

Lions' Enthusiasm Continues Unabated

The Lions Club held their regular Tuesday meeting and luncheon at the Woodrum Hotel this week, and the meeting was one of the best and most interesting ever held. In the first place they were tendered one of the finest turkey dinners with all the trimmings that any party ever had the opportunity of enjoying.

In the absence of president L. B. Scott, vice-president Dee Grimes presided and introduced the Toastmaster, Lion W. W. Haynes, who brought forth a very interesting and appreciated program as follows:

Invocation, Lion Walker. Quartette, Lions C. H. Jones, E. Yates Brown, and Mrs. Brown and Miss Mona Margaret Jones.

Rev. Walker was the speaker of the hour, delivering an able and appreciated talk on the good to be derived from the cooperative work of the Lions Club and its members.

As delegates to the District Convention, which meets at Wichita Falls on the 21st and 22nd, C. H. Jones, L. B. Scott, Sam Swann, Dr. R. I. Grimes and Rev. Walker were elected. Mr. Nesmith, the genial manager and proprietor of the Queen Theatre, put through the initiation as a new member, much to the merriment of club members.

As a good act of the club, it was unanimously voted that a telegram of good cheer and best wishes be sent to Lion Booth Warren, who for the past ten days has been a patient in a Temple Sanitarium.

COUNTY AND PRECINCT CANDIDATES MUST FILE NAME BY JUNE 16, 1928

Quite a number of candidates for both county and precinct offices have inquired as to when the last date for filing their names for places on the primary ballot expires, and this paper has made inquiry from the County Chairman, Hon. Jas. P. Stinson, and he informs us that June 16 is the last day; hence you are urged to look after the matter accordingly as per your interest.

THE WEST ENTITLED TO ONE U. S. SENATOR

To the Citizens of Taylor County: The Western half of Texas has never had a representative in the U. S. Senate. Why? In practically all states there is an unwritten law that the two Senators must come from different halves of the State. I am the only candidate from the Western half of Texas. I have represented in Congress two different districts embracing 69 counties running from Mineral Wells to El Paso. I know our problems. If West Texas will stand behind me, and let me use my time campaigning East Texas, I will get enough votes to elect me. I will highly appreciate it if my friends will organize their precincts for me, and also if they will write all of their friends scattered over Texas in my behalf. Gratefully yours,

(signed) THOS. L. BLANTON

FARMER FINDS THAT ADVERTISING PAYS

Our good friend E. F. Vantrese, one of this trade territory's most successful farmers, who resides a few miles beyond Stith, was in the city yesterday, and dropped in to have us stop an advertisement for the sale of cotton seed, which he had been carrying in the Mail for several weeks, saying that as the result of the advertisement he had sold six hundred bushels of fine cotton seed. In fact Mr. Vantrese says he knows it pays to advertise in the Merkel Mail, as he has tried it several times and has never failed to get results. He has paid us more money than some business firms in the city for advertising.

In speaking about crops, rain, etc., he stated that his community had received about four inches of rain the last week. He also said he had dry-planted about 50 acres in cotton and sixteen in maize, which he felt would come up unless other heavy rains should fall. Mr. Vantrese is demonstrating that he believes in making his living at home, as he has on hand this time about thirty head of hogs and pigs, as well as lots of fine Rhode Island Red chickens.

Mr. Loring Hamblet of Breckenridge was in Merkel the past week-end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hamblet, and many friends.

PHILLIPS WILL SINK TEST TO 4,000 FT. DEPTH

Joe Winter No. 5 Will Be Made First Exploration Below Second Pay Horizon

Two announcements of importance to the Noodle Creek field in southwestern Jones county, where 23 wells are producing 1,350 barrels of high gravity oil daily, were received here recently.

The Humble Oil & Refining company will run a six-inch pipeline from its Booster station at Hawley on the Ranger-Panhandle trunk line to the Noodle Creek field. The line will be about 15 miles in length and will give the field its first direct outlet.

The Phillips Petroleum company has filed its intention to drill No. 5 Joe Winter to 4,000 feet. This test missed production at the regular Phillips pay depth, around 2,468 feet and was drilling Tuesday below 3,030 feet, where the second pay was expected.

Drilling of a 4,000-foot test will attract much interest from oil men, many of whom have believed for some time that production may be found below the known pays.

Heretofore producers of Noodle Creek crude, which averages 39 degrees gravity, have run their oil through the Bar-Texas (Phillips) Pipeline company's small line to the Trent loading rack, where it is placed on tank cars and shipped to independent refineries.

With completion of the feeder line by the Humble company it is expected that that company will pay the regular Mid-Continent scale price for the oil at the well. The producers now pay for transporting the crude to the railroad and loading it on the tank cars.

Blanton's Speech Pleases Voters

Notwithstanding the fact that great rains had fallen in this section, the weather at the time of his speaking was very threatening, a fair sized audience greeted Hon. Thos. L. Blanton, when he spoke in this city last Saturday evening in the interest of his race for the U. S. Senate.

And every one who heard him was pleased in the extreme with his speech. In fact Mr. Blanton would have carried this community solidly without having made a speech here, but Tom Blanton never overlooks his friends, and the people of Merkel are truly his friends and supporters.

Golan News

All the farmers are glad to see the rain and are anxious to begin their planting.

School was out Thursday. We had the program and it was a success. There were a number of visitors from the surrounding neighborhoods in attendance.

The boys baseball team played two games Monday. They were with the Noodle team and the Ham team. Noodle won her game by the score of 8 to 5, and Golan took the other game with the score 4 to 6. The boys and married men played a game Tuesday and the score was 7 and 10 in favor of the married men.

Miss Jewel Cox is visiting her brother, Chester Cox, of Shiloh.

Mr. D. R. Thompson and Mr. G. M. Byrom went to the plains last week-end.

Miss Annie Laura Lane is visiting her brother, Mr. A. E. Lane of Sweetwater this week.

Miss Ruth and Oscar Thompson spent last week-end with their sister, Mrs. O. F. Fox.

Misses Ruby and Nina Skidmore are spending this week with their grandmother of Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harris spent Tuesday with Mrs. Ollie Skidmore.

Mrs. J. L. Lane and daughter, Johnnie, spent the week-end with relatives of Roby.

Miss Mary Bell Douglas spent Saturday night with Nina Skidmore.

A few neighbors enjoyed a fish-fry on the river in Mr. Charlie Davis' pasture. They had just finished lunch when the rain came.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Fox spent Tuesday with Mr. D. R. Thompson.

Graduation Exercises Close School

For the past week the closing exercises of the Merkel High School have been in progress, and the presentation from each department has shown marked progress and advancement, to the approval of our entire citizenship.

Tonight the Grammar School graduation will be held at the Methodist church and 38 fine boys and girls will be given diplomas from this department, thus promoting them to the high school for next year. The following is the program for the evening:

Invocation, Rev. Ira L. Parrack. Song, "The Spring Awakens." Salutatory, Mary Elizabeth Grimes. Address, Dr. E. B. Surface, Abilene Presentation of Diplomas, Supt. I. L. Jackson.

Valedictory, Ross Ferrier, Jr. Song, "Anchored." Benediction, Rev. R. A. Walker. Sunday evening at the Methodist church the Baccalaureate Sermon and program will be rendered as follows:

Processional, Mrs. Ann Wall Brown. Invocation, Rev. Ira L. Parrack. Anthem, Choir.

Quartette, arranged by Mr. Hughes. Baccalaureate Sermon, Rev. J. B. Hamblen, of Stamford.

Solo, Mrs. Ann Wall Brown. Hymn, Choir.

Announcements, Supt. I. L. Jackson. Benediction, Rev. R. A. Walker.

The Commencement Exercises and close of the 1927-1928 session of the Merkel Public School will be held on Monday evening at the Methodist Church as follows:

Processional, Mrs. Brown. Invocation, Rev. W. J. Mayhew. "Stars Brightly Shining," Senior Class.

Commencement Address, Rev. Salkeld of Abilene.

Awarding of Diplomas, Superintendent I. L. Jackson.

"Lead Thou My Soul" Senior Class. Benediction, Rev. W. G. Cypert.

In the High School graduating class there are 35 boys and girls, every one of whom will receive their diplomas with high honors, and this paper joins the citizenship in extending congratulations to every one, also with the sincere hope that each may desire to continue their climb to go higher in the realm of education.

Those graduating from high school are: Burnis Tucker, Mary Lou Brown, Archie Clark, Mildred Hamm, W. A. Whiteley, Alice Reed, Roy Propst, Venice Bell, Fred Yandell, Estelle Terry, Blanton McLean, Eunice Bird, Wyatt Miller, Iris Garrett, Clark Mundy, Rubyo Higgins, F. J. McDonald, Monetta Adcock, Paul Causseaux, Erma J. Wilson, Mary Pence, Norma Foster, Una Belle Province, Elizabeth Harkider, Sterling Sheppard, Marjorie Bradley, Tolbert Proctor, Nola Neill, John D. Coats, Bessie Westenhaver, Victor Smith, Irene Perry, Rex Roberts, Berdelle Adcock, and Max Roberts.

Mrs. Sie Hamm is spending the week with relatives and friends in Fort Worth and Denton. In Fort Worth she is the guest of Mrs. Guy Darsey, and in Denton she visited her sisters, Misses Tommye and Doris Durham, who are students in the College of Industrial Arts.

Buy's Grimes-Smith Drug Co. Stock

Mr. E. O. Deal, of Abilene, was the highest bidder Wednesday afternoon at the sale of the fixtures and stock of the Grimes-Smith Drug Company in this city, and immediately took charge of the business. The sale price was \$3,910.

Mr. Deal, who is an experienced drug store man, will have associated with him in the conduct of the business, his son, and they will soon move to our city and become permanent citizens.

Rainfall Here This Week Almost 3 In.

According to Mr. B. M. Black, who for many years has kept a correct account of the rainfall in this city, there was a rainfall here this week of nearly three inches. Mr. Black reports a total of two and three-fourths inches, to be exact.

HOME TALENT PLAY AT MT. PLEASANT TONIGHT

Tonight, at Mt. Pleasant, a home-talent play entitled "Aaron Slick from Punkin Crick" will be given, and every one has a cordial invitation to come and enjoy an evening of wholesome fun and entertainment.

There will be no admission charge, but a free-will offering will be taken.

CEMETERY FUND NOW TOTALS \$375.50

While the cemetery contributions have come in nicely, and those having the matter in charge appreciate very much every contribution, the total received and the total amount needed for the year's work are yet far apart. So if you have not made your donation, and expect to make one, do it now if possible and help out this good work at once. The following is a list of those making contributions since our last issue:

J. W. Campbell	\$4.00
Mrs. M. A. Douglas	5.00
Mrs. G. A. Lilly	2.00
R. B. Wells	2.50
Loring Hamblet	5.00
Mrs. Mae Cozart Cox	5.00
F. E. Hale Estate	5.00

Presbyterian Church

All regular services Sunday, beginning with Sunday School at 10 a.m. Preaching services at 11 a.m. Prayermeeting at eight each Wednesday evening.

Glad to have you in all the services. Visitors and strangers always welcome. Come be with us.

Wm. Elliott, S. S. Supt.
R. A. Walker, pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Groene of Cameron, Texas, were here several days first of the week guests of home folks and friends. George is traveling for the Texas Power & Light Company, he stated.

Mrs. W. C. Calvert and daughter, of Sweetwater were here first of the week guests of relatives and friends.

Poultry Raisers To Meet Friday, 25th.

A mass meeting of every one interested in the poultry industry in this community is called to meet Friday evening, May 25th, in the building across the street in front of the Post Office. It will be remembered that some weeks ago quite a number of poultry raisers and enthusiasts met in this building for the purpose of discussing the organization of a poultry association. After discussing the matter, it was decided to call another meeting as above stated, and at this time elect officers of the proposed organization.

As this writer understands the matter, this is only a move on the part of those interested in raising more and better poultry and has no connection with any price making or fixing associations. Hence there is no need of any one having any fears of being tied up as to marketing and price-fixing.

Let every person interested in more and better poultry come out and take part in the organization and election of officers.

OFF TO TENNESSEE

Mr. B. C. Gaither, one of this city's pioneer and best citizens, who many, many years ago came to this state from Tennessee, and who nearly every year makes a visit to relatives and the scenes of his boyhood days in that grand old state, departed Wednesday for the usual summer trip.

The editor of this paper has promised our good friend Gaither, who, by the way, is one of those democrats that wears the collar year in and year out and believes in supporting the nominee no matter who he is, just so he is a regular among the regulars of his party, to keep him posted on the political trend in this community, agreeing that if our candidate wins we wire him collect and if his favorite wins we pay the message.

We also join his host of friends in wishing for him the finest and most enjoyable trip of his life.

INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U.

- Subject: "Home and Leisure".
Leader, Willie Evelyn Boaz.
1. Introduction by leader.
 2. The Call of Books, by Juanita Harmon.
 3. Our Words, by Margaret Canon.
 4. What about serving, by Oleta Moore.
 5. Our Play Time, by Beth Hamm.
 6. Thoughtfulness in spending money, by Himalaya Swafford.
 7. Our Friends and Home, by Vernie Derrick.

WHITE CHURCH CEMETERY

Since the beginning of the existence of the White Church Cemetery, in 1883, it has been the sacred duty of those who had loved ones buried there to keep the grounds clean and other general care that all cemeteries require.

Now as it is a duty to see after cleaning up and further beautifying this sacred place, let us meet early Wednesday, May 30th. Bring with you a well-filled basket, some of your neighbors, and something to work with.

LOCAL NEWS

The White Church school closed a very successful term last week. Mrs. Alice Wilson of Bell County and Miss Fairy Orr of the I. X. L. community were the teachers.

Three children of Mr. Barnes of the Weaver Springs community are recovering from scarlet fever.

Raymond Demere of the Weaver Springs community went to Brownwood on business first of this week.

On account of the big fine rains in the canyon this week Mr. King is having to detour part of route five.

Mrs. Clovis Maddox, and baby, of Hale Center, have been guests of friends and relatives here for some time. Mrs. Maddox before her marriage was Miss Leol Merritt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Merritt, formerly of this city, but now in the newspaper business at Hale Center.

Mr. L. B. Scott, the hustling and genial manager of the Merkel Motor Company, returned Wednesday from a trip to Dallas, where he went to get a new Ford Coach. The new car was delivered to Mr. Dean Higgins, one of our popular barbers.

School Board Chairman Resigns

Mr. R. O. Anderson, active vice-president of the Farmers State Bank, who for the past ten or twelve years has been president of the school board in this city, tendered his resignation at a meeting of the board this week, and asked that same be made effective at once.

Mr. Anderson has been very diligent and capable in lending his time and efforts to every move that would redound to the improvement and progress of the Merkel Public Schools, and while he gives as his reason for resigning this most important position the fact that he now has no children in school. He stated that the time is now at hand when the schools here need and must have more classrooms and a first class auditorium, and that his resignation from the board will not alter his stand in favor of providing these necessary and badly needed improvements.

Mr. Anderson's resignation was accepted by the board with sincere regret, and the appointment of his successor as a member of the board was deferred for further consideration. Mr. O. J. Adcock, a newly elected member of the board was selected as president, following Mr. Anderson's resignation. He, too, is very capable, and will without doubt make a very efficient president.

Well In Jones Figures in Deal

A total of one-half interest in the No. 1 Smith well of Hutson-Weaver et al, four miles north of the Noodle Creek field in Jones County, with the same interest in ownership of the 40-acre lease on which it is located, has been sold for \$48,000, according to F. E. Shaheen, who did not state the purchaser.

The well is pumping 25 to 35 barrels daily. Shaheen stated he held one-fourth interest, that Hutson had 1-16, Weaver 1-8 and Biggs and Levy 1-16.—Abilene Daily Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Brewer, of Fort Worth, were here several days this week visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Baze. Before her marriage Mrs. Brewer was Miss Vera Baze, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Baze.

AIN'T IT THE TRUTH

It's not much for a man to say he never had an enemy. You could write that over a cabbage head. It would be appropriate in an essay on mush or a penecytic on putty. It makes a first-class epitaph on the grave of an ox. If you never did anything to make anybody mad at you, you have been called a man through courtesy. You should apply for a place as a dummy in a window in a clothing store.

Mrs. Robert Terrell of Xenia, Ohio, arrived first of the week for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. R. I. Grimes.

YOUR HOME TOWN

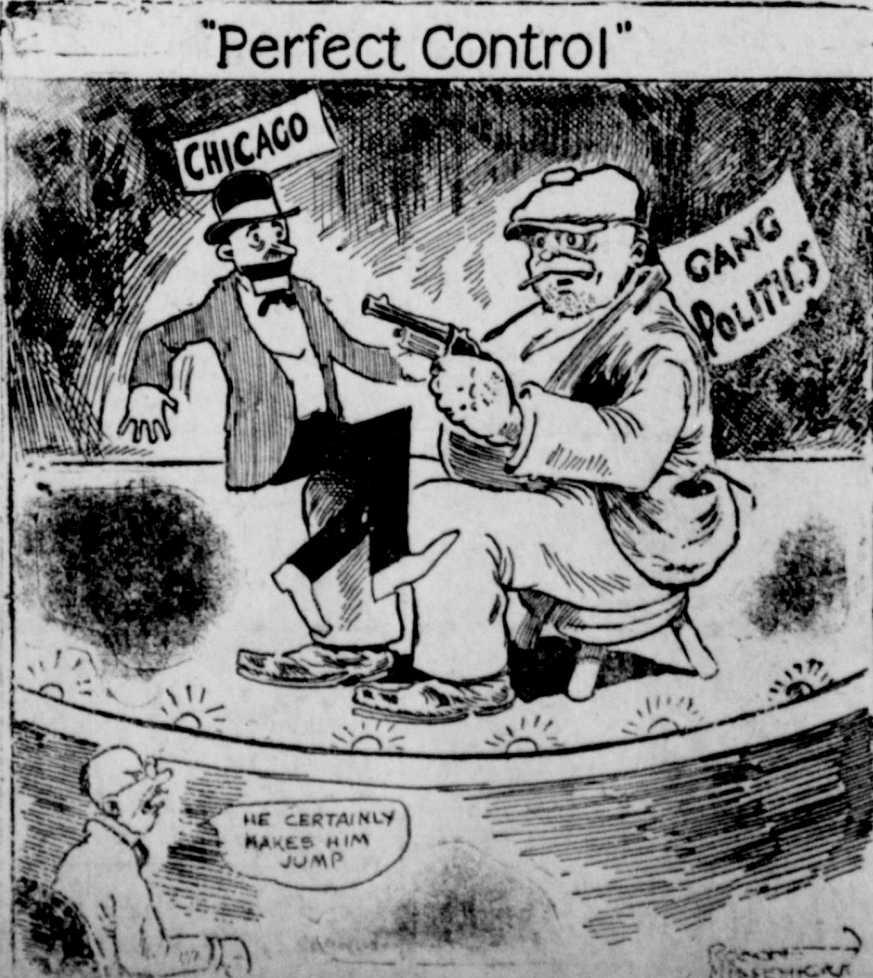
Your home town is what you and your neighbors make it—no more, no less. If you have faith in it, then it will grow, prosper, become a bigger and better place in which to live. Faith in your home town means faith in your home town merchants as well. They are your friends, your neighbors. You've known them, in some cases, their fathers, before them, for years.

The gain of the home town merchants is your gain, their loss is your loss. Successful merchants help to make a successful town—but both must have the cooperation of you and your neighbors in order to prosper.

MUST WORK TOGETHER

No town can grow as it should unless its people work together in its upbuilding. The history of every city that has rapid and substantial growth will show that united and enthusiastic work of its people had the greater part in making it grow. In towns where a few live men and women boost and work for its upbuilding—and many are indifferent and do nothing—the work of city building is exceedingly difficult and the results slow in coming. If all of us boost and help to build up the town it is an easy matter to make the town push forward.

Hay we enroll you now as a booster for Merkel?



GO SLOW, BIG BOY!

Without safe and sane advice
 We oftimes do the wrong thing twice.
 We never grow so big in size
 But what there's others just as wise.
 Come in and let us help you plan,
 Talk over things as man to man.
 Some little thing that we may know
 Might help you save a lot of dough.
 The Farmers State Bank will give
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 The best it knows on what to do.

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Miss Hazel Lee Rainbolt came down from Hermleigh last Sunday, where she is teaching school, to spend Mothers' Day at home.

Maben Rogers, a graduate of Merkel High School last year, who for the past year has been in the employ of the Orient Railway Company at McCamey, spent several days here last week visiting his sister, Mrs. Jack Durham.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Winter, who moved to Anton, Texas, some time ago, have returned to make Merkel their home again. Mr. Winter bought a good farm near Anton and moved out there to improve it, but the party who had his farm near Merkel rented it to him, and Mr. Winter came back to take charge.

Your car washed and greased the clean way at the Motorist Arcade Service. On the Highway E. E. Leslie, Manager.

Doris Hill



Charming Doris Hill, popular in the "movies," was born in Roswell, New Mexico. From childhood she has been a dancer, appearing in many cities from coast to coast. She was seen in the leading feminine role in "The Better Ole." Again in the lead in "Is That Nice?" and "Timid Terror." Also, "Casey at the Bat," "Rough House Rosie" "Tell It to Sweeney" and "Tillie's Romance" have been some of her successes.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

By F. A. WALKER

THE LOOM OF LIFE

AS YOU sit before the loom of Life, guiding the swiftly moving shuttles as they dart to and fro, what sort of material are you weaving? Peoples of every country on the globe are doing, weaving, weaving, fashioning textures which they must wear through eternity! Some of the weavers are indifferent in their work, missing threads now and then, thinking that the imperfections will not be noticed by the Great Inspector, who, perhaps tomorrow may examine their handiwork and call them to account.

Oh, what a bungling mess these lackadaisical, listless weavers are producing with thousands of silken filaments misplaced, tangled warp and woof awry, blotches here and there, and the whole fabric lacking shapeliness, beauty and finish.

Every string shows neglect; every cord is knotted and askew, disfiguring and spoiling the fabric for any worthy use.

The clerk, the bookkeeper, the typist, the mechanic and all workers in the busy mills of human endeavor are wreathing and interfacing gossamer texture or coarse stuffs for their own garments, in which they must appear before the eyes of others.

What is the character of your garment?

Does it glint and shine in the azure light and delight the hearts of those who love you, or does it bear the slovenly imprint of ugliness and give offense?

Does its tawdry appearance debar you from participating in the grand affairs of life, or is it so exquisitely, perfectly and beautifully woven that you can stand before kings and win from them sincere admiration and commendation?

What sort of garment, my lad, are you weaving to wear when your hair begins to gray at the temples, wrinkles furrow your brow, and your youthful punctilla is gone?

And you, my dainty maid, with suspicious roses on your cheeks, glistening finger nails and bobbed tresses, what type of material are you weaving to cover your shoulders when they are drawn in by the frost of age and your eyes are marked with crow's feet?

Life's shuttles run eternally. In the little span of time that is yours to sit at the loom, make sure to guide the threads aright, and weave them in the hall-mark of a heroic life.

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A Work of Art

His Cousin—Miss Layton is fond of you, Jack. Why don't you take a chance and propose?

Jack—Not I! I admire paintings, but I'll be hanged if I want to marry one.



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WHICH PLACE IS BEST?

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

I'VE seen this land
 From coast to coast,
 For I've been ev'rywhere
 Almost;
 And some folks ask
 Me which is best;
 The North or South
 Or East or West?

The North has grain,
 The South has flow'rs,
 And East and West
 Their sunlit hours;
 But this I find,
 The more I roam,
 That ev'ry place
 Is someone's home.

The South has flow'rs,
 The North has grain,
 But someone loves
 The Eskimo.
 The West has hills,
 The East has farms,
 But maids have lips
 And men have arms.

So, North or South
 Or East or West,
 It's plain to see
 Which place is best.
 It's where men love
 And where maids care,
 And you will find
 That's ev'rywhere!

(© 1928, Douglas Malloch.)

Mother's Cook Book

Real Christians do not carry their religion, their religion carries them. It is not a weight; it is wings.—H. B. Fosdick.

FOODS FOR ANY DAY

THE following are a few every day good things which may be prepared with little expense:

Yorkshire Pudding.

Take one cupful of sweet milk, one cupful of flour, two eggs, one-half teaspoonful of salt. Mix the salt and flour, add the milk gradually to form a paste; then add eggs beaten, separating yolks and whites. Cover the pan of batter—or if baked in gem pans—with the fat from the roasting pan. Serve with roast beef. Bake in a hot oven.

Jelly Dessert.

Take one glass of jelly, the white of an egg and one-half cupful of heavy cream. Put the jelly and the unbeaten white of egg in a bowl, beat until stiff. Swerve in sherbet glasses topped with sweetened and flavored whipped cream.

Cheese Custard Supper Dish.

Spread as many slices of bread as there are members of the family, cover in a deep dish with a custard, using two eggs to a pint of milk, with a pinch of salt. Pour over the buttered bread after sprinkling it generously with finely-cut or grated cheese. Bake until puffy and the custard firm. Serve at once as it is much like an omelet—it falls after a few minutes in the air.

Corn Bread.

Take one cupful each of sour cream, brown sugar, flour and corn meal, one teaspoonful of soda, two well beaten eggs and a little salt. Bake in a hot oven.

Potato Salad.

The secret of a good potato salad is in the seasoning. Potatoes should be cut into small cubes and marinated with a thin dressing or with a French dressing for several hours before serving. It is hard for seasoning to enter into a cooked potato. With the addition of finely-cubed cucumber, a small onion finely minced added to potatoes that have been cooked in their jackets, cooled and skinned and diced, with a good salad dressing there is no reason for a poor salad.

A little finely-cut celery always improves a potato salad as does the adding of a hard cooked egg or two.

Lemon jelly with pineapple, a little celery and salad dressing, makes a salad which is especially refreshing.

Nellie Maxwell
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What Does Your Child Want to Know?

Answered by BARBARA BOURJAILY



CAN WE EVER GO TO THE MOON?

I hardly think we can, because it's freezing cold up there and then we'd have to take along a large supply of air.

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 great things
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 sincere in what
 it does.



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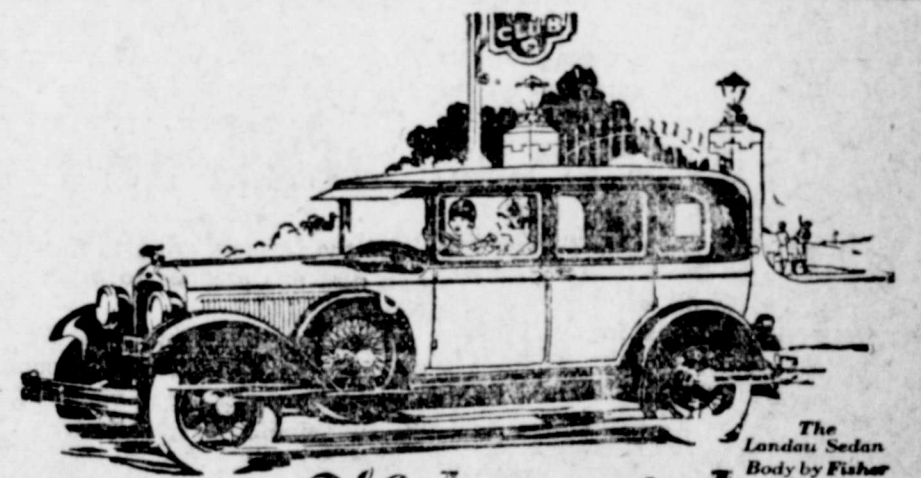
WALTON--DANIELS

On May 3, 1928, Miss Ruby Walton and Mr. Algie Daniels were happily united in marriage.

Mrs. Daniels was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton, formerly of this city, while Mr. Daniels is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Daniels of the Stith community.

Rev. J. C. Evans, Methodist pastor of Rankin, Texas, performed the ceremony.

It has not yet been made known where this splendid young couple will make their permanent home, but at present they are living in Rankin, Texas. Their friends of Merkel wish for them the best of success and happiness in their future years together.



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Smart as a racing craft to begin with. Long and low... with rakish, youthful lines. But with special sport equipment... it's even smarter. The peer of any car in its class.

Six wire wheels... their colors contrasting with body shades. Spares carried jauntily forward in special fender wells. A trunk rack behind... suggesting a series of week-end journeys. There's real style, if you ever saw it. There's swank... snap... personality.

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Jones Dry Goods

TRENT NEWS

Mr. Newt Bright of Brownfield visited with his father and other relatives here a few days last week.

Mrs. M. G. Scott and children made a short visit last week with Mrs. Scott's parents, who live at Ireland. She was accompanied by her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. D. Martin of Loraine, and also Mrs. F. I. Stevenson.

Mr. Buddie Burks spent the night with home folks last Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Woods visited Dr. and Mrs. Watkins of Lubbock last week-end. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Dick Armour.

Earl Nalley of Breckenridge is visiting his people here a few days this week.

We are glad to see Mr. Chapman out again after being sick so long.

Mrs. P. I. Stevenson has gone to Ireland for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Woodie Edwards.

Mrs. Arl Sharp and daughter are visiting Mrs. Sharp's grandmother, Mrs. Stroud, of Merkel, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hannett have as their guest the latter's father of Denver, Colorado, for a while.

Mrs. Ross, who has been quite sick is improving some. She is with her son, L. W. Ross, and family, on White Flat.

Mrs. Garnett Bryan and baby visited with her sister of Breckenridge a few days last week.

Mr. Jim Mathews was called to the bedside of his mother one day last week, who lives at Roxton. At this writing she is in the hospital at Paris and is in a very serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Rutherford and baby of Santa Anna spent Mothers' Day with Mrs. J. M. Billings.

Mrs. Jack Bright, son and daughter Zed and Lena, attended Mrs. Bright's parents' golden wedding anniversary who live at Paradise, one day last week, returning Tuesday of this week.

Mr. Cherry has returned from a 10 days vacation which was spent with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLeod and family of Mineral Wells spent Mothers' Day with their mothers, Mrs. S. D. McLeod and Mrs. W. A. Abbott.

After a three weeks' visit with Mrs. Moody of Sweetwater, Mrs. Joe Brown and daughter returned home last Saturday.

Mr. Will Blackman of Port Arthur

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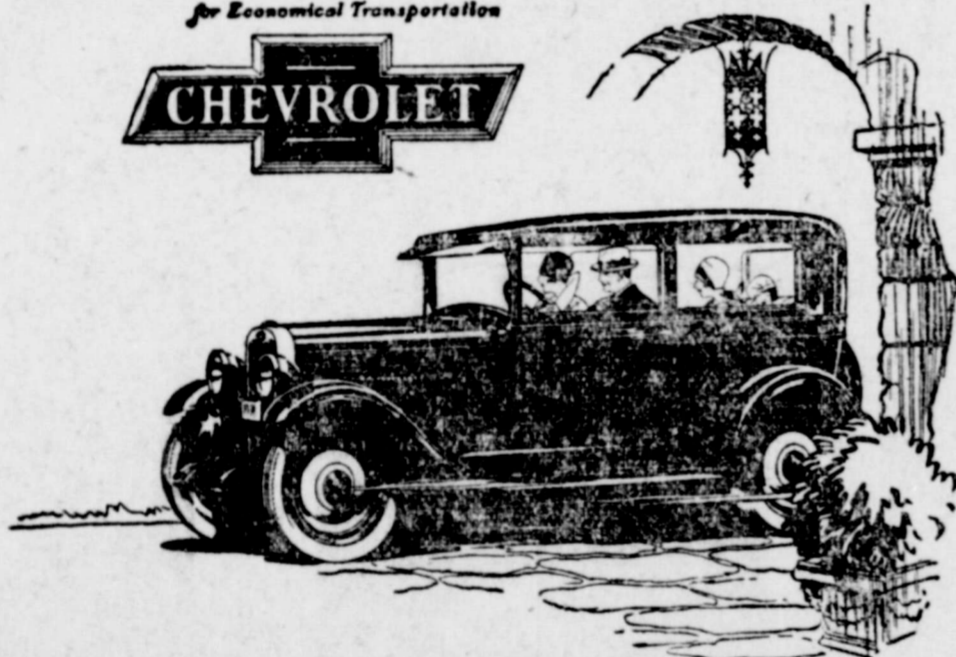
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attended the county meeting which was held at Abilene last week. While there he came down and spent a short time with his sister, Mrs. Pete McLeod.

Roy Nally, who has for the past few months been engaged with an oil company at Borger, is spending a few days with home folks.

Mrs. Huse Bailey and children of Slaton are visiting her cousin, Mrs. Ben Howell, a few days this week.

Zula Bright visited her brother and family of Sweetwater a few days this week.

Mrs. Abbott is suffering with a sprained ankle.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete McLeod visited relatives at Lamesa last week-end they were accompanied by Will Blackburn of Port Arthur.

Spurgeon Scott spent a few days with home folks due to the continued wet weather.

The Trent school closes this week with seven graduates from the high school and twelve from the grammar school.

Miss Lillie Harris and Miss Marie Burks were shoppers in Abilene last Thursday.

TRENT CHURCH OF CHRIST

Our Saviour told the Apostle John to measure the people that worshipped God. Rev. 2:1. Did John measure the Jews, or the early Christians, or is he measuring us now, or will he measure us all on that Final Day? This subject will be discussed next Sunday morning at the eleven o'clock hour. We want you to hear this, so come and bring your friends.

Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sermon 11 a.m. Text, "Measure Those Who Worship."
Communion 12 M.
Children's Class 7:15 p.m. Young People's Class 7:15 p.m.
Sermon 8:15 p.m. Subject, "Where Does God Record His Name?"
Midweek Bible Study Wednesday, 8:15 p.m.
Carl A. Collins, Minister.

HANDSOME BAD MAN

Lowell Sherman, well-known actor of the stage and screen, is seen as the "heavy" in First National's "The Whip Woman," at the Queen Theatre Wednesday and Thursday. It is one of Sherman's best roles. Estelle Taylor and Antonio Moreno are also featured in this story of Hungary after the war.

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This paper believes that it is absolutely essential and necessary that a vast majority of the citizenship of the town and country patronize the business institutions of that town if that town and its business institutions grow and prosper. Therefore this paper has always urged that the citizenship give the business houses of Merkel their loyal support. We believe in most cases the people can buy their needs here as cheap as they can get them anywhere else. However, should they be able to buy elsewhere a little cheaper, and a majority of the people went elsewhere for their needs, it would not be long until our town, your town, and all other interests would begin to suffer. However, if the business men of this town expect this paper to fight for their interests, and we are doing that when we urge that the citizenship be loyal to you, is it not right and fair that you give your advertising and printing to this paper instead of sending it to an out of town printer. We buy our needs in Merkel, and the out of town printer does not. It is also right and proper that every business man give the other business man his trade in the different lines of business. We hear it said every day that this or that article can be bought elsewhere cheaper, and it might be that we could advertise that fact much to the advantage of our more than 1800 subscribers, but we don't. We believe in our home town, we are for the business men of the city, and we are thankful for the fact that most of them are loyal, yes good and fair to the paper; otherwise there would be no paper in Merkel. Mr. business man think this over before giving that smooth solicitor for the mail order printing concern your order, and be fair with your home paper.

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OYSTERS DO GROW ON TROPIC'S TREES

Attached to Roots of Mangroves in Swamps.

Washington.—An aid to the lumberman, to the horticulturist, to the casual visitor whose curiosity is aroused by the strange plants of tropical America and to the botanist has just been published by the Smithsonian Institution in the shape of a descriptive account of the flowering plants of the Panama Canal Zone. It is the work of Paul C. Standley of the national herbarium and is the result of a plan made seven years ago in which the Smithsonian, the Department of Agriculture and the Canal Zone authorities joined forces.

Its value to the layman makes this publication a rare type of scientific paper. Since many of the plants of the Canal Zone are common to all Central America and the West Indies, the usefulness of Mr. Standley's work as a handbook is correspondingly increased. Besides a brief description of each plant, the author discusses its history, gives all the vernacular names obtainable so that the plant can be readily identified locally, and lists its uses.

Bark Used for Cances.

The uses are varied and interesting. Of the bark of the coubaril (senna family) the author says that "removed in a single large piece it is sometimes utilized by the Indians for making canoes, and it is reported that canoes with a capacity of twenty-five men are sometimes fashioned thus. A pale yellow or reddish gum, known in trade as South American copal, exudes from the trunk. This gum often becomes buried in the soil about the roots, to be dug up by collectors sometimes long after the tree is decayed. It is employed in the manufacture of varnish, for medicinal purposes and for incense in churches." From the pulp of the anatto seeds, writes Mr. Standley, is obtained an orange dye, much exported to this country for coloring butter and cheese as well as oils and varnish. The bark of the tree contains a rough fiber from which twine is made, and a gum similar to gum arabic is obtained from the branches.

The early Spanish explorers mistook the fruit of the manchineel for crab apples, according to Mr. Standley, and ate it, in some cases with fatal results. "They immediately gave it a fearful reputation, affirming that a person who rested beneath the tree would become blind or even die. There is no doubt that the milky sap is highly irritant, causing severe inflammation. . . . It is said that the sap was employed by the Caribs for poisoning their arrows."

Oysters Do Grow on Trees.

Mr. Standley mentions an interesting fact about the mangroves, which grow in the coastal swamps with their roots under water. "Oysters are often attached to the roots, hence a common and literally true statement that in the tropics oysters grow upon trees."

In his introduction Mr. Standley gives a short history of the isthmus of Panama, mentioning that it was the site of the first European settlement on the American continent. The Spaniards settled there some years before the first colonization of Mexico, which took place in 1519.

For Meditation

By LEONARD A. BARRETT

EDUCATION

THERE will be spent this year in this country for public instruction in grade schools and high schools about one-half billion dollars. The higher education of our country in colleges and universities will demand nearly one-third of another billion. A very large sum supplied for the larger part by taxation. This system of providing the cost of education makes it possible for every child to have at least the advantages of an elementary education. Education is a basic necessity for success in any line of work. It is a condition upon which even the procurement of some positions depend. The purpose of education, for which we pay our cold cash in taxes, is not only to provide knowledge for earning a living but the knowledge of "how to live" while that money is being earned, and especially after we may have accumulated our portion. Taxes levied and paid for this altruistic purpose could in no other way be more wisely spent. Education is power. The man who works with his mind usually controls the man who works with his hands. Knowledge is one of the keys to power in both the scientific and economic world.

The acquisition of power is a most worthy aim. The prostitution of power to a selfish end is a monstrous crime. It is not the power we possess, but the use of the power which determines the value of one's life to the community.

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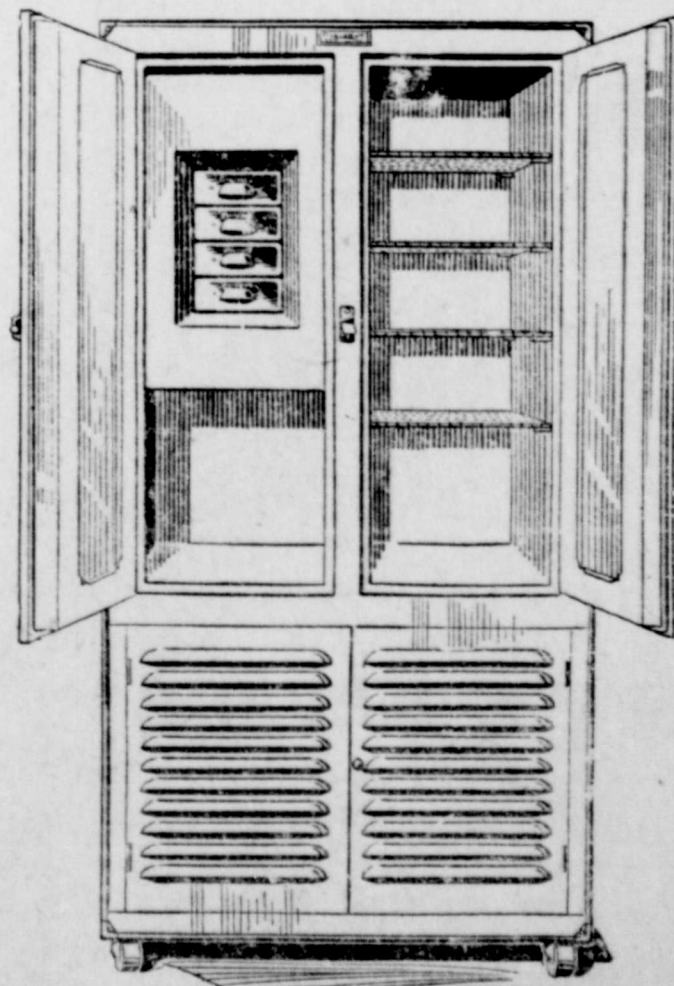
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The SANDMAN STORY

THE FLOWERS

THE flowers from the garden had been sent in a box to the city. Some one in the city who was very fond of this particular garden had received the box.

And after one box had come, many others followed along, for the first box was sent when the first flowers came out in the spring, and they followed one right after the other after that.

And oh, how the flowers from the garden did enjoy their reception when they arrived.

They were greeted so delightfully. "You dear pale lavender tulips," the lady said as she received the flowers



"The Lovely Pink and Red and Yellow Tulips."

from the garden, "how beautiful you are. You are just the color of orchids."

"And here are the lovely pink and red and yellow tulips—and here is an orange-colored one!"

"Here are the dear white lilies and their pretty soft green leaves and dear me, dear me, how even the very twigs smell so sweetly of the garden."

And then the lady saw some ferns in the bottom of the box and as she saw that the ferns were so new that they had scarcely uncurled themselves, she almost cried.

"Why ferns," she said, "I grew you when I was a little girl. And your sweet fern fragrance is so like that dark cool corner of the garden where I put you that it almost makes me cry. Happiness often makes one want to cry, ferns," she said.

And the ferns thought it was lovely of her to weep a tear or two or three, as she did, and, too, she was homesick

then, just a little, for that garden spot where it was so cool and where she had planted the ferns.

The ferns loved her tears because they thought there was nothing dearer than tears of affection. The rain was happy and the rain wept and when the rain wept the ferns were so happy for they loved tears of happiness!

Tears of happiness from the Rain King made them grow and kept them fresh and green.

Of course the plants in the house said they weren't thought so much of now as during the winter time when there were no flowers at all.

But still they couldn't complain, for on all the windy days they were still put out of the window and could drink the lovely refreshing rain water.

And Creeping Charlie grew more and more all the time, for he was so anxious to have a look at everything that he spread himself this way and that way.

The garden flowers were very much pleased, for when they first arrived they were afraid it was going to be too hot for them in the city home where there seemed to be so much heat.

But the garden flowers noticed the windows were quickly opened after they arrived and that the heat was turned off, which was surely an honor to the garden flowers.

It let them know how much they were thought of by the lady who received them.

"Oh garden flowers," she said to them, "how well I remember the garden parade of flowers, beginning in the spring and lasting all through the summer into the fall."

"And how we used to cover up the flowers in the fall with newspapers, and so the newspapers would not blow away, we fastened them down at the corners with pebbles from the garden gravel path."

"Yes, the pebbles even used to work for the garden."

"We all loved the garden, and we always will love the garden."

"And even if I cannot see the garden now all the time, I can see it once in awhile, and the flowers will be sent to me when I can't go to them."

"You travel so beautifully, dear flowers, too, you keep so fresh, and yet your journey is a long one."

And the flowers whispered in their sweet flower way:

"We would not fade for anything, for the one who sends us loves us, and the one who receives us loves us, and we want her to see us as we are!"

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Baptist Church

All regular services Sunday except the evening preaching service. On account of the sermon for the Senior class of Merkel High School at the Methodist Church Sunday evening we will not have our regular evening preaching service, but will have our B. Y. P. U. meetings at the usual time, 7 p.m.

We were gratified at the attendance last Sunday morning. There was 225 in Sunday School and many others came for the morning preaching service. These came through the mud and rain. But why not, as we all wanted it to rain, and we ought to have gratitude enough to meet together and thank the Lord for the rain.

The pastor will preach at the 11 o'clock hour and will be glad to see a full attendance of the membership and friends of the church.

The meeting with the Lamar Street church in Sweetwater closed Sunday night. There were 21 additions to the church during the meeting and many professions of conversion and reclamation. During the meeting the pastor learned to think well of the good pastor and his faithful wife. Lamar Street church is to be congratulated on their pastor. Also some of the faithful workers of the little Lamar Street church endeared themselves to us.

A warm welcome awaits you in our services. Strangers and visitors in Merkel will find a welcome and a home atmosphere in our church. Come work and worship with us.

Ira L. Parrack, pastor.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heart-felt thanks and appreciation for the many deeds of kindness and words of sympathy during the sad hour of our dear father's untimely death. Although we were strangers in Merkel, the good people here have extended us every kindness.

(Signed): Jack Raney, Rupert Raney, Elton Raney and Mrs. Anna Raney.

Dora Doings.

Rain! We have had it. Friday evening and Saturday one of the finest rains you ever saw fell here. The farmers are smiling from ear to ear and the old swimming hole is full.

Doctor says health is distressingly good at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Magee were visiting in Clyde Saturday and Sunday.

Quite a gang from here heard Thos. L. Blanton speak at Sweetwater Saturday afternoon.

Noodle ball team defeated Dora, 8 to 10 here Thursday. Our team returned the game Saturday, but was rained out after two innings.

W. C. Perry of Elm Grove was seen in this city a few days last week.

Charlie Griggs has accepted a position with the Texas School equipment company at Temple.

The High School pupils went to Butman Friday to put on the play, "Prairie Rose," but were rained out. The girls spent the night with Mrs. Sam Butman, Jr. and the boys camped in the tabernacle. All report a fine night's sleep.

Mrs. Sy Dennis, Miss Jeanette Eargle, and Mrs. Ruth Jones attended council meeting at Sweetwater Saturday afternoon.

Clyde Magee had bad luck with his car Friday night. The steering gear came out of socket and in a ditch he went, but he wasn't hurt. He couldn't get the car out of the ditch so he just left it until morning and in the meantime it rained, and next morning just the top was all that was visible.

If you don't see or hear from Dora any more for a while you will know we are working around in this hurrah grass trying to locate that stalk of cotton that we know is there somewhere. Nance.

Mr. and Mrs. John White of Fort Worth were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Shaw of route four, last week. Mr. White and Mr. Shaw were old friends in Ellis county years ago, and had not seen each other for twenty years.

Church of Christ

I will preach at the North Side Church of Christ next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

Sunday School at 10 a.m. Come be with us at each service.

W. G. Cypert.

T. A. Holler, of Coleman, was a guest of his sister, Miss Addie Holler, a few days this week.

Mrs. O. R. Rodden is now able to be up and about after several weeks confinement from an appendix operation. This will be good news to her many friends.

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WALLACE BEERY TELLS HOW TO TURN IN A FIRE ALARM

Wallace Beery, new chief of the Paramount Fire Department, recently issued his revised instructions on "How to Operate a Fire Alarm Box." Beery's job came simultaneously with his new role as Elmer in "Firemen, Save My Child," a new Edward Sutherland-roaring comedy orgy coming to the Queen Theatre on Monday and Tuesday. Wally tried the new rules on Raymond Hatton, his team mate in the picture, with perfect results. Ray didn't laugh at one of them so Wally knows they're funny.

Rule 1:—After breaking glass do not stick cut finger in mouth. Raw meat makes even tame animals wild.

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Rule 2:—Take hold of large hook and pull it down once. Do not jiggle it. To do so may make central operator angry and she'll tell you to put the fire out yourself.

Rule 3:—Upon giving alarm immediately leave corner where box is located. Run as fast as you can away from vicinity of fire. If you hang

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CHEVROLET PRODUCTION INCREASING MONTHLY

Detroit, Mich., May 17.—Assurance that production of the Chevrolet Motor Company this year would top by a wide margin the million units built a year ago was felt here today with the announcement by W. S. Knudsen, president and general manager, that April was the third consecutive month this year to set a new all-time monthly production record for the manufacture of gear shift cars.

Chevrolet volume for the month just ended, Mr. Knudsen announced, was 135,832 cars and trucks—an increase of more than 20,000 over the 111,939 units built in the same period a year ago and more than twice the output in April, 1925. Of the April volume this year, more than 100,000 units were required for the domestic market, Mr. Knudsen said.

Not only did April set a new record for the month, but it topped by 2,000 units the output for March, 1928, which was the previous high month. March also was 17,000 units in excess of February, 1928, which in turn had exceeded all previous performances in the history of the company.

Combining the output of these three months with the 32,000 Bigger and Better Chevrolets built for display purposes in December, and the 91,000 turned out in January, the total output of new 1928 models up to May 1 was in excess of half the entire output in 1927. With eight months remaining in the year, optimism everywhere abounded in the Chevrolet organization that the year's output would shoot well beyond the million car mark.

The record volume achieved to date, and the bright outlook for the future, show the measure of confidence placed in the company by the millions of people now driving Chevrolets, Mr. Knudsen pointed out. He asserted that this good will factor is Chevrolet's greatest asset and puts the company under obligation to maintain the standards of quality which the public has so overwhelmingly accepted, thus making possible the new production marks now being set.

In addition to the high figures already hung up so far this year, still higher records are possible, Mr. Knudsen said. He pointed out that the fifteen great Chevrolet factories are operating on a schedule for the present month that may carry them be-

yond the high volume attained in April. This would be possible, Mr. Knudsen explained, because the capacity of the other Chevrolet plants was increased in April by a new assembly plant opened at Atlanta, Ga., with a peak capacity of 100,000 cars a year.

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Mrs. G. F. Wood returned last week from a very pleasant visit with relatives in California. Mrs. Wood's many friends will be glad to learn that she has greatly improved in health since her departure for California.

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After a visit with their mother, Mrs. J. C. Calvert, and other relatives, Mesdames F. H. Latham and John T. Morgan left for their homes in Dallas Tuesday, accompanied by their niece, Miss Anna Lou Russell, who will spend the summer in Dallas.

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Mr. Peek's investigations have been made with artificial lightning at pressures of as high as 3,500,000 volts. These man-made flashes have been used on small models of buildings. However, confirmation of his discovery was obtained by studying a natural electrical storm that occurred in New York last summer, and during which the New York World building was struck. Though this building is close to the Woolworth tower, and is in the 1,100-foot circle around its base that is protected, the dome of the World building extends for about 100 feet outside the cone, and that is the reason that it was struck, explains Mr. Peek. If it had been 200 feet closer to the Woolworth building, it would have been protected.

Practical application of these experiments, says Mr. Peek, has already been made in California, in safeguarding oil storage tanks from lightning. Several tall rods, placed outside the big reservoirs, provide overlapping cones of protection and reduce the danger to a minimum.

Some Vision

Philadelphia, Pa.—Eddie Rickenbacker foresees three-day trips to Europe within three years, six super-highways 400 feet wide from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast and airplane fields on decks above railway yards.

New Rustless Wheat on Market in 1929

St. Paul, Minn.—With only 125 bushels of the seed available, the Minnesota agricultural experiment station will not market its new rust-resistant wheat until 1929.

Andrew Boss, director of the station, says the present supply will be planted in 1928 under conditions that will insure still greater development and that seed likely will be made available to Minnesota farmers in 1929.

The new wheat is a cross between Marquis, the standard bread wheat of the Northwest, and the durum durum. It is highly resistant to rust and at the same time of good milling quality. When offered for seed it likely will cost 25 per cent more than ordinary wheat.

Few Ranked Voltaire in Passage of Wit

Leon Treich, indefatigable searcher in the French Bibliotheque Nationale's forgotten nooks, came upon some moldy sheets of paper recently that upon close examination turned out to be verbatim reports of some of Voltaire's conversations.

Here are two short translations. After the first production of Oedipus, some young seigneur stepped familiarly on the shoulder, saying: "That was first rate, Voltaire!" The poet replied: "To you I am Monsieur Voltaire!" To which the noble shot back: "Do not forget there is a big difference between you and me!" "Certainly," came Voltaire, "I carry my name and you drag yours."

Ramond came to visit him once, "I have no less than eighty-three bodily ailments," shouted Voltaire to his visitor, "I have just counted them up."

Ramond noticed the table loaded with pious works by famous church fathers, with strips of note paper sticking out everywhere. "Ah," said Ramond, "you have read the fathers, after all!" "Yes," replied Voltaire, "I have read them, monsieur, but believe me, I will make them pay for it."—Exchange.

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"I see where a scientist says the earth weighs more in the winter time," says Observing Olivia, "and probably that explains why it seems to be so popular with coal dealers."

How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON

ORIGIN OF THE CAB

IT HAS been said that the taxicab, once indulged in as a luxurious form of conveyance, has come now to be regarded by almost all classes as quite the proper way to get from one place to another. And it is a fact that the taxi has become so common that one can hardly conceive of a time when there was no such accommodation. That time, however, was not very long ago and in tracing back for the origin of the public cab we find an interesting circumstance.

The taxi, of course, is simply the motor applied to the horse-drawn cab whose original name and that by which it is still known all over Europe is the "fiacre." And here we find the strange and colorful circumstance of a public cab named after a saint—the French martyr, St. Fiacre! It came about in this way:

St. Fiacre was the patron saint of gardeners and the owner of a hotel in the Rue Saint-Martin in Paris which had a statue of the saint over the door called his place the "Hotel de Saint Fiacre." An enterprising fellow, this hotel keeper was the first to introduce, in the year 1640, public vehicles which his guests could hire or leaving his hostelry. Obtainable nowhere else, the cabs came to be called "fiacres" and the name has survived to this day. Its modern improvement, the "taxi," is so-called from the taxi meter which records the charges for the distance run.

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With each room of Wall Paper, we sell at regular price, we will sell you another room of same price, for \$1.00

With each Rocking Chair we sell for \$5.00 or more, we will sell one Maple Cane seat Rocking Chair for \$1.00

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