Friday, September 2, 1938

Noted Writer Sees Change

The New York World-Telegram reports a meeting of the Progressive Education Associations national conference at the Hotel Pennsylvania in which Dr. Harry historian Barnes, Elmer

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Scripps-Howard newspaper columnist, is quoted as saying: "Western civilization today faces

a choice between Utopia and catastrophe." Contrasting the dire results of a

possible catastrophe with the benefits of planned economy, Dr. Barnes said:

"If we overhaul our economic system, put our unparelleled mechanical equipment at the service and of mankind and wipe out the men-



ace of war, we can within a decade step into a condition which will make any of the Utopias from Plato to Fournier seem drab, trivial and uninviting. This does not mean that we must wait for future mechanical marvels. The technology and natural resources are already at hand.

"In the United States we could provide a far higher standard of living than has ever been known, and we could make it available to the masses with less than 30 hours of work each week. This is one side of the picture. If we do not rise to our responsibilities and make the most of our unprecedented mechanical equipment, then the whole economic machine is bound to break down within a few years. If we continue on the road of evasion and decline, the best we can hope for is insecurity, lower standards of living, greater unemployment, unrelieved want, misery and sheer starvation. To this, destruction of physical equipment and civilized amenities is likely to be added."

Two days previously Dr. Barnes wrote in his column in the New York World-Telegram:

"But far and away the major reason for the unprecedented men-

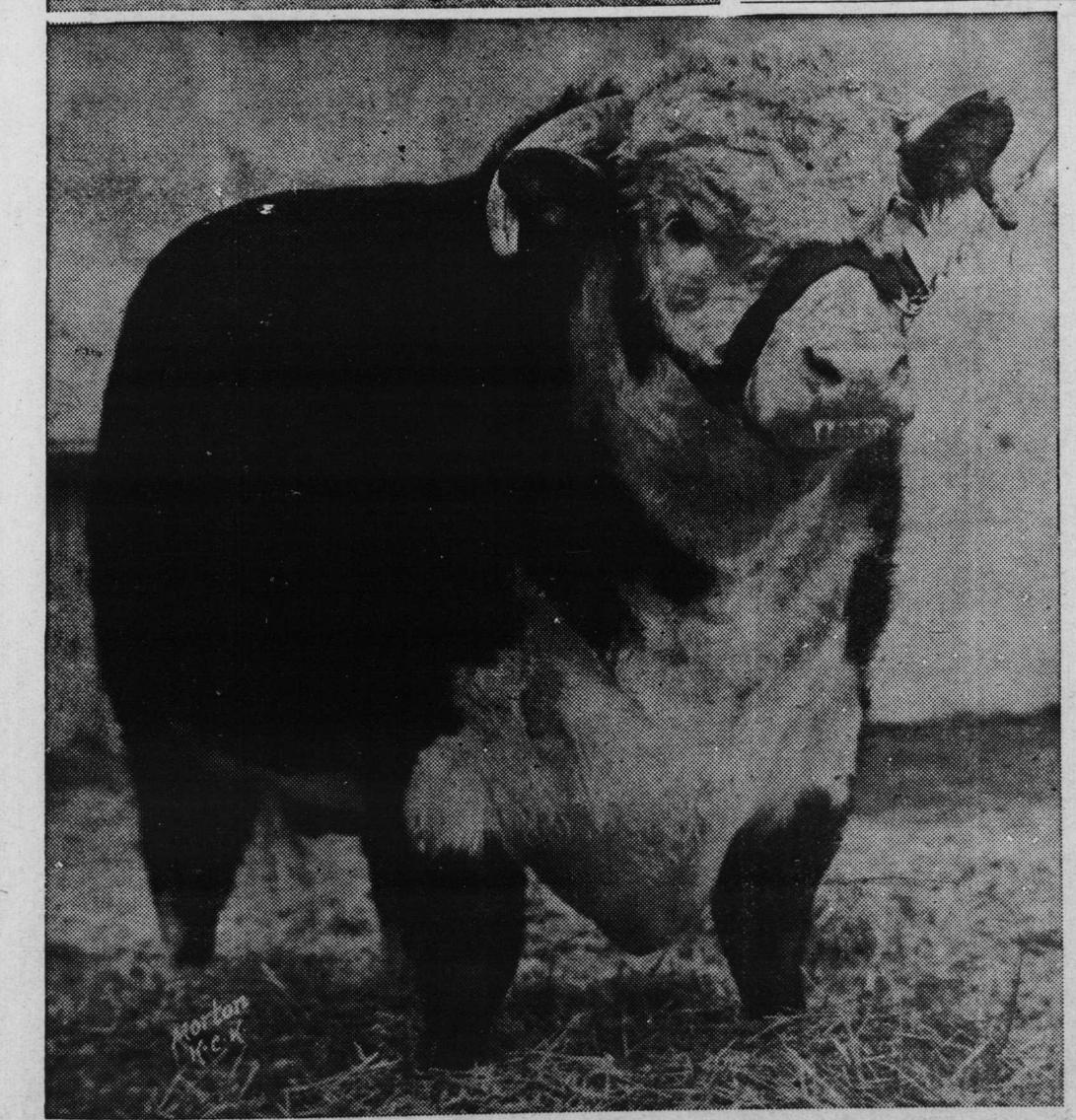
ace of unemployment is what we call technological unemployment, or the displacement of men by machines. Nothing like the present situation in this respect has ever before existed. In the first place, labor-saving machines of today are becoming more and more impressive and momentous. Their introduction means the displacement of more men by each new machine. In the second place, we no longer have an expanding and dynamic economy which can satisfactorily absorb displaced workmen in new or expanding industries. As if to make matters worse than they might be otherwise, this labor-saving machinery is usually introduced in times of depression or recession, thus increasing the already serious volume of unemployment . . . With its right hand American industry is demanding that the government keep out of industrial activities, but with its left hand it is constantly throwing thousands of displaced workers into the lap of the government, where they must be employed on government enterprises."

The striking similarity of the above to statements issued repeatedly by Technocracy, Inc., would seem to indicate that Dr. Barnes was a close reader of Technocracy literature, or is he?



FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

316 South Fourth Street, across from grammar school, is a branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts. Meets every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. and Wednesday at 8:00. Sunday School at 9:30.



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New Blood for Nevada's Beef Herds

The fine looking Hereford above is the sire to some of the cows purchased by the Humboldt Four-Aitchers in their effort to build up the beef herds of that county. The youngsters believe that a good sire is more than half the herd.

And here are four of the boys, Albert Pasquale, Mario Recanzone, Mauro Forgnone and Lyman Schwarts, inspecting the sire of the calves which they purchased.

Christian Science reading room 112 North Third street, open Monday, Wednesday and Saturday afternoons except holidays, from 1:15 p.m.until 4:15 p.m. Evenings, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 7 until 9-o'clock.

"Man" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday, September 4, 1938.

The Golden Text is from, Psalms 84:4, 12: "Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house; they will be still praising Thee . . . O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in Thee."

The lesson-sermon includes the Bible passage, "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart" (Hebr. 4:12).

Also the correlative from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Helth with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The Christian Scientist, understanding scientifically that all is Mind, commences with mental causation, the truth of being, to destroy the error" (P. 423).

PERSONAL NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Gray V. Gubler motored to Reno last Saturday.

Leland Ward, who was called to Vegas by the illness of his mother, Mrs. M. E. Ward, has returned to Detroit, Mich., where he is employed.