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PIONEER HEDLEY WOMAN IS DEAD

"Aunt Belle" Smith, long time resident of Hedley, beloved of our people, is no more. Her remains were brought to Hedley last Thursday and are now at rest in Rowe cemetery. The funeral service was held at the First Baptist Church here, conducted by Rev. S. R. McClung of Clarendon and Rev. C. B. Brooks of this city.

Failing to get data we expected, we are using the following article taken from the Amarillo Daily News of Dec 6:

Bringing to a close one of the most colorful careers of any Panhandle woman, death yesterday claimed Mrs. Belle Langford Smith 88, whose part in the Civil War has gone down to posterity in the annals of history.

Mrs. Smith died at 10 o'clock yesterday morning at the home of her grandson, Nat S. Perrine, local insurance man, of 813 Sunset Road.

Born in 1840, Mrs. Smith was still a young woman when the Civil War broke out. It was while she was serving as a spy in the Confederate Army that she met Colonel Nat Smith, who later became her husband. She was commended several times during the war for her bravery in the face of danger.

With her husband, Mrs. Smith was one of the pioneers of Donley county. The couple came in 1899 to what is now known as Hedley, but earlier designated as Rowe. They were the first couple to make their home in the vicinity of Hedley, and Colonel Smith was prominent in the early development of Donley county.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the Baptist church and a charter member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

She leaves two sisters, Mrs. Duna Doak of Lebanon, Tenn., and Mrs. Dappie McMillan of Nashville; a granddaughter, Rose May Smith, also of Nashville; three grandsons, W. Aubrey Smith and Erwin Weir Smith of Houston, and Mr. Perrine of Amarillo. She was the mother of the late E. J. Smith United States district attorney for East Texas, who died here three years ago.

BUILDING NEW HOMES

Let me help you finance the new home that you are figuring on building. Paying for a home on our easy terms is a great deal better for you than paying rent.
L. A. STROUD.

J. G. McDougal returned last Saturday from the old home in Mississippi, having been called there by the serious illness of a sister. We are sorry to learn that his sister remains in a critical condition. We hope for better news soon. Mr. McDougal reports his other folks in Mississippi doing all right.

WANTED—Laundry work and quilting
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Go to DADDY NIPPER'S
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Cold Drinks

SCHOOL SUPPLIES
I now have the large Cardboard
for map drawing, etc.

Cakes, Canned Goods, Groceries
CHEAP PRICES

8500 BALES COTTON GINNED IN HEDLEY

In spite of bad weather since Monday morning, Hedley gins have turned out over a thousand bales of cotton the past week. Wednesday noon the total for the season stood at 8498 bales.

The weather is all wet at the time this is put into type, and looks like it's going to stay that way, though this is NOT a prediction. We are almost willing, however, to predict that if our farmers are able to gather all the crop it's going to be the biggest one ever marketed in Hedley.

Santa Claus will be at our store Tuesday afternoon, from 4 to 5, December 18, with a gift for every child. Bring your letters.
Adams Dry Goods & Notions

FELLOWSHIP CLASS

The Young People's Class of the Methodist Church has broken the ice and paved the way for the many Christmas festivities which will be given during the holidays.

At the home of their teacher, Mrs. R. B. Adams, the crowd of young people gathered to await the arrival of Santa. Not long were they kept waiting, for Santa arrived on time. After Santa had gone various games were played.

Those present included Misses Irita Mae, Irene Beaty, Merle Tompkins, Gladys Simpson, Eula and Ola Curd, Nell and Lois Meanness, Jessie Davis, Mary Harris, Inez Barnett, Cordia Holland, Cloteal Moreman, Myrtle Mims, Jonnie Landreth, Dannie Mae Battle, Gladys Ewen; Messrs. Reid Chilcoat, Ray and Ralph Moreman, Ernest Johnson, Ansel Thompson, Pete Newman, Luke Armstrong, Wyman Williamson, Bill Harris, Bill Mobley and Frank Westberry.

BAZAAR

The ladies of the First Baptist Church will hold a Bazaar on Saturday, December 15th, at the Cooper Hotel.

Remember: Next Saturday, at the Cooper Hotel. Be there.

FARMS FOR SALE

I have four sandy land farms that I will sell on very easy terms. Long time, low interest. These farms are well worth the money that I am asking for them.
L. A. STROUD,
Hedley, Texas.

Mrs. A. A. Nipper, who has been in Milling Sanitarium at Mineral Wells for the past three weeks, is improving fine and is expected home Sunday.

JERSEY MILK COWS—Fresh and coming fresh, for sale, or will trade for dry cattle. Phone 184-L.S.
W. B. Ayers.

W. A. Luttrell, who recently returned to Hedley from Collingsworth county, has opened the North Side Garage

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HEDLEY, TEXAS

Neal's Mother Has Right Idea



Within a few months there will be no more feverish, bilious, headachy, constipated, pale and puny children. That prophecy would surely come true if every mother could see for herself how quickly, easily, and harmlessly the bowels of babies and children are cleansed, regulated, given tone and strength by a product which has proved its merit and reliability to do what is claimed for it to millions of mothers in over fifty years of steadily increasing use.

As mothers find out from using it how children respond to the gentle influence of California Fig Syrup by growing stronger, sturdier and more active daily they simply have to tell other mothers about it. That's one of the reasons for its overwhelming sales of over four million bottles a year.

A Western mother, Mrs. Neal M. Todd, 1701 West 27th St., Oklahoma City, Okla., says: "When my son, Neal, was three years old he began having constipation. I decided to give him California Fig Syrup and in a few days he was all right and looked fine again. This pleased me so much that I have used Fig Syrup ever since for all his colds or little upset spells. It always stops his trouble quick, strengthens him, makes him eat."

Always ask for California Fig Syrup by the full name and see that the carton bears the word "California." Then you'll get the genuine.

APPETITE IMPROVED . . . QUICKLY

Carter's Little Liver Pills
Purify Vegetable Laxative
move the bowels free from pain and implement after-effects. They relieve the system of constipating poisons which dull the desire for food, and they are a doctor's prescription to be taken by the entire family. **25c and 75c Red Packages.**

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FLORESTON SHAMPOO—Ideal for use in connection with Parker's Hair Balm. Makes the hair soft and fluffy. **50 cents by mail or at druggists.** Hiesco Chemical Works, Patheogue, N. Y.

Guarding Motherhood

By a new law in Ecuador woman workers are to be given four weeks' leave before childbirth and six weeks after the arrival of the baby, during which period employers shall pay half of their salary. Employers are not permitted to dismiss expectant mothers without legal reason.

Paper From Hardwood

Hardwoods from New Zealand have been successfully made into good newsprint paper at the United States forest products laboratory.



Makes Life Sweeter

Children's stomachs sour, and need an anti-acid. Keep their systems sweet with Phillips Milk of Magnesia! When tongue or breath tells of acid condition—correct it with a spoonful of Phillips. Most men and women have been comforted by this universal sweetener—more mothers should invoke its aid for their children. It is a pleasant thing to take, yet neutralizes more acid than the harsher things too often employed for the purpose. No household should be without it.

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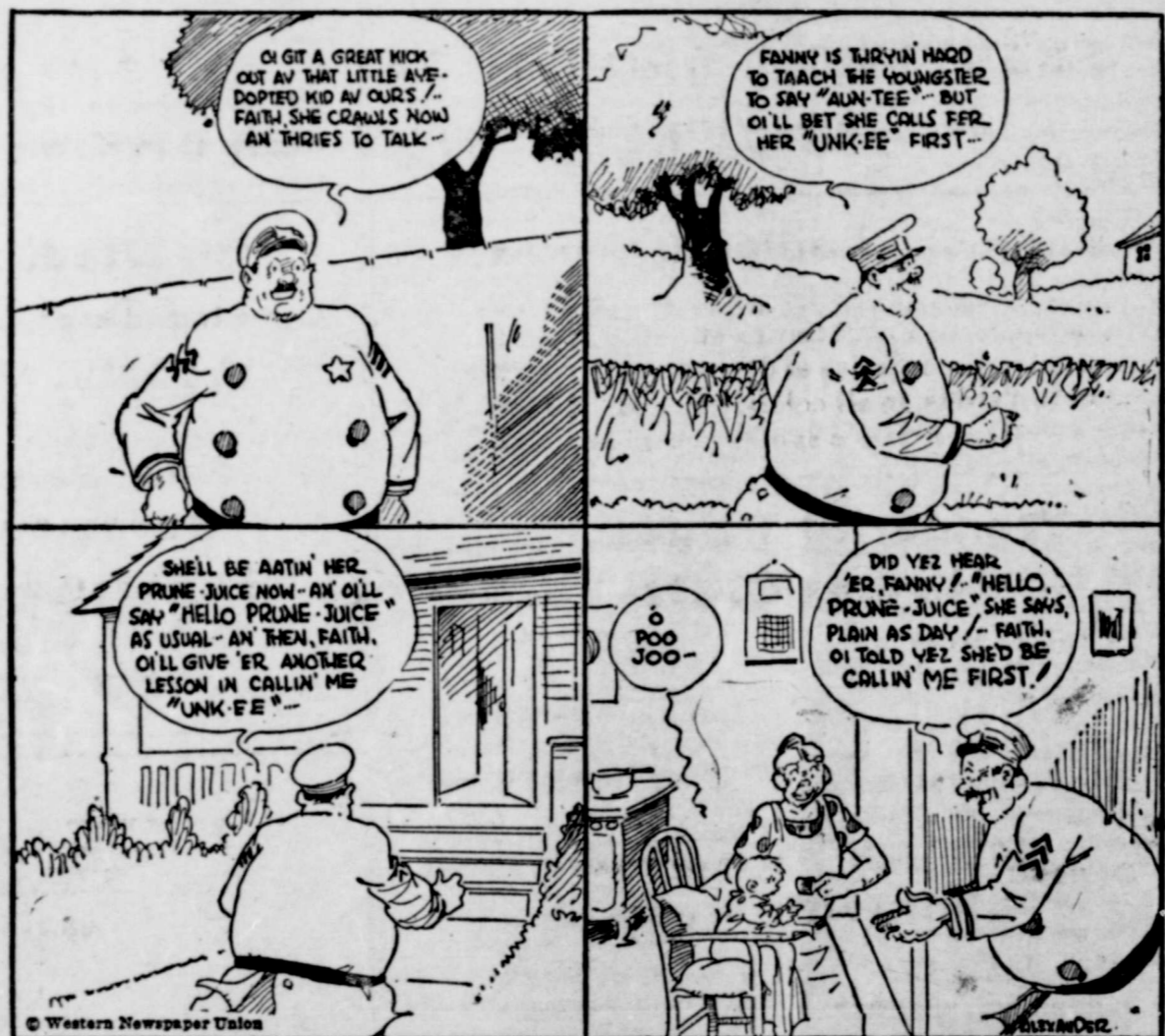
Events in the Lives of Little Men



MELANCHOLY DAYS
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FINNEY OF THE FORCE

Tadpole Names Her Uncle



THE FEATHERHEADS

This Ought to Shame Felix



What Doctors Think of the Laxative Habit



In all history, no Indian was ever known to have constipation. Nor need YOU. He chewed the bark of a tree called cascara. Today, we have the candy Cascaret.

Cascaring the bowels never forms a laxative habit. If already formed, an occasional Cascaret will usually break the habit. For cascara strengthens the muscular walls of the bowels, and their need of any aid at all grows constantly less. What other cathartic has this characteristic? The writer knows of none.

An evacuation brought gently about by cascara will, nine times in ten, be followed by full functioning of the bowels on the morrow—and for days after. For there is no REACTION as with sickening salts, or any of the man made purgatives that go through one's system like a bullet.

Physicians tell us cascara is the ideal laxative—and the tongue tells



World Languages
Two rival world languages have established institutes in Paris, and both are preparing to present their claims to the League of Nations, seeking recognition as the international tongue. The Esperanto Institute has been in operation for many years, and now comes the Novial Institute to favor the speaking of the Novial language, created by Dr. Otto Jespersen of Heidelberg. The volapuk, idio, idione neutral, occidental and latinosineflexible languages have no institutes.

STOP THAT ITCHING

Use Blue Star Soap, then apply Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, tetter, ringworm, poison oak, dandruff, children's sores, cracked hands, sore feet and most forms of itching skin diseases. It kills germs, stops itching, usually restoring the skin to health. Soap, 25c; Blue Star Remedy, \$1.00. Ask your druggist.—Adv.

Silence Preferred

"What do you think of talking pictures?"
"There are many ancient tales afloat," said Miss Cayenne. "Talking pictures are all right. But I'm glad there aren't any in the old family album."

Snowy linens are the pride of every housewife. Keep them in that condition by using Red Cross Ball Blue in your laundry. At all grocers.—Adv.

A Change for the Worst

Bob—See any change in me?
Johnny—No; why?
Bob—I just swallowed 15 cents.

Should a man be extremely home-ly, nature, again and again, makes him extremely bright.

us candy Cascarets are its ideal form. At least a million people know this; what a pity there are any who don't! Especially parents; because children love to take a Cascaret. After which, for days-on-end, the bowels will be seen to work of their own accord.

The only habit from cascara is that of regularity! Cascarets tone and train the bowels. But at the first sign of returning sluggishness another Cascaret is as effective as the first.

There isn't a druggist who hasn't Cascarets, so WHY experiment with laxatives?

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A Tonic for Pale, Delicate Women and Children. 60c.

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Long Time Ago

Morris L. Ernest, arguing before the house judiciary committee for the right of an accused man to be heard in his own defense, declared that to be an essential of any decently regulated society. "I call to your attention," he said, "that even before Adam and Eve were thrown out of the Garden of Eden they were granted a hearing."—Pathfinder Magazine.

When Cyclones Come

Expect a storm when you steal a man's thunder.—Farm and Fireside.

One can never estimate a man's salary by the work he claims to do.

10 minutes ago-



(How many people you know end their colds with Bayer Aspirin! And how often you've heard of its prompt relief of sore throat or tonsillitis. No wonder millions take it for colds, neuralgia, rheumatism; and the aches and pains that go with them. The wonder is that anyone still worries through a winter without these tablets! They relieve quickly, yet have no effect whatever on the heart. Friends have told you Bayer Aspirin is marvelous; doctors have declared it harmless. Every druggist has it, with proven directions. Why not put it to the test?)



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A Talcum Powder worthy of bearing a name that has become famous all over the world for sustained quality and purity for fifty years. You will be delighted with its fragrant, medicated efficiency as a cooling, soothing addition to your toilet, and as a sensitive, antiseptic, deodorizing protection to your skin.

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What She Really
Wants This
Christmas**



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Hotpoint Automatic
Electric Range**

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The one great gift that will make Mother happiest this Christmas, is this modern Hotpoint automatic electric range with its many amazing conveniences and time-saving features.



We show here a few of the many conveniences of the Hotpoint Electric Range. Sold on easy monthly terms.



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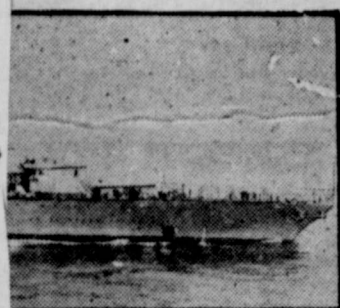
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possibly give to
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FOR PROBATE OF WILL**

No 558
The State of Texas
To the Sheriff or Any Constable
of Donley County—Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to
cause to be published for ten
days exclusive of the day of pub-
lication, before the return day
hereof, in a newspaper of general
circulation, which has been con-
tinuously and regularly pub-
lished for a period of not less
than one year in said Donley
county, Texas, a copy of the fol-
lowing notice:

The State of Texas.
To All Persons Interested in the
Estate of M. L. Raney, De-
ceased:

Mrs. C. C. Bryant has filed in
the County Court of Donley coun-
ty, Texas, an application for the
Probate of the Last Will and
Testament of said M. L. Raney,
deceased, filed with said applica-
tion, and for Letters Testamen-
tary, which will be heard at the
next term of said Court, com-
mencing on the first Monday in
January, A. D. 1929, the same
being the 7th day of January, A.
D. 1929, at the court house there-
of, in Clarendon, at which time
all persons interested in said
Estate may appear and contest
said application, should they
desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you

before said Court on the said
first day of the next term thereof
this writ, with your return there-
on, showing how you have exe-
cuted the same.

Witness Lottie E. Lane, Clerk
of the County Court of Donley
county, Texas.

Given under my hand and the
seal of said Court at office in
Clarendon, Texas, this the 7th
day of December, A. D. 1928.

Lottie E. Lane,
[Seal] Clerk County Court,
Donley County, Texas.

House Shoes with heel Don't
fail to see them and buy while
you can.

Adams Dry Goods & Notions.

Sheriff Pierce was a business
visitor in Hedley Wednesday.

**Special Christmas Sale
at the M. & M. Store, Hedley**

ON LADIES' COATS AND DRESSES

MEN'S AND BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS

**EVERYBODY SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE
PRICE REDUCTION FOR CHRISTMAS**

Special-- Ladies Dresses

\$26.75 Crepes and Satins go at **\$21.75**
16.75 Crepes and Satins go at **13.75**
10.75 Velvets, Satins and Crepes at **8.95**
19.75 Velvets, in all colors, going at **13.95**
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**Wonderful Values in
Ladies Coats**

\$36.75 Coats at **\$29.95**
26.75 Coats at **21.95**
27.75 Coats at **22.75**
24.75 Coats at **18.95**
16.75 Coats at **13.75**
One Special Lot at **\$8.50**

Children's Coats

\$6.95 Coats at **\$5.95**

Special lot of New Spring Dresses
go in this Sale at a Real Bargain
\$13.75 - \$10.75

**Big Reduction in Men's
and Boys' Suits and Ov-
ercoats, except Middishade**

**Real Values in Korrek
Serge and Pin Stripes**

\$31.50 Suits in Pin Stripes **\$27.50**
29.50 Suits in Blue Serge **25.95**

**Fancy Pattern Oxford Cloths
for you Men**

\$25.00 Suits at **\$19.75**
23.50 Suits at **18.95**
19.75 Suits at **17.75**
One Special Lot at **\$12.75**

Boys' Suits

\$ 7.95 Suits **\$ 5.95**
8.95 Suits **7.95**
10.00 Suits **8.95**
14.50 Suits **12.75**

Overcoats, **20 per cent discount**

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Special for Christmas, Silver Pep-
per and Salt Shakers, set \$1.25.

Men's Shaving Set, \$2.00.

Men's Fancy Belt Buckles, 75c.

Fancy Powder Jars and Wonder-
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Lovely Jewelry, and a wonderful
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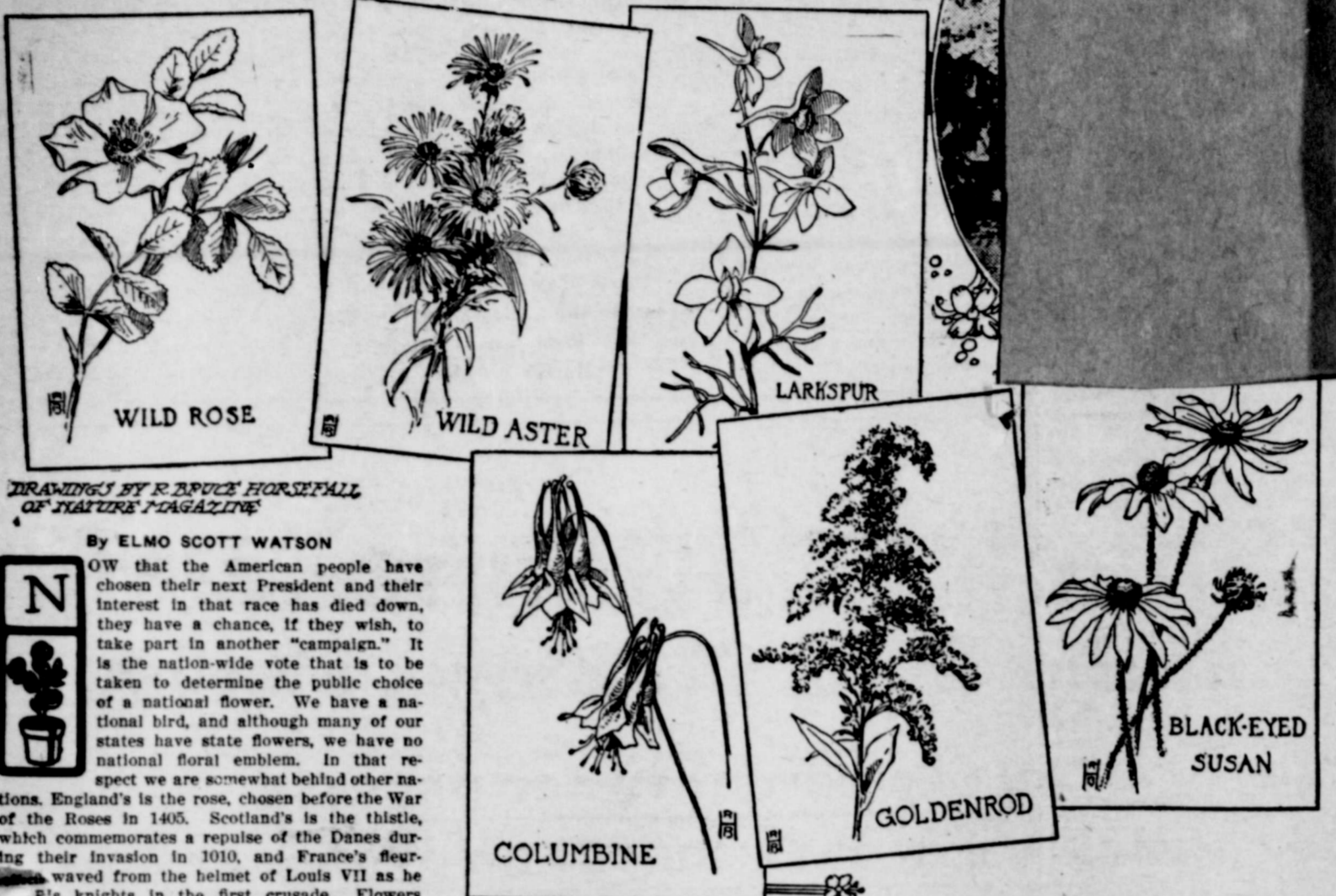
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Christmas Ties, Sox and Belts for
men and boys.

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HEDLEY M. & M. STORE TEXAS

What Shall National Flower?



Drawings by R. Bruce Horsfall of Nature Magazine

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

OW that the American people have chosen their next President and their interest in that race has died down, they have a chance, if they wish, to take part in another "campaign." It is the nation-wide vote that is to be taken to determine the public choice of a national flower. We have a national bird, and although many of our states have state flowers, we have no national floral emblem. In that respect we are somewhat behind other nations. England's is the rose, chosen before the War of the Roses in 1405. Scotland's is the thistle, which commemorates a repulse of the Danes during their invasion in 1010, and France's fleur-de-lis, which commemorates the helmet of Louis VII as he was woven into the designs and seals of the nation and because they have been rallying points for national sentiment and patriotism about all ages and among all races of civil men. It is the belief of many Americans that the United States should have a national flower.

So the American Nature association, headed by its president, Arthur Newton Pack, is sponsoring a movement to choose a national flower by a popular referendum. Once the vote of the people has been recorded, congress will be asked to make official that popular choice. Then the national flower will be used decoratively on public occasions along with the national ensign and it will spread its symbolism over national holidays, adding another link to the chain of national unity.

The present movement to choose a national flower is not the first one that has ever been made. Previous attempts, however, to choose one either by legislation or popular vote have failed to be effective. The goldenrod, now the floral emblem of five states, was chosen indecisively in 1880 as a national floral emblem but it was never widely accepted as such. In 1920 a bill was introduced into congress to make the daisy the national flower but this flower was more or less laughed out of its claim for preferment. "What! That pesky weed!" exclaimed many farmers when they heard of the proposed choice and both it and the goldenrod have been looked upon rather too disdainfully as "weeds" to allow either to be taken seriously by a majority of people.

In starting the movement for the selection of a national flower, its sponsors state that there is a "federal constitution," unwritten but understood by all, which deals with the ideal qualifications for the king of American flowers as follows: "It must bloom in all parts of the United States. It must be available at all times of the year. It must be popular with all and symbolic of the nation. It must be suitable for emblems and designs. It must radiate tradition and history through its past associations with the creators and the developers of the land."

Although a number of "candidates" are already in the field for the honor of being chosen the national flower, two of them, the goldenrod and the phlox, seem to be in the lead. It is interesting to note that a "whispering campaign" is being carried on in this, as in the race which ended November 6, and proponents of the goldenrod claim their favorite is being treated unfairly. Here are some of the "whispers" that are being used against it:

- Its pollen is supposed to cause hay fever. It is not strictly native to this continent. It has a weedy tendency, and thus is lacking in dignity befitting the national flower. It is the color of gold and if chosen will give Europeans another chance to taunt us on being "gold-diggers" and "money-worshippers." It does not have our national colors. It has already been selected by several states as a state flower. It blooms only in the fall of the year.

To refute some of these charges, this "candidate" has issued the following statement from "campaign headquarters" (the office of the Nature Magazine, official publication of the American Nature association):

I am still the king. Any other is an usurper. I cannot be exterminated, I am too strong. My waving sheaf of gold is known everywhere, and gives beautiful mass effects. Though a violent whispering campaign to the effect that I cause hay-fever has long worked against me, the intelligent electorate knows that the ragweed is to blame. Five states have proved their wisdom by choosing me—why not forty-eight?

Advocates for the selection of the phlox have brought forth the following argument for their "candidate":

- It is 100 per cent American. It is not yet a state flower. It grows wild in nearly every state in the Union. It is a handsome and showy flower. It grows in our national colors—red, white and blue. It has one variety in which the flowers are shaped like five-pointed stars. It blooms over the Fourth of July. It is a hardy perennial.

And this "candidate" has also announced its "platform" as follows:

If elected by these voters in the United States, I will promise to continue to grow in the national colors, red, white and blue. I will continue to be hardy and faithful in reproduction, so that my line will always rule.

Other "candidates" which have been mentioned

for the honor are listed by the American Nature association as follows (the letters P, B and A stand for perennial, biennial and annual, and the rest of the classification provides an idea of what the plants are like in color and height and when they may be expected to bloom as part of the garden color scheme):

- Alyssum A, white, six inches, June-October; Anemone, P, white, pink, two to three feet, September-October; Aster, A, all colors, two to four feet, September-October; Candytuft, A, white, pink, 12 inches, June; Canterbury Bells, P, blue, white, pink, three feet, June-August; Columbine, P, all colors, two to three feet, May-June; Coreopsis, P, yellow, two to three feet, June-October; Daisy (English), B, white, pink, six inches, May; Gaillardia, A, yellow, three feet, June-October; Gladiolus, A, all colors, three to five feet, July-October; Marigolds, A, yellow, brown, one-half to three feet, July-October; Nasturtium, A, yellow, orange, twelve inches, June-October; Roses, P, all colors, one to five feet, monthly; Spiraea, P, pink, white, yellow, two to ten feet, May-September; Sweet Pea, A, all colors, twelve inches, April-October; Sweet William, B, all colors, two to three feet, June-September; Zinnias, A, all colors, two to four feet, July-October.

And here are the "statements" of some of those "candidates":

The Dogwood: "What flower could hope to represent the American people as well as I? As a roadside decoration, I represent the plus ultra in beauty. I grace the indoors as well, and speaking of floral designs, what couldn't the imagination do with my four and five-petaled blossoms? As for my history—I am the state flower of Virginia."

Mountain Laurel: "There is deep significance to my star-like flowers. I grow in the thirteen original states. The pioneers loved me. I am the state flower of the American Eagle. I bloom on three national holidays—Decoration day, Flag day and the Fourth of July. My name is derived from Columbia, meaning dove, and associated with Columbus, who found this land of peace and plenty. As for mass effects and for symbolic emblems, I can say with all modesty—I stand on the brink of perfection; there is none to surpass me."

Wild Rose: "I stand on my record. I make wonderful decorative designs. I am an aristocrat—my ancestors came from Babylon, Persia and Nineveh. I have many names, such as Liberty, Columbia, General Pershing and President Wilson, that give me national standing. Who can point with pride any better than I?"

Columbine: "I am the people's candidate. I stand for unlimited looking at my flowers, and for moderate picking. You must see my thirteen-leaf lobes, and notice that when reversed, my spurs resemble the talons of the American Eagle. I bloom on three national holidays—Decoration day, Flag day and the Fourth of July. My name is derived from Columbia, meaning dove, and associated with Columbus, who found this land of peace and plenty. As for mass effects and for symbolic emblems, I can say with all modesty—I stand on the brink of perfection; there is none to surpass me."

One of the chief campaigners for the phlox is Dr. Edgar T. Wherry, a well-known geographer

Vote for a National Flower
National Flower Editor, American Nature Association, 1214 16th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.
My choice for the National Flower is.....
(If club or school voting, register number of votes for flowers taking first, second and third places.)
1st place.....No. votes.....
2nd place.....No. votes.....
3rd place.....No. votes.....
Name (school, class or club).....
City and State.....
(This ballot is from The.....)
(Name of Your Paper.)

botanist and chemist connected with the bureau of chemistry and soils at Washington. However, he has some interesting things to say about the other contenders for the honor, as follows:

Phlox and goldenrod are not precisely the only two flowers in the competition, though they are apparently the candidates most under discussion. But there are also columbines, mountain laurel and the daisy as proposed candidates. As a matter of fact, mountain laurel has powerful backing and is sure to get a lot of votes. It is the selection of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Its backers argue that it is an American plant and favor it because it grows in the 13 original states. They say that the flowers are sturdiest and that it is available for decoration at all seasons of the year. Connecticut and Pennsylvania have mountain laurel as their state flowers. But the argument against mountain laurel is that it does not grow and cannot be grown in the western half of the country, and we should not choose a national flower that is sectional.

Indiana, on the other hand, had the carnation as its state flower for a long time. It was selected by the school children and had no relation whatever to the state. It is a European flower particularly popular with Latin. For 20 years the state fostered the idea of changing it. Now Indiana has the tulip flower, but Ohio still has the carnation as its emblem.

While I personally favor phlox, I wouldn't be particularly disappointed if it were defeated and some equally attractive and appropriate flower selected. I am primarily interested in having a suitable and beautiful flower selected for the official national flower of the United States. A number of proposals of individual plants have been made, but some of the plants selected have been too restricted in range to be regarded as typifying the country as a whole.

Others, again, are not limited to nor characteristic of the United States. They are not 100 per cent American. Take the columbines (Aquilegia species) and the goldenrods (Solidago species), for instance. Least satisfactory of all are those plants which are not native to this country, in particular New England states, and the two species have become more or less naturalized in that region.

It is a handsome and showy flower, and many species are so popular that they have been brought into cultivation, and most of them have proved easy to grow, which lessens the danger of extermination of individual species which might result from the public interest sure to be attracted to a national flower.

Most important, too, phlox comes in our national colors, red, white and blue, and some of the varieties are five-pointed stars. It blooms over the Fourth of July. It is a beautiful, showy flower, a hardy perennial, and this essentially all-American flower is familiar to every one. It grows in old-fashioned gardens and in modern ones.

In justice to goldenrod, which has long been considered our national flower, but which also has been unpopular because of its association with the hay-fever curse, we wrought to absolve it from this charge.

Of course, on the other hand, goldenrod grows in every state, so it has that advantage. It does not come in our national colors, however. Goldenrod is also a European plant and grows in Germany, Scandinavia and other countries so it is not 100 per cent America, a fact that should not be overlooked.

Goldenrod does not grow except in the late summer and fall. You couldn't get it to bloom in spring, on the Fourth of July or Commencement day, just the important times in the year for a national flower, it seems to me. Goldenrod is high a place as a national emblem ought to be of finer origin. A weed hasn't the necessary dignity.

The phlox has a delicate and faint fragrance. Not the heavy, pungent odor of many flowers, but a pleasing and charming scent. And as the fact remains that at present we have no national flower and as phlox seems to fill the bill in an all-around fashion, here's hoping that it will be selected and that our next President will declare the fact of its choice by proclamation in the not distant future!

Every one—man or woman, boy or girl—is entitled to a vote in selecting the national flower and is invited to send in a ballot. Women's clubs and schools are asked to express an opinion, and it is suggested that the project would make an interesting study for the fall term. The Camp Fire girls are making their study project flowers for the winter of 1923-1924 and in connection with this work will take a national poll on the national flower and report to the American Nature association.

Between You and Me
"Common sense is the most uncommon kind of sense."
By HAROLD BELL WRIGHT

Back Stairs
"There's many a man done got himself lost tryin' to find a short cut to somewhere. A feller has sure got to be dad-burned certain of the neighborhood when he tries to get in the back way."—Preachin' Bill.

I DENY the truth of that old thread-bare maxim, "Where there's a will there's a way." I refuse to accept the assertion of those knowing ones who declare, "There is no such word as can't."

Why, most of us spend half our lives willing to attain ends that are forever beyond our reach. The rest of the time we are finding out the things which we cannot do.

Some of us never do find out that for us there is no way to certain things though our wills were strong enough to burn us in a slow fire. And between you and me, that is one reason why so many of us fail to arrive anywhere in particular.

For instance, I know a fine man who stands only about four feet, ten. If will-power could do it that lad would stretch to six feet, at least—he might not be satisfied under seven. But my friend knows there is no way, so he very wisely wastes no strength on the proposition but gives all his attention to making the most of his four feet, ten.

All the will-power in the universe would never have enabled me to sing like Caruso. I was not born with Caruso's singing machinery. Because I discovered this in time, I have wasted no ammunition shooting at that target. The world has not lost a singer because there was no singer there to lose; but I have gained a considerable peace of mind. Do you see?

Now, the chief thing which one cannot do is to accomplish anything like satisfying and enduring success by short-cut, underhand, back-stairs methods.

You remember about the fellow who, "Climbeth up some other way." "The same is a thief and a robber." Yes, I suppose a thief might be a successful thief. One might succeed.

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To have financial success that is real, one must actually own that which one possesses.

It is the person who holds no shares in Life who complains most about scanty dividends.

Make no mistake, you can't bunco Life indefinitely.

fully commit a murder. But you know the kind of success I am discussing. Please don't quibble.

I say, one either walks right up to the front door of the House of Success, rings the bell, and climbs the main stairway to the inner room or, sooner or later, is thrown out for an intruder, a sneak, or a bum.

For instance, no person ever yet climbed to real financial success by the back stairs.

Now, wait a minute! I do not say that no one ever climbed to large sums of money by the get-rich-quick stairway. But I do say that a fortune so accumulated never in reality belongs to the one who gains it—it still remains the property of those from whom it was taken.

To have financial success that is real, one must actually own that which one possesses. A dollar in your pocket would not necessarily be your dollar; it might be mine. If it were mine the fact that you carried it in your pocket would not make it yours. You might enjoy a certain cheap, uneasy, and momentary thrill by flashing the coin and pretending it was yours. But that would fall far short of what I understand by financial success. And you would soon weary of the attentions you received by such pretense.

When Fear is a guest at the banquet the host does not eat with a hearty appetite. When Dread walks arm in arm with one, Happiness and Contentment are always on the other side of the street. It is a mighty truth that to hold riches which belong to another is not to possess the treasure, but is to be possessed by it.

Yes, "pull" is another back stairway which seems to promise a way into the House of Success. In fact, the almost universal belief that one may quickly and safely sneak up to the inner room by the back stairs of Pull and Influence, is the principal reason why the steps to the front door are never crowded.

The man who, on his way to the main entrance, slips his arm through yours with a cheery, "Going up, broth-

er? Fine! So am I—come along and we will go in together"—well, that is different.

True—One may sometimes gain the second story by the back stairs of Pull. Professional porch climbers accomplish the same end. But no one could, with reason, contend that because the porch climber was in the house he was at home.

One who gains a position by Pull, must of necessity live in uncertainty and be ill at ease—never knowing when the door may be opened to show him out. Such an intruder may snatch a few pieces of silver, or bag a handful of jewels before being forced to vacate, but that is all. To feel comfortably and happily at home in the House of Success, one must be a welcome and an honored guest.

Another thing which cannot be done is to gain a welcome in the House of Success by climbing up the back stairs of Credit.

No, I am not referring to the various methods of paying one's bills from another's bank account. Many people have been fairly successful in having things charged to some one else. But, after all, when you think about it, paying a bill is only an incident in life. I am speaking of life as a whole. I am saying that one cannot accept all the good things which Life offers and have them charged as one would buy a pound of sugar or a new hat, and then dodge the bill forever.

You see, I rather suspect that there is too much watered stock in the average citizen's respectability. I think that is why some of us do not invest more heavily in humanity. When we learn to make common, every-day living worth one hundred cents on the dollar, more of us will believe that there is something in the business.

One who is credited with honesty may sell a phony jewel now and then, but one cannot continue selling glass diamonds and maintain a rating of A-1. However willing we may be to hand out fake living to our fellow-countrymen, there is no way to keep it up indefinitely.

Some even reach the point where they spend the greater part of their religious strength asking for blessings on credit. They beseech the Almighty for things which they know they do not deserve, have no right to expect, and would not rightly use if they got. The rest of the church hour is spent by the preacher giving them advice which he knows they will not follow, and asking them for money he knows they will not give.

Think it over. The person who has nothing invested in Life gets all the returns due him—which are not much. And, as you no doubt have noticed, it is the person who holds no shares in Life who complains most about scanty dividends.

There are some things, you know, which grown-up men do not try to do. Of course, though, some men and a few women never grow up.

A long time ago when we were boys we crawled under the canvas and enjoyed the circus quite as much as if we had paid the half-dollar. But we cannot see Sells Brothers that way now—not if we have grown up. The man who expects to enjoy the realities of life by crawling under the canvas is, to put it mildly, large for his age.

Most of us judge the world by ourselves. The trouble is, we guess wrong as to our own value. We mistake Credit for Capital.

There are too many of these five dollar millionaires—people whose idea of living is to put up a twenty-thousand dollar appearance on an eight-dollar salary. They want Credit, you see, for something which does not exist.

When a man acquires the habit of thinking that the whole scheme of things would go bankrupt if it were not for the nickel's worth which he contributes once in a while, he is trying to live on credit to which he is not entitled. Sooner or later he is sure to overdraw his account.

And have you never heard people pretending to give God the glory when they were in reality only making a loud noise on their own horns? Have you never met the fellow who claims credit for large charities when he is in reality only getting rid of a smooth nickel which he failed to pass on the street car conductor? Well, these are some more of the people who are trying to sneak into the House of Success by way of the back stairs of Credit.

Another of the back stairs kind are the folk who demand fifty dollars' worth of attention for every fifty cents' worth of courtesy. Such short-change artists are bound to hold hazy ideas as to credit.

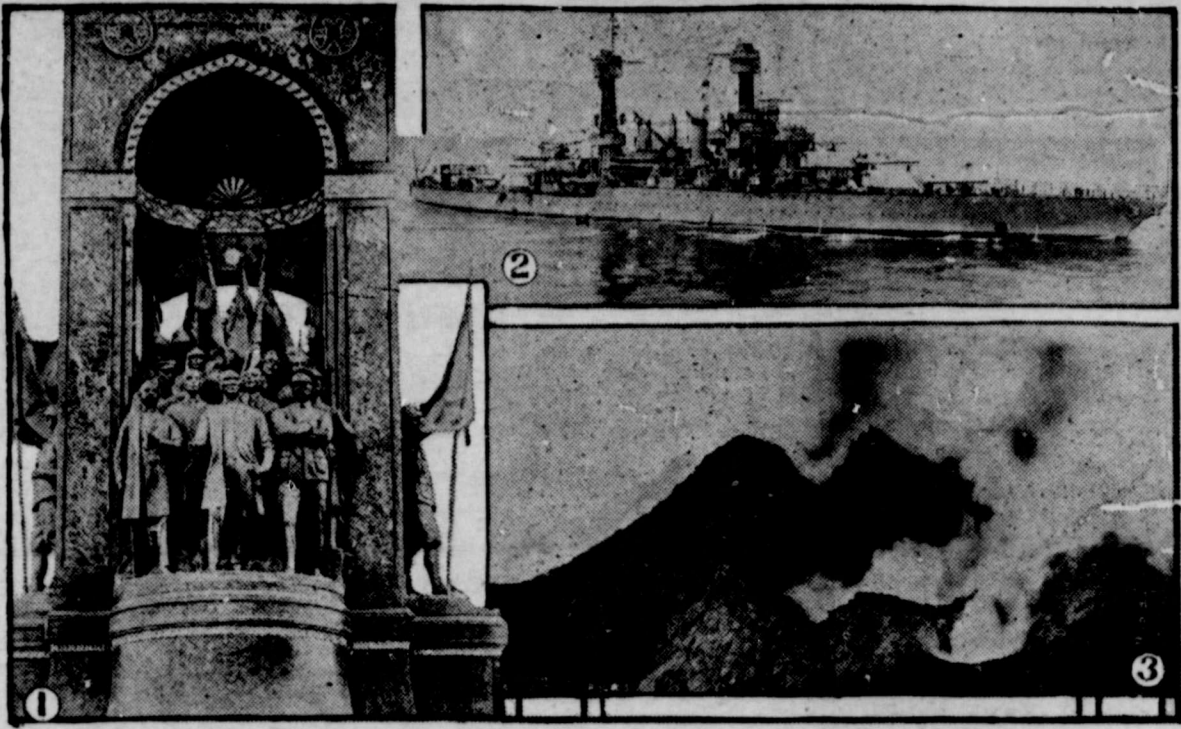
The one who offers something for nothing is usually a liar. The one who seeks to take advantage of such an offer is at heart either a sharper or a fool—or both.

A person whose living costs nothing, lives just that way. Generally speaking, things cost all they are worth—sometimes more. Free shows are usually worth the price of admission.

Some of us seem always to acknowledge our indebtedness to our fellow-humans with mental reservations. Pay day comes around and when our reservations are subtracted there is nothing left for those we owe but a current expense deficit.

Make no mistake, you can't bunco Life indefinitely. And never mind if the world sometimes forgets to give the credit which is your due. Be thankful that you are not charged with all that you owe.

No one ever yet gained the inner room in the House of Success by way of the back stairs. The front door is never barred. Better go in that way, or stay out.



1—New Victory monument in Constantinople, first ever erected by Turks, with group of President Kemal and his staff. 2—Battleship Maryland, carrying President Hoover on first part of his Latin-American tour. 3—View of Mount Etna during its latest destructive eruption.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Ship and Crew Blamed for the Loss of Life in the Vestris Disaster.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

ONE hundred and eleven persons, of whom forty-three were women and children, perished when the Lambert & Holt liner Vestris sank about 250 miles off the Virginia capes. The rescued were 215 in number and were picked up by vessels summoned by the S. O. S. call of the radio operator on the Vestris. Who, if anybody, was to blame for the terrible loss of life was to be determined by official investigation. Many of the survivors were certain that the captain, William Carey, was responsible for it. He went down with his vessel and cannot defend himself. The stories told by the rescued passengers are that the ship was in evident peril Sunday night and that Captain Carey delayed the sending of calls for help until ten o'clock Monday morning, presumably hoping to save salvage fees, which are heavy. Though the Vestris was inspected at New York on November 7 it is asserted she sailed with some of her life boats and lowering davits in poor condition and that none of the boats were sufficiently equipped with oars, provisions, etc. Before she got far from port a heavy list developed, and the cargo shifted when heavy seas broke through one of the cooling ports.

When the captain finally did send out the S. O. S. call it was answered immediately by several vessels, including the American Shipper, the French tanker Myrtiam and the North German Lloyd liner Berlin. The battleship Wyoming and five coast guard vessels also were rushed to the scene. But hours before the first of these arrived the Vestris had rolled over and gone to the bottom. Almost at the last minute the passengers and crew took to the boats, but some of these boats were smashed, and others upset. The old rule of the sea, women and children first, was observed, but only ten of the thirty-three women survived and all of the twenty children perished. Twenty-one bodies of the dead were recovered. Captain Carey was said at the London offices of the steamship company to have been an experienced seaman with an excellent record. Staying with the ship and dying with the captain was M. J. O'Loughlin, the radio operator.

SIX members of the flying school squadron at San Antonio, Texas, were killed when an army transport plane crashed. The right wing and tail piece of the plane broke off at an altitude of 3,000 feet and it plunged into a tail spin. The men killed were all in the cabin of the plane and had no chance. The pilot and another man, who were in the front seat, were thrown out and landed with parachutes.

MOUNT ETNA calmed down toward the end of the week and it was believed the eruption was nearing its end. The river of molten lava was beginning to solidify and its advance was much slower, but it still was menacing several towns. Officials of the Fascist government were most efficient in evacuating and assisting the refugees, all of whom were provided with shelter and food. Ample funds were voted by the council of ministers. The work of reconstruction already is being planned, among the first things being the building of new transportation routes around the fresh lava deposits. The total damage is estimated at \$9,000,000. Three towns were ruined, two railroads cut and partly submerged and many hundreds of acres of lemon groves and vineyards destroyed. Very few lives were lost for the inhabitants had ample warning.

PRESIDENT-ELECT HERBERT HOOVER is on his way southward aboard the battleship Maryland, and all of Latin-America is getting ready to welcome him on his good-will tour. It was decided that the first part of call should be Corinto, Nic-

ragua, where he would be met by President Diaz and would have an opportunity to indicate the policy his administration will pursue in dealing with situations similar to that which arose in Nicaragua and which resulted in the policing of the country by American marines. From there on the tentative program calls for stops at Balboa, Canal Zone; Callao, Peru, and Valparaiso, Chile. The governments of Colombia, Ecuador and Bolivia also asked that Mr. Hoover visit those countries.

The President-elect is accompanied on his tour by Mrs. Hoover and their son, Allan. The others in the official party are Henry P. Fletcher, American ambassador to Rome, representing the State department; George Akeron, secretary to Mr. Hoover; George Barr Baker of New York, a personal friend; Commander Augustin T. Beauregard, United States naval aid to the President-elect, and a force of four clerks and interpreters.

Before leaving Palo Alto, Mr. Hoover made it known that he had not discussed his cabinet appointments with anyone and would do nothing in that matter until his return in January. William J. Donovan, assistant attorney general of the United States, spent several days at the Hoover home and at once it was rumored that he would be given the post of attorney general.

In a letter written for the Manufacturers' Record, Mr. Hoover expressed his profound appreciation of the heavy vote given him by the Southern states, and promised that he would give that section of the country all the help he could in the way of flood control and development of an inter-coastal canal system and hydro-electric power.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S Armistice Day address, delivered at the American Legion exercises in Washington, aroused a lot of comment, mostly favorable in this country. He made an earnest appeal for the construction of additional cruisers for our navy, and then passed to a review of American relations since the war, giving Europe notice of changes in our foreign policy. He took America's former allies to task for their criticism of this country, announced a tightening of American purse strings on loans to Europe, placed the blame for the failure of the Geneva three-power conference and the efforts to attain cruiser limitation squarely upon the selfishness of England and other European nations.

The French press didn't especially like the President's remarks; and in London Lord Birkenhead in a banquet speech said: "My answers to the President of the United States would be that we ask nothing from them except good will. When we discuss questions of naval construction we do not invite lectures as to whether we are pacific or not. When America claimed the right to build a certain number of cruisers our answer was: 'We agree. Let them build as many as they like.' There is one thing no English government ever will do. They will not surrender the right to build a sufficient number of light cruisers to protect the empire for which they are responsible trustees."

GOV. AL SMITH went down to Biloxi with a party of close friends to rest and play golf, but before departing from New York he issued a cheerful radio address to his fellow Democrats. Admitting his disappointment with the outcome of the election, he yet refused to admit that the defeat had crushed the Democratic party and declared that it must carry on its political fight along the lines and upon the principles it always has stood for and that it should be a constructive rather than a destructive force. Those principles, he asserted, are as great in defeat as they would have been in victory. Citing the large popular vote he received, he said: "We have the assurance from the election returns that the Democratic party is a live, a vigorous and a forceful major minority party. The existence of such a party is necessary under our system of government."

The governor reminded his hearers that Mr. Hoover would be the President, not of the Republican party, but of the United States—of all the people—and as such "is entitled to all the co-operation of every citizen in the de-

velopment of a program calculated to promote the welfare and the best interests of this country."

LOUIS J. TABER, master of the National Grange, in addressing the opening session of the annual convention in Washington, urged that congress call a halt on the expenditure of public funds for new reclamation projects. "The government should act with caution in the development of new lands for agricultural production during this period of depression and surplus," Mr. Taber said. "The grange must fight against appropriations for new irrigation and reclamation projects until there is evidence of need for the land for food purposes, or until agriculture again prospers."

The grange is in favor of the export plan of farm relief in preference to the McNary-Haugen bill, which it considers dead.

HIGHWAY officials from nearly every state, in annual convention in Chicago, expressed the belief that there would be an unprecedented expansion and development of improved roads during the Hoover administration, because of the encouragement he gave the movement in his St. Louis speech, and the association asked for a largely increased federal aid appropriation.

STATISTICS made public by the Internal revenue bureau show that 52 individuals entered the \$1,000,000 or more income class in 1927 and that the total number in that group was thus brought up to 253. The report shows a marked decrease in the number of persons having incomes up to \$10,000 a year and a considerable increase in those reporting higher incomes, as compared with the figures for 1926. There was a big decrease in the gross incomes of corporations.

JULIU MANIU, leader of the Rumanian peasant party, was summoned by the regency council to form a ministry for that disturbed country, and undertook the job, to the great joy of the peasants and workmen. He made up a cabinet and began work by dismissing a lot of lesser officials in different parts of the country, saying he wished to clean "Rumania's Augean stable of its corrupt and dishonest incumbents before the new elections are held so that the Liberal with their huge political machine can not falsify the returns." All the opposition parties have combined to fight to the death against the Maniu government. This combination is backed by the big corporate interests and says it will spend money freely in the national elections early in December.

Raymond Poincare yielded to persuasion and formed a new ministry for France with himself as premier without portfolio. But he had to leave out the Radical Socialists because they refused to co-operate with him and thus his parliamentary strength is considerably decreased. He also omitted M. Louis Marin, leading opponent of the war debt agreement ratification.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY ASA KEYES of Los Angeles pleaded not guilty to charges of bribery and will go on trial, with seven others, on December 5. An interesting feature of this case is the possibility that the Almoes Semple McPherson kidnaping conspiracy matter may be reopened. Witnesses before the grand jury submitted documentary evidence said to have supported allegations that about \$500,000 was used in the defense of the evangelist before the district attorney dismissed the charges of conspiracy which were made against her. Over in England, where Almoes has been evangelizing, she denied this story with scornful satire.

MME. SIGRID UNDSSET of Norway has been given the 1928 Nobel prize in literature, and Henry Bergson, French philosopher, that for 1927 held over from last year. The Nobel awards for chemistry, for both years were carried off by Germans, Prof. Heinrich Wisland of Munich and Prof. Adolf Windaus of Goettingen. The peace prize for 1927 will be awarded by a committee of five in Oslo.



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Among the products of the localities, the so-called "Bingo Omote," or Bingo district, Japanese tatami (mats), are well known. In addition, vinegar and anchors are made, and fertilizer and grain are the principal transitory commodities, in addition to marine products and beef.—Osaka Onomichi.

Mrs. Margaret Washington Tells

How to Get Rid of a Severe Cold

"Last August I took a very severe cold and it seemed that I couldn't break it up. I got so bad that I was confined to my bed for five weeks, doctoring all the time without getting any relief. I had no appetite, naturally lost flesh. In fact, I had given up all hopes of ever getting any better. "A friend recommended MILKS EMULSION and I commenced its use. When able to leave my bed I weighed 111 pounds. Now, after taking MILKS EMULSION five weeks, I weigh 125 pounds, feel better than I have felt in two years, can eat anything, have no effects of the cold and work every day. I thank God and MILKS EMULSION for restoring my health." MRS. MARGARET WASHINGTON, 1609 E. 14th St., Winston-Salem, N. C.

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Taximeters were used by the Romans, not only to measure distances covered by carriages, but also to measure pleasure boat rides.

Americans Badly Led

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That's Not Nice

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The housewife smiles with satisfaction as she looks at the basket of clear, white clothes and thanks Red Cross Ball Blue. At all grocers.—Adv.

Rural Definitions

HI—And what's a natatorium? SI—A natatorium is the old swimmin' hole after it enters college.

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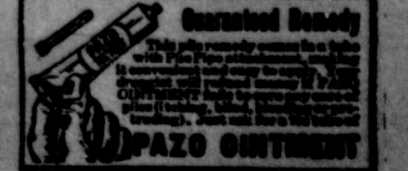


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ROAD RE-ROUTING HOLDS UP PAVING

Editor T. E. Johnson of the Amarillo News has the following to say in the issue of Dec 25 on the road bond situation in parts of the Panhandle:

Disputes over routing of highways are doing more to delay paving in the Panhandle than anything else. Potter county voted bonds a year ago to pave 66 from the Marymere Farm to the county line, and Carson voted bonds 18 months ago for the same route. An argument over changing the route at the Potter county line, carrying it south to the Claude Amarillo road, has held up all work.

Donley county would have voted bonds in the sum of \$1,000,000 recently, to pave 66 and also the Colorado to Gulf, had it not been for the arbitrary stand of the state in changing the routes of both highways through certain sections of the county. On the Clarendon-Memphis road the state officials set up a new designation leaving Hedley and other thriving communities in the south end of the county off the new road. One of the precincts which has several hundred voters and which would pay a big share of the million dollar fund, was removed entirely from the new road by the state routing. Is it any wonder that those taxpayers voted against the bonds?

The engineers give too much thought to the tourist and thru traffic, and too little to the citizens and taxpayers of the local communities. It might save a hundred or two yards to miss Hedley, for example, but the citizenship of Hedley is entitled to some consideration.

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You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the county of Donley, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for a period of twenty days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

No. 105 of Filing Final Account and Application for Discharge The State of Texas.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Mrs. Ellen Andreas, an adult person, non compos mentis:

J. J. Alexander, Guardian, has filed in the County Court of Donley county Texas, his Final Account of the condition of said estate, together with his application to be discharged from said Guardianship, which will be heard at the next term of said Court commencing on the first Monday in January, A. D. 1929 at the court house thereof in the city of Clarendon, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said account, should they see

proper to do so. Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said Court this writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

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HEDLEY, TEXAS

The Settling of the Sage

By Hal G. Everts

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WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

At the Warren ranch, the "Three Bar," on the fringe of the "cow country," a stranger applies for work as a rider. Wilhamette Ann Warren—known to all as "Billie," is the owner of the ranch. The girl's father, Cal Warren, had been the original owner. The question whether the territory is to remain "cow country" or be opened to settlement is a troublesome one. The newcomer is put to work. Cattle "rustlers" have been troubling the ranch owners, the Three Bar, with a girl boss having suffered more than others. The new hand gives his name as Cal Harris. By his announcement in favor of "squatters" he incurs the enmity of a rider known as Morrow.

CHAPTER II—Continued

"Not so very hard—if you can read," the dark man contradicted.

The newcomer's gaze returned from down the valley and settled on Morrow's face.

"Do you run a brand of your own—so's you'd stand to lose a dollar if every foot of range was fenced?" he inquired.

"What are you trying to get at now?" Morrow demanded.

"Nothing, much—now; I've already got," Harris said. "A man's interest lays on the side where his finances are most concerned."

"What do you mean by that?" Morrow insisted.

"You're good at predicting—maybe you're an expert at guessing, too," Harris returned. And suddenly Everts laughed as if something had just occurred to him.

Morrow glanced at him without turning his head, then fell silent, his expression unchanged.

A chunky youngster stood in the door and bent an approving gaze on the big pinto as he swung out across the pasture lot. The boy's face was small and quizzical, a shaggy mop of tawny hair hanging so low upon his forehead that his mild blue eyes peered forth from under the fringe of it and gave him the air of a surprised terrier, which effect had gained him the title of Bangs.

"I bet the little paint-horse could make a man swing and rattle to set up in his middle, once he started to act up," he said.

"Calico wouldn't know how to start," Harris said. "A horse, inside his limitations, is what his breaker makes him. I never favored the idea of breaking a horse to fight you every time you climb him. My horses are gentle-broke."

"But you have to be able to top off just any kind of a horse," Bangs objected.

"That don't hinder a man from getting his own string," Harris returned.

Bangs turned his surprised eyes on Harris and regarded him intently as if striving to fathom a viewpoint that was entirely new to him.

"Why, it don't, for a fact," he said at last. "Only I just never happened to think of it like that before."

Morrow laughed and the boy flushed at the disagreeable ring of it. Morrow's face wore none of the active malignancy that stamps the features of those uncontrolled desperadoes who kill in a flare of passion; rather it seemed that the urge to kill was always with him, had been born with him, his face drawn and overlitened from the inner effort to render his homicidal tendencies submissive to his brain, not through desire for regeneration, for he had none, but as a mere matter of expediency.

"You listen to what the squatter man tells you," Morrow said to Bangs. "Hell put you right—give you a course in how everything ought to be done." He rose and went outside.

A raucous bellow sounded from the cookhouse and every man within ear shot rose and moved toward the summons to feed.

"Let's go eat it up," Evans said and left the bunk house with Harris.

"Did you gather all the information you was prospecting for?" he asked Harris nodded. "I sorted out one man's number," he said.

"Now if you'd only whispered to me I'd have told you right off," Evans said. "It's astonishing how easy it is to pick them if you try."

All through the meal the gigantic cook hovered near Billie Warren as she sat near one end of the long table. It was evident to Harris that the big man was self-appointed guardian and counsellor of the Three Bar boss. He showed the same fussy solicitude for her welfare that a bee would show for her helpless cicks.

"Praise the grub and have a friend at court," Harris murmured in Evans' ear.

Billie Warren had nearly completed her meal before the men came in. She left the table and went to her own room. When Harris rose to go he slipped the big man on the back. "I'd work for half pay where you get grub like this," he said. "That's what I'd call a real feed."

Waddles beamed and followed him to the door.

"It's a fact that I can set out the best bait you ever thrown a lip over," he confessed. "You're a man of excellent taste; and it's a real pleasure to have you about."

Billie Warren opened the door and motioned to Harris. He went into the

big front room that answered for both living room and sleeping quarters. In dian blankets partitioned off one end for the girl's sleeping room.

"You had something to tell me," she observed, after he had remained silent for the space of a minute, sitting in the chair she had indicated and gazing into the fire.

"And I'll have to start it a little different from the way I first counted on," he said. "Have any of the boys mentioned my name to you?"

She shook her head and waited for him to go on.

"You won't care much to hear it," he announced. "I'd thought some of spending two years here under some



Waddles Wagged a Negative Head.

other name—but perhaps it's better to come out in the open—don't you think?"

The girl had straightened in her chair and was leaning toward him, her face white and her gray eyes boring straight into the man's. She knew now who he was—the man she had now reason to despise than all others on earth combined. Of the Harris-family she knew nothing at all except that her father's lifelong regret had been the fact that the partnership between himself and his oldest friend William Harris, had never been brought to pass. And this regret had in the end, led him to try and cement that arrangement in the second generation. Five years before his trial had crossed that of the elder Harris for the first time since he had taken over the Three Bar brand; and when his will had been read she had known that on the occasion of that visit his old friend had played upon this sentiment to trick him into making it. On all sides of her she had evidence that men were wolves who preyed upon the interests of others, and there was not a doubt that the father of the man before her had preyed upon her interests through the settlement of her parent; no other possible theory could account for the strange disposal of his property, the will dated and signed at the exact time of his visit to the Harrises.

The tenseness of her pose was replaced by lethargic indifference and she relaxed into her chair.

"I've known all the time you would come," she said.

"It's too bad, Billie," he said. "It's tough having me wished on to you this way."

"Don't play that game with me!" she flared. "Of course you've me! I proved every drop of human decency in advance."

"It sure looks up like that on the surface," he admitted ruefully. "But I didn't have a hand in clinching you this way."

"You could have proved that by staying away. I wrote you a year ago that I'd donate you a half-interest in the Three Bar at the expiration of the time if you'd only keep off the place. But at the last moment you couldn't resist having it all. Ten more days and you'd have been too late."

The man nodded slowly.

"Too late," he agreed and sat looking into the fire.

She had been almost a son to her father, had ridden the range with him, managed the Three Bar during his sickness; and such was her loyalty

to his memory that not a trace of her bitterness had been directed toward her parent. He had loved the Three Bar and had always believed that old Bill Harris, its founder, had loved it too. His will had stipulated that half of his property should go to the younger Harris under the condition that the man should make his home on the Three Bar for two out of the first three years after her father's decease. The whole of it was to go to him in case she failed to make her own home at the Three Bar during her father's stay, or in the event of her marriage to another before the expiration of three years.

"Of course I'm tied here for two years," she said. "Or left penniless. If you can make it unpleasant enough to drive me away—which won't be difficult—you win."

"I wouldn't count too strong on that," he counseled mildly.

"Then why did you come?" she insisted. "Half of it was yours by merely keeping away."

"Maybe I'm sort of tied up myself—in ways you don't suspect," he offered.

"Very likely!" she returned. "sounds plausible. You might offer to marry me," she suggested when he failed to answer. "You could gain full possession at once that way."

He removed his gaze from the fire and looked long at her.

"It will likely come to that," he said.

"I'll put a weapon in your hands," she retorted. "Whichever it does come to that I'll leave the ranch—so now you know the one sure way to win."

"I hope it won't pan out like that," he said. "I'll be disappointed—more than I can say."

She rose and stood waiting for him to go.

"Good night, Billie," he said. "I expect maybe things will break all right for us."

She did not answer as he went out. Waddles balled him in friendly fashion as he passed through the cook house then wiped his hands and stepped into Billie's quarters. Waddles was a fixture at the Three Bar; he had ridden for her father until he had his legs smashed up by a horse and had thereafter reigned as cook. He was confidential adviser and self-appointed guardian of the girl. His mind was still pleasantly concerned with the stranger's warm praise of his culinary efforts.

"That new man now, Billie," he remarked. "He's away off ahead of the average run. You mark me—he'll be top hand with this outfit in no time at all." Then he observed the girl's expression. "What is it, Pet? he inquired. "What's a-fretting you?"

"Do you know who he is?" she asked.

Waddles wagged a negative head. "He's Calvin Harris," she stated.

Instead of the blank dismay which she had expected to see depicted on Waddles' face at this announcement, it seemed to her that the big man was pleased.

"The h—!" he said. "Seuse me, Billie. So this here is Cal! Well, well—now what do you think of that?"

"I think that I don't want to stay here alone with him while you're out after the horses," she returned.

"Wrong idea!" the big man promptly interdicted. "You've got to stick it out for two years, girl. The best thing you can do is to get acquainted, and figure out how to get along the best you can—the pair of you. Old Cal Warren had some definite notion when he framed this play; so it's likely this young Cal is on your side too."

"But even more likely not," she stated. "Then what?"

"Why, then I'll have to kill him and put a stop to it," the big man announced. "But it's no ways probable that it will come to that. Let's us logic. He spoke well of my cooking which, proves him a man of some discernment. No way to get around that. Now a man with his judgment wouldn't suspect for one living second that he could play it low-down on you with me roosting close at hand. Putting two plain facts together it works out right natural and simple that he's on the square. As easy as that," he finished triumphantly. "So don't you fret. And in case he acts up I'll clamp down on him real sudden," he added by way of further reassurance.

His great paw opened and shut to illustrate his point as he moved toward the door and the Three Bar girl knew that when Waddles spoke of clamping down it was no mere figure of speech.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Ancients Found Many Uses for the Ostrich

Several ancient nations found the ostrich a useful as well as a weird bird, a writer in the Detroit News relates. In Mesopotamia, 5,000 years ago, artisans fashioned drinking cups from ostrich eggs. The top was sliced off, the edges were smoothed and a pottery lid overlaid with bitumen was fitted. The pious Spartans are said to have used an ostrich egg to perpetrate a religious fraud, they having placed on exhibition the "actual" egg laid by Leda after Zeus had visited her in the form of a swan, and from which Castor and Pollux were hatched. Egyptians found ostrich feathers useful for ornament and the princesses had ostrich feather fans. Both the feathers and eggs were highly prized tributes from tribes to the south. In China, Chang K'ien, on his return from Persia in 200 B. C., brought something almost as strange as China's first grapes; it was a tale of a bird he had seen whose "eggs

were as large as pottery jars." The Chinese were skeptical of such a story, but fortunately for Chang the emperor of Parthia later sent some ostrich eggs as a tribute to the Chinese court. In 101 A. D. some live ostriches reached China and they were at once dubbed "camel-sparrows."

Impression Not Lasting
At a movie, mother, who did not approve of the picture which was being shown, said to father: "Let's go now I don't want to see any more of this picture."

Margie, overhearing her mother promptly remarked: "Never mind mother, it doesn't hurt me. I let it go in one eye and out the other."—Children, the Magazine for Parents.

Twin Disaster
Foolhardiness is often a disastrous fear.—Woman's Home Companion.

Community Building

Color of Roofing Not of First Importance

Many miles away, as one approaches a town, we note how conspicuous are the roofs and church spires against an almost solid blue-green background.

Most of us recall the days when these roofs were hardly without exception of natural blue-gray slate, suggestive of the ruggedness our forefathers observed when designing and building their homes. These roofs endured years with no attention whatsoever. When once applied they were entirely forgotten.

These houses were built in a period of good, sound construction and these very buildings are standing today with their original roofs, beautiful in their quaint stanchness.

In some communities vivid penetrating color later found its way both in natural slate and in manufactured roofing materials. A choice of every known shade became available to appease the public taste, often with the result that the less scrupulous builder was tempted to give color, but unfortunately, disregard quality.

However, the fallacy of such practice is now being felt. The annoyance and expense of upkeep has injected much seriousness in the thoughts of the home owner or buyer.

Thus we are back where we started—and a bit wiser. Color is desirable. It is true, but if durability must be sacrificed to attain it, it is scarcely worth while. After all, the great strength and sturdiness of a roof imparts a keen sense of subtle beauty.

Put on a roof that does its duty—sheds water, and stays where it is put without further attention, and add color if obtainable economically.

Plan New Home With View to Environment

Of all the factors that must be taken into consideration in the purchase of a home, environment is one of the most important. All other things being equal—good transportation, frequent service, accessibility to schools, churches, stores, employment—these and many other elements may count for nothing if the immediate neighborhood and those who go to make up that neighborhood are not in keeping with the ideas and ideals of the prospective home purchaser.

Because of this the new home will either fulfill all the hopes and expectations of the newcomer in the neighborhood or it will fall short, resulting in dissatisfaction, discontentment and unhappiness, and the purchase, instead of becoming an investment, indeed becomes a cost.

Building Height Limit.

Believing that a uniform height for buildings should be maintained throughout the metropolitan area of a city as well as within the city's territorial limits, the Los Angeles realty board, through its board of directors, will ask the county supervisors of Los Angeles county to adopt a height-limit ordinance for the county, a report to the National Association of Real Estate Boards states.

The uniformity of building heights has produced a distinctive type of downtown development and has relieved to some extent the congestion attendant where height is unlimited, board officials state. If buildings are permitted to rise to any height outside of the city limits, however, the present healthy sentiment of Los Angeles city against high buildings might be broken down, the board points out.

Garden Attractiveness.

The difference between just a house and a really charming home—is the garden. Nothing can give you more wholesome pleasure than a distinctive, well-chosen garden.

A border of roses—a group of jonquils—a spattering of iris—a bed of shy violets—what an inspiring transformation they can effect with their natural charm and color. Properly planned, they add greatly to the enjoyment of your home through the best months of the year.

Many charming effects may be achieved by planting the right succession of perennials—with almost no subsequent care at all.

Look Well to House "Lid."

One of the peculiar reports one hears about the Chinese is that they begin to build a house at the roof. How that can be done has always been a mystery. But there is no doubt that the roof is of first importance. Without proper protection overhead a house is not habitable.

Birds Aid Gardens.

Provide a bird bath and the birds coming for a drink or a bath will stop to help you with your garden work. Just the joy of watching the birds would amply repay you, but they are courteous guests and will eagerly eat weed seed, worms and insects that would otherwise menace your garden.

Leads in Town Forests.

In Massachusetts, 79 towns have voted for town forests, making the state the leader in this work, says the American Tree association. In certain places the land held for the protection of the town's water supply has been placed under the town forest act.

MY FAVORITE STORIES

By IRVIN S. COBB

A Little Story of Gratitude

I DON'T know just how old this story is; probably if the truth were known, it's a great deal older than any of us now alive. Indeed, an amateur archeologist who specializes in prehistoric humor told me the other day that, according to his best information and belief, it dated back to the First century B. C. and originated in Rome. He was quite certain that it circulated at Newgate prison in London during the Elizabethan era.

So what I claim is that, if it has lived this long and remained so fresh and vigorous through all the ages, it deserves to go on living.

The modernized version is to this effect: A visiting clergyman is touring a state penitentiary. When his round is almost completed he is joined by one of the keepers.

"My friend," says the caller, "I am glad I came today to this dismal place and spent hours wandering through its stone-walled corridors. For now I am more convinced than ever that in the mind of the lowest and most depraved creature here there is some tender throbbing, some lingering sentiment of affection. In fact, at this moment I have before me proof of it. Look yonder."

And the minister pointed a finger toward the barred front of a nearby cell.

"They tell me," he went on, "that in yonder cell is confined a man serving a life sentence for having committed a cold-blooded murder. And yet see what he now is doing? He has made a friend and a companion of an ordinary rat. At his call it comes from a hole in the wall. It plays about him. He divides his food with it. It perches on his hand while he strokes its back. It is his friendly and confiding companion in the long hours of his solitude. The turkey on duty in this hallway informs me that the two are inseparable.

"So I ask you, is not this evidence of what I have been saying? But hold: I shall demonstrate my theory beyond a doubt."

The reverend gentleman advances to the cell door.

"My dear brother," he says, addressing the inmate, "would you mind telling me why you are so deeply attached to this dumb animal?"

"Sure I'll tell you," answers the criminal. "It's because once he bit the warden."

The Book That Grandpa Took

SINCE Rex Beach himself laughed at this story when I brought it to him, there is no reason why the general public should be denied the opportunity to laugh at it, too. I had it at first hand from a young lady who figured in it.

This young lady is now engaged in newspaper work. But before she took up journalism she was an assistant at a public library in Pittsburgh.

One day as she sat at her desk a sixteen-year-old girl approached her and told her that she had come to pay for a book which had been lost.

"What was the book?" asked the librarian.

"It was Mr. Rex Beach's 'Going Some.' I took it out four weeks ago to read it but we had some trouble in our family and the book was lost and I'm afraid I can't return it; so, under the rules, I suppose I'll have to pay for it."

Judging by the girl's appearance, the librarian figured that she did not belong to a family in particularly affluent circumstances, so sympathy moved her to make further inquiry.

"I would suggest," she said, "that you make another search for the missing volume. Surely it must be somewhere around your home. Perhaps if you hunt again thoroughly you may find where it is."

"Oh, we know where it is," said the girl. "That's just the trouble!"

"Where is it?"

"Well, you see, grandpa died."

"What was your grandpa's death to do with Mr. Rex Beach's 'Going Some'?"

"Well, ma'am, after he was laid out in his coffin the undertaker used it to prop up grandpa's chin with. And everybody forgot about it until after the funeral was over. And so the book is out at the cemetery with grandpa."

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Record Yield of Wheat

The bureau of crop estimates says that the largest yield, in bushels, of wheat to an acre of which it has record is 117.2 bushels. It was produced in 1895 in Island county, Washington. The acreage harvested was 18 and the yield 117.2 per acre. The field was measured and the wheat weighed. Probably a bushel per acre was lost in threshing, due to the inability of the threshing machine to produce the best results in such heavy grain.

Apples' Keeping Qualities

Bristol university records the important fact that the keeping qualities of fruit are related to the soil in which the fruit is grown. When certain varieties of apple are grown in certain places are stored they break down internally, giving rise to Jonathan spot, bitter pit and other disorders. Apples stored under the same conditions, but grown under different ones, stand the test well.



WHAT DR. CALDWELL LEARNED IN 47 YEARS PRACTICE

A physician watched the results of constipation for 47 years, and believed that no matter how careful people are of their health, diet and exercise, constipation will occur from time to time. Of next importance, then, is how to treat it when it comes. Dr. Caldwell always was in favor of getting as close to nature as possible, hence his remedy for constipation, known as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, is a mild vegetable compound. It can not harm the system and is not habit forming. Syrup Pepsin is pleasant-tasting, and youngsters love it.

Dr. Caldwell did not approve of drastic physics and purges. He did not believe they were good for anybody's system. In a practice of 47 years he never saw any reason for their use when Syrup Pepsin will empty the bowels just as promptly.

Do not let a day go by without a bowel movement. Do not sit and hope, but go to the nearest druggist and get one of the generous bottles of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, or write "Syrup Pepsin," Dept. E.B., Monticello, Illinois for free trial bottle.

Considerate of Mother

A small lad who persists in leaving his wagon, kiddy car and other playthings on the good-natured neighbors' walk was requested in a kindly way to take his toys home.

"I don't like to take them home, 'cause mother don't want her things mussed up with my trash," was the boy's lament.

HUSBAND DISTRIBUTES BOOKLETS

Wife Tries Compound

Every year the Pinkham Medicine Company distributes about 30,000,000 booklets from house to house.

Mr. Ted Hinzman does this work in Lodi, California. His wife writes: "It was in these little books that I read about so many women being helped by the medicine. I thought I would give it a trial and I can truly say that it has done me good. My neighbors and friends ask me what I am doing to make me look so much better. I tell them that I am taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

Why Smashes Occur

One motorist out of every five is mixed up in some kind of traffic violation every year, the American Automobile association discov'ers. It advises every car driver "to watch his step-on-it."—Copper's Weekly.

Magnetic Attraction

The bureau of standards says that iron, nickel and cobalt are metals that the ordinary magnets attract.

Let people be happy in their own way; but you needn't look on if it irritates you.

Dr. Hartman said:

Don't Neglect CONSTIPATION

and Mr. Gunther says:

"I AM 64 years of age and always physically fit. I never have cold or suffer pain of any kind and I owe it all to PE-RU-NA." (Many thousands write grateful letters like this one.)

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"Since taking I feel better. Before I had taken a full bottle I began to gain in weight—my appetite was better—I took 4 bottles and was no longer constipated." (Signed) Chas. E. Gunther, Louisville, Ky. (You'll be convinced to check your PE-RU-NA in able to give such thorough, immediate relief on this? Get it at your druggist—and get it now—today—city mail!)

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"Since taking I feel better. Before I had taken a full bottle I began to gain in weight—my appetite was better—I took 4 bottles and was no longer constipated." (Signed) Chas. E. Gunther, Louisville, Ky. (You'll be convinced to check your PE-RU-NA in able to give such thorough, immediate relief on this? Get it at your druggist—and get it now—today—city mail!)

"Old St. Nichols"

KING OF THE CRAIGS

COMES SWEEPING DOWN WITH NORTH wind in its train, bringing the truly Christmas Spirit, its exuberance filling every heart and turning our thoughts to those we love in joyous remembrance of Yuletide's happy days.

It Is Our Business

to help devise means that all may enjoy this wonderful season

Gifts that will thrill every heart

are on display in every niche and corner of our store. Dressing Cases, Ladies' Purses, Fine Bill Folds, Foillette Sets, Smoking Sets, etc., and the

Finest line of Christmas Candy Packages, in plain and holly boxes, ever shown in our town.

Fine Cigars in holly boxes to fascinate the taste of every smoker.

—EVERYTHING IN DRUGS—

Wilson Drug Co.

"IT'S MADE ITS WAY BY THE WAY IT'S MADE"
HEDLEY, TEXAS

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev Henry G Taylor, the new minister of the First Christian Church, Clarendon, will preach at Hedley Christian Church this Friday evening at 7:30 and Sunday afternoon at 3. Rev Taylor is a young man of ability. Hear him. District Evangelist Jasper Bogue will preach Thursday and Saturday nights, and Sunday morning at 11.

BABY CHICKS Get them from N. M. Hornsby, Lelia Lake, Texas.

ALL SINGERS, TAKE NOTICE

The Hedley Union Singing Class will meet in Hedley at the First Christian Church Sunday afternoon, Dec 16 at 2:30.

Come, one and all, and let's revive the singing spirit. Will W. Holland, President.

Ernest O Thompson and G. O. Thompson of Amarillo came down last Friday to go bird hunting with L. E. Thompson.

The Senior play "It Happened in June" was presented at the school auditorium last Friday evening to a large and appreciative audience. Members of the cast did their parts in most capable fashion, and many compliments have been heard concerning the presentation.

PASTIME THEATRE

Clarendon, Texas

Friday, Dec 14
RICHARD BARTHELMES in
The Wheel of Chance

No stranger love triangle ever on the screen. Also Good Comedy. 10c 30c.

Saturday, 15th
OLIVE BORDEN in
Stool Pigeon

Belonged at death, scorned love and defied the law—but he had to face all three. Also a Good Comedy. 10c 30c.

Monday, Tuesday, 17th 18th
COLLEEN MOORE and
GARY COOPER in
Lilac Time

The Season's Greatest Production. Greatest air circus of the age. See it! Also Oddities and Paramount News. 10c 50c.

Wednesday, Thursday, 19th 20th
ADOLPHE MENJOU in
His Private Life

Romance pursues him—so does a jealous husband. Frisky and funny. Also Paramount News and Cartoon Comedy. 10c 30c.

QUEEN THEATRE

Saturday, 15th
GORDON CLIFFORD in
West of Mojave

A Western thriller. Also eighth episode of The YEL LOW CAM EO 10c 25c.

Special still on Stamped Goods for embroidery. Adams Dry Goods & Notions.

PRACTICAL NURSING wanted. Prices right. Also competent to do the work. Phone 28.

E. H. Watt and family were here from Giles last Saturday afternoon.

TURKEYS FOR SALE—Toms \$8 Hens \$5 Phone 81-SL T. W. Bain.

C. A. Burton and G. S. Patterson, pioneer and highly respected citizens of Clarendon, died the first of this week, death coming suddenly and unexpectedly in each instance. The former editor, being well acquainted with both, mourns Donley County's loss in the death of these good men.

A new shipment of advance Spring style Dresses. Adams Dry Goods & Notions.

FOUND—Pair of Glasses in case. Call at Informer office.

POSTED NOTICE

This is to notify the public that my farm and pasture lands are posted according to law, and no hunting or trespassing will be allowed. Hunters, especially, will please take notice.

R. H. Jones.

Who Knows How?

CLARKE THE TAILOR

Phone 77

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Always a Choice Stock of **Fresh and Cured Meats** AND LUNCH SUPPLIES

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HIWAY FILLING STATION

HEDLEY, TEXAS

Guardian's Notice of Filing Application for Authority to Execute Oil, Gas & Mineral Lease

The State of Texas

To All Persons Interested in the

Estate of Ruth Sawyer, a Minor

You are hereby notified that on

the 12th day of December, 1928,

I have filed with the Judge of the

County Court of Donley county,

Texas, an application for author-

ity to lease to W. A. Maupin and

H. G. Forster as lessees an oil

and gas and mineral lease on the

lands in which the minor is inter-

ested, being described as follows:

1. All of section No. 10, block

G. L. H. Carhart survey, con-

taining 160 acres of land.

2. All of section No. 54, block

C. 7, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., con-

taining 640 acres of land.

3. All of section No. 9, block

G. L. H. Carhart survey, con-

taining 160 acres of land.

4. All of section No. 5, block

G. C. & I. Co., containing 640

acres of land.

5. All of section No. 27, block

C. 6, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., con-

taining 640 acres of land.

6. South 1/4 of section 7, block

C. 7, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., con-

taining 320 acres of land.

7. North 1/4 of section 26 block

C. 6, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., con-

taining 520 acres of land.

8. East 1/4 of section 25, block

C. 6, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., con-

taining 320 acres of land.

9. All of the Northwest quar-

ter of section No. 25 in block C. 6

and all of the North half of the

Southwest quarter of said sec-

tion save and except ten acres in

a square in the Northeast corner

of said North half, containing

280 acres.

And that such application will

be heard in the County Court of

such county on the 22nd day of

December, 1928.

Witness my hand this 12th day

of December, 1928.

F. J. Ramsey,

Guardian of Estate of

Ruth Sawyer, Minor.

Mrs. W. A. Kinslow visited in

the Chas. W. Kinslow and Ed

Dishman homes in Memphis the

past week.

The utilities of a city are combined in your motor car



YOUR automobile is something like a miniature city. There is an electric light and power system, a water system, a fuel system.

In the new Ford, you will find each of these systems of the latest design and best materials. Every part has been made to serve you faithfully and well at a minimum of trouble and expense.

Take, for example, the generator—one of the most important parts of the electrical system which supplies the current for lighting and for engine ignition.

In the new Ford, the generator is of the power-house type and is distinctive in many features. It has been specially designed to prevent most forms of trouble. Oiling is necessary only once a year. About the only thing you need do is to have the charging rate changed as the seasons change.

Closely allied to the electrical system is the ignition system. It, too, is of new mechanical design in the new Ford. There is but one high tension cable and that connects the coil with the distributor. Even cables from the distributor to the spark plugs have been eliminated.

Special care has also been taken to make the distributor water-proof, thus preventing short circuits from rain, etc.

The entire electrical and ignition systems of the new Ford are so simple in design and so carefully made that they will give you surprisingly little trouble. Yet that doesn't mean they should be neglected. Certain little attentions are needed from time to time.

The storage battery should be given water and the connections kept clean. The generator charging rate should be changed as indicated. Spark plugs should be cleaned at regular intervals. Distributor points should also be kept clean and the distributor cap given a light film of vaseline every 2000 miles.

These are just little things, but they mean a great deal to your car. You can have them looked after at very small cost by the Ford dealer when you take the car in for oiling and greasing.

A thorough checking-up at regular intervals will lengthen the life of your car and give you many thousands of miles of carefree, economical motoring.



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Don't Be Like Adam

HE CHASED THE WRONG FRUIT. IT DID not have the price tag on it, like the fruit in our store has. You know just what it will cost before you take it.

Bob White Flour, 48 lb	\$1.75
Quart Pickles	25c
Spuds, 15 lb	25c
East Texas Ribbon Cane Syrup, gallon	\$1.25
Wapco Beans, 3 for	25c
Largest Oranges in town	for 5c each
Celery, nice bunch	15c
Lettuce, nice size	10c

These prices are good for Friday and Saturday

