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## Observe Birthdays

A dinner party at the Freeman Clark home Sunday, was held in observance of the birthdays of Mrs Mattie Clark who was eighty-five on May 25 and her grandchildren, Wayne Clift and Carlene Clark whose birthdays fell on the 19th and 20th of May.

Those present were Mrs. Mattie Clark, Cullen Clark and wife and son, Royce Dean; Condie Clark and wife; Wayne Clift, wife and son, Wallace Wayne; James Wallace Clift and wife; J. A. Clift and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Clark and daughter, Carlene.

Mrs. Mattie Clark, whose maiden name was Warwick, was born in Clarksville, Ga., in 1852 and in the same town the same year, was born George Clark to whom she was married at Cleveland, Ga., August 22, 1875. Soon after, the family came to Strawn, Texas. During the first years as pioneers, they had residence in Erath, Palo Pinto and Eastland counties and in 1884 Mr. Clark became a foreman on the Henry Wylie ranch in Runnels county. Later they bought and settled the old home near Ft. Chadbourne but a long drouth made it necessary to give up farming for a time and they went back to the Wylie ranch. With the return of more seasonable years, they returned to the farm that has been home for near half a century.

Of nine children born to Mr. and Mrs. Clark, five sons and one daughter survive: Homer, Cullen, Condie, Freeman and Mrs. J. A. Clift.

Born of southern gentle-folk, Mrs. Clark gave to her descendants the priceless heritage of a background of culture and sincere hospitality. Having been tried in her early life by the ravages of Civil War times, she was fortified for the hardships of pioneer life and the rearing of a family in an untamed country and when the World War called two of her sons, Condie and Freeman, that same spirit of bravery carried her through.

Though advanced in years, she is active and young in spirit. With her at the old homestead, are her son, Condie, and his wife but Mattie Warwick Clark is still reigning queen of the home where she reared her children, where the last rites were said for their father--the place her children still think of as "home" because Mother is there. "She looketh well to the ways of her household--her children rise up and call her blessed."

## A CORRECTION

In reporting the dimensions of the proposed new school building last week it read 16x82, when it should have read 160x82. We regret the error.

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## 1179 Scholastics In County

Final census reports in the office of county superintendent McNeil Wylie, show a total of 1179 scholastics in Coke county with 44 six-year-olds scheduled for an introduction to the 3 Rs next September. Two common school districts, however, have been transferred out of the county, thereby lowering the total 42. Olga, with an enrollment of 35, will transfer to Blackwell while the 7 Walnut pupils will go to Water Valley. Six scholastics in the Mays district have been transferred to Bronte.

Scholastic enumeration of the two independent districts show Robert Lee with a gain of 16 over the past school year while Bronte suffered a backset of 3. Enumeration in the Robert Lee district is 349 and in Bronte 519. Scholastics in the common school districts are: Tennyson, 72; Sanco, 59; Silver, 52; Green Mountain, 45; Wild Cat, 34; Paint Creek, 25; Lometa, 16.

Teachers employed for common schools are: Silver, Mrs. Julian Batton; Sanco, Roy V. Stark; Paint Creek, Miss Nora English; Green Mountain, Mrs. Lonnie B. Shelton and Mrs. Sam Powell; Wild Cat, Miss Seba Wolf; Tennyson, Paul R. Jones.

The Coke County Singing Convention meeting at Wild Cat last Sunday was well attended and much good singing was enjoyed. Special numbers were given by Clarence Gambel and Fred Fedford of Winters, Mrs. Joe Long Snead, Emory Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jay and Calvin Wallace of Robert Lee, and Misses Irene Loyd and Alberta Allen of Silver. Singers and visitors from Maverick, Tennyson, Winters, Silver and Bronte were among those attending.

M. H. Havins has a fine irrigated garden on the Fern Havins place in Valley View and large quantities of beets are now being canned from it. It is also reported that an unusually fine crop of blackberries is to be gathered in the Valley View community.

Mrs. Alice Acock returned to her home in Corsicana last Friday after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Brown and other relatives.

The passing of John D. Rockefeller takes from the world a most unique character. He began his career with a clerkship paying \$4.50 a week and from that on up to gaining the controlling interest in the Standard Oil Co., and amassed a fortune running into billions. But of this huge fortune he gave practically all of it away, and when he died it is said he had but very little left.

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## Cleaning Plant Damaged

About noon Tuesday fire broke out in the Spain cleaning and pressing plant located in the Buchanan building and it looked for a few minutes as if the entire building would be destroyed, but the fire hose was quickly brought into play and the blaze was soon under control.

The damage to the building was not heavy, but the tailor shop equipment seems to have been badly damaged. Several suits of clothes were also destroyed.

We understand that insurance was carried on both the building and tailoring equipment.

## Robert Lee Girl Makes First Solo Flight

Miss Pauline Roe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roe, Robert Lee ranch people, made her first solo flight here yesterday after five hours and twenty minutes' instruction by George Globber, an instructor at San Angelo Airport.

Miss Roe, who lives at home, has taken considerable interest in aviation during the past few months and yesterday went aloft alone for the first time.

"Miss Roe's flight after so few hours of instruction was exceptional," said Bill Globber, manager of the airport, last night.--S. A. Standard-Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lawrence of Meridian were visitors here last week. Mr. Lawrence was formerly Coke county agent.

Geneva Scoggins and Chanda Brown returned home from A. C. C. Thursday for the summer vacation. Tommie Williams, also a student at A. C. C. will be home the latter part of the week but will return to Abilene for the summer. Tommie will preach here Sunday morning and evening.

Henry Childers who underwent an appendicitis operation this week is said to be doing nicely.

Winston Gardner of Robert Lee was awarded a bronze medal for outstanding volunteer work on the staff of the Daily Texan, student newspaper at The University of Texas at the annual spring picnic of the Texas Student Publications, Inc.

We have on hand a large supply of Oil of Tar and Benzol at low prices. Arc Light Drug Store.

During the fire excitement Tuesday El Higgins was thrown to the pavement and painfully injured. In some manner he became entangled in the fire hose which caused him to get a hard fall. An X-Ray examination revealed a fractured hip bone.

A large variety of cards for Father's Day at the Variety Store.

## McCracken-McCutchen

The marriage of Miss Willie Joyce McCracken of Sanger, and Mr. Wayne McCutchen of Robert Lee, was solemnized Saturday afternoon, May 22, in the presence of a few relatives and friends, with Jim Clift reading the ceremony.

The bride is the accomplished daughter, and the only child of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCracken of Sanger. She is a graduate of the Sanger High School of the class of '36.

(Mrs. McCracken was formerly Jessie Byrd.)

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCutchen, a ranchman north of Robert Lee. They will make their home at present with his people.

Their many friends wish them happiness and success in the years to come.

## Ninth Birthday

Dorothy Jean Jones was honored on her ninth birthday Saturday afternoon when Mabel and Junannell Jay were hostesses for a party at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Sam Jay. Little friends attending were: Bill Rial and Tommie Joy Denman, Jamie Chloe Bilbo, Bobbie Barker, D. J. and Ralph Walker, Billie Davis, Bobbie and Charles Bessent, Geraldine Wright, Ione Davis, Maine Scoggins, James Jackson, Skippy Rabb, Weldon and Forest Smith, Jerry and Joe Snead, Alfred, Merlin, Tildon, Wanda and Jimmie Lou Jones. Others who did not attend, sent gifts.

Rev. Earl Hoggard announces that Morris Brooks, president of Brooks Jewelry Company of San Angelo and recently elected lay leader of San Angelo district, will preach to the Methodist congregation Sunday morning. There will be no preaching service Sunday night.

Katherine Scoggins is the proud possessor of a Martha Washington 17-jewel Bulova wrist watch which she won in a salesmanship contest here last week.

We understand that the required number of names have been secured on the petition circulated for the purpose of calling a bond election for additional school building purposes. The election will be called at an early date.

L. C. Wood of Wink, brother of Mrs. Bert Brantley, was here Monday on a visit.

When you feel hungry try the City Cafe. A splendid plate lunch served daily, and short orders prepared to suit you.

LOST--New pitchfork between Robert Lee and Hayrick. If found leave at Observer office for reward.

## Robert Lee Defeated Again

Robert Lee went down in defeat again Sunday in a double-header here with Bronte.

The sports writer on the San Angelo Morning Times reports the games as follows:

Featured by the long distance hitting of L. Scott, the wild rampaging Bronte Bucs tightened their hold on first place in the Concho Basin Standings here this afternoon by humbling the cellar resting Robert Lee Generals in a double-header.

A large Coke county crowd saw the Pirates whittle the Gens to a 7-2 lacing in the opener behind the two hit pitching of Corley. Scott tripled twice in the opener and homered with a Buccaneer aboard in the second inning of the nightcap to give the visitors a 2-1 beating.

Doran, elongated pitcher from Loraine, was on the mound for the locals in the first game and Martin, a recruit from Big Spring, "dinkied" the Bucs down with three hits in the abbreviated game. Spoons was on the mound for the visitors in the last game.

Rowena will be the visiting team to play here Sunday and we hope we can use a different head line next week.

## Fine Rains

A half to two inches of rain fell over this territory Monday night and Tuesday night another fine rain covered practically the same area, filling tanks and water holes and putting plenty of moisture in the ground.

Barring crop pests, it looks as if 1837 is going to produce a wonderful crop in this section. But as you know, in this country you can't count your chickens until they are hatched.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cobb and daughters, Cora and Hattie, and grandson, Allen Sparks, and also Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Harmon left Tuesday for Del Rio where they will visit with Mrs. Harmon's cousin, Ed Foster and family. The men plan to some fishing on a big scale.

Mrs. Dave Hoots underwent a serious operation at the Sealey hospital in Santa Anna Monday night. She was reported late Tuesday to have stood the operation well.

Automobiles continue to take their toll of lives. Newspapers devote more space in reporting deaths and people maimed by cars than any other class of news. And the great pity of it is that two-thirds of car accidents could be avoided if drivers would use a little more judgment and common-sense. When you are making 50 and 60 miles an hour on the highways you are just flirting with death.

FOR SALE--4 wheel trailer, good shape, good tires, see Ford Shropshire.

# Current Events in Review

By Edward W. Pickard

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## Justice Van Devanter to Quit the Bench

**WILLIS VAN DEVANTER**, associate justice of the Supreme court, informed President Roosevelt that he would retire from active service on that tribunal on June 2. He conveyed the information in a letter sent to the White House shortly before the senate judiciary committee was to vote on the President's bill for enlargement of the Supreme court.

Justice Van Devanter, who is seventy-eight years old, has been one of the so-called conservative group on the Supreme court bench.

## Edward and Wallis to Marry on June 3

**EDWARD**, duke of Windsor and former king of Great Britain, and Mrs. Wallis Warfield are to be married on June 3 at the Chateau de Candé. This was announced in London. In the controversy between the government and the duke, who was backed up by his brother, King George, and their mother, concerning official recognition of the marriage, the government seemed to have won. It was understood the wedding would be extremely private and that no member of the royal family would be present. There will be only a few guests in addition to the witnesses and the servants. Lieutenant Forwood, the duke's equerry, carried to Buckingham palace information of the duke's final plans. He also invited the London Daily Mail and London Daily Express to send reporters to the wedding. These papers have been most friendly to Edward and Mrs. Warfield.

## President Insistent on His Complete Program

**IN CONFERENCES** with Democratic congressional leaders and department heads, President Roosevelt was insistent on the carrying out of his program without any compromises. He made it clear that he still demanded passage of his bill for enlargement of the Supreme court as it was submitted and that he would not be satisfied with fewer than six new associate justices, although his advisers told him frankly that the measure in this form faced probable defeat in the senate.

Mr. Roosevelt also demanded the following legislative action:

A substitute for the outlawed NRA, covering minimum wages and maximum hours, child labor, and the regulation of industrial trade practices.

An appropriation of 1 billion 500 million dollars for work relief in the 1938 fiscal year.

A start on farm tenancy legislation, providing federal loans for sharecroppers and other tenant farmers with which to purchase their own land.

The declaration by congress of an integrated, national power, flood control, and navigation policy, contemplating the ultimate development of the nation into eight regional TVAs.

As for economy measures, the President rejected the senate plan calling for a mandatory horizontal slash of 10 per cent in all appropriation bills and indicated a preference for the house plan, which would give him discretionary power to reduce all appropriations by 15 per cent.

## Process Tax Refund Case Won by Government

**NO DECISIONS** involving the constitutionality of the social security act were handed down by the Supreme court, but that tribunal did give an opinion that upheld the provisions of the 1936 revenue law restricting refunds of processing and floor stock taxes illegally imposed by the agricultural adjustment act. The treasury was saved nearly a billion dollars by this decision.

"While the taxpayer was undoubtedly hurt when he paid the tax, if he has obtained relief through the shifting of its burden he is no longer in a position to claim an actual injury and the refusal of a refund in such a case cannot be regarded as a denial of constitutional right," said the opinion.

Another decision upheld the chain store tax law enacted by the Louisiana legislature at the order of the

late Huey Long, the court holding that states may tax chain stores on the basis of the number of units in the chain outside as well as inside the state.

## "Inconsistency" Is Cry of the Economists

**ECONOMISTS** in congress denounced what they termed the "appalling inconsistency" of the majority, but the spenders went right ahead with their spending plans. The house passed the \$115,000,000 appropriation bill for the Department of the Interior, which measure carries \$40,000,000 for the reclamation bureau to be used for the building of dams and reservoirs to increase the acreage of tillable land. At the same time the house agriculture committee introduced a new farm bill, the main object of which is the controlling of excessive farm surpluses and which calls for the expenditure of \$287,000,000 annually. This latter bill is based on the recommendations of Secretary Wallace's farm conference of February but it was declared it did not as yet have the full sanction of the administration.

## Viscount Snowden, British Labor Leader, Is Dead

**PHILIP SNOWDEN**, who in his active days was regarded as the brainiest man in the Labor party of Great Britain, died of heart disease at the age of seventy-two. Twice he served as chancellor of the exchequer, and then was elevated to the peerage as Viscount Snowden of Ickneshaw. Lord Snowden had been crippled since he was twenty-seven, when he was knocked from a bicycle. He was a pacifist, an atheist and a Marxian Socialist, and he had a vitriolic tongue that made him feared in parliamentary debates. Though he had disagreed violently with Ramsay MacDonald when the latter was Laborite prime minister, MacDonald said when Snowden died: "A great man of our age has passed by."

Heart disease also carried off a picturesque figure in American politics, Percy L. Gassaway, former cowpuncher who served one term as congressman from Oklahoma after being a judge in that state.

## Al Smith Sails for His First Visit to Ireland

**NOTWITHSTANDING** his certainty that he would be seasick, Alfred E. Smith sailed on the steamship Conte di Savoia for his first ocean voyage and first trip to the old country. As he departed, Al said: "This is a regular pleasure trip. I've never been to the other side and I'm going now, and I want to have a good time. Ireland? Yes, I'm going to Ireland. A priest wrote me that he knew where my grandmother's house was in Westmeath, and I'm going there and look it over. I have no relatives there, but I want to look over Ireland."

## Steel Industry Tackled by Lewis' C. I. O.

**PHILIP MURRAY**, chairman of the steel workers' organizing committee of the C. I. O., called the first major strike in the campaign of Lewis and his associates to unionize the steel industry. On his order the employees of Jones & Laughlin Steel corporation plants in Pittsburgh and Alliquippa walked out after Murray had failed to get from the company a signed collective bargaining contract. The strike call affected 27,000 men. Thousands of pickets surrounded the Jones & Laughlin mills and kept non-union workers from entering.

Next day the strike spread to the plants of the Pittsburgh Steel company at Monessen and Allenport, Pa., where 5,900 men went out. Murray said it was inevitable that the Republic, Young, Bethlehem and Crucible steel concerns would be involved very soon.

The Jones & Laughlin corporation agreed to sign a contract if the union won a majority vote in a government-supervised election.

## Mussolini Says Italy Must Be Self-Sufficient

**MEMBERS** of Italy's corporative guild, which includes all phases of Fascist life, held their annual meeting in Rome and loudly cheered Premier Mussolini when he declared that Italy will make herself self-sufficient economically even if she "has to work 25 hours a day." Il Duce asserted his program was a guarantee of peace and a surety of "the life, the future and the power" of the Italian people. He continued:

"For us it is impossible in a world armed to the teeth to abandon such a policy. It would mean putting ourselves tomorrow, in case of war, at the mercy of those who have all and who can make war without limitation of time or consumption."

"Fascism does not wish to absorb the economic life of the people, because Fascism doesn't wish to become paralytic as happens under bolshevism."

## Ambassador Dodd Hears of American Fascist Plan

**WILLIAM E. DODD**, American ambassador to Germany, has stepped into the limelight and the result may be embarrassing to him and to the administration. In a long letter to Senators Buckley of Ohio and Glass of Virginia he urges all Democrats to unite in support of the President and thus avert a dictatorship in the United States. It was assumed he meant the President's Supreme court enlargement bill should be supported, since that is the measure that split the party in congress.

Dodd, former professor in the University of Chicago, said he had been told by certain friends that an American, not named, "who owns nearly a billion dollars," was prepared to set up a fascist regime which presumably he would control.

"There are individuals of great wealth who wish a dictatorship and are ready to help a Huey Long," he wrote. "There are politicians, some in the senate, I have heard, who think they may come into power like that of the European dictators in Moscow, Berlin, and Rome."

Congressional leaders were quick to take up Dodd's assertion, Senator Borah of Idaho leading off with the declaration that the ambassador was an irresponsible scandal monger and a disgrace to his country. "I have an idea," said Borah, "that his supposed dictatorship is the figment of a diseased brain."

In the house Representative Fish of New York denounced Dodd, and demanded that he be recalled.

## Danish King's Silver Jubilee Celebrated

**CHRISTIAN X**, king of Denmark, and all his subjects celebrated the monarch's silver jubilee in Copenhagen and throughout the kingdom. The festivities were marked by characteristic simplicity but clearly demonstrated the affection the people have for the tall sixty-six-year-old ruler who has been on the throne for twenty-five years. In the gaily decorated capital there was a joint session of parliament, a reception at the palace, a procession through the streets, and a gala dinner and a torchlight parade. Kings Haakon of Norway and Gustav of Sweden were among the notables present.

## House Refuses to Make the CCC Permanent

**REMEMBER**, this is the President's pet project. He wants the CCC made permanent, not extended for a two year period.

So shouted Representative William P. Conery of Massachusetts at the members of the house. But the house would not heed the implied warning and voted, 224 to 34, in favor of giving the CCC two more years of life. This was in committee of the whole, and next day this action was confirmed.

## Wants President to Call Monetary Conference

**REPRESENTATIVE DIES** of Texas has proposed to congress that President Roosevelt call an international monetary conference for the purpose of seeking an equitable distribution of the world's supply of gold and silver. Specifically, he would have the conference:

1. Stabilize currencies on some permanent basis that would prevent wide fluctuations in their purchasing power.
2. Establish a bimetallic—gold and silver—base for the currencies.
3. Distribute the world's gold and silver supply more equitably so as to give each nation proper support for its currency and an adequate medium of international exchange.
4. Make available to the countries involved the raw materials which they need.

# Washington Digest

National Topics Interpreted

by William Bruckart

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Washington, D. C.



Washington.—The nation is continuing to witness labor disturbances of an exceedingly serious character.

## More Labor Troubles

Many persons thought when the big sit-down strikes in the automobile industry were settled without serious bloodshed that we were on the way out of labor trouble in this country. The feeling in this regard had some confirmation when the great United States Steel corporation reached an agreement by which John L. Lewis and his faction of organized labor was recognized as the sole bargaining agency on wages for the greatest single unit of steel.

Unhappily, those circumstances were not indicative of an end. They did not presage peace between labor and employers. The conflict is continuing and, I believe, holds the elements of much more danger than we have yet experienced. Because of the conditions that are now apparent and those which happen to lie ahead, the recent speech by Edward McGrady, Assistant Secretary of Labor, becomes both interesting and significant. Mr. McGrady, it will be remembered, made a speech at Atlantic City, New Jersey in which he said boldly to the members of the garment workers union that if labor and capital both are to survive, there must be a sincere effort on the part of each group to understand the problems of the other. He reduced the differences between employer and employee to the simple formula, namely, that representatives of each side, if they expect to do justice by their own people, must sit down at a table and talk things over honestly.

Now, the Assistant Secretary's interest in labor cannot be questioned. He is a former official of organized labor. During his term as Assistant Secretary he has been exceedingly active and earnest in his attempts to solve labor problems and bring about industrial peace. His efforts at conciliation cover the range from the bitter maritime strike on the west coast to the more or less inconsequential sit-down strike of a hundred employees in a hotel here in Washington.

So, it seems thoroughly fair to assume that any advice given by Mr. McGrady must include absolute justice for the workers.

Mr. McGrady believes that the irresponsible practices which lead employers to treat labor representatives as agitators are due to ignorance. On the other hand, you cannot help reading between the lines of his recent speech an inference at least that he regards some labor representatives as quite as irresponsible as some employers. His view in this regard is indicated by the stress, the emphasis, which he laid upon the importance of discipline among union members together with his assertion that labor must recognize the sanctity of its contract with the employers just as much as the employers must recognize the validity of their contract with labor.

Mr. McGrady pointed out what losses result from shut downs or strikes and declared that the efficiency in production, which the country has a right to expect from industry, cannot be achieved unless labor and capital work together.

Further, the Assistant Secretary observed that "responsible labor leadership" must place efficiency and elimination of waste and loss among its objectives if organized labor is to achieve a worthwhile goal.

Mr. McGrady's exposition of his conception of relations between employer and employee comes as something of a ray of hope to the

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great masses of American citizens who are neither employers of labor nor members of labor unions. I have said in these columns before and I repeat that the tragedy of conflict between employer and employee, organized capital versus organized labor, lies in the fact that there are millions of people in the role of innocent bystanders. They are the individuals who suffer most. It is inevitable that they must suffer because in a nation whose commerce and industry is as complex as ours, every time capital or labor abuses the powers entrusted into its hands, those who are not members of either group pay a penalty which is not possible of measurement.

This characteristic of life obtains not alone in the United States. It exists in every civilized country to the extent that that country is industrialized.

There is no better evidence of the truth of the statements I have just made than an incident which occurred a few days ago in the house of commons in London. Stanley Baldwin, prime minister of England, and one of the most powerful men among foreign statesmen today, called attention to "a dark cloud" which he saw on the economic horizon of time.

Mr. Baldwin was speaking to his colleagues in the house of commons something in the nature of a valedictory because he is soon to retire from public office after three decades of service to his government.

I happened to have had the privilege of close contact with Mr. Baldwin when he headed his country's debt refunding commission to the United States more than fifteen years ago. From that association I learned to respect his mental capacity and his ability to foresee coming events. When he says, therefore, that labor and capital must be honest with each other, I cannot help feeling that Mr. Baldwin foresees the possibility of bloody clashes and unsound results in the offing, conditions that will flow from the abuse of power.

Mr. Baldwin told the house of commons that: "You will find in our modern civilization, that just as war has changed from being a struggle between professional armies with civilians comparatively uninterested in it, so the weapons of industrial warfare have changed from arms that affected comparatively small localized business into weapons that affected directly those who have no concern whatever with the issue except perhaps natural sympathy with their own class."

The British prime minister added that, under such circumstances, "the one thing we must pray for, not only in our statesmen, but also in trade union leaders and masters, is wisdom." It seems to me that Mr. Baldwin's admonition can be uttered from high places in our American government with a value just as important as he gave to his words.

Since there are ominous signs in a class struggle that unfortunately has been promoted in this country, it seems to me the attention of the

## Nothing Doing

people ought to be directed somewhat more to conditions in congress. Some months ago I wrote in these columns my fear that the current session of congress was going to leave a rather dull record for having done nothing. Thus far, my fears have been justified to the fullest.

Congress went into session in the first week of January. To date, therefore, it has been in session five months. Its record of accomplishments includes passage of four appropriation bills, providing money for federal government departments; the Guffey-Vinson little NRA coal law and the cash and carry neutrality law. I do not see how anybody can be enthusiastic about those accomplishments. Passage of appropriation bills is mere routine usually because in most cases they involve no controversial question at all. Passage of the neutrality act likewise was an action about which there could be little dispute even though there may have been plenty of grounds for disagreement over the type of law enacted. That leaves, therefore, only the Guffey-Vinson coal bill over which there could have been much delay in house or senate debate. All of this makes the picture look even worse for congressional leadership.

There is talk already about adjournment of congress as soon as hot weather strikes Washington—and the temperatures can get very high and unpleasant. While this undercurrent of talk is not yet in an important volume, it emphasizes the fact that there is a growing body of legislators who see no possibility of accomplishing anything worthwhile in the current session.

But what are the reasons? Having gone rather thoroughly into this situation, I think there are two factors to be considered. One is the lack of capacity of the leadership among both Democrats and Republicans and the other is traceable to the White House. President Roosevelt for four years has told congress what to do and to that extent has destroyed the initiative of the legislators as a body and now that some members want to reassert the power of congress, the President's organized spokesmen appear not to know what to do.

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# The Garden Murder Case

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### CHAPTER XIV—Continued

Zalia Graem glared defiantly at Vance.

"I asked Mrs. Garden what I could do for her, and she requested me to fill the water glass on the little table beside her bed. I went into the bathroom and filled it; then I arranged her pillows and asked her if there was anything else she wanted. She thanked me and shook her head; and I returned to the drawing-room."

"Thank you," murmured Vance, nodding to Miss Graem and turning to the nurse. "Miss Beeton," he asked, "when you returned last night, was the bedroom window which opens on the balcony bolted?"

The nurse seemed surprised at the question. But when she answered, it was in a calm, professional tone.

"I didn't notice. But I know it was bolted when I went out—"

He turned leisurely to Floyd Garden. "I say, Garden when you left the drawing-room yesterday afternoon, to follow Swift on your errand of mercy, as it were, after he had given you his bet on Equanimity, where did you go with him?"

"I led him into the dining-room."

The man was at once troubled and aggressive. "I argued with him for a while, and then he came out and went down the hall to the stairs. I watched him for a couple of minutes, wondering what else I might do about it, for, to tell you the truth, I didn't want him to listen in on the race upstairs. I was pretty damned sure Equanimity wouldn't win, and he didn't know I hadn't placed his bet. I was rather worried about what he might do. For a minute I thought of following him upstairs, but changed my mind."

Vance lowered his eyes to the desk and was silent for several moments, smoking meditatively.

"I'm frightfully sorry, and all that," he murmured at length without looking up; "but the fact is, we don't seem to be getting any forrader. There are plausible explanations for everything and everybody. Assuming—merely as a hypothesis—that anyone here could be guilty of the murder of Swift, of the apparent attempt to murder Miss Beeton, and of the possible murder of Mrs. Garden, there is nothing tangible to substantiate an individual accusation. The performance was too clever, too well conceived, and the innocent persons seem unconsciously and involuntarily to have formed a conspiracy to aid and abet the murderer."

Vance looked up and went on.

"Moreover, nearly everyone has acted in a manner which conceivably would make him appear guilty. There have been an amazing number of accusations. Mr. Kroon was the first victim of one of those unsubstantiated accusations. Miss Graem has been pointed out to me as the culprit by several persons. Mrs. Garden last night directly accused her son. In fact, there has been a general tendency to involve various people in the criminal activities here. From the human and psychological point of view the issue has been both deliberately and unconsciously clouded, until the confusion was such that no clear-cut outline remained. And this created an atmosphere which perfectly suited the murderer's machinations, for it made detection extremely difficult and positive proof almost impossible . . . And yet," Vance added, "some one in this room is guilty."

He rose dejectedly. I could not understand his manner: it was so unlike the man as I had always known him. All of his assurance seemed gone. Then he swung round quickly, and his eyes swept angrily about the room, resting for a brief moment on each one present.

"Furthermore," he said with a staccato stress on his words, "I know who the guilty person is!"

There was an uneasy stir in the room and a short tense silence which was broken by Doctor Siefert's cultured voice.

"If that is the case, Mr. Vance—and I do not doubt the sincerity of your statement—I think it your duty to name that person."

Vance regarded the doctor thoughtfully for several moments before answering. Then he said in a low voice: "I think you are right, sir." Again he paused and, lighting a fresh cigarette, moved restlessly up and down in front of the window.

"First, however," he said stopping suddenly, "there's something upstairs I wish to look at again—to make sure . . . You will all please remain here for a few minutes." And he moved swiftly toward the door. At the threshold he hesitated and turned to the nurse. "Please come with me. Miss Beeton, I think you can help me."

The nurse rose and followed Vance into the hall. A moment later we could hear them mounting the stairs.

Fully five minutes passed, and then the tense silence of the room was split by a woman's frenzied and terrifying cry for help, from somewhere upstairs. As we reached the hallway the nurse came stumbling down the stairs, holding with both hands to the bronze railing. Her face was ghastly pale.

"Mr. Markham! Mr. Markham!" she called hysterically. "Oh, my God! The most terrible thing has happened!"

She had just reached the foot of the stairs when Markham came up

You were about to take everything—everything—away from me."

She turned quickly and ran up the stairs. Almost simultaneously Vance dashed forward.

"Quick, quick!" he called out. "Stop her before she gets to the garden."

But before any of us realized the significance of his words, Vance was himself on the stairs. Heath and Snitkin were just behind him, and the rest of us, stupefied, followed. As I came out on the roof, I could see Miss Beeton running toward the far end of the garden, with Vance immediately behind her. Twilight had nearly passed, and a deep dusk had settled over the city. As the girl leaped up on the parapet at the same point where Vance had stood the night before, she was like a spectral silhouette against the faintly glowing sky. And then she disappeared down into the deep shadowy abyss, just before Vance could reach her.

### CHAPTER XV

A half hour later we were all seated in the den again. Heath and the detectives had gone out immediately after the final catastrophe to attend to the unpleasant details occasioned by Miss Beeton's suicide.

Vance was once more in the chair at the desk. The tragic termination of the case seemed to have saddened him. He smoked gloomily for a few minutes. Then he spoke.

"I asked all of you to stay because I felt you were entitled to an explanation of the terrible events that have taken place here, and to hear why it was necessary for me to conduct the investigation in the manner I did. To begin with, I knew from the first that I was dealing with a very shrewd and unscrupulous person."

"I was inclined to suspect Miss Beeton almost from the first, for, although everyone here had, through some act, drawn suspicion upon himself, only the nurse had the time and the unhampered opportunity to commit the initial crime. She was entirely unobserved when she put her plan into execution; and so thoroughly familiar was she with every arrangement of the household, that she had no difficulty in timing her every step so as to insure this essential privacy."

"Subsequent events and circumstances added irresistibly to my suspicion of her. For instance, when Mr. Floyd Garden informed me where the key to the vault was kept, I sent her to see if it was in its place, without indicating to her where its place was, in order to ascertain if she knew where the key hung. Only someone who knew exactly how to get into the vault at a moment's notice could have been guilty of killing Swift."

"Incidentally, one of my great difficulties in the case has been to act in such a way, at all times, that her suspicions would not be aroused at any point."

"Her motive was not clear at first," Vance explained, "and, unfortunately, I thought that by Swift's death alone she had accomplished her purpose. But after my talk with Doctor Siefert this morning,

I was able to understand fully her whole hideous plot. Doctor Siefert pointed out definitely her interest in Floyd Garden, although I had had hints of it before. For instance, Floyd Garden was the only person here about whom she spoke to me with admiration. Her motive was based on a colossal ambition—the desire for financial security, ease and luxury; and mixed with this over-weening desire was a strange twisted love. These facts became clear to me only today."

Vance glanced at young Garden. "It was you she wanted," he continued. "And I believe her self-assurance was such that she did not doubt for a minute that she would be successful in attaining her goal."

Garden sprang to his feet. "Good God, Vance!" he exclaimed. "You're right. I see the thing now. She has been making up to me for a long time; and, to be honest with you, I may have said and done things which she could have construed as encouragement—God help me!" He sat down again in dejected embarrassment.

"No one can blame you," Vance said kindly. "She was one of the shrewdest women I have ever encountered. But the point of it all is, she did not want only you—she wanted the Garden fortune as well. That's why, having learned that Swift would share in the inheritance, she decided to eliminate him and leave you the sole beneficiary. But this murder did not, by any means constitute the whole of her scheme."

Vance again addressed us in general.

"Her whole terrible plot was clarified by some other facts that Doctor Siefert brought out this morning during my talk with him. The death, either now or later, of Mrs. Garden was also an important integer of that plot; and Mrs. Garden's physical condition had, for some time, shown certain symptoms of poisoning. Of late these symptoms have increased in intensity. Doctor Siefert informed me that Miss Beeton had been a laboratory assistant to Professor Garden during his experiments with radioactive sodium, and had often come to the apartment here for the purpose of typing notes and attending to other duties which could not conveniently be performed at the university. Doctor Siefert also informed me that she had actually entered the household here about two months ago, to take personal charge of Mrs. Garden's case. She had, however, continued to assist Professor Garden occasionally in his work and naturally had access to the radio-active sodium he had begun to produce."

Vance turned his eyes to Professor Garden.

"And you too, sir," he said, "were, as I see it, one of her intended victims. When she planned to shoot Swift I believe she planned a double murder—that is, you and Swift were to be shot at the same time. But, luckily, you had not returned to your study."

"But—but," stammered the professor, "how could she have killed me and Woody too?"

(TO BE CONTINUED)



"Miss Beeton, I Think You Can Help Me."

to her. She stood clutching the railing for support.

"It's Mr. Vance!" she panted excitedly. "He's—gone!"

A chill of horror passed over me, and everyone in the hall seemed stunned.

In broken phrases, interspersed with gasping sobs, the nurse was explaining to Markham.

"He went over—Oh, God, it was terrible! He said he wanted to ask me something, and led me out into the garden. He began questioning me about Doctor Siefert, and Professor Garden, and Miss Graem. And while he talked he moved over to the parapet—you remember where he stood last night. He got up there again, and looked down. I was frightened—the way I was yesterday. And then—and then—while I was talking to him—he bent over, and I could see—oh, God!—he had lost his balance." She stared at Markham wild-eyed. "I reached toward him . . . and suddenly he wasn't there any more . . . He had gone over!"

Her eyes lifted suddenly over our heads and peered past us transfixed. A sudden change came over her. Her face seemed contorted into a hideous mask. Following her horrified gaze, we instinctively turned and glanced up the hallway toward the drawing-room . . .

There, near the archway, looking calmly toward us, was Vance.

"I told you last night, Miss Beeton," he was saying, his eyes resting sternly on the nurse, "that no gambler ever quits with his first winning bet, and that in the end he always loses." He came forward a few steps. "You won your first gamble, at long odds, when you murdered Swift. And your poisoning of Mrs. Garden with the barbital also proved a winning bet. But when you attempted to add me to your list of victims, because you suspected I knew too much—you lost. That race was fixed—you hadn't a chance."

The nurse, who had been staring at Vance as if petrified, suddenly relaxed her hold on the stair railing, and her hands went to her face in a gesture of hopelessness and despair.

"Yes!" she cried at Vance; "I tried to kill you. Why shouldn't I?"

## Geologist Pictures Expanding Earth; Europe, America Getting Farther Apart

The earth does not resemble a stinking apple, as has been assumed, but is like a rubber ball which continues to inflate, according to the Austrian geologist, Josef Keindl, says a Vienna United Press correspondent.

Dr. Keindl, in his new book on the origin of oceans, agrees with Professor Wegener, Austrian geographer who was killed in Greenland a few years ago, that America originally was part of the Euroasiatic continent, and that the Atlantic came into existence when the present Western continent separated from the old block, some millions of years ago.

This theory is bolstered, he says, by the fact that the distance between America and Europe is continuing to increase by about one yard annually.

Dr. Wegener says the outer part of the earth consists of various layers, formed when the surface cooled from liquid to a concrete state.

The top stratum consists of the lighter minerals, while the deeper beds are formed by heavier rocks. Then follows a liquid area, while

the center is still in a gaseous state. Dr. Keindl compares the earth to a rubber ball, filled with hot air. He believes that under pressure of these gases the ball is continuing to expand, and that the rifts which made the Atlantic ocean, the Red sea and the Persian gulf as well as many other seas were caused by the breaking up of the top layer under the internal pressure of the gases, just as a rubber ball bursts when the pressure inside it becomes too great.

According to his theory the bottom of the oceans, whose average depth is about 11,000 feet, may be considered as the surface of the earth's second layer.

**Odd War Weapons in China**

Probably the most unusual battles of modern times occurred in the civil wars in China. As firearms were scarce, says Collier's Weekly, the regiments that could not get cannons, machine guns, rifles or revolvers equipped themselves—and even won battles—with meat choppers, firecrackers, bricks, umbrellas and other improvised weapons.

### My Favorite Recipe

By Janet Gaynor  
Movie Star

#### Ice-Box Cookies

1 pound butter  
5 cupfuls flour  
1 1/2 cupfuls sugar  
3 eggs  
Dates and nuts to suit  
Vanilla flavoring

Cream the butter and sugar. Add the eggs, one by one, beating the mixture meanwhile. Add the five cupfuls of flour gradually while beating the mixture. Add the dates and nuts, which have been previously chopped into small bits. Add the flavoring. Shape this into a roll. Put in the ice-box overnight. In the morning slice into thin layers, making the cookies, and bake in a moderate oven.

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#### "Quotations"

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The only good conversation today is embalmed in books.—Fannie Hurst.

It is still the greatest, the freest and the sanest country in the world, and I still get the greatest kick in life coming back to America.—Ludwig Lewisohn.

I think if you can see the funny side of some things it's easier now and then.—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The public schools and some of our colleges have taught the masses just enough to make them discontented.—Chase S. Osborn.

# The Robert Lee Observer

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## Poor Spellers

Taken as a whole, our school system may be far more efficient than it was a half-century ago, but in one respect it is sadly lacking. The present generation of spellers is the poorest this nation has ever known. Grandpa may have been lacking in many of the things which now go to make up a general education,

but the generation to which he belonged could outspell the present one both ways against the middle.

This is not said with any desire to cast a reflection on school methods now employed in and around Coke county because it is nation-wide in scope. The ratio of poor spellers among those of high-school age is no higher than elsewhere, nor is it any

lower. Back in the days, before pupils had the wide variety of studies now embraced in a common school course, the three R's claimed the whole attention of the scholar. He learned to read and write, and he learned mathematics, and having but these three studies he learned them thoroughly. In those days being a poor speller was looked upon as more or less of a disgrace. Today it seems to be viewed by the average high school boy or girl as an accomplishment.

In recent years there has been a tendency throughout the country to revive the old-fashioned "spelling bee." Even the radio stations are finding them a source of entertainment. It is an idea worth encouraging, since it seems to be about the only means left of improving that fast-declining accomplishment. The old fashioned "spelling bee" helped make the older generations good spellers. It ought to likewise prove of value to the present generation, the poorest generation of spellers this country has possibly ever produced.

## SELLOUT

Merely for old times' sake, Ben Pinson, a Durant, Oklahoma, grocer, thought he would put a stock of buggy whips on sale. He was amazed to find that he had sold two dozen in two days. Three customers said they would use them as fishing poles. One went to an angry parent whose eyes held a glint that boded no good for her offspring.

## A Bad Summer

It looks like a bad summer for those insects which eat what man wants to eat. Last year grasshoppers alone destroyed an estimated \$80,000,000 worth of products, despite the fact that the government paid an army of 25,000 men to join with rural residents in an attempt to exterminate them. Now comes word from the government that while billions of grasshoppers were destroyed, there is every indication that the battle will soon have to be fought over again and the odds will be just as heavy against the grower.

Years ago it wasn't necessary to spray fruit trees. Today they must be sprayed three or four times each season if a crop is to be harvested. Why this change has come about no one knows, yet we realize that far greater destruction is being caused in this, and every other community, by insect pests than ever before, whether it be the work of grasshoppers, boll weevil, corn borer, or Japanese beetle.

The return of higher temperatures is bringing out the insect pests and from now on eternal vigilance against them is the price of a decent crop of any description. Neglect to start warring on them until they have multiplied a thousand-fold is sure to prove costly. The time to launch the fight is right now, and there must be no let-up if you expect to keep them even partially under control. Uncle Sam will aid you with ad-

Mr. and Mrs. Parish of Sweetwater spent the weekend here visiting her father, Mr. Smith and her sisters, Miss Kate Smith and Mrs. Julian Batton.

Cleo Havins was returned to his home in Valley View last Saturday and is reported doing very well. He was given an operation for the removal of the appendix some two weeks ago and for awhile his condition was serious.

## Card of Thanks

We wish to express our appreciation to the good people in making it possible for a hospital examination due to Tuesday's accident. Your generosity will always be remembered.

El Higgins and family.

W. H. Bell, who has been a hospital patient for the past several weeks, was reported as not doing so well the past week.

A good deal of bitterness could be avoided if everyone could be made to understand that there are two sides to every question.

Farley may be a competent postmaster general but he doesn't seem to have improved the post-office pen very much.

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas to be known as Section 20 of Article VIII, providing that no property of any kind shall be assessed for ad valorem taxes at a greater value than its fair cash market value; and giving the Legislature power to provide that the State and all governmental or political subdivisions or taxing districts may allow a discount for payment of ad valorem taxes before the date when they would otherwise become delinquent; and providing that this Amendment shall become effective January 1, 1939; providing for an election on the question of adoption or rejection of this Amendment; providing for the proclamation and publication thereof and making an appropriation therefor and prescribing the form of ballot.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding a new Section of Article VIII to be known as Section 20 and to read as follows:

"Section 20 No property of any kind in this State shall ever be assessed for ad valorem taxes at a greater value than its fair cash market value nor shall any Board of Equalization of any governmental or political subdivision or taxing district within this State fix the value of any property for tax purposes at more than its fair cash market value; provided that in order to encourage the prompt payment of taxes, the Legislature shall have the power to provide that the taxpayer shall be allowed by the State and all governmental and political subdivisions and taxing districts of the State a three per cent (3%) discount on ad valorem taxes due the State or due any governmental or political subdivision or taxing district of the State if such taxes are paid ninety (90) days before the date when they would otherwise become delinquent; and the taxpayer shall be allowed a two per cent (2%) discount on said taxes if paid sixty (60) days before said taxes would become delinquent; and the taxpayer shall be allowed a one per cent (1%) discount if said taxes are paid thirty (30) days before they would otherwise become delinquent. This amendment shall be effective January 1, 1939. The Legislature shall pass necessary laws for the proper administration of this Section."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at a special election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the 23rd day of August, 1937, at which election all voters favoring the proposed Amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the following words:

"FOR the Amendment to the State Constitution providing that property shall never be assessed for taxes at more than its fair cash market value, and providing that in order to encourage the prompt payment of ad valorem taxes, the Legislature shall have the power to permit a discount for the payment of same before they become delinquent."

Those voters opposing said proposed Amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words:

"AGAINST the Amendment to the State Constitution providing that property shall never be assessed for taxes at more than its fair cash market value, and providing, that in order to encourage the prompt payment of ad valorem taxes, the Legislature shall have the power to permit a discount for the payment of same before they become delinquent."

If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast are in favor of said Amendment, the same shall become a part of the State Constitution.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution for Amendments thereto.

Sec. 4. The sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

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proposing an amendment to Article II of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adopting a new Section 1d, which shall provide that the Legislature shall have the power to provide, under such limitations and restrictions as may be deemed by the Legislature expedient for assistance to destitute children and for the payment of same not to exceed Eight Dollars (\$8) for one child or Twelve Dollars (\$12) for the children of any one family per month; further providing that the Legislature may impose such restrictions and regulations as to it may seem expedient; providing that the amount to be expended out of State funds in any one year for such assistance shall never exceed the sum of One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000); and providing that the Legislature shall have the authority to accept from the Government of the United States financial aid for assistance to destitute children; providing for an election on the question of adoption or rejection of such amendment and making an appropriation therefor; providing for the proclamation and publication thereof, and prescribing the form of ballot.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a Section to be known as Section 51d, which shall read as follows:

"Section 51d. Subject to the limitations and restrictions herein contained, and such other limitations, restrictions, and regulations as may be provided by law, the Legislature shall have the power to provide for assistance to destitute children under the age of fourteen (14) years; such assistance shall not exceed Eight Dollars (\$8) per month for one child nor more than Twelve Dollars (\$12) per month for such children of any one family; provided that the amount to be expended for such assistance out of State funds shall never exceed the sum of One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) per year. The Legislature may impose residential restrictions and such other restrictions, limitations, and regulations as to it may seem expedient.

"The Legislature shall have the authority to accept from the Government of the United States such financial assistance to destitute children as that Government may offer not inconsistent with the restrictions hereinabove provided."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held throughout the State on the fourth Monday in August, 1937, at which election all voters favoring the proposed Amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the following words:

"FOR the Amendment to the State Constitution providing for assistance to destitute children under the age of fourteen (14) years not to exceed Eight Dollars (\$8) per month for one child nor more than Twelve Dollars (\$12) per month for such children of any one family, and providing for acceptance from the Government of the United States of America financial assistance for such payment."

Those voters opposing said proposed Amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words:

"AGAINST the Amendment to the State Constitution providing for assistance to destitute children under the age of fourteen (14) years not to exceed Eight Dollars (\$8) per month for one child nor more than Twelve Dollars (\$12) per month for such children of any one family, and providing for acceptance from the Government of the United States of America financial assistance for such payment."

If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast are in favor of said Amendment, the same shall become a part of the State Constitution.

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In recent weeks Carole Lombard has been the busiest young woman in Hollywood, because her Paramount contract allows her to make one picture for another company each year, and all the companies have been sending scripts over to her house for her approval.



Carole Lombard

All of us who could not get to London for the coronation can comfort ourselves by watching the long-ago coronation scenes in "The Prince and the Pauper."

Some weeks ago, you may recall, a Swanson's return to the screen was all set. She was going to make "Mazie Kenyon" for M-G-M.

Social life and cafe-hopping were at low ebb during the weeks when there was talk in the air of a strike of the Screen Actors' Guild which counts all the great in its ranks, but the homes of Robert Montgomery, Jim Cagney, Fredric March and a few other leaders were continual mob scenes.

James Cagney

James Cagney won the undying gratitude of extras and bit players, for they were battling to improve their pay and working conditions, not their own. Everyone is relieved that no strike was necessary.

ODDS AND ENDS—Hollywood will throw a grand party soon in honor of Weber and Fields and the fiftieth anniversary of their stage debut as a team. Imitations of their act will be put on by Jack Benny and George Burns, Eddie Cantor and George Jessel, and two motion-picture producers.

FLOYD GIBBONS FAMOUS HEADLINE HUNTER ADVENTURERS CLUB

Hello Everybody

"Cherchez La Femme" By FLOYD GIBBONS

THROW another log on the fire, Uncle Mike, call all the neighborhood adventurers in, light the old pipe, settle back and I'll tell you the story of the doggondest adventure I've heard in many a moon.

A bunch of the boys were whooping it up in the Malamute saloon when out of the darkness and into the light there stepped—a blond.

Oh! Oh! I'm getting ahead of myself. Allan J. McDonald now lives in Chicago. But a couple of years ago he was a reporter for a paper in El Paso, Tex. That's right across the Rio Grande from Juarez, Mexico.

Well, sir, it was Al's night off and he and a bunch of the boys went across the Rio Grande to Juarez. They went into a couple of bars, had a few drinks and along about midnight decided it was time to start back to El Paso.

Out Ran the Blond Girl.

As they stepped out of a bar onto the dimly lit street a tall blond American girl went running past them. Close at her heels and cursing in Spanish was a swarthy Mexican. The girl was screaming and it didn't take Al and his friends long to realize that the girl was in trouble.

Up unpaved alleys they dashed, slid around dusty corners onto dark streets, shouted and yelled. No one paid any attention to them nor did anybody else join the chase. Suddenly they came to the banks of the Rio Grande and then the girl and the Mexican disappeared into thin air.

Al and his pals looked around a bit but couldn't find a trace of the girl or the Mexican. So the boys started back toward the center of the town. They hadn't gone half a block when from behind them came fifteen Mexicans on the run waving all kinds of weapons in the air and shouting at the top of their lungs.

Al tells me that in the glance he gave over his shoulder before he started to beat it he saw, lead pipes, old boards, knives and razors strapped to hammer handles.

Great Battle in the River.

Well, sir, Al and his two buddies started. They started right for the Rio Grande and the good old U. S. A. The river at that time of the year



The Mexicans Were on Top of Them.

was practically dried up. There was only about twelve inches of water in it so it was possible to wade across. They hit the river a few feet in front of the Mexicans but the mud slowed them up and one of the party fell. The Mexicans were on top of them and the fun began.

Boy, oh boy, what a battle royal! Three against fifteen. Al and his friends had no arms. They were trapped properly.

It was darn tough to defend yourself in that slippery, muddy river bottom. Every time you took a swipe at a guy your foot would slip and five Mexicans would be on top of you. It was easy then to slice an ear or klonk you over the head with an iron pipe.

Al wrestled with one Mexican and succeeded in getting a lead pipe away from him. Then Al swung that lead pipe left and right. Every head he saw that didn't look like his own he brought that lead pipe down on it with gusto and then it was a case of cracko.

Pat Was Mortally Wounded.

There was one Irishman with Al of the name of Pat Stacy. Pat knocked three of them that gents down before somebody shoved an old-fashioned hat pin clean through him. Pat died three weeks later from lobar pneumonia.

The other friend of Al was knocked out early in the fight and fell into the water. Why he didn't drown Al doesn't know.

For twenty minutes they fought in the Rio Grande that night before help came. But to Al, those twenty minutes felt more like twenty years. The border patrol finally heard the commotion and broke up the affair. Al was minus part of an ear, his head and chin were slashed up and both his lapels were cut completely off.

The fellow that was knocked out and fell in the river didn't have a scratch on him. Was he lucky? And were you lucky, Al? Believe me, I've been in Juarez and I know they used to get pretty rough over there.

All right, Uncle Mike, I'll tell you about the blond. She was the comen for the Mexicans. They pulled the same stunt often and it is said that it was a profitable business, although Al never could figure out how it could be so good when the take had to be split fifteen ways.

Spices From the Tropics

Pepper grows in clusters of small round berries on a vine that is widely cultivated in the Netherlands East Indies as well as in India and other parts of Asia. The berries are picked before they are fully ripe and laid in the sun to dry. They become dark and black looking, as seen in cans of whole peppers. White pepper, which is popular for salads and other light foods where specks might be objectionable, is made from the same berry after the outside dark skin has been rubbed off. It is much milder than black pepper, because the chief flavoring oils are more predominant in the outer coating than in the inner berry.

Bump of Firmness

Firm-willed, obstinate folks have a very well-formed bump high up on the crown of the head. In some cases, says a phrenologist in London Answers Magazine, a highly developed bump of firmness means that its owner will gain success through sheer determination and persistence; in others it may mean that there is unreasonable persistence and obstinacy. But unless you have quite a pronounced bump here you have no will of your own. Just behind this is the bump of self-esteem. Moderation, as you can guess, is very necessary with a bump of this nature. You need just an average-sized bump here.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By REV. HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, Dean of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. © Western Newspaper Union.

Lesson for May 30

THE REMAKING OF JACOB

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 28:16-22, 32:24-26.

GOLDEN TEXT—And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind. Romans 12:2.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Jacob's Great Discovery.

JUNIOR TOPIC—What Changed Jacob.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Finding One's Better Self.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Face to Face With God.

Front Page News! "Well-Known Crook Converted!" After years of deception, thievery, and all kinds of wickedness, Jacob, "the supplanter," had a transforming experience of the grace and power of God and became Israel—"a prince of God." That is indeed front-page news and the marvel of it all is that we may today proclaim the grace of God in Christ Jesus for the redemption of every one that believeth.

Memorial day is a most appropriate one for our lesson, for the first portion tells us of a memorial stone, and the last section tells of a great victory. We do well on this day to remember the days that are gone, to recall the heroic deeds of our valiant dead. It is right that we should honor them for victories rightly won and for a noble cause. But let us not fail to recognize that the great battles of life are those fought in the realm of the spirit and that the victories won there endure for all eternity. Every teacher of a class in the Bible school should with God's help endeavor to make this a day of blessed memory and victory in Christ for the boys and girls, or men and women of the class.

We consider today two experiences in the life of Jacob, both of which have their counterpart in the lives of many of God's children in our day.

I. A Vision and a Vow (Gen. 28:16-22).

Jacob met God. Have you met Him face to face? Have you had "such a revolutionary experience in some unexpected spot"? What a sacred place it has become in your life. Perhaps it was at mother's knee, or in a little crossroad's church, or on a busy city street. God was there—you dealt with him—he blessed your soul—life was changed. Such may be the experience of each one of us. The place where Jacob had this experience had been known only as Luz. Now it became Bethel—"the house of God."

Spiritual experiences are not simply for our pleasure; they carry a real responsibility. Jacob recognized this and set up a memorial and made a vow. The depth of his purpose is revealed by the fact that it touched his earthly possessions.

The pledge of one-tenth to God is in accord with the Old Testament principle of the tithe. Many earnest believers regard the tithe as equally obligatory in our day. Others contend that it is an Old Testament principle only. Well, there is no need to differ too sharply on that point, for is it not clear that as children of God all that we have belongs to Him? Surely then we would not wish shamefacedly to admit that we give less than the Old Testament tithe. All that we have comes from His bountiful hand. He it is that gives "bread to eat and raiment to put on." Let us be cheerful (hilarious) givers of what he has entrusted to us, that his work on earth may be put forward.

II. A Struggle and a Victory (Gen. 32:24-30).

After varied experiences of both victory and defeat Jacob turns back to his own land. He hears of the approach of his brother Esau with 400 men. Before he meets him he spends a night alone. Whether it was in fear or in trust that he approached God on that night, we do not know. But we do read of the great struggle. It was more than a physical battle—real as that was—for here we have God wrestling with a weak and defeated, but proud man, seeking to bring him to the place where he will once for all "let go and let God" have his way with his life.

Into the night of struggle at Peniel have gone God's people in all the centuries, and lo, those who have submitted themselves to the mighty hand of God have come out as those that have "power with God and with men" (v. 28). Such an experience is the key to successful living and fruitful service for God. It is still true that "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble." (Jas. 4:6).

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Hugh Bradley Says:

War Admiral, Jock Worked Out Perfect Getaway at Barrier

JUST a note to one of the old folks at home:

Dear Red—Pop Kurtzinger's wildly thumping heart burst six buttons off his vest when his boy Charley came galloping down to the wire atop the winner. The beauty and chivalry of Kaintucky were so elated that they only jacked up prices 500 per cent for the firemen who mixed the first train out, but—

Well, Red, that's why an admiring friend who hasn't seen you for a long while is writing this letter. It was a swell Derby, that one so easily won by War Admiral, but there was something missing. That was you, Pop. All the while that little brown coat—really he's little only as compared to such big red giants as yourself—was shaking those four feet to make every post a winning one I kept whispering to myself. What I was saying was, "Gee, but I wish his old man could see him now."

Lots of other folks were saying the same thing, too, Red. You needn't think because you're stuck off in a green pasture a couple of counties away that honest-to-goodness people have forgotten you. Ever since the race was run I've heard hundreds of them saying the same thing. "My, my," they've been saying, "he looked just like Man o' War, didn't he?"



Actually they're a little wrong on that, though, Red, if they're speaking of mere outward appearances while the kid's standing in his stall. Maybe—because of what I hear about the way you've been spending your last fifteen years you're sort of like the old woman in the shoe and get mixed up about the younger ones now and then—I'd better set you right about him.

War Admiral, this kid of yours, has a nice easy stride, pretty close knit conformation and may be a trifle light in back. Carries his head like you but otherwise he takes after his mammy's family in looks. His mammy, you may have to be reminded, was a little mare named Brushup and her daddy was Sweep.

Just like you he's full of pep and vinegar at the barrier, too, but I wouldn't take too seriously those stories you may read about him being a bad actor there. Actually what happened there was that your kid and Pop Kurtzinger's boy, Charley, were giving the first evidence of that perfect teamwork which won them the race in the second best time in Derby history.

What Charley and your kid really were doing at the post when everybody thought they were cutting up was thinking and acting. They were wheeling in and out of their stall because they wanted to be on their toes when the break came. If they'd stood there nice and flatfooted maybe it would have looked nice in a book of manners but where would they have been when the wire went up? Probably still standing there, eh Red? Or maybe piled up over the fence in the infield.

So Charley and your kid were putting on the act. They figured that if they were a little tough lining up the starter'd make his move as soon as he got them in line for once. That's what happened and from then on it was just like as if you were doing it yourself, Red. Heel-fly, who's always a mite impatient at the start, maybe had a head lead for the first hundred yards. After that your kid was never in trouble.

Maybe Kurtzinger did go to bat on him once, turning into the straight-away, but it wasn't even necessary. Pompoon, who looked like a much better horse than he did in the Wood Memorial, was challenging then, but even if this son of Pompy hadn't been carried wide it wouldn't have made much difference. Your kid only won by two lengths but he won well in hand and he could have made it six.

NOT IN THE BOX SCORE:

STEVE CULLINAN, possibly Princeton's best center in the past decade, has turned down a pretty offer to take Art Lane's place as coach of the Harvard Scrubs. No more aid for the Crimson on how to stop the Tiger attack—as last fall—for Lane graduates from Harvard Law and will take a job with a New York firm . . . Val Picinich, Clide Dudley, Walter Shaner and Frank DeHaney, all of whom performed in baseball's big-time short seasons ago, are members of the Elizabeth branch of the Motion Picture Operators' union.

The Giants were not interested when Boston's Bees tried to peddle them First Baseman Buck Jordan, recently traded to the Reds . . . Manager Jimmy Wilson had a swell article called "Fixing the Phillies" in a recent issue of a sports magazine . . . Coach Fritz Crisler is reported as feeling the 1937 Princeton football team will be fuller of fight than any Tiger team since 1932 . . . Leon Cadore, the Brooklyn pitcher who hurled 26 innings one day, now is associated with a Jamaica track bookie.

Names alike in sports: Jim Crowley, fight referee—Jim Crowley, Fordham football coach. Jack Doyle, Irish heavyweight—Jack Doyle, Broadway billiard and betting magnate.

Low Raymond, Washington welterweight—Low Raymond, fight matchmaker.

Ben Johnson, prelim featherweight—Ben Johnson, Columbia sprinter.

Sandy MacDonald, Texas heavyweight—Sandy MacDonald, Duluth Herald sports.

Moon Mullins, Indiana featherweight—Moon Mullins, former Notre Dame football star now coach at Loyola university.

Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, high commissioner of baseball, once was a champion bicycle rider. When he was seventeen years old he had won so many cash prizes in races at Indiana county fairs that he decided to become a business man. Opened a skating rink and went broke.

Class in Kentucky Derby history—The smallest purse ever offered in this stake was in 1875. The value to the winner then, the first year the race ever was run, was \$2,850. In 1928 Mrs. John D. Hertz received \$55,375 when her Reigh Count came home in front. From 1875 to 1895 the race was at a mile and a half. In 1896 it was changed to the present mile and a quarter. Falsetto, defeated in the 1879 renewal by Lord Murphy, sired three winners of the Derby. They were Chant, in 1894; His Eminence, in 1901, and Sir Huon, in 1906.

Grimm Is Happy Over Frey's Fine Showing

Charley Grimm gives Cubs dug-out visitors rave notices about Lonny Frey, the young shortstop obtained last fall when a new era dawned in the Brooklyn front office. The Chicago manager particularly likes Lonny's competitive spirit—which, no doubt, is news to the Dodgers' directors. Max Ulmer, who plays so well at left fullback for the Furriers Union Soccer club, is the brother of Ernest Ulmer, the famous film director—The poster advertising the International Amateur Boxing tournament at Milan, Italy, features the picture of a fighter whose tights are decorated with the flags of all the competing nations. The big blot on the poster at Stillman's gym is where the Nazi swastika used to be before Eric Seelig, barred from his native land, got through operating on it.

One of Casey Stengel's most prized possessions is a gold-headed cane. Got it from the University of Mississippi students as a reward for coaching their baseball teams for several weeks 20 springs or so ago. P. Jay Donohue usually is given credit for nicknaming the Giants. The name came into being in the summer of 1885, when Chicago and New York were fighting for the championship, and was meant as a tribute to sterling playing deeds rather than to the size of the players. The Pirates were so named in 1888 when—in an attempt to beat the inter-league rules of that day—the Athletics failed to protect properly their rights to Louis Bierbauer, star second baseman. This made Bierbauer a free agent, and he was quickly persuaded to sign with Pittsburgh. It was a perfectly regular procedure under the existing rules and served the Philadelphia club right. But at the time there was high excitement and such widespread acrimony that one Philadelphia writer referred to Pittsburgh's part in the transaction as "an act of piracy on the baseball seas."

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What Irvin S. Cobb Thinks about

The Gabble of Tourists.

GRAND CANYON, ARIZ.—It gets on your nerves to stand on the rim of this scenic wonder and hear each successive tourist say, "Well, if any artist painted it just as it is nobody would believe it!"

After I heard 174 separate and distinct tourists repeat the above it got on my nerves and I sought surcease far from the maddening round-tripper, hoping to escape the commonplace babbling of eastern sight-seers and revel in the salty humor of the unspoiled West. And I ran into a native who said, with the cute air of having just thought it up, "Yes, sir, I never felt better or had less."

And I encountered a gentleman who in parting called out, "Say, kid, don't take in any wooden nickels."



Irvin S. Cobb

Renaming Hors d'Oeuvres.

THE controversy over giving a more American name to hors d'oeuvres—which some cannot pronounce and none can digest—rages up and down the land. What Sam Blythe, that sterling eater, calls these alleged appetizers you couldn't print in a family newspaper, Sam's idea of a before-dinner nicknack being a baked him. A sturdy Texas congressman calls them doo-dabs.

But if I were living abroad again, I know what I'd call them. When you behold the array of this and that, as served at the beginning of luncheon in the average table d'hote restaurant over there, and especially in France, you are gazing upon what discriminating customers left on their plates at supper the night before.

Scrambled Cooking.

DOWN below Flagstaff, Ariz., but somewhat to the eastward, in a picturesque city which saddles the international boundary, I found a unique condition.

The best American food available is across the Mexican line at a restaurant owned by a Greek gentleman with a Chinese cook in the kitchen. But the best Mexican cookery is done well over on the American side by a German woman whose husband is an Italian.

So our own native-born citizens, when hungry for the typical dishes of New England or Dixie, journey beyond the border patrols, passing on their way many of their Spanish-speaking neighbors bound four miles northward for a bit of superior tamales and the more inflammatory brands of chili.

Dueling a la Europe

UNTIL Dr. Franz Sarga, the dueling husband of Budapest, really serves one of his enemies en brochette, as it were, instead of just trimming off hangnails and side whiskers, I decline to get worked up. You remember the Doc? He set out to carve everybody in Hungary who'd snooted his lady wife and found himself booked to take on quite a large club membership. But so far he hasn't done much more damage than a careless chiropodist could.

The Forgotten Man.

THOSE whose memories stretch that far back into political antiquity may recall the ancient days that seem so whimsically old-fashioned now, when our present President was running the first time on a platform which, by general consent, was laughed off immediately following election. He promised then to do something for the forgotten man. Remarks were also passed about balancing the budget right away.

But the forgotten man figured extensively in the campaign. Then, for awhile, popular interest in him seemed to languish. So many new issues came up suddenly, some, like dyspepsia symptoms, being but temporary annoyances, and some which lingered on and abide with us yet, including Mr. John L. Lewis, the well-known settler.

And now, after these five changeful, crowded years, we have solved the mystery—we know who the forgotten man is. The name is Tugwell, spelled as spoken, but you can pronounce it "Landon" and get practically the same general results.

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Foreign Words and Phrases

- Je parle. (F.) I speak.
- Billet doux. (F.) Love letter.
- Tout a fait. (F.) Wholly perfect; nothing less than.
- Ad infinitum. (L.) To infinity.
- Enfant gate. (F.) A spoiled child.
- Beau geste. (F.) Beautiful gesture.
- Discerner le faux d'avec le vrai. (F.) To discern the false from the true.
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Rachel Vincent's fascinating story told in superb style by a famous writer. Learn what happened when this 20-year-old girl met her mother for the first time. Don't miss a single installment of "There's Only One" as it unfolds serially in this newspaper. A real fiction treat.

FOUND -- Dodge hub cap. Pay 25c for this ad and get same.

Lost--Wagon sheet between Robert Lee and San Angelo. Finder please notify A. E. Latham, Robert Lee.

Mrs. W. F. Fikes and son and daughter, Weldon and Lorene and also Mrs. Lester Keenan made a business trip to Santa Anna Monday.

54-inch oil cloth squares 49 cents at

W.K. Simpson & Co.

Miss Flora Pentecost of Cross Plains is visiting her cousin, Miss Marjie Pentecost of Green Mountain.

We are at your service ready to serve you with the best of foods. Quick, courteous service. City Cafe.

Mrs. Robt. Schaefer and daughter, Wanda, spent last week in the home of Mrs. Schaefer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Garvin.

I have Holland's Gets-em Screw Worm Medicine for sale at my home on L. S. Bird's place. FRED KILLAM.

Please your old Dad with a nice tie or a few pairs of socks on Father's Day. Make your selections now at the Variety Store.

Miss Marguerite Garvin is visiting her sister, Mrs. Robt. Schaefer in San Angelo.

FOR SALE--my home place, 4 rooms & bath, cistern, car house & 5 lots. Half block of court house square. If interested see Mrs. T. E. Puett.

See our large stock of drugs on display. Arc Light Drug Store.

Mr. J. W. Byrd and family of Happy, spent last week-end in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Byrd. Miss Lois Dagmar returned home with them for a few weeks visit.

For Service

Jack and Steeldust quarter horse. Fee \$10.00. Millard Smith, phone 5812.

**'M' SYSTEM**

SPECIALS FOR  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY  
MAY 28 & 29

Fresh B E PEAS,	3 lbs	13c
CARROTS, 3 large bunches		5c
BEETS,	3 bunches	5c
LETTUCE,	3 heads	11c
CABBAGE,	lb	1c
Excel Salad Dressing,	quarts	19c
	pints	12c
Sour PICKLES,	full quart	15c
Bulk RICE,	4 lbs	19c
Kellogg's CORN FLAKES, 2 pkgs. bowl free		25c
2 oz bottle CHERRIES,		5c
TOMATOES,	no 1 can	5c
	no 2 can 3 for	25c
Dole's PINEAPPLE JUICE,	2 -12 oz cans	15c
TUNA, Satisfaction brand	per can	10c
PINTO BEANS,	10 lbs	65c
Pure Maid PEAS,	per can	5c
Heinz TOMATO JUICE,	2 cans,	15c
Crisco,	3 lb can	55c
	6 lb can	1.09
NAPKINS,	80 napkins to pkg 2 pkgs	15c
Honey,	Fresh stock guaranteed 1 qt. - 10 oz jar	47c
Matches,	6 box carton	15c
Maxine Toilet SOAP,	3 bars	14c
APRICOTS, DelMonte no 1 can	2 for	25c

**Market Specials**

CHUCK ROAST,	lb	14c
ASSORTED LUNCH MEAT,	lb	20c
GROUND MEAT,	2 lbs	25c
SLICED BACON,	lb	30c

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