would settle all our troubles by turning the currency inside out, or by deporting all labor organizers, or by instituting a universal system of eugenics offhand, or by having all stock speculators hanged, or by putting the affairs of state into the hands of black, brown or stuffed shirts.

We shall hear a good deal of and from all of these people in 1936, for the world is in a mortal bad way and it may well get worse before it starts to get better. And it might help us to remember that in the long run the world makes its progress much as we ordinary individuals make ours — by slow stages, adding a bit of horse sense here and an extra inch of common decency and kindness there, and not by cure-all panaceas or wild whirligigs.

For the painful truth is that there isn't any short cut to blessedness. The new year will bring us just about what we have got coming to us, as individuals and as a world. It won't rise above the levels we set for ourselves. The most we can do is resolve to make it just a little better than the last year. If we do that, and keep at it, we shall be doing all that we can do.

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OUR FOLLY MUST BE PAID FOR

The indifference of the people who are taxed is one explanation of why our local and national governments are exacting such a heavy toll from the people. Voters will not take a proper interest in their own welfare. But they do complain mightily when they have to pay for the indifference.

We have many illustrations of this almost daily. Waco furnishes one this week. Two bond issues were submitted to the people. A proposed issue of $167,750 was approved by the voters; one for $75,000 was rejected. Evidently the voters participating are discriminating. Probably they acted wisely in rejecting one and accepting the other.

But the ratification and the rejection can not be taken as the will of the tax-payers of Waco. It was the action of only a small fraction of the voters. The assumption of a debt of $242,750 is not a small matter for a city the size of Waco, but the great body of voters who will have to pay the debt are not interested enough to express their wish. Out of 3,547 qualified voters only 420 went to the polls. The 3,127 who didn't vote will probably kick vigorously when tax paying time comes.

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