

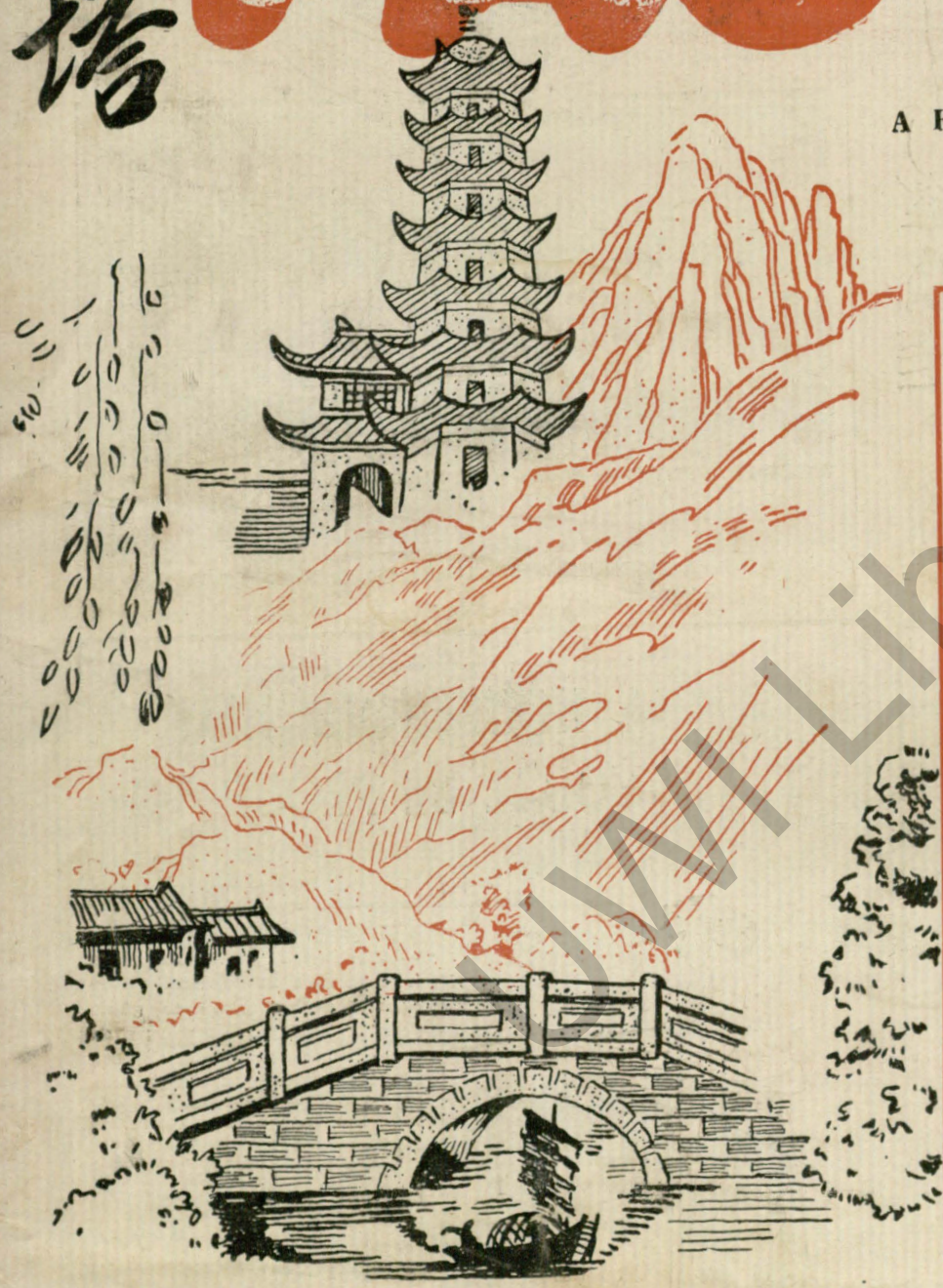
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By H. R. WILLIAMSON, D. Lit.

From CHINA AMONG THE NATIONS

THE earliest form of government in Chinese history that is known to us is that of the individual ruler. But he was not an arbitrary ruler, free to govern the people well or ill at his own choice. On the contrary, it was assumed that he received his mandate from Heaven, and that he, as Heaven's vicegerent, with the title of "Son of Heaven", was expected to govern the people in line with Heaven's will, in accordance with the classical principles that "Heaven provides the pattern for government, and all social arrangements", and that "The work is Heaven's, and man (the ruler) acts for Heaven."

This ancient Chinese ideogram for "State" or "Country" expresses then the truth embodied in another classical dictum of government, viz, that "Heaven's mandate is not easily preserved", and represents a warning to the ruler, lest he, by administering the country in a manner unworthy of his sacred trust, should forfeit the favour of Heaven and lose his throne.

This, then, is the first ancient Chinese principle of democracy—that the ruler was such, not by Divine Right, but by Divine "delegation", the authority to rule being contingent on the ruler's obedience to Heaven's will.

Naturally this called for special qualifications in the ruler. Chinese history shows that in early times succession to the throne was not governed by heredity, but by moral worth. In this way Yao the Emperor was succeeded by Shun, and Yu was selected as Shun's successor, the sons being passed over in each case. The first instance of the hereditary principle was when Yu was succeeded by his son Chi, in 2197 B.C. But in this particular case it is specifically stated that his moral fitness rendered him eligible for the office. "Worth and ability" were the normal prerequisites for official life under the Confucian system.

It is interesting also to note that Chinese history records many instances of the rise of men from the humblest stations in life

to the most influential posts in the Government. The Emperor Shun was a farmer. Yi, the famous Minister to the Emperor Tang was a cook. A bricklayer, Fu Yueh, and a fisherman, Lu Wan, both attained to the highest ministerial rank. Confucius himself was of very humble origin. But by character and ability he became the most honoured and influential of Chinese citizens; in fact, for untold centuries he was regarded as the uncrowned king of China. Right down to modern times the Chinese Civil Service examination system has provided the poorest and the lowliest in the land with the opportunity of attaining to the most influential posts in the Chinese Government service.

IT was, then, a basic principle of political philosophy that "all men are equal", expressed in modern terms by H. C. Dent as "The belief in the sanctity, the value, and the significance of human personality." For in the minds of these ancient Chinese, every Dick, Tom and Harry was regarded as a possible Yao and Shun, the most famous model rulers of antiquity.

Moreover, there was an important corollary to this political doctrine of a "virtuous vicegerent of Heaven". From the earliest times the will of Heaven was supposed to be revealed in the will of the people. For "Heaven had conferred upon the people a moral sense", and so they could know what form of government was best for them. "Heaven sees as the people see, Heaven hears as the people hear." In a word, the people were regarded as interpreters of Heaven's will. There voice was regarded as the voice of God. ("Vox populi, vox Dei.") So the ruler's Divinely delegated authority was further conditioned by the favour and will of the people. The Great Learning declared: "By winning the support of the people the kingdom is won, by losing the support of the people the kingdom is lost."

Mencius said: "The people are the most valuable element in the nation. Territory is of secondary importance, and the ruler

is of minor account." One of the commonest expressions on the lips of Chinese peasants in pre-Republican days was the classical epigram, "The people are the root or foundation of the State." And Confucius affirmed: "You can rob the army of its general, but not the common man of his will."

Mencius also propounded the principle of revolt, urging that in the event of the ruler proving unworthy of his sacred trust, it was the duty of the people to overthrow him. It was in accordance with this principle that Prince Wu overthrew the tyrant King Chow, and brought the Shang dynasty to an inglorious end in 1122 B.C. It was this spirit also which partly animated Sun Yat Sen and his revolutionary colleagues in overthrowing the effete and corrupt Manchu dynasty in 1911, and establishing the modern Chinese Republic.

This theo-democratic principle of rule in ancient times, that the rulers were finally responsible to Heaven and the people conjointly, persisted throughout Chinese history. And today the forsaken Altar of Heaven in Peiping (Peking) is an eloquent witness to this ancient ideal.

From the above, it will be seen that from the earliest times the principle that government should be "of the people" has been known in China, and, to a certain extent, observed.

THE second principle of Republican Government, as enunciated by Abraham Lincoln, the government should be "for the people", is one also long established in Chinese political thought.

Naturally, as the people were the most valuable element in the nation, and as God was considered to be chiefly concerned in the people's well-being, it followed that the ruler, as God's vicegerent, was expected to administer the State for their welfare. Confucius said: "How numerous the people are, feed them, teach them." He taught also the supreme value of the individual

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BEGINNER'S LUCK

By S. H. C.

JEEPERS gulped the steps two at a time.

Mercury or Hermes, whatever was the name of the messenger johnny of the gods, could have sat still and taken copious notes on how to do it—but faster.

When Jeepers hurried like that it would be for one of two good reasons. . . either that he was in a hurry, or that the news was too good to wait.

On this occasion, the reason apparent was shining in breathtaking beauty over a spellbound earth. Even traffic hushed by on muted wheels. It was the night of the full moon and it ran a silvery trail down the road all the way to sea where it burst open into one magic splash of dancing lights and merry moonbeams all the way from the Bellrock Pier to Passage Fort.

Tonight, I missed my guess—Jeepers was both in a hurry and the news he bore was too good to wait. On Jeepers' insistence we were inviting the Professor to go cutlass fishing, and the moon was just right.

"You know, I wonder if the old scientific and studious brain can absorb the simple pleasures of the lesser mortals and get any fun out of it? What say we give the old Prof. a buzz of invitation, slip him a line and watch the chain re-action cut loose?"

I agreed to buzz the Professor, although for the life of me I couldn't see where the chain-reaction part came into a matter of letting a baited hook and line down into nowhere, hoping for the best and picking up a valuable lesson or two in patience.

"You'll see, son. When a fish bites on a beginner's line, the bite goes much deeper than that. Next thing he will be inviting us out."

The Professor accepted with child-like eagerness.

"Why, that would be wonderful. I haven't felt the slither of a line through my fingers since I was fifteen, and the thrill of the one that 'almost got away is just a dreamlike pleasure. By all means I will be there. What shall I need?"

I told him just what we'd take along and what we would like him to carry.

SMILING through his spectacles he confessed that if he had been given time to make a deci-

sion, he would in all likelihood have turned down the offer.

"You know only too well that I am bound, as it were between the covers of my own books. Yet, I am human enough to wish for the things of the ordinary man—you know, like his fishing trip or his hand at bridge."

I nodded assent. A fresh breeze had sprung up and Jeepers began shivering.

"Warm weather we're having!" "Uh-huh" I disagreed, shivering a bit myself.

The Professor seemed to be enjoying it.

"Professor?" "What's that Jeepers?" "I say old chap, aren't you a bit cold?"

"Not at all, I find this most refreshing!"

"Oh. . ." his voice trailed away into a disappointed silence.

Then the motor conked out. We were in the middle of the harbour, and all I could think of was the fact that neither Jeepers nor I could start a car easily on a cold morning.

It wasn't gas, we knew that. And that was the only thing we knew about outboard motors. We had a spare can in the boat. If the engine ran out of gas, we knew enough to unscrew the bung, to pour in the mixture of gas and oil, and start her up again. Well, I told myself dimly, this lets us out.

Jeepers, slightly more a man of action than I, was pulling most earnestly at the starter cord.

"Would you care to let me try?"

I looked over my shoulder, too dazed to speak.

"You know about engines too?" Jeepers looked at the thin form clambering unsteadily past me over to the stern of the boat.

"Well I read a book once. . ."

He bent over the engine, tightening the plugs, pulling this wire and that, pumping the primer to the carburettor and generally fiddling around. We just sat and watched as we could think of no counter attraction.

"Well, here goes nothing. . ." at the end of his pull the cord snaked through the air, the boat rocked crazily shipping a little water, I clung to the sides in terror, Jeepers grabbed at the steering arm of the motor, the Professor teetered almost over into the sea, when by a tiny, little, sample-sized miracle, he

found his balance, and fell heavily into the boat.

Oh, by the way, I forgot to tell you—the motor had started.

We reached Cutlass hole without further incident. We couldn't have survived another one, anyway.

Jeepers, baited the Professor's hook and whirling the line over his head, showed him just how to make his cast. All about us, lights bobbed on the waves in an enchanting ballet as the tiny boats spread out around us swung and swayed in a Sammy Kaye arrangement on the gentle bosom of the sea.

The Professor harkened most intently and politely to his tutor and then settled down to some patient watching.

We were like statues for the next ten minutes, each eager to report the first bite. Wearing of just watching the dancing water, we simultaneously turned to look at each other. We smiled as a team and then bent back to the job.

At last the silence was broken. "I think I am getting a nibble!" The way he said it was

what got me. I looked at him. Having convinced myself that I had been mistaken, I asked the Professor to repeat what he had just said.

"I merely mentioned that I seem to be the subject of attention down below."

Just like that. You know the way a maths master would address the class.

"Well gentlemen, the sum of two and two makes four."

But there was more to come. He sat as still as a wooden Indian, and then with a flick of his wrist, no more noticeable than a flick of an eyelash, he started pulling his line in with the smoothness and grace of a trained mariner, coiling a bow line around a capstan.

The little fellow weighed a good five pounds, which is more than average fair for our waters.

"Where did you get all this knowledge? Have you ever fished for cutlass before?"

"No, I just read about it in a book?"

"Huh?"

Just for the records we will note here that his catch was the best for the night.

MOVEMENTS OF NOTE

By I. C. Evre Ting

TRINIDADIANs were given an opportunity at last to welcome a few Jamaicans last week when a small batch of carnival sightseers from our community went over for the Mardi Gras Season. Previous to this Trinidadians have complained that their exchanges were entirely one-sided and we never return the visits that their folks make to our Island. We are happy that we are able at last to have some goodwill ambassadors there. I understand that they had a very warm reception and that at the airport a very large section of the Chinese community were there to welcome them. We haven't heard their impression of the Madri Gras but with so many to show them around they must certainly, as the Americans say, be having a "whale of a good time."

A VERY charming young lady was offered a job at a famous Northside resort last week and went over thrilled with the excitement at the life the famous place had to offer. After looking things over she came to the conclusion that despite its glamour, city life was much more interesting.

THE TENNIS in the city last week-end was the major attraction last week. A sudden shower of rain in St. Andrew caught a few young ladies while on their way down with the result that they had to make a return trip home for a change before going to the match. Nonetheless, they still got in the greater part of the afternoon's play.

CHINESE New Year was a very bright spot early in the week

and was even more widely celebrated than ever before. One reason perhaps was the Chinese groceries which have dropped in price appreciably and the large stock of firecrackers left over from Christmas. With all shops closed by early Monday afternoon the city took on a Sunday or holiday appearance for that half of the day and all next day. Housewives who didn't pay much attention to the notices in the papers were a little embarrassed as I overheard from one telephone conversation at least.

WHAT must have enhanced the exciting air of the Chinese New Year was the two big raffles that took place. One was for the refrigerator and the other for the new Hillman car. What with the number of lesser prizes quite a few had a lot to talk about which of their friends won a car, a refrigerator, a bicycle, a radio and this, that and the other. What I would like to know is how a month's supply of bread is figured out. If the sighs that came from all the people who didn't win the Hillman could be put together the long sad moan would sound like Vesuvius erupting.

THE marriage of our popular model and the pride of Black River was quite a surprise. Her friends did not venture a guess until they saw her in Kingston early this week with hubby and showing the gold band which told the whole story. Her friends clamoured round her offering felicitations and I join with them in wishing her all the happiness in the world.

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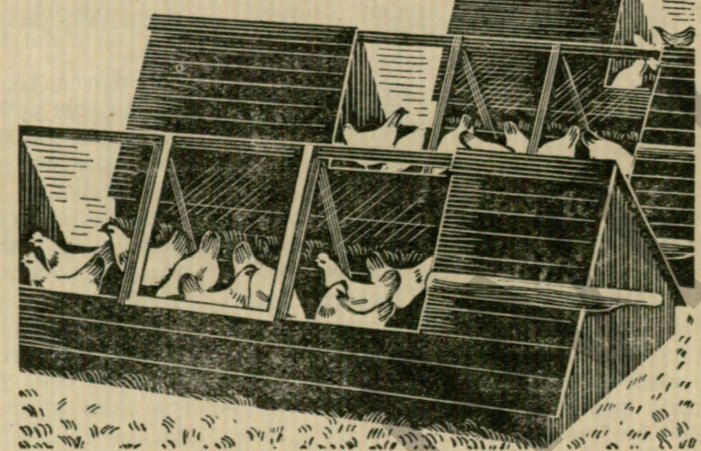
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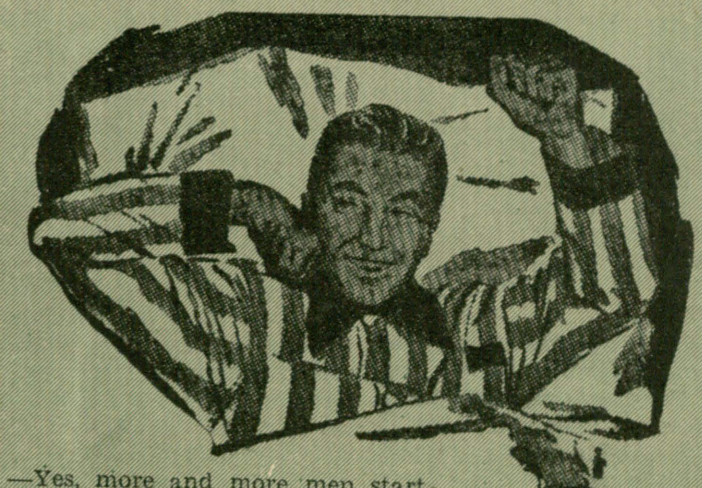
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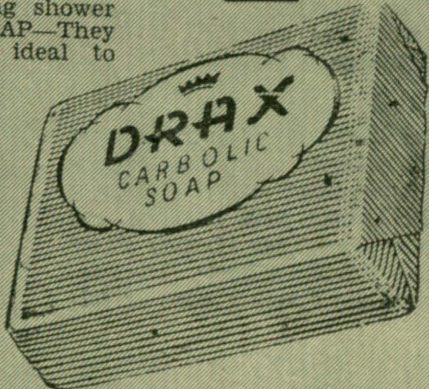
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PERSONALIA

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The executive committee of the Chinese Benevolent Society held its first meeting of the year on Wednesday, February 7. Elected to the position of chairman was Mr. Waiton Loshushan. Other members of the committee include Messrs. A Tie Ten Quee, Fred Hugh Sam, H. C. Tai Ten Quee, Yap Sam, A. Chin Lenn, Thomas Chang, Chai Chong, Horace Chang, Lennie Chin Yee, Phillip Fung, James Williams, and Joseph Lue. Mr. Willie Chung was re-elected to the post as English secretary of the Club. Another meeting of the Committee will take place on Wednesday, February 14.

The drawing of the Grand Raffle sponsored by the Managing Committee of the Chinese Public School took place at the Chinese New Year Garden Party at the Public School. The results of the drawing were as follows:

- 1st Prize of a Hillman Car was won by Mr. Phillip Lee Shue of 2 Ashley Road, Whitfield Town.
- 2nd Prize of a 5-tube Ecko Radio was won by Mr. Edwin Swaby of Constant Spring Road.
- 3rd Prize of a Sheaffer Pen and

The Garden Party at the school on Chinese New Year started off with basketball games. The first was a ladies' match between the CPS Old Girls' Association and the YWCA which the former won. The second match between Sing Sang and the YMCA was also won by the Chinese team by 21-16.

In the evening a very interesting programme of music, dancing and variety item was presented. Chief attraction of the programme were the items presented by Mrs. Paula Espeut who was also responsible for the greater part of the stage production. The programme consisted of an adagio dance by Mr. George Espeut and Miss Pauline Seaga, a comic monologue by Mrs. With, Chinese music by Joseph Lue and his orchestra, vocal duet in Chinese by Ernest Young and Miss Verna Lee, accompanied on the piano by Miss Florence Wong, songs in English by Miss Jean Chong, Magic by Mr. Harry Vendryes, Jr., a Spanish dance by Miss Herma Diaz' pupils and a harmonica solo and a radio skit by the Boy Scouts.

Mr. Donald Chung, businessman of Port Antonio, was recently appointed a Justice of the Peace for the parish of Portland.

On Sunday, January 28, the Kingston Parish Church was the scene of the wedding of Miss Myrtle Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Lee Sheung and Mr. Bertram Wee Tom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wee Tom of Gregory Park. Rev. Fr. H. C. Bate-man performed the ceremony.

Mr. Lee gave his daughter's hand in marriage. She wore a lovely dress of white slipper satin, cut on Elizabethan lines. Her blouse of lace had short sleeves and she wore long lace gloves. A flowing veil of tulle falling to the ground was topped by a coronet of orange blossoms and she wore a necklace of pearls. She carried a bouquet of asters and maiden hair ferns.

Her chief attendant, Miss Alice Wee Tom, wore blue taffeta with pink daisies. In her hair she wore a coronet of roses with a short veil. The other bridesmaids, the Misses Enid Fong and Gloria Lee, also wore blue taffeta with pink daisies.

Bestman was Mr. Carlos Wee Tom and the ushers were Mr. Purcell Chen and Henry Williams. Little Henry Wee Tom was the page boy and Hope Wee Tom and Jean Lee were the little flower girls.

A reception and dinner followed at the Chinese Freemason Hall.

The Holy Trinity Cathedral was

the scene of the marriage of Miss Laurice Veronica Hylton to Mr. Kesang Emanuel Chin which took place on Wednesday, January 31. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hylton and the groom, the son of Mrs. Beatrice Chin and the late Chin Fook Huen.

The bride was given in marriage by Mr. Leslie Laidley. Her chief bridesmaid was Miss Patsy Woodham assisted by the Misses Audrey Chong, Yvonne Hylton and Madge Hylton.

The groom's brother, Mr. Kee-young Chin, acted the role of bestman and Messrs. Vernon Chong, Anthony Chung and Billion Chin were the escorts.

A reception was held at No. 2 Victoria Avenue.

Miss Theresa Lyn and Mr. Kenneth Lyn, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lyn of Cave Valley, were married in a quiet ceremony at the Roman Catholic Church in Black River, on Sunday, February 4.

Mr. Lloyd Lyn, a brother of the groom, was bestman and Miss Mabel Swaby was the bride's only attendant.

The drawing for the raffle of a G.E.C. Refrigerator sponsored by the C.A.C. was held at the C.A.C. on Saturday, February 3. Tickets

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PANORAMA

PAINTINGS BY OLD MASTERS

For a period of six days at the end of January, an exhibition of the paintings of old masters of Art was held at the Institute of Jamaica. This Exhibition was made possible through the courtesy of Mr. Emanuel Pimental, who arrived in the Island with a portion of the collection of Count Ferdinand Szechenyi, from the Castle Tomassar in Hungary. Mr. Emanuel has been asked to exhibit and sell these works of art whenever and wherever possible, and so rare an occurrence is it in Jamaica for works of this sort to be seen, that the Institute was glad to facilitate the public in this way.

There were 21 pictures on exhibit, which were a joint collection of the work of French, Flemish, Italian and German artists, and the attendance was considerable, people from all walks of life flocking to view these art treasures. The atmosphere among such exquisite paintings was noticeably different to those who could appreciate it. The picture of the "Descent from the Cross" by the French artist, Nicolas Fournier was the outstanding attraction of the Exhibition, so full of a depth of appeal is it. "Diana and the Nymphs" by the Dutch artist Van Poelenburgh was exquisitely beautiful. One wishes that the art of long ago could be maintained today, but modern ideas seem to eradicate much of the grandeur and beauty from it.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Mr. Basil Henriques, M.A., C.B.E., Chairman of the East London Juveniles Court is at present on a visit to Jamaica on the invitation of the British Council for the purpose of seeing social conditions here and advising those in authority in such matters on the best ways of coping with our juvenile delinquency.

The Juveniles Authority, in co-operation with the British Council and the Extra Mural Department of the University College of the West Indies arranged a series of lectures by Mr. Henriques in various parts of the Island under the title of "Modern Trends in the Prevention and Treatment of Juvenile Delinquency", and he has been visiting numbers of the schools and colleges, police courts and 4-H Clubs during the time he has already been here.

In addition to the foregoing programme, Mr. Henriques will be the chief lecturer at a Child Welfare Course which has been planned to take place at the Uni-

versity College from the 12th to the 16th of this month. Applications were invited from 40 persons for this residential course, who are on the staffs of Children's Homes, Industrial Schools and welfare organisations, and who must certainly benefit from all they hear and learn during the time. With the long years of experience behind him in such a field of work, and with his own ideas coming to the fore in books he has written and clubs he has himself organised for the needy, Jamaica should benefit considerably from the visit of Mr. Henriques, in this most urgent work which is now being instigated more seriously and effectively than in earlier times for our youthful delinquents.

A JAMAICA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

During the visit to Jamaica to his relatives here, which began before Christmas, Mr. Jim Verity, violinist in the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and well known violinist in England, has been busy inaugurating a plan which it is hoped will materialise in the formation of a Jamaica Symphony Orchestra.

With a series of broadcast talks, and items in the press, Mr. Verity has made known all the plans he has in mind for such an Orchestra which will be comprised of musicians of a high standard both native to Jamaica and from other countries. The Orchestra, in addition to presenting concerts in all parts of the Island, would undertake to establish a School of Music for the education of Jamaican students and others from other areas who wished to attend it. His ideas on this School were outlined in his talks, as were the proposed rules for membership, scholarships and the like.

Mr. Verity's endeavours in this direction are highly commendable and should awaken Jamaicans to the need and benefits which can be ours in the field of first class music should the scheme materialise. It is true that it will require a large sum of money annually, which it is hoped, will be forthcoming partially from the Government and from the members which fall into several categories, and, of course, in part from the earnings of the Orchestra itself. Should these plans fail to reach the necessary mark in Jamaica, however, it might be well for the scheme to be devised along West Indian, rather than purely Jamaican lines, so that there could be no question of failure due to the limited support of a small area.

SEAFARERS ALL
Tourists to Jamaica come for

many purposes in these days, most of these being for change and rest. A few come for the sake of combining pleasure with business of various types, and a few come in that spirit of adventure which always makes its own special appeal.

Numbered among the pleasure-business type have been a party of yachters recently, in the yacht Carmac of Cargo Carriers Incorporated of Minneapolis, who came on their fourth annual visit. Head of the party, Mr. John MacMillan, Jr. owns the property of Green Castle near Montego Bay where he is carrying out agricultural experiments, one of which is the cultivation of Alfalfa grass for the feeding of cattle.

Falling under the heading of adventurer was Mr. Jack Browne from Milwaukee, who arrived here from Cuba on a tour in his amphibian plane hunting for sunken treasure ships. This mission has already been underway for a decade, with diving suits and an underwater camera as his equipment. An English school master, Mr. Ralph Garrad, also out for high adventure, sailed

the northside coast from Kingston to Montego Bay in a canoe, a trip which took nine and a half days, he and his companion camping ashore at nights.

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Red China Branded Aggressor

The deliberations of the U.N. Political Committee on the vital question of whether Red China should be branded an aggressor or not, came to an end at a special session on the night of January 30th. last. The brand was eventually placed on Red China by a vote of 44 to 7, with 7 abstentions. The last move on the part of the Arab-Asian countries for this decision to be postponed yet again so that another attempt may be made to hold a conference on a cease-fire in Korea and a Far East settlement was swept aside. Sir Benegal Rau said in his final appeal to the U.N. that he wanted it known that: "When the world was marching toward disaster the Asian powers did all they could to halt the march. We have tried our best."

The part played by the Arab-Asian powers has been highly commendable and full of commonsense in the face of the disaster which certainly threatens mankind, but it was fully realised that Red China was only temporising and that every moment gained this way meant more time in which they, with their backers, Soviet Russia, could prepare more advantageously for what seem the inevitable conflict of arms. Meanwhile, the battling on the Korean front has been increasing. Despite the 'Brand China' move the way to a peaceful settlement has not been closed. The U.N. drew up its clauses on the necessary action to be taken, in which the effort to seek for a peaceful settlement still figures. Peking was called upon to withdraw its nationals and forces from Korea and to stop fighting the U.N.

The reaction to the U.N. declaration branding Red China an aggressor, came at length in the form of a broadcast by Peking's

Foreign Minister Chou En-lai. This was a statement to the effect that the 'brand' had closed the door to a peaceful settlement and, if the U.N. wanted war, they would have war.

The realisation that Red China of herself is not an aggressor has helped to stay the decision of the U.N. a long while. It is common knowledge that Communist Russia is the moving factor behind Red China aggression, and that Mao Tse-tung, once a willing ally of Communistic enticement is now nothing more than a pawn in Soviet hands, and one that would be ruthlessly cast aside were it to fail. The infiltration of Communism into China has been long and widespread. With Mao's victory his subjects had no choice.

The position as it stands is a warning of what is to come. It is a situation which is moving fast to envelop the whole world. China has not been the first, and it will not be the last country to come within the grip of the Communists. Red China has been branded an aggressor. The world waits anxiously for Russia's next move.

FOR THE COMMON GOOD

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and so it was natural that he should urge all in authority to make the welfare of the common people their main concern. Ideally, all rulers were regarded as parents of the people.

This is particularly emphasized by Motzu, the great advocate of universal and non-discriminating love, who argued that those in authority should, in line with the revealed will of Heaven, share all the revenue and produce of the State equally with the people. Anything that deprived the common man of the means of livelihood to the full extent of the State's resources was to him anathema. In particular, he was opposed to all wasteful and extravagant expenditure upon State ceremonies, music, big funerals and the civil wars which characterized his age.

It is true that not all rulers and ministers in Chinese history have acted as "parents of the people". There have been monarchs like Chin Shih Huang Ti, ministers like Shang Yang and political philosophers of the Legalist School, who by the institution of violent totalitarian regimes have harshly suppressed the liberties of the people and endeavoured to keep them both ignorant and in serfdom.

But in the Chow dynasty (1122-255 B.C.), although land was regarded as belonging to the Government, it was free to be used by the people who, for the privilege, returned to the Government a proportion of the produce of their labours. The land tax has always been the main source of revenue in China, based usually on a very moderate rate of assessment, normally at about 10 per cent of the yield. Provision was made in the most ancient times for lighter taxation in famine or flood, which frequently occurred. Allowance was also made for the type of land which the farmer was working, and due regard was paid to the distance over which the taxed grain had to travel. Furthermore, we read in the very earliest books of provision being made for old age pensions and widows' and orphans' allowances.

ECONOMICALLY and educationally, the people were afforded full opportunity for development. The most popular slogan of the Republican regime* is taken from the oldest Chinese book: "All the Empire's resources for the common good." (Tien Hsia Wei Kung.)

* Before the Communists came to power.
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SCIENCE AND YOU

THE DESERT LOCUST

SCIENTISTS ATTACK THE "EIGHTH PLAGUE"

By MAURICE GOLDSMITH

The dread locust plague is once again darkening the skies over vast areas of Africa and Southwest Asia, threatening millions of impoverished people with famine. This is no novelty for these regions which, from Biblical days, have been devastated periodically by these surging masses of insects. The eighth plague of ancient Egypt was due to the Desert Locust.

But in recent years the mood of fatalism with which these devastations were accepted has given way to reasoned optimism: for we have come to know a great deal about the habits and nature of the locust, and there is developing a fruitful international cooperation in this common fight.

Cornerstone of this campaign is the Anti-Locust Research Centre in London, to which reports of locust movement and behaviour have been sent for a number of years. Director of this centre is Dr. B. P. Uvarov, acknowledged world expert. It was in July of last year that delegates from the Middle East, Egypt, Ethiopia, Somaliland, East Africa and other threatened countries met in Nairobi to decide on steps to be taken to combat threatened locust invasions of Kenya and other countries.

Their fears are being realized for the plague is extending: infestations have spread from Chad territory to eastern India. Heavy damage to crops in Yemen and Saudi Arabia have been reported. French experts, Professor P. Vayssière and Dr. B. Zolotarevsky (directeur de l'Office National Anti-Acridien), believe however that, given adequate international organisation, these plagues can be fought successfully.

During the last thirty years we have cleared up a great mystery in the life of the locust. No-one knew what happened to the locusts when they were not swarming. They just seemed to disappear. It was Dr. Uvarov who explained what happens.

A locust is a kind of grasshopper—as an individual not different from other grasshoppers, living a solitary, quiet life. But every now and again he gets together with hundreds upon hundreds of thousands of other

fellow locusts and runs amok. His behaviour in a crowd is quite different from his comportment as an individual. So much so that many biologists believed that there were two distinct species of locusts—the solitary and the gregarious. Dr. Uvarov showed that this was not so, but that the solitary and gregarious forms belonged to the same species. He showed that the offspring of the solitary form when brought up in crowds became in fact the gregarious forms, and vice-versa. This great discovery was the key to the origin of the plagues.

In 1932, J. C. Faure was able to show that locusts became gregarious as the result of a physiological response to violent fluctuations in the environment.

Dr. J. S. Kennedy explains (in DISCOVERY, January 1951): "The first requirement is a period when conditions are particularly favourable for the solitary insects to live and breed, so that they multiply rapidly. For the Desert Locust, the crucial condition seems to be extra good rains, so that extra generations can be squeezed in before the country dries up again and breeding stops.

"But to produce gregarious swarms from the myriads of scattered insects then present, a less favourable period must follow the more favourable one. When that happens, the insects can find suitable living conditions only in restricted areas, and they get very crowded there. Frequent meetings of insect with insect set off a train of changes inside each insect, as a result of which their behaviour, colour and shape all change.

"They become attracted to each other, yet at the same time hypersensitive to each other's movements, so that their excitement grows until they cannot keep still. In a few generations they have ceased to be solitary grasshoppers and have gathered into great swarms which sally forth on the restless, far-ranging flights which make them such unexpected and catastrophic pests."

The swarms take flight spontaneously on warm, dry days when their body temperature is high. The muscular activity caused by flight, further raises

their temperature. They stop flying when conditions change—either rain, a drop in temperature, or the coming of night.

The swarms travel for great distances. They have been seen as far out as 1,200 miles at sea, and they cover vast areas. One flight of the Desert Locust across the Red Sea in 1889 was estimated to cover an area of 2,000 square miles. They are of course very destructive. During the period 1925-34, the average annual losses in the continent of Africa were estimated at about 1,500,000 pounds sterling per annum, and at least 5,000,000 working days each year were spent by workers in an attempt to save the crops.

Once a plague is well started, it is difficult to stop. Only palliative measures are possible. For example, the destruction of egg masses laid by the invading swarms, the use of trenches to trap and destroy the locusts, the use of poison baits, and the dusting of swarms and their breeding grounds with insecticides by aeroplane.

Because of Dr. Uvarov's basic discovery about the identity of solitary and gregarious forms of locust, preventive measures have been introduced. These are to find out the special "outbreak areas" and to destroy the swarms there before they take flight. And second, to alter natural conditions so that the swarms never form.

Dr. Zolotarevsky explained to me that he believed that during the past few years by appropriate action in the "outbreak areas" in Africa they have been able to prevent at least two major outbreaks.

The fact is that the fight against the locust is more than a merely technical or scientific question. It is a question of international organization, of coordination in the obtaining of information and in destructive action. The two outbreaks that have been suppressed through coordinated action are those of the Red Locust of East and South Africa, and the African Migratory Locust in West Africa. The third main African Locust, the Desert Locust, is more difficult to handle because the "outbreak areas" are in semi-desert regions spreading across many frontiers from Africa to India.

The policy put forward by Dr. Uvarov at a Paris conference in 1937, is still valid: "Every great invasion must begin from the appearance of the gregarious phase and the formation of the first small swarms. . . . A rational anti-locust policy should consist in organizing permanent

supervision of every known outbreak area by expert entomolo-

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YOUR MURDER, MADAM

by KESTON CLARKE

WHY, yes, ma'am, naturally I read every thriller as it comes into stock; otherwise I wouldn't know what to recommend to the customers. And I read every customer too, so to speak. That isn't as easy as it looks.

I'd been running my two-penny-library for weeks before I realised that it's the sturdy matron who wants *Passion's Bondage*, and the blue-eyed schoolgirl who takes it tough.

Well, I aim to please. Must keep up the circulation side. Just lost one good customer, unfortunately; poor old gentleman. Oh no, ma'am; he wasn't dissatisfied with the fiction. What got Mr. Jefson down was the facts. So they said. So he up and shot himself: or rather he sat down and shot himself. So they said. Me, I didn't believe a word of it.

Maybe it's being surrounded all the time by these works of fiction, that makes me sceptical. It was the baker's wife who hurried in with the news—

"Heard about poor old Jefson, Mr. Potts?"

"No, what?"

"Been found dead!"

"Oh, ah," I answered; and went on dusting the Works of Dickens. Full of tales, this town; and my shop's a kind of parish pump. Mr. Jefson had been here only the previous afternoon; grunting with his gout and helping himself to a bagload of thrillers. "I may as well stock up, Potts," he'd gasped. "Dunno when I'll get out of my armchair again."

ODDLY enough, the words struck me with a sort of chill as I watched him waddle out to his waiting car. Nice old boy. Rich enough to have all the latest sent from Town if he'd wanted; but canny enough to use my twopenny library — not that his saving did him any good.

I just didn't believe he was dead till the baker's wife came in a couple of hours later well charged with news, views and embroidery. She'd had it from the hardware chap who heard it from—anyway, ma'am, I'll cut away the trimmings. Mr. Jefson had been found shot in his study armchair: that much seemed definite.

"Who done it?" I asked. She likes to speak correctly.

"Nobody done—did it," she said. "He's did—done it himself. Dreadful sight. Mrs. Lugg the cook found him. Sitting there, and one of your books open on his knee, all bloodstained. You'd best be putting in a claim about that."

I gave her a rap for her calousness, saying, "That can wait till the poor gentleman's cold. And who says he killed himself?"

"His door was locked on the inside."

"But you said Mrs. Lugg found him—"

"I'm only telling you what I heard. You'd better go and ask for yourself!" And out she went in a huff.

Now I don't know whether you've spotted the red herring yet, ma'am; but I'm telling you this because as it turned out, the red herring became a sprat to catch a mackerel, as you shall see.

A day or so later, having heard all the neighbours' and customers' versions, I did go up to the big house to ask for myself. It was quite easy. Mr. Jefson, being obliged to keep to his chair a great deal, would often have up to a dozen library-books on the go. Quite natural for me to call. I had a word with Monk, the chauffeur, and he passed me through to Mrs. Lugg.

"Sorry to bother you, Mrs. Lugg, but I've other customers wanting those books. I suppose there's no objection—"

She knew me, of course, and let me go through to the study to collect them. It was a big, queer place; more like an antique dump: with two desks, several tables, some screens and a job-lot of armchairs. I'd had time for a good look around before Mrs. Lugg followed. "You'll have to go to the police," she mentioned, "about that other book—the one he left half finished—"

"Oh, yes. Terrible. Let's see—it'd be *Murder At Midnight*. And why," I asked, "did the old chap do away with himself?"

"You'll know all about it after the inquest," replied the cook-housekeeper, unsociably.

THE inquest provided quite a sensation; in fact the local paper, for once, was more lurid than the library-books. Blackmail, ma'am! Yes, that's what came out in the evidence. Woman

in the case, too. Name of Freda. Her letter was found in the pocket of the dressing-gown Mr. Jefson wore that night. I forget the exact words but it was ten thousand pounds cash she wanted—or else.

Mr. Monk, the chauffeur, who put in most of his time as a general manservant, told the Court how upset and depressed the old man became after receiving that letter by the afternoon post. Monk mentioned it, in fact, both to Mrs. Lugg and to Todd, the gardener.

"Did he speak of ending his life?"

Monk hesitated. "Well, no, sir, not just then, but—"

"Well, but what?"

"He always had a mortal horror of blackmail, sir. Sort of morbid interest. Used to read all the cases, and I've heard him say he'd sooner be dead than bloodsucked. The very words he used."

So there it was. About ten, Monk took some warm milk and biscuits along to the study, as usual. He came away and heard Mr. Jefson lumber across to the door and lock it. The master always did that — liked to read on till midnight undisturbed. Then Monk went for a walk with

Todd the gardener and they returned by the last 'bus. Meanwhile Mrs. Lugg was clearing up in her kitchen and had the radio on. She didn't hear a shot. It wasn't till morning, when she took Mr. Jefson's breakfast up and he wasn't in bed, that... At this point, ma'am, Mrs. Lugg broke down: which was very natural.

In fact the whole affair was the most natural thing in the world to everybody; except me. But there, I've a cloak-and-dagger mind—according to the Inspector — through staring at pistols and poison-bottles on the book wrappers.

"Potts, old boy, you're a pest," he said. "You and your hunches and theories—"

We were having a friendly crack, a day or so later, in his garden. We agree to differ very amiably. He pours scorn on my twopenny thrillers—nothing like iife, he declares — and I pull his official leg about the natural deaths that would be murders if the truth were known.

"Suicide isn't natural—"

"It is," said the Inspector, waving his pipe, "for this argument—"

"Mr. Jefson's wasn't, anyway. I'll never believe that. I see all

Jamaican Proverbs

Their Meaning and Significance

A few proverbs in this issue deal with work and labour, which provide an opportunity of pointing out the evil of laziness, one of the weak points in the character of the Jamaican Negro. Greediness is also demonstrated in some cases.

Ef yoh plant peas, yoh caant look fe carn.

If you plant peas, you cannot expect to reap corn. "You'll reap whatsoever you sow" is the line of a famous chorus that is based upon scriptural quotations:— "For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." — also "He that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting". Compare with the following proverb dealt with on a former occasion:—

Bra Sluggard case-ah-labour, Sah.

Case - ah - labour means afraid of working; lazy. The correct rendering of the proverb is: Brother Sluggard is a born-lazy man, sir. A kindred proverb to the foregoing the same reasoning applies, also the same meaning. Note: Sluggard comes from the same root as slug, a word of Scandinavian origin, and means lazy; sluggish, like the slow-going land snail.

Punkin ah go come good, yuh seet by de blossom.

Pumpkin that is going to come good, you will see by the blossoms.

You yearri de rolling ober yonda, yuh t'in ah mongoose da run through fearing.

Fearing means thick woodland; you yearri de rolling means you hear the sound; ober yonda means over yonder; Yuh t'ink means you think; ah mongoose da run means it is a mongoose running. The correct English reads thus: You hear the rolling sound over yonder you think it is a mongoose running through thick woodland. It is interesting to note how widespread have been the ravages of this animal. The mongoose is not only rapacious; it is ubiquitous as well. They are found in every parish of the island; on the hills and in the valleys; by rocky steep, and near the sea, running to and fro in the island, seeking what they may devour, and eating the best of everything.

Allibutton work fe nuttin, nyam de less.

Allibutton refers to a man named Alex Burton, a "never-do-well," who was satisfied to work only for a bellyfull:

Results — he eats the less after all: A proverb which relates both to the evil of greed, and also of laziness. St. Paul in one of his letters to church members warned them against these evils thus: "If any would not work, neither should he eat." Like those disorderly ones who were only walking about, "working not at all, but are busy bodies."

Compare with the mongoose proverb stated above.

* * *

Doant-kyar was made to kyar.

Don't-care was made to take care. In the proverb an appeal is made to the brahlin youngster to "turn over a new leaf", as the English phrasing puts it. N.B. Brahlin means one who is coarse in manners. There is hope that such a one is not outside the pale of reason, and may yet reform.

While yuh ah watch de cock, de bung ah leak.

While you are watching the tap that locks the contents off, the stopper, placed in the hole to prevent the contents from running out of the barrel, is leaking. That is, don't worry over trifles at the expense of essentials.

Noh 'top de plough fe kill de mouse.

Do not stop the plough for the sake of killing a mouse. The meaning is, do not stop a great work to deal with trifles.

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PLUTO

the crime ingredients: motive, opportunity, red herring, alibi—"Motive?"

"Take Mrs. Lugg, for example. It's common knowledge she'll get a thousand and a nice pension under the will."

THE Inspector thought he'd got me. "Poor reasoning, Potts. Surprised at you. A motive shared is a motive weakened. Mother Lugg gets a big pick-up, yes. But so do Monk and Todd and the Dogs' Home and the old School—"

"Okay. Leave out the charities. The three servants benefit so the three of 'em did it. The poor old boy wasn't being blackmailed. Anyone could have sent that letter. Anyone could have taken the old revolver from the study desk—"

"And walked in through the locked door?"

I pulled the Inspector down on a garden seat. "Here's my story. Laugh at if you dare. Monk took in the supper. The old man's nose was well down in his book. So Monk shut the door after saying goodnight, but stayed in the room—flitted behind a screen. Mr. Jefson got up, locked the door, went back to his chair.

Then Monk shot him. Monk couldn't have broken in, d'ye see, without alarming the old man and making it much more difficult to fake a suicide; but he could break out, afterwards, having wiped his prints from the gun and put it in Jefson's hand. Out where? Oh, through one of those big panes in the french-window leading to the lawn; while brother Todd the odd-job man stood ready to replace it—"

I won't say I convinced the Inspector, ma'am; but I'd made him think again. And I won't claim I'd worked out the details exact. It was near enough. What put me on to it? Oh, just the open book on Mr. Jefson's lap. Here's a copy—*Murder at Midnight*—and I cannot and will not believe that any thriller-fan can lay that book down unfinished, not even to shoot himself.

That was the red herring. The red herring that caught a shark, so to speak.

Yes. Because I was wrong. That's to say, my theory ended right but started wrong. Mr. Jefson hadn't begun the book at all! Monk, in his confession, said the old man was just dozing when he shot him. So monk

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AMERICA

"My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near
Between the woods and frozen lake
The darkest evening of the year.
He gives his harness bells a shake
To ask if there is some mistake.
The only other sound's the sweep
Of easy wind and downy flake."

Robert Frost:
"Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening."

SYRIA

"Life without love is like a tree
Without blossoms or fruit.
And love without beauty is like
flowers without fragrance,
And fruit without seeds.
Life, Love and Beauty are three
entities in one self,
Free and boundless,
Which know neither change nor
separation."

Kahlil Gibran: "Revelation."

NEW ZEALAND

"The experience earth that
partly
Makes marble our stay as time's
guest
Separates beast and flower from
the pageant of heaven;
Yet this no less perfectly com-
pounded essence
Is tied by frail cords to the higher
eternal.
The star's light splashes the
flower's cup;
And we who are equally present
in brute and god
Gather our grief and our joy,
these moments of love,
From the two sides of death, but
are ever afraid
To mourn with the falling petal
or star . . ."

W. H. Oliver:
"The Star and the Flower."

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ENGLAND

"When icicles hang by the wall
And Dick the shepherd blows
his nail,
And Tom bears logs into the hall,
And milk comes frozen home in
pail;
When blood is nipt, and ways be
foul,
Then nightly sings the staring
owl
Tu-whit!
To-whoo! A merry note!
While greasy Joan doth keep
the pot."

Shakespeare:
"Love's Labour Lost."

INDIA

"He lurks among the reeds, beside
the marsh.
Red oleanders twisted in his hair,
His eyes are haggard and His lips
are harsh
Upon His breast the bones show
gaunt and bare.
The green and stagnant waters
lick His feet,
And from their filmy iridescent
scum
Clouds of mosquitoes, gauzy in
the heat,
Rise with His gifts: Death and
Delirium."

Love Lyrics of India:
"Malaria."

CHINA

"The lingering clouds, rolling,
rolling,
And the settled rain, dripping,
dripping,
In the Eight Directions — the
same dusk.
The level lands — one great river.
Longingly, I think of my friends,
But neither boat nor carriage
comes."

T'ao Ch'ien: "Flood."

JAMAICA

"Twilight brief is dying,
And the shadows fall;
From the still, dark bushes
Comes the night-bird's call;
Thousands of wee insects
Start their evening choirs,
On the dusky hillsides
Glow the orange fires . . ."

"Tropica:" "Night."

RUSSIA

"Austere the music of my songs:
The echo of sad utterance fills
them,
A bitter breath, far-wafted, chills
them;
And is my back not bent to
thongs?
The mists of day on darkness
fall;
To reach my promised land I
follow
A vain road that the shadows
swallow;
The world rears round me like
a wall.
At times from that far land the
vain
Faint voice will sound like dis-
tant thunder.
Can the long waiting on a wonder
Obliterate the long bleak pain?"

Fyodor Sologub:
"Austere the Music of
my Songs."

THE PAGODA

PERSONS
PLACES
THINGS

By OLD JOE

PERSONS

LEWIS HUTCHINSON

An 18th Century Desperado
Among the notorious evil-doers mentioned in Jamaica History, Lewis Hutchinson of Edinburgh Castle holds a high place. The facts of the case have been handed on to posterity by the great-grand daughter of a Dr. Hutton, a man who was, as will be illustrated, intimately connected with Hutchinson. About the year 1768 there lived at Edinburgh Castle in Pedro district, in the parish of St. Ann, a desperado called Lewis Hutchinson. He owned the property on which he lived and was reputed to be a man of some education. A few miles from Edinburgh Castle was Bonneville Pen, adjoining, which was a property belonging to a Dr. Jonathan Hutton, an Englishman. Dr. Hutton was a retired naval doctor who spent his time between England and Jamaica. During one of these visits, he got into a dispute with the redoubtable Hutchinson about the boundary line between the two properties. One evening shortly after this when the doctor, who was a Colonel of the militia for St. Ann, was riding home from muster at Moneague, his slave following behind with his sabre and other accoutrements, Hutchinson rode up with a following of his slaves and took the sabre from the man saying: "You can give my compliments to Dr. Hutton and tell him I have got his sabre." The doctor chose to ignore this however. Some months after, Dr. Hutton made arrangements to return to England, along with his wife and little daughter of eight. Mrs. Hutton went to Clarendon on a visit, intending to meet her husband in Kingston and from thence to return to England. The little girl was left with her father at Bonneville. One morning they set out on horseback for the journey to Kingston, and everything was proceeding quite normally, till they were suddenly met by Hutchinson and a following of slaves. He rode up to Hutton and attacked him fiercely, the weapon he used being the

doctor's sword which he had stolen. He struck the doctor a blow so severe that he was rendered senseless; and then he quickly rode off with his slaves. The doctor returned to his estate where he remained till he was able to travel, and then he went to Kingston where he laid information against Hutchinson; but he was unable to prosecute the matter as he had to hurry to England to have the wound treated. After a year he returned, but so great was the terror that Hutchinson had inspired no one would take the warrant for his arrest.

At last a soldier named Callender agreed to take the warrant; but as soon as Hutchinson saw them approaching he shot Callender dead on the spot, and the rest of the party fled. This crime could not be overlooked, and a strong force was sent to apprehend Hutchinson for the murder of Callender. He was overpowered and taken to Spanish Town jail. The castle was searched, and 43 watches were said to have been found there besides quantities of clothing and other articles, showing that many of the murders, if not all, which were credited to him, were actually committed by him. Later on his unfortunate slaves disclosed the method he used of getting rid of the bodies of his victims. Not far from the castle in a small wood was a sink-hole with a large mouth. To this sink-hole Hutchinson's victims were carried and deposited by his slaves, never to be seen again by human eyes. Hutchinson was hanged in Spanish Town on the 16th March, 1773. He left £100 to erect a monument to his memory, and the following auto-graph writing:

"Their sentence, pride and malice I defy,
Despite their power and like a Roman die."

PLACES

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

The Turks and Caicos Islands lie about 420 miles to the north-east of Jamaica. The Islands are said to derive their name from a species of cactus found there, by the early settlers, the scarlet head of which was said to resemble a Turkish fez. They were discovered in 1912 by Juan Ponce deLeon, while on a voyage from Puerto Rico; but they remained uninhabited until 1678, (apparently because of the sterility of the soil, and the scanty rainfall), when a party of Bermudians arrived and established the salt making industry. After this the colonisation went on, till in 1776 the King was pleased

to appoint an Agent, Mr. Andrew Smyner, "to reside there and by his residence on the spot to insure the right to the Islands of His Majesty." A Commissioner who represents the Government of Jamaica now resides in the dependency, on the island of Grand Turk. The principal industry is still the salt trade. Turks and Caicos Islands constitute the largest dependency of Jamaica with a total area of 201.7 square miles. It is made up of six islands, Grand Turk 9.4, Salt Cay 4, South Caicos 9.4, Middle Caicos 72.8, North Caicos 54.1, Blue Hills 41.6, and West Caicos 10.4 square miles. The total population according to the 1943 census was 6,138.

THINGS

RIVERS AND SPRINGS OF JAMAICA

The more romantic historians have attributed the Island's name to mean "The Land of Springs" and the numerous rivers and springs which abound in most parts of Jamaica seems to justify this belief to a very great extent. Chief among all these is the Black River in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the origin of which is of some interest. The Hector's River runs westerly, and after a

course of about 12 miles terminates in several sinks in a wild and broken country. Then this river again makes its appearance at Oxford in Manchester, where it goes by the name of One Eye River, and again sinks there through a ridge to the north of Bogne Hill, to rise in a considerable body at Mexico and Island Estates, from which points to the sea it is called the Black River. It is certainly one of the finest in the Island, being the longest and the only navigable river. With a tortuous course of about 44 miles, it debouches at Black River Bay, near the town of the same name. The river can be traversed by boats of considerable size for a distance of about 25 miles, and is consequently used for transporting produce. The Black River receives a number of tributaries of great size, which are also partially navigable, among them being the Broad, Grass, Horse, and Savannah Rivers. Formerly this river was known as El Caovana, or "the mathogany river," by the Spaniards. There was a time too when Black River was renamed Gravesend. That was when it had been declared a port of entry. Subsequently, however, the old name has survived.



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TALKING IT OVER

By ELIZABETH MARTIN

Dear Miss Martin,

My face is getting rather round lately, especially my cheeks which are very fat. Can you tell me what to do about it.

WORRIED.

Dear Worried,

You give me no idea of your age, so it is rather difficult to advise you.

But whatever age you are I want you to remember that one must be very careful in trying to reduce one's face. When you remove the fat you are apt to develop wrinkles, so be sure you reduce wisely, slowly and tone up your skin with a good skin food and astringent.

Proper diet, cutting out excess sweets and starches can do a lot to get rid of excess fat. There is a special massage for breaking down the fatty tissues of the face, but it should never be tried by an amateur, for incorrect pinching, squeezing and pulling the skin can ruin your face.

So, my dear, either be content with the face Nature gave you and watch your diet or if you can afford it, have a course of special face massage by a competent masseuse.

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin,

I am a constant reader of your interesting column and I hope you can help me too with my problem.

I have a pen-pal in Germany who has sent me some old German Bank Notes (which is out of currency now) to see if I could get someone who collects old money to buy them. I haven't the faintest idea of anyone who collects old money, so I am asking you if you could give me the names and addresses of any such persons in Jamaica.

"ANXIOUS".

Dear Anxious,

I regret that I do not personally know of any currency collectors in Jamaica, but perhaps some helpful "Pagoda" reader may be able to help us.

However, I think it would be good if you wish to put a "want" advertisement in the Press. It might put you in touch with the right person.

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin,

I am very easy-going and good natured and I am in love with a boy who is very devoted and affectionate, but he is always breaking dates at the last moment

you my dear. You are obviously fond of both boys, but you apparently don't know which you care for most.

In the long run you are bound to hurt one of them. You are the only one who can decide which one it is to be. The question is was it only loneliness that drove you to make this new attachment and will you find that you still care for your fiance when you see him again.

B. B.

Dear B. B.,

Sometimes we love people as much for their faults as for their virtues. Life would be much simpler if we only loved them for their virtues, but it is obvious that you love this boy very dearly or you would be able to reproach him. He is definitely thoughtless, selfish and absolutely lacking in consideration. It would do no harm to show him this, though I do not think it would cure him; but if he really cares at odd moments he would try to reform, but don't expect miracles. Face the fact that he is bound to go on letting you down and face life without him. See which you prefer.

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin,

My boy friend is abroad, we love each other dearly and write to each other all the time. After he had been away for sometime and I felt lonesome and needed an escort for dances, I got friendly with another boy. I am fond of him too and don't want to hurt him, but my fiance says he will soon be home. But I feel I can't give up my new friend. What shall I do?

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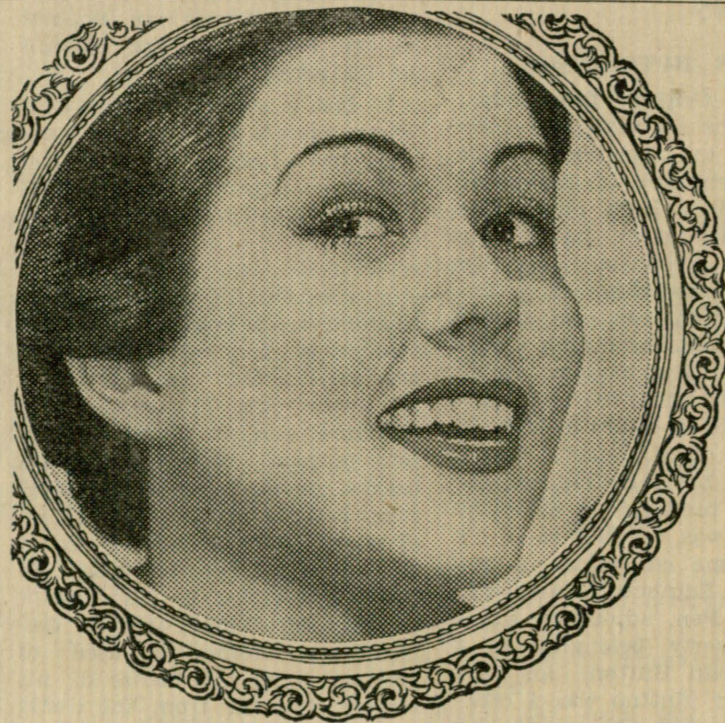
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He didn't make a fuss. He just altered the 11s 6d. bill to £1-11-6d. The customers looked it over, protested.

"Ah," said the waiter with exaggerated politeness, "but the teaspoons are five shillings each." The customers paid the extra £1 and slunk off.

Apropos of nothing, it was Humbert Wolfe who wrote: "Hark! The herald angels sing Timidly; because Dean Inge Has arrived, and seems to be Bored with immortality."

"They are rearing her carefully, aren't they?" "I'll say so. They won't even let her accompany a young man on a piano unless she's well chaperoned."

A man who has his initials on his pyjamas must be uncertain of himself. Surely you ought to know who you are by bedtime?

Smoking increases among African children. Know they can get a lift from a camel, apparently.

"So you met Alice to day?" "Yes. I hadn't seen her for ten years." "Has she kept her girlish figure?" "Kept it? She's doubled it."

Misprint in recent autobiography: My father was born in poor circumstances, but he did a rich man.

Possibility of agreement with Russia is not ruled out. After several centuries the leaning tower of Pisa is still leaning.

They're telling this everywhere in Hollywood these days: A man finds his ideal woman in one who possesses virtue, beauty, amiability, loyalty affection, domesticity, comradeship and patience.

A woman finds her ideal man in one who possesses mazuma, kale, cash, dough, coin, currency and money.

Some people are like blotting pads. They soak up facts—but always get them back to front.

"My husband calls a spade a spade." "Mine used to — until I got him to dig up the garden!"

The straboscopic camera which can photograph 1,000,000 pictures a second cannot photograph a woman changing her mind.

"Yes. Alice said she dreamed she was dancing with you." "Oh, you thrill me." "And then she woke up to find her little brother pounding her feet with a flat iron."

Americans think British girls make better dates. In fact they take the palm.

As we've frequently been told All that glitters is not gold, But (ask any local damsel) Nothing glitters quite the same.

"What's good for a cold?" "Take my advice and don't be good to such things. Treat them rough."

"I suppose," remarked the superior young man, "that you are one of those women who read the ending of a book first!" "Oh no, I'm not that silly!" his fair companion protested. "I always start in the middle." "The middle?" "Yes. It doubles the suspense. Then I can wonder how the story will end and how it began."

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PERSONALIA

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for this raffle had been on sale since last November. The results of the drawing are as follows:— Ticket No. 2711—1st. Prize John Phillips, 1 Crescent Road. One G.E.C. Refrigerator.
 " " 6335—2nd. Prize Alfred Tai. St. Ann's Bay. One Royal Enfield Bicycle.
 " " 3763—3rd. Prize, Edna Chen. 60 Hanover Street. One carton White-ways Cyder.
 " " 3765—4th. Prize, E. Hsueh. 20 South Camp Road. One case Sweetheart Soap.
 " " 7260—5th Prize. Chen Kim Chen. 52 Windward Road. One month's supply of Valentine Bread.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Austin Lee gave a dinner for their young son, Ken Aundwin, on Sunday, February 4, at Spanish Town. More than 200 persons attended the function. The infant is the grandson of Mrs. Nina Lee, very well known and popular figure in the old capital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chuck Keow announced the engagement of their daughter, Wilma, to Mr. Cedric Chen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theophilus Chen. The announcement was made at a party held at No. 4b Lacy Road, residence of Mr. and Mrs. Chen, on Sunday, January 28. More than 200 persons attended this party, where Mr. W. A. Chen acted as Master of Ceremonies. Rev. Fr. Sullivan was present to bless the ring and the couple.

Mandeville Country Club was the scene of a very gay Mardi Gras dance on Shrove Tuesday. Sponsored by the Hyap Choo Fui Club the function was in aid of the St. Luke's School Fund. The success of the dance was largely due to the efforts of Mrs. Reginald Hendrickson who spared nothing to make it a smooth, pleasant and enjoyable affair for everyone. During the course of the evening there was the choosing of the Beauty Queen and from a list of eleven charming young ladies Miss Sylvia Lyn emerged the winner. Among the eleven were the Misses Betty Chin Yee, Fay Lyn, Gladita Brady, Barbara Depass, Cecilia Chin Loy and Miss Mavis Chin of Montego Bay.

A very large section of those attending were from Kingston. Among those present were Mr.

and Mrs. Albert Chin Yee, the Misses Betty and Millie Chin Yee, Mr. Harvey Young, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Chin, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wong, Miss Annie Wong and Mr. Teddy Wong, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Leahong, Mr. and Mrs. Aston Chen, Mr. Ronald Chen, the Misses Joy, Patsy and Heather Chen, Mr. and Mrs. Capitor Ho Yen, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Chang, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald Wong Ken, Mr. and Mrs. Osbourne Chen, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Chang, Mrs. Louis Chang, Miss Babbie Chang, Ronnie Chang, Jerome Chong, Miss Ivy Lee, Miss Norma Lee, Cecelia Chin Loy, Patricia Lee, Karlene Chen, Ronnie Tai, Karl Lyn, Miss Sylvia Shim, John Tai Pow, Miss Rita Lyn, Neville Chen, Earle Leahong, Percy Lee, Lloyd and Lenny Chin, Miss Ruby Phang, Mrs. Sylvia Chong and Stanley Chong.

From other parts of the Island were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chin Fook and their daughter Madge from Sav-la-mar, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hugh, Mr. and Mrs. Chen of Christiana, Mr. and Mrs. Derrick Chang of May Pen.

From Mandeville were Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Hendrickson, Mr. Maurice Lyn and Miss Fay Lyn, Selly Manwingkee, Mrs. Mabel Lyn, the Misses Yvonne and Pearl Lyn, Roy, Vincent and Gerald Lyn.

The marriage of Mrs. Florence McPherson of Port Antonio to Mr. Francis Chong Yen of St. Andrew took place on Thursday, January 25 at Port Antonio.

After playing Lucas to a draw twice in the Junior Knock-out semi-finals the CAC football team finally emerged winners in the third match by 3 goals to one. The CAC will now meet St. George's Old Boys in the finals.

Among those who left here on Thursday, February 1 to attend the Mardi Gras in Trinidad were Mr. Hubert Tai, Mrs. Maurice Lyn and daughter, Joyce, Gloria Chang, Avis Chin Yee, Mrs. Hilda Fong and her son, Patrick.

Mr. Stephen Lai Fook, after spending a few weeks here, left for Trinidad on Thursday, February 1.

Mr. Harvey Chong who arrived here on Sunday, February 4, is here for a week's holiday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chin Yee. Mr. Chong is studying medicine at Indianapolis University, Indianapolis.

The Chinese Commercial School at 1G North Street founded by

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the Chinese Association for the Promotion of Aviation, announced that four of their students, Larry Lee, George Chen, Lindon Lai and Miss Mildred Chen, were successful in their L.C.C. examination held last June, all passing with distinction.

PORT ANTONIO

At a meeting held on the 28th, the boys of the C.S.C. heard talks on Scouting from Messrs. Silveira, the District Scout Commissioner, and Hiiton, the Field Commissioner.

Messrs. Victor Chung, Vincent Leesang and Ralf Mooyoung will undertake to form two Scout Patrols among the Chinese to join the main Portland Troop.

The Misses Cynthia Chung and Fay Lai of Spanish Town came to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hong Kong. Miss Chung sailed for England on Tuesday, January 30, to study nursing.

THE SCOUTS CORNER

On Ash Wednesday a party of junior scouts led by First Class trainees Henry Chang and Easton Cha left for the Scoutmaster's residence on Tremaine Road at 7.45 a.m. to lay a trail in the Kintyre Hills. Their destination was the disused copper mine.

Just an hour afterwards, remainder of the First Class trainees, under 1st. Class Scout Albert Lyn, equipped with the single clue that operations would start at Papine, went to pick up the trail of the first patrol. This hike was planned by way of practical training in tracking for older scouts. It proved most successful as the second patrol, working fast soon brought their quarry to earth, after being misled by the former's blind trails.

The patrols played outdoor games together on the River trail near August Town, and reported at 4:30 p.m. to the starting base. The evening ended with games and refreshment at the S.M.'s home.

Meetings are once more in progress on Wednesday afternoons at 4.30 p.m. Parents are invited to send their boys on Wednesdays to the Chinese Public School. The age at which a boy may join the troop is 11 years.

Plans are under way and the groundwork laid for a Rover Crew. Enquiries are invited from old members of the troop and Chinese young men over 18 years of age. Please communicate with District Scouter Lenworth Chan, c/o Lands Department, North Street.

FOR THE COMMON GOOD

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Confucius opened his classes to all comers without distinction, and, as has been said, above, the Civil Service system enabled all to share in the opportunity for political advancement.

Class distinctions of noble and commoner, based on rank and wealth, existed in the feudal age. The autocracy included dukes, lords, viscounts, marquises and earls. But as time passed, men were distinguished mainly by their personal worth. From this it will be seen that, ideally at any rate, the Chinese were not only familiar with, but observed to some extent, the second Republican tenet that government should be "for the people."

What can we say of the third principle of Republicanism—that government should be "by the people"?

The earliest records, dating back to tribal times, when the population was small, suggest that the people had a voice in the election of their rulers. Liang Ch'i Ch'ao affirms that "in those days gatherings of the whole population discussed questions of public import, like change of the capital, or the enthronement of the ruler." Also, as has been observed above, on occasion the people exercised their right to change their ruler by revolutionary methods if he failed to satisfy them.

In the book of Kuan Tzu (third century B.C.), one of the most important sources of Chinese political ideology and procedure, we read: "A Government prospers in so far as it acts in accordance with the mind of the people! "The ruler must govern so as to capture and unite the people's hearts." "It is futile to act against the people's desire." "The people are to approve the laws before they are made, and then be expected to keep them"

It is evident from these quotations that due regard was paid to the will of the people in matters of government; in fact, their opinion was supposed to represent the final authority

Now let us consider what practical provision, if any, was made for the expression of the people's will. Was the principle "One should never muzzle the people", enunciated in an ancient book called The Narratives of the States, ever put into effect? It would seem that one medium whereby the will of the

people could be expressed was in the folk-songs which representatives of the Government were supposed to collect and transmit to the ruler at special seasons. Government agents were supposed to travel through the villages and country-side ringing a wooden-tongued bell to elicit the opinions of the people, and in particular to discover their grievances. Confucius was styled "the wooden-tongued bell"

Later on, as the Government became better organized, provision was made for the hearing of the people's complaints by the establishment of a special organ known as the "Censorate." Through this medium, petitions could be presented to the throne, and the impeachment of highly placed officials was rendered feasible. Frequent advantage was taken of this. At the last resort, if the ruler continued obdurate to all criticism, or their grievances remained unredressed, the people could assert their rights by means of armed revolt

It is evident, therefore, that the principles of Lincoln's great dictum that "government should be of and for and by the people," have been known to the Chinese from very ancient times.

But it is also obvious that democracy in China has, until more recent times, remained idealistic rather than functional in character, and that "the fundamental weakness of ancient Chinese political thinking lay in not making any real provision for government by the people.

However, as the basic principle of rulership was the virtuous character of the ruler, the people were, to some extent, protected from injustice. In effect, the rulers said to the people: "Support us by your taxes, and we will rule for your good." The people, in effect, said to the ruler: "Take our taxes, but let us alone." This spirit of mutual agreement in regard to government finds expression in the Liberty Song of Ancient China: "When the sun rises, I toil; when the sun sets I rest. I dig wells of water, I till the fields for good; what has the Emperor's power to do with me?" So no wonder that on the inauguration of the Republican regime in 1911 the people of China were found totally unprepared to participate in the particular form of government. For long centuries they had kept, or been kept, aloof from

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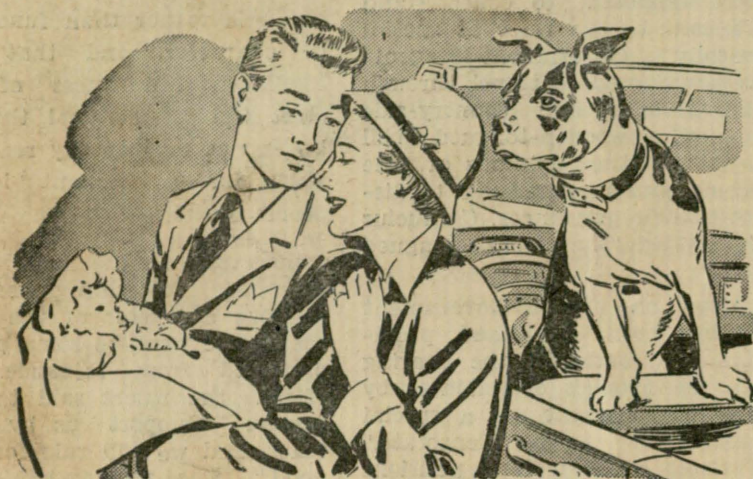
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MIRROR OF YOUR MIND

By LAWRENCE GOULD
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Can a dog be dangerously jealous?

Answer: Yes, warns Phyllis Rowland in The Family Circle. There are instances on record in which a dog has been made so jealous by attention given to a new-born baby that he has attacked it. The old saying is that if you want both a dog and a baby, you should "get the baby first," so that the dog won't feel it is usurping his place in your affections. But if you reverse this order, at least make sure the dog does not feel too much neglected when the baby comes home, and be careful about leaving them alone together.



Is self-consciousness a form of egotism?

Answer: Basically, yes. And here's how you can check the statement. If you are self-conscious, you will almost certainly exaggerate the extent to which people will notice anything unusual in your appearance. If you

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only need a haircut, you'll imagine everyone observes and comments on it despite the fact that the chances are not one person in ten will look at your hair at all. Your self-consciousness invariably makes you assume you are the center of attention, and the reason is that at heart that is how you want it to be.



Do children learn mostly from adults?

Answer: They learn only some kinds of things that way, and not always what is most important. To quote from my book, "The Common Sense of Psychoanalysis": "Lessons are and should be part of a child's life, but experience is always more important, and he doesn't get experience by learning from his parents. A boy walking through the woods with Father may learn much about natural history, but he will not get to know the woods as he would if he was with boys of his own age."

not keep their eyes open in the wee hours of the morning after a night of dancing.

All religion, all life, all art; all expression come down to this: to the effort of the human soul to break through its barrier of loneliness, of intolerable loneliness, and make some contact with another seeking soul, or with what all souls seek, which is (by any name) God.—Don Marquis.



politics. Autocracy and bureaucracy had prevailed.

But throughout monarchical, feudal, totalitarian and bureaucratic types of government China has remained essentially democratic at heart. This has not been expressed in formal parliamentary institutions so much as in the recognition that freedom and equality are the inalienable rights of the human spirit.

THE DESERT LOCUST

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gists, who would be able to notice the first signs of a transformation of solitary locusts into the gregarious phase, and to destroy the first small swarms that may appear. If no swarms, however small, are permitted to migrate outside the outbreak areas, no invasion of wide regions such as happened in the past, can occur in the future". Professor Vayssiére comments: "Indeed, the solution of this problem will be found when we will have determined the factors which cause the change over from the solitary phase to the gregarious phase; and, knowing these factors for each species, we shall be able to prevent those conditions developing which

favour the vast multiplication of these insects".

Thus the problem of grasshoppers in their locust form can be solved. But modern farming provides conditions so favourable for grasshoppers that they never turn into the traditional swarming form: and the "lone-wolf" grasshopper costs the USA, for example, 100,000,000 pounds between 1936 and 1946. The fight against this grasshopper problem is, however, a different story. (UNESCO)

YOUR MURDER, MADAM

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opened the book halfway, thinking it made the scene more natural-like. Queer the way justice works, isn't it?

You'll take Murder At Midnight, ma'am? Thank you very much. Two-pence, please.

THE END

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MOVEMENTS OF NOTE

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THE Mardi Gras at Mandeville brought out quite a few carloads

of Kingstonians to the cool clime of Mandeville. After going that distance for a dance they were going to make a gay night of it which they certainly did from reports that I have heard. Many cars made records going over but did not try to make any on their way back as most could

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Mr. and Mrs. Kesang Chin cut their wedding cake after their wedding which took place on Wednesday, January 31.

—Photo by Sang Sang.



Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Wee Tom who were married at the Kingston Parish Church, January 28.

—Photo by Sang Sang.



The usual setting and background to a picnic. This looks good to the photographer who was the first one there.



Miss Ruby Wee Tom who recently entered the Convent of Mercy, Alpha, to become a Sister of Mercy. A graduate of Alpha Academy, Miss Wee Tom will be known in religious life as Sister Antoinette.

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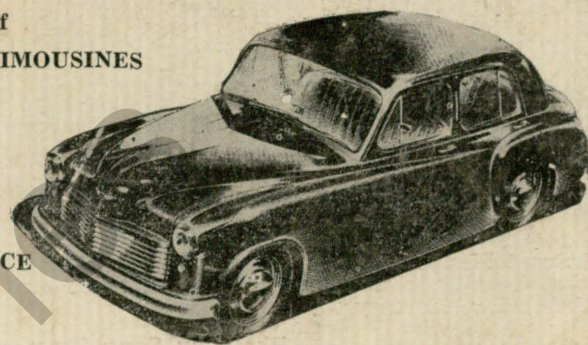
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