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SAN ANGELO DISTRICT CAMPOREE

Scout Troops in San Angelo will be hosts to Scouts of the San Angelo District and several Troops of nearby towns at a Camporee Friday and Saturday, March 22-23, according to H. H. Batjer, Chairman of Camping and Activities for the Concho Valley Council. The Camporee is to be held at the Old Scout Village Grounds, and the program will start with the erection of camps at 5:00 p. m. Friday. After supper is cooked, Scouts will gather around a campfire, where Pat Close, District Game Warden, will give his experiences in antelopes and deer distribution, also plans for the extension of range for the javelina.

Troops will present Troop stunts, songs and other activities. Saturday morning the Scouts will enjoy a Camporee program, with competition in camping and Scouting activities. In the afternoon, demonstrations will be given in archery, bait casting, turtle trapping, gas model plane and model motor exhibits. The program will close with a visit to the Skeet Club, sponsored by the West Texas Wild Life Association. The Saturday program will be conducted by John E. Robbins, Jr., District Commissioner, assisted by the Commissioner Staff, composed of W. J. Schwartz, Bert Gray and Albert Baze.

Eloise McCabe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCabe, and Joe White, son of Mrs. Flora White, San Angelo, have rated "distinguished student" rating at John Tarleton College for making the honor roll.

Millard Meek visited with Curtis Walker last week at Colorado City.

Vernon Walker of Sweetwater was a pleasant caller at The Observer office last Friday. He was very much surprised to find one of the liveliest little cities he had visited lately in West Texas.

Our County Officials ever alert to the needs of the county, made a trip to San Antonio to put over some road work that was very much needed, a connection from Sanco to the new highway, a distance of about two and a half miles. The trip was considered a complete success and the project is expected to start in the near future.

The party left here Sunday, composed of County Judge McNeil Wylie, H. C. Varnadore, Sam Gaston, and T. E. Mahon.

The old adage "better be on the outside looking in than on the inside looking out," but you cannot realize just how good a town you do have unless you visit others and make comparison by looking in from the outside. Spend your time and money in Robert Lee if you want your town to grow and progress.

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Ratliff & Hall.
adv.

New Feed Store Here

We are announcing the arrival of a new business firm for Robert Lee, Moore Produce Co. They come to us highly recommended as a wide awake progressive business concern, having bought out the Ratliff feed store. They expect to carry as before, with additional lines in keeping with the progress and growing of the city of Robert Lee. There is no need of going to other places to buy merchandise when you can buy it here. Our business concerns are an index to the progressiveness of our town. Park your car on our streets and visit all you like.

A special meeting of the Robert Lee Lion Club was held Thursday night of last week when they had as a special, Lion District Governor Cox, who delivered a very inspiring talk to a large number, including several visitors from San Angelo and Bronte.

Miss Zelma Slaughter, daughter of Mrs. J. C. Slaughter is visiting in Dallas with her uncle, P. M. Williamson.

Representative Reeves was in the city Saturday shaking hands with friends and doing some preliminary skirmishing for future reference.

The Observer office building is wearing a new Laster Bonnet and it is in keeping with the style.

Winter has disappeared around the corner and spring seems to be just around the other corner as the whole country side is greening up and the birds are heralding a lovely spring for 1940.

There has been about 12 miles of the new highway which leads to Colorado City already fenced.

The highway to Bronte is expected to get underway in about six weeks.

Doyle Warshaw had as a visitor last week end his wife from Alpine who is teaching in the High School.

A new heating unit added for better coffee at City Cafe.
adv.

Boykin will give you service to a Queen's taste. Do your washing at the Home Laundry.
adv.

Detroit, March—A 65 per cent gain in new car and truck sales during the last nine days of February, as compared with the corresponding period in February, 1939, enabled Chevrolet dealers to finish the month with the highest February total of all time, 1929 alone excepted, it was announced at the company's headquarters here today. New car sales for the month totaled 74,932.

During the last nine days of February, 28,323 cars and trucks were sold, as compared with 17,137 in the same period last year. Volume for the final period of the short month just ended was substantially more than half that for the whole month of February, 1939, when 50,788 units were sold.

R. H. Reaves Announces for Re-election for Representative

In offering myself to the people of the 92nd District as a candidate to succeed myself as your state Representative, I believe I understand more than ever before the importance and responsibilities of the office.

The duties of this office are so great, the welfare of so many people at stake, that to me, it is a very serious question for one to offer himself to cast the votes at Austin that affects the lives of the many citizens of our District and State.

My record, not clear of errors, is before you and it shall be my aim to meet the citizens of our district and discuss many of the important issues of our state government.

Never before in the history of our state was a Legislature besieged with a more powerful group of eastern lobbyists, than was the past session. They had the money and the brain power and you know the results. They are the fellows that blocked the payment of our obligation to the Old People, the Teachers, the Blind and the destitute children, and worked for Legislation that would have taken bread from the mouths of our already needy people. I invite you to search the records and if at any place you connect me with that group, don't support me.

If by voting for me you feel that you are staying with the people of our District and State I will appreciate your help. I live and work with the, so called common people and I had rather be right on the questions involved than to have any office you could give.

I solicit your help and advice at all times in our struggle for right and justice as a free people.

Respectfully,
R. H. Reaves.
adv.

The Observer is receiving many compliments of recent date, all of which we appreciate very much and we solicit others of the same kind. If you fail to get your paper drop us a card, and tell us about it as the fire gave us quite a set back, and should you have a friend living out of the county that is a subscriber would you mind dropping us a card and give the name and address as that portion of our subscription list was destroyed.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids will be received and opened by Coke county at the court house at Robert Lee, Texas, until 10 o'clock a. m. on April 8, 1940, for the purchase of 1 Crawler Tractor Gasoline Motor not less than 54 horse-power, weight not less than 14,000 pounds and a caterpillar 60 tractor to be taken as part payment, and notice is given that warrants will be issued in the maximum sum of \$3150.00, payable serially, last maturity not later than April 15 1947, interest payable semiannually.

The right is reserved to reject all bids.
McNeil Wylie
County Judge, Coke, County Texas.
Adv.

Wreck Injures Two

Last Friday night while Hyman Teague and G. P. Lowry were returning from San Angelo after attending a picture show, they happened to a very serious car wreck. G. P. Lowry reported that he was asleep and that Hyman Teague the driver must have fell asleep as the car left the road and run into the abutment of a bridge, coming to a sudden stop threw both occupants against the wind shield and cowl crushing the steering wheel breaking the shatter proof shield and damaging the front part of car.

Lowry crawled out of the wreck, pulled Teague out and they looked for aid but no one came along so they started walking but Lowry soon found that he could go no further and Teague proceeded to carry him and in all they walked 6 miles to get help. They were carried to a San Angelo hospital where Teague was found to be injured mostly about the head, having his jaw and cheek bones broke and his teeth knocked out. Lowry had a injured foot.

EL VALLE GARDEN CLUB

Mrs. Henry Briscoe of Sanco was hostess to the El Valle Garden Club Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Houston Smith gave a very interesting and instructive talk on "Blooming Shrubs" Mrs. F. C. Clark talked on "Vines and Trellis".

The St. Patrick motif was carried out in the refreshment plates and the kissing of the Blarney Stone caused much merriment.

Those present were: Mmes. W. B. Clift, J. S. Craddock, F. S. McCabe, Jack Lassiter, B. A. Austin, W. H. Campbell, F. C. Clark, H. E. Smith, J. C. Snead, Henry Briscoe and J. W. Gumbie. Guests present were Mmes. Paul Good and H. C. Allen, Misses Mettie Russel and Minnie Weathers, Mrs. Ed Snowden of McKenzville and Mrs. W. M. Brown of Kencardine, Ontario, Canada.

FISH FRY

Given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cobb a fish fry, Friday March 15, with 15 guests present. All reported an enjoyable time.

Pay your water bill by 10th of each month or service will be discontinued.

City Commission.

Bruce Clift is in bed with the Rheumatism.

The Town Where I Live—

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of expressing our appreciation to the people of Robert Lee and surrounding territory for their many kind and helpful deeds shown, in our loss by fire.

J. A. Childress and family.

Charles Summers Buried

Rev. Charles Summers died at Robert Lee, Texas, March 19, 1940. He was born in Coryell county on July 2, 1875 and married to Miss Beulah Field on June 25 1916. He was licensed to preach at the age of 19 and served as State Missionary of Texas for several years and held many pastorates in and out of the state. He attended the Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky and his greatest desire was to get well and preach again.

He is survived by his wife one sister and four brothers.

Sunday Services At Sanco

Ulmer Bird will preach at Sanco, Sunday at the morning and afternoon services. All his friends are invited to come and tell everyone about the services.

At Methodist Church

Preaching at Methodist church this Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights by Rev. C. R. Hardy of Bronte, also we are expecting Dr. Barton from San Angelo to be with us this Sunday. You are invited to these services and we are anxious for you to come.
G. T. Hester

BAPTIST W. M. S.

W. M. S. met at the church Monday afternoon for their Bible study with Mrs. Grambling as teacher, after which the president took charge and had a business session. They voted an all day meeting on Tuesday and bring a covered dish and quilt. 13 ladies were present.

METHODIST NOTES

The Society met at the church Monday eve. Mrs. Gardner taught the Bible lesson with following members present. Mmes. Griffith, Thetford, Craddock, Brown, Green, Clark, Gardner, and Hester.

BREEZLAND HYBRIDS SENSATIONAL

The old maids at Breezland are giving a remarkable demonstration of what can be done by expert cross breeding of poultry. These Breezland crosses are winning enthusiastic following because of their ability to make a good showing, even under adverse conditions. Mr. U. G. Cope says, "I raised 91% of my Breezland Red Leghorns. I'm crazy about them. The pullets are fine layers and the cockerels make quick heavy fryers." Mr. J. F. Bleachers tells, "My Red Leghorns are laying 73 percent (that's eggs) and I raised 98 out of a hundred."

Red Leghorns hatched March 14 and 21 \$6.90 per 100. Drop the old maids a line. Just say "Enclosed is a dollar to reserve my order." Breezland, San Angelo, Texas.

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I always think I'll
do great things
And then I never
try.
I sit and feel
ambitious while
The days go whizzing
by.



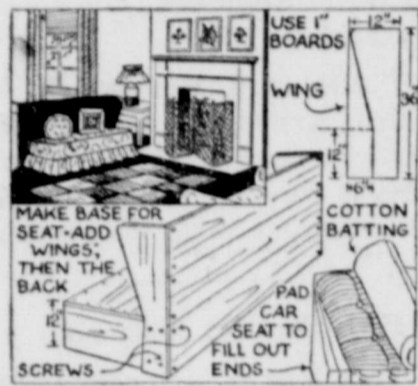
WNU Service.

**This Started With
An Old Car Seat**

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

WE KNOW what becomes of old automobiles for their graveyards are all too obvious. But how about that backseat cushion with springs almost as good as new? The sketch shows what became of one such seat.

It was padded out at the ends to make the back the same length as the front. Extra padding was also used on the top to make it smooth. A simple base with a



back and wings was made of one-inch boards, to fit the seat. Next, came the cretonne slip-cover for the spring seat, with a box pleated ruffle around the front and along the sides up to the wings. A bright peacock blue tone in the cretonne was used for seam cordings and was matched in paint for the wings and back of the seat.

NOTE: Sewing Book 1 contains 32 pages of directions for making slip-covers and curtains; books 2 and 3 give directions for the embroidered pictures over the mantle. The knitted rag rug and pillows in this sketch are in Book 4. Books are 10 cents each; if you enclose 40 cents with your order for four books (Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4) you will receive a FREE set of quilt block patterns of Mrs. Spears' Favorite Early American quilt designs. Send your order to:

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IN THIS PAPER

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS BY JOSEPH W. LaBINE

**Scandinavia Works With Nazis
To End Russo-Finnish Conflict;
Feel Allies Aren't Dependable**

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
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**EUROPE:
The Wars**

Northern Front. Soviet troops captured the entire northern tip of Finland, placing the Arctic sea outlet in Soviet hands. Finns still held Viipuri, western anchor of the Mannerheim lines, repulsing furious Soviet attacks. Civilian bombings continued.

Western Front. Reconnaissance flights and patrol clashes.

Finnish Finish?

Off to Berlin one day went 79-year-old Per Evind Svinhufvud, former president of Finland. He made a brief flurry in the news, obviously a peace envoy. Then he disappeared, but Per Svinhufvud had



PER SVINHUFVUD
... started something in Berlin.

done his work well. Within 24 hours Moscow had invited Finnish Premier Risto Ryti and three aides to visit the Kremlin and talk peace. That Germany's hand was behind all this none doubted, for Naziland would like to have Russia at peace, thereby making Soviet war materials available to the Reich.

Up north, Scandinavia cheered; a Russo-Finnish peace would relieve the terrific pressure Sweden and Norway have felt from France and Britain on the one side, and Russia and Germany on the other. The allies had sent Finland only a smattering of help, leaving friendly Scandinavia exposed should Russia win. But if Scandinavia worked for peace via the dictator nations, an early and safe peace might be arranged.

After several days a truce was reported near, leaving frontiers substantially where they have been pushed by fighting thus far. But there was still a good chance that it would bog down.

British Gesture

Off to Rome went Nazi Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop to capitalize on an Italian peevish. Several days earlier Britain had clamped a blockade on Italian coal imports from Germany, hailing 16 of 11 Duce's freighters into port. Angered, Rome dispatched threatening notes.

Obviously von Ribbentrop hoped to win Italian sympathy against Britain, but the Englishmen acted too fast. Without warning, London suddenly released all 16 Italian freighters and won an Italian promise to ship no more German coal by sea.

Herr von Ribbentrop, the wind taken out of his sails, eased back home after visits with Mussolini, King Victor Emmanuel and—unexpectedly—Pope Pius XII. Observers guessed that von Ribbentrop heard plenty from both Mussolini and Pope Pius about alleged German atrocities in Poland. They also guessed, but could not be certain, that he had urged Mussolini's mediation to help end the Russo-Finnish

war. Still a third report: That he sought Italian co-operation to form an economic bloc of all eastern Europe, eventually including Russia and the Baltics.

**DOMESTIC:
Farmers' Congress**

"It is more than ever important to have a government . . . that can act to protect the interests of our farmers as well as our business men when foreign trade conditions are upset."

Thus did Franklin Roosevelt address 500,000 farmers in 24 states assembled at 50 and 75-cent dinners to celebrate AAA's seventh anniversary. For the President and the farmer, things were looking up. A few hours before Mr. Roosevelt spoke, the senate finance committee approved a three-year extension of the reciprocal trade program, already okayed by the house. Chairman Pat Harrison of that committee was pretty sure the measure would pass.

Meanwhile another senate committee was even out-doing the President to help farmers. An appropriations sub-committee upped the house-approved \$749,561,000 agricultural appropriations bill to \$958,000,000 (the President had recommended only \$788,929,519). Chief boost was a \$212,000,000 fund for parity payments. In addition, the subcommittee directed that RFC should lend \$100,000,000 additional to farm agencies (thus avoiding new appropriations) and that \$60,000,000 of benefit payments be shifted to this year's funds from next year. This brought the total to more than a billion dollars.

Gloom fell over the house, which had previously clipped some \$300,000,000 from budget estimates on 10 different appropriations in the hope of saving enough to prevent new taxes or a boost in the national debt. When the senate appropriations committee okayed its subcommittee's action, and when senate leaders expressed certainty that the big farm bill would pass, the gloom became thicker. One salvation might be to make big cuts in relief and defense appropriations. Another, which President Roosevelt reportedly discussed with congressional leaders, was a revival of the new tax program.

Also in congress:
Hatch Bill. Not sidetracked for the farm bill, as everyone expected, amendments to the Hatch "clean politics" act were pushed through, the senate. Aim: Curb political activity of 500,000 state employees.

Wagner Act. Chairman Mary Norton (Dem., N. J.) of the house labor committee charged that 21



WELLES AND LEBRUN
A baptism of fire.

amendments to the Wagner act, as proposed by a special house committee, would practically repeal the law." It was a good bet that the house would kill all the amendments.

Welles Junket

Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles continued marching through the chancelleries of Europe in an attempt to dig out "the present phase of the European situation." Neither he nor anyone else could really dig it out, because the European situation was more perplexing than anything the world has seen in 20 years (see EUROPE).

Arriving in Paris after visits at Rome and Berlin, Mr. Welles lunched and dined with President Albert Lebrun, Premier Edouard Daladier and many a lesser statesman, receiving his baptism of fire when anti-aircraft batteries sounded off against a Nazi reconnaissance plane. He heard the same old terms: (1) No peace so long as Hitlerism reigns in Germany; (2) liberation of Poland and Czechoslovakia; (3) "guarantees for the security of peoples and the integrity . . . of all nations."

**NAMES
in the news . . .**

HAROLD L. ICKES, secretary of the interior, and enthusiastic third-termite, sounded off in *Look* magazine on G. O. P. Hopeful Tom Dewey. Said Ickes: Dewey is a "clamor boy;" he is "photogenic, radiogenic and a dude . . ."

F. LYNDEN SMITH, Illinois public works director and ousted state Democratic fund collector who was "banished" for criticizing Gov. Henry Horner, suicided at a Springfield, Ill., hospital.

**IMPROVED
UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL
SUNDAY
SCHOOL Lesson**

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.
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of Chicago.
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Lesson for March 24

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**THE SEPULCHER: TRIUMPH
OVER DEATH**

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 27:57—28:6.
GOLDEN TEXT—But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.—1 Corinthians 15:20.

In our series of lessons in Matthew we have followed our Lord in His life and ministry on through Gethsemane to Calvary. Today we find loving hands giving themselves in what they thought to be the final act of devotion to their Lord, and we also see the hands of wicked men active in what they thought was a final act of hatred. Then suddenly the Lord Himself breaks through in resurrection power.

I. Love Is Kind (27:57-61).

The women, whose devotion to their Lord never wavered, were joined in the final act of taking the body of Jesus from the cross and burying it by two secret disciples of the Lord who now came out into the open, Joseph of Arimathea, a member of the Sanhedrin (Luke 23:50, 51), and Nicodemus (John 19:39, 40). It was a courageous act on their part and undoubtedly the expression of their great love for Jesus.

The two Marys seemed to have stayed to watch the grave even after Joseph had gone to his home. The death of Jesus may have crushed their hopes, for they apparently did not recall His promise of resurrection, but they still loved Him. After all, is not that the ultimate and essential mark of a disciple, love for our Lord?

II. Hatred Is Relentless (27:62-66).

The wicked men who had brought about the crucifixion of Jesus were not content to let their hatred of Him die at the grave. They lusted after His life and they had taken that, but even as He lay silent in the grave, the priests and the Pharisees came to Pilate and called Him "that deceiver" (v. 63) and demanded a special guard. They feared that His disciples would perpetrate a fraud, and after stealing the body declare that He was risen. Wicked and deceitful hearts can imagine all sorts of treachery on the part of others.

The hatred of unbelievers toward Christ and toward His followers knows no stopping place. In civilized lands and among cultured people it operates under a cloak of respectability, but it is none the less bitter and relentless in its pursuit of Him and of His Church.

Observe that while the chief priests and Pharisees acted in hatred and unbelief, they unwittingly did the cause of Christ a great service by demanding the guard over the tomb. They made it forever impossible for any charge of fraud to be successfully made against the truth of the resurrection.

III. Christ Is Triumphant (28:1-6).

Victory and praise should be the keynote of Christianity. Why should we be doleful and sad? Our Lord has come back victorious from the grave! We may be glad and sing even in the midst of earth's sorrows and distresses. Let praise be the employ of our lips constantly as we worship Him and work for Him.

The picture that greeted the surprised eyes of the two women as they came to the grave as it began to dawn on the first day of the week was one resplendent with the glory and majesty of God. The earth quaked as the lightning and white angel of the Lord broke through the unbreakable seal of Rome and rolled back the stone which was to have permanently closed the door to the tomb. This was done, not to release Christ—for He had already gone, no grave could hold Him—but that men might see the empty grave and know that He was risen.

To the foes of Christ represented by the keepers, the coming of the angel and the revelation of the power of God brought absolute discomfort. That is still true. Men will argue with theology, church methods, even Christian profession, until they see the power of God revealed, and then they can only be "as dead men."

To the friends of Christ the angel brought comfort and assurance. Their fears were assuaged by his word of comfort, and then their faith was revived by the assurance that Christ was risen. The resurrection declares that He is the Son of God with power, the Saviour of the world,

Wise and Otherwise

THE most completely lost of all days is that on which one has not laughed.—Chamfort.

An optimist has been defined as a man who figures that when his shoes wear out he will be back on his feet again.

Millions of dollars are spent on lipstick every year. Who said that women didn't cater to the masculine taste.

There are many things that science cannot discover; one is why a bald-headed man can have a heavy beard.

Women, says my wife, have cleaner minds than men. Well, they change them oftener.

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No Just in Unjust
To entreat what is unjust from the just is wrong; but to seek what is just from the unjust is folly.—Plautus.



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It is a comfort to the unfortunate to have companions in woe.—DeGravina.

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EAST AND WEST

BY TALBOT MUNDY

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THE STORY THUS FAR

Captain Carl Norwood has been sent from his native England to the Kadur River district in India, along with his indispensable manservant, Moses O'Leary, soldier of fortune. Norwood's job is to survey the district to determine whether a valuable secret diamond mine belongs to the temple priests or to the ruler, the Maharajah of Kadur. Norwood calls on the British Residency to pay his initial respects. On his way he catches a glimpse of two women in a palace carriage, one of whom is young and beautiful. The other woman he knows to be the Maharanees of Kadur. O'Leary later tells him that the young woman is an American girl named Lynn Harding, who with her aunt, Mrs. Deborah Harding, is a guest at the palace. On a sightseeing tour Mrs. Harding sprains an ankle, and sends to the palace for aid. Prince Rundhia, handsome, spoiled nephew of the rulers, comes to her rescue, and takes her back to the palace where he meets Lynn. At a banquet that night in the palace, attended by Captain Norwood, Mrs. Harding takes one of the native doctor's pills, and becomes violently ill. She is placed in bed and arrangements are made for Lynn to move out of the quarters with her aunt and stay with the Maharanees. That evening Prince Rundhia attempts to make love to Lynn. She is unwilling to listen to him, and at the crucial moment Norwood appears on the scene, much to Rundhia's disgust. O'Leary has located the secret entrance to the diamond mine which is being worked by the temple priests. He takes Norwood to the mine, where death is narrowly averted when a live cobra is thrown in Norwood's face. Later Norwood visits the Brahmin priests, one of whom slyly slips a packet of diamonds in his pocket, unknown to Norwood. They are intended as a bribe. While Norwood is talking to Lynn the diamonds fall from his pocket. She notices them and sees that he is surprised. Later, when Rundhia tries to make love to her, she mentions the diamonds in order to divert his mind. She realizes it was a mistake Rundhia, though chagrined by Lynn's attitude, is related to hear of the diamonds. He goes immediately to the British Residency, and tells the Resident of the diamonds.

CHAPTER VIII—Continued

"Rundhia, you are talking dangerously," said the Resident.

"Yes. Whose danger? It would smell sweet, wouldn't it! I was riding early this morning. I saw Norwood on his way to the river—overheard him say that priests were waiting for him near the river. And I happen to know he was down by the river after midnight last night. Now he carries diamonds in his tunic pocket."

"Have you seen them?"

"No."

"Who did?"

"I am well informed about it."

"Look here, Rundhia. You don't expect me, do you, to credit an unsupported charge, based on hearsay, against an officer who has a perfectly clean record?"

"Would you prefer that I take my information elsewhere?"

"Who was your informant?"

"I refuse to tell you."

The Resident rose from his chair: "I hope the drive home won't affect you disagreeably!"

Rundhia actually started for the door. As he drew abreast, the Resident said:

"Hello, I notice your nose is bleeding. Have you been in an accident?"

"Ask Norwood!"

"You mean to tell me—? Do you know where Norwood is now?"

"At the palace, in conference, perhaps fishing for a larger bribe from someone else."

"Now, now, Rundhia! Who was your informant about those diamonds?"

"I might tell you in strict confidence."

"I promise nothing. But I will believe nothing unless you tell me your informant's name."

"Between you and me, it was Miss Lynn Harding."

"How should she know?"

"She saw them. Norwood is in love with her."

"You know that?"

"Any fool could guess it. I think Norwood casually let her see them to impress her. He is mad about her. Don't quote me. It's up to you now."

CHAPTER IX

The Maharanees' maid, who changed Lynn's frock, was one of those who had been loaned to Auntie Harding, because she knew English. It was impossible not to believe that the Maharanees already knew more than the facts about Lynn's break with her aunt. The maid left the bedroom. The Maharanees sat by the veranda window, staring past the edge of the sun-blind into the garden. There was hardly a sound except the purring of the two electric fans.

Meanwhile, she smoked a cigarette and watched the Maharanees, who seemed to Lynn to be considering, not what to say, but how to say what was crowding her thought.

"Maharanees dear, I wish you wouldn't feel so upset."

"How you must despise us."

"Please! I don't. To go away leaving you thinking anything as untrue as that would be dreadful. I am not even angry with Rundhia."

"I am more than angry with him," said the Maharanees. "I am ashamed, Lynn, is it true—it has been told to me—that Mrs. Harding saw Rundhia kiss you in the garden?"

"Yes. That, too, was my fault. I could have prevented it. I knew

Auntie was looking. I did it to annoy her."

"Not because you like Rundhia?"

"Oh, I like him. He is the handsomest thing I have ever seen, and amusing. I was playing with fire, I knew that."

The Maharanees' worried face relaxed into a wise smile: "My dear, you don't know Rundhia if you think he won't try it again! Unless—is it true—it has been told to me—that Mrs. Harding has decided not to stay here any longer?"

"First train, and first steamer for home," Lynn answered. "Marching orders. At the moment, it hurts her to move and she can't keep food down. But the doctor can probably fix that. And she's brave. She has an iron will. She told me to pack my things."

"And will you do it?"

"What in the world else can I do? I haven't a sous marquis to



"Well, perhaps I was mistaken."

my name. Auntie gives me pocket money—no more."

The Maharanees smiled: "Yes. Lack of money can make even Rundhia obey. But it is a limited power. It can be broken."

"So I think. But it remains to be seen," Lynn answered.

"You are of age? You don't look it, but you are, are you not? If I invite you to remain in the palace as my guest, will you accept?"

"How can I?"

"It would give me very great pleasure to provide you with more than pocket money. I can easily invent a salaried position. You have been such a comfort, such a joy to me, that your companionship would more than justify a requisition on His Highness my husband's exchequer. Is it true—it has been told to me—that Mrs. Harding threatened to—my informant did not clearly understand—I think the word was disinherit?"

"Auntie has threatened that several times. Today I took her at her word," Lynn answered. "She will pay my fare home. After that, I go on my own way—earn a living. It was final."

"Can you legally be left without money?"

"I suppose so."

"You say you will earn a living. How? What can you do?"

"I don't know yet."

"For such a beautiful girl as you are there is always marriage to look

forward to. Is Mrs. Harding not afraid of what people may say if she should leave you penniless until you marry?"

"She isn't afraid of people. Other people are afraid of her. She will simply say I was impossible. But I won't accept another cent from her. Maharanees dear, you can't guess. Perhaps I'm as ungrateful and bad as she says. But I know what I have had to endure. No more humiliation from Auntie Harding! I am through."

"Lynn darling, say nothing until you have thought. You haven't had time to think. And you are naturally prejudiced at the moment, even though you are so magnanimous and don't admit it. A greater magnanimity than yours I have seldom heard of. Lynn, the offer of a throne is not contemptible. Shall I write a note to Mrs. Harding saying you have accepted my invitation to stay with us?"

"Better let me tell her that," said Lynn. "Auntie would blow up. She isn't one bit pleasant when she's angry. Say you've invited me. How would that be?"

The Maharajah bleated like an old sheep. A lawyer in a black alpaca frock coat droned interminable arguments. Documents were produced. Expert witnesses committed artfully evasive perjury. Norwood sat at the foot of the long table, looked, listened, and made endless notes.

They weren't half through by lunch-time. They gave him tiffin in the palace, all by himself, in a silent room, where a clock ticked as loud as fork against plate and he caught himself eating in time to the hypnotic beat, thinking of diamonds. Curried mutton and rice. Whiskey and soda. Sweet cakes. Fruit. Coffee. A cigar. And then back to the Council room to listen to more arguments that were interrupted by the arrival of Rundhia's Bengali physician, shepherding a servant who carried a big blue goblet on a plate.

The Maharajah swallowed his tonic and immediately became less nervous. Then he asked, in English, presumably for Norwood's benefit:

"How is Mrs. Harding?"

Norwood cared less than nothing about Mrs. Harding's feelings at the moment, but he couldn't help hearing the doctor's answer:

"She is not well. But I cannot persuade her to take medicine. She is petulant—very."

The Maharajah tried to seem incredulous of any lady's petulance: "Convey my solicitude."

Norwood managed to escape from the conference soon after that. He was away on the horse before the sais woke up. He cantered to the Residency, where he had to wait in the office an exasperating fifteen minutes, until the Resident could be awakened from his afternoon snooze and could get tubbed and come downstairs.

"May I see you alone, sir?"

The Resident nodded. He didn't appear to enjoy the prospect. They went into the darkened library, and Norwood sat in the same chair that Rundhia had occupied. He laid the black paper package of diamonds on the table:

"Take a look at those, sir. I want to turn them over to you. I would like to get a receipt, and to make a statement in writing."

The Resident opened the envelope and poured the diamonds into his hand. He made a wry face and poured them back again:

"Nine?"

"I haven't counted them."

"They look valuable. Where did you get them?"

"I am not absolutely certain. I think they must have been slipped into my pocket, early this morning, by one of the unofficial representatives of the temple authorities, who met me by appointment, near the waterfall."

"What were you doing?"

"Inviting myself for a visit of inspection of the mine. They met me to discuss it."

"And you say they dropped these in your pocket?"

"I believe so. It's a pretty obvious attempt to bribe me to write a report in their favor."

"But they said nothing? Not even a hint?"

"One of them, I remember, did say he hoped my judgment wouldn't be affected by worthless arguments."

He rather dwelt on the word worthless, but it made no special impression on me at the time."

"Very well, Captain Norwood, I will take your statement." The Resident glanced at his watch. "You're rather late with it. There seems to me to be needed some explanation when you called this morning."

"I didn't know, at that time, that I had them in my pocket."

The Resident's face was expressionless: "You had better be sure to include that in your statement. It's credible, of course, in view of your record. But people might draw inferences. Don't you think so?"

"You suggest, sir?"

"Nothing. I am offering advice. It might be inferred that you accepted these diamonds and said nothing about them until you learned, let us say at the palace, that someone knew about it; and that then you hurried to me in a rather belated attempt to establish innocence. I am simply pointing out to you what might be inferred if you are not particularly careful."

Norwood stared at the package of diamonds. He thought a minute. Then he looked straight in the Resident's eyes and spoke quite calmly: "You appear to me to be hinting. Had you heard about these before I brought them to you?"

"Yes."

"Who was your informant?"

"It was confidential."

"You suspect me of having accepted a bribe?"

"I reserve my opinion."

"Very well, sir, you admit that someone accused me. I want the name of the informant. Otherwise I demand my arrest and a court martial."

"Keep your temper. You have already been reported to me for punching someone's nose."

"Whose?"

"My informant's nose was bleeding."

"Very well, who was he? I have punched no one's nose. Someone has been lying to you about me. Surely I have the right to know who he is."

"Captain Norwood, on your word of honor, are you telling the truth?"

"Yes."

"Well, perhaps I was mistaken. Perhaps I inferred it. I forget the exact words. Prince Rundhia certainly intended me to understand that you had made his nose bleed."

"Oh. So it was Rundhia. I wonder how the devil Rundhia knew I had those diamonds."

"Well, did you call on Miss Harding this morning?"

Norwood stared. He looked almost as if he had been punched in the jaw.

"Yes," he said, after a moment. "I called on Mrs. Harding to take her a bottle of fresh iodine. Miss Harding saw the diamonds when they fell from my pocket."

"Is it true that you have been paying her a lot of attention?"

"No."

"You have not had words with Rundhia about her?"

"Yes. I did tell Rundhia, last night after midnight, that if anything should happen to Lynn Harding, I would hold him answerable."

"Why should you have said that?"

"Because I like her. I suspected Rundhia's intentions."

"Are you sure she is nice? Why should she have told Rundhia?"

"I don't believe she did. Rundhia lied, if you ask me. Perhaps a servant told him."

"Just a moment, sir. This occurs to me. Is Rundhia exactly in good standing?"

"No. Confidentially, speaking off the record, I took a recent occasion to warn him that one more indiscretion might endanger his succession to the throne."

"I suppose," said Norwood, "it would be a great deal easier, and would cause a lot less trouble, to veto him now than to have to depose him later on, after he had come to the throne?"

"Why, yes, certainly. Even the right of veto isn't anything we like to exercise. To depose a ruling prince, after once having recognized his right to the throne—well, it has been done. But it isn't good policy, if it can be avoided. You see, the alternative to Rundhia is Jodha, who is an invalid and likely to be childless. We might be accused of deposing Rundhia in order to grab Kadur. No. If Rundhia should succeed to the throne, his position would be fairly secure."

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF COKE:
In the District Court of Coke County, Texas.

OCTOBER TERM, A. D. 1939.
TO THE HONORABLE DISTRICT COURT OF COKE COUNTY, TEXAS:

I.
Now comes Jessie Leona Lord, joined herein pro forma by her husband, Ira F. Lord, who reside in Mitchell County, Texas, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of J. H. F. Oltmann, Ebenezer Aldrich, Samuel Allen, Isaac W. Wood, N. G. King, Nathaniel G. King, John Ellis, Nathaniel Goddard, Abner Rice, Harry S. Rice, William Allen Hall, Simon J. Woodbury, Jabez Ellis, Sarah E. Reid, William A. Reid, George A. Butler, George J. Butler, J. Jenkins, James M. Robertson, Frank Lerch, William S. Kelly, W. S. Kelly, H. B. Tarver, A. R. Johnson, R. W. McKee, J. C. McKee and Lena Watson, the residence of each and all of the said parties being unknown to plaintiff, and also complaining of the unknown heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of the unknown heirs of J. H. F. Oltmann, Ebenezer Aldrich, Samuel Allen, Isaac W. Wood, N. G. King, Nathaniel G. King, Nathaniel Goddard, Abner Rice, Harry S. Rice, William Allen Hall, Simon J. Woodbury,

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FIRST TRACT: 270 acres of land, more or less, being all the George Gorkell Survey Number 1597, Abstract No. 164, Certificate No. 568, Patented to J. H. F. Oltmann, Nov. 6th 1835, by Patent No. 370 Volume 16 save and except 50 acres off of the East side of said Survey conveyed by John Saul et ux Josie Saul to S. S. Craddock, by deed dated Feb. 8th, 1910, recorded in Vol. 25, page 75, Deed Records of Coke County, Texas.

SECOND TRACT: 289 1/2 acres of land, more or less out of the East Portion of Survey No. 1598, Abstract No. 604, Certificate No. 311, in the name of Claiborne Rector, and patented to said Claiborne Rector, Sept. 20th, 1861, by patent No. 571, Vol. 12, described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at the S. E. Corner of said Survey No. 1598, Claiborne Rector;

THENCE N. 78 degrees W. 1100 varas, st. md. made for the N. E. Corner of Young Caruthers Survey No. 1299, and S. W. Corner of this tract;

THENCE N. 12 deg. E. 950 varas, Stake in a draw;

THENCE S. 78 deg. E. 480 varas stake for inner corner of this tract;

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That on the said 24th day of March, A. D. 1939, the defendants unlawfully entered upon said land and premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom, and unlawfully withholds from her the possession thereof, to her damage, in the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars.

III
That the reasonable annual rental value of said land and premises is Seven Hundred Dollars.

IV
Plaintiff further represents that she and those under whom she holds title have had continuous peaceable and adverse possession of said land and premises, cultivating, using and enjoying the same, and paying all taxes thereon each year as they accrued, and claiming the same under deeds duly registered for more than five years next preceeding her ejection therefrom by said defendants, by reason which she has acquired full title thereto under the five years statute of limitation here now pleaded and asserted.

V
Plaintiff further represents that she and those under whom she holds title, claiming to have a good and perfect title to said land and premises, have had and held actual, continuous, peaceable and adverse possession thereof, under lawful fence and enclosure, without any adverse claim having been made thereto, for more than ten years next preceeding her ejection therefrom by said defendants, and has thereby acquired full title thereto under the ten years statute of limitation, here now pleaded and asserted.

VI
Plaintiff further represents that each and all of said defendants are asserting some character of right, title, claim or interest in and to said land and premises, and the nature of which is unknown to plaintiff, and plaintiff is unable to ascertain, and plaintiff further represents that all such rights,

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WHEREFORE, premises considered plaintiff prays for citation to defendants as provided by law and upon hearing hereof that she recover against the defendants and each of them for the title and possession of said land and premises, and that she have her writ of possession, and for judgment cancelling all rights, titles, claims, and interest asserted by said defendants

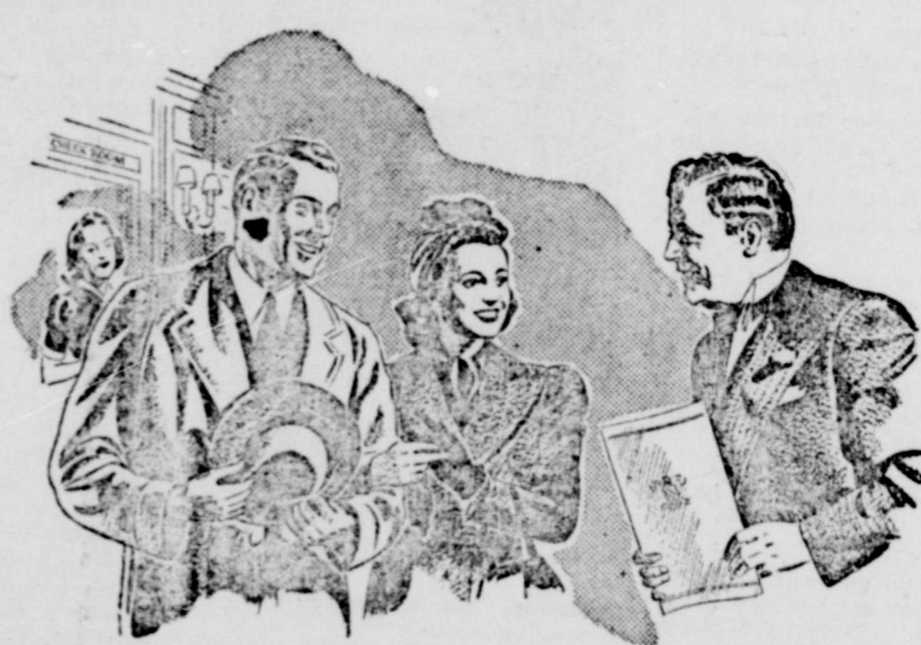
and each of them, that plaintiff be quieted in her title thereto, for costs of suit, and for general and special relief at law or in equity to which she may be justly entitled.

Herein fail not, and have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Robert Lee, Texas this the 5th day of March A. D. 1940.

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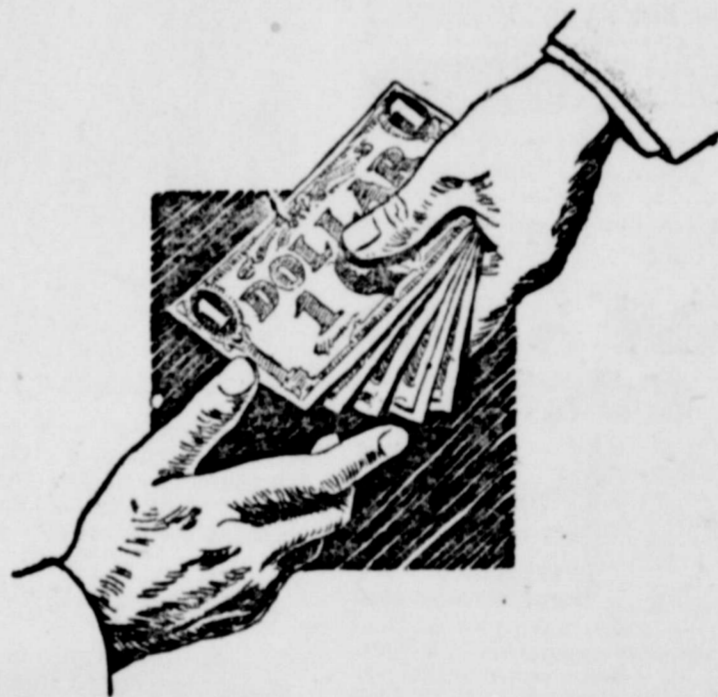
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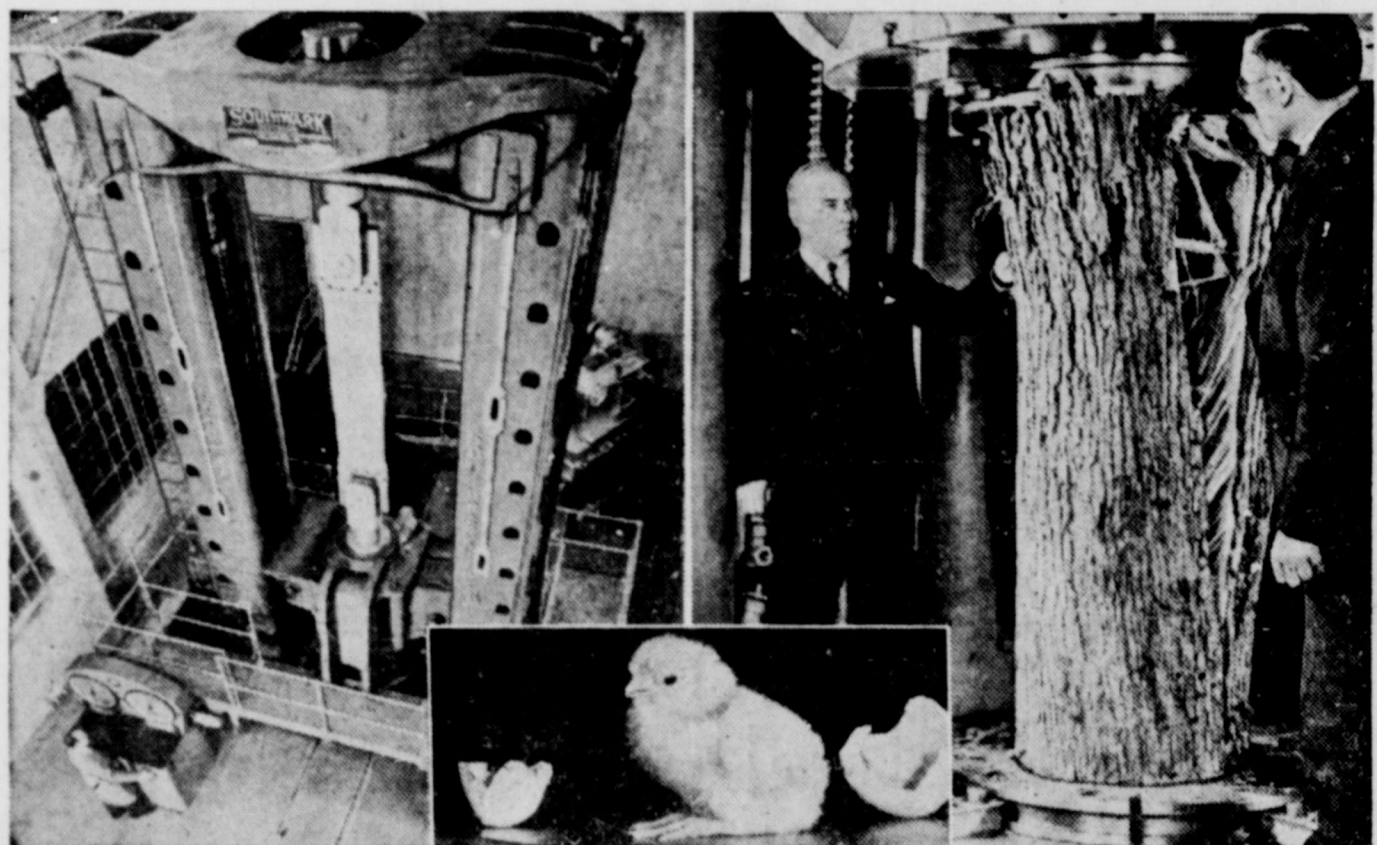


Alert Scandinavian Countries Safeguard Neutrality



Though Norway, Sweden and Denmark have managed to remain neutral in the current European war, the Scandinavian countries are prepared to defend themselves if necessary. Left: A typical Danish trooper ready to do his bit for freedom. Right: Norse machine gunners pictured during war games on the far northern border of their country. The Norwegian army has adopted many of the winter campaign tactics which proved so valuable to the Finns.

Gentle, but Tough! That's New Testing Machine



The world's most powerful testing machine is pictured at the New Kensington, Pa., laboratory of the Aluminum Company of America. The huge machine has a capacity of 3,000,000 pounds in compression and 1,000,000 pounds in pulling power. Shown at right is a solid oak tree trunk, smashed by a million pounds of pressure. Despite its tremendous size, the machine is capable of delicate work. Inset shows a hearty Easter chick stepping forth from an egg, neatly cracked by the powerful machine.

Champ Slugger Demonstrates to Rookies



Johnny Mize, first baseman for the St. Louis Cardinals and batting champion of the National league last season, takes his turn at bat during spring practice in the Cardinals' training camp at St. Petersburg, Fla. Rookies gather around to get an idea of how the champ got that way.

Visitor to U. S.



Rene Blum, brother of the former premier of France, as he arrived recently in New York. His liner also brought an allied mission to Washington, the purpose of which is believed to be the soothing of American feelings which have been disturbed by blockade incidents.

There Was a Way, And Lass Knew It!

TWO people were walking along a road together. One was a young woman, the other a handsome farm lad. The farm lad was carrying a large pail on his back, holding a chicken in one hand, a cane in the other, and leading a goat. They came to a dark lane.

Said the girl: "I'm afraid to walk here with you. You might try to kiss me."

Said the farm lad: "You need not be afraid. How could I kiss you with all this I'm carrying?"

"Well, you might stick the cane in the ground, tie the goat to it, and put the chicken under the pail," was the ready reply.

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Giant Hailstones

We all know the man who talks about hailstones "as big as your fist," but at Potter, Texas, there fell a hailstone that measured 17 inches in circumference. Even this is by no means a record, for the biggest measured hailstone was 9 3/4 by 5 1/2 by 4 1/2 inches.

Some yarns about hailstones take a lot of swallowing, but in Africa and India there are exceptionally heavy falls. In 1936 the Transvaal was hit by a hailstorm and in half an hour the countryside was three feet deep in hail! Cows and men surprised in the open had their skulls shattered, and thousands of acres of crops were destroyed.

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Smiles

Just His Luck
 "Yes, poor old Jones. He always was unlucky."
 "Do you think so?"
 "Yes, if a weight fell from his mind it would surely fall on his pet corn."

Signals Mixed
 First Scrubwoman—She wants me to have a finger in the pie, but I smelt a rat an' nipped it in the bud.
 Second—My, Mrs. Harris, how you mix your semaphores.

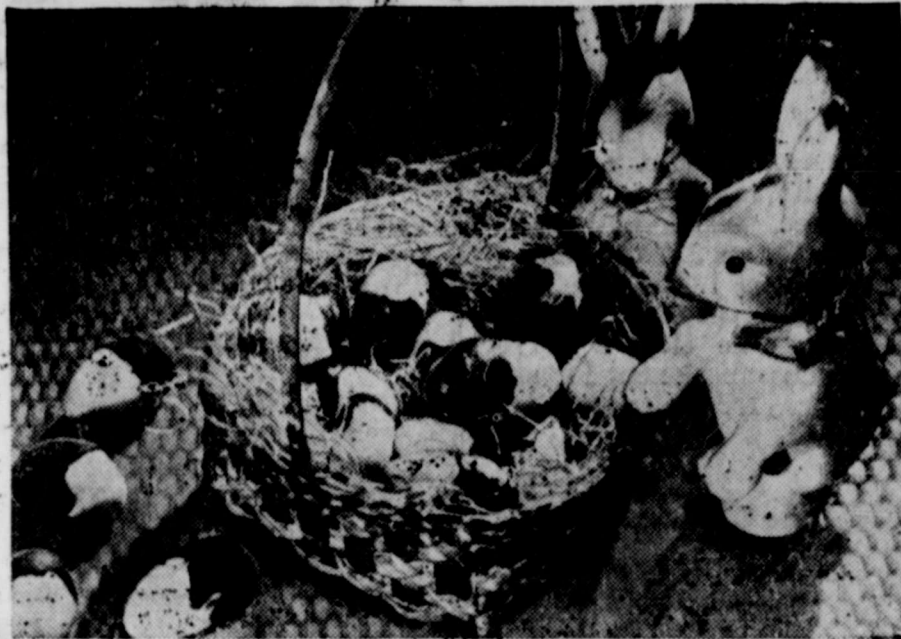
STARTED OFF-WRONG



"Where did you first meet your wife?"
 "I don't remember now, but I'll bet I had to wait for her."

Household News

By Eleanor Howe



THIS SEASON BRINGS EGGS AND MORE EGGS
 (See Recipes Below)

For an Easter Feast

The Easter season brings eggs and more eggs to the tables of the whole world, it seems. There are tinted eggs, eggs with dainty and intricate patterns adorning their glossy shells, and eggs decked out to look like Easter bunnies.

Eggs may be decorated, too, with gaily colored stickers—and if you're clever with your fingers, you can make a giddy blonde or demure brunette egg, sporting a new Easter bonnet! Use bright blue round stickers for eyes, and a tiny gummed heart for a mouth. Or, if you like, paint in the features, and tint the "cheeks" with ordinary water color paints. Cotton or fringed crepe paper may be glued on to resemble hair, and an Easter bonnet is made from a tiny paper nutcup, bits of colored paper, and a tiny feather or artificial flower.

When the bunny comes around with his gift of eggs, keep him as a guest at your Easter table. He'll be a delight to children and grownups alike if his basket is filled with candy eggs that the children themselves can eat.

But Easter Sunday demands more than eggs in the way of food! It's a day of feasting and most of us plan and plot for weeks ahead to give the family a truly delicious and unusual meal. Leg of lamb or baked ham are the traditional foods around which most of us plan our Easter menus. Either may be used in the menu below, to excellent advantage.

Broiled Grapefruit halves
Roast Leg of Lamb or Baked Ham
New Potatoes With Parsley
Asparagus
Spring Salad
Hot Rolls Butter
Boston Cream Pie

You'll find another Easter menu and additional recipes, too, in my cook book "Easy Entertaining."

Boston Cream Pie.
 1/2 cup butter
 1 cup granulated sugar
 2 eggs (well beaten)
 1 3/4 cups cake flour
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
 1/2 cup milk
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Cream butter and add sugar gradually. Add eggs. Mix and sift all dry ingredients and add alternately with the milk and vanilla extract, beginning and ending with the flour mixture. Bake in 2 well-greased, layer-cake pans in moderate hot oven (365 degrees Fahrenheit) for 20 to 25 minutes. When cool, put together with Boston cream pie filling and sprinkle top with powdered sugar.

Boston Cream Pie Filling.
 1/2 cup sugar
 1/4 cup bread flour
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 2 cups scalded milk
 2 eggs
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Mix all dry ingredients and add scalded milk gradually. Cook 10 minutes in top of double boiler, stirring constantly until mixture thickens. Add eggs and cook one minute longer. Cool and add extract.

Broiled Grapefruit.
 Select thin skinned, juicy fruit, cut in halves and remove the pith centers and rib sections. In the cen-

ter of each half, place half a teaspoon of butter and 1 teaspoon of brown sugar. Broil until the grapefruit is heated through.

Roast Leg of Lamb.
 (Serves 12)
 1 leg of lamb
 1 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Wipe leg of lamb with damp cloth, and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place, skin side down and cut surface up, on a rack in an open roasting pan. Roast in a slow oven (300 degrees), allowing 35 minutes per pound. Remove to hot platter and garnish with pineapple rings and fresh mint, or with orange cups filled with mint jelly.

Fresh Asparagus With Lemon Butter Sauce.
 (4 servings)

2 small bunches fresh (or 1 large bunch) asparagus
 5 cups boiling water
 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
 1/4 cup butter
 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Cut off lower parts of asparagus stalks as far down as they will snap. Discard, or use in soup. Tie stalks together loosely in a bundle and place upright in saucepan containing the boiling water to which salt has been added. Cook, uncovered, until ends of stalks begin to be tender, about 15 minutes; then lay bunch of asparagus flat in pan and continue cooking until tips are tender, 5 to 10 minutes. Then drain. Cream butter and add lemon juice slowly. Pour this mixture over hot asparagus and serve at once.

Magic Easter Eggs.
 1/2 cup sweetened condensed milk
 1 teaspoon vanilla
 4 cups sifted confectioners' (4X) sugar (about)

Blend sweetened condensed milk and vanilla. Add confectioners' sugar gradually and continue mixing until smooth and creamy. Divide into three or four parts. Color with different vegetable colorings in very light tints—pink, green, yellow. Form into eggs. One end of each egg may be dipped into melted chocolate that has been allowed to cool. Makes eight eggs 1 1/2 inches long.

When dipping candy eggs, melt the chocolate in the top of a double boiler, but do not let the water boil. When melted, remove from heat, and let the chocolate cool to about 83 degrees Fahrenheit, a temperature, slightly cooler than lukewarm.

Have You a Copy of "Easy Entertaining"?

Eleanor Howe's cook book, "Easy Entertaining," is stamped with menu and recipe suggestions for holidays and parties of every kind! You'll find in it menus and recipes for children's parties, for picnic suppers and for a wedding reception, too. If you haven't yet ordered your copy, send 10 cents in coin, now, to: "Easy Entertaining," care Eleanor Howe, 919 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

What Every Good Cook Should Know.

There are lots of secrets to success in cooking and baking that every good cook should know! Next week in this column Eleanor Howe will give you some of her cake secrets and hints on measuring and mixing ingredients, to insure satisfactory results in the all-important business of feeding a family.

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

ASK ME ANOTHER?

A Quiz With Answers Offering Information on Various Subjects

The Questions

1. How long will a date palm bear fruit?
2. Is water in a bucket perfectly level on top?
3. What was the longest siege in history?
4. Is the practice of cribbing for examinations a modern practice?
5. What is the name of the science of the earth and its life, geology, geography or geodesy?
6. Does United States citizenship confer the right to vote?

The Answers

1. A date palm will bear fruit for two centuries or more.
2. Water in a bucket is slightly concave on top.
3. The siege of Tyre by Nebuchadnezzar, which lasted 13 years, being raised in 572 B. C.
4. Evidence of cribbing by Chinese students as early as 1562 have been found.
5. Geography.
6. No. States grant the right to vote.

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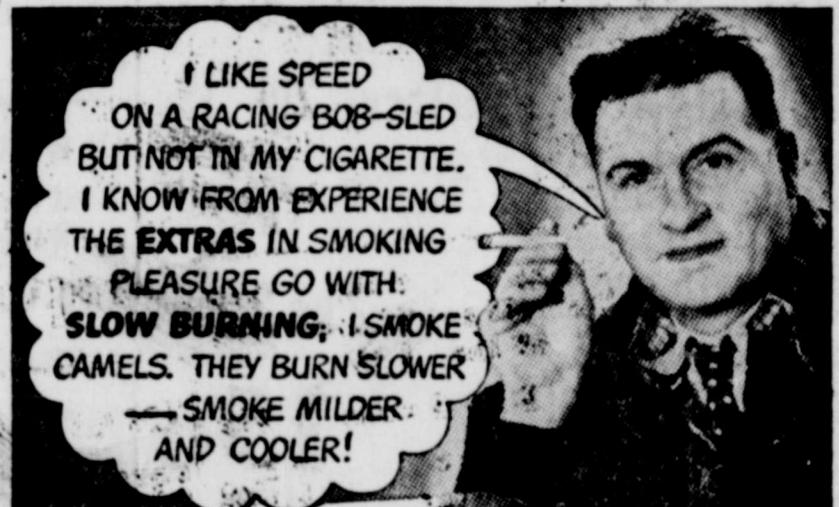
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J. S. Craddock, Pres.
R. E. Jay, Sec.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

PURSUANT TO AND ORDER issued by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Robert Lee, notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held on Tuesday the 2nd day of April A. D. 1949, at the City Hall, Robert Lee, Texas, in Election Precinct No. one, Ward No. --, City of Robert Lee, Coke County, Texas, for the following purposes, viz. To elect a Mayor and two Commissioners for said City to serve for the ensuing two years.

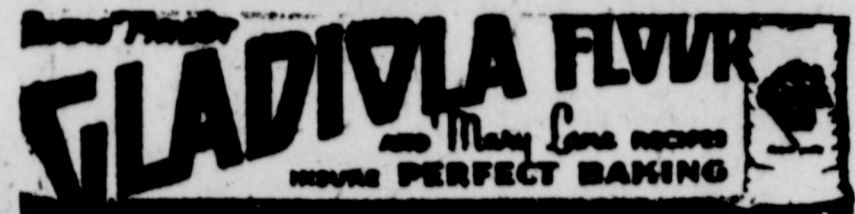
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Mayor of the City of Robert Lee.

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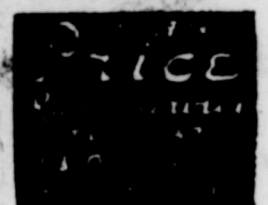
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