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## Celebration

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Connor celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary the 25th of November in the home of their daughter and son-in-law at Silver. Was a grand surprise and a wonderful dinner. They had invited several of their old time friends for the occasion. Present were: G. W. and Willie Tubb, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen, W. G. Jamison, wife and Allen, Ern Mathers, wife and son Upton Hubert Conner and wife, Mrs. Lee Jones of Colorado City, Russ Mathers wife, Arch and Letha, Mrs. Ethel Green and S.M. Connor and wife.

Mrs. Frank Seltz was carried to a San Angelo Hospital last week and treated for pneumonia, and returned home Tuesday.

FLASH-Governor Coke Steven son will be interviewed Sunday at 12:45 p. m. by the "I Give You Texas" man over KGKO, Fort Worth-Dallas. Tune in and get better acquainted with your Governor.

Geo. H. Arnold was carried to the hospital Sunday for a minor operation. Last report was recovering nicely.

## For Sale

Onespan work mules weight 12 hundred each, good team worth the money. See them at Ples Millicans, or write J.W. Kessan, Route 2, Box 91 B San Angelo, Texas.

## Meeting Of The I. O. O. F. Lodge

A very enthusiastic meeting was held in the Bronte Lodge No 307 I. O. O. F. on last Monday night. Members of the Ballinger Lodge No. 291, headed by district Deputy Grand Master, Roy L. Hill, met at Bronte for the purpose of resuscitating the lodge, which has been demised for several months. A round table discussion was had, and all former members of that lodge, and the Robert Lee Lodge, rededicated themselves to the work of reorganization. A committee composed of G. A. Best and W. C. McDonald was appointed to work out the preliminary plans for the consolidation of the Bronte, Robert Lee and Edith lodges with the combined membership of each, making one of the strongest organizations of subordinate lodges in this section. Complete consolidation of the lodges is expected to result forthwith.

## For Sale

A Wood Cook Stove, large range in good condition Mrs. L. M. Service Phone 4141

## Death Of Former Citizen

Mrs. M. H. Havins received word Wednesday of the death of her son-in-law R. E. Winans, or Bob as he was known here by many. He was 65 at the time of his death, and had made his home in Borger for 12 years.

## Garden Club

The Garden Club met at Mrs. Fred Roe's Wednesday of this week, with a turkey luncheon. Eighteen members were present. Mrs. Gardner had charge of the program, with Mrs. H. C. Allen leading a discussion on the subject of "Pot plants". Mrs. Erie Conger had charge of the games. The next meeting will be in the form of a Christmas tree social, Dec. 17th, with Mrs. Bruce Clift.

## Boys Called

List of selected men will report to local board Dec 9th 1941. 155-William Neely Richards 162-James Tolbert Adair 165-Weldon Farrell Fikes.

## Ariel Club

The Ariel Club met with Mrs. P. P. Fitzhugh Friday the 28 in a Thanksgiving program, with Mrs. T. M. Wylie in charge. Roll call with each answering. What are you thankful for. Mrs. Marvin Simpson gave a book review, "They Came to a River". Three guests were present: Mmes Delbert Harrill, Houston Smith, and Taylor Henley.

## FOR SALE

Tractor and equipment Mrs. E. T. Sparks.

## Defense Quiz

I am a mechanist in an airplane factory. When the war is over I may be laid off. How can I prepare for that time? Make systematic and regular purchases of Defense Savings Bonds. They will give you a substantial reserve which you can fall back on in the period of readjustment after the emergency.

Gifts for all the family Cumbie & Roach Dry Goods.

## Roun' Edith

J. E. Garvin was carried to the Clinic Hospital Tuesday for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Thetford and family moved to Edith to take over the Neal Store. Mr. Neal has moved to his farm in Friendship Community.

Buford and Hazel Ruth Peays were home from Texas Tech for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Pvt. Alford Harmon of 409th Division, Wichita Falls visited relatives and friends over the week end.

## View Buses Ask Run To San Angelo

Lubbock, Nov. 28—After a hearing here today, B. L. Templeton, examiner for the motor-bus division of the Texas railroad commission, took under advisement an application of the Abilene-View Bus company to extend the present bus service from Abilene to View into San Angelo, via Bronte and Robert Lee.

The application proposed the operation of two buses daily each way, giving both Bronte and Robert Lee daily connections with Abilene and San Angelo.

PROTEST WITHDRAWN Upon an amendment to the original application, in which the petitioner accepted an agreement for a restricted permit, Sunset Stages withdrew the hearing's only protest to the extension. Sunset operates between Abilene and San Angelo by way of Ballinger.

Abilene-View Bus company was represented by its president, Bob McKissick of Abilene and general council, William C. McDonald, county attorney of Coke county.

Appearing on behalf of the applicant were Harold Swindler, general manager of the bus company; Tyler county Commissioner John Cunningham; Bill Mingus assistant manager of Service Parts company Abilene, Eddie Coker representing the trades extension committee of the Abilene chamber of commerce Frank Pruitt, circulation manager of the Reporter News; Maxie Richards of View; H. M. Robertson of Bronte Coke County Commissioner H. C. Varnadore and the following from Robert Lee:

Fred O. Green, G. C. Allen, Fred McDonald, S. R. Young, H. E. Smith, Drew Scoggins, Paul Good, Geo L. Taylor, Roy Taylor, S. E. Adams, J. S. Gardner, E. G. Walton C. S. Brown, W. H. Bell, W. J. Cumbie, R. E. Jay, J. C. Jordan, Blain Ott. Also appearing was J. A. Casey of San Angelo, —Abilene Reporter

Buy that good coffee that Ratliff serves every day, none better.

## Notice

I will gin all quilt cotton on my round bale and be sure to bring a sack to put around it. Thanks Fred McDonald Jr

## Local Items

Horace Scott spent last weeks holidays with his parents Mr and Mrs. H. L. Scott and relatives.

Carl Powers of Lubbock spent the week end in Robert Lee visiting friends.

J. F. Keading of John Tarlton, was here for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Roach spent the holidays in Kellersville, returning home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Craddock and Maxene who was home for the holidays, attended the dedication services of the new buildings at the Methodist Home in Waco, Friday.

A complete underground water report is being made by the WPA and Texas Board of Water Engineers for Texas. Tom Green is completed and copies will be placed in schools and public libraries.

Edward F. Hickman of Robert Lee is the only student from Coke County enrolled in the student body of 2203 at Baylor University in Waco, this fall.

Visit our Gift Shop Cumbie & Roach Dry Goods

FOR SALE Miltch Cows, Fresh Springers and Heifers, W. J. Gideon, Bronte Texas

Ginnings BY COTTON JOE



Janitor Bill says he's mighty well pleased with that new sweep in' compound made outa' cotton seed hulls. That's fine. Every little bit helps to clean up the cotton problem.

## ALAMO THEATRE

"THE BEST IN SCREEN ENTERTAINMENT"  
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Friday and Saturday Dec. 5-6  
JAMES ROOSEVELT PRESENTS  
JAMES STEWART-PAULETTE GODDARD In  
"POT O'GOLD"  
With Horace Heidt and his Musical Knights  
Also Comedy and News

Sunday 2 p. m. Mon. 6-30 p m Dec. 7-8

Bargain Days 10 and 20c  
SPENCER TRACY-MICK-Y ROONEY In  
"MEN OF BOYSTOWN"  
Also Comedy

Wednesday only Money Nite Dec. 10

JEAN PARKER-WALLACE FORD In  
"ROAR OF THE PRESS"  
Also Comedy

## TEXAS THEATRE

BRONTE TEXAS  
Friday and Saturday Dec. 5-6  
GENE TIERNEY-BRUCE CABOT-GEORGE SANDERS In  
"SUNDOWN"  
Also Comedy and News

Sunday 2 P.M. and Mon, Dec. 7-8

Bagain Days 10 and 20c  
LEON ERROL In  
"HURRY CHARLES, HURRY"  
Mickoy Mouse

Tuesday only Money Nite Dec. 9

JEAN PARKER-WALLACE FORD In  
"ROAR OF THE PRESS"  
Also Comedy

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

By Edward C. Wayne

**Drive of British Troops Into Libya Forces Axis to Fight on Two Fronts; Peace Comes Again to U. S. Coal Fields As Miners Accept Plan for Mediation**

(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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**BRITISH:**

**Open Second Front**

The long-awaited, bitterly demanded "second front" in North Africa has finally been opened by the British with a surprise attack of surprising power and terrific impact upon the combined German-Italian forces in Libya.

The severity of the military blow drew for a time all interest from the magnificent stand the Russians were making, and presented Hitler's generals with the difficult problem of either conceding the Royal Air force complete mastery of the African skies or the withdrawal of many hundreds of planes from Germany or from the Russian front.

Rapidly the British drive went 50, 60, 80 miles into Libya, and a glance at the maps had been sufficient to show that the typical Nazi blitz tactic was being employed.

Instead of a frontal attack against the Axis forces the British moved to the south and shoved tank spearheads in an enveloping action which reached Tobruk's garrison, that had rushed out into a sortie and were practically able to join hands with their advancing comrades in arms from the south.

This trapped what the British reckoned as half the German tank forces, (reckoned at two divisions) in a triangular space bounded by Tobruk, Bardia and the Mediterranean coast.

On this triangle the British were pouring all their fire, by land, sea and air, and battles were developing which might turn out to be the



**WINSTON CHURCHILL**  
*The second half would follow.*

forced surrender of all the Axis forces in the trap, or a debacle similar to those which Germany had forced on weaker opponents.

That it could be another Dunkerque was impossible, for the Axis forces had no possibility of escape by sea. It was stand and fight against forces at least equal to their own.

Of especial interest to Americans were the reports which told of feats performed by American-made equipment, particularly airplanes and tanks. One-fourth of the British tanks were said to have been built either in the U. S. or in Canada.

Objectives of the British attack in North Africa were twofold—the destruction of every Axis weapon of war in the territory; the knocking of Italy out of the war.

The first of these, Churchill said, would be half accomplished when the battle of the Tobruk triangle had resulted in a British victory. The second half would follow immediately, he added, indicating that there would be no slowing down of the drive.

As to the second objective, it was not so obvious what the British plans were. Some felt certain that the British, once in undisputed possession of all North Africa save French territory, would launch an expeditionary invasion against Sicily, and then use it as a base for further invasion.

Others felt sure that Britain's only idea was to hold its gains, and with the Mediterranean free of menace, to launch air attacks on all of Italy from the nearest points in Libya and Tripoli, and so to discourage Italians with the war that they would rise against it.

The British felt sure that this would cause the Germans to attack Italy, just as the Germans turned against Russia, and that thus another problem of occupying a hostile country would arise to plague the Nazis.

**TOKYO:**

**Tinder Box**

Oddest of all the potential volcanoes in the world had been the Far East situation, with Tokyo hard pressed by the Nazis to plunge actively into the war on the theory that it would create a new front for the British and American navies to cope with.

But Kurusu had found Secretary Hull not at all frightened at the prospect, and with the exploratory



**EMPEROR HIROHITO**  
*Japan prepared for the worst.*

talks quite in their midst, the head of the American state department had called a conference of the ABCD nations' (American, British, Chinese and Dutch) representatives from which the Chinese ambassador had emerged with a broad smile.

Coincidentally the British had renewed their blunt warnings to Japan not to plunge another area of the world into a "blood-bath," but to reflect that the personnel of the British navy had expanded 300 per cent, and that the navy now was in position to divert considerable of its forces to the Pacific.

At the same time it was evident that Tokyo itself was preparing its people for the worst. That Japanese leaders were badly frightened over the spot they were in was evident, yet few of them could see a way out without war.

**STRIKE:**

**Sixth Appeal**

The sudden end of the coal strike, and the answer of John L. Lewis that he was willing to accede to President Roosevelt's sixth appeal for labor peace in the captive coal mines brought a question to the fore in the strike crisis—who was the winner in this bitter battle, the President or Lewis?

Some reporters described the sudden ending of the strike as a distinct victory for the President, in that Lewis had agreed to "binding arbitration" of the strike, something he had held out against since the fall-down of mediation board efforts to end it.

But when the personnel of the deciding committee became known, the matter of the President's victory became dubious, because the committee included Dr. John R. Steelman, head of the conciliation service of the department of labor, representing the public; Mr. Lewis himself, representing the strikers; and Benjamin F. Fairless, president of U. S. Steel, representing the mine owners.

There was little question about the stand that Lewis would take in the fight for a closed shop contract for his members. That was a foregone conclusion. As to the other two, Dr. Steelman was generally given credit by labor for having won them the closed shop in commercial mines.

Looking at Mr. Fairless, it was generally believed by the union workers, and so stated by Lewis more than once that Mr. Fairless, during other conferences, had apparently been the only steel man willing to give in. In fact Lewis put the blame for the failure of previous negotiations squarely upon Eugene G. Grace of Bethlehem Steel.

Lewis had declared that he faced the decision of the committee with the utmost confidence in the outcome. The ending of the strike was dramatic. The union policy committee of 200 waited 2½ hours for its meeting. They didn't know the reason but Lewis did. He was waiting for a letter from the President of the United States.

**PETAÏN:**  
**On Spot**



**MARSHAL HENRI PETAÏN**  
*How much would he promise?*

Marshal Petain, head of the Vichy government, had been reliably reported as on his way to a conference with, first, Hitler and then Mussolini as the hour drew near when the French would have to decide definitely whether to join the Axis as full partner or not.

The conference, according to the Rome radio, was "to be held soon somewhere in occupied France."

The increased pressure on France was seen as a sequel to the British offensive in Africa, and the sudden resignation of Marshal Weygand as commander of France in Africa was seen as part and parcel of the same reaction.

Germany, observers said, was prepared to offer Petain a full peace instead of an armistice, based entirely on how much increased aid the old marshal was willing to promise, thus making France an Axis ally in truth if not in name.

Even in Washington a presidential source said that Germany was planning a general European conference in December or January, and that following it would probably come some "high-sounding scheme" for economic rehabilitation in the name of peace and order.

Two reports were current—one of them that the French had been asked to give naval convoy to Italian supply ships moving to north Africa and had refused; the other was that Germany was asking France for 300,000 soldiers to take over the policing of areas in occupied Russia in the spring.

**ALIEN HANDS:**

**Helping Nazis**

A Berlin dispatch, hence authorized, declared that the labor problem in Nazi war industries, now that most of the manpower was engaged in war with Russia, was being solved by the use of alien labor.

Aliens from occupied countries, largely Poles, had been recruited outside Germany and put into the factories, with Storm Trooper managers, and a plentiful sprinkling of police through the plants to discourage breaking of time rules and sabotage of other types.

Croats and other nationalities believed friendly to Germany also are manning many plants, and are reported to be getting better food, pay, living conditions, etc., than the Poles, who get the least of all.

The Polish workers have yellow-bordered black "P's" on their left arms. Polish and Belgian men are quartered in dormitories, while those of so-called "friendly" nations are permitted to live in suburbs near their work.

**RUSSIA:**

**Saves Machines**

A Walter Kerr dispatch from Kuybyshev had been enlightening on the subject of what Russia's losses had been in the area occupied by German troops.

S. A. Lovsky, Soviet spokesman, had declared that Russian factory equipment had been almost entirely evacuated from the occupied area.

Kerr, checking on this statement, wrote that he had made a 2,280-mile railroad trip from Archangel through the Soviet Union, and that machinery was being moved, and in quantities that would astonish most Americans.

His trip took 16 days because his passenger train was sidetracked often to permit trains carrying machinery and workers eastward were given preference.

Day after day he saw an endless procession of freight trains of from 30 to 40 cars, drawn by one to two locomotives, carrying machinery, machine tools and skilled workmen.

He said he never saw a wreck nor evidence of a previous wreck. He also saw munitions being landed from America and Britain at the wharves of Archangel and moving rapidly on railroads to the interior of Russia. He said he did not dream that Russia had so much rolling stock, nor of such magnitude.

*Washington Digest*

**Serious Labor Situation Hinders Defense Effort**



**Members of Congress Also Demanding Facts On Charges That Big Business Plays Favorites in Defense Contracts.**

By **BAUKHAGE**

*National Farm and Home Hour Commentator.*

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The explosion in the defense set-up in Washington foreshadowed in these columns two weeks ago is about to take place. At least, as this is written, the fuse is being laid if not lighted. Senator O'Mahoney of Wyoming and Representative Coffey of Washington are both demanding facts connected with charges that big business is playing favorites in the defense contracts.

But an equally amazing story lies behind the way labor has been dealt with in the defense program. Part of the facts have leaked out piecemeal, some are still very much under cover. Put together they make an amazing revelation of what was behind the President's delay in taking action in the captive mine strike and also how bungling all along the line forced the administration into the worst labor situation that has arisen since the defense program started.

The trouble began when it was decided to take the settlement of certain labor disputes out of the United States Conciliation Service and place it in the hands of the Defense Advisory Commission with branches headed by William S. Knudsen and Sidney Hillman. Up to that time from 95 to 98 per cent of the labor disputes were settled by the Conciliation Service. But the remaining 2 to 5 per cent were slowing down defense and it was decided that Mr. Knudsen's staff representing industry and Mr. Hillman's staff representing labor could settle the recalcitrants. The theory was that Knudsen's men would crack down on industry and Hillman's on labor. But it didn't work that way. Each favored his own kind.

**Mediation Board Founded**

So the National Defense Mediation board was founded. All went along smoothly for awhile, although more and more criticism was heard that the board was exceedingly pro-labor and achieved settlements by the simple process of conceding to labor's demands.

Then the board made a mistake. It handed down one decision which opened the way for the United Mine Workers union shop demands which smashed the board, threatened the administration's foreign policy and created the worst labor crisis that the country has faced in many a long day.

The decision I refer to was in the case of the Bethlehem shipbuilding plant in San Francisco. The A. F. of L. union demanded a union shop, that is, that any man working for the company a certain period would have to join the union. The board granted this demand, thus forcing 20 per cent of the plant's non-union workers to join the A. F. of L. One member of the board, Cyrus Ching, representing industry, held out against the decision. He foresaw that it would create a precedent. When the decision was announced it was stated that it should not be taken as a precedent. This pious statement was like giving the baby a piece of candy "if he won't ask for another."

Once the A. F. of L. had received this concession the C.I.O. stepped up and said: "I want one, too." The result was the famous Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock company case of Kearny, N. J., this time a shipyard on the East coast. Against the vote of the members of the National Mediation board representing industry, the union was given "maintenance - of - membership" which is a diluted union shop. The company refused to accept the decision and the navy took over.

**Another Precedent**

Here was another precedent, whether the board meant it or not. And it didn't take long for John Lewis to take advantage of it and put in his demand for the union shop in the captive coal mines. If he had planned it that way he could not have been provided a better opportunity to vent his ancient grievance against the President and set himself right in the middle of a national issue.

If the case of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding workers was good, Lewis' was far better. C.I.O. has a 95 per cent membership in the captive coal mines. But not the kind of a 95 per cent that most people think it. Not 5 per cent non-union workers scat-

tered here and there in all the mines. But full 100 per cent membership in many mines and none perhaps in a very few small ones.

The National Defense Mediation board voted down Mr. Lewis' demand for a union shop and Pandora's box flew open. One of the things that emerged was a highly paradoxical and highly painful situation. For the board, by taking this rare anti-labor step, had virtually left the operators in the position that if they had yielded in the later negotiations they would be in the position of supporting Lewis against the government. Still the situation might have been saved if something had not happened when the President called the operators and Lewis and Secretary-Treasurer Kennedy of the United Mine Workers to the White House.

When the men came in the President did what his labor advisors hoped he would. He made a brief appeal to both sides to get together and settle the question, since a strike must be avoided. If he had stopped there all might have been well. But he went on and said what Lewis felt was prejudicial to his case. This not only woke all the smouldering anger in the breast of John Lewis but when the committee of 200 C.I.O. advisors heard about it they were just as mad. His feeling was reflected when he turned down the President's later proposals.

**President on the Spot**

And the President was on the spot. Congress was insisting on strike legislation. Speaker Sam Rayburn had promised it. Others were demanding that the troops be sent into the captive mines at once.

That, wiser heads who knew the temper of the miners believed, would mean a strike in all the mines and the army would have to beat its bayonets into pickaxes.

So the President paused, wrote a conciliatory letter to both parties. Meanwhile, congress could stew but the President was pretty sure that its members would not take the initiative of alienating the labor vote with primaries coming up in the spring and elections next fall. The prospective candidates for re-election wanted the onus to be placed squarely on him.

Whether the Conciliation Service could have handled the captive mine strike as it is still handling the other 98 per cent of the cases of labor disputes no one can say. But it is clear that it was mishandled by the Mediation board and it is likewise clear that if critical congressmen finally crack down on Mr. Knudsen's dollar-a-year men for showing favors to business they have plenty of grounds for cracking down on Mr. Hillman's stalwarts who created the pattern of labor partisanship that came near severely injuring not only the defense program but the administration's foreign policy as well.

**A Rip-Snortin' Texan Comes to Washington**

Another Texan has come to Washington and the moment of his arrival was an historic one. We have had a lot of rip-snortin', ringtailed wildcats from all parts of the country, some human, and some not quite. Now we have something that will make even the Texas delegation in congress sit up and take notice, for this unwilling delegate from the Lone Star State is the wildest of them all.

He is a Texas long-horn. A steer with an eight-foot spread of horn. He is 12 years old. He weighs 1,200 pounds and he is admittedly wilder than anything in the zoo where he has been given the place of honor—right up near the entrance.

Most people do not know that the Texas long-horn is rarer than the buffalo which he once displaced on the Texas plains. He is a direct descendant from the wild cattle which the Spaniards brought to America when they came. Those cattle could walk endless miles to water. They were bred and developed to meet conditions that existed a hundred years ago in the great Southwest. Then water was piped and ditched into the great ranches and the fatter, easier going Herefords were introduced. The long-horn had the muscles and the endurance but he did have the meat, so he began to disappear.

# THE HONEYMOON

By JOSEPH McCORD WNU Service

**THE STORY SO FAR:** Larry Cutter was attracted to Jacqueline Anthony, pretty public stenographer at the Hotel Raynear, when he heard that she was interested in reading about travel and adventure. After watching her for several

"Wait!"  
Larry Cutter made a peremptory gesture with his pipe at Jacqueline Anthony as she stared at him in wide-eyed bewilderment. He leaned still nearer, speaking in a low impetuous voice.

"You're thinking one of two things," he insisted. "That I'm as fresh as paint and you should call the house detective, or that I've some idea I'm humorous. Either way, you're wrong. I meant what I said then. And I've never talked marriage to a woman before."

"Excuse me, Mr. Cutter," Jacqueline spoke in a flat little voice. "If you have a letter you wish written, I will take it. Otherwise, I am busy."

"Never mind the letter. It can wait. So can your pirates. I've simply got to tell you . . ."

He broke off to scowl at a small rain-coated figure that appeared in the doorway. The intruder was looking inquiringly at the little stenographer.

"Oh . . . Mr. Dennison!" There was no question about Jacqueline's pleasure at seeing the new comer. "I'll be finished here in a second."

Larry rose quickly. "There's no hurry whatever about my work," he announced blandly. "Take care of this gentleman, Miss Anthony. I'll drop back when you're not busy."

Larry brushed past the man in the raincoat and retreated to his favorite chair in the lobby.

When it was time to go back and square things with . . . Jack, Jack Anthony, how in the world would he make her know that he wasn't a common cad? That he loved her? That he had fallen in love with her that first day?

Larry believed that profoundly. The same as he believed that Jack Anthony was going to love him in return, or he'd know the reason why. There was no reason why he could not win her. Jack would listen. She had to listen . . . She must!

Hello . . . There was Dennison leaving. The girl was sitting there alone now. She was looking into the distance. So very small and helpless.

Before he should lose courage, Larry strode purposefully to the goal of his desires. He entered, closed the door gently and helped himself to his former seat.

Jacqueline regarded him without the slightest display of interest or resentment.

"I'm back," he hazarded.  
"You didn't have a letter at all," came the quiet accusation.

"Wn't you let me talk to you just a minute? Afterwards . . . Well, you won't see me again . . . If you say so. Please!"

"Go on." There was no encouragement in the permission.

"Thanks. I've told you my name. Does it mean anything at all to you?"

"No."

"It wouldn't. But it was pretty well known in this part of the country once. I'm speaking about my father, John Cutter. He was a scientist."

There was no reply.

"Now this is going to be a strain on your credulity. Would it surprise you to know that I consider myself a gentleman?"

"Oh, no."

"I get it. Don't blame you in the least," Larry conceded gloomily. "It's one of many things I'll have to prove. It may take time. The same as proving that I'm sane. And yet I am. Also I'm thirty-five and weigh one hundred and seventy. I drink a bit . . . in company. You seem to be up on Kipling. He said there was hope for such a man. And I smoke, as you see. Profession, engineer of sorts. Just a few of the tiresome details," he apologized.

Only silence greeted this effort.

"Ever run across the Val d'Or in your book wanderings, Miss Anthony?"

"Yes." It came out with obvious reluctance.

"Then you know what a wilderness there is, or has been until lately. You still have to go in on foot and pack your supplies, unless you're an ultra-modern prospector and ride a plane. Well, I've been there off and on for over two years . . . Somewhat to the north of the main diggings, however. Primitive enough to suit anybody."

"I imagine so."

"Yes, ma'am. But it's worth it, if you find something. I was lucky, myself."

**INSTALLMENT TWO**  
eral days from a vantage point in the lobby, he fell in love with her. In an effort to meet Jack—as Jacqueline is called—he dictated an imaginary letter to Roy Allen, noted archeologist. As he had planned, this induced her to talk . . .

"Gold?" The firm trace of interest.

"Some . . . Good enough showing for me to dispose of a half interest in my claim."

"That is very nice, I'm sure."

"As far as it goes. I came back here on purpose to . . . But we won't go into that. I'm foot-loose. No family but some distant cousins that I don't know. I decided that I wanted a home . . . companionship. I suppose every man does at one time or another."

"And you decided to offer yourself to the first girl you met."

Larry Cutter was unable to detect either amusement or sarcasm in that comment.

"Nothing of the sort!" he objected hotly. "I want somebody to belong just to me. Somebody who will be interested in what I do . . . care a little. Look here, Miss Anthony. You may not have seen very much of this world, but something tells me you understand things. You even know what the Val d'Or looks like. Right now you've been picturing the trackless miles of snow and scrub pine. The camps. Tar-

There was silence as he waited for an answer. Jacqueline was the one who broke it.

"Aren't you forgetting something?" she asked slowly.

"I dare say. What is it? We'll include it."

"You know nothing about me."

"Oh, that." Larry gave a relieved sigh. "It seems to me that I have known you always. But, until the day I came into it, your life is just your own. It doesn't concern me. Your life will always be your own. Please be assured of that."

"You are generous." Still that expressionless note in the girl's voice.

"Don't say that! I'm not trying to be generous . . . to you. All I'm trying to do is to be fair . . . dreadfully fair. I know what a great thing I'm asking of you. I was so afraid that you wouldn't even listen to me. Well?" Anxiety gave almost a harsh tone to the last word.

Jacqueline leaned forward, leaned forward until the light fell relentlessly upon her small face.

"I don't know why I did listen," she admitted wonderingly. "An hour ago, I . . . I must be mad . . . too."

"Then you mean . . ." Larry caught his breath sharply. Waited.

"I am mad," Jacqueline Anthony was deciding that for herself.

"But you will do it? I ask for nothing until you can give it to me."

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Another dull day and, probably, few customers. But each customer counted just now. They counted tragically.

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about her longing for travel. When Larry told her she could easily realize her dreams, she replied, "How could it? That costs money." He explained, "Simple enough. You can marry me."

Now continue with the story.

"Second. I'd prefer to make it a straight business proposition at the start. I've something to sell, if you want to put it that way. My name and the promise to care for and respect you as long as I live. You will be running no great risk . . . I think. I would protect your investment from the start. Let me be frank about that. I mean financially. It's no inducement . . . a bond. And with no strings whatever."

"Third. I ask nothing in return. Until you wish to give it of your own accord. You would be free to keep your name, your present way of living . . . your job, if you wish. You'll see me no oftener than you like. No one need know of our marriage until you are ready."

"Fourth. If it doesn't work out after a fair trial, the deal is off. You'll be as free as air . . . and forever."

"Fifth . . . But you get me. I'm ready to draw up a paper covering all that and sign it. You're a notary, I suppose." Larry permitted himself a slight smile at this practical note. "And that covers the ground about as well as I can do it."

"There was silence as he waited for an answer. Jacqueline was the one who broke it.

"Aren't you forgetting something?" she asked slowly.

"I dare say. What is it? We'll include it."

"You know nothing about me."

"Oh, that." Larry gave a relieved sigh. "It seems to me that I have known you always. But, until the day I came into it, your life is just your own. It doesn't concern me. Your life will always be your own. Please be assured of that."

"You are generous." Still that expressionless note in the girl's voice.

"Don't say that! I'm not trying to be generous . . . to you. All I'm trying to do is to be fair . . . dreadfully fair. I know what a great thing I'm asking of you. I was so afraid that you wouldn't even listen to me. Well?" Anxiety gave almost a harsh tone to the last word.

Jacqueline leaned forward, leaned forward until the light fell relentlessly upon her small face.

"I don't know why I did listen," she admitted wonderingly. "An hour ago, I . . . I must be mad . . . too."

"Then you mean . . ." Larry caught his breath sharply. Waited.

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## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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### Lesson for December 7

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#### THE NATURE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

LESSON TEXT—Acts 2:41-47; Ephesians 4:11-16

GOLDEN TEXT—Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it.—Ephesians 5:25.

The church, which is so much the center of life for Christians, is not as well understood as it should be. We have come to regard it as just one organization among many competing for the attention and interest of men, when it is really a divine, living organism established by Christ as His Body and representing Him in this world. Our lesson presents significant truth for both study and teaching. The church is

##### I. A Fellowship of Believers (Acts 2:41-47).

The church is made up of those who are saved (v. 47), those who have received the Word by faith and witnessed a good confession of their faith in Christ (v. 41). This is a fact to be remembered in a time when there is so much laxness in receiving members into the church. It is not a religious or social club. It is not a rallying place for those who wish to work for some economic, political, or social project. It is not a gathering of good people who wish to share common interests.

The church needs to cleanse its rolls of all unbelievers, all hangers-on, and get back to the purity which it had when only those were received who were manifestly "added" by the Lord (v. 47).

Such folk have many interests which bind them together in fellowship, devotion, and service. The early church was interested in sound doctrinal teaching (v. 42), an excellent thing. They had fellowship in prayer (v. 42); we need that too. They had gladness of heart (v. 46); do we not need a renewal of the song of the Lord in our midst?

They had such fervent love for each other that they established a communal system of sharing with one another, something which God had never commanded and which apparently failed with them, for it was later abandoned. But the point is that they really did love each other and thus showed their true discipleship (see lesson of last Sunday).

##### II. A Center of Christian Ministry (Eph. 4:11).

The church is God's chosen depository for spiritual gifts, among them being the special ministries mentioned here. The Holy Spirit calls men as He chooses. Blessed is the church which recognizes His choice of teachers, evangelists, preachers, and leaders and gives them liberty to serve the Lord in their calling.

It is God who calls men for these various activities in His vineyard. Self-appointed or man-chosen leaders and preachers are destined to fail, but God's men may be assured of His blessing and power.

##### III. A Place of Spiritual Growth (Eph. 4:12-16).

The purpose of the gifts of the Spirit is the edifying and building up of believers. A church should always be evangelistic in its efforts. The pastor should be a soul-winner, but essentially his ministry is to so edify and instruct believers that they may go out and win others to Christ.

Verses 13 to 16 tell us how this "perfecting of the saints" moves forward. There is unity of the faith and a growth in knowledge, a steadiness which keeps believers from being led astray by error or the cleverness of men. Thus kept from drifting, and being steadily enriched in knowledge of the truth, the believer grows up to spiritual manhood.

Do not miss the beauty and helpfulness of verses 15 and 16. Like the body "fitly framed and knit together," the church of Christ is to be a perfectly co-ordinated organism, every member performing its perfect service in building up the body in love for the glory of its Head—Christ.

This figure of the Church as the body of Christ and the working together of the members for the glory of the Head is further developed in I Corinthians 12, which the reader is urged to consider, especially verses 12 to 27.

## JUST THIS

**The Source**  
Native—That fellow Hewitt has a big net income.  
Visitor—What is his business?  
Native—Catching fish.

**Telling Him**  
"Nothing but the law makes me keep my hands off you."  
"Nothing but the law makes you keep your hands off a lot of things."

**Choice Spot**  
Jackie—Oh, Dad, I've got the best seat in the classroom.  
Dad—That's great—where is it?  
Jackie—Next to the radiator.

### SWIFT GOING



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By Ogden Nash  
*(Reprinted from December Cosmopolitan)*

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An encouraging month November is  
For burglary and mayhem;  
It's night for most of the afternoon,  
And P.M. most of the A.M.  
There may be virtues in November,  
But if there are I can't remember.

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Taylor Henley, Pastor

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Preaching Service 11:00  
B. T. U. 6:30  
Preaching Service 7:30  
W. M. S., Monday 3:00  
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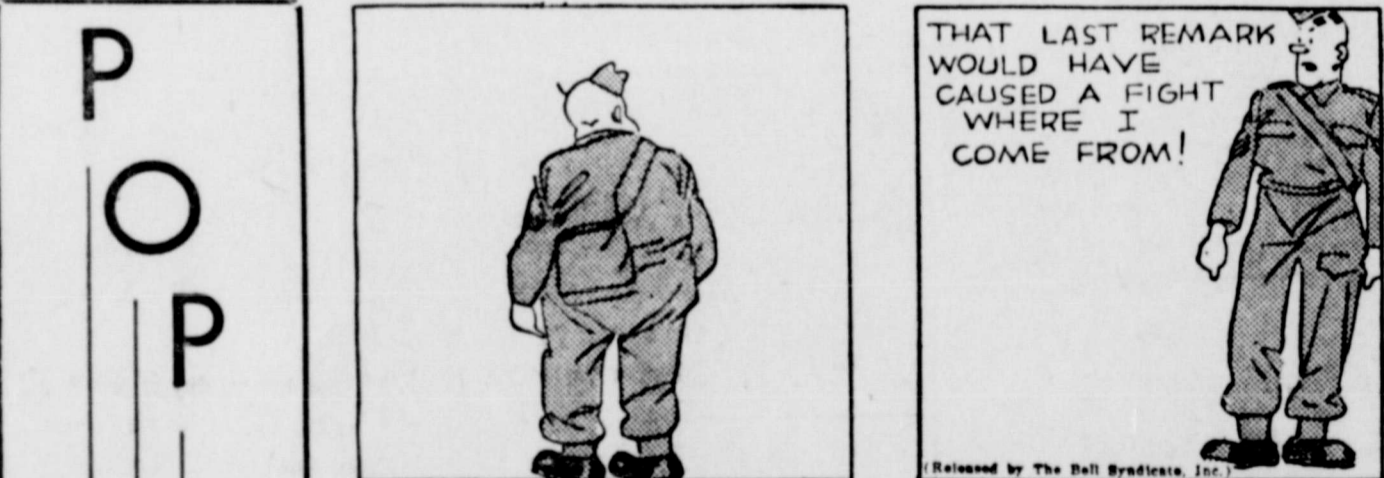
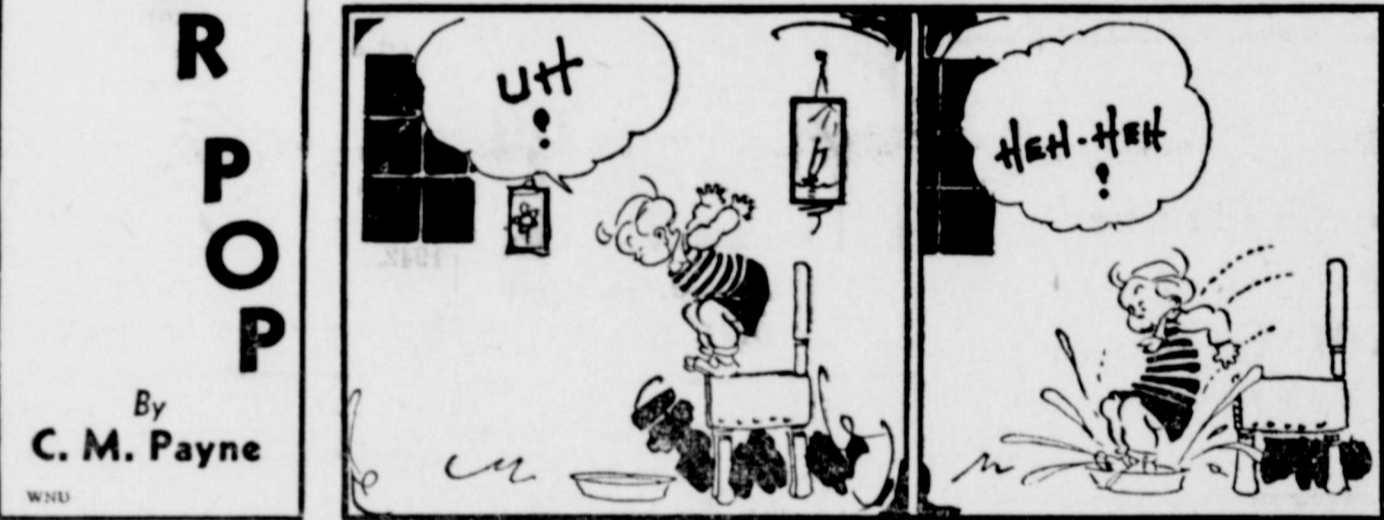
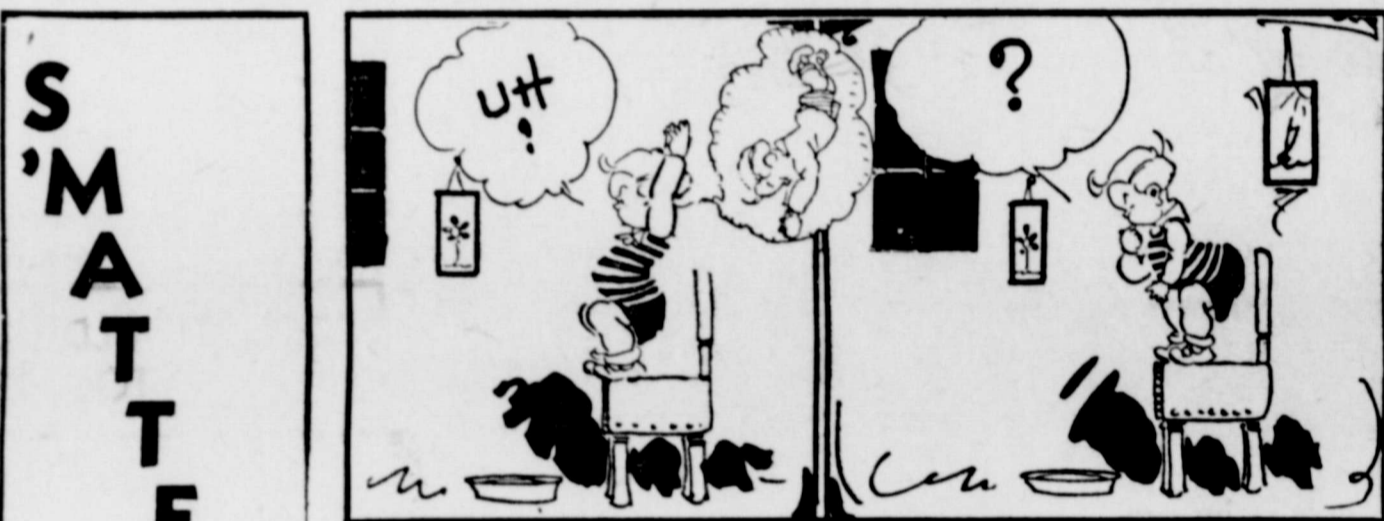
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Judgments and Watches
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That Nagging Backache
May Warn of Disordered Kidney Action
Modern life with its hurry and worry, irregular habits, improper eating and drinking—its risk of exposure and infection—throws heavy strain on the work of the kidneys. They are apt to become over-taxed and fail to filter excess acid and other impurities from the life-giving blood.

# Household News

by Lynn Chambers



Christmas Baking Begins With Luscious Fruit Cake!  
(See Recipes Below.)

### Holiday Fare

Christmas is something pretty special, I'm sure you'll agree, and as such deserves something pretty special in the way of food. To my notion the fruit cakes and plum puddin's are that special something with their handsome brown, fruity richness and delectable flavors.

The charm of both these kinds of delicacies lies in their ripened, mellowed flavors which come only with proper aging when the spices, fruits, nuts and butter blend themselves into mysterious goodness. So bake the fruit cakes and puddings in advance and give them a chance to acquire their best in flavor.

While you're about the big business of making a fruit cake, bake several small cakes in small glass or pottery dishes to give as gifts. Gaily decorated with sprigs of holly and mistletoe and holiday ribbons they make a perfect gift.

### Dark Fruit Cake.

(Yields 10 to 12 pounds)

- 12 eggs
- 4 cups sifted flour
- 2 cups butter
- 1 pound brown sugar
- 2 pounds raisins
- 2 pounds currants
- 1 pound pecans
- 1 pound citron
- 1 pound almonds
- 1 teaspoon each, nutmeg, cinnamon, mace
- ¼ cup lemon juice
- ¼ cup canned peach juice
- 6-ounce glass jelly (blackberry, currant or grape)
- ½ cup cream

Wash and dry raisins and currants. Blanch almonds, drain and cut with pecans into quarters. Cut citron into thin slices. Place fruit in large mixing bowl. Sift flour, measure and sift with spices and mix with fruits until well-coated. Cream butter and sugar, add beaten eggs and jelly. Stir in flour and fruit alternately with fruit juice first, then cream.

Line pans with heavy waxed paper and butter slightly. Fill pans almost to the top. Bake small loaf cakes 3 to 3½ hours at 275 degrees. Bake large loaf cakes 4 to 4½ hours at 250 degrees. Cool.

Cool cakes on a rack. When cool, wrap in heavy waxed paper and store tightly.

### LYNN SAYS:

Christmas wouldn't be Christmas if you didn't have good things like fruit cake and plum puddin' on hand. But since these take lots of time to make, plan to be in the process of making them for several days so one day won't tire you out.

Fruits and nuts can be cut and chopped several days in advance since they usually involve considerable time.

When putting the batter in the pans be sure that the corners are well filled with batter so you'll get a nice looking cake or pudding.

Store the cake or pudding in a cool dry place. Have it tightly covered preferably in a tin container. Sound apples may be kept in the container itself to keep cake or pudding moist, but must be replaced if they become decayed or shriveled.

### THIS WEEK'S MENU

- Clear Vegetable Broth
- Lamb Shanks Lima Beans
- Mashed Potatoes
- Grated Carrot-Pineapple Salad
- Muffins Beverage
- Queen's Bread Pudding

### Light Fruit Cake.

(Makes 3½ to 4 pounds)

- 1¼ pounds mixed crystallized fruits (cherries, pineapple, etc.)
- ¼ pound mixed lemon, orange, citron peels
- ¼ pound blanched, chopped almonds

- 18 maraschino cherries
- ½ cup diced preserved ginger
- 2½ cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup margarine
- 1 cup sugar
- 8 egg whites
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Cut fruits and peels in thin slices. Mix cherries and ginger with 1 cup flour and toss lightly. Cream margarine with ½ cup sugar. Sift together flour, baking powder and salt and beat into batter. Add floured fruits and nuts and mix thoroughly. Add lemon juice to egg whites and beat until stiff. Add remaining sugar and beat until smooth. Fold into batter. Turn into greased tube pans lined with waxed paper and bake in a slow (325 degree) oven for 3 hours.

To my mind there's nothing quite so festive as the plum pudding brought flaming to the table, and served with a rich sauce.

### Plum Pudding.

(Makes 3½ pounds)

- 1 cup suet
- 1 cup molasses
- 2 cups bread crumbs
- 3 eggs, unbeaten
- 1 cup raisins
- 1 cup currants
- 1 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon each, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves
- 1 tablespoon flavoring
- 1 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon soda

Mix well the suet and molasses. Add bread crumbs and mix in eggs one at a time. Add raisins and currants mixed with the flour and spices, then flavoring. Mix in milk and soda dissolved in 1 cup boiling water. Grease mold, put in pudding ¾ full and seal tight. Place in kettle of boiling water on a trivet or a rack and have the water come half way around the mold. Steam for three hours. Serve hot.

Sauce is to pudding as stuffing is to the turkey so make it good. For steamed puddings a hard sauce flavored with whatever you desire is excellent. If you'd like a hot, golden-hued sauce, meltingly delicious here's one that's tops:

### Plum Pudding Sauce.

- ¼ cup butter
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 2 tablespoons cider or 1 tablespoon other flavoring
- 2 eggs
- ½ cup rich milk

Cream butter and powdered sugar. Add cider or flavoring, then well-beaten egg yolks. When well mixed, stir in milk. Cook in double boiler until thick as custard, then gradually pour in beaten egg whites, beating constantly.

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

### Farmer Needed No Help In Convincing Himself

Old Farmer Robinson broke his plow, so he decided to borrow one from Farmer Brown.

On the way to the Brown farm he started thinking: "I wonder if old Brown will let me take his plow."

As he got near to the neighboring farm he thought: "I doubt if he will lend me that plow."

Then as he knocked at the farmhouse door: "No, I'm certain he won't lend it to me."

Farmer Brown came to the door, smiled and asked, "Well, what can I do for you?"

"I just came to say," snorted Robinson, "that you can keep your bloomin' plow!"

## ASK ME ? ANOTHER ?

A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

### The Questions

1. What state's capital is the largest in the United States?
2. Approximately how long is the period of the moon's revolution about the earth?
3. What great actress had a leg amputated in 1915 but returned to the stage afterwards?
4. Can dolphins swim at birth?
5. Who made famous the adage: "Speak softly and carry a big stick"?
6. What amendment to the Con-

stitution includes the important "due process" clause?

### The Answers

1. Massachusetts (Boston).
2. Twenty-seven and one-half days.
3. Sarah Bernhardt.
4. Dolphins are expert swimmers from the time of birth.
5. Theodore Roosevelt.
6. Fourteenth ("Nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property without due process of law").

## THINGS for You to Make



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## AROUND THE HOUSE

Prunes, stuffed with cottage or cream cheese and put in the refrigerator early in the day make a perfect salad ingredient for dinner.

To keep brass or metal door knockers, doorknobs and andirons shiny, apply a thin coat of colorless wax to them. You can do the same to brass candlesticks and other ornaments.

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Cauliflower perks up with a sprinkling of celery seed in a white sauce, with paprika dashed on liberally before serving.

Be careful to avoid spilling acids—lemon juice, vinegar or tomatoes—on enameled surfaces; they stain. Keep a soft, damp cloth handy when using these foods and quickly wipe off any spots.

To wash delicate laces, wrap around a milk bottle, fasten ends and dip milk bottle up and down in soapy water until lace is clean. Rinse in the same way, using clear water. Long pieces of lace are best washed in this way.

Mops, dustcloths and brushes give best results when they're kept clean. See that such equipment is thoroughly washed, rinsed and aired, frequently.

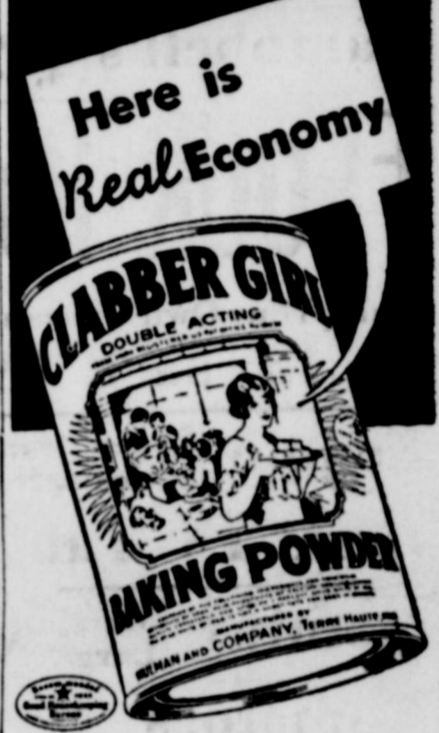
Christmas givers who want to be sure their gift is well received have been turning more and more to cigarettes and smoking tobacco as gifts most appreciated by any smoker. Their welcome is always far greater than the modest cost involved. Naturally, Camels, as America's favorite cigarette, and Prince Albert, the world's largest-selling pipe tobacco, head the smoker's gift list. Camels have two gift packages—the carton of ten packages of "20's" specially wrapped, and a gay package containing four "flat fifties." Prince Albert is featured in the pound tin and the pound glass humidor, both handsomely Christmas packed.—Adv.



### Worthy Tests

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Specials For Friday and Saturday

Pineapple	LIBY'S Crushed or Tidbits can	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> c
Peaches	Nugget in Heavy Syrup Large 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	18c
2 Cans No. 1 Tall	Nugget Peaches	25c
Pineapple Juice	Tropic Gold Giant 46 oz.	23c
Meat Curing	Sugar Cure Salt Figaro 10 lb. can	69c
BROOMS	Good Value Good Five Tie Each	29c
Brown Crackers	Sunshine or Saltine lb.	15c
Dates	DROMEDARY Pitted 4 oz. 12c, 7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> oz 19c, 14 oz. 33c	
Evaporated Apples	1 lb. Pkg.	19c
Campbell's	Tomato Juice 4, 14 oz. cans	25c

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24 lb. sack 89c 48 lb \$1.69

Frijole	Valley Brand in Chili Sauce 4, No. 1 Tall can	25c
ANACIN Tablets		10c
Hominy	Marshall's Quality Large No. 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> can 3 For	25c
Tomatoes	Curtis Brand Full No. 2 cans 3 For	25c
CORN	Tendersweet Choice Quality Country Gentleman 2 For	23c
Old Fashioned	Chocolate Drops Candy 2 lb cello	25c
Pop Corn	Mar-Zip, Guaranteed To Pop 10 oz. Pkg.	10c
Apple Butter	Ma Brown Fine. Quality Full Qt	19c
Crystal White Soap	Giant Bar	04c

**SCHILLING COFFEE** 1lb. 31c 2lb. 61c  
Two kinds Percolator and Drip

Cashmere	Baquet Eau-De-Cologne and dusting powder gift set	99c
Colgate Shaving	Bowl and Lotion Gift Set For	\$1.09
Mince PIES each		23c
Cherry Cream Rolls each		10c
Fresh Coconuts -full milk- each		07c

Grapefruit Texas Marsh Seedlees Large Size 64 or 70, 3 10c, 99c Bu.

**MARKET**

7 STEAK	25c
SHORT CUTS	26c
PORK CHOPS	30c
DRY SALT	18c
Salt Jowls	16c
B O L O	15c
RIBS 2 lbs.	35c

**HIGGINBOTHAM RITES HELD THURSDAY**

Funeral services for Mrs S. A. Higginbotham 82 who died at her home at Bronte Wednesday at 4:15 p m was held at the Bronte Baptist Church Thursday 3 p m. Mrs. Higginbotham had been a resident of Coke county for 51 years.

Survivors include 1 son, F. S. Higginbotham of Bronte, former sheriff of Coke county, and 10 grand children. Mrs Paul Good of this place was a grand child.

**For Sale**

400 ewes, solid mouth spread ears and broken mouth, extra large sheep and good flesh, will be at Latham's Pens Saturday only. Also a good span of work horses with good leather harness.

See Raymond McCutchen Phone 109

**Baptist W. M. S.**

W. M. S. met at the church Monday 3 p.m. with nine present Mrs. J. N. Adams brought the devotional on "Patience". After the Bible study which was the last chapters in Jeremiah, had the first program on the Foreign Mission week of Prayer. Those taking part: Mmes Chumley, Healey, Read, Young and Miss Naomi Brown. Friday is the All-Day-Meeting, set aside by the Executive Board of the WMU's for the whole world.

**NOTICE**

Beginning Nov. 24, the following gin days will be Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, Robert Lee Gin Co., Fred McDonald Jr., manager.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday, Planters Gin Co., Joe Dodson, Manager.

Beginning Dec. 1, the Robert Lee Gin Co., will gin on Tuesday only, and the Planters Gin will gin on Friday only  
Thanks  
Joe Dodson,  
Fred McDonald Jr.

Let Mmes. Scott and Sneed help you with your Christmas shopping. Cumie & Roach Dry Goods.

We are enjoying some beautiful weather now, so let's enjoy it while times are good.

**Pecans**

FOR SALE - at the Mott, would trade pecans for cut back Turkeys. Price 16 and 25c per pound.

J. C. Hale

Paul Dean Hammett, well-known harmony singer and song writer who has been heard over the major net works of radio stations became a soldier in the armed forces of the United States Army, so stated Sergeant John W. Mozingo of the Army Recruiting Station at San Angelo Texas.

**DRINK!**



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CITY CAFE In Robert Lee

**H. D. FISH**

Specials for Fridays and Saturdays

Sugar	PURE GRANULATED Cloth Bag 10 lbs.	59c
KELLOG'S Corn Flakes		10c
American Ace Matches		23c
Post TOASTIES		11c
Peas	Pure Maid 2 For	13c
No. 1 SPUDS	Mesh Bag 10 lb.	37c
No. 2 SPUDS	Mesh Bag 10 lb.	22c
Ivory Soap	1 large 1 small	12c
3-Minute Oats	Large Size	20c
Delicious Apples	Size 72 doz	50c
Winesap Apples	150's doz	25c
Delicious Apples	Size 150 doz	25c
Get Your Meat Salt Here		

**RED & WHITE**

Specials For Friday and Saturday

RED & White Flour	12 lb. bag with 5 lb. R&W Meal Free	55c
	24 lb. bag with 10 lb R&W Meal free	95c
	48 lb. bag with 10 lb R&W Meal Free	\$1.79
SUGAR	1 lb. Powdered or Brown 8 boxes	25c
Our Value Soap Chips	5 lb. box	44c
Large OXYDOL	box	23c
R&W Shortning	3 lb tin	63c
Figaro Sugar Cure	10 lb. bag	59c
Vanilla Extract	Imitation 8 oz. bottle	09c
R&W Coffee	1 lb. Can	30c
	2 lb. Can	59c
MOUNTAIN CROWN FOLGER'S COFFEE	5 lb. can	\$1.39
YOU CAN USE 1/4 LESS		
POST Toasties	2, boxes	17c
Blue & White Matches	6 boxes	17c
Goblin Hominy	No. 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> can	09c
Sardines	In Mustard or Tomato Sauce 2, 15 oz. oval cans	25c

**PRODUCE**

Fresh Coconuts	each	9c
Winesap Apples	234 doz	13c
California Lettuce	head	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> c
Texas Grapefruit	doz	27c
Cabbage	lb	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> c

**MARKET**

Fresh Pork Chops	lb	27c
Fresh Country Sausage	In sacks	lb 24c
Nv. 1 Salt Pork	lb	17c
Star Picnic Hams	half or whole	lb 29c
Tabasco Flavored Catsup	14 oz bottle	17c