

## This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

**BEAUTY—AND SERVICE.  
WHAT WILL AMERICA BE?  
INFANTILE PARALYSIS.  
THE SOIL OF FLORIDA.**

The United States Labor Bureau says American women spend \$5,000,000 a day, \$1,825,000,000 a year, on beauty shops and aids to beauty. Women spending the five million a day would be more beautiful if they kept the money. But spending it makes them happy, and happiness is worth its price.

Conrad Zeller, sixty-five years old, father of twenty children, retires from post office work on a pension of \$60 a month. His average pay from Uncle Sam during twenty-eight years was \$85 a month.

Not very generous from a country rich enough to let its women spend eighteen hundred millions a year on wrinkle eradication, face lifting, artificial curls and complexion.

Another step in travel by air. German and British dirigibles, each of 3,000,000 cubic feet capacity, will race around the world next year.

They expect to make the trip in twelve days, with two stops for fuel. That makes the world smaller than it was, and would interest Jules Verne. The Germans, with new light Diesel engines in their dirigibles, will surprise the world.

What is America, as regards its people, what is it destined to be?

Indians were here first, Columbus came, then the Pilgrim fathers determined to worship God as they pleased and to make everybody else worship him as they pleased. They would not recognize today's population. The City of Chicago contains 450,000 Germans, 400,000 Poles, 300,000 Jews, 300,000 Irish, 200,000 Italians, 200,000 Bohemians and Czechs-Slovaks, 125,000 Swedes, 50,000 Norwegians, and 50,000 Greeks. Not exactly what you would call "pure Nordic."

What type of civilization will come out of that mixture?

Infantile paralysis, should interest people in the national, state and municipal more than it seems to do. There are 4,000 cases in the United States now. Nobody knows how the disease starts and spreads. The disease breaks out, nobody knows how or why, in dark city streets and in distant rural beautiful valleys, more than a thousand miles from either ocean, and five thousand feet above them.

Such a mysterious disease among swine or cattle would be investigated and fought by the Government energetically.

The Rockefeller Institute is doing admirable work, but a nation of 115,000,000 should not leave such a fight to the generosity of one man.

Forty Florida newspapers combined to publish, every two weeks, a special supplement, called "The Farm and Grove Section." It will supply people in and out of the State with full information about Florida's agricultural resources and the way to develop them.

Mr. Frank K. Hammett, of Jacksonville, will have charge of this useful work.

Wealth and fertility unlimited are in Florida's soil.

The tourist will always be one of the great Florida crops, but Florida in a few years will look back with wonder to the day when the tourist was the "principal" crop of the State, and its chief financial resource.

Industries will be established and factories built throughout Florida as they are building now in California. No one can estimate the future of that great State, only TEMPORARILY set back by real estate booms and foolishness.

Albert Edward Davies, twenty-eight, was told by doctors that his three-year-old daughter must die of acute pneumonia; it was only a matter of days. The child was in dreadful agony. The father drowned her in the bathtub to end her suffering. "I could not bear to see her suffer any longer," he said when he gave himself up.

The judge said he was bound to tell the jury: "Had this poor child been an animal instead of a human being the man would have been actually liable to punishment if he had not put it out of its misery. That is the law." The jury acquitted the man.

Birth control ladies will be interested in his case. His wife was tubercular, had four children, and four years died in the fourth childbirth. The law would have punished anybody for showing her how to avoid that.

## GRID CONTEST IS FEATURE OF WINTER RODEO

Game Is Matched With Sonora Team For Monday Morn

19 ON SQUAD HERE

Joe Davidson Is Manager; Return Game Slated Jan. 2

A football game between teams of veterans of Ozona and Sonora will be a feature of the morning program at the fair grounds here Monday during the second Mid-Winter Rodeo and Race Meet of the Crockett County Fair Association.

Definite announcement of the scheduled game was made late Wednesday following receipt of word from the Sonora team accepting the terms of the match and agreeing to come here for the day on the condition that a return match be played in Sonora, Monday, January 2, was the date agreed on for the return game at Sonora and the local squad will journey there on that day for a second engagement.

Rodeo officials had not been conferred with relative to the time for the game Monday morning, but it was expected that the contest would be the lead-off number on the day's program, probably beginning about nine o'clock. There will be no extra charge for the grid contest, persons holding tickets for the morning rodeo and race program being admitted to the game. Joe T. Davidson is manager of the Ozona team.

A squad of twenty-one men has been assembled as prospective material for the Ozona team. Those listed on the squad are as follows: Joe Davidson, Chas. E. Davidson, Jr., Morris Dudley, Boyd Clayton, Hillery and Arthur Phillips, Eric Anderson, Otho and Homer Adams, John Riley Weaver, Jake Young, Leonard Hensley, Marshall Montgomery, Bill Grimmer, Hilton North, Bill Odum, Frank Russell, Sherman Taylor, Edward Deland, Worth Odum and Allen Robison.

## Local Seal Sales Set New Mark

Fifth Grade Had First Place With Total Of \$22 Sales

As nearly as could be determined in the rush of closing the school out for the holidays, the Christmas Seal Sales totals \$118.45—about \$13 in excess of the championship record of last year.

The Fifth Grade, Miss Wheat teacher, stands first with a total of \$22. The Seventh Grade, Miss Doty teacher, is close second with a sale of \$20. The Fourth Grade, Miss Burton teacher, stands third with a total of \$14. The Sixth Grade, Mrs. Floyd teacher, and the Third Grade, Mrs. Bishop, teacher, follow closely after with sales of \$13.50 and \$12.54, respectively. The Sophomores, Miss Kaderli sponsor, leads the Senior High School with \$7.10. The Juniors follow close with \$6.61. The Fourth Grade leads the primary department, with the Third Grade a close second. The Junior High School is credited with \$55.50—almost one-half the total sales.

Following, as nearly as can be determined at the present time is the showing by grades and per capita:

5th Grade, \$22; rank, 1st; \$1; per capita rank, 1st. 7th Grade, \$20; rank, 2nd; \$6.7; per capita rank, 2nd. 4th Grade, \$14; rank, 3rd; \$8 per capita rank, 3rd. 6th Grade, \$13.50; rank, 4th; \$7; per capita rank, 4th. 3rd Grade, \$12.54; rank, 5th; \$4; per capita rank, 5th. 2nd Grade, \$7.28; rank, 6th; \$3; per capita rank, 8th. 9th Grade, \$7.10; rank, 7th; \$3; per capita rank, 7th. 10th Grade, \$6.61; rank, 8th; \$4.4;

## And Worshipped Him



"And when they had come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, His mother, and they fell, and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.—Matthew 2:11.

## Needed Moisture Brought By Snow

White Blanket Spread Over West Texas Tues. & Wed.

Snow which blanketed West Texas Tuesday and Wednesday brought broad smiles to the faces of ranchmen whose ranges had begun to need moisture, and although the fall was but a few inches, it put moisture in the ground deeper than a heavy rain would have done and will be of great benefit to winter range.

The first appearance of snow here this season was on Monday when a few flakes fell, but not enough to whiten the ground. Monday night, however, the fall began in earnest and the ground here was covered with a blanket of white Tuesday morning.

The snow continued to fall until around noon when the temperature rose somewhat and the snow turned into a slow drizzle of rain which quickly melted the snow on the ground. Tuesday night, however, brought another blanket of snow, heavier than the Monday night fall.

## GIFTS FOR ORPHANS

Between 35 and 40 gifts of toys and playthings of all kinds and \$15 in cash represented the contribution of Ozona children to Buckner's Orphan's Home a Baptist institution at Dallas. The contribution of toys and money was made at a special orphans home gift program held at the Baptist church Tuesday night. Each child brought gifts for a child of his own age in the home. The cradle roll, Beginners and Primary Departments of the Baptist Sunday School took part in the program.

A Christmas tree for all members of the Baptist Sunday School will be held at the church Saturday night, it was announced by Rev. M. M. Fulmer, pastor. There will be a Christmas tree and Santa Claus will be there to distribute the gifts. A special program of music, a playlet directed by Mrs. A. W. Jones and other entertainment features will be offered in connection with the evening's program.

per capita rank, 6th. 1st Grade, \$3.74; rank, 9th; \$3; per capita rank, 10th. 8th Grade, \$3.10; rank, 10th; \$1.6; per capita rank, 9th. Seniors, \$4.25; per capita, \$28; Mexican School, \$3.51; rank, 9; \$5.

## 100 Percent College Clas of '27 Coming Home For Holidays

The home-coming of Ozona School graduates from college for the holidays is heartening to all. Especially interesting is the home-coming of the Class of 1927—one hundred per cent strong for college this fall. Never before has any class made such a record for college attendance. A majority of these graduates of '27 have been attending Simmons, while the remainder are distributed over a wide area of college representation. Next week will be published a list of these graduates and the institutions attended.

## School Holidays Began Wednesday

Work To Be Resumed Monday, January Second

School dismissed Wednesday of this week to reopen Monday, January 2nd of the new year. In the elementary school a new term's work in all subjects will open after the holidays. In the high school half-unit subjects will continue until January 13, while full-unit subjects will open a new term's work. This arrangement economizes time by making unnecessary a week or two's review after the holidays. It also enables withdrawing pupils to go to new schools with complete transcripts of work.

Room and departmental programs were the order of the day everywhere below the Senior High School Wednesday Christmas trees, grab-boxes, etc., filled rooms and halls with Christmas cheer. Miss Harrisand the first grade joined forces with Mrs. Bishop's Third Grade in a snappy little program, with a tree the center of attraction. Miss Evan's Second and Miss Burton's Third Grade also had appropriate programs and gifts. The Junior High had a program and gift-distribution in the late morning and its regular Bluebonnet Club program in the afternoon. A generous number of interested patrons were present at these programs.

All teachers, except Mr. Brisson have left for their homes to spend the holidays. Many pupils are visiting elsewhere during the Christmas season, also. A few pupils are withdrawing for other schools. A list of these and of the honor pupils for the first term's work will be published in a later issue.

## Class Of 1926 In Reunion Saturday

Twelve Members And Sponsor Expected At Banquet

The first reunion of the 1926 graduating class of the Ozona High School will be celebrated at a banquet to be given at the Hotel Ozona a banquet room Christmas Eve, Saturday night, at 7:30. Hugh Childress, Jr., president of the Class of '26, is in charge of arrangements for the affair, and every member of the class is expected to be present with a guest.

Most of the members of the class are at present living in Ozona, though some of them are away at school. But it is believed that all the "gang" will be there with bells on when the cats are spread, according to Hugh Childress, Jr. Acceptances to invitations recently mailed out have been pouring in and a 100 per cent attendance is anticipated it was declared.

The Christmas Eve banquet will be the first reunion of the entire class since its graduation, but the matter of making it an annual affair will be taken up at the banquet.

The committee in charge of arrangements for the feed have announced that everything is in readiness for a "swell feed" and that S. S. Moore of the hotel management has assured them that the hotel is insured for its full value and that the possibility of wrecking it won't stand in the way of a royal good time. Mrs. Sam Roberts, who will be in charge of "dosing up the beans" has assured class officers that the tummies of the hungry ones will find solace in the feast that will be spread for the evening.

Besides the cats, the former class prexy declared there will be plenty of entertainment, including music, a Christmas tree, special numbers, and, of course, a few after-dinner speeches, but not enough of the latter to really spoil the evening, though arrangements have been made to allow any member the opportunity to unburden himself of any surplus talk he may have in his system when the cats have been disposed of. But on the whole the affair will be a general "roof raising good time for the whole crowd," Hugh put it.

There are twelve members of the class and practically all of them will attend, and bring a guest. H. R. McNeil, who is the local agent for Carizo Springs, and who was

## STAGE IS SET FOR RODEO & RACES MONDAY

Program to Open At 10 a. m. With a 3/8 Mi. Horse Race

TO BE FIVE RACES

3,000 Visitors Expected For One-Day Mid Winter Event

With more than 3,000 visitors expected to be here for the day, provided the weather is not too bad to prevent travel, the stage is set for the second Mid-Winter Rodeo and Race Meet of the Crockett County Fair Association to be staged at the local fair grounds Monday, Dec. 26.

One of the best one-day programs ever offered at a West Texas entertainment has been arranged for the day and visitors here for the affair will be assured a full yard of events.

The program as arranged by officials of the fair association is scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock Monday morning with a 3/8 mile free-for-all horse race as the opening event. In the event that present negotiations are successful the day's program may begin earlier than 10 o'clock with a football game as the lead-off number.

Efforts are now being made to match a game between Ozona all-stars and a team from San Angelo. Previously an effort had been made to match a game with Junction but an agreement could not be reached and the San Angelo team was approached on the project. Those who were in charge of arrangements for this feature had not heard from managers of the San Angelo team however, and definite announcement of the football game could not be made. If possible, such a game will be matched with some team, it was declared.

Five horse races are featured on the program for the mid-winter affair this year. In addition to this racing feast, fair officials have arranged a well-balanced program of bronc riding, steer riding, break-away and other rodeo events. Entries received to date indicate that there will be some stiff competition for the \$1200 in purses and prizes being offered in the rodeo and races.

There will be dancing at the Hotel Ozona three nights during next week, on Monday night, Tuesday night and Friday night. Following is the day's program at the fair grounds as outlined by fair officials:

- 10:00 o'clock—Horse Race, 3/8 mile. Free for all, \$100, \$50.
- 10:30 o'clock—Bronc Riding — \$50.
- 11:00 o'clock—Steer Breakaway — \$50.
- 11:30 o'clock—Horse Race, 1/2 mile. Free for all, \$100, \$50.
- 1:00 o'clock—Horse Race, 1/2 mile, 3 years and under, \$100, \$50.
- 1:30 o'clock—Steer Riding, \$25.
- 2:00 o'clock—Horse Race, 3/8 mile. Free for all, \$100, \$50.
- 2:30 o'clock—Steer Breakaway, \$50.
- 4:00 o'clock—Horse Race, 1/4 mile. Free for all, \$100, \$50.
- 4:30 o'clock—Colored boy riding contest, \$50.

Misses Beulah Baggett and Mildred North, students at Simmons University at Abilene, have arrived to spend the holidays at home. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baggett went to San Angelo to meet the two girls.

Sponsor of the O. H. S. Class of '26 will be a specially invited guest of the evening. Members of the class are as follows: Misses Elizabeth Davidson and Tessie Kyle, Mrs. Max Joseph Moore, Mrs. Anna Ester Huffstader, and Cole Lonzak, aka Young, Hilton North, W. C. Childress, Edward Deland, E. R. McNeil, who is the local agent for Carizo Springs, and who was

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Another Christmas, another joyous Yuletide when the burdens of the flesh are forgotten and joy reigns supreme. Santa Claus, a gay colored Christmas tree its branches loaded with presents, the soft swish of snow outside, a warm glowing fire, Christmas goodies galore, a happy family gathered about the fireside as Santa unloads the tree of its burden of presents—no wonder the spirit of Christmas lives on.

In childhood, Christmas is a magic word that brings with it pictures of beautiful toys, bountiful eats, gay colored decorations and general good cheer. With maturity the thrill of Christmas is by no means lost, in fact the average grown-up gets about as much joy out of Christmas as the youth. But the tingling thrill of lopping into bed on Christmas eve night confident that one will awaken the next morning to find his stocking, that's been hung so carefully on a strong nail over the old family fireplace, bulging with goodies and presents, is one peculiar to youth, and one that every man looks back to with pleasure to the end of his days.

But the spirit of Christmas, aside from the sacredness of its origin, will never die so long as there is youth to thrill at the prospect of Santa Claus and grown-ups to thrill at the prospect of playing Santa Claus, and making others happy through carrying out the real spirit of the Savior of man.

A little night driving on the highways will convince anyone of the fact that the Texas headlight law is a huge joke. If anything, the glaring headlight nuisance is worse now than it was before the passage of the headlight law. Once a year, the motorist is required to have his headlights adjusted and to get a certificate for registration of his car.

After receiving the certificate there is nothing to prevent his raising the headlights to whatever angle he desires. True, the law says a motorist is liable to fine if his headlights do not conform to standard requirements, but it also says he is to have a certain number of hours after being warned in which to have his lights tested. That provision, which takes out every tooth the law might have had, has resulted in indifference on the part of officers to violations of the headlight law. If a motorist can not be fined for violating the law why arrest him, they ask. And their reasoning is sound.

Consequently the toll of accidents from glaring headlights is as heavy as ever. Night driving is just as dangerous as ever for about every other car one meets flashes a pair of glaring headlights into one's eyes that makes him helpless until the nuisance has passed. Flash your lights or blink them all you want to after the manner of the unwritten law of motoring that identifies this signal as one calling for dim lights, the fellow with the glaring headlights thunders down on you relentlessly crowding you to the limit for road space and all the time keeping you stone blind with his needlessly bright lights.

About the most graciously courteous and the most welcome relief in this present day lot of road rage and motoring lunatics is the fellow who recognizes your signal and dims his lights if they glare, who gives you your full share of the road in passing, who blows his horn when attempting to pass you from the rear, who signals his contemplated turns, stops, etc. with care, and after the correct code, and who is alert for the sound of horns to his rear and who has no time in getting to his side of the road when one attempts to pass him from the rear, rather than stepping on the gas at the sound of the horn at his rear and pulling over to the middle of the road to make sure that his bus does not run the risk of humiliation from being passed on the highway.

And speaking of bright lights and road hogs, we nominate the trucks as leaders of the lot. And getting down to specific cases, trucks plying between Barnhart and Ozona seem to top the list. Of course, it is doubtless true that truck drivers in other parts of the world are as bad, but our experience with these is more recent, and fellows seem to have the attitude as the pampered

granny who takes it for granted that everybody is out to take all responsibility from her shoulders and to see that she has no worries about anything. In the pioneering days of trucking, the truck was an awkward contraption and when loaded took a real man to handle it even in the most favorable circumstances.

But the modern truck is about as speedy as the passenger car and almost as easily handled. Why then the truck driver should still cling to the idea that every passenger car must pull over into the ditch to let him pass down the center of the road is more than we can see. Like the little fistic dog who pulls out to give the big, ferocious-looking bull-dog a liberal portion of the road when he meets him, the passenger car must

through necessity give the truck plenty of room, but when this happens the truck-driving road hogs by no means ingratiate himself with the motorist. In fact, the latter has an ambition to acquire a ten-ton monster truck, equipped with special-built bumpers after the fashion of a snow plow and to meet that fellow again. And it would be a good thing if he could meet him, so equipped.



# To Our Customers, Friends And Acquaintances -

We extend a Merry Christmas Greeting. May no clouds of sorrow or ill feeling arise to mar that spirit of brotherly love and good will, so essentially necessary for our community to possess. May each of you be imbued with that reverence which puts a light in the eyes—so that you have that "just swallowed a Christmas bell look". Once more we wish you a Merry, Merry Christmas.

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Prof. Shirley J. Case, of Chicago University, whose book, "Life of Jesus Christ," was on all the press this month, says the Disciples were politically ambitious and hoped for royal jobs when Christ became King of Palestine. It is predicted the book will create much discussion.

Mrs. Glen Taylor of Houston is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Augustine. Mr. Taylor is planning to join her later.

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Miss Beth Davidson returned home Sunday from Ward-Belmont for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Short are visiting Mrs. Short's sister, Mrs. Floyd Henderson. Mrs. Short was Miss Floy Clair Stewart.

Misses Hallie and Mamie Kirkpatrick are home for the holidays. They have been attending San Marcos Academy.

Chas. Powell, Jr. is here spending the holidays with his father.

Mrs. W. A. Adams and son, Clay, were in San Angelo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Chidress and daughter, Ethel Chidress, went to San Angelo Wednesday to attend the Smith-Harris wedding.

Miss Alva Smith has returned from Abilene for the holidays. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Smith, met her in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hawkins and Miss Willie Sue Montgomery were in San Angelo Tuesday.

T. A. Kincaid, Jr., has returned from A. & M. College to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Kincaid.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. North returned from San Angelo Wednesday where Mr. North had gone for medical treatment.

Miss Josephine Nolen of San Angelo was in Ozona visiting Miss Rachael Schraeder Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Odom are spending Christmas with Mrs. Odom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey.

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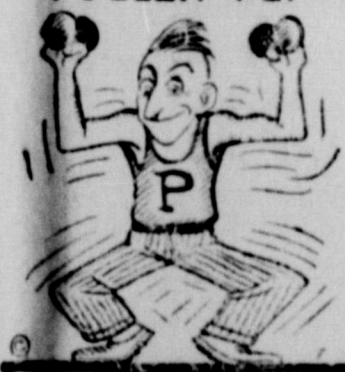
Rev. M. M. Fulmer, pastor of the Baptist church, was called to Pecos City Monday night to the bedside of his uncle, Dr. Otis Bryan, who was seriously ill. Reports from Dr. Bryan's bedside Wednesday, however, indicated that he was much improved.

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You are hereby commanded to cause to be published, once a week for ten days, exclusive of the first day of publication, before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation published in said county for a period of not less than one year, the following notice:

To all Persons interested in the Welfare of Hallie Kirkpatrick, Mamie Kirkpatrick and John Kirkpatrick, minors:

You are hereby notified that Myrtle Mitchell joined by her husband John Mitchell has filed in the County court of Crockett County

Texas, an application for letters of guardianship De-Bonus Non issue to A. C. Hoover upon the estate of said minors, Hallie Kirkpatrick and on the 17th day of December A. D. 1927, by order of the County Judge of said Crockett County, the said A. C. Hoover was appointed temporary guardian De-Bonus Non of the estate of said minors, and at the next regular term of said court, commencing on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1928, the same being the 5th day of February, A. D. 1928, at the courthouse thereof, in Ozona, Texas, at which time, all persons interested in the welfare of said minors, may, and are hereby cited to appear and contest such appointment, if they so desire, and if such appointment is not contested at the

term of said court, then the same shall become permanent.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

(SEAL) E. B. Baggett, Jr., Clerk, County Court, Crockett County, Texas.

**No. 55. THE STATE OF TEXAS To The Sheriff or Any Constable of Crockett County—Greeting:**

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published, once a week, for ten days, exclusive of the first day of publication, before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation published in said county for a period of not

less than one year, the following notice:

To all Persons Interested in the Welfare of Lois D. Adams, a Minor:

You are hereby notified that Othro Adams has filed in the county court of Crockett County, Texas, an application for letters of guardianship upon the estate of said minor, Lois D. Adams, and on the 17th day of December, A. D. 1927, by order of the County Judge of said Crockett County, the said Othro Adams was appointed temporary guardian of the estate of said minor, and at the next regular term of said court, commencing on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1928, the same being the 5th day of February, A. D. 1928, at the courthouse thereof, in Ozona, Texas, at which time, all persons interested in the welfare of said minor, may, and are hereby cited to appear and contest such appointment, if they so desire, and if such appointment is not contested at the said term of said court, then the same shall become permanent.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Ozona, Texas, this the 17th day of December, A. D. 1927.

(Seal) E. B. Baggett, Jr., Clerk, County Court, Crockett County, Texas.

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**Announce North-Perry Engagement at Party**

The engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Gertrude North and A. A. Perry was announced for December 31 at five tables of bridge given by Mrs. W. W. West at the home of Mrs. J. J. North Wednesday afternoon.

The score cards and plate favors carried small bridal pictures. The plate favors also bore the date of the coming nuptials.

At the close of the games a delicious salad course was served to the following: Mesdames J. W. North, Albert Bailey, Harry J. Friend, Jr., Massie West, Arthur Phillips, Hillery Phillips, Tommy Hunter, Jake Short of Bandera, Albert Boggess of San Antonio, Evert White, Ralph Meinecke, Marbury Morrison, Glen Taylor of Houston and Misses Hester Bunger, Mary Belle Flowers, Emma Lou Phillips, Willie Sun Montgomery, Gertrude North, and Beulah Baggett.

**Card of Thanks**

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends and acquaintances for the kindness and sympathy at the illness and death of our beloved sister, wife and mother, Mrs. M. J. Flanagan.

Your kind words of sympathy and thoughtfulness will ever be a source of great comfort to us.

We also wish to thank those who were so thoughtful to make the beautiful floral offering.

- Mr. J. H. Flanagan,
- Mr. Walter B. Wier,
- Mr. John W. Wier,
- Mr. Carroll S. Wier,
- Mr. Chas. E. Wier,
- Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Smith.

**BRIDGE CLUB**

Mrs. Rice Lynn and Mrs. Marbury Morrison entertained their bridge club at the home of Mrs. V. I. Pierce Thursday afternoon. The Christmas motif was carried out in all directions. JUNE 1927 in all the decorations. There were small Christmas trees on the tables and the nut baskets were of Christmas design.

Mrs. Arthur Phillips won the prize for high score and Mrs. Ralph Meinecke was awarded the cut prize. At the close of the party a delightful salad course was

served.

**Mrs M. J. Flanagan Is Laid To Rest**

**Wife of Blacksmith Succumbed at 5:17 Friday Morning**

Mrs. Mattie J. Flanagan, wife of J. H. Flanagan, blacksmith at the O. W. Smith blacksmith and machine shop, died at 5:17 o'clock Friday morning at the family residence here and was buried at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon at Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Flanagan had been ill for some time and on account of her advanced age, hope for her recovery had been abandoned for several days.

Funeral services were conducted at the cemetery by the Rev. M. M. Fulmer, pastor of the Ozona Baptist Church.

Mrs. Flanagan was 70 years old. She is survived by her husband, J. H. Flanagan, five sons, Walter E. Wier of Enid, Okla., John W. and Carroll S. Wier of San Antonio, Jas. M. Wier of Healdton, Okla., Chas. B. Wier of Midland; three sisters, Mrs. L. C. Hash of Strawn, Mrs. T. P. Allman of Baird, and Mrs. E. E. Smith of San Angelo, and one brother, J. W. McKee of Killeen.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We take this opportunity to thank each and every one who so generously assisted us in our recent loss in the fire which occurred last week at the tourist camp. It is impossible for us to see each and everyone personally as we would like to do. We will ever remember your generosity in this adversity, and hope that we may have an opportunity in some other manner to show our appreciation.

Wishing each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year we thank you again.

Albert Curry and family

Mrs. Sherman Taylor and Miss Rachel Schraeder entertained the night meeting of the Sunflower Club. The score cards were attached Club Friday night at the home of W. E. Smith. Score cards were attached to small Christmas stockings hung on a tree at the door. The tables were decorated with pink carnations.

A supper of turkey, potatoes and peas, stuffed celery, biscuits, individual mince pies and coffee was served.

At the close of five games of bridge Mrs. Nelson Hawkins was given high score for the women, Rusty Smith for men, Mrs. Othro Adams low score for the women, Clay Adams for men and Mrs. Evert White was given the cut prize.

Miss Mary Kincaid came home from Hockaday at Dallas to spend the holidays.

Miss Ethel Childress is home from Randolph-Macon for the holidays.

Judge Chas. E. Davidson and Miss Dixie Davidson went to San Angelo the first of the week where Judge Davidson received medical attention.

J. K. P. Schraeder is visiting his daughters, Mrs. J. W. Henderson, Jr., and Miss Rachel Schraeder, Mr. and Mrs. Henderson and Child ren met him in San Angelo Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Odum are the parents of a girl born Sunday morning. Both mother and daughter are doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Boggess of San Antonio are spending the holidays here as the guests of Mrs. Boggess' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Montgomery.



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A million Christmas candles. . . . MILLIONS of Christmas candles. . . .

And in great power plants all over this broad land. . . and other lands. . . quiet, steady-eyed men will carefully watch and tend the whirling wheels of great machines keeping a Christmas vigil all their own that those sparkling Christmas lights may not flicker and die.

For the Christmas taper, like the tallow dip, has gone the way of Grandmother's spinning wheel, and Electricity, the Faithful, the Efficient, the Safe and the Sure, has entered in, to add new lustre to the Christmas fireside.

Christmas tapers were delicate, dainty and beautiful things, and sentiment clings to them with a fair, sweet fragrance of half-forgotten childhood days. But practical minds. . . if minds are ever practical at the Christmas season. . . turn back to more painful pictures that have left their lurid scars upon Time's canvas through years gone by. . . pictures of blasted, blackened homes ravaged by the Demon Fire, whose heart remains untouched by Christmas mercy. . . pictures of broken, cindered baby-bodies. . . infinitely precious baby-lives caught up and snuffed out in the red terror of a Christmas-tree holocaust. . . .

What a Christmas benediction, those softly glowing little electric bulbs that cheerily wink on a million Christmas trees tonight. . . .

What a Christmas gift from the minds and hands and hearts of patient toilers in laboratory and power plant to the younger generation and to generations yet unborn.

It is something for the quiet men who keep their Christmas watch in the power plants tonight to think about. . . .

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# BLACKSHEEP!

By Meredith Nicholson

Illustrations by Henry Jay Lee



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### INTRODUCTION

Archibald Bennett, wealthy bachelor, travels constantly in the interest of his health. He meets Isabel Perry, who recommends a life of crime, adventure, romance and excitement as a cure for his nerves. Archie goes to Bailey Harbor to investigate a house for his sister, while there he has a pistol duel with an intruder and the intruder is wounded. To evade publicity he flees across country on foot. He is stopped at dawn by "The Governor," master-mind criminal, with whom he joins forces. At Cornford, N. H., Archie meets Isabel but is snubbed. The Governor changes stolen money for good money. Archie is used as decoy in his schemes. Archie and Governor drive safely a-

way and speed across state to deliver the \$60,000 to train robber Leary at Walker's farm, where Archie gets new insight into workings of crime world.

At the end of the meal Walker left for town to put Leary on a train for Boston. The veteran train robber shook hands all round and waved a last farewell from the gate. Archie was sorry to lose him for Leary was an appealing old fellow and he had hoped for a chance to coax from him some reminiscences of his experiences.

Leary vanished into the starlit dusk as placidly as though he had not tucked away in his clothing sixty thousand dollars to which he had no lawful right or title. There was something ridiculous in the

whole proceeding. While Archie had an income of fifty thousand dollars a year from investments, he had always experienced a pleasurable thrill at receiving the statement of his dividends from his personal clerk in the broker's office where he drew an additional ten thousand as a silent partner. Leary's method of dipping into the world's capital seemed quite as honorable as his own. Neither really did any work for the money. The Governor, smoking a pipe on the veranda and chatting with Mrs Walker, recalled him from his meditations to suggest that he show a decent spirit of appreciation of the Walker's hospitality by repairing to the kitchen and helping Sally with the dishes. In his youth Archie had been carefully instructed

in the proper manner of entering a parlor, but it was with the greatest embarrassment that he sought Sally in her kitchen.

"I was just wondering whether you wouldn't show up! Not that you had to, but it's a good deal more fun having somebody to keep you company in the kitchen."

"Give me a towel and I'll promise not to break anything."

"You don't look as though you'd been used to work much," she said, "but take off your coat and I'll hang an apron on you."

His investiture in Mrs. Walker's ample apron made it necessary for Sally to stand quite close to him, and her manner in compressing her lips as she pinned the bid to the collar of his waistcoat he found wholly charming. His heart went pit-a-pat as her fingers, wet from the suds, brushed his chin. She was quite tall, taller than Isabel, who had fixed his standard of a proper height for girls. Sally did not giggle, but acted as normal, sensible girls should act when pinning aprons on young men.

"Cut it out!" she returned crisply "Of course you're all right. I knew you were a real gent, the first squint I got of you. You can't fool me much on human nature."

"You've always lived up here?" asked Archie, meek under her frank approval.

"Certainly not. I was born in Missouri, a grand old state if I do say it myself, and we came here when I was twelve. I went through high school and took dairying and the domestic arts in college and I'm twenty-three if you care to know."

When the kitchen was in perfect order they reported the fact to Mrs Walker and Sally suggested that

they stroll to a trout brook which was her own particular property. He had decided to avoid any reference to the secrets of the underground trail, but his delicacy received a violent shock a moment later, when they were seated on a bench beside the brook.

"Do you know," she said, "you are not like the others?"

"I don't understand," he faltered. "Oh, cut it out! You needn't try to fool me! When I told you a-while ago I thought you were nice. I meant more than that; I meant that you didn't at all seem like the crooks that sneak through here to

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### FURS

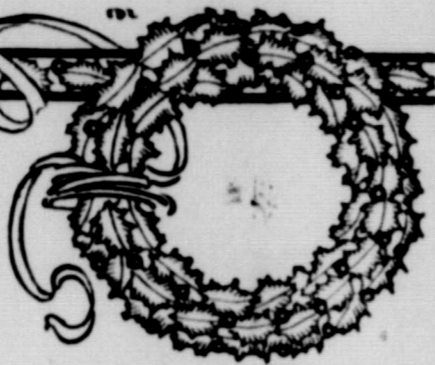
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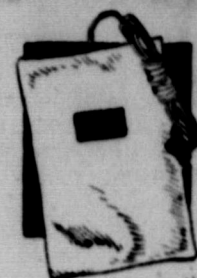
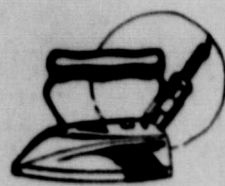
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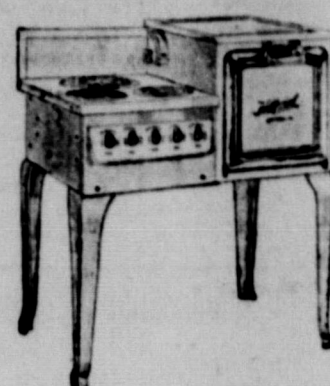


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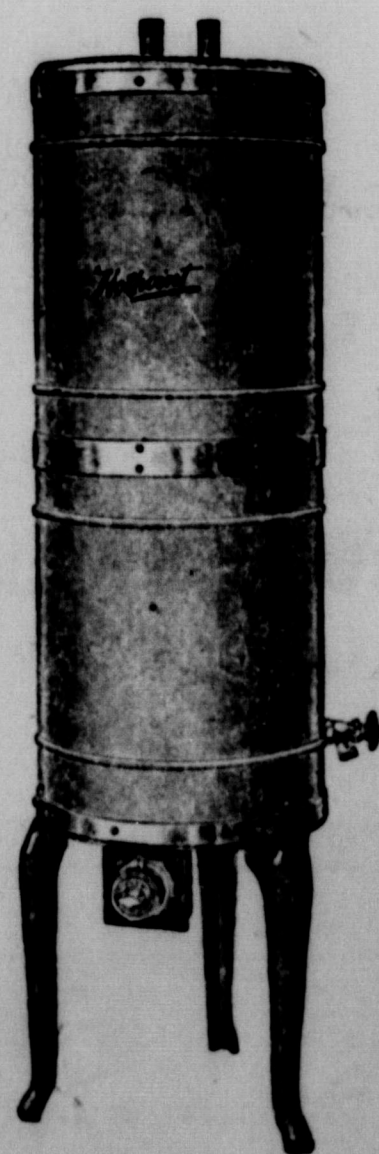


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The P. T. A. programs of this year have been unusually interesting. That rendered last Monday easily deserved an attendance of one hundred instead of the handful of parents actually present, but a busy Christmas season plus sickness in a number of homes cut the usual attendance in half, it was announced. This was declared the best program rendered by the organization in years.

Miss Harris with her first grade pupils offered several songs and gave a Christmas Bible passage in concert. Miss Doty's Treble-Clef Glee Club, composed of Junior High girls, dressed in their club costume, sang several numbers.

This was the first public appearance of the Treble-Clef Club, and its initial bow argues a worthwhile junior organization in a field sadly in need of encouragement.

Mrs. J. A. Fussell read an interesting paper, serving as proxy for an absent member. Miss Lula Mae Evans gave a most effective reading. Rev. Fulmer gave a brief but interesting presentation of the rightful claim of the necessity of putting Christ back into Christmas through observation of it in a spirit of unselfishness and Christian sympathy. He deplored the mad rush, the frantic selfishness of holiday buying and ordinary giving. Mrs. Joe Pierce and Mrs. Bright Baggett rendered a pleasing vocal number.

At the close of the program, the refreshment committee served sandwiches and piping hot coffee in the domestic economy room. This social half-hour is proving a most successful feature of every meeting.

Dr. D. A. Harrison, son of D.

Harrison who formerly practiced medicine here, and Miss Grace Whitworth of Rocksprings, who was a bridesmaid at the wedding here last spring of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hawkins, were united in marriage last week at Rocksprings where Dr. Harrison is at present engaged in the practice of medicine.

**O. S. T. Will Push Paving In 1928**

The prompt development of a paved Old Spanish Trail from New Orleans thru San Antonio to El Paso and a fund of \$50,000 or \$100,000 to advertise South Louisiana and Southwest Texas to the Nation are the outstanding results of the Houston Conference, December 10, according to Herral Ayers the OST Managing Director. Mr. Ayers says it is the understanding the highway departments of Texas and Louisiana will make real headway with the paving work during 1928 and that both highway departments are planning numerous improvements to the roads and road locations.

San Antonio, he says, will back with its full quota any fund to be raised in the interest of this New Orleans-El Paso sector and its territory. The Houston Conference directed the OST directors to plan and submit to all chambers of commerce along this sector a national publicity plan and asked all chambers to select director-representatives on the OST board. San Antonio had at the Houston Conference thirty-three delegates representing organizations with 6,000 members. These delegates, according to Mr. Ayers, will now meet in San Antonio to plan this program and submit recommendations as to community quotas.

Miss Leta Powell and Miss Edna Phillips have come home for the holidays. Hinaae, tv.t holidays. They are attending Simmons University at Abilene.

W. S. Willis, who has been in charge of maintenance of Crockett County roads during the past year has been retained in that position another year by the commissioners court.

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**POSTED**—My ranches lying in Crockett and Val Verde Counties. Trespassing positively forbidden. T. A. Kincaid. —tfp

The regular meeting of the Ozona chapter of the Eastern Star will take place on the 3rd Tuesday night of each month.

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hide at our house. You're more like the Governor, and I never understand about the Governor. It does not seem possible that anyone who isn't forced by necessity into crime would ever follow the life. Now you're a gentleman, any one could tell that, but I suppose you've really done something pretty bad or you wouldn't be here! Now I'm going to hand it to you straight; that is the only way."

"Certainly, Miss Walker; I want you to be perfectly frank with me."

"Well, my advice would be to give yourself up, do your time like a man and then live straight. The Governor has romantic ideas about the great game but that's no reason you should walk the thorny road. Now pop would kill me if he knew I was talking this way. It's a funny thing about pop. All I know about him I just picked up a little at a time, and he and ma never wanted me to know. Ma's awful nervous about so many of the boys stopping here, for she hung on to pop all the time he was shooting up trains out west, and having a husband in the penitentiary isn't a pleasant thing to think about. Ma's father ran a saloon down in Missouri; that's how she got acquainted with pop, but ma was always on the square, and they both wanted me brought up right."

"I wouldn't be surprised if pop didn't pull out sometime and beat it for the West. It must be awful tame for a man who's stuck pistols into the faces of express messengers and made bank tellers hand out their cash to settle down in a place like this where there's nothing much to do but go to church and prayer meeting. I don't know how many men pop's killed in his time, but there must be quite a lot. But pop doesn't seem to worry much. It seems to me if I'd ever pumped a man full of lead I'd have a bad case of insomnia."

"Well, I don't know," remarked Archie, weighing the point judicially. "I suppose you get used to it in time. Your father seems very gentle. You probably exaggerate

the number of his—er—homicides. "Well, pop can be pretty rough sometimes. He and I have our little troubles."

"Nothing serious, I'm sure. I can't imagine anyone being unkind to you, Sally."

"It's nice of you to say that. But I'm not perfect and I don't pretend to be!"

Sympathy and tenderness surged within him at this absurd suggestion that anyone could harbor a doubt of Sally's perfection. Her modesty, the tone of her voice called for some more concrete expression of his understanding than he could put into words. Her hand, dimly discernible in the dusk of the June stars, was invitingly near. He clasped and held it, warm and yielding. She drew it away in a moment but not rebukingly.

"I wonder," she said presently; "I wonder whether you would—whether you really would do something for me?"

"Anything in my power," he declared hoarsely.

"What time is it?" she asked with a jarring return to practical things. She bent her head close as he held a match to his watch. It was half past eight.

"We'll have to hurry," she said. "When I told you pop and I didn't always agree about everything I was thinking—"

"Is it about a man?" he asked, surmising the worst and steeling himself for the blow if it must fall.

"It would be a long story," she said sadly, "and there isn't time to tell it, but the moment I saw you were so big and brave and strong, I thought you might help."

To be called big and brave and strong by so charming a person, to enjoy her confidence and be her chosen aid in an hour of need and perplexity profoundly touched him.

"I wouldn't trust the Governor, he's too friendly with pop for that. It's just this way," she went on dreamily. "There's a young man, Abijah Strong, who owns a farm just a little way down the road. He and I have been in love with

school together, really and truly about it. We've been waiting for a chance to run away and get married. I met him last night in the lane and everything's arranged for us to leave tonight, run into Brattleboro and be married there and

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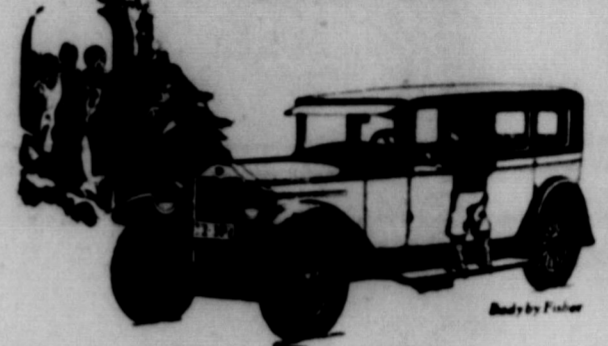
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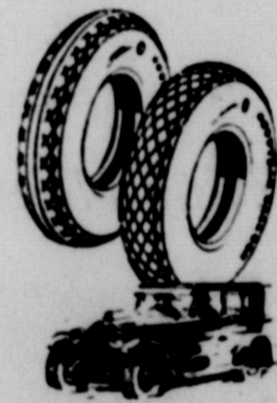
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then go on to Boston and wait until pop's disposed to be reasonable. He wants me to marry a preacher at Saxby Center who's almost as old as pop, and has three grown children. I thought maybe you could pretend to take me out for a little ride in your car, and pick up Abijah and give us a lift. My things are packed and hid away in the garage; so all I need to do is to get my hat."

"Of course I couldn't come back here," Archie suggested. "Your father would be sure to vent his wrath on me."

"Oh, I'd thought of that!" she exclaimed. "But you could go on and wait somewhere for the Governor to catch up with you."

"I'd have to make sure he didn't catch up with me! He'll be mighty sore about this."

"Well, if you are afraid of him—" "Pooh! I certainly am not afraid of him," he declared contemptuously. "He and I are bound to part sometime."

Through the cajoleries of a girl he had known only a few hours he was ready to break with his comrade by mischievously upsetting the domestic affairs of a host who doubtless had not forgotten how to kill men who incurred his displeasure. Sally had affected him like a strong cordial and as they walked to the house he grew increasingly keen for the proposed adventure. Sally, like Isabel, had dared him to be brave, and he screwed his courage to the sticking point.

"If you don't mind I'll take Sally for a little run down the road," he suggested casually when they found the Governor and Mrs. Walker still gossiping on the veranda. No objection was raised by Mrs. Walker beyond an injunction not to be gone long and a warning not to go without her jacket.

"No joy riding," the Governor called after them. "Sally's a valuable asset of this family and I'll hold you personally responsible, Comly, for her safe return."

III  
At the garage Sally produced a satchel which Archie tossed into the car, and they were quickly humming through the lane and into the highway.

"Run by the school house when we come to it and then stop. Abijah will be there."

When the car stopped Sally

jumped out and was immediately joined by a young man to whom she spoke rapidly out of Archie's hearing. Her explanations finished she brought him to the car and presented him as Mr. Strong.

Mr. Comly is going to the minister's with us and then give us a lift toward Boston. That's ever so much better than anything we'd thought of 'Bijah."

"Whatever you say, little girl! I'll shut off the lights on my machine and get my traps."

Archie, testing his searchlight, let its beam fall upon Abijah as though by accident and found Sally's lover a very well dressed, decent-looking chap. All his life he would be proud of his daring in saving Sally Walker from marriage with the odious widower and mating her with the mate of her choice. The bride and groom elect were established in the back seat and he experienced a sharp jealous twinge, when, turning to ask her a question about the road he caught them in a rapturous kiss. This was what it meant to be young and free, and youth and freedom were things he had never until now appreciated at their true worth.

"How long do we stop at Brattleboro?" he asked over his shoulder.

"Only long enough to get the knot tied," Abijah answered. I was in town this afternoon and every thing's set."

"I hope," said Sally, you'll give the bride away; it would be just fine of you, Mr. Comly."

"I was hoping you would ask me to fling back. I want to be as prominent in the wedding as possible."

Sally's nuptials were blessed in a little parsonage, with the minister's wife and daughter and Archie as the sole witnesses. The minister had only lately come to town and therefore confined his inquiries to the strict requirements of ecclesiastical and Vermont law.

"Well, Sally," Archie remarked, as he joined them, "for better or worse you are married. I certainly wish you all good luck."

"We'll be back in a week and everything will be as smooth as butter," Sally declared lightly.

The wedding journey from Brattleboro to Bennington was marred by tire trouble and freakishness

on the part of the engine, and as neither of his passengers knew the roads Archie's good nature was severely tested by the exigencies of the night drive.

Abijah helped with the tires but only stared helplessly while Archie poked at the engine. Sally was far more resourceful and lent her assistance with her usual good cheer, a cheer which Archie felt he would miss when he bade them good-bye at Bennington. As a mark of special favor she moved to the front seat to keep him company and facilitate the study of sign posts.

"I've put you to an awful lot of trouble," Sally remarked with real contrition. "And you've left your friend the Governor far behind. I suppose they started out to look for us in pop's machine when we didn't show up and they may be close behind us now. The only thing I'm sorry about is missing hearing pop swear when he found I had skipped. It would be funny if they thought I'd run off with you, wouldn't it? I'd just love that!"

"I don't think it's so funny you didn't," Archie answered. "I think it was my mistake."

The groom had drawn up his knees and was attempting to sleep on the back seat. It was quite improper to flirt with the newest of brides, but Sally gave tolerant ear and even encouraged Archie's protestations of admiration while Abijah bumped about in the tonneau and now and then rolled off the seat while the enraptured driver negotiated a sharp turn. But for Sally's disposition to make the most of her last hours with him the drive would have bored Archie exceedingly.

Sally and Abijah were eager to leave Bennington as soon as possible.

"Don't think we are not appreciating what you've done for us," said Abijah, "but Sally and I had better shake you and the machine right here. Sally's folks will be sure to be after us and they will just about argue we came this way."

Archie laid to his soul the flattering unctious that Abijah was jealous. The suspicion was supported by the bridegroom's sudden anxiety to depart out of Vermont with the utmost expedition. Archie had every intention of ordering as gorgeous a breakfast as Ben-

nington best hotel could provide but Abijah promptly vetoed this suggestion and they ate at a lunch counter, which Archie found a most disagreeable proceeding.

Abijah left Sally and Archie eating scrambled eggs while he set forth to acquire information about trains. He returned while they were still at the counter to report that a train was almost immediately available. His haste annoyed Archie, who hated being hurried at his meals. At the station Abijah hung about the baggage room, where he had no business whatever, as though trying to create the impression that he was traveling alone. When the train came along he climbed into the smoker with his own bag leaving Archie teejeogSallygg".ytdownsu to assist Sally into the chair car.

"Abijah's just a little bit afraid pop has telephoned, you know, or he coming after us. He'll move in here when the train starts."

"I don't like to leave you like this," said Archie mournfully.

"Oh, it'll be all right," Sally answered bravely. "Abijah's nervous; that's all. That was certainly some ride we had last night. I hope you'll go up to the hotel now and get a good sleep."

"Oh, I'll look out for that," Archie replied.

"I suppose we'll hardly meet again," he said with a dejection which he hoped would elicit a promise of further meetings.

"I'm afraid it will be a long, long time before I see you," she said with a lingering tenderness and wistfulness.

"I hope you are going to be very happy, Sally. And I shall think of you always as you were last night. I shall never forget our talk by the brook."

"Neither shall I," she murmured. Her lashes were wonderful; not (Continued on last page)

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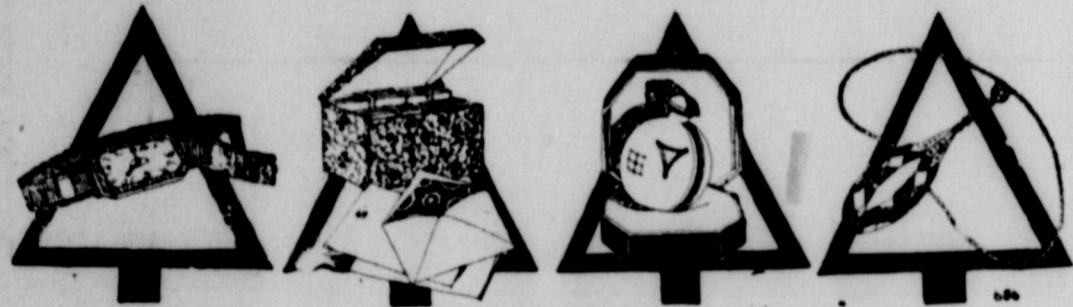
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till that moment had no more justice to her lashes.

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"Good-bye, Sally!" He put out his hand, but with a quickness that took his breath away she flung her arms round his neck and kissed him. The touch of her hand by the brook under the stars was as nothing to this. Two

young girls seeking seats giggled at the frankness and heartiness of the salutation. In old times Archie would have perished of humiliation; but an overwhelming joy filled his soul. The giggles of broad and butter misses who knew nothing of life and love were beneath his notice. Sally's arms were still about his neck, her lips parted expectantly.

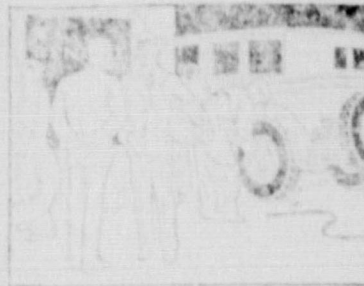
"You must go, honey," she whispered and his kiss fell like a punctuation upon her last delectable word.

If she hadn't given him a gentle push toward the door he might never have reached the vestibule. An

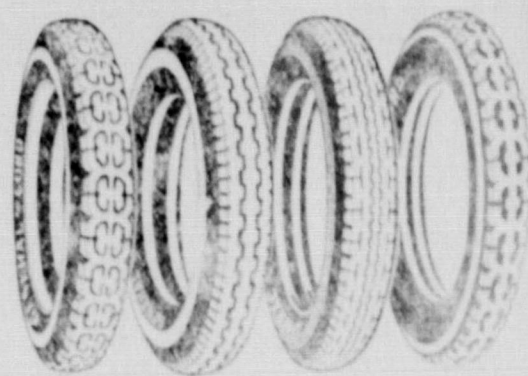
other person who shared his haste to leave the train materially assisted him by gentle pressure to the platform. His brain whirled from the intoxication of Sally's kiss—indeed the two kisses, or specifically the kiss received and the kiss returned. But his exaltation was in brief duration, for there beside stood Isabel like another accusing angel, severe and implacable. It was she whose gentle impulsion had facilitated his exit from the parlor car, and beyond question she had witnessed the kissing, a disagreeable circumstance that foreshadowed on his ecstatic mood.

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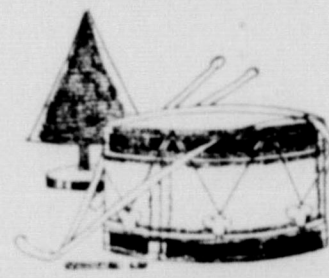
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