

### Test Your Knowledge

Can you answer seven of the ten questions? Turn to page Four for the answers.

1. For what organization do the initials B. P. O. E. stand?
2. Who wrote the novel, "Seventeen?"
3. Where is the town of Melilla?
4. During the first century B. C. which Roman General conquered Gaul?
5. Has the portrait of any living person ever been used on U. S. postage stamps?
6. Who played the role of the

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ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	\$42,820.95
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	None
United States Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed	19,799.50
State, county, and municipal obligations	2,062.11
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	57,349.80
Corporate stocks	None
Loans and discounts	119,740.97
Overdrafts	18.49
Banking house owned \$2800.00, furniture and fixtures \$1900.00	4,700.00
Investments in and advances to company or nominee holding title to banking house	None
Other real estate owned, including \$ of farm land	None
Investments in and advances to companies or nominees holding other real estate for bank's benefit	None
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances executed by or for the account of this bank	None
Borrowed securities (contra)	None
Other assets	97.65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$246,589.57</b>

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL	
Deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations:	
(a) Demand deposits	\$67,975.19
(b) Time deposits evidenced by savings pass books	13,527.57
(c) Other time deposits	93,895.51
United States Government and postal savings deposits	None
State, county, and municipal deposits	25,557.47
Deposits of other banks	None
Certified and officers' checks, letters of credit and travelers' checks sold for cash, and amounts due to Federal Reserve bank (transit account)	77.09
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$211,632.83</b>
Mortgages or other obligations \$ on banking house and \$ on other real estate	None
Bills payable, rediscounts, and other liabilities for borrowed money	None
Mortgage bonds and participation certificates outstanding	None
Acceptances executed by or for the account of this bank and	None
Securities borrowed (contra)	None
Dividends declared but not yet payable	None
Other liabilities	1,930.66
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES EXCLUDING CAPITAL ACCOUNT</b> (except deferred obligations shown in item 33 which are subordinated to claims of depositors and other creditors)	<b>\$213,563.49</b>
Capital account:	
(a) Capital stock and capital notes and debentures*	\$30,000.00
(b) Surplus	1,762.45
(c) Undivided profits	1,863.63
(d) Reserves	3,262.08
(e) Total capital account	\$36,888.16
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL</b>	<b>\$246,589.57</b>

\*Includes proceeds of \$12,500.00 of debentures sold to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, \$2,500.00 of debentures sold to local interests which debentures are subordinated to the rights of creditors and depositors, and shares of common stock, par \$100.00 per share.

(a) Included in Loans and Discounts are LOANS TO AFFILIATED COMPANIES

(b) Included in Other Bonds, Notes, Debentures and Corporate Stocks are OBLIGATIONS OF AFFILIATED COMPANIES

(c) Included in Total Deposits are FIRST LIEN TRUST FUNDS

(d) Included in Total Deposits are DEPOSITS SECURED BY LOANS AND/OR INVESTMENTS

LOANS AND INVESTMENTS PLEDGED TO SECURE LIABILITIES

(a) U. S. Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed, pledged to secure liabilities

(b) Other assets (except real estate) pledged to secure liabilities (including notes and bills rediscounted and securities sold under repurchase agreement)

(c) Assets deposited with State authorities to qualify for the exercise of fiduciary or corporate powers, or pledged for other purposes

(d) Securities loaned to banks, dealers in securities, and others

(e) TOTAL \$246,589.57

I, C. R. SMITH, Cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that the SCHEDULES on the back of this report fully and correctly represent the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

O. F. Hildebrand, Theodore Ewell, Directors

W. M. Meyer, Albert Reppert, Directors

State of Indiana, County of Adams

I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

Elizabeth E. Fuhrman, Notary Public

My Commission expires April 7, 1940.

### WRITER GIVES VIEW OF AREA

#### United Press Writer Tells Eye-Witness Story Of Drought Area

(Editor's note: Martin Kane, night manager of the United Press bureau in Chicago, today headed into the most critical drought area in the northwest—the sun blanching, rainless plains of North Dakota. En route, he crossed western Minnesota where serious shortage of precipitation and days of scorching heat have left withered crops and impoverished farmers in their wake. Following is the first of Kane's eye-witness accounts):

By Martin Kane, (Copyright 1936 by U.P.)

Doran, Minn., July 9.—(U.P.)—At the side of a country lane, hub-deep with powdery dust, a small knot of horny-handed farmers assembled today.

"These," I was told, "are among the first of Minnesota's drought harassed farmers to be given work under the emergency drought relief program."

Normally these men, and approximately 55,000 like them in the northwestern drought belt, would be sharpening cutter-bars of their binders; installing new wire netting in header barges, and tightening elevator canvases of their combines in preparation for an abundant harvest.

Doran, located between the fertile valleys of the Dois De Sioux and Otter Tail rivers, normally produces flush fields of wheat, oats, and barley.

"But just look now," said one of the farmers who identified himself as Nels Olson. "What's a fellow to do?"

Olson laid aside an unaccustomed pick and his arm covered the horizon in a sweeping gesture.

Everywhere were parched fields. The grain, which a few weeks ago gave promise of an abundant harvest, rattled dryly on weakened stems. The heads—there were a few of them—were small and only partially filled.

"I'll make back the seed, maybe," Olson said. "And that is more than the poor devils will get in the Dakotas. If you're out to get a first-hand view of the drought, there is where you will find it."

Supervising the work of this crew, and many others like it, was Victor Christgau.

His task is to find work on road and water conservation projects for 7,500 men—800 of them a day until the task is done—in Minnesota's 10 worst affected counties.

In nearby South Dakota the task was greater, even as the destruction wrought by three rainless months, climaxed a week of record shattering heat, also was greater.

With all crops a total loss in two-thirds of the state, and all of its 63 counties hard hit, North Dakota's WPA director, Thomas H. Moodie, has been called upon to find employment for 20,000 farmers, whose livelihood has been destroyed by drought.

South Dakota, only slightly less severely hit, faces the task of finding work to carry 17,000 farm families through the winter. In Montana 6,000 are to be employed; in Wyoming 2,000.

"This isn't the sort of thing we want to do," volunteered Art Johnson, another of the Doran work relief crew. "I hope the people outside the drought region understand that. If there was any way to keep going without taking a relief job, I'd be willing to work at anything. But my wife and kids

have got to eat. And these jobs will take care of that. I'll borrow money for seed and possibly next year we'll get a crop."

As the pick and shovel crew turned up the dry earth, a freight train moved along a nearby railway track, headed east. Its cargo comprised several hundred head of bawling cattle. They were not the sleek fat cattle the region usually sends to market; these were raw boned, hollow eyed critters.

"Those," one laborer explained, "are cattle from North Dakota. They've been coming through like that for more than a week now. Whoever is shipping them is taking a beating, you can bet. They'll bring next to nothing on the market."

"But then," he mused, "it's better than hearing them bawl for feed and water that you can't supply in your feed lot."

"Yeah," another of the crew agreed. "And there's still jobs like this to fall back on. It'll be tough. But we'll pull through."

### COURT HOUSE

#### Real Estate Transfers

Carrie L. Schirmeyer to Rufus A. Stuckey part of inlot 351 in Decatur for \$1.00.

#### Marriage License

Theodore Luehking, telegrapher, Decatur and Cecil Durnal, seamstress, Rogers, Arkansas.

Franklin C. Mazell, farmer, rural route, Berne, and Esther Schrock, rural route, Monroe.

#### Markets at a Glance

Stocks: fractions to more than two points higher; motors, steel and farm equipment strong.

Bonds: higher, under lead of rails and utilities. U. S. government irregularly lower; curb stocks higher.

Chicago stocks: irregularly higher. Call money one per cent. Foreign exchange irregular; cotton futures rally strongly, net gains range to 18 points.

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### GLADYS JOHNSON

#### CHAPTER XXVI

MARY EASTWOOD felt this the next day, when she came into the Caprice and walked directly over to Ardeth, who was checking stock in the back of the store.

Mary's dark eyes were soft with sympathy. She put her arms about Ardeth and kissed her.

"Poor child . . . poor child . . . Ardeth gently drew out of her embrace and turned back to her penciled list.

"These things just got in. Aren't they lovely?" she nodded to the barbaric slave bracelet of silver and matrix which lay on the table before her. At the handbag of Oriental silk with an intricate ivory clasp; at the shell-black hand mirror.

Mary's capable white hands took the girl's face between them and turned it up to her own.

"Do you know?" The lovely face worked for a moment.

"Of course," she replied huskily. Mary's hands dropped and clenched. "Oh, damn!" she got out between her teeth. "Life's so beastly unfair."

The girl drew a long breath. Returned to her checking.

#### A Real Friend

Neither spoke for a moment, then, without looking up, Ardeth said, "This was what you meant about comforting me?"

"Yes," said Mary.

The girl went on, a rush in her words like the echo of a lonely tide wind. "I was afraid of it. Always afraid of something. I think I knew that it could never come. From the very first it didn't seem real."

Mary spoke bitterly. "Cecile had made up her mind to get him. But it took Fate to play into her hands."

Ardeth gulped. "Does she really love him?"

Mary's voice was dry. "She wants him. That's reason enough for Cecile."

Ardeth turned around. Leaned on the table, turning her piteous gaze on Mary.

"But why . . . why . . . without love . . ."

"She wasn't blind, for all she pretended not to see or care how much he was with you. Don't you see, it was an affront to her? She's as good as the devil. Ken had been publicly labeled hers. That thing in The Spy needed her. She wasn't going to have another girl show her up. And there was something else, too. The Parkers are new-rich, as such things go. That worried Cecile. Ken's family belonged to the old aristocracy. Such things count with Cecile."

There was bitter emphasis to Mary's voice. Cecile's shallowness and affectations had always grated on her. Added to that, she was honestly fond of Ardeth.

Tom came in later in the day, his broad face very sober, his brown gaze turned anxiously on the girl.

"I've come to take you to dinner, Ardeth."

She tried to smile and the gallant effort twisted Tom's heart strings. "Not tonight, old dear."

"Yes, tonight," he returned stubbornly. "I dare you to look me in the eye and say you have a date."

The thick lashes swept down. "I'm not good company."

"Good enough for me!" Tom's voice was gruff. "You don't have to talk if you don't want to. You shouldn't be alone, Ardeth."

"Alone?" she echoed. Then, sharply, "Alone!"

Tom took her to a small restaurant where they would not run into acquaintances. As they faced each other across the table Tom felt her heart sink. He found himself thinking of a bird with its wings clipped.

He reached over to cover her hand with his own warm one.

"Ah, little kid, don't let it crush you. I knew. I was afraid . . ."

The golden eyes swept up to meet his kind gaze and at the suffering he saw there Tom blinked. "I was afraid, too," she said, steadily. "But I'll never be afraid again. There's nothing in life which can make me afraid now."

Later Tom was to recall these words and was to learn how true they were.

He found himself speaking vigorously, as though he argued.

#### Time Heals

"This will pass, dear. Oh, I know that you don't feel now as though it will, but believe me, it will pass. There is much happiness in store for you. Happiness you can't imagine now. I know what I'm talking about, Ardeth, really I do."

His voice rallied weakly away; she was so still.

He spoke again, scarcely knowing why the words came.

"Ken's mother died this morning."

A bitter shiver went through her heart. Her lips moved stiffly. "Courteously, 'I'm sorry.'"

But she was not. Tom's words were without meaning. She could not be sorry now. Not even for herself. She was benumbed. All of life had become meaningless and she struggled to keep it so. One should live on the surface of things.

Something she had read long ago came to her mind. "Dig deep in the earth and you come to water. Dig deep into life and you come to tears."

It was easy enough in the daytime to keep up the pretense to herself. She filled every hour with work. She courted responsibility. Going down to the import houses in search of curios. Interviewing drummers. Trimming window-cases, checking cash. Going to the library for books which would give her the history of these lovely exotic things which found their way to Jeanette's store. She was the first down in the morning, the last to leave at night. The store became her world.

But at night—when she had locked the front door and started her lonely way home—then the mood had its way with her. Little things tortured her, keeping the wound always open—the sight of the flower-stand at the corner where Ken had always waited for her. The sound of an auto horn, like the one on Ken's car. The glint of a man's hair in the Winter sunshine or the sound of a voice—these could make her heart leap painfully.

All in a moment she would be torn by the hot fingers of jealousy so that she ran up the steep hills in the dark in a mad and childish attempt to outfly her grief.

### OLD RELIABLE

Looking abnormally serious Tom Corbett came into the shop one day and tried to make her promise to have Christmas dinner with him, at the house of the married sister where he made his home.

Lyn's having a dinner party. Twelve people—you and I will make it fourteen. Please, Ardeth. Carolyn's a peach. She made me promise to make you come. She'd come down here and ask you herself but she never did get on with this outfit."

He gave a slightly contemptuous nod toward the Smokerie where peals of laughter were heard in response to some sallies of Cyril Underhill.

But Ardeth shook her head. Panic looked out of the golden eyes. To laugh and talk with twelve strangers—hiding her heart from their kind, curious eyes on this Christmas which she had once planned to spend with Ken! Oh, no! Not yet! The wound was still too raw . . .

A shadow crept in Tom's kind brown gaze and his mouth set stubbornly. "Remember what I said on the snow party, Ardeth. Things don't always turn out as one figures them. I haven't given up hope, dear."

And suddenly it was Christmas. She was lying in bed, looking at the overcast morning light slanting in the window. Hearing the church bells ringing over the city. Feeling her heart ache with loneliness.

(To Be Continued Tomorrow.)

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### By SEGAR

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