

THE HEDLEY INFORMER

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HEDLEY, DONLEY COUNTY, TEXAS, MARCH 23, 1928

NO 19

Parke Davis Kreso Dip No. 1

5 gallons	..	\$6 50
1 gallon	..	1.50
1 2 gallon	..	.85
1 quart	..	.50
1 pint	..	.30

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Financial Statement of the

First State Bank

HEDLEY, TEXAS

at close of business February 28, 1928

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts.....	\$83,884 77
Overdrafts.....	935 06
Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,041 44
Other Real Estate.....	7,900 38
Int. and Assmt Guar. Fund.....	4,129 31
Other Resources.....	486 25
Cotton Acceptances.....	184 75
Commercial Notes.....	6,000 00
CASH.....	146,968 76
Total.....	\$261,530 72

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock.....	\$ 25,000 00
Undivided Profits.....	7,872 80
DEPOSITS.....	218,657 92
Total.....	\$251,530 72

The above statement is correct.

CLIFFORD ALLISON, Cashier

The First State Bank
HEDLEY, TEXAS

HOW BAD WAS THE DROUGHT? READ THIS

In making a summary of crop figures for the past year we are caused to wonder what has become of the pessimistic crape hangers who last summer offered to wager that Hedley wouldn't get 500 bales of cotton.

Hedley gins have turned out 9,625 bales up to this time, and several more bales to be ginned yet. This cotton classed higher in grade on average than any crop raised in this community heretofore. In one shipment from a local gin 98 out of 100 bales were classed at the port as good middling, and several shipments running almost as good.

Local grain men have shipped and have on hand about eighty cars of feed, and the holdover on the farms is more than ample for local use.

A crop which has brought more than a million dollars into our small territory is not a bad one, and here's hoping for another just as good.

Mrs. W. I. Rains was brought home Wednesday of last week from the Amarillo hospital, and continues to improve slowly but steadily. Her family and many friends are rejoicing that she is recovering from an illness so severe and long continued.

J. D. HUDSON

Hedley friends deeply sympathize with Mrs. L. M. Justice in the death of her father, J. D. Hudson, Wednesday of last week at his home in Dallas. All the information available at present is contained in the following short notice from Thursday's Dallas News:

Jefferson Davis Hudson, 66, a resident of Dallas for the last ten years, died Wednesday at a Dallas hospital. He was relief agent for the Texas & Pacific Railroad and lived at 406 North Windomere avenue. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary C. Hudson, two daughters, Mrs. P. J. Willifield of Houston and Mrs. L. M. Justice of Hedley, and two brothers, C. C. Hudson of Thornton and Will Hudson of Lolita. The body was sent to Kosse Thursday for burial. He was a member of the Tyler Street Methodist Church.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Justice, Wednesday, March 21, a fine twelve pound boy baby. Congratulations.

Go to DADDY NIPPER'S Candy Kitchen & Filling Station

for your Gas, Oils, Candies
Cold Drinks
SCHOOL SUPPLIES
Cakes, Canned Goods, Groceries
CHEAP PRICES

We Will Charge Your Radio Batteries for 25 cents. All our work guaranteed.

We do all kinds of welding. Bring in your old plow points; we'll make them new. We weld anything. Now is the time to get those plows together, and if they are broke let us put them in shape. Don't throw them away.

HEDLEY MOTOR COMPANY

LEGION TO SPONSOR JUNIOR BALL TEAM

The American and National Leagues have donated \$50,000 to the American Legion for the organization of boys baseball teams to participate in the "Junior World Series."

The Adamson-Lane Post will organize a team of boys to enter this tournament. Any boy whose seventh birthday comes after January 1st, 1929 will be eligible to try out for the team.

There will first be a district tournament, and the winner of this tournament will have rail road fare paid to the regional tournament. The winner of the regional tournament will have all expenses paid to the sectional tournament, and the winners of the two sectional tournaments will engage in the Junior World Series. Winners of the Junior World Series will have all expenses paid to the World Series between the American and National League champions next fall.

I HAVE FOR SALE—A good kitchen cabinet, a good library table, two rockers, two mattresses, and other things too numerous to mention. See them at the H. A. Bridges home.

Mrs. D. Bilderback.

Reid Chilcoat, of Hedley Drug Co., was called to Carter, Okla., Monday by the serious condition of his grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Falfer, who has been ill several months. Mrs. Falfer died Tuesday and was buried Wednesday at Carter. We expect data for a more extended article in next week's paper.

Bring In Your Watches

and Clocks, Sewing Machines, Victrolas, Spectacles, and have them fixed.

Thirty years experience.

All Work Guaranteed
N. M. BALDWIN
Shop in Kendall's Store

Miss Pauline Pickett sustained rather severe injury to her arm and shoulder in the basket ball game at Dublin last week. Although she was hurt during the first quarter of the game, she continued to play it through. She went to Amarillo for an X-ray examination, and we understand is getting along all right.

John W. Fitzjarrald CHIROPRACTOR

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PHONE 21

TERRELL NURSERY CO. TERRELL, TEXAS

We are now in Hedley, by the side of The Informer office, with a line of Nursery stock for sale:

Peach Trees, 10c up.
Plum Trees, 15c up.
Cherry Trees, 25c
Apples and other trees in proportion.
Pecan Trees, paper shells, 50c to \$1 each.

Two year old Roses, 25c each.
Ornamental Shrub Bushes at half price.

Hedge Bushes, 5c each.
This stuff is all fresh from the Nursery.

Cut prices on everything taken in large quantities. Be here until Saturday evening only.
J. L. Martin.

The J. A. Pirtle family were in Wichita Falls from last Friday to Sunday, visiting Mrs. Pirtle's mother, Mrs. Alia Lightsey, who is ill there. We are glad to hear that she is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tims were visitors to Lamesa last Sunday. They went to take home Mr. Tims' sister, Mrs. Betty Williams, who had been visiting them about six weeks.

EGGS—Pure bred to lay Barred Rock Eggs, 50c for 15.
M. J. Smith

POSTED NOTICE

This is to again notify the public that the Kinslow farm is posted according to law, and no more hunting or trespassing on this land will be tolerated. In spite of numerous warnings, a few persist in this practice. In future all hunters and trespassers on this land will be vigorously prosecuted. Parents will do well to warn their boys.
G. E. Kinslow.

AUCTION SALE

of Household Goods at my home in Hedley Saturday, March 24. If you need some household goods, come to this sale.
Mrs. S. L. Adamson.

Subscribe for The Informer.

Baby Chicks! Baby Chicks!

TWO BIG HATCHES A WEEK!
Our Chicks are BRED TO LAY and we Trap-Nest to prove it.

We offer S. C. White Leghorns, Thompson Ringlet Barred Rocks, R. C. Rhode Island Reds, and a limited amount of White Wyandottes. Our Prices range from \$12.50 to \$35.00 per hundred.

MEMPHIS POULTRY FARM
I. W. Thomason & Son, Owners

Financial Statement of

Security State Bank

HEDLEY, TEXAS

at close of business February 28, 1928

RESOURCES

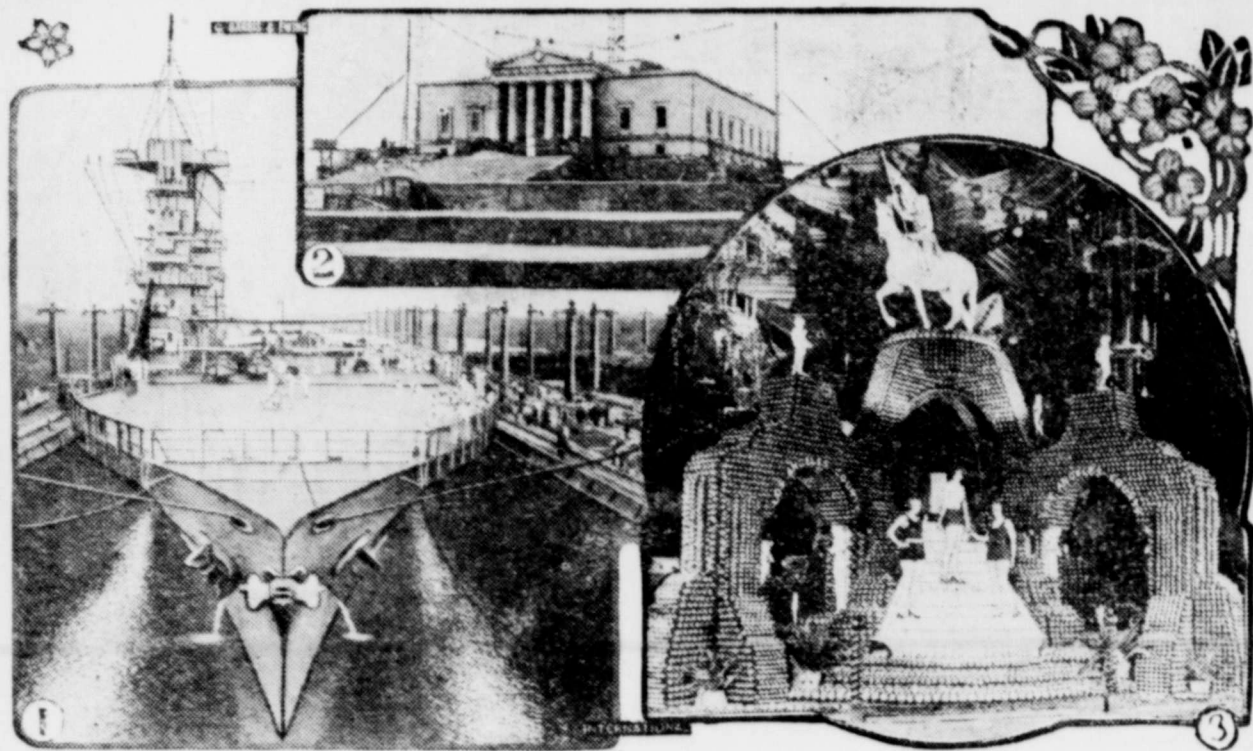
Loans.....	\$67,090 88
Overdrafts.....	247 69
Interest Guaranty Fund.....	492 30
Banking house, Furniture and Fixtures.....	6,300 00
Other Real Estate.....	11,500 00
Stocks and Bonds.....	1,100 00
Acceptances, Cotton.....	778 82
Bankers Acceptances and Commercial Paper.....	50,607 48
CASH.....	66,221 30
Total.....	\$204,338 47

LIABILITIES

Capital.....	\$25,000 00
Surplus and Profits.....	12,974 85
DEPOSITS.....	166,363 62
Total.....	\$204,338 47

The above statement is correct. J. W. NOEL, Cashier

SECURITY STATE BANK
HEDLEY, TEXAS



1—United States airplane carrier Saratoga just scraping its way through the Gatun locks of the Panama canal. 2—National orange show in San Bernardino, Calif., Va., nearing completion. 3—Los Angeles county's beautiful booth at national orange show in San Bernardino, Calif., Va., nearing completion. 3—Los Angeles county's beautiful Masonic memorial to George Washington near Alexandria.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Triumph of Hughes in Pan-American Conference—Klan Drops Mask.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

CHARLES EVANS HUGHES and his fellow delegates to the Pan-American conference have returned from Havana covered with glory, for they—and especially Mr. Hughes—obtained from the gathering practically everything that their government wanted, and the troublesome question of American intervention was postponed for five years with small chances that it will then be revived in the form it took at Havana. Probably the most beneficial result attained was the removal of misunderstanding among American countries. Just before the conference closed Mr. Hughes by a brilliant speech brought into line with the United States all the delegates except Doctor Pueyrredon of Argentina, who had been forced to resign, and Gustavo Guerrero of Salvador, who utterly lost his fight against intervention.

The accomplishments of the conference include: Establishment of the principle of compulsory arbitration for the settlement of inter-American disputes, except those pertaining to the sovereignty and independence of nations in purely domestic problems.

A Pan-American union convention, placing that body on a permanent basis and permitting the members to have special representatives on the governing board instead of diplomats regularly accredited to Washington.

A treaty on the rights and duties of neutrals in event of war.

A commercial aviation convention open to the signature of all countries.

A treaty placing aliens abroad on the same footing as nationals.

A treaty establishing the right of asylum, to which the United States entered formal reservation.

A treaty providing for international cooperation for the suppression and prevention of revolutions in each other's territories.

Adoption of a Pan-American sanitary code.

A convention on maritime neutrality, the United States entering a reservation to the clauses forbidding the arming of merchantmen for defense in time of war.

A code of private international law dealing with the judicial status of persons, marriage and divorce. The United States declined to participate on constitutional grounds.

SUBJECTED to determined attacks, direct and indirect, in many localities, the Ku Klux Klan has dropped its mask and changed its name. An edict issued by Hiram W. Evans of Atlanta, imperial wizard, read:

"After midnight February 22 it will be unlawful for any clansman to wear any mask or visor as part of his regalia, and any clansman who shall be unavoidably absent from the meeting to be held February 22 shall as soon thereafter as possible attend a regular meeting and there become a member of the Knights of the Great Forest."

Simultaneous ceremonies were held in every "klavern" and it was impressed on the members that the order henceforth has no political ambitions for itself or for its members. It was announced that "in the main there is to be no change from the ordinary customs of the Klan. Klansmen ignoring the edict will suffer punishment."

Attorney General Arthur Gilliom of Indiana asserted that he would proceed with his suit to have the Klan declared bankrupt and to have its officials restrained from further activities in that state.

SENATOR JIM REED of Missouri in his pre-convention speaking tour which opened at Dallas, Texas, Monday, is living up to expectations in that he is seeking to minimize or suppress altogether the issue of prohibition. His slogan is "Turn the pascals out," and he proposes to keep

the federal power within constitutional limits, to abolish government by boards and bureaus, to equalize the burdens of taxation, to repeal all laws creating special privileges, and to dismiss the "vast army of spies, snoopers, sneaks and informers."

It is generally agreed that efforts to suppress prohibition as an issue will fail, perhaps in both the Democratic and the Republican conventions. The leaders of dry organizations were preparing for a conference February 25 at which plans were to be laid to force both parties to include dry planks in their platforms, and the wets will be correspondingly determined, especially the Democratic supporters of Al Smith, who has made his position fairly clear. There is even some talk of again putting forward William Gibbs McAdoo as a dry Democratic candidate, despite his renunciation of that ambition. Anti-Smith activity in the South seemed to be increasing, despite the fact that Mayor Jimmy Walker of New York was down there admittedly fostering sentiment in favor of the governor. In the Northwest Smith was gaining many friends, especially after winning in the South Dakota caucuses.

Ohio primaries are a matter of prime interest to the Republican leaders, and there, too, the prohibition question raises its head in the contest between Hoover and Willis. The state Anti-Saloon league seemed to be in a quandary, since it has always heretofore endorsed Willis and yet probably does not wish to be put in the position of classing Hoover as a wet. The Mississippi valley Southern states were keenly interested in the stand Hoover would take before the senate committee considering flood control legislation.

Replying to the Borah quiz, Mr. Hoover in rather platitudinous phrases declares himself a dry and calls the Eighteenth amendment a "great social and economic experiment."

The gossip in Washington was that Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, Charles D. Hilles and William M. Butler would form a "big three" combination that might dictate the selection of the Republican candidate. It is believed they will respectively control unimpaired delegations from Pennsylvania, New York and Massachusetts, the total being 208 delegates, or nearly one-fifth of the number in the Kansas City convention.

UNLESS his appeal is successful, Harry F. Sinclair, the oil magnate, will have to spend six months in jail. Justice Siddons of the District of Columbia Supreme court found him and three associates guilty of criminal contempt, sustaining charges against them involving them in obstruction of justice by jury shadowing in the Teapot Dome conspiracy trial of last fall. Justice Siddons, besides giving Sinclair the jail term, sentenced Henry Mason Day to four months in jail, William J. Burns to 15 days in jail and W. Sherman Burns to pay a fine of \$1,000.

Justice Bailey of the same court upheld the right of the senate to arrest Robert W. Stewart of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana for refusal to answer questions.

The senate oil committee, in its efforts to determine how much of the Continental Trading company's \$3,080,000 profits found its way to the Republican national committee, questioned a number of bankers from various cities. The committee had already found that at least \$75,000 of the Liberty bonds involved was used to pay off a note of the Republican party at the Empire Trust company in New York.

GREAT BRITAIN sprung a surprise at the opening session of the security commission of the League of Nations in Geneva. Lord Cushenden, who succeeded Lord Cecil in the league, told the delegates the British government would support the Finnish proposal calling for financial support for nations attacked without provocation, believing that to be one of the most practical ways to prevent war. Cushenden also endorsed "the application of the Locarno treaties in other areas." In both instances this was a complete change of front by the British. Boris Stein, the Russian observer, submitted the soviet government's plan for disarming the world by sinking navies, disbanding armies and destroying airplanes and munitions within a period of four years.

In place of the League of Nations the soviets propose that all international relations shall be controlled by permanent commissions which would enforce their decisions through a special land and water police service by "nonmilitary pressure." For internal protection each nation would be allowed a small police force carefully restricted as to armament. The soviet plan is long and exhaustive and the security commission found it could not be dismissed without consideration.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER RAY LISS of the destroyer Paulding and Lieutenant Commander R. N. Jones of the submarine S-4, the latter of whom lost his life in the collision of the two vessels, were held jointly responsible for the disaster by the naval court of inquiry. The court also found that Rear Admiral Frank M. Brumby, commander of the control force, including all submarines on the Atlantic, had failed to contribute "the sound judgment and intelligent guidance expected from an officer of his experience," during the time he was in full charge of salvage operations. Therefore, it recommended that Admiral Brumby be detached from command of the control force.

The court's principal findings provoked so much criticism that Secretary of the Navy Wilbur ordered the court reconvened for "the purpose of setting forth with completeness its reasons on which the opinions and recommendations as to the two commanding officers and Admiral Brumby are based." Until the court's final report is submitted Secretary Wilbur will not take any action.

BERT HINKLER, Australian aviator, completed his solo flight from England to Australia in a light plane with folding wings, in 15 days. His expenses, including food, fuel and accommodations, were only \$250, or about 2 cents a mile. Hinkler established five new records, and Robert Horne, former chancellor of the exchequer, declared his flight "out-classed Colonel Lindbergh's achievement."

Lindbergh helped boost the air-mail service by leading a squadron of mail planes from St. Louis to Chicago, changing planes several times en route. The amount of mail carried by the planes broke all records. The colonel then flew to Detroit, where it was reported that he and Major Laupheimer, flight commander at Selfridge field, might be connected with a new air transportation project between New York and Chicago, with Itasca, Buffalo and Detroit as terminals. The rumor was not verified.

MUSSOLINI'S new electoral law was approved by the Italian council of ministers. It abolishes the party system, disestablishes the democratic basis of law making and reduces the chamber of deputies to a consultative body of experts without political functions. The law will become operative as soon as it is ratified by the present chamber.

FOLLOWING the action of the house before the holidays, the senate has passed the alien property bill. Provision is made for the return of alien property seized in war time, for the payment of compensation for German ships, patents, and a radio station, and for the financing of the payment of awards of the mixed claims commission to American citizens.

RECOGNIZING as permissible "some discrimination intended to encourage agriculture," the Supreme court of the United States has upheld the Kentucky co-operative marketing statutes which have been the model for similar legislation in 42 states and which were attacked as unconstitutional because of being class legislation.

REPRESENTATIVE W. R. GREEN of Iowa was appointed by President Coolidge as judge of the Court of Claims, and is succeeded as chairman of the house ways and means committee by Representative Hawley of Oregon. This is likely to have an important bearing on tax legislation, for while Mr. Green has supported the administration in most matters he has differed with Secretary Mellon on a number of issues, notably the repeal of the estate tax.

SMART SILK AND SATIN HATS; ENSEMBLE FOR THE JUVENILES

YES, there is no lack of interest in fashions for immediate wear, and as for straws there is a whole list of them looked for the future, which includes sisal, bakon, yedda, pallatson, ballbunt, leghorn, tuscan and any number of other exotic types. These do not, however, cover the entire millinery situation. There are, for instance, the new flower toques and other snug hats all of flowers, which will be accompanied with a shoulder

season. Each of the two models shown here flaunt a touch of gay color, the one to the left through a designing of chenille embroidery. Gold and silver beads enliven the caplike shape to the right.

Well, "look who's here!"—little daughter dressed up in an ensemble which is about as "ritzy" as one could hope to see on cunning Miss Seven-to-Ten or thereabout. The ensemble vogue is, this season, very im-



Hats for Immediate Wear.

portant in the juvenile realm. And why shouldn't it be? It is practical for mother and big sister—and it is, very—why should not the rule work both ways, for old and young? And it does.

The attractive ensemble in this picture is a gray cashmere (gray is fashionable for everybody this season) suspender dress with blouse and coat lining, also alternate plaits in the skirt of red, blue and white print silk. The trimming on the perky little hat is of the identical silk as enters into the compose of the frock.

It is really amusing how little folks are following in the lead of the grown-up mode. There's this idea of the matching hat, for instance. Advance showings place special stress on hats which are either made of or trimmed with the identical silk print of the blouse, hat or scarf as the case may be.

There is no doubt but what the ensemble mode is very practical for children. Wee folks are so notional for them it is first too warm then too cold or the reverse. That is why a little coat to match the dress will prove not only a joy but a source of protection and comfort to whimsical little girls who will be taking keen

bouquet to match. Every woman will yield sooner or later to their temptation.

But what of the present moment? Well, have you taken note of the charming colorful little hats of fallie silk or ribbon, which are the very thing to "bridge over" from the winter chapeau to the summery straw or flower bonnet?

There is that something about these dainty silk hats which expresses the "sweetly feminine" in terms of utmost refinement. They always bespeak a "well dressed" appearance. Perhaps it is their coloring which is so alluringly feminine.

The most striking fallie hats are so because of their supreme simplicity. The three modish chapeaux at the top of the picture convey the idea. Their coloring is their chief asset. The tight toque to the left is in that lovely new "dusty" almond green which so suggests spring in its delicacy. The fallie silk is tucked in groups of three as you see. Tiny rhinestone buttons have been placed two by two in a double tier at the right side.

Silverwing gray fallie ribbon is interwoven in a skillful manner for the making of the center hat. The ca-



An Attractive Ensemble.

bochons at the side are reddish in tone.

For the third fallie model, the modiste chooses a lovely rose beige shade, accenting the mod to the head effect by means of fitted half-circular sections which are sunray-tucked at the front.

Contrasting the colorful fallie types are those styled of black satin, for which there is a continued favor this

delight in whisking their matching wraps "off again, on again" in a jiffy.

Mothers, too, will find the ensemble idea much to their liking when it comes to making clothes for the little folks. A remnant of this kind of material and a remnant of a smart ensemble.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY
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24 Hours Ends COLDS

A "common cold" may result in grippe or flu. At the very first sign, go to a drug store and get a box of HILL'S. Take promptly. HILL'S breaks up a cold in 24 hours because it does the four vital things at once—stops the cold, checks the fever, opens the bowels and tones the system. Red box, 30 cents.

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12 Days' Free Trial

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It is quickly absorbed and you can rub it in often and expect results more speedily. Get it at any drug-gist in America.

Use Joint-Ease for sciaton, lumbago, sore, lame muscles, lame back, chest colds, sore nostrils and burning, aching feet. Only 60 cents. It penetrates.

FREE Send name and Address for 12-day trial tube to Pope Laboratories, Desk 2, Hallowell, Maine.

Joint-Ease

Philosopher's Death

Socrates, the famous Greek philosopher, in 39 B. C., was accused of impiety (the introduction of new gods) and of corrupting the youth. He defended himself in a famous speech which enraged rather than conciliated his judges. He was condemned and drank hemlock in his prison surrounded by his disciples.

Well to Remember

"Fame is a bubble," quoted the Wise Guy. "Nevertheless it is just as well to let somebody else do your blowing for you," suggested the Simple Mug.

Man sets up the drinks and the drinks upset the man.

The BABY



Why do so many, many babies of today escape all the little fretful spells and infantile ailments that used to worry mothers through the day, and keep them up half the night?

If you don't know the answer, you haven't discovered pure, harmless Castoria. It is sweet to the taste, and is sweet in the little stomach. And its gentle influence seems felt all through the tiny system. Not even a distasteful dose of castor oil does so much good.

Fletcher's Castoria is purely vegetable, so you may give it freely, at first sign of colic; or constipation; or diarrhea. Or those many times when you just don't know what is the matter. For real sickness, call the doctor, always. At other times, a few drops of Fletcher's Castoria.

The doctor often tells you to do just that; and always says Fletcher's. Other preparations may be just as pure, just as free from dangerous drugs, but why experiment? Besides, the book on care and feeding of babies that comes with Fletcher's Castoria is worth its weight in gold!

Children Cry for



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LIGHT CRUST FLOUR
and SUPERIOR SEEDS**

A large stock of fresh, Quality goods
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PHONE 93

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The community has no greater asset than the church. It conserves the good, comforts the sorrowing, nourishes the weak, consoles the troubled, brightens the way, warns against the rocks, cries out concerning the pitfalls and lurking serpents, encourages all the worth while virtues, and leads to Christ, humanity's only Savior.

We are in a series of special services. W R Holder of Africa and Mrs Berta McNasters of Fort Worth brought great messages Tuesday evening. Evangelist Jasoeer Bogue is bringing a message worth while to the people of Hedley. Let all the people come together to sing, pray, worship, meditate, and squarely face the opportunities and blessings of the church.

NEATSFOOT OIL

—the Oil your Harness and other Leather Goods need. A fresh supply just received. \$1.25 per gallon. Come and get it.

A L Wall.

Word has come from J. A. Tollett at DeQueen, Ark. that his father passed away there last Sunday night. Mr Tollett had been called to his father's bedside several days earlier. We sympathize with him and other loved ones in this bereavement.

NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an Election has been called in the City of Hedley, Texas, on the first Tuesday in April, 1928, the same being the 3rd day of April 1928, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and five (5) Aldermen to serve the City of Hedley for the coming year.

By order of the City Council
A Vinyard, Mayor of the City of Hedley, Texas
W H Moffitt, City Secretary.

Mr. and Mrs J Claude Wells of Memphis were in Hedley a short while Tuesday afternoon and paid the Informer office an appreciated visit.

FOR SALE—BALED HAY.
See E L Mevis,
Giles, Texas.

A N Wood was here Tuesday afternoon from Clarendon.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas.
To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Donley County—Greeting:

These are to require you to summons all persons interested in the estate of Buena V Perrine, deceased, by causing a copy of these to be published in some newspaper in your county at least ten days before return date hereof, notifying them that Abe Vinyard, administrator of said estate, has filed in the County Court of Donley County his report for the year 1927, and including a report of the acts of M. O. Barnett deceased, preceding administrator for the year 1926, and said report will be heard on the 2nd day of April, 1928.

Now, therefore, these are to require all persons interested in said estate to be then and there present and contest said report, if they desire so to do.

Of this notice you will make due return, showing how you have executed the same before the return date hereinabove mentioned.

Witness my hand and seal of said court at office in Clarendon, Texas, this 6th day of March, 1928.

Lottie E Lane,
[Seal] Clerk County Court,
Donley County, Texas
By Helen Wiedman,
Deputy.

APPRECIATED COMPLIMENT

The following appreciated letter has been received from the winners of the basket ball tournament here some days ago:

Memphis, Texas, March 13

Dear Miss McWhorter and Girls:

How are you? We have a feeling of high regard for your health and welfare. You will never know how you endeared yourselves in our hearts because of your sportsmanship. I want to take this opportunity, too, to thank you and Hedley people in general for your hospitality to us. We wish that we may always be friends, though athletic rivals. It is a pleasure to be rivals to such a group as yours are. I attribute much of the lovely spirit to the teachings of a good ladylike, high-minded coach. We wish you success in the Dublin meet.

Sincerely,
Neville Wrenn and Girls.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

6 sets of harness, 2 cultivators
1 lister, 5 wagons, 2 go devils
20 head of good work stock—
mules, mares and horses. Cash
or good note.

J T. Curtis

**NOTICE OF ELECTION
OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**

Notice is hereby given that an Election will be held in Hedley, Texas, on the first Saturday in April 1928, the same being the 7th day of April, 1928, for the purpose of electing three (3) Trustees for the Hedley Independent School District to serve for a term of two years.

W I Raina,
President Board.
J B Masterson, Secretary.

Merle Peninger of Amarillo was a visitor in Hedley a few days the past week.

CHICKENS! CHICKENS!

Star Parasite Remover will keep them free of worms and destructive insects, in better health and producing more eggs.

BABY CHICKS

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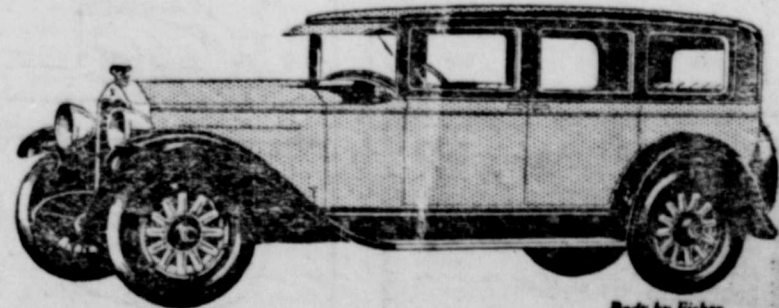


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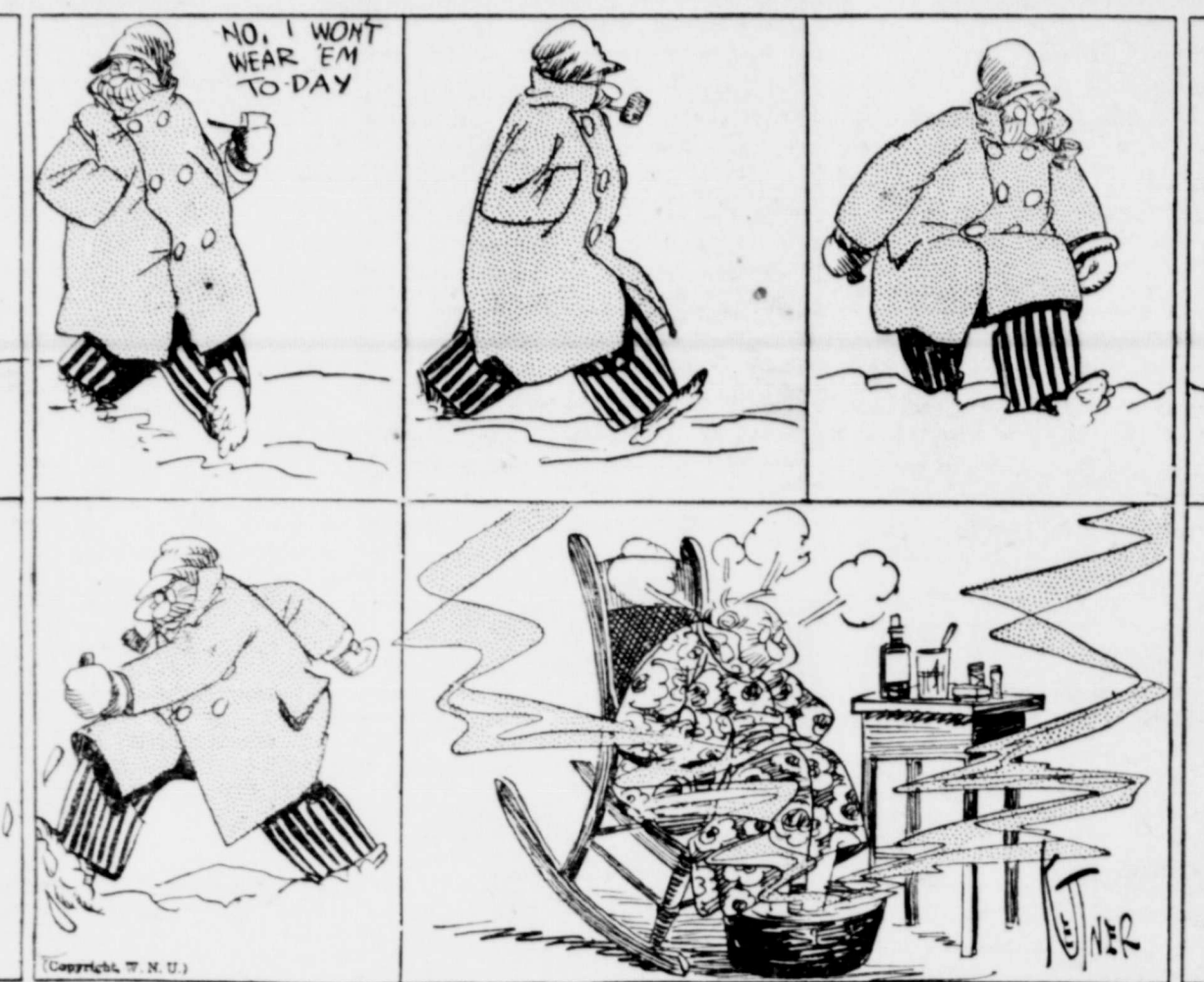
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THE BAT

CHAPTER VII—Continued

"Was it here?" Miss Cornelia's voice came muffled from the head of the stairs.

Dale considered. "Come down a little," she said.

Miss Cornelia descended another step.

"How's this?"

"That's about right," said Dale, uncertainly. Miss Cornelia was satisfied.

"Lights, please." She went up the stairs again to see if she could puzzle out what course of escape the man who had shot Fleming had taken, after his crime—if it had been a man.

Dale switched on the living room lights, with a sense of relief. The reconstruction of the crime had tried her sorely. She sat down, to recover her poise.

"Doctor! I'm so frightened!" she confessed.

The doctor at once assumed his best manner of professional assurance.

"Why, my dear child!" he said lightly. "Because you happened to be in the room when a crime was committed?"

"But he has a perfect case against me," sighed Dale.

"That's absurd!"

"No."

"You don't mean?" said the doctor, against Dale looked at him with horror in her face.

"I didn't kill him!" she insisted anew. "But—you know the piece of blue-print you found in his hand?"

"Yes," from the doctor, tensely.

"There was another piece of blue-print—a larger piece—"

"I tore it from him just before—"

The doctor seemed greatly excited by her words. But he controlled himself swiftly.

"Why did you do such a thing?"

"Oh, I'll explain that later," said Dale, tiredly, only too glad to be talking the matter out at last, to pay attention to the logic of her defenses.

"It's not safe where it is," she went on, as if the doctor already knew the whole story. "Billy may throw it out—or burn it without knowing—"

"Let me understand this," said the doctor. "The butler has the paper now?"

"He doesn't know he has it. It was in one of the rolls that went out on the tray."

The doctor's eyes gleamed. He gave Dale's shoulder a sympathetic pat.

"Now don't worry about it—I'll get it," he said. Then, on the point of going toward the dining room, he turned.

"But—you oughtn't to have it in your possession," he said thoughtfully. "Why not let it be burned?"

Dale was on the defensive at once.

"Oh, no! It's important—it's vital!" she said decidedly.

The doctor seemed to consider ways and means of securing the paper.

"The tray is in the dining room?" he asked.

"Yes," said Dale.

He thought a moment, then left the room by the hall door. Dale sank back in her chair and felt a sense of overpowering relief after her whole body, as if new life had been poured into her veins. The doctor had been so helpful—why had she not confided in him before? He would know what to do with the paper—she would have the benefit of his counsel through the rest of this troubled time.

Behind her, mockingly, the head of the settee lifted, cautiously until, if she had turned, she would have just been able to perceive the top of its skull.

CHAPTER VIII

The Blackened Bag

As is chanced, she did not turn. The hall door opened—the head behind the settee sank down again. Jack Bailey entered, carrying a couple of logs of firewood.

Dale moved toward him as soon as he had shut the door.

"Oh, things have gone awfully wrong, haven't they?" she said, with a little break in her voice.

He put his finger to his lips.

"Be careful!" he whispered. He glanced about the room, cautiously.

"I don't trust even the furniture in this house tonight!" he said. He took Dale's hand in his arms and kissed her once, swiftly, on the lips. Then they parted—his voice changed to the formal voice of a servant.

"Miss Van Gorder wishes the fire kept burning," he announced, with a whispered "Play up!" to Dale.

Dale caught his meaning at once.

"Put some logs on the fire, please," she said loudly, for the benefit of any listening ears, then in an undertone to Bailey, "Jack—I'm nearly distracted!"

Bailey threw his wood on the fire, which received it with appreciative crackles and sputterings. Then again for a moment, he clasped his sweet-heart closely to him.

"Dale, pull yourself together!" he whispered warningly. "We've got a fight ahead of us!"

He released her and turned back toward the fire.

"These old-fashioned fireplaces eat up a lot of wood," he said in casual tones, pretending to arrange the logs with the poker so the fire would draw more cleanly.

But Dale felt that she must settle

one point between them before they took up their game of pretense again.

"You know I sent for Richard Fleming, don't you?" she said, her eyes fixed beseechingly on her lover. The rest of the world might interpret her action as it pleased—she couldn't bear to have Jack misunderstood.

But there was no danger of that. His faith in her was too complete.

"Yes—of course—" he said, with a look of gratitude. Then his mind reverted to the ever-present problem before them. "But who in God's name killed him?" he muttered, kneeling before the fire.

"You don't think it was—Billy?" Dale saw Billy's face before her for a moment, calm, impassive. But he was an Oriental—an alien—his face might be just as calm, just as impassive while his hands were still red with blood. She shuddered at the thought.

Bailey considered the matter.

"More likely the man Lizette saw going upstairs," he said finally. "But I've been all over the upper floors."

"And—nothing?" breathed Dale.

"Nothing," Bailey's voice had an accent of doubt finally. "Dale, do you think that—"

Some instinct warned the girl that they were not to continue their conversation uninterrupted. "Be careful!" she breathed, as footsteps sounded in the hall. Bailey nodded and turned back to his pretense of mending the fire. Dale moved away from him slowly.

The door opened and Miss Cornelia entered, her black knitting bag in her hand, on her face a demure little smile of triumph. She closed the door carefully behind her and began to speak at once.

"Well, Mr. Alopelea—Uriclarla—Ru beola—otherwise Bailey," she said, in tones of the greatest satisfaction, addressing herself to Bailey's right back. Bailey jumped to his feet mechanically at her mention of his name. He and Dale exchanged one swift and hopeless glance of utter defeat.

"I wish," proceeded Miss Cornelia—obviously enjoying the situation to the full, "I wish you young people would remember that even if hair and teeth have fallen out at sixty—the mind still functions."

She pulled out a cabinet photograph from the depths of her knitting bag.

"His photograph—on your dresser?" she chided Dale. "Burn it and be quick about it!"

Dale took the photograph but continued to stare at her aunt with incredulous eyes.

"Then—you knew?" she stammered.

Miss Cornelia, the effective little tableau she had planned now accomplished to her most humorous satisfaction, relapsed into a chair.

"My dear child," said the indomitable lady, with a sharp glance at Bailey's bewildered face, "I have employed many gardeners in my time—and never before had one who murdered his finger-nails, wore silk socks and regarded baldness as a plant instead of a calamity."

An unwilling smile began to break on the faces of both Dale and her lover. The former crossed to the fireplace and threw the damning photograph of Bailey on the flames. She watched it shrivel, curl up—be reduced to ash. She stirred the ashes with a poker till they were well scattered.

Bailey, recovering from the shock of finding that Miss Cornelia's sharp eyes had pierced his disguise without his even suspecting it, now threw himself on her mercy.

"Then you know why I'm here?" he stammered.

"I still have a certain amount of imagination! I may think you are a fool for taking the risk, but I can see what that idiot of a detective might not—that if you had looted the Union bank you wouldn't be trying to discover if the money is in this house. You would at least presumably know where it is."

The knowledge that he had an ally in this brisk and indomitable spinster lady cheered him greatly. But she did not wait for any comment from him. She turned abruptly to Dale.

"Now I want to ask you something," she said, more gravely. "Was there a blue-print, and did you get it from Richard Fleming?"

"It was Dale's turn now to bow her head."

"Yes," she confessed.

Bailey felt a thrill of horror run through him. She hadn't told him this!

"Dale!" he said, incomprehendingly. "Do you see where this places you? If you had it, why didn't you give it to Anderson when he asked for it?"

"Because," said Miss Cornelia, uncompromisingly, "she had sense enough to see that Mr. Anderson considered that piece of paper the final link in the evidence against her!"

"But she could have no motive!" stammered Bailey, distraught, still falling to grasp the significance of Dale's refusal.

"Couldn't she?" queried Miss Cornelia, pityingly. "The detective thinks she could—to save you!"

Now the full light of revelation broke upon Bailey. He took a step back.

Miss Cornelia would have liked to comment tartly upon the singular lack of intelligence displayed by even the nicest young men in trying circumstances. But there was no time. They might be interrupted at any moment—and before they were, there were things she must find out.

A Novel from the Play

By Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood

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"Where is that paper, now?" she asked Dale sharply.

"Why—the doctor is getting it for me," Dale seemed puzzled by the intensity of her aunt's manner.

"What?" almost shouted Miss Cornelia. Dale explained.

"It was on the tray Billy took out," she said, still wondering why so simple an answer should disturb Miss Cornelia so greatly.

"Then I'm afraid everything's over," Miss Cornelia said despairingly, and made her first gesture of defeat. She turned away. Dale followed her, still unable to fathom her course of reasoning.

"I didn't know what else to do," she said rather plaintively, wondering if again, as with Fleming, she had misplaced her confidence at a moment critical for them all.

But Miss Cornelia seemed to have no great patience with her dejection.

"One of two things will happen now," she said, with acrid logic. "Either the doctor's an honest man—in which case, as coroner, he will hand that paper to the detective—"

Dale gasped. "Or he is not an honest man," went on Miss Cornelia, "and he will keep it for himself. I don't think he's an honest man."

The frank expression of her distrust seemed to calm her a little. She



"You Don't Think It Was—Billy?"

resumed her interrogation of Dale more gently.

"Now, let's be clear about this. Had Richard Fleming ascertained that there was a concealed room in this house?"

"He was starting up to it!" said Dale, in the voice of a ghost, remembering.

"Just what did you tell him?"

"That I believed there was a hidden room in the house—and that the money from the Union bank might be in it."

Again, for the millionth time, indeed, it seemed to her, she reviewed the circumstances of the crime.

"Could anyone have overheard?" asked Miss Cornelia.

The question had rung in Dale's ears ever since she had come to her senses after the firing of the shot and seen Fleming's body stark on the floor of the alcove.

"I don't know," she said. "We were very cautious."

"You don't know where this room is?"

"No, I never saw the print. Upstairs somewhere, for he—"

"Upstairs! Then the thing to do, if we can get that paper from the doctor, is to locate the room at once."

Jack Bailey did not recognize the direction where her thoughts were tending. It seemed terrible to him that anyone should devote a thought to the money while Dale was still in danger.

"What does the money matter now?" he broke in somewhat irritably.

"We've got to save her!" and his eyes went to Dale.

Miss Cornelia gave him an ineffable look of weary patience.

"The money matters a great deal," she said, sensibly. "Some one was in this house on the same errand as Richard Fleming. After all," she went on, with a tinge of irony, "the course of reasoning that you followed, Mr. Bailey, is not necessarily unique."

She rose.

"Somebody else may have suspected that Courtleigh Fleming robbed his own bank," she said thoughtfully. Her eye fell on the doctor's professional bag—she seemed to consider it as if it were a strange sort of animal.

"Find the man who followed your course of reasoning," she ended, with a stare at Bailey, "and you have found the murderer."

"With that reasoning, you might suspect me!" said the latter a trifle touchily.

Miss Cornelia did not give an inch.

"I have," she said. Dale shot a swift, sympathetic glance at her lover

—another less sympathetic and more indignant at her aunt. Miss Cornelia smiled.

"However, I now suspect somebody else," she said. They waited for her to reveal the name of the suspect but she kept her own counsel. By now she had entirely given up confidence if not in the probity at least in the intelligence of all persons, male or female, under the age of sixty-five.

She rang the bell for Billy. But Dale was still worrying over the possible effects of the confidence she had given Doctor Wells.

"Then you think the doctor may give this paper to Mr. Anderson?" she asked.

"He may or he may not. It is entirely possible that he may elect to search for this room himself! He may even already have gone upstairs!"

She moved quickly to the door and glanced across toward the dining room, but so far apparently all was safe. The doctor was at the table, making a pretense of drinking a cup of coffee, and Billy was in close attendance. That the doctor already had the paper she was certain; it was the use he intended to make of it that was her concern.

She signaled to the Jap, and he came out into the hall. Beresford, she learned, was still in the kitchen with his revolver, waiting for another attempt on the door, and the detective was still outside in his search. To Billy she gave her order in a low voice.

"If the doctor attempts to go upstairs," she said, "let me know at once. Don't seem to be watching. You can be in the pantry. But let me know instantly."

Once back in the living room the vague outlines of a plan—a test—formed slowly in Miss Cornelia's mind, grew more definite.

"Dale, watch that door, and warn me if anyone is coming," she commanded, indicating the door into the hall. Dale obeyed, marveling silently at her aunt's extraordinary force of character. Most of Miss Cornelia's contemporaries would have called for a quiet ambulance to take them to a sanatorium some hours ere this—but Miss Cornelia was not merely, comparatively speaking, as fresh as a daisy—her manner bore every evidence of a firm intention to play Sherlock Holmes to the mysteries that surrounded her, in spite of doctors, detectives, dubious noises or even the Bat himself.

The last of the Van Gorder spinsters turned to Bailey now.

"Get some soot from that fireplace," she ordered. "Be quick. Scrape it off with a knife or a piece of paper. Anything."

Bailey wondered and obeyed. As he was engaged in his grimy task, Miss Cornelia got out a piece of writing paper from the drawer and placed it on the center-table, with a lead pencil beside it.

Bailey emerged from the fireplace with a handful of sooty flakes.

"Is this all right?"

"Yes. Now rub it on the handle of that bag." She indicated the little black bag, in which Doctor Wells carried the usual paraphernalia of a country doctor.

A private suspicion grew in Bailey's mind as to whether Miss Cornelia's fine but eccentric brain had not suffered too sorely under the shocks of the night. But he did not dare disobey. He blackened the handle of the doctor's bag with painstaking thoroughness and awaited further instructions.

"Somebody's coming!" Dale whispered, warning from her post by the door.

Bailey quickly went to the fireplace and resumed his pretended labors with the fire. Miss Cornelia moved away from the doctor's bag and spoke for

the benefit of whoever might be coming.

"We all need sleep," she began, as if ending a conversation with Dale, "and I think—"

The door opened, admitting Billy. "Doctor just go upstairs," he said, and went out again leaving the door open.

A flash passed across Miss Cornelia's face. She stepped to the door. She called.

"Doctor! Oh, Doctor!"

"Yes?" answered the doctor's voice from the main staircase. His steps clattered down the stairs—he entered the room. Perhaps he read something in Miss Cornelia's manner that demanded an explanation of his action. At any rate, he forestalled her, just as she was about to question him.

"I was about to look around above," he said. "I don't like to leave if there is the possibility of some assassin still hidden in the house."

"That is very considerate of you. But we are well protected now. And besides, why should this person remain in the house? The murder is done, the police are here."

"True," he said. "I only thought—"

But a knocking at the terrace door interrupted him. While the attention of the others was turned in that direction Dale, less cynical than her aunt, made a small plea to him and realized before she had finished with it that the doctor had his price.

"Doctor—did you get it?" she repeated, drawing the doctor aside.

The doctor gave her a look of apparent bewilderment.

"My dear child," he said softly, "are you sure that you put it there?"

Dale felt as if she had received a blow in the face.

"Why, yes—I—" she began, in tones of utter dismay. Then she stopped. The doctor's seeming bewilderment was too pat—too plausible. Of course she was sure—and, though possible, it seemed extremely unlikely that anyone else could have discovered the hiding place of the blue-print in the few moments that had elapsed between the time when Billy took the tray from the room and the time when the doctor ostensibly went to find it. A cold wave of distrust swept over her—she turned away from the doctor silently.

Meanwhile Anderson had entered, slamming the terrace door behind him.

"I couldn't find anybody!" he said in an irritated voice. "I think that Jap's crazy."

The doctor began to struggle into his overcoat, avoiding any look at Dale.

"Well," he said, "I believe I've fulfilled all the legal requirements—I think I must be going." He turned toward the door, but the detective halted him.

"Doctor," he said, "did you ever hear Courtleigh Fleming mention a hidden room in this house?"

If the doctor started, the movement passed apparently unnoticed by Anderson. And his reply was coolly made.

"No—and I knew him rather well."

"You don't think, then," persisted the detective, "that such a room and the money in it could be the motive for this crime?"

The doctor's voice grew a little curt. "I don't believe Courtleigh Fleming robbed his own bank, if that's what you mean," he said with nicely calculated emphasis, real or feigned. He crossed over to get his bag and spoke to Miss Cornelia.

"Well, Miss Van Gorder," he said pecking up the bag by its blackened handle. "I can't wish you a comfortable night, but I can wish you a quiet one."

Miss Cornelia watched him silently as he turned to go, she spoke.

"We're all of us a little upset, naturally," she confessed. "Perhaps you could write a prescription—a sleeping powder or a bromide of some sort."

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Women of Old Egypt Had Many Privileges

When the Rosetta stone was found in 1799 and historians were enabled to give the world a picture of ancient Egyptian life many were astounded at the station held by women in the time of Rameses II. The Egyptian daughter of that time inherited from her parents an equal share with her brothers; as a wife she was the real and very active mistress of the house. In fact, many records indicate that the husband was little more than her guest, a writer in the Kansas City Times comments. She went and came as she liked, talked with whom she pleased without anyone daring to question her actions, went among men with an uncovered face and adorned her face and form with all the liberty displayed by her kind today.

Her gown was a smart short frock cut décolleté, her lips were tinted and her cheeks were powdered, her eyes were coquettishly emphasized and to

her hair dresser she went once every ten or twelve days. If she was the wife in a family in average circumstances she rose at daybreak, prepared breakfast, sent the men off to the workshop or their business, sent those children more than eight years old to school and the younger ones to drive the geese or cattle to pasture and then occupied herself with household duties for the rest of the day. The women of the higher social scale seem to have done little except to lavish time and attention on their persons that they might appear to advantage in their strolls and visits abroad.

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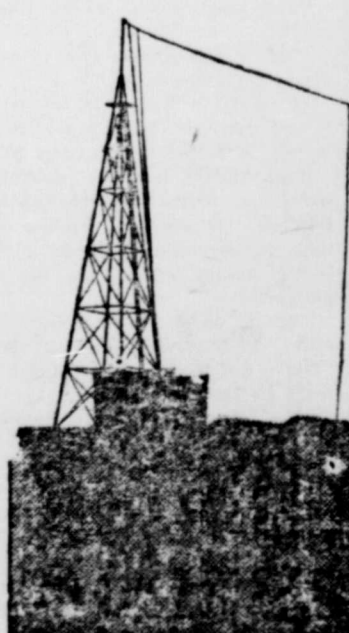
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By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Justice's Court Precinct Two, Donley County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 30th day of January, A. D. 1928 in favor of J. M. Stephens Grocery against Ed Bellamy, Number 1477 in such court, I did on the 15th day of March A. D. 1928, at 10 o'clock levy upon the following described property as the property of Ed Bellamy:

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And on the 3rd day of April, 1928, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash all the right, title and interest of the said Ed Bellamy in and to said property. Dated this 15th day of March, A. D. 1928.

W. A. Pierce, Sheriff of Donley County, Texas
By W. L. Crane,
Deputy.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harvey S. Firestone, Junior, now in the African jungles, today broadcasted the first message sent from the special radio station recently erected on the Firestone rubber plantation in the interior of Liberia, on the West Coast of Africa. The message was received at a similar station on the roof of the Firestone factories at Akron, Ohio.

This marks a new era of communication with the interior of inaccessible countries. Heretofore, the method used was to send foot messengers through jungle trails, taking days to get in touch with the outside world. Broadcasting by radio direct from one continent to another thus gives the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. a great advantage in developing its million acres of rubber lands that were secured from the Liberian government. Although these properties are located over 5,000 miles from the Firestone headquarters at Akron, Ohio, it will now be possible to send reports every day by radio from the Liberian plantations to Akron.

100,000 Acres Laid Out
Mr. Firestone, Jr., has been in Liberia since early January. In his first report by radio today, he said that the Liberian government officials were enthusiastically cooperating with Firestone in the company's great undertaking to make Liberia one of the important rubber-growing countries of the world. Mr. Firestone said that during the first year two 50,000-acre plantations had been laid out, one on the Du river and the other 150 miles south of the Du on the Cavalla river.

Firestone engineers in the same time had constructed over 75 miles of roads and had built and established headquarters on the two plantations, with housing facilities for the resident staffs of 118 Americans. Power plants for the development of electric power, light and refrigeration had been built, as well as hospitals and trade stores for the benefit of the Americans and also to supply the needs of the 15,000 natives who are employed in clearing the jungles and planting rubber trees.

1,500,000 Trees Planted
During the past year, according to Mr. Firestone's first radio report, over 1,500,000 rubber trees have been planted on a total of over 15,000 acres of cleared jungle lands. This is a record in rubber plantation work. It is the largest number of trees set out and acres planted by any single company in the same length of time. And Mr. Firestone stated that the rate of progress in clearing land and planting rubber trees is being constantly increased.

Mr. Firestone reported that the steamship sent over for service had been placed in commission along the Liberian coast and is now linking up the Firestone plantations and the coast towns of Liberia. He expressed the hope that Firestone will soon have its own vessels operating directly between New York and Liberia, making the Atlantic passage in less than two weeks. When this is done, it will not only give Firestone an advantage of from two to five weeks in time as compared with other rubber-growing countries, but will also greatly reduce the cost of transportation.

Teach Natives Trades
Great progress in the development of the Firestone trade schools was also reported. Mr. Firestone said that the natives were very anxious to learn trades and instruction in the Firestone trade schools are being given to mechanics, blacksmiths, carpenters, electricians, automobile mechanics, sanitary en-

gineers, soil experts and foresters. Now that the Liberians, for the first time in the history of the country, have a system of good roads, they are suddenly becoming enthusiastic about motor transportation, and they all want to ride in automobiles, trucks or tractors. As a result, Monrovia, the capital of Liberia, has established a traffic squad to police the traffic on its principal streets. When the Firestone company went into Liberia, there were no roads in the country, and only one automobile. This was owned by the President of Liberia, who had very little occasion to use it because of the absence of good roads.

When Mr. Firestone arrived at the Du river plantation, he was greeted as the "Great White Chief" by many thousands of Firestone native employees who had erected a great arch of leaves and ferns at the entrance of the property and lined the road on both sides as he drove through eleven miles of the plantation to headquarters.

\$5,000,000 Loan to Liberia
Mr. Harvey S. Firestone, Sr., has successfully arranged a \$5,000,000 loan in America for the Liberian government. This places Liberia on a firm financial basis, and permits the development of roads, schools and public buildings. The 118 Americans comprising the Firestone technical staff are helping to organize the 2,000,000 or more native Liberians and give them remunerative employment which had not been hitherto available in their own country. The natives are proving very adaptable and willing to work in an organized way. This has made possible the clearing and planting of such a large acreage during the past year and has undoubtedly had a very appreciable effect in the recent reduction in the price of crude rubber.

European newspapers have carried many articles deriding Firestone for going into Africa to plant rubber. They claimed the soil was poor for rubber growing and that the natives would not work. The British government now realizes that Firestone's Liberian enterprise is anything but

a folly. It is conceded by everybody that Firestone has made the greatest rubber development ever accomplished by any single company in the same length of time. Liberia confronts the British and Dutch rubber growers as an increasingly important competitor. And now the British Parliament is seriously considering the question of abandoning or at least modifying the rubber restriction policy.

The British colonies in the Middle East have vigorously expressed themselves along this line. Ceylon has voted to abandon rubber restriction entirely. In Singapore, Straits Settlements, 47 out of 72 rubber growers have voted to abandon rubber restriction or to modify it so, it would not be effective. When Premier Baldwin brought up the question of modifying rub-

ber restriction in the British Parliament, rubber was selling around 42 cents a pound. Within a few weeks it dropped about 18 cents a pound. Since a variation of 1 cent a pound means a difference of over \$8,000,000 a year to American rubber buyers, the decline from 42 to 24 cents a pound will mean a saving of \$150,000,000 a year to America if the present price is maintained.

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Teddy—I have been, mother I've thought some of my thoughts twice, and some three times.

Barks in His Own Yard

"That fellow Shaw is always lecturing, preaching or scolding."
"Well, we must give G. B. credit for one thing—he stays in England to do it."

Secret Injury

A motion picture operator, back from photographing wild animals in interior Africa, recommends that form of sport on the ground that it does not inflict pain on a lion or elephant concerned. It is relatively safe, too, since taking its picture does not infuriate the animal as a bullet would do. A lion or elephant having its picture taken seldom attacks, being unable to see the picture.

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How the Useful Plants Came to Mankind

By T. E. STEWARD
W. N. U. Service

Flax

FLAX is a plant useful to man which has been under cultivation for practically as long as even the crudest type of civilization has been in existence. Of two principal varieties, one an annual and the other a perennial, the former is believed to have been brought out of the Caucasus by the Aryans when they first found their way into Europe. It is probably a native of the region south of the Caspian and the district that is now southern Europe by the Euxine, a Thracian people who invaded Europe from Asia. Annual flax grows with particular vigor on the shores of the Baltic.

The perennial type of flax, "linum angustifolium," was cultivated in northern Italy and Switzerland before the first representatives of the Aryans, whom we usually mean when we say the white race, came from southern Asia into Europe. Seeds and seed capsules found in the very ancient remains of these tribes show them to have made considerable use of flax. Later, as the annual type of flax, "linum usitatissimum," or "most useful," came to be known it was substituted for the ancient form. The perennial flax may still be found growing wild at many places in those countries that surround the Mediterranean sea, including northern Africa, Italy and Spain.

People of practically all the civilizations studied in ancient history knew and used one of the forms of flax. Egyptian monarchs wore robes woven from it and were wrapped in it when their bodies were mummified.

Flax has also been found in a tomb of Chaldea, a nation which flourished before Babylon became a great city.

The extreme remoteness of the first use of flax in prehistoric times is shown by the fact that all the ancient peoples, Celtic, Finnish, Italian and others, have names of their own for it. In the case of plants spread from one people to another it is usually possible to see the similarity in names adopted by one tongue from another.

Scientists consider it conservative to assume that flax in its different forms has been in cultivation for at least 5,000 years. Although the perennial flax was grown in Europe earlier than the annual variety, the latter is probably the older inasmuch as it was grown and used by eastern civilizations that were older than any in Europe. The common annual flax is thus a plant of Asia, coming from the region in which common belief is accustomed to place the Garden of Eden.

The Onion

WHILE the onion has been known to man for centuries and was widely cultivated before the Christian era, it does not share the extreme antiquity of the bean, of wheat, and of flax. Its introduction into the family of human foods came at least after the Indo-European peoples had split up into various groups, for there is no connection between the names for onion in Chinese, Sanskrit, Hebrew, Greek and Latin. Most botanists assume that it was found ready to hand in various places by the different peoples.

That onions were known in the ancient world is proved by many literary references, including one showing that when the Egyptians defiled one particularly succulent variety of onion the Romans had a good laugh at the expense of their neighbors on the other side of the Mediterranean sea.

Of old the wild onion probably occupied a vast area, stretching from Palestine into the Indian peninsula. The Hebrew and Sanskrit names for this vegetable are words of great antiquity, indicating that its use by them may have been of longer standing than in any other localities. Botanists have reported finding it wild more often in India and near-by regions and some reports of it in a wild state have come from as far north as the southern boundaries of Siberia. As yet there are no authenticated discoveries of wild onions in Palestine.

The true onion, *Allium cepa*, is referred to in this article. Leeks, garlic, shallot and other members of the same family have different habitats and histories and undoubtedly are referred to as wild onions in many parts of the world, but they are not the ancestors of the common vegetable of the modern garden and farm.

Garlic, like the onion, was anciently known and used, not only in Asia and by all nations around the shores of the Mediterranean, but also by the early people of western Europe and the British Isles. A variety of wild garlic is common in the northern parts of the United States and elsewhere in North America.

The true onion is believed not to have grown wild in America. Some early writers reported leeks, onions and garlic for sale in the markets of Mexico City and Peru, but there is no evidence that any of the plants so reported were *Allium cepa*, from which the true onion is derived. The likelihood is that the onion is Asiatic and was brought into the New world from Europe.

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EASY LESSONS IN AUCTION BRIDGE

By PAUL H. SEYMOUR
Author of "Highlights on Auction Bridge"
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Article Twenty-Six.

Declarer's Play of a No Trump (Continued.)

THE following deal illustrates the bidding and creating entry cards:

♠-10, 7, 3	♠-9, 6, 5, 2
♥-A, Q, 10	♥-A, J, 10
♦-6, 5, 3	♦-K, 9, 8, 5
♣-7, 6, 4	♣-8, 5

South deals and bids one no trump and all pass. West leads the four of spades. Dummy is placed on the table and declarer looks over the two hands.

He has command of every suit and so feels free to finesse against either adversary. He wants to lead both diamonds and clubs from dummy, and if the first finesses succeed he may want to lead each suit twice from there, in which case he will need four entry cards. He sees that the heart suit can be played so as to put the lead in dummy three times and he must attempt to get a fourth entry card in the diamond suit. The deal is played as follows:

1	W	N	E	S
1	..	S4	S3	S2
2	..	H14	H12	H10
3	..	D8	D3	D10
4	..	H7	H10	H8
5	..	D9	D4	D7
6	..	C2	D5	D3
7	..	S2	S7	S5
8	..	HK	HA	H6
9	..	C5	C4	C3
10	..	C10	C6	C1
11	..	S6	C8	C8
12	..	S9	C7	C9
13	..	SQ	S10	CK

Declarer makes a small slam.

The fact that declarer hopes to make an entry card in diamonds is the reason for starting that suit first. At trick 6 in leading to draw out the Ace (the only remaining diamond held by the adversaries) declarer is careful to lead the seven and retain the deuce after which dummy's six becomes an entry card.

The clubs and diamonds each require two leads from dummy and so this diamond entry card was absolutely necessary to play the hand correctly. It was used at trick 10.

The Elimination Play

This is a play which may sometimes be used to render unnecessary the risk which attends every finesse. The proper setting for it is a major tenace in declarer's hand and the possibility of eliminating two suits from both of the declarer's hands, after which the lead is thrown to senior, who is compelled to lead up to declarer's major tenace, thus assuring declarer of two tricks in it.

While the play itself is comparatively simple, it is not easy for the average player to recognize a situation where it may be used. Therefore it may be classed with the grand coup and the squeeze play as common only with the experts.

An example would be when declarer is playing a no trump and senior has opened clubs with the Ace and King, and declarer takes the third trick with the Queen. Declarer now wins three rounds of hearts and three of diamonds and the remaining cards are as follows: Senior—spades, K, 10; clubs—10, 5. Dummy has: Spades—J, 9, 5; clubs—9. Junior's cards are small and make no difference. Declarer has: Spades—Ace, queen, 7 and 3. The lead is in dummy. Declarer has seven tricks and needs two more for game. If a spade is led from dummy and the finesse taken and wins declarer will just get his game; but if the finesse loses or if he does not take it he can get only one more trick, making eight in all.

Declarer, therefore, leads the club and discards a small spade. Senior wins with his ten of clubs, takes the next trick with the five of clubs and then is compelled to lead either the King or the ten of spades. Thus declarer wins both the last two tricks securing game.

"Office" Has Various Shades of Meaning

"The office" is a remarkable and generally misunderstood institution. It is doubtful if even those who spend much of their time there know as much about it as they pretend.

To the wife of one who goes to an office, it is a place where her husband sits in an easy chair all day long reading newspapers, chatting with a good-looking stenographer and counting his money or clipping interest coupons.

To his daughter, the office is a necessary evil without which her father would be unable to supply her with new gowns and sport roadsters.

To the boy it is merely a place where people work, and that is the reason he has little use for it.

But to the one who spends many of his waking hours in the office, it may mean many things. To one it is drudgery; to another it is a relief from domestic troubles; to another it is work that becomes play because he delights in it; to another it is a negative condition of things that are neither wholly good nor wholly bad, but quite necessary in order that he may eat regularly; to still another it is a place in which his ambition may sprout its wings. Not so many in the last named class.—Evansville (Ind.) Courier and Journal.

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"A yellow peril" among insect pests is taking the place of a "native American" nuisance, according to O. E. Gookins of Ottawa, Kan., in an address before the meeting at Omaha of the American Association of Cereal Chemists. The once troublesome grain weevil, he said, is becoming extinct, but its decline is accompanied by the increase of the rice weevil. The two insects look very much alike, but the rice weevil can easily be distinguished because it can fly. Mr. Gookins recommended granary fumigation as a cheap and sure method of finishing off the granary weevil for good, and for combating the hordes of the rice weevil.

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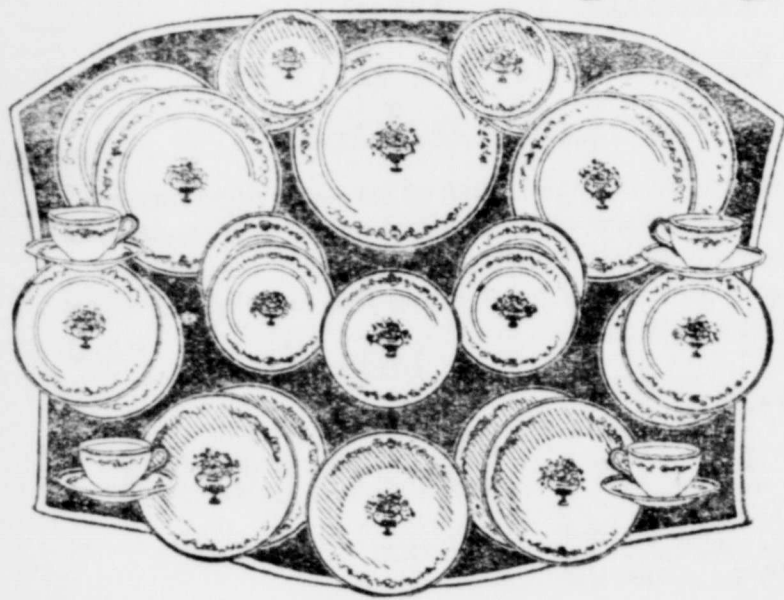
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Y. P. M. S.

met Wednesday, 21st, at Mrs.
 Masterson's, with six present
 and one new member. Had a real
 interesting Bible lesson on Abra-
 ham and Isaac.

Last Wednesday we went to
 Parker Creek and had our picnic
 and program combined. There
 were twenty of us and all report
 a big time. We are playing the
 Pollyanna game, which gives us
 lots of fun and pleasure, doing
 things for each other and trying
 to find out who our Pollyanna is.

Program for Wednesday, 28th,
 will be a Bible lesson on The
 Mountain Top Experiences of
 Jesus. Each member is urged
 to be present and be able to tell
 some one of these experiences.
 Every one bring some one with
 you. Also bring dues and a part
 of your pledge. Will meet at Mrs.
 Masterson's. —Reporter.

J. Manley Head, of the High
 School faculty, is again with his
 classes, having returned from a
 trip to Central Texas.

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—for Fresh Meal and Graham
 Flour at all times. We make
 several kinds of Chicken Feed,
 also one among the best Cow
 Feeds (It is approved by College
 Station). Try a sack and be
 convinced.

Have a limited amount of Alfalfa
 Hay to dispose of.

We are prepared to thresh any
 kind of Headed Feed or Shell
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Our Time Is Yours—take all the time you
 want to select from our choice stock of
 Groceries. We want you to be satisfied
 whether you buy 5c or \$5 worth.

Bananas, nice, large, dozen 25c

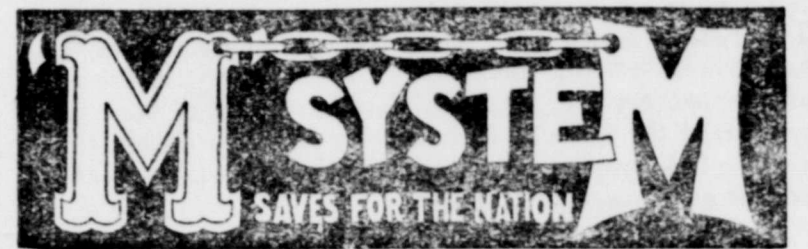
8 lb. Lard \$1.19

Lettuce large heads 7c

Yukon's Flour 48 lb. \$2.00

Made Rite, 48 lb \$1.85

**DON'T FORGET THE
 Free Groceries Saturday**



Ernest Johnson of the First
 State Bank and E. R. Nichols of
 the Hedley School faculty were
 visitors to Fort Worth the past
 week end.

SUDAN SEED—If you want
 Sudan Seed get them now while
 they're cheap.

P. H. Crozier.

Rev. C. B. Brooks has returned
 from El Paso. Mrs. Brooks will
 remain there for a while. We are
 glad to hear that her health is
 improving down there.

I now have part of the Dishes
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 Come in and get yours.

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