GRASSROOTS

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AMERICA AS A MODEL FOR POST-WAR WORLD

TO THE POST-WAR WORLD will come many changes. Ideological forces will provide, if possible, those conditions out of which another world holocaust cannot be produced, but out of which will come a betterment of conditions of the people.

It would seem to most of us Americans that no better foundation on which to build a new world could be found that the government and system upon which has been erected the greatest, most prosperous and freest nation in the world. Within but little more than 150 years since establishing our independence, we have expanded from a narrow strip along the Atlantic to a nation that covers the width of the continent. Under the system provided by the American Constitution, we, as a people, have conquered a wilderness, have built great cities, provided millions of comfortable homes. We have built more miles of highways and railroads than are to be found in all of Europe. For each one thousand persons, we own more than six times as many automobiles as the same number of Europeans own. In radios, telephones, washing machines, in everything which adds to the comfort and pleasure of living, America stands pre-eminent throughout the world. We, as individuals, have greater opportunity to achieve. Among us there is a much more equitable distribution of wealth than in any other land. Our workers receive a much greater share of what is produced than do those of any nation of Europe.

Yes, America has prospered under our American system and form of government. Let us hope it may serve as a model for the rebuilding of a war-torn world, rather than that we adopt any one of the "isms" of Europe, which have nothing to offer us as compensation for what we have.

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A REAL HERO —THE FIGHTING MARINE

"JOHN IS IN defense work," said the fond mother, with a tone of pride in her voice.

The "John" in that case is a young man, less than 20 years old. He is working 40 hours a week in an airplane plant, for which he is paid better than $60 each week. I do not see anything especially heroic about "John in defense work" under such conditions.

Another "John" I know is a United States marine, fighting Japs 168 hours each week in the South Pacific and receiving less each month than the "John in defense work" receives each week. To me the marine "John" is a hero.

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GLORY OF CRIPPLE CREEK WILL LIVE IN U. S. HISTORY

AN ACQUAINTANCE of many years, E. V. Jones, who died some two years ago, was editor of the first newspaper published at Cripple Creek, Colo. It was a real pleasure to listen to his tales of experiences in that wild, and then practically lawless, place. The early Cripple Creek was a model for other western mining towns, but no other ever equaled it. Running a newspaper in such a town in its early days was a hazardous occupation. Now Cripple Creek is to become but another of the numerous western ghost towns. A government edict has closed its mines, as gold is not a war necessity. The glory of the Cripple Creek of old will live long in the annals of the West.

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FREEDOM OF PRESS VITAL IN DEMOCRACY

IN CALIFORNIA recently, Grove Patterson, editor of the Toledo (Ohio) Blade, delivered a remarkable address on "Freedom of the Press."

Justus Craemer, former president of the National Editorial association, in a letter complimenting Mr. Patterson on that address, put into a concise statement just what a free press means to America. He said:

"Advertising, in a profitable sense, cannot exist in a totalitarian state and free enterprise cannot exist without advertising. All our freedom, our enterprise, our civil and religious liberties, stand or fall together.

The newspaper is particularly the medium of expression for any minority not in power, because the newspaper is not under the control of a bureaucratic government and a newspaper has the privilege of taking sides in a political controversy.

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JAZZ ORCHESTRAS

Recently I listened for an hour to an orchestra playing jazz music. All of the players looked healthy and physically capable of doing a real man's job. In age they probably ranged from 20 to 35. I wondered if using such manpower on a saxaphone and fiddle was more important than gathering corn or firing a rifle. I will not believe we are short of manpower for the armed forces, the farms or the factories so long as jazz orchestras continue to operate.

History in the News

by FLOYD SCOTT WATSON

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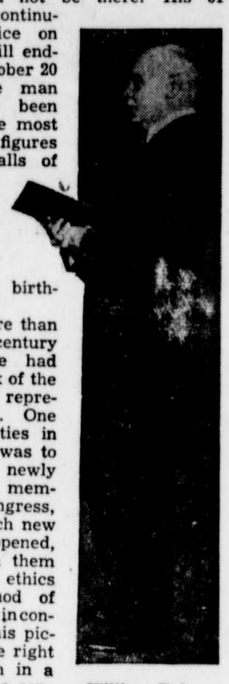
'American Creed' Author

WHEN the new congress assembles in Washington in January a familiar figure—one might almost say a "congressional tradition"—will be missing. For William Tyler Page will not be there. His 61 years of continuous service on Capitol Hill ended on October 20 when the man who had been one of the most familiar figures in the halls of congress died just a day after he had celebrated his 74th birthday.



William Tyler Page

For more than half a century Mr. Page had been clerk of the house of representatives. One of his duties in that post was to assemble newly elected members of congress, before each new session opened, and teach them the rules, ethics and method of procedure in congress. (This picture at the right shows him in a typical pose, conducting a symposium of that sort for "congressional freshmen.")

William Tyler Page had a distinguished ancestry. He was a lineal descendant of Carter Braxton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and a collateral descendant of President John Tyler. He was born in Frederick, Md., in 1868 and on December 19, 1881, he was appointed a page in the clerk's office of the house of representatives.

According to an oft-repeated story, the new page, who had ridden in on a milk train from Frederick, showed up at the Capitol wearing a homespun suit of clothes that his mother had sat up two nights to make for him. He still had the grime of printer's ink on his hands that were swollen from the strain of feeding a piece-work press in a paper-bag factory. He had been forced to leave school at the age of 10 and for 13 years he had supported his mother and himself.

Mr. Page worked up through the ranks of Capitol employees until in 1919 he was elected clerk of the house for the 66th congress, an office he held until the Democratic party gained control of congress in 1931. Then, because he was one of the best informed men in the country on house procedure and congressional work and because he was beloved by members of both parties, the Democrats and the Republicans in the house joined in creating a new office for him—that of minority clerk emeritus, a lifetime job.

He was also a well-known writer and in 1913 compiled "Page's Congressional Handbook" which is the authoritative guide for our national legislature.

The bit of writing, however, which promises to give his name immortality was "The American's Creed," written in 1917 in a nation-wide competition, sponsored by the city of Baltimore, for which he was awarded a prize of $1,000. Long after Americans have forgotten that William Tyler Page had a record of 61 years of continuous service in the national Capitol, they will be repeating:

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic, a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect Union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

For that is "The American's Creed," written by William Tyler Page during World War I, and it has a deeper meaning than ever before now that this "government of the people, by the people, for the people" is engaged in another great struggle to defend those "principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes."

Just as "The American's Creed" has made immortal the name of William Tyler Page, so should the "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag" make imperishable the name of Francis Bellamy, although it is doubtful if many Americans know who wrote it. Bellamy, who was a member of the editorial staff of the Youth's Companion, wrote it at the office of that publication in Boston one evening in August, 1892, for use in the programs, sponsored by the National Association of State Superintendents of Education, for Columbus day in that year.

Farm Topics

Good Care of Tractor Required at Present

Production Limitations Requires Check-up

With limitations on production, it's extremely important that every farmer gets full power and longer life from his tractor by taking the best kind of care of it, says E. R. Gross, professor of agricultural engineering at Rutgers university, in offering tips on making adjustments to the valuable machines.

"In order to get the maximum use out of every ounce of fuel, it is necessary to adjust the carburetor once or twice a year," Gross reminds farmers.

"This should be done with the tractor warmed up and while in operation on a normal belt load. A carburetor is not easy to adjust while on traction load. Too lean a mixture of fuel is as bad as one that is too rich.

"Although the right adjustments vary, you can gauge it accurately if you lean the mixture first by turning the load needle valve until there is missing or back-firing. Then turn the needle back until the engine carries the load smoothly, and adjust it slowly so that the full effect of changes in the mixture reaches all cylinders. If there is a separate idle adjustment, set it while on no load, but do not change the main needle except while on full load."

Ignition must be right for fuel economy and full power, Gross continues. Plug porcelains must be perfect, not fouled, burned nor broken.

Test the source of electricity. The spark should be continuous and give a good flame when jumping a three-eighths-inch gap. Be sure the plug is of the right type. Use the cold type plug for gasoline and the hot type plug for distillate or heavier fuels.

Ronal Miller, four-year-old son of Albert Miller, hired man, helping Peter Quist run the tractor and cultivator on the Quist farm, Isanti county, Minnesota.

Time the breaker points, adjust for proper gap, a little less than the plug gap. See that they act freely, meet flatly rather than at a point and separate without a spark.

Wiring may be tested visually but the coil or condenser require a tester set for maximum and minimum capacity.

Study your tractor as you use it.

Wisconsin Researchers Hint Greater Use of Urea

Urea will be post-war cow feed.

Such is the prediction of Wisconsin research workers who are continuously searching for ways to cut the cost of feeding. They believe that if milk prices should drop after the war, farmers will hold one high trump in the form of cost-cutting urea rations, now being tested at the University of Wisconsin.

Heroine of this work is the famous heifer with the "window" in her side, who allows research workers to take samples of partly digested feedstuffs from her paunch. By analyzing these samples, it is possible to learn what the animal's digestive system is able to do with the various rations fed to her.

The scientists also tested the opposite extreme of the timothy-urea ration by supplementing the ration with molasses, whose sugars are even more quickly fermentable than starch. That worked all right, but not any better than farm grains.

Accidents on Farms

The National Safety council rates agriculture the most hazardous industry in the United States with 4,200 accidental deaths during the last year on record. Tractors and farm machinery are at the head of the farm-accident list.

Replacement of Cows

About 20 per cent of the 26,000,000 cows that comprise the nation's milk producing factory must be replaced every year.

PATTERNS SEWING CIRCLE

Stream-Lined Pajamas

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Pattern No. 8234 is in sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 and 40. Size 14, short sleeves, requires 4½ yards 35 or 39-inch material, 3 yards bias fold.

Blouse and Jumper

CUT down in the bodice so that it shows a good portion of the contrasting blouse beneath it, this jumper has an extra measure of charm! The front buttoning makes it extra convenient and the belted waistline makes it extra flattering!

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Pattern No. 8232 is in sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20 and 40. Size 14 jumper takes 2⅞ yards 39-inch material; 2 yards 54-inch. Contrasting blouse, short sleeves, 1¾ yards 35 or 39-inch material.

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Enclose 20 cents in coins for each pattern desired.

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Gopher Tree

It is recorded that Noah's Ark was built of gopher wood, but it is only of late years that anything has been known of this particular tree. Its botanical name is Torreya, and the odd thing is that it has been found in Florida, and in California. Varieties are also found in China and Japan, and Asia Minor.

The Gopher-tree is an evergreen which grows to a height of about 50 feet. The wood is yellow in color, hard and durable. Its sap gives off a strong odor resembling that of green tomatoes, so the tree is often called the "stinking cedar." The Torreya is now quite dar." The Torreya is now so rare that it would be impossible to collect enough of its timber to build a craft the size of the Ark.

In Florida it is protected by law, and cannot be cut down without special leave.

For a modest gift—and one that is sure to please any smoker, there is nothing like a carton of cigarettes or a pound of smoking tobacco. Great gift favorites for past Christmases, of course, have been Camel cigarettes and Prince Albert Smoking Tobacco. Remember the men in the service, too. Camels and Prince Albert are big favorites in all the services. Dealers are featuring Camels in the gift-wrapped Christmas Carton or the handsome "Holiday House" box of four "flat fifties" (200 cigarettes). Also Prince Albert in the pound canister, all wrapped and ready to give.—Adv.

ASK ME ANOTHER?

A General Quiz

The Questions

1. Where is the natural home of the penguin?
2. What is the binnacle on a ship?
3. What country was called "Seward's Folly"?
4. How many figures on the Rushmore memorial in South Dakota?
5. What king of England signed the Magna Carta in 1215?
6. What is called the root of all evil?

The Answers

1. The Antarctic region.
2. The case for the ship's compass.
3. Alaska.
4. Four—Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt.
5. John. That Magna Carta laid a foundation for English political and personal liberty.
6. The love of money.

Naturally you want to be sure the gift you send your service man will be appreciated. According to recent surveys, cigarettes are foremost on the service man's gift list with Camels first of all according to Post Exchange and Canteen sales records. If he smokes a pipe, send him a pound of the National Joy Smoke—Prince Albert Smoking Tobacco. Special holiday gift wrappings make these gifts particularly attractive. Take your choice of the Camel Christmas Carton or the Camel "Holiday House" of four "flat fifties" (200 cigarettes either way) or the pound canister of Prince Albert. Your dealer is featuring them as gifts sure to please.—Adv.

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