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Through the Editor's Spectacles
By GEORGE

Signs of Spring multiply! First evidences of the disposition of Winter to relax its grip our section was the flight of innumerable files of ducks northward the other day. These prophetic creatures flew over Cisco in numbers that exceeded any we had seen in years. Brecheen and I stood in front of the Daily Press office two or three weeks ago and watched them circle from the region of Lake Cisco seeking a place to settle for the night, and the multitude almost exhausted imagination. File by file they came, and when it seemed the end had arrived, fresh squadrons hove into view. The excitable Gallic nature of the mechanical superintendent, who loves duck hunting to the point of a sin, involved him in a positive fit.

Another sign is the presence of droves of blackbirds who have invested the neighborhood. Not until recently have these birds been of such notice. They are reputed to be good to eat, especially when their drumsticks, etc., are folded into pastries, and I supposed that the table qualities of the fowls had made them such an object of hunters that their numbers were decimated and the species made almost extinct.

I recall, as a child of four or five years, following my grandfather into the fields near our home, watching him shoot straight up into long swinging files of the birds. Two or three birds would come down, some dead and others wounded, and it was a job of mine to chase down the crippled ones. Sometimes, to my youthful way of thinking, the creatures looked pretty fierce with their big, crow-like bills, and I was afraid of them. I can still faintly remember the way my grandfather laughed at my hesitation.

Two or three shots into the endless aerial column of blackwings, and we had enough birds for a pie at night, and then I would sit on a bench at the rear of the house while my grandfather picked and cleaned his kill and told me the most ambitious stories of the Civil war of which, all honor to his bones that lie at Stamford near here, he was a veteran of four years experience.

But I am getting off the subject.

Today another evidence of Spring appeared. It appeared in the shape of a caravan of nondescript automobile trailers, bearing both home and fortune of their occupants. The color scheme was uniformly black, the architecture fitted the material at hand, and the material was anything that a scrap heap could yield and necessity could compose. Westward they trekked from some winter habitat toward the horizon that is eternally new because it is never reached, a migration inspired by the balm of spring and the warmth of a sun that nears the vernal equinox.

One of the clan spent the night beside the Press office, and this

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Weather

WEST TEXAS—Fair tonight and Wednesday; slightly colder in the north and central portions Wednesday.
EAST TEXAS—Partly colder tonight and Wednesday; slightly colder in the northwest portion tonight, and in the north portion Wednesday.

FLAG PROGRAM HELD MONDAY FOR STUDENTS

Boy Scouts Take Part in Washington Day Ceremonies

"The flag is your protection wherever you may go and you ought to honor and defend it."
These were the concluding words of Rev. E. S. James' talk yesterday afternoon in the special flag raising program at the grammar school in commemoration of George Washington's birthday. The pastor's speech was taken up mostly with a history of the flag and Washington's connection with the first one.

The special ceremonies, honoring the father of our country and further the purpose of endeavoring to teach the pupils and grown-ups knowledge which they should know about the flag, came at 3 o'clock yesterday and the entire grammar school student body, several townsmen and the Boy Scouts were present for the occasion.

The occasion opened with the entire group singing "America." Rev. James delivered the invocation.

Following the Baptist minister's principal speech, Ernest Hittson, chairman for the program, introduced Rev. M. H. Applewhite who explained the uses and cautions of the flag as they were demonstrated by the scouts. Crandall Jones explained fully the proper times and places for using the American flag.

Then, while the entire gathering saluted, the flag was raised to the top of the pole and brought back down to half-mast while "To the Colors," was blown. With the banner waving in the breeze the group repeated the "Pledge of Allegiance" in unison and A. G. Bardwell gave the rules of the flag. As Jack Lauderdale, the bugler, sounded "Retreat" the Red, White, and Blue was lowered, ending the celebration.

The program was sponsored by the local American Legion auxiliary with Mrs. James Haynie and Mrs. Charles Yates in charge.

A. C. Green, Cisco undertaker, donated the use of a casket box and a carpet for one of the demonstrations.

RETIRED ADMIRAL DIES

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Feb. 23 (AP)—Admiral Henry T. Mayo, 80, chief naval commander of the World war, died today of a heart attack. He was retired in 1920.

Health Officials Urge Clean-up of Premises

The following appeal to residents to correct conditions which encourage the breeding of flies and mosquitoes as warm weather arrives was issued today by City Health Officer W. P. Lee and Comm'r. H. A. Bible.

A visitor from the state department of health was in Cisco within the last few days looking over the city in general, with especial attention to tourist camps. His report was favorable indeed. We also have been in almost all parts of the town recently and find many things to commend, although some are in need of correction, speedily, as the weather will soon be warm and the summer pests, such as flies and mosquitoes, will be on us in droves unless we begin now to correct conditions. In some cases waste water is allowed to accumulate near dwellings and hydrants are allowed to drip. Empty cans and buckets and even discarded automobile tires may

Heart Attack Fatal



James P. Buchanan, 73-year-old chairman of the house appropriations committee of congress, who died of a heart attack last night. Buchanan, one of the oldest members in point of service, had represented the Tenth district of Texas since 1913.

Rep. Buchanan Succumbs Monday of Heart Attack

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—President Roosevelt led the nation today in mourning Representative Buchanan, (D-Tex.), chairman of the house appropriations committee, who died last night. He was 73.

He said: "He was a faithful, wise counselor, an indefatigable worker and a loss to our national life. He discharged his duties with great intelligence and strict fidelity."

Buchanan's successor to the committee chairmanship, Representative Edward T. Taylor of Colorado, said the Texan was a "martyr to his work."

Speaker Bankhead named a committee of 10 to attend the funeral set tentatively for Saturday at Brenham.

Buchanan's death took from the congressional finance post a frequent critic of the administration's "pump sum" appropriations.

Despite his personal penchant for economy, however, the veteran democrat had accepted responsibility for winning house approval of huge sums requested by the president.

He piloted through the chamber the \$4,880,000,000 work relief appropriation, largest single money measure in the country's history, and also saw national defense expenditures reach a new peace time

be furnishing the neighborhood with mesquites. Then, too, in some places the premises should be watched for leaks in sewer pipes. All these conditions may furnish breeding places for mosquitoes, and mosquitoes carry contagion.

The greatest menace to health is neglected lots where animals are kept. Where cows or horses are kept, the pens should be on the lot and not on the parkway. The parkway is city property. The lots should be cleaned daily, the refuse carted away or sprinkled with lime. Each householder should keep a close watch on his premises and immediately correct anything amiss, or he and others will likely pay dearly for the neglect. Now is the time to begin this war against the most deadly disease carriers, the fly and the mosquito.

Let us urge you in your own interest to start now this spring campaign of cleanliness.
W. P. LEE,
City Health Officer.
H. A. BIBLE, Com'r.

BLOODY PURGE IN ETHIOPIA IS REPORTED

Firing Squads Shoot Down All Found With Arms

ROME, Feb. 23 (AP)—An official communique announced today that Italian firing squads executed all Ethiopians found with weapons in their homes in a grim sequel to the attempted assassination of Viceroy Rodolfo Graziani.

The communique did not announce the number of the dead, but said that only 100 of the 2,000 arrested in connection with the attempted assassination were released.

The squads worked with "hot rifles," signaling the transition of Mussolini's pacific Ethiopian policy to the iron hand.

Former Eastland County Judge Dies

MEMPHIS, Hall Co., Texas, Feb. 23—Judge S. A. Bryant died at his home Monday. A native of Kentucky, he was graduated from University of Waco, which later became Baylor. He served as Eastland county judge and later as Hall county attorney.

Odd Fellows Here Install Officers Monday Evening

Cisco Lodge No. 281, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, publicly installed the officers, elect of that lodge Monday night in a ceremony followed by a supper served by the members of Good Will chapter No. 102, Daughters of Rebekah. The installing officer was Walter Clements, district deputy grand master; who was assisted by Coe McLeRoy, district deputy grand warden; J. A. Jensen, district deputy grand secretary; J. E. Pross, district deputy grand treasurer, and E. P. Whiteaker, district deputy grand marshal.

Those inducted into their respective stations were: W. W. Manning, noble grand; J. R. Coleman, vice grand; Coe McLeRoy, secretary; Walter Clements, treasurer; Coe McLeRoy, representative to the grand lodge; J. A. Jensen, G. P. Rainbolt and W. S. DeRossett, trustees.

Subordinate officers installed were E. L. Laird, right support to noble grand; T. E. House, left support to noble grand; Walter Clements, right support to vice grand; G. P. Rainbolt, left support to vice grand; J. A. Jensen, chaplain; Ben Kraudkopf, warden; J. E. Pross, conductor; Joe Smith, inside guardian; H. D. Lanham, outside guardian; W. B. Ellison, right scene supporter, and Pete Shults, left scene supporter.

RANGER LODGE TO CONFER DEGREE

Ranger Lodge No. 350, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will confer the first degree upon two candidates Thursday evening, Feb. 25, in ceremonies by the degree team of Fort Worth Union Lodge No. 318, and members of the Cisco Lodge will attend, it was announced today.

DAUGHTER BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Goss of Kaufman are the parents of a daughter, Joan Elizabeth, born Feb. 9 at St. Paul hospital in Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. Goss are former Ciscoans.

Lid to Be Clamped on Traffic Sinners

The lid is going to be clamped down on speeding and other traffic ordinance violations in Cisco, Mayor J. T. Berry declared today.

While the city commission tonight considers means of promoting safer conditions on the new route of Highway One over Eighth street and elsewhere in the city a campaign of enforcement will be under way, with city police instructed to be on the alert for drivers who speed down the streets, fail to stop at intersections where this precaution is required, or violate other city traffic ordinances, and bring the offenders into corporation court.

HOUSE AWAITSENATE MOVE

Court Reform Program In Abeyance

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—House democratic leaders said today they would await senate developments before starting consideration of the president's court reorganization program.

The statement followed a conference with the president on the general legislative situation.

Supporters of the presidential proposal succeeded in getting the senate judiciary committee to empower the president to name one new justice to the federal courts for each justice over 70 who refuses to retire.

The committee acted without a record vote after rejecting motions that hearings be postponed until March 15 to 21. Chairman Ashurst (D-Ariz.) said Attorney General Cummings probably would be the first witness.

A vote of 13 to 5, the committee directed a favorable report on another court measure, which is supplementary to the presidential program but which is comparatively non-controversial. It is the longpending Summers bill to permit the retirement of supreme court justices at full pay upon reaching 70 years of age. Already passed by the house, it will now go to the senate floor.

Election to Make Eastland County Dry to Be Sought

EASTLAND, Feb. 23 (Sp.)—Commissioners' court will be asked to call an election for removal of 14 and 3.2 per cent alcoholic beverages from the county executive committee of the United Dry Forces voted Monday morning in county courthouse at Eastland.

The vote was made upon the recommendation of G. M. Meglasson of Cisco, president, who presided.

Meglasson and Rev. Robert E. Bowden of Eastland, secretary-treasurer, were designated to consult an official or a lawyer for assistance in forming a petition which will bear signatures asking the election.

It was also decided voting precincts of the county will be organized for the campaign.

A mass meeting of the executives and other prohibitionists was set for 10 a. m. next Monday in the county courtroom.

Debaters to Meet Breck Teams Chosen

In trouts held this morning before school, two boys teams and one girls team survived to meet a similar group from Breckenridge Wednesday night.

Cecil Edwards and Evatt Horne and J. Tablewood and Gerald McCrary won their contests this morning to earn the right to debate with the Breck boys. Lillian Armstrong and Anne Kate Blackburn so far will be the girls team, although it is possible they will have to debate another team tomorrow. Members of one of the girls teams was unable to debate today because of sickness.

The arguments between Cisco and Breckenridge will begin at 7 o'clock tomorrow evening at the high school.

Roy Burnam left Monday for Abilene where he will be employed.

16 UNIONS AT CHICAGO JOIN 'BIG 5' MOVE

Total for 1,100,000 Workers Would Be 360 Millions

CHICAGO, Feb. 23 (AP)—Delegates of 16 "non-operating" railway brotherhoods, representing 800,000 workers, voted today to ask a wage increase of approximately 20 per cent.

Chairman George M. Harrison said the "big five" operating brotherhoods recently asked a similar increase. The total sought by the 1,100,000 workers would amount to about \$360,000,000.

The delegates met at Chicago—where the heads of the five "operating" brotherhoods, representing the 500,000 men who man the nation's trains, recently approved a demand for a 20 per cent wage hike.

At the same time, employe and employer alike studied the United Automobile Workers' announced plan to ask the Chrysler corporation for recognition as sole bargaining agency for its 77,000 employes in nine cities. A similar move by the union led to the widespread strike in the plants of the General Motors corporation. Grievances left unsettled when that dispute was terminated were under discussion by representatives of both sides at Detroit.

Washington Is Honored Monday by Cisco Masons

(By R. W. H. KENNON)
As is their annual custom, members of the Masonic lodges of Cisco entertained with a celebration Monday night on the 205th anniversary of the birth of George Washington, first president of the United States, and commander of the American revolutionary forces that gave to the world the greatest republic known to history.

A splendid program was arranged for the occasion, and the lodge room was filled with about 200 Masons, their families and invited guests, who enjoyed the program from invocation to benediction.

Worshipful Master Frank Leach, of Cisco Lodge No. 556, A. F. & A. M., presided during the program which was opened with the audience singing "America," preceding the invocation by Rev. J. T. Sparkman, pastor of the East Cisco Baptist church.

Speakers for the evening were Dr. J. T. McKissick, president of Randolph college, and Dr. E. S. James, pastor of the First Baptist church. Appropriately, both speakers' themes were Washington. Dr. McKissick eulogized him as a patriot, gentleman, statesman and soldier, and took occasion to refute some of the calumnies that have been circulated about him since his death, but admitted that he was human, and probably had some of the faults of the red-blooded men of his day.

Not a Substitute
Dr. James took for his theme "Washington, the Man." Alluding to the fact that three ministers were on the program he said: "Masonry is worthy of the support of all preachers. Masonry is not a substitute for the church, but rather a supplement, or an auxiliary. To be a genuine Mason requires a genuine man. Just because a man is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, it does not necessarily follow that he is a Mason. The initiation does not make a Mason, for it requires genuine manhood to be a Mason, and Washington was both a man and a Mason in its broadest sense. In fact it is hard to distinguish between 'Washington, the Mason, and Washington, the man,' so nearly were these attributes inseparable."

Senate Refuses to Ratify Child Labor Amendment

AUSTIN, Feb. 23 (AP)—The senate rejected 10 to 19 today a resolution ratifying the child labor amendment to the federal constitution. The amendment had been endorsed by President Roosevelt and Governor Allred, and ratified by 27 states. The Texas house several times voted ratification but the senate refused.

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY Therefore thus saith the Lord God, behold my servant shall rejoice.—Isa. lxxv. 13.

Hope afresh, for hope shall not be vain. Start afresh along the exceedingly steep Road to glory, long and rough and plain.

Sow and reap, for while the moments creep, Time and earth and life are on the wane; Now in tears, to-morrow laugh and reap Over again.—C. G. Rosetti.

Living from day to day beneath His eye, and where all things are ordered by a Divine Providence with what peace, what joy our work may be begun, continued, interrupted, and resumed.—Anon.

Curbing Traffic Dangers

STEPS to curb the epidemic of traffic accidents in Cisco are being taken by the city officials. Conditions, particularly along Eighth street where through traffic enters

Nearly \$16,000 Salary Deficit in County Fund

EASTLAND, Feb. 23.—Eastland county had a deficit of \$15,662.50 in the officers' salary fund for the year ending December 31, 1936 according to figures compiled by Auditor Dan Parker.

Radio Programs for Today

- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23 (Central and Eastern Standard Time) Note: All programs to be on basic channels or groups thereof unless specified. Programs subject to change by stations without previous notice. P. M. NBC-WEAF (FED) NETWORK

COLUMBIA NETWORK

TUESDAY—6:30 p. m. CST, Alexander Woolcott, Granger Rough Cut Hour. WEDNESDAY—8 p. m. CST, Nino Martini, Chesterfield Cigarettes.

the city over the relocated western half of Highway No. One, have been serious ever since the thoroughfare was opened. And there seems to be no sign of any improvement. On the contrary the lives of people who use that route or cross it in the course of their activities are in constant danger.

THE steps that the city is preparing to take are timely. People who use that road must respect the regulations and conditions that promote safety. The highway is no speedway. It was rebuilt to accommodate traffic and to eliminate dangers to traffic. It was not constructed as a lane down which cars may drive at top speed through thickly settled areas.

THE same conditions are true in a lesser or greater extent elsewhere over the street system of the city. And the same determination should apply to their correction. The commission seems resolved to do this and the cooperation of the citizens in putting over the local safety program should be realized.

TO a large degree, the conditions which have prevailed on Eighth street are due to the absence of adequate traffic signals. This is the fault of nobody for the reason that the street has not been opened as a highway sufficiently long for the necessary measures to be taken.

made up from the general fund. The state was to have paid 14 cents per capita as its portion of the salary fund to the county, as reimbursement for the handling of criminal cases, and 70 per cent of the district attorney's salary, but only seven cents was paid on the per capita proposition. That helped the county to the extent of about \$2,300.

Rep. Buchanan--

high during his committee leadership. Taylor, who will be 80 his next birthday and has not been in the best of health recently, is expected to pass on some of the chairman's arduous duties to other committee members.

Only nine house members have served longer than Buchanan. He was elected April 5, 1913, to succeed Albert Sidney Burleson, whom President Wilson appointed postmaster general and then tenth Texas district sent him back in each election thereafter.

TO SET DATE FOR ELECTION

AUSTIN, Feb. 23 (AP)—Governor Allred said today he would set the date for election for a successor to Buchanan after the funeral, probably late in March or early in April.

DOUGLAS, ALASKA BURNED

SEATTLE, Feb. 23 (AP)—The coast guard cutter Tallapoosa wrenched a fire had virtually destroyed Douglas, Alaska, today and a southeast gale was reported whipping the flames. The cause was undetermined. Douglas is on an island of the same name opposite Juneau at the north end of the Alexander Archipelago. Its population is about 600.

Back o' the Flats.



Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

The Final Smash

By IRVIN S. COBB THERE was company at the farmhouse that evening and Mrs. Purdy had her share and more of New Hampshire thrift, was moved through hospitality to offer the suggestion that possibly the guests



might like a glass a piece of fresh apple cider. There was a unanimous endorsement of the idea. So Mr. Purdy got a china pitcher from the pantry and started for the cellar to where the cider was stored. The cellar was dark and the steps leading to it were steep. Half way down he stumbled and dropped with a resounding thump upon the brick floor six feet below, where he lay half-stunned.

Upstairs in the parlor they heard the sound of his fall. With alarm and wifely solicitude writ large upon her face Mrs. Purdy ran to the head of the cellar steps.

"Paw," she called down, "did you break the pitcher?" From the void below a determined voice answered back: "No, I didn't, but by Judas Priest, I'm goin' to now!"

(American News Features, Inc.)

Texas Natural Resources to Be Presented in Extensive Exhibit

Texas' natural resources, more than 99 per cent undeveloped, will be presented to the public in the most comprehensive exhibit of its type to be shown in the state at the Greater Texas and Pan American exposition opening here on June 12.

For the purpose of assembling this comprehensive showing field men will be sent over Texas within the next few days, with a full knowledge of geology. They will go into every section of the state, hunt out showings of these latent resources, get the consent of their owners for placing them at the exposition and transport them to Dallas in ample time for the opening date.

Co-operation in this movement will be the transportation companies of the state and industrial leaders. Railroads will transport exhibits from point of origin to Dallas free of all costs to exhibits and the exposition.

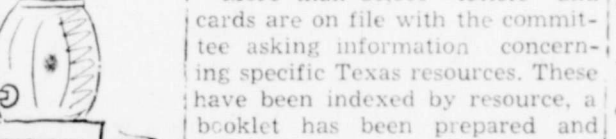
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Thousands Saw 1936 Exhibit

During the Centennial Exposition the resources exhibit was visited by many thousands of Southwestern school children, accompanied by their teachers. It

velopers in these sections in sending to Dallas a great showing of their resources. The hope of the committee is that these resources showings may be placed at a point convenient to the showing by Texas so that the visitor may see all with a minimum of trouble and travel.

Today's Crossword Puzzle

was placed among the preferred educational showings. As a result discussion of these exhibits was a part of the curriculum in the higher grades in hundreds of Southwestern schools this winter. It is the plan of Judge Spellman and his committee to elaborate further on this feature of its showing, directly contact teachers of the Southwest, and as far as possible the Pan-American countries, and make certain the resources exhibit is visited. A textbook on resources also is being prepared; 200,000 copies are to be issued, and it is to be placed in the public and private schools of the region.

"Limitations of space last year held us to a 65 per cent showing of Texas resources," Judge Spellman said. "Having begun in time we are assured adequate space this year in one building, and thus our objective of a 100 per cent showing will be obtained.

"In addition to lignite, iron ore, potash, various grades and sorts of lumber material, which were somewhat neglected in the last showing, we expect to include petroleum and all its by-products in the showing this year. Last year the petroleum showing was confined exclusively to the efforts of private concerns. Of course, our showing in no way will conflict with these private showings, which are expected again, but merely will be supplementary and assembled without reference to companies or territories.

"There is now being erected in Texas a paper pulp mill at a cost of \$5,000,000. Some of the leaders in that industry are members of our committee. It has been their untiring work, largely, which has made this plant possible.

Industrial and economic leaders realize the era of exclusive livestock and agriculture in Texas is passing. To reach its destiny the state must become a great decentralized manufacturing community. By this we are not, of course, suggesting abandonment of either livestock or agriculture. We simply are seeking to supplement them with pay rolls. World competition in the production of cotton, beef and wool is making this move upon the part of Texas an economic necessity. It is our intention to interest capital in this move, and we have found no better plan than an exhibit such as we contemplate, assembled under the direction of competent men, on hand at all times to explain the extent of these resources and their commercial possibilities to our visitors. This is our goal in the Pan-American Exposition. We expect it to attract many millions of industrial dollars to our state."

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Crossword puzzle grid with clues. ACROSS: 1. Dining room; 2. Hall or large room; 3. Written promise to pay; 4. Shelter; 5. Money; 6. Floating in or covered by water; 7. Orderly; 8. Near; 9. Bible tuber; 10. Substance derived from Ceylon moss; 11. Before; 12. Plant of the genus Viola; 13. Agitation; 14. Chaffy part of ground grain; 15. Note of the scale; 16. Common fund; 17. Before all others; 18. Writers of music; 19. Unaccompanied; 20. Block of type metal used in spacing; 21. Son of Judah; 22. Clown or buffoon; 23. Rudely concise; 24. Gladitorial salutation to Caesar; 25. Blind; 26. Ceremonially unclean according to Jewish law; 27. Gem; 28. Out of; 29. French city; 30. Wear away; 31. Waterfalls; 32. Lair; 33. Having little velocity; 34. Animal food; 35. Injection of the beautiful; 36. DOWN: 1. Snapping beetle; 2. Take care; 3. Wild animals; 4. Tree; 5. Aids; 6. Long-windedness; 7. Close; 8. Hard-shelled fruit; 9. Oil; 10. Headwaters; 11. Compass or degree; 12. Oriental dwelling; 13. Consequentially; 14. On the highest point of; 15. Sins; 16. Indefinite amount; 17. Feathered animal; 18. Small horse; 19. Exploit; 20. Tapering solid; 21. Waves breaking on the shore; 22. Mexican Indians; 23. Nonprofessional; 24. One who escapes a responsibility; 25. Become less; 26. Fatty part of milk; 27. Zoological order of footless animals; 28. Sailor; 29. Alternative; 30. Note of the crow; 31. Superlative ending; 32. Toward; 33. Symbol for tantalum.

ESCAPE IF YOU CAN

BY FREDERICK JACKSON

SYNOPSIS: Count Vronski, who was blackmailing Anne Phelps with love letters, is shot dead in Paris. Bigelow, the American from Paris, finds Anne and Karanakov, the glamorous dancer, starting at the corpse. They side it during a party, then Bigelow and Dr. Austrelitz, the psychologist, move it to Vronski's rooms. Police arrest Thorne Dryden, a wealthy chap who hated Vronski, and his wife, Lorna disappears. Anne and Bigelow find her hiding with Topsy Kane at Topsy's big vacant house in Westchester.

Chapter 30

Lorna's Story
"What's the idea of disappearing, anyway?" asked Anne.

"It's a long story," said Lorna warningly, and she took a drink. "We can take it," said Anne with a smile.

"Well—then—" began Lorna, taking a long drag at her cigarette as though for inspiration. "You know what a fool I was before I married Thorne? About men, I mean."

"I do," said Anne.
"Don't limit it," put in Topsy.
"You see," said Lorna, ignoring her and including Bigelow with a grave look, "when my mother died, my father didn't know what to do with me because I was only 12 and something of a responsibility. I mean, I was pretty! That isn't immodesty or silly vanity or anything, is it, Anne? I mean I really was, wasn't I?"

"Yes," admitted Anne, nodding solemnly.
"And precious," sighed Lorna, as though she deeply regretted it. "So what did father do but elope me quickly into a convent in Belgium! And the nuns were terribly strict. Sweet, you know, but strict and we never got a look outside the place except with two nuns to keep an eye on us. And I was pretty poor sport. But there I stayed until I was 19! Imagine it. Seven years of that. No wonder I was like something let loose when I came back and then men were a novelty to me and I liked them."

"She looked appealingly at Bigelow and he nodded. She dimpled, then, and beamed at him as she went on:
"Naturally, I went a little wild. Any girl would in those circumstances. Even Thorne understood that. We talked it all over when we became engaged and I was quite frank with him."

"What do you mean by quite frank?" asked Anne.
"Well, I mean I told him almost everything there was to tell," explained Lorna.
"But not absolutely everything?" asked Anne.
"No-o," admitted Lorna. "I was crazy about him, you see, and I didn't want to risk losing him."

Anne and Topsy exchanged a comprehending glance.
"You mean," Topsy interpreted, "you gave him a general idea of your goings on without exact details?"
"Yes," breathed Lorna gratefully. "So then we were married and then Thorne turned out to be frightfully jealous. She looked at them wide-eyed, counting on them to share her surprise. "After all I'd told him, I mean and knowing me, I must say I didn't expect that, but there it was. So when Vronski called up and said he had to see me, I went to lunch with him without telling Thorne. And Vronski said he was hard up and could I lend him some money, and he was so distressed at having to ask me, I gave him a check, of course. And in a week or two, he came again and then again. The third time, I told him that I couldn't go on or Thorne would find out and be furious; and then Vronski said that he had some letters of mine and they weren't dated! I hardly ever date letters,

fully, "but the police won't know that! After Thorne was arrested, I thought the whole thing out. I mean I realized he was in a pretty dangerous position and it was all through my foolishness. But he was determined not to tell about the blackmailing and he made me promise not to, because he didn't want people to think maybe there had been more between Vronski and me than anyone had supposed. But I thought that if I vanished, people would wonder why, and think maybe Thorne was shielding me, and that would raise a reasonable doubt in the mind of the jury and he'd probably be acquitted."

Bigelow and Anne gazed back at her questioningly.
"I told her," Topsy declared, "that she is quite mad and I tried to dissuade her, the instant I heard her fantastic plan. But nothing would move her and if I hadn't agreed to hide her here, she'd have gone somewhere else. In any case, you know how she is. One can't refuse her."

Lorna frowned anxiously at Anne and Bigelow.
"Don't you think it's a good plan?" she asked.
"Well—" began Anne doubtfully.
"You see, I'm already getting publicity. My disappearance is a mystery. And people are bound to talk about it and wonder why I went and all that. Topsy seems to think there isn't much of a case against Thorne anyway. But if they do try him, it must shake their conviction a little if I can't be found. They'll know I haven't been got out of the way because I know something against Thorne, because a wife can't be made to testify against her husband. So they'll think I'm being kept out of the way to conceal my guilt. They're bound to think that. . . . Anyway there's a chance my vanishing will help him and I can't do him any good by hanging about."

"Do you mean to stay out of the way, then, until after the trial?" asked Bigelow.
"Of course," Lorna assured him. And then quite suddenly, she burst into tears. "You don't think it'll help," she sobbed. "I see you don't. But what can I do, then? I must do something! I must. It's all my fault. Thorne wouldn't be in this mess if I hadn't gone to him about Vronski!"

"Soup's ready!"
Bigelow turned a terrified face to Anne who promptly put her arm around Lorna and began to soothe her.
"I think your disappearance might easily have the effect you hope," she declared.
"You—don't," sobbed Lorna. "You're only—humoring me."

"I do. Besides, it will keep your pictures on the front pages of the newspapers and the public always sympathizes with a pretty woman."
"They do don't they?" agreed Lorna, with an eager April smile, looking up. Her eyelashes were glistening with tears and she looked a good deal prettier than before.

"Soup's read," said Topsy cryptically, as she began to lay the table.
Lona sighed and powdered her nose. "Poor Topsy, I know this is awfully hard on her, but I honestly couldn't think of anywhere else to go where people wouldn't think of looking for me. And when I thought of this place—it was

like an inspiration."
"It was an inspiration, all right," agreed Topsy gruffly.
"But the trial may not come off for a long time," said Anne.
"Still, we are going to stick it here," said Topsy.

Lorna fixed sorry eyes on her, Topsy laughed. "Never mind. I'm glad to do anything I can to help, you know that, darling. And I'm only pretending to mind it here. It's rather fun, really. I'm looking forward to a genuine shopping tour in the vaillage. I haven't got round to it yet. But I've been making a list. I'm going to get a radio and a phonograph and all the magazines and some murder mysteries and some wool work. Did you ever do wool work?"
"No," confessed Anne.
"I used to do it in Kansas. You make simply hideous rugs in pattern—

you know—on canvass. And present them to people. They hate them as a rule and never know what to do with them, but you have the fun of making them. Oh, we'll keep ourselves entertained. And I have a kind of feeling I'll reduce."
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The baroness is suspected as "the woman in the mink coat," tomorrow.

In the 26 years he has kept weather records at Waterloo, Ia., Mayor Ralph B. Slippy has noted temperatures ranging from 33 degrees below zero to 112 above.

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Washington Day Luncheon Monday by DAR Chapter

The Charles Crawford chapter D.A.R. entertained with a George Washington birthday luncheon Monday at the Laguna hotel. The T-shaped dining table was centered with a low bowl of sweet-peas in shades of red, white and blue. Tall red tapers burned in matching holders. Places were laid for Mmes. S. E. Hittson, Joseph Perkins of Eastland, W. C. McDaniel, F. W. Watson, Chapman Williamson, F. D. Pierce, P. Pettit, Ralph Barton, Alex Spears, J. E. Moriarty, Homer McDonald, C. H. Fee, J. T. McKissick, Lee Clark, F. E. Harrell and J. A. Bearman and Messrs. Ralph Barton and Hjalmar Berg. Roll call responses were interesting events in the life of George Washington. Mr. Berg sang "America, the Beautiful," accompanied by Mrs. Hittson at the piano and Mr. Barton gave a talk on "Early American Furniture" and the wood used in its manufacture.

Cisco Young Women Will Be Hostesses

Misses Francis Gorham, Pansy Lee Porter, Louise Statham, Dena Carroll and Marjorie Page will be hostesses at the open house sponsored by the Association of Women Students, held at John Tarleton college, Stephenville, next Thursday afternoon. Guests are expected from Cisco, Brady, Evans, Hico, Iredell, McGregor, Talpa and Tolar.

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Personals

Mrs. J. C. Dyer has returned from a visit in Arizona and is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Homer McDonald for a short time.

Miss Eula Denman and Quincy Lee who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lee for a few days left today for their homes in Austin.

Pierce Shackelford of Putnam visited friends here Monday.

Judge B. W. Patterson and Mrs. Patterson of Eastland attended the Masonic Washington program held here Monday evening.

Mrs. Richard Allison of Iowa Park is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. McKissick.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Karkalits of Eastland attended Masonic meeting here Monday evening.

Dr. J. T. McKissick, Mrs. McKissick, Misses Ruth McKissick and Dixie Bills and Mrs. R. Q. Bills spent Sunday with relatives in Wichita Falls. They all have returned home except Miss Bills who remained over to attend the wedding of a friend which will take place Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Anderson, Mrs. E. L. Graham, Mrs. Jack Anderson and Mrs. Chapman Williamson spent today in Dallas.

R. W. Mancill transacted business in Albany today.

Mmes. W. C. Shelton and Nettie Renfro are visiting friends in Eastland today.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Allen have returned from a visit in Comanche.

Mmes. R. W. Mancill and C. T. Johnson spent today with friends in Eastland.

Mrs. Rex Moore and daughter, Julia Jane have returned from a visit in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Elsworth Mayer have returned to their home in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Crawford have returned from a visit in Austin.

The Notebook

Wednesday

The Cecilia Singers will meet at the First Methodist church at 4:45 p. m.

The G. A. will meet at the church at 4 p. m.

Thursday

The Friendly Twelve Forty-Two club will meet with Mrs. C. E. Moore 906 West 6th street, at 7:30 p. m.

Friday

The Twentieth Century club will have a fine arts program at the First Baptist church Friday, Feb. 26 at 3 p. m. A book review by Mrs. C. C. Deaton of Wichita Falls, will be an added feature. The public is cordially invited.

Saturday

The Junior Choristers will meet at the First Methodist church at 10:30 a. m.

Only 48 per cent of the potato used in the United States in 1935 was produced in this country.

Cisco Masons--

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herent in the man whose memory we cherish and in whose honor this celebration is held," he concluded.

The Baptist quartet, composed of Lorry Boyd, W. Frank Walker, George Boyd and Harry Shaeffer, sang several numbers during the evening, and two appreciated clarinet numbers were given by Jack Lauderdale. Miss June M. Jask Lauderdale. Miss June Morehart was piano accompanist.

The program came to a close with the audience singing "Blest be the Tie that Bind," which was followed by the benediction spoken by Rev. J. S. Stockard.

At the conclusion of the entertainment refreshments of pumpkin and apple pie, with coffee, was served to all present, by the wives and daughters of the member Masons.

TCU Hopes to Knock Off Ponies Tonight

FORT WORTH, Feb. 23.—Last year T. C. U. won only two basketball games—both of them from S. M. U.

Tonight the Frogs and the Mustangs meet on the hardwood floor in Dallas, and the Fort Worth five would consider their season somewhat redeemed if they could annex their second victory of the current season at the expense of the league-pacing Methodists.

In the teams' first encounter in Fort Worth Jan. 12, the Frogs found the hoop for as many field goals as the Mustangs, but the latter looped four more free tosses, to win by that many points.

T. C. U. has no reason, on the dope, to figure to do any better tonight against S. M. U., but stranger upsets have occurred than a Frog victory in Dallas would be.

Spring football practice, which keeps most of the cage squad occupied for two hours before they come indoors, is interfering seriously with basketball practice at T. C. U. The Mustangs have lost only one game; the Frogs have won only one.

There's no reason on earth why the Frogs should win—except that a victory over the first-place team is about the fondest dream of a tail-end.

Southwest Cage Chart

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, Fg, Ft, Tp, Ops. Lists scores for S. M. U., Ark., Taylor, Rice, A. & M., Texas, T. C. U.

Last Week's Scores

Table with columns: Team, Score. Lists scores for Rice 40, Texas 35, Wednesday at Houston; S. M. U. 25, Baylor 20, Wednesday at Waco; Arkansas 52, Rice 29, Friday at Fayetteville; Arkansas 52, Rice 34, Saturday at Fayetteville; Baylor 36, T. C. U. 35, Saturday at Fort Worth.

This Week's Games

Table with columns: Date, Teams. Lists Tuesday, Feb. 23—T. C. U. vs. S. M. U. at Dallas; Saturday, Feb. 27—Baylor vs. Texas at Austin; T. C. U. vs. A. & M. at College Station; Rice vs. S. M. U. at Dallas.

Leading Conference Scorers

Table with columns: Player, Pos., Team, G, Fg, Ft, Tp, Ave. Lists top scorers for various teams.

CLASSIFIED SECTION

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Clemency Enabling Act Passes House

AUSTIN, Feb. 23. (AP)—The house today passed an enabling act for the constitutional amendment creating a new pardon and parole board.

The bill differed from that approved by the senate. A conference committee probably will write the final draft.

The state's clemency machinery has been idle since February 1 due to absence of the enabling act.

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Specs--

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morning smoke curled from a flue thrust through a coating of tar paper and tin as the woman of the nomadic household prepared breakfast. While she cooked, the man of the house hustled business in the form of saws and knives to sharpen.

It's a great life, if you don't weaken.

ON HONOR ROLL

Cisco students on the honor roll for the past semester at John Tarleton college were Misses Francis Gorham, Pansy Lee Porter, Dena Carroll and Louise Statham.

Political Announcements

The Cisco Daily Press has been authorized to announce the following as candidates for the offices under which their names appear, subject to the action of the electors of Cisco in general election April 6, 1937.

- For Mayor: J. T. BERRY (Re-election)
For City Commissioners: (Two to Be Elected) H. A. BIBLE (Re-election) W. J. FOXWORTH (Re-election)

Look in the Classified First.

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Advertisement for Vicks Vapo-Rol with the headline 'WARNING!!'. Text: 'The city commission of Cisco hereby gives notice that the Ordinances prohibiting speeding within the city limits and requiring observance of traffic signs will be enforced. From now on, offenders may depend upon being picked up and brought into Corporation Court to face charges. They will not fail to suffer penalties of violation! The ordinances provide penalties of \$14 or more for violation. City officers have been instructed to be on the alert, and drivers of cars who have been ignoring municipal regulations provided for the safety of our streets are warned that they had better watch their step! This is no Boy Scout Court! J. T. BERRY, Mayor of the City of Cisco.'

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