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The Robert Lee Observer Passing Another Milestone of Service This Week

The Observer is rounding out 47 years of continuous publication this week. We intended to put out a special for the oc. asion, but we had to postpone it. However, the business men and others were eager to offer their best wishes in this issue. 47 years is a long time to stay in business, especially for a newspaper, an institution that usually has a hazardous career even in prosperous years. So great has been the progress in printing and journalism in the past few years, that you are handicapped unless you have a inotype equipped plant. What the public demands now is service and speed in ever line of endeavor. And we want to say that we are laying plans now for a linotype equipped office before we pass another milestone. That means an 8 to 10 pages 6-column paper every week.

The Observer was established at Hayrick in 1889, then the county seat, and was moved to the present location a little later. It was then the Coke County Rustler and bore that title for many years before changing to its present name.

We have a few subscribers that have been on our mailing list since the first issue, and plenty of them for over thirty years.

Puett-Smith Wedding Solemnized

Euel Diprey read the double ring ceremony uniting in marriage Felix W. Puett and Claudia Orlue Smith, Friday morning at the home of the bride in Abilene. The bride wearing a white lace dress and carrying a boquet of roses and carnations, entered the living room on the arm of her father, Sidney W. Smith, who gave her away. They were met by the groom and his best man, Tommie Williams. J. B. Gamble played the wedding march.

Mr. and Mrs. Puett visited in Brownwood, Cisco, Santa Anna, Bangs and San Angelo, returning to Robert Lee Sunday night.

Attending the wedding from here were Mrs. T. E. Puett, Mrs. Fannie Wallace, Tommie Williams and Loretta Puett of San

Mrs. Puett was the honoree at several parties and showers before her wedding.

Revival Meeting

Bro. Ted Norton of Huntsville will begin a meeting for the Church of Christ on Thursday night before the third Sunday in July, and continuing for 10 days.

Phone us your local news.

Coke County Singing Convention

The regular annual session of the Coke County Singing Convention will be held at Sanco, Texas, 10 miles north of Robert well-filled and spend the day in of caring for our needy. gospel singing. The writer as Since January 1, the direct retion.

We also announced our second June 15. the day.

E. A. Burgess, President.

School Vacancies Filled

Teachers were elected to fill the two vacancies in the school in a board meeting last week. Miss Weta Spykes of Hermleigh was elected for the English-

formally adopted a resolution to five days a week. file application for a PWA grant and six classrooms and to re- ily who help her some. model the old building.

W. M. S.

The Baptist W. M. U. met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. J. Cumbie for the quarterly missionary lesson. The general theme of the program presented was Signs of the Kingdom progresses.

Opening prayer, Mrs. Coleman Devotional, Miss Brown Being Watchful, Mrs. Coleman

Influence of Christian Ideals, Mrs. Morrow Brotherly Love Between the Nations, Mrs. Good

Closing Prayer, Mrs. Morrow. Following the regular business session and program, those present enjoyed a social hour. The next meeting will be with Mrs. S. E. Adams.

The Town Where I Live-

Review of Coke County Direct Relief Families

It seems advisable to present to Lee, second Sunday, July 12, 36. the citizens of the county, amat-We invite everybody and earnstly ter which has been briefly disrequest that you bring a basket cussed in previous articles-that

privileged to attend the Tom lief load in Coke county has av-Green County convention 4th eraged twenty to twenty-four Sunday in June, talked to a num- families, representing fifty to ber of the singers from other eighty-five persons. In the past parts and a number of them prom- six months the Texas Relief Comised to be with us in our conven- mission has spent \$1,667.30, the last checks having been mailed

Sunday convention publicly. The The following is a description good people at Sanco will meet on of the cases handed back to the pension. Thursday, before the second in county by the T. R. C. as obtain-July, to make proper arrange- ed from the report of the county Man was a hard worker and dements of seats and also to clean welfare case worker. Approxiup the building and get ready for mately half of these cases will be until he was stricken with parthe big day. Let's do our part- absorbed by the Old Age Assist- alysis two and a half years ago. send your singer friends word and ance but as many more, not here He is now permanently and toprepare a nice basket and be on described because they were not hand at 10 a. m. ready to spend eligitle to relief, will need assist-

Description of Cases

Case No. 7. A single man aged sixty-two almost blind. Lives with children, who are barely able to make their own way. Unable to work. Not old enough for pension.

Case No. 17. Aged single man. Eligible to Old Age Assistance.

Case No. 26. Family of sev-Spanish place and Mr. Hyman en. Man ill (in bed most of time) F. Teague for the sixth grade. with heart trouble. Five child-Miss Spykes taught last year in ren aged eighteen months to elev-Dickens county and Mr. Teague en years. Mother has accepted taught in the consolidated school reassignment as to WPA sewing system at Divide in Nolan coun- project and has to drive twelve ty. Both teachers come highly miles to work in a borrowed car. recommended and both impress- With this expense and medical ed Supt. Taylor and the mem- bills to be paid not much of \$21.00 bers of the board very favor- per month is left to support the five children left without a moth-At the same meeting the board er's care, from eight o'clock to six,

Case No. 88. Widow with four to use in building a gymnasium small children. Living near fam-

> Case No. 105. Head of family is ill. Wife and four children ages ranging from eight to thirteen, able to work. Wife wants work in sewing room if she can manage for transportation. They live six miles from town and have no way to go. Immediate need -transportation to work project. Case No. 109. A ged couple. Man too ill to be left alone. The wife is possibly able to do light work if she could leave home. Neither are old enough for pension. One unmarried son who has recently been disabled might be able to work now.

Case No. 157. Mexican famiy of seven. Man is tubercular. Five small children.

Case No. 159. Couple with three small children. Man is over 65 and has applied for pension. Case No. 166. Aged couple.

Both have applied for pension.

Case No. 223. Three orphan children living with their grand-

relief herself, looks after the children but is unable to support them. She has applied for old age pension. The children all at- THE STATE OF TEXAS tend school regurlarly. They will COUNTY OF COKE need help from some source until they finish school. Relatives help a little.

Case No. 226. Aged couple. Both have applied for pension.

Has applied for pension.

Case No. 249. Aged single man living alone. Has applied for

Case No. 250. Family of three. pandable support for his family tally disabled. His wife in very poor health herself, has accepted an assignment to the new sewing has poor health. As long as the woman is able to work in the sewing room they will be able to

Case No. 324. Couple living in own home. Now over 80, has and satisfactorily care for the applied for pension.

Case No. 355. Couple with ten year old child. Both adults in very poor health. Have some property heavily indebted. Have a good team which they hope might be used on the road work. Children help as they are able.

Case No. 397. Aged couple. Both have applied for pension.

He has been on relief very little ble to procure them elsewhere. due to dilligent efforts to be the! Therefore, the Commissioners which makes it impossible for her not take care of. to work. The six children aged eighteen months to fifteen years are all small for their ages. As soon as the head of the family regains his health their troubles will vanish.

Case No. 554. Man over seventy has applied for pension. Wife unable to work due to defective eyesight. Two girls not old enough to work. Family always has good garden.

Case No. 700. Man ill. Wobut was unable to work.

mother, who has never been on woman. Has applied for pension, from the kitchen,

COURT ORDER

June 18th, A. D. 1936

WHEREAS, The Texas Relief Commission will be disbanded on the 1st day of July, A. D. 1936, thereby passing back to Coke Case No. 238. A g e d single County, the relief clients now man living with granddaughter. receiving aid and assistance from the Texas Relief Commission.

WHEREAS, this Court in session this 18th day of June 1936, at Robert Lee, Texas, hereby passes this the following resolution:

A resolution requesting the people of Coke County to aid, assist and cooperate with the Commissioners Court of Coke County, in properly careing for for those citizens of our county who are at this time unable to care for themselves, and to asproject. The 13-year old child sist in the taking care of those who are in need and unable to procure the necessities of life.

> WHEREAS, because of the limited means available for relief purposes, it will be impossible needs of the needy of our county.

> WHEREAS, Coke County in cooperation with the Federal works program have at this time a county welfare case worker and will continue said case worker in force so long as the necessity of such services are required.

The Commissioners Court hereby resolves to only give Case No. 527. Family of eight, county funds to those who apply Dependable hard working man that show they must have the who lost his health last winter, necessities of life, and are una-

support of his own family. Now Court earnestly request the comsince he is ill there is no other munities of Coke County to orway to get by. Some relatives ganize some kind of welfare orcould help considerably but do ganizations to meet the requirenot. Others less able do what ments in cases of emergencies they can. The wife has a goitre and cases that the county can

McNeil Wylie, County Judge H. C. Varnadore, S. A. Kiker, Frank McCabe, Sam Gaston, Commissioners.

Harmon-Patterson

Miss Nola Patterson, second man in poor health. Was recent- daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob ly assigned to the sewing room Patterson, was married to C. F. Harmon Thursday night of last Case No. 729. Permanently week. The ceremony was perdisabled man with five orphan formed by Rev. J. D. Coleman children. The children live with at the pastor's home. Accomtheir deceased mother's parents panying the couple were Lada who are barely able to support Patterson, sister of the bride, and themselves. Man shifts for him- Autrey Denman. A group of self but is seldom able to contrib- uninvited youngsters, gathered ute to the support of his children, at the church for a B, Y, P, U. Case No. 734. A ged single party, witnessed the marriage

Current Events in Review

Edward W. Pickard

74th Congress Adjourns After a Long Session

THE Seventy-fourth congress adand a half months during which it appropriated nearly \$10,000,000,000 and was faced by some unexpected legislative complications.

In the closing hours the emergency tax bill which is expected to produce \$800,000,000 in revenue was passed. Supreme court invalidation of the AAA and Guffey coal bills and the passage of the cash soldlers' bonus over the President's veto upset the budget plans and made such a bill necessary.

Although it was passed by the house, the amended Guffey coal bill designed to remove the objections of the Supreme court failed of passage in the senate. Similarly, the Wagner slum housing bill, which had passed the senate, failed in the house.

Larger than normal appropriations for governmental activities were passed. The bonus, farm payments, relief and the greatest national defense program in peace time history helped swell the total.

Funds for continuing the present relief program were voted: the public works revolving fund was amended to permit more heavy construction projects. But congress failed to approve the Florida ship canal and Passamaquoddy tide dam.

Invalidation of the AAA brought a revised and expanded soil conservation and domestic allotment act; the rural electrification administration and electric farm and home authority were both placed on a permanent basis; the Commodity Credit corporation was expanded; two flood control bills were passed. Labor received attention through the Walsh-Healy bill dealing with working conditions on government contracts. A compromise ship subsidy bill was rushed through in the closing hours. Financial legislation included expansion of the jurisdiction of SEC. Important among business legislation was the Patman bill amending the Clayton anti-trust act regarding price discrimination,

A number of important bills failed of enactment. Among these were the Pettingill long and short hauls bill, stockyard regulation, Frazier-Lemke farm mortgage bill, and bills on the 30hour week, extension of the railroad co-ordinator's tenure, anti-war profits, allen deportation, enlargement of the federal trade commission's power and treasury agency service.

Smith Asks Roosevelt

"Be Put Aside"

CALLING upon the delegates to the Democratic national convention to "put aside Franklin D. Roosevelt" and to nominate "some genuine Democrat"

for President, former Gov. Alfred E. Smith and four other antiadministration Democrats charged the New Deal with failure.

The demand came in the form of a telegram and was signed by Smith, Bainbridge Colby, secretary of state under President Wilson, James A. Reed,

former senator from Missouri, Jeseph B. Ely, former goverpor of Massachusetts, and Daniel F. Cobalan, former justice of the Su-

preme court of New York. Former Governor Smith and his colcagues indicated that they will not support President Roosevelt in the forthcoming Presidential campaigu. julfilling Smith's previous threat to "take a walk."

Pro-Roosevelt delegates from every section of the country prepared for a concerted attack upon the "bolters."

Gov. Herbert Lehman of New York turned his back upon Mr. Smith and predicted President Roosevelt would carry New York by a substantial majority in Nevember. He declared:

"I have read the statement. I am confident that the views expressed by the five signers of statement represent the feelings of only a handful of Dem-

Death Takes von Buelow Noted German Diplomat

HE death of Executive, son Rue-low, secretary of state for foreign affairs in the Hitler cabinet, removed one of the most skilled of Europe's diplomats. Von Buelow, who was fiftyone, was an expert on the League of Nations and gave his country valuable counsel when Germany began to consider rejoining the league. He was noted as a studies and hard-working official, with a st amount of detailed information a says readily available.

A "blueblood" of the German nobility, the diplomat was a nephew of the late Prince Bernhard von Buelow. imperial chancellor. He was one of the first of the German nobles to associate himself with the republican regime after the collapse of the empire in 1918. Although different in background from Hitler, he nevertheless enjoyed the chancellor's confidence

In Russia, Maxim Gorky, early foe of the czars who became a hero of the Soviet regime and its outstanding writer, died of influenza at the age of sixty-eight. Although not a member of the Communist party, Gorky had a preeminent position in Soviet life and was a former member of the central executive committee. Moscow honored him with a public funeral.

Rep. Lemke Will Be Presidential Candidate

REPRESENTATIVE WILLIAM LEMKE of North Dakota announced that he would run for the Presidency as candidate of a new po-

litical Group known as the Union party. Father Charles Coughlin, Detroit priest, is the leading sponsor of Lemke's candidacy. Thomas Charles O'Brien of Boston will be the vice-presidential candidate on the ticket, it was announced.

Mr. Lemke made Rep. Lemke public a 15-point platform embodying demands for refinancing of farm mortgages, old age security, a living wage for all workers, limitation on individual incomes, the establishment of a central bank, the issuance by congress of all currency and its regulation of the value of all the money.

Plans were made for the new party to hold a national convention some time during August in Cleveland.

Mr. Lemke said the Union party has the support of farm unions, labor, the National Union for Social Justice established by Father Coughlin, the and "all other liberals who have been driven from the old parties.'

Packers Seek Recovery of All Processing Taxes

A BATTLE to recover all the processing taxes paid to the government under the invalidated AAA was undertaken by the "big four" of the packing industry-Swift and Company, Armour and Company, Wilson and Company and the Cudahy Packing company.

Having won back \$45,000,000 when the AAA was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme court the packing industry has decided to attempt to recover from the government more than \$200,000,000 paid before injunctions against the tax were granted and subsequent payments impounded.

The meat packing industry as a whole paid a total of \$271,000,000 in processing taxes from the inception of the AAA. The packers are basing their claims for recovery on the ground that as the Supreme court ruled the processing taxes invalid, payments made in accordance with that law were illegally collected and should be returned.

U. S. Revokes Sanctions Imposed on Italy

FOLLOWING the lead of Great Britvoked all sanctions imposed against Italy during the recent Italo-Ethiopian

conflict. A proclamation by President Roosevelt declared all previous communications dealing with the sale of munitions of war, loans and travel by Americans on Italian ships was revoked. Although the sanctions were against both Italy and Ethiopia, in practical application they were



Baldwin

used only against Italy, since the United States did not supply the African nation with any mar materials and the empire of Haile Selassie had no ships of its own.

The French cabinet agreed to abide by any action which the League of Nations may take in cancelling sanctions against Italy.

The British government's decision to shandon sanctions was defended in an address by Prime Minister Baldwin as the only alternative which would prevent a suicidal war plunging western civilization into "barbarous anarchy."

National Topics Interpreted by William Bruckart Washington, D. C. National Press Building

the Democrats have their Presidential tickets. The All Set for elephant and the donkey have their Big Race jockeys for the campaign. The tumult and the shouting -and the blistering, withering fire of

politics, have begun. It is a long way to the finish line where the checkered flag falls for the winner of the race. But the big fight is really on and it is interesting as well as significant to note how it

has started.

It is always a sure sign that party leaders respect and fear their opponents when they start a campaign with a declaration that the enemy is weak; that his selection resulted from chicanery or bossism, or that the particular candidate selected has been put up as a sacrifice. That is what has happened already in the current campaign, and you can expect it to continue because it is stating no secret to disclose that the New Dealers fear Gov. Alf M. Landon of Kansas, the Republican nominee, and that the Republican leadership, beneath the surface, are wishing for a clairvoyant or crystal gazer to tell them how much of a chance they have to beat President-candidate Franklin D. Roosevelt,

Of course, no astute political observer would dare predict at this stage of the game who the winner will be. On the other hand, it is part of the psychology of the game of politics for politicians to claim everything in sight. Yet, I know that each side expects a real battle, a horse race. The November result is pretty likely to be determined by events of the next two months. At the end of that time, trends will be evident and some appraisal of the campaign will be possible. In the interim, claims and high sounding phrases will be offered by the basketful and enthusiasm will be promoted. Yet, the end, the result, will not begin to be evident until afterward because this is the season for the tumult and shouting.

I cannot concur in the claims already advanced by Postmaster General-Chairman Farley that the elec-Townsend old age pension movement | tion is in the bag for Mr. Roosevelt any more than I can believe that Chairman John Hamilton of the Republicans is equipped with special foresight enabling him to say that Governor Landon is a sure winner, I said above that the campaign bas

> all of the appearance of a horse race and a close one. To that extent it is a condition much more favorable to the Re blicans than obtained three months go when, as I recall, I suggester that if the election were held at that time, Mr. Roosevelt had a 60-40 advantage over anybody the Republicans could name. To say now, therefore, that the race probably will be close necessarily indicates two things: unification of Republican strength, and some mistakes by the Democratic leadership (one may properly inquire what has brought about the unification of the Republicans). The answer seems rather obvious. It is that the Republican party has been reorganized from tip to toe. The reorganization has been more sweeping and more effective and the result much more satisfactory to the country than most political observers had any reason to expect. I say "satisfactory to the country" because the Republican party is a major political unit and, though at present a minority party, will come back to power some time. The Democrats have been a minority party, and the course of human events has witnessed it restored to power. So the people have a stake in either party, and whichever one proceeds to improve its political structure is giving something of vital value to the country as a whole.

The Democratic attack on the Republicans for the last sixteen years has been concen-G. O. P. trated to a large ex-Cleans House tent on the charge that the Republicans were boss-controlled. Chairman Farley has continually harped on that alleged condition. When the Republicans did their house cleaning job at Cleveland, they took away an important issue from the Democrats, but

even so some of the Democrats and some independents, like Senator George Norris of Nebraska, refused to accept the purging as genuine. Senator Norris disclosed his attitude very definitely the other day when he broadcast a radio speech. He employed the time-worn allegation that the Cleveland convention was dominated by "special interests," and

that the platform adopted there was plainly reactionary." Senator Norris has not supported a

Washington.-The Republicans and Republican candidate for 12 years, although he ran for re-election six years ago as a Republican. He believes in Mr. Roosevelt and insists that Mr.

Roosevelt alone can save the country. It is to be assumed also that Mr. Roosevelt will have the support of the LaFollettes, Senator Bob and Governor Phil, in Wisconsin. These men, however, have labeled themselves as Progressives, and have not carried the party label of either the Democrats or Republicans.

There will be others of the same warp and woof. There will be oldline Democrats who will do as Senator Copeland of New York has done, take a walk. Alfred E. Smith is not going to support the New Dealers nor will a great many of his followers. So, it is obvious that each party will be subjected to defections of one kind or another.

. . . Now, concerning mistakes that have been made: Chairman Farley made a bad mis-

take politically when he said that Alfred M. Landon was Some "just the littleknown governor of Mistakes a typical prairie state." That remark has been rising

to haunt the Democratic chairman almost daily since it escaped from his lips, and unless I miss my guess he will hear it repeated, thrown into his teeth, so many times between now and November that the words will give him a stomachache equivalent to green apples.

The reasons this remark was a serious blunder are two. First and foremost is that every state in the Union rightfully has justified pride of its people, its commerce and industry and its future prospects. Every state feels profound resentment when its capacity to do great things is questioned. Consequently, when Mr. Farley catalogued Kansas as a typical prairie state and its governor as little-known, there was a surging tidal wave of resentment, and it was not confined to Kansas alone.

The second reason why Mr. Farley's remark cut the wrong way was that Mr. Farley is a New Yorker and a Tammanyite. There is something repulsive to the millions of mid-westerners about Tammany, and a very great many residents of prairie states long have objected to the attempt of certain New Yorkers to "run things" for the whole United States. Naturally, the Farley remark has left a bad taste in the mouth of those peo-

ple. Another mistake that has been made, really a series of mistakes, is the coercion that has been permitted to go on among those receiving relief. It is not exactly fair to charge Mr. Farley and President Roosevelt wita these, yet I am inclined to believe they could have prevented local Democratic politicians from attempting to force relief clients to vote the Democratic ticket. That condition has obtained in as many as fifteen states.

On the other side of the picture, the Republicans can make mistakes yet, plenty of them. On the They have an ad-

Other Hand vantage over the Democrats in one regard; they have not been charged with the responsibility of government for the last three and one-half years, and therefore will not have to answer for mistakes in administration. It lies in the bands of the Republican managers, therefore, to prevent political mistakes between now and election if they are capable of so doing. They have started out with an offensive campaign and have an opportunity to continue it, whereas the Democrats can conduct an offensive campaign only so long as they can avoid entering into a defense of Roosevelt New Deal policies.

I understand that the Democratic national committee is loaded to the dashboard with material for attack. but from this stage of the battle it seems quite apparent that they are going to need plans for defense as well as offense, and they will not have enthusiastic support from some spots in their own army,

The Democrats are prepared to attack Governor Landon on the theory that the country cannot feel sure of his plans and policies; that he has done nothing to enable the country to appraise him and that there is no assurance, in event of his election, that he is a big enough man for the job of Chief Executive. On the other hand, the Republicans can counter-attack by using the language of Senator Copeland, New York Democrat, who declared that no man nor party disregarding its pledges was to be trusted, and right there is where the New

Dealers must begin to defend. @ Western Newspaper Union.

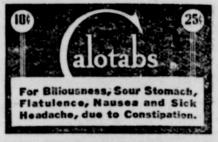
First Woman to Fly Was More Courageous Than Men

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By MARY HASTINGS BRADLEY

WNU Service

SYNOPSIS

Leila Seton, young and beautiful, and an expert on paintings, is commissioned to go over the collection of paintings the home of the wealthy Kellers in New York, where a party is in progress. From her window she witnesses a man in another room strike a woman. Short-ly after Mrs, Keller sends up word, asking her to join the party at dinner. Leila hastily dresses and goes down. She is seated between Mr. Deck, a critic, and Monty Mitchell, a noted lawyer. Introductions follow. There are Mr. Harriden, Miss Letty Van Alstyn, Mrs. Crane, Mrs. Watkins and Prince and Princess Rancini, guests. Leila finds she is taking the place of Nora Harri-Dan Harriden leaves the table, and Mitchell explains he has gone up to see how his wife's headache is. He returns shortly Deck, saying he must put in a call, leaves. Upon his return, he begs Leila to secretly take a message to Nora "to take no steps until I see you." Lella consents. Lella finds the Harriden rooms empty and so informs Deck. Coming out she passes Letty. Harriden asks Princess Rancini to run up and see his wife. The prin-cess reports the absence of Nora. Harriden admits that he had a row, and believes she is spitefully hiding. Letty tells of seeing Leila come from the room. Letla accuses Harriden of having struck his wife. This Harriden denies. From the Harridens' window Leila sees what proves to be Nora's lifeless body A ghastly head wound caused death. Dan says she was lying on her bed when he went to dinner, and when he ran up later the room was dark, Thinking she was asleep, he left without seeing her. Mrs. Keller comes upon a pool of blood in the closet, A diamond chain is missing. Donahey, police inspector, questions the guests. Harriden brands Leila's story of seeing a man strike a woman a lie. Anson, a maid, tells of seeing Deck outside the Harriden door. Desk says he passed by in seeking a lost handkerchief. Elkins, a servant, tells of overhearing Deck threaten Mrs. Harriden earlier in the day. Deck explains he was intoxicated and does not remember. That night Leila awakes with the impression of some one being in her room and then hears steps in the hall. Believing she was mistaken, she does not report it. Later Donahey

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sends for Leila. She identifies the dress he has as hers. Pinned to it is a hand-

kerchief containing the missing chain. Leila tells of her intruder, Mitchell tries to help clear her, Harriden ac-

cuses Lella of being Deck's confeder-

ate. A large diamond is missing from the chain. The handkerchief which

contained the diamond chain has one

corner torn off and is stained.

"Ah, there they differ. He thinks before-they think after. So think the Kellers. But people were drifting about so, that it's easy to overlook some one in the room. . . . I was next to the last. Or Deck was, we differ there. Letty Van Alstyn was the last. Now what about Letty?"

"Well, what about her?" I echoed. "She's cuckoo over Harriden," he

told me. "Harriden?"

"Yep. She might have dropped in to see Nora and Nora twitted her about something-Nora knew all about Letty's pash for Dan, and Letty got in a rage and caught up something that was handy. . . ."

I flung out, "But a girl couldn't have killed her-like that-"

"Somebody killed her-like that." "And dragged her, first to a closet,

then to a window-"

"You can do a lot when you have to. Letty went up right after dinner," he pointed out. "She wouldn't give a hoot in Hades what happened to any one so she got clear. Tagging the diamonds to you would be just her line."

"A sweet menagerie," I commented. "I know all these people involvedexcept the Rancinis-and you don't-I'm not sure but that gives you the edge over me for you've no preconceptions. Except about Deck," he added, suddenly. "You think Deck is in-

nocent, don't you?" Under the quizzical gleam of his eyes, I felt the weight of his look upon me, a shrewd, legal, estimating look, and a sudden cold doubt of his friendliness blew like a chill wind through my uncertain mind.

I had a horrid thought. . . . What was his own share in this involve. effair? At what time had he, himself, come down to dinner? About the same time as Deck. Just before Letty Van Alstyn. He had never liked Nora Harriden; he had admitted it with a frankness meant, perhapse to disarm

My look twisted away from his but not quickly enough. He rose, laughing at me with a chiding note of raillery.

"Shall we go see if my hankles match?"

I looked again and laughed with bim; I felt borribly ashamed of my-

CHAPTER VII

Clancy had returned and his report was a curious one. There had been three separate finds of handkerchiefs exactly similar to that stained and crumpled piece of linen in Donahey's hand; they had been found among the possessions of Harriden, and of Keller and of Deck.

Donahey sat glowering over that bit of news.

Mitchell urged the immediate examination of the handkerchief and Donahey agreed, sending Clancy up with it to the picture gallery. But before I could join him with my case of materials I had to be subjected to a search both of my belongings and of my person. I was told that this was a routine matter that everyone was undergoing, in the effort to discover the missing pendant.

After having seen that glittering chain brought out of the hanky inside my dress I was really afraid they'd conjure the famous pendant out of my powder box or the toe of a slipper. That demon thief might have tucked it anywhere. I breathed a good deal easter when the ordeal was over.

I was glad to be in the gallery again. where Clancy was waiting beside a card table that Elkins had set up. I was grateful to have the work on the handkerchief, grateful to Mitchell for trying to range me on the side of the investigators.

There were three people, I thought, on whom suspicion might justifiably rest; there were the Prince and Princess Rancini and Letty Van Alstyn, but there was not a scrap of evidence against any of them.

No, there were four. I had to be honest with myself; I couldn't pretend. There was Alan Deck. And against him was all the evidence they had.

I wanted to see Deck. I wanted to talk with him. Not here, with Clancy at hand-yes, here, even though we could say nothing that mattered. If I could see him again, I thought I could find an answer to that worrying uncertainty in me.

The testing was a difficult business. The handkerchief had been so thoroughly washed that I began to depair of uncertainty in my ments. Not about the rust marks; those I did make sure of.

Then, in one of the corners, close under the fold of the hemstitched hem, I found traces of stain that yielded a

blood reaction. "That's blood," I said.

In the intervals of waiting and drying I walked up and down the gallery. I found myself wishing to get at the records of these pictures to begin the real work for which I had come. For a few moments I forgot the nightmare of that murder. I grinned at a Magdalen, attributed to Titian, analogous to the one at Naples, and then I was caught by a lovely little Virgin whose suppliant, adoring curves and pure, polgnant ecstasy made me yearn to prove her the creation of Angelico that she was labeled.

As my mind bit on these familiar realities my nerves steadled, and when I went down with the policeman to make my report I was feeling more like myself.

Alan Deck was with Monty Mitchell. and when he saw me he came forward quickly, with a "Good morning, accomplice!" in his mocking way. Monty said, "Find anything?" And they both came with me while I had my moment of importance, making my report to Donahey.

I used all the words and technical terms that I thought he would not know but the main facts were clearblood in one corner, and five marks

Donahey nodded, as if he had gressed it all the time, and I moved away with Deck. Mitchell stayed with the inspector: I remember seeing him turn the handkerchief about very slowly in his hands.

Deck said thoughtfully, "That blood rather disposes of the theory that the diamonds might have been put there by some one who just picked them up -afterwards."

And at my assent he said, "Well, that's that!" in a hard voice.

Grant now appeared before us, announcing that a buffet lencheon was being served in the dining-room. As I went to wash my stained fingers + saw Miss Van Alstyn in the hall ahead of me. As she paused at her door. opposite that closed door behind which Nora Harriden was lying, I saw the mald, Anson, stop her, holding something in her hand.

"Yes, I threw it away," I heard Miss Van Alstyn say. "It's broken-throw

"If you don't mind my keeping it-"

Out of an impulse of friendliness for that pretty Anson I turned and asked her what she had.

"It's for the hair, miss, only the comb is broken," she told me. "Maybe I could get another fixed on. It's so

It was pretty - a sharp-pointed crescent about four or five inches long. glittering with bright brown stones. The comb, at right angles to the crescent, had been broken sharply off. I picked it up; it seemed a little large and too heavy for anywhere except the back of the head, above a froth of curls. It was of some solid brown metal and I thought another comb could easily be soldered ou.

"It's worth it," I told Anson, and she said she had been afraid to carry it away without asking, for fear it had fallen in the basket by mistake.

I was reflecting that costume fewelry, to Miss Van Alstyn, was not



The Prince Rancini Walked By.

worth repairing, and then, staring at those hard, pointed ends, that solid metal-

If a woman had a thing like this in her hands . . . if she struck out with it, furiously. . .

"When did you find this, Anson?" Last night, she told me. When she had been arranging the room for the

"Were the broken pieces of the comb in the basket, too," "I did see some broken pleces. But

they went with the trash. They couldn't have been fixed." "With the trash? Where did the

trash go?" "Why, in the incinerator, Miss," she apswered, eyes widening at my ques-

"And was the incinerator going?" "Last night, miss? I couldn't say. I know it hasn't been going this morning for that policeman gave orders not

to have anything burned." I turned the crescent about, No sign of a blood film over any of its brightness-but blood could be superficially washed off in running water. A blow with it, a jab with one of those viclously pointed ends, would have broken off the comb. . . . She might not have thought to wash off the pieces

of the comb. . . . In imagination I saw Letty Van Alstyn snatching this crescent from her hair, striking out recklessly. . . .

Anson was staring at me; I handed it back to her, saying something about my interest in imitations to excuse my absorption in it. . . . Letty Van Alstyn came out of her room, passing down to luncheon, and in the vague smile she swept over us I felt a sharpening of curiosity.

Scrubbing my stained fingers, brushing out my hair, I tried to fit the pieces together in this pattern. . . . Suppose Letty were guilty-how about that scene at the window? Well, that could have had nothing to do with the actual murder-it might have been Deck, or Translation Harridge for al

Suppose it had been Harriden. Suppose he had gone on down to dinner, and Nora had been in bed, resentful, hysterical, when Letty had dropped in, on her way down. Nora there was every reason for a scene own costuming. Mitchell leaned on it son City.

which Letty, in blind rage or in self "As you like," said Miss Van Al- protection had struck out with the in a second." styn indifferently and disappeared into first thing at hand. . . .

I had to imagine her picking up one blood . . . thrusting Nora into the closet . . . waiting till she was sure the rest were down at dinner, then putting her out the window. Perhaps the blood-stained handkerchief had been a crumpled ball in Letty's brown bag and after dinner she had gone up to wash it out-that was when she had met me in the hall, outside Mrs. Harriden's door.

Perhaps the yellow diamonds had been in Letty's brown bag, too. And late that night-or rather early in the morning-she had torn the initials out of the dried handkerchief and stolen up to my room.

The pieces fitted together, I thought excitedly. But there was nothing in the world to sustain that wild suspicion but my vivid imagination-nothing unless there should be blood upon the pieces of broken comb in the incinerator.

I fairly raced down, then, to the buffet luncheon, eager to pour this out to Mitchell.

Mitchell was busily filling a plate so went over to him. His eyes looked darker and more alert than ever; his black hair, which began quite far back on his forehead was standing up in an excited crest. We sat down at a corner of the table-he hated eating in his lap, he declared-and under my breath I poured out my conjecturings.

Promptly he dashed my hopes. "Incinerator been going for an hour. Donahey let them start it up when he saw there weren't any rags there-just trash and garbage. Did you keep the crescent?"

When I said I hadn't, he advised me to get it and test it for blood. But he seemed a little detached. He even said, "I think you're barking up the wrong tree.'

"It was your tree," I told him indignantly. "You thought she could be a guilty soul."

"Oh, a possibility-yes. But somehow-" He left it in dubiety.

We went on talking. I remember they have it today and get it over to tension and uncertainty and the with?" And he said that Donahey wanted to do more work on the case. wanted enough for an indictment, if possible. And he said, "By keeping people herded up like this, in an isolation camp, he can induce a state of nerves that may cause a breakdown. Anything may develop at any moment. That's psychology."

After luncheon he had me get my hat and coat and, with Donahey's permission, he took me outdoors and marched me up and down the landscaped road in front of the house where cool wind and sunshine had their tonic effect.

The shore was being patrolled by guards to keep reporters and curiosity seekers from landing, and I had a some internment camp.

Other members of the house-party Prince Rancini walked by, very smartly turned out with spats and a cane. After we had passed each other twice he turned, smiling, to ask permission to join us.

Without his wife's presence he expanded into gaiety; he seemed to me a big, light-hearted pleasure-loving fellow, with a Continental's casual cynicism about life and emotional responsiveness to beauty. He stopped us to show us a particularly lovely contrast of light and dark blue in the sea, pointing with his stick, and he told us of his swimming feats at Capri and his skiing records at St. Moritz and of his shooting triumphs in Scotland.

For a time I was amused at this distraction; no one could have imagined that we three people, promenading up and down those stately avenues, chatting of tournaments were three members of an isolated house, hold darkened by death and shadowed by suspicion.

Mitchell said very little - he had small chance against the prince except through interruptions. But he created a diversion by suddenly tripoing over a root and emitting a succonstant of fervent damns as he hopped about distressfully. "It's this" confounded ankle-strained it a year ago. May I borrow your stick?" he asked the prince.

I thought Rancini passed !! over might have surmised that Letty had rather reluctantly. At the time I imbeen stirring up Dan's jealousy, so agined he fancied it as part of his five months after their stop at Jeffen

"It's so pretty," Anson murmured. between them. A terrific scene, in as he walked along with us, refusing to return to the house. "Be all right

Then Rancini began telling about

his palace in Rome that he was doing of Dan's handkerchiefs to wipe off the over and about his efforts to collect the tapestries and furniture that he had previously sold. I gathered that he was doing all this with his wife's money.

It was when we returned to the house, and Mitchell was passing back the cane, declaring himself completely recovered, that he made a casualsounding observation.

"This is one of those trick things, isn't it, prince? Isn't there a spring I feel here-?"

"But yes," said Rancini, without the slightest hesitation. "You press thisplease take your hands away. I do it-I know this thing. So-like that.

And out comes this little toy." What came out was the point of a substantial looking knife, quite a stabbing tool. "Another press and a bayonet." said Rancini, laughing.

"Quite a toy." Mitchell commented, eyeing it quizzically.

"And not such a toy at that. In Rome now, the streets are safe, but in Paris, when one is late-in the quarters of a little milliner, perhaps-" "With a jealous lover around the

corner," Monty Mitchell suggested. "Si, si!" Rancini laughed, then under his breath to me he murmured in swift Italian, "When the heart is empty one must pass the hours," and I smiled up at his smile and asked to see the

knife again. I looked hard at it. The sharp, strong point seemed bright, unstained

CHAPTER VIII

Mitchell said very naturally "A useful thing, that! A pity Nora Harriden didn't have one at hand when that fellow set on her."

Not a quiver of Rancini's face, as far as I could see. Perhaps the fact that there wasn't a quiver, that his voice was blandly expressionless meant something. Smoothly he agreed, "It might have made all the difference."

We were back in the house as saying about the inquest, "Why don't its walls shut upon us, closing us in strain of our own thoughts.

Mitchell went off to Donahey, coming back just for a moment to report that no trace of the pendant had been found. When I went to Anson to get the crescent, with a little made-up speech about my interest in imitation stones, she told me that Miss Van Alstyn had asked for it back, giving her instead a star of brilliants.

She was immensely pleased and I immensely puzzled.

Letty Van Alstyn had been indiderence itself before me as to the fate of that broken ornament. Why the sudden, surreptitious change? I tried, on the impulse, to find her but she wasn't in her room; my maid at last located her in the Keller sitting-room, with feeling of being under martial law in Mrs. Crane and the two Kellers, playing at bridge.

"I don't think they liked my barging were oft taking exercise, too; the in on them, and Miss Van Alstyn looked frankly wondering when I asked for the crescent. Yes, she had taken it back, she told me, her eyes reverting to the cards; she rather thought she'd get herself another one and so didn't want a duplicate about. Certainly I could look at it if I wished; it was somewhere in her room, she supposed vaguely. "Just ask Anson to find it." I closed the door upon her faintly breathed but perfectly audible. Extraordinary."

But Anson could not find that crescent. She promised to bring it up to me when she did. "Maybe she locked it up with her jewels," she suggested,

(TO BE CONTINUED)

First Wagon to Cross Rockies

On April 2, 1836, a Missouri river steamer stopped at Jefferson city, Mo., having on board Dr. Marcus Whitman, Rev. Henry H. Spalding, and their wives, who were en route to establish a mission among the Indians of Oregon. Joined at Liberty, Mo., by W. H. Gray, they purchased wagons, pack animals, cattle and provisions and began their long and perilous overland journey. The ladies were the first white women to cross the American continent. Whitman took with him, as far as Fort Boise, the first wheeled vehicle to surmount the Rockies and thus led the way for the development of nation-wide communication. party reached Fort Walla Walla, on the Columbia, on September 2-exacting

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"Dun't" for a Happy 4th.

Fourth of July is a safer holiday nowadays than it used to be For County and District Clerk -- but it still results in a great number of deaths and accidents. The tragedy is that all those accidents and deaths are preventable. You can have a "safe and For Sheriff & Tax Collector, sane" Fourth that is also an enjoyable Fourth -- if you'll remember the following list of 'don'ts'

1. Don't forget that the proof of Fourth of July patriotism is home protection.

2. Don't shut your eyes to the great Fourth of July hazards: Fireworks, automobiles, drownings, fires, firearms, falls, pois-

3. If you must have home fireworks, see that they are the safest procurable.

4. Tell the children why home fireworks are always dangerous. 5. Don't neglect to clear your premises of all rubbish.

6. Don't discharge fireworks near buildings. Get out in the open.

7. Don't let children play with matches. Keep matches out of their reach.

8. Don't let children throw sparklers. They remain hot for some time and are dangerous.

9. Don't let children discharge fireworks unattended.

10. Don't let children stand too close to fireworks that are being discharged.

11. Don't let children pick up undischarged fireworks. They might explode.

12. Don't keep fireworks in the home uncovered. Keep in tin box until used.

13. Don't forget, above all, that most Fourth of July accidents can be prevented.

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"The civic, moral and educational value of developing the natural talent of each child," Dr. Brown said, "has a far-reaching influence on the health, knowledge, and character of the future men and women of this State. The child need not be directed in each little act that he performs. Let the summer vacation season be the time when the child has a chance to develop his own individuality. Many an artist, statesman, or competent executive has come from humble surroundings. But looking back of this, we probably find that this outstanding individual had a chance to develop his natural tal-

"It has been observed that children grow faster during the summer months than at any other time. This is explainable, perhaps, because it is then that they are out in the sunshine and fresh air. Good health is essential to physical and mental growth. The prime factors of good health are care of the body, nourishing food of the right kind, regular habits, sufficient sleep, rest and play, and a happy state of mind.

"Of course, where the child lives and under what conditions, means a great deal as to the type of recreation he will find during the summer. The city child will look forward to trips in the country or hours spent in the playgrounds and swimming pools. The child living in the country will have many things to do that will keep him in the sunshine most of the time.

"Let us all work toward the end that each child may feel at the end of summer that he has worked out some of his own ideas and dreams, and still developed his physical and mental capacities during these few months of play."

Centennial Notes

Texas Centennial Exposition officials have not and will not, overlook the children. Every Tuesday for the duration of the Exposition will be children's day with a nickel price on the entrance gate and all concessions.;

A bronze statue bust of John Nance Garner, first Texan to become Vice-President, was unveiled during an impressive ceremony at the Centennial.

Visitors to the Texas Centennial need have no serious fears about the food they eat within the Exposition grounds. Five Dallas food inspectors have been assigned the task of eliminating bad food.

Police within and about the Centennial grounds are really walking information booths rather than bogey men. That goes for traffic officers too, soid Robert L. Jones, Chief of Dallas police. "A visiting driver would have to do something awfully bad and really prove himself an incorrigible before we would give him a ticket," he said.

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*The First Declaration *



A hundred years before, in 1676, Nathaniel Bacon (above) signed a famous "Declaration of the People of Virginia" wherein the king's governor was vigorously arraigned. Bacon led a rebellion against royal misrule (he is shown above at the burning of Jamestown) but it collapsed when he died suddenly.

Millions Yearly

ORE than a million patriotic pilgrims a year pause before a marble shrine on the second floor of the Library of Congress to gaze with reverent eyes at a fading document-sheltered in a coating of gelatin to prevent its further injury-which is a certain Dec-

laration of Independence signed in the city of Philadelphia on July 4, 1776. Most of the signatures, writes Elizabeth Ellicott Poe in the Washington



Post, are indistinguishable at the present time but on the front of the top row of names is a name written in large script. "John Hancock," It reads, and the historically minded remember that when that sturdy Massachusetts patriot bent over to put

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his signature to this fateful paper he remarked: "I'll write it large so King George can read it without his spectacles."

John Hancock, one of the richest men of Boston town, had much to lose by his stand. It was no idle gesture to him, this adoption of the cause of the colonies. His properties were to be forfeited to the crown for what would be considered an act of treason but John Hancock did not hesitate because of this. He was a native of Braintree, therefore a friend and neighber, no doubt, of John Adams, who was afterward to be the second Presiden: of the United States.

As a member of the Committee of Patriots appointed after the massacre in Boston asking the British to withdraw. Hancock had counseled every honorable means to avoid the conflict impending. At the funeral of the slain he preached an oration in which he flayed the cowardice of the British officers and men in slaughtering unarmed men.

When the Continental Congress was formed John Hancock represented Massachusetts therein and in 1775-1777 served as its president,

In his spacious Boston mansion meanwhile Lord Percy, Britain's pet, held sway. A price was put on the head of John Hancock as well, which only amused the game patriot. Hancock was so eager to fight that he let it be known that he was willing to face the hardships of the field.

After his Revolutionary service was over, Hancock was elected the first governor of Massachusetts, which office he held from 1787 until his death,

John Adams spoke of hin as a "clever fellow, a bit spoiled by a legacy." He left no descendants and so busy were his heirs in distributing his property after his death that they dld not erect a tombstone. Massachusetts in later years repaired this omission and a monument now stands over his grave in the Old Granary Burying ground, on Tremont street, in Boston, not far from the grave of his friend, Samuel Adams, another Massachusetts volutionary patriot,

When the Fourth View Declaration Was Noisiest Day

OOKING back from the security of our present Fourth of July saneness to the early 1900s when all Fourths were insane, we are compelled to admit that we did pretty well in those days considering the limited means we had of being insane compared to the advantages we enjoy now in our state of scientific sanity, states a writer in the Kansas

To a boy of the Insane Fourth era. the Fourth of July ranked only with Christmas in fiscal importance. On Christmas we knew it was 192 days to the Fourth, and on the Fourth we knew we had only 173 days until Christmas, Christmas savings funds had not been in-

vented at that time. and would have been of no interest to boys anyhow, because boys were on the receiving end at Christmas.

On the night before the Fourth, the children began showing strange symptoms, especially an unnatural willingness to go to bed early. That gesture was deceiving and specious: the

children were not interested in getting their rightful rest before a strenuous day, but were insuring themselves against the sad accident of sleeping past three o'clock in the morning. Any boy who wasn't out by three o'clock in the morning shooting firecrackers under the respective windows of the pastor, the school principal and the truancy officer was deemed a sissy and not fit for human companionship the rest of the day.

The opening ceremony was the only one unanimously attended. From that time on, too many things were happening to engage the entire juvenile attention at one time. There was the sunrise salute of 21 guns, engineered by the village backsmith who placed one great anvil upon another with giant powder in between, touched off from a daring proximity with a red hot iron. Usually the nether anvil grew very hot before the 21 salutes were fired and this was one of the causes of many distressing accidents in the insane era. At ten o'clock there was the rendition of the "Star-Spangled Banner," led by the band and assisted by the ladies of the G. A. R., whose voices sometimes didn't quite make the high notes; and the reading of the Declaration of Independence by the mayor,

Hostilities usually were suspended at noon for the community dinner in the city park, where fried chicken, water melon and lemonade from a barrel engaged the general attention until satlety was reached. The afternoon was a dizzy succession of patriotic and athletic events, wherein the popular candidate for congress, vied with a greased pole, a pie-eating contest and a ball game, for popular attention.

Such was the Fourth of July celebration in the early 1900s, fraught, as one may see, with great dangers later minimized by the Sane Fourth cam-

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Lesson for July 5

THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN POWER

LESSON TEXT-Acts 1:6-9; 2:1-11, GOLDEN TEXT-But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be wit-

the uttermost part of the earth .- Acts PRIMARY TOPIC-Jesus Keeps His JUNIOR TOPIC-A Promise Made an

nesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto

Kept.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC-New Power Through the Holy YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOFIC-Empowered for the World Task.

1. The Missionary Program (1:6-8). The work incumbent upon the Church is witnessing to Christ's gracious salvation to all the nations. After this is done, there will follow the preaching of the gospel of the kingdom by converted Israelites (Acts 15:14-17; Cf. Matt. 24:14). This was not clear to the disciples, therefore they put the question, "Wilt thou at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" The Davidic kingdom shall be established, but not until after the gospel of the grace of God is preached and the body of Christ is completed.

1. In Jerusalem (v. 8). This was done by the twelve immediately following Pentecost.

2. In Judea and Samaria (v. 8). This was done by the disciples after the hands of the persecutors were laid on them. Not only the twelve but many others took part in this.

3. Unto the uttermost part of the earth (v. 8). Beginning with the first foreign missionary enterprise, this work has been carried on till the present time.

II. The Coming of the Spirit (Acts 2:1-11).

The power of the early Church was the Holy Spirit. The watchword of God's mightiest men throughout the centuries has been "not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts" (Zech. 4:6).

1. The time (v. 1). It was on the day of Pentecost. By "day of Pentecost" is meant the feast which was held fifty days after the wave sheaf was offered (Lev. 23:15, 16). It was observed by presenting two loaves made of the new meal (Lev. 23:17). These loaves were baked with leaven, while leaven was rigidly excluded from the passover feast (Lev. 23:6).

2. Upon whom the Spirit came (v. 1). Cf. 1:13-15. The twelve and others to the number of 120. The coming of the Spirit was not merely for the twelve but for all believers, all the members of the body of Christ. They were in one place with one accord waiting for the fulfillment of the Father's promise (Luke 24:49). If the church would be with one accord in one place, wonderful blessings might still be expected.

3. The marks of the Spirit (vv. 2-4). These marks were external and internal.

a. External. (1) The sign of a mighty wind. There was no wind, only the sound thereof, suggesting the allpervasive, life-giving influence of the Holy Spirit. (2) Tongues of flame. Each of the 120 was crowned with such a tongue. The tongues show the practical purpose of the Spirit's gifts and the fire indicates his purifying energy. purging away the dross and making fit his witnesses. (3) Speaking in foreign tongues. For these humble Galileans thus to speak caused great

amazement. b. Internal. This is seen in the transformation wrought in the disciples. They now have great courage and self-possession. Peter, who a little while before was cowering before a Jewish maid, now with lionboldness stood before the thousands of Jerusalem, and a little later before the chief rulers of the city, and declared that they had murdered their King.

III. The Converting Power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:37-42).

Many people were convicted of their sins-about 3,000 repented and were baptized. This revival was real be-

1. They continued steadfast in the apostles' teaching (v. 42). They did not grow cold or run after every new teacher that came along.

2. They continued in fellowship with the apostles (v. 42). The surest way to grow is to keep in fellowship with-Christians. Spiritual indifference is sure to follow the neglect of the fellowship of the brethren in Christ.

3. They continued in the use of the means of grace (v. 42). They broke bread together.

4. In prayer. The apostolic church was a praying church. The Christian life cannot be lived without prayer.

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Four-Word Test

In this test there are four words given in each problem. Three of the tour in each case bear a definite relationship to one another. Cross out the one word that does not belong in each problem.

1, ounce, ton, mile, pound. 2, Carl Hubbell, Curt Davis, Gabby Hartnett, Ellsworth Vines,

3. eleven, twelve, thirteenth, four 4. hop, skip, contestant, jump.

5, pear, plum, orange, potato. 6. Trenton, Chicago, Boston, Al

7. daisy, tulip, fern, hyacinth.

9. pilfer, steal, donate, take. 10. New York Giants, Pittsburgh Pirates, St. Louis Browns, Boston

8. Paris, New York, London, Ot

Answers

1. Mile 2. Ellsworth Vines.

3. Thirteenth, 4. Contestant.

5. Potato,

6. Chicago. 7. Fern.

8. New York. 9. Donate. 10. St. Louis Browns.

Foreign Words and Phrases

Aequo animo, (L.) With equal (equable) mind.

Coup d'oeil. (F.) A comprehensive

Dulce est desipere in loco. (L.) It is delightful to unbend upon occa

Ex post facto. (L.) After the fact In extremis. (L.) At the point of

Lapsus linguae. (L.) A slip of

the tongue. Necessitas non habet legem. (L.)

Necessity has no law. Onus probandi. (L.) The burden of proof.

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are about as excit-

ing as a trip by rail from Chicago to

ship is at South-

ampton. The Isle of

Wight is on your

are landing for

England. On your

Passengers

Lake Forest, or from Wall street to Forty-second street by subway. You are in Europe before you realize that you have started. The poetry of travel has departed with fast ships on the ocean and automobiles instead of camels on the

No matter how often you cross this Atlantic ocean, or the North American continent, the crossing is always different and interesting. The ocean, like the wide plains, is forever chang-

Two days ago the waves looked like playthings for children. Last night the ocean changed its mind and rolled the waves up high with a shrieking wind. The steward said, "We shall have to fasten the arm chairs tomorrow," but the heavy ship paid no attention to the waves. The ocean changed its mind again and calmed

A speedometer telling how fast the ship moves is operated by a mechanism below the keel that records the speed of the rushing water. Burning oil produces steam; steam power is converted into electric power, and that drives the ship. The captain always knows how deep the ocean is beneath him; an electric contrivance sends a sound wave down through the water to the bottom, which sends back an

Knowing the speed at which sound travels through water, it is easy to calculate the depth. The machine does it for you. It is a feeble sound-one hundred and sixty thousand vibrations to the second. No human ear could pick it up, but the machine records it. Twenty-five thousand vibrations per second is the limit of your ear, and that is not bad for a primitive contrivance like a human being.

Newton D. Baker, secretary of war In the "big" war, tells graduating students of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology it is their duty to "carry science into politics." Scientists, Mr. Baker thought, must seek for "the solution of world problems when the great international crisis comes, as it surely will come."

A sufficient "great crisis" seems to be here now, with many countries wanting to fight each other, different classes already fighting each other, and in this richest country in the world-ten million human beings Ilving practically on charity.

If that is not a real crisis, few would care to see one.

George Bernard Shaw, not yet eighty, says, "I must give up public speaking, I am too old." That surprises you from a Celt and an Irishman. At eighty many men have been vigorous in thought and body; for instance, Pope Leo, Von Mo.tke, Gladstone, Michel-

Not one of those, however, suffered from handicaps that have aged George Bernard Shaw prematurely; he is a vegetarian and a teetotaler. Youth and strength reside in a saddle of four-year-old mutton and good, light claret, greatly diluted with water.

In spite of England's pitifully weak and belated backdown on sanctions. due to London's fear of Mussolini's air fleet; a backdown denounced as cowardice by Lloyd George, Britain, for face-saving purposes, will maintain a great fleet in the Mediterranean. Mussolini will welcome such convenient air and submarine targets near home as a sort of British hostages to fortune.

steturning to the real American interest, the defeat of Joe Louis, young gentlemen and old will observe that it is most important in all undertakings not to be afraid, worn out or cowardly. Fighters that Louis had encountered saw before them "an in vincible conqueror of men."

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STAR DUST

Movie · Radio *** By VIRGINIA VALE ***

F YOU are among the many who never fail to tune in on Major Bowes' broadcasts on Sunday evenings, you'll be interested in the discussion of money matters that's going on.

The genial Major's contract expires in September, and the same sponsors want him again. So do others. He asked \$18,000 a broadcast, then cut it to \$15,000-twice what his old contract brings in.

As for the amateurs who appear on the program, they get five dollars an appearance. If they get the gong it's doubled. If they are good enough to land with a unit, they draw real money.

As soon as "The Garden of Allah" is finished the stars are going to

scatter like spilled quicksilver. Mar-

Marlene Dietrich

lene Dietrich will go to London (she plans to put her little girl in school in Europe next year, which will mean their first separation for any length of time); Basil Rathbone will head for London also; Charles Boyer leaves for Paris, and Joseph Schildkraut

for Austria. And as soon as they arrive no doubt, they'll probably be summoned back to Hollywood for more pictures. The wise picture star, when starting for a vacation, leaves no address.

When you see "The Good Earth" don't sympathize with the actors, thinking that they had to shave their heads for the picture.

The head of the make-up department at Metro, Jack Dawn, mixed up a dressing that would give the effect of shaved heads-and by having the actors use it, the company saved a lot of money. You see, had the actors had to become bald for the picture, they'd have had to be paid till their hair grew again!

Ginger Rogers has been in pictures for six years. She celebrated the anniversary just the other day. She still likes them. But the girl has unlimited energy; after working all day with Fred Astaire on dance routines for their next picture, she goes out dancing in the evening.

Ben Lyons and Bebe Daniels sailed for England the other day with their daughter Barbara, aged four and cute as she can be. Ben and Bebe will make personal appearances (they've been coining money doing it over here), and then take a vacation on the Riviera. They have more fun than almost any other married couple in Holly-

Fred Allen could journey to Hollywood and make pictures this summer if he wanted to; the offers have been rolling in thick and fast. But he has turned them all down. When he is broadcasting he works all week on each broadcast, and he feels that he's entitled to a rest when he goes off the air for the summer. So he'll vacation in his home town in Massachusetts-and probably pick up new material for his next series of programs.

Katharine Hepburn is taking no chances on her next theatrical ap-

pearance. Signed with the Theater Guild to do "Jane Eyre" next fall, she insists on a preliminary out-of-town tour lasting six weeks, just to get her hand in.

It's rumored that Margaret Sullavan will also have a try at the New York stage, where she was doing very well indeed when the

Katharine Hepburn movies captured her, and she became a favorite of screen fans.

Robert Taylor's New York vacation remained hectic to the very end. Leaving a broadcasting studio after he'd been on the air, he was mobbed by a crowd that took 15 policemen to handle-and then one of the fans got away with his handkerchief, and another took one of Taylor's shoes, to remember him

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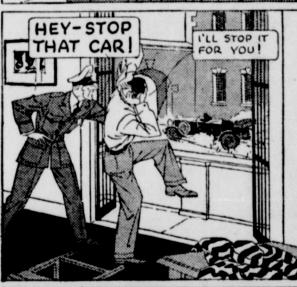
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Locals & Personals

Frank Davis of Gouldbusk, visited in the home of his cousin, G. May Wilkins spent last weekend E. Davis, Saturday and Sunday.

Elmo Bell is in Houston where he is planning to buy a cafe.

and children visited homefolks Wilkins will join them later. here last weekend. Mr. and Mrs.

ment she received in Brownwood. fith and then sent to San Angelo. She expects to complete work several years.

P. E. (Buster) Hallmark has been checkd in as the new proprietor of the Magnolia Station, Mr. Davis retiring from the business. Mr. Hallmark is well known here and was formerly in the cafe business. He says he likes Robert Lee and just couldn't stay away. Read his ad in this issue.

Among those going from here to the camp meeting at Junction where Alva Johnson is preaching were, J. E. Roberts, Misses Myrtle, Ada and Mata-Lea Hurley, Lela and Cora Higgins and Tommie Williams.

Bai ey Russell spent last week in Lubbock with his wife and sister, Mrs. Joplin.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Cave of Globe, Arizona, are visiting her aunts. Misses Effie and Nannie Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Shelborne, Miss Myrtle Hurley, Bobbie Lee Davis and Tommie Williams went to Maverick Monday night to hear J. N. Cowin preach.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Harris and children of Crane, visited in the home of his uncle, J. C. Slaughter, last week. Returning home, they were accompanied by Maxine : Slaughter who will be their | Monday. Both doctors and parguest for some time.

Mrs. G. B. Shelborne and baby are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Key. Mr. Shel- merly lived here many years, borne recently held a meeting in but who is now living in Califor-Hatchell and after a few days vis- nia, is here on a visit to relait here left Wednesday to begin a tives and friends. She is at meeting in Teague. He will be present the guest of Mrs. J. I. in meetings for about six weeks Murtishaw. going from Teague to Cayuga and thence to New Hope.

sline's aunt, Mrs. P. E. Morris. | tives in the county.

Mrs. R. M. Cumbie and Mrs. in the W. J. Cumbie home. 'Mother' Cumbie went to Abilene Wednesday for a visit with her daughter and grandson, Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Emory Davis Cova Collier and R. I. Mrs.

Rodney Thompson, who was Gene Baker accompanied them. bitten by a rattlesnake one night Miss Myvan Morris was in last week while fishing, was brot town Saturday to get her school home Saturday night from the material and other personal be- hospital greatly improved. When longings. Miss Morris has not first bitten Howard Eaton brot been well for some time but her him to town where he was given condition is improving since treat- first aid treatment by Dr. Grif-

John Martin Gramling brought necessary for a degree during this his sister, Helen, home from San term. She stated that her work Angelo Sunday for a few days at Christoval will be much lighter rest. Helen had a brief illness at than her school work has been in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Draper where she is working.

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Bobbie Lee Davis left Wendesday morning with G. B. Shelburn for a tour over East Texas. He plans to return in August.

Christine Glenn is in San Saba this week visiting her friend and schoolmate, Miss Justine Lim-

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Allen and Houston Smith attended Fiftieth Anniversary celebration at Ballinger Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bell vlsited their daughters in Ballinger Monday, and also attended the celebration.

Tommie Walker, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker, was moved from the hospital ents think he is definitely on the

Mrs. J. H. Warren, who for-

Mr. and Mrs. Garrie son, Curtis Jr., and Eddie Thom-Estaline Denman and Jewel as Stewart arrived in Robert Lee Slaughter were at Sanatorium from New Mexico Wednesday over the weekend as guests of Es- morning for a visit with rela-

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Je rsey CATSUP 14 oz Bottle	12c	Golden Fru BANAN		Doz.	12c
MATCHES 6 box carton	17e	Extra Large CARRO		3 for	10c
	19c 19c	CELER	Y lg	e. stalks, ea.	10c
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