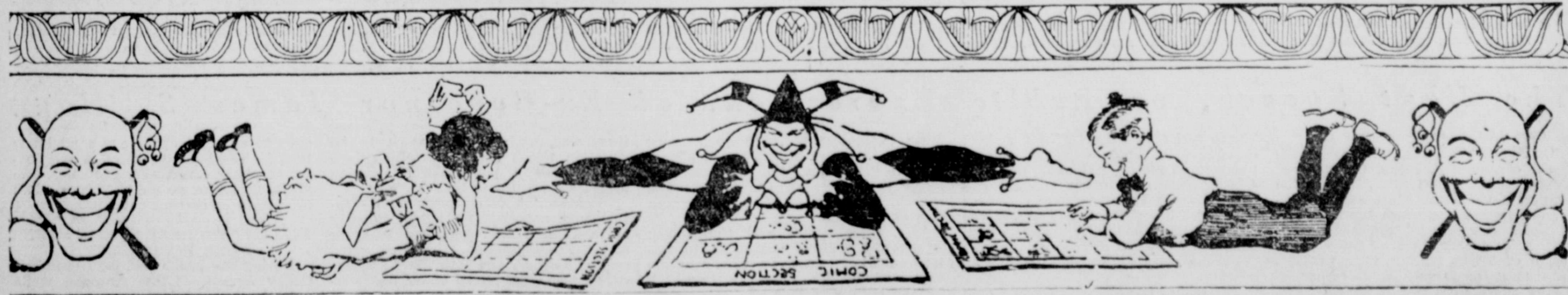
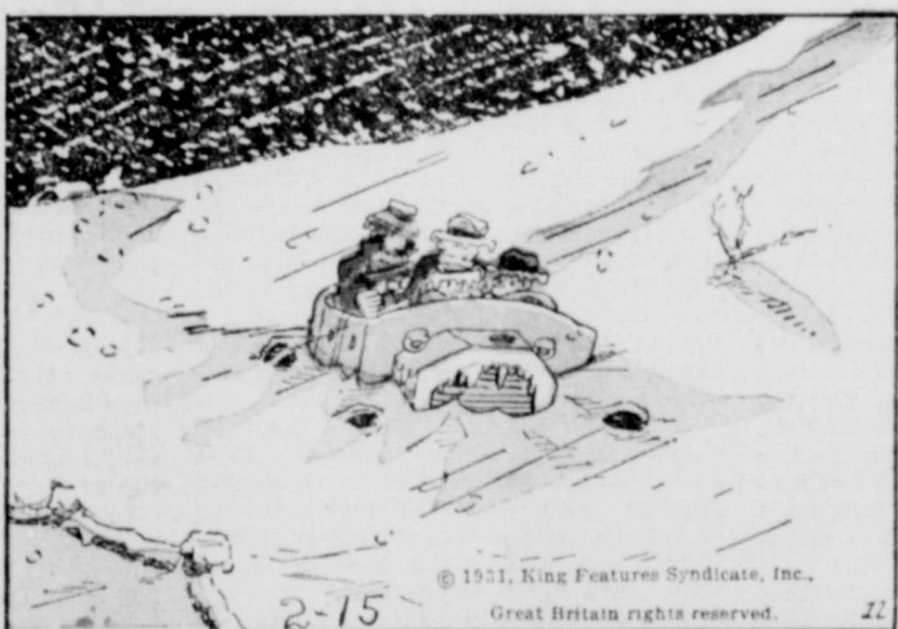


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## Blondie



# Danger Lurked in Killing Buffaloes

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IN the early days, when red men roamed at will over the Panhandle of West Texas and claimed those vast plains as their own home and hunting grounds, buffaloes also grazed the prairies in herds which numbered into thousands. Were it not for the extinction of the buffalo, Indians might still rule this section of the country, but with the buffalo gone, Indians were unable to live in their native fashion, as buffalo meat was their principal source of food.

Originally, both Indians and pioneer sportsmen hunted buffaloes on horseback. Later, when white men took up the business of buffalo hunting professionally, it was found more profitable to use wagons and teams. A group of three or four men accompanied each wagon, with a number of good saddle ponies to be used in turn by the man who did the shooting. Buffalo men who owned their own "outfits" hired assistant hunters for about seventy-five dollars a month.

## Professional Killing

The man who did the shooting, that is, the buffalo killer, left camp early in the morning ahead of the wagon. He usually carried a big, long-shell rifle, some of the shells carrying loads as heavy as one hundred and ten grains of powder. With a generous supply of ammunition in his belt, he would venture as close to the buffalo herd as he dared. Stopping on the windward side of the herd, he would then dismount and walk, or crawl, within a few hundred yards of the animals, aim at the one standing in the best position and fire.

The cautious hunter was very particular to aim just back of the buffalo's forehead, where the bullet would penetrate the animal's lungs or heart. This was the quickest method of slaughter. A buffalo was usually very hard to kill.

The report of the first shot so

frightened the animals that the entire herd would start running immediately. The wise hunter would then fire just in front of the herd, quickly turning them back in another direction, repeating his shots until the buffaloes became confused and finally stopped dead still. Also, when the buffaloes began smelling blood, as the killing continued, they would forget to run. Then the hunter could shoot and kill quite easily.

If the hunter missed his aim and only wounded an animal, he usually had a fight on his hands. A buffalo would frequently attack a man when badly wounded.

## A Tricky Cow

Emanuel Dubbs, an early buffalo hunter of the Panhandle and one of the most successful hunters, narrowly escaped death on one of his hunts. He had risen early and had ridden out to locate a herd. He selected a buffalo cow and fired, but did not kill her. He then shot several times, but failed to bring the animal down. The old cow finally laid down, pretending she was dead. Mr. Dubbs walked toward her with his gun ready to fire. The cow kept very still, but when the man was within a few feet of her she suddenly jumped up, and charged him with a mad bellow. Her small, black eyes flashed angrily. He fired, but was so frightened he did not aim correctly and again failed to kill her.

The enraged cow knocked his gun out of his hands and gored him in the right side. Maddened and thoroughly aroused, she reared on her hind legs with Dubbs between her horns, then suddenly dropped dead. Just in the nick of time

the hunter's numerous bullets had taken deadly effect.

After a buffalo was killed and skinned the hide was stretched out and pegged to the ground with the hairy side down. When it was almost dry it was taken up, folded with the hairy side in and loaded into the wagons. Particular pains were exercised to lap the legs on the inside of the fold and securely tie the folds down with ropes to the wagon, to keep them from slipping on their long journey to market.



"Reared on hind legs with Dubbs between her horns"

Owing to the fact that buffaloes were the Indian's source of livelihood, they were called "Indian Cattle."

## Dangerous Industry

These early buffalo hunters lived a dangerous life, filled with anxiety. They and their families were never safe, day or night, from the blood-thirsty Indians. One family was returning home from church one Sunday when a band of Indians overtook them and their ox wagon. The Indians killed the man and cap-

tured his wife, baby and three grown daughters. The baby was thrown out by the roadside and the Indians piled heavy rocks on its tender body. The mother and the three girls were carried off to lives of captivity and slavery.

On one occasion Mr. Dubbs and his men were in camp when a band of Indians attacked. Mr. Dubbs was temporarily absent from the camp looking for stray horses. Two of his men made their escape, but another was caught by the red men. When Mr. Dubbs returned to camp the Indian's had gone, but the white man's body was tied across the wagon tongue, the end of which was propped up to a lofty position with a pole. The man was almost bent double and was lying on his back. The Indians had driven numerous large splinters of wood through the flesh of his breast and set fire to them. A large, deep hole was burned in his breast. Mr. Dubbs was chased away by the Indians and was forced to leave a big load of buffalo hides and the body of his comrade. This is but two among many tragedies of this kind that took place in the early days.

An early buffalo hunter named John A. Hart, on his first hunt for buffalo, was told by his companions that he could not kill a buffalo until he was more experienced in the work. To prove them wrong, however, he determined to show them that he would kill one before he returned to camp.

With this intention, he strolled off from his companions in search of a herd. At last he espied a large one grazing about a mile away. Like a lizard, he cautiously crawled toward the herd on

his stomach for a quarter of a mile, during which trip he got himself well filled with prickly pear stickers. He finally succeeded in getting close enough to the herd to fire, and was just taking aim when a big polecat ran up and stopped just in front of him. Hart remained motionless for some time, hoping the animal would finally leave him. He knew that if he shot the polecat the report of his gun would frighten away the buffalo herd, and having been teased so much by his companions he was willing to sacrifice almost anything if he could only kill a buffalo. Mr. Polecat remained, however, with no apparent intention of leaving. He finally began edging closer to Hart, patting his feet and dancing. Hart did everything in his power to scare the animal away, but to no avail. At last, as the animal showed every intention of dancing squarely into his face, Hart was forced to give up and fire. He killed the polecat, but lost his opportunity to kill a buffalo.

## The Goodnight Herd

About 1880, when the buffaloes had been so thinned out that there were very few left in the Panhandle, Col. Charles Goodnight, with the help of his brother-in-law, Lee Dyer, started one morning in search for buffalo. They finally came across a small herd and roped four buffalo calves. As luck would have it, two of these calves proved to be male and the other two female. The calves were taken to the Goodnight ranch, where each was mothered by a milk cow until they were old enough to wean. From this start, Col. Goodnight raised a large herd of buffaloes. He bred a black Poll cow to the male buffalo, producing what he called, and is now well known, the "cattlo." These buffaloes and cross-breed cattle made the Goodnight ranch famous everywhere.

The buffaloes on this ranch have nearly all been slaughtered, but there are a few remaining. A piece of land on the Palo Duro Canyon, near Goodnight, Texas, is to be fenced in for the purpose of preserving these last few head and the State is to care for them.

# Texan Elected Speaker of 72nd Congress

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THE first Texan to be elevated to the office of Speaker of the House of Representatives, John N. Garner, for 28 years representative from the Fifteenth Congressional District, assumed his new office December 7th, to become the official pilot of the 72nd Congress at the beginning of what seems destined to be a most momentous session.

Furthermore, Speaker Garner is the first Democratic Speaker to be elected in twelve years, and comes into office backed by a small Democratic majority in the House, opposing a Republican administration and a Republican Senate. That he should be selected to guide the House under such conditions is indica-

tive of the high esteem and confidence in which he is held by associates. His long and excellent record in the House no doubt justifies this confidence. To his neighbors and constituents in the vicinity of Uvalde, "Jack" Garner is just "home folks"—a local resident who has done much to further the prosperity of his home town and community.

## Good Business Man

Mr. Garner is regarded as a good business man. Although a director in several Southwestern banks, he has made the greater part of his fortune—which is not small—by native shrewdness in investments in his own home territory. He has been particularly successful in buying property when cheap and looking ahead to the time when it would advance in value. At home he can be seen almost any time visiting one or more of his local properties, driving a



JOHN N. GARNER  
Uvalde, Texas

little coupe which, according to his own declaration, is "as old as old Barney's grandfather."

Among his neighbors he bears the reputation of being a man who is capable of a vast amount of hard work and, what is even more important, of being always a square shooter. This local reputation for honesty and integrity is also borne out at Washington, for during all his years in public life no whisper of scandal has ever stigmatized his good name.

## Home-Life Simple

Mr. Garner's home-life is lacking in ostentation. He lives plainly, and is a real host to friends. If they happen along at dinner time they are welcome to come in and break bread with him. His wife is also noted for her kindness and hospitality.

The Garner home, at Uvalde, is sur-

rounded by 15 acres of land, on which is growing pecan trees, fruit trees and oaks. The new Speaker gives personal attention to his yard, his trees and his chickens. He likes to cut wood, this being a favorite exercise. He also likes to fish and hunt, when he can spare the time. A few years ago he killed a large panther and generally gets his quota of deer and turkey each season.

John N. Garner was born in Red River county, Texas, November 22, 1869. After finishing his early schooling, he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1890, going to Uvalde, Texas, his present home, in 1892, when he became a member of the law firm of Clark, Fuller & Garner. He served as county judge of Uvalde county for one term, and was a member of the Legislature for two terms. He was elected to Congress in 1902. There are 23 counties in his Congressional District.

# The Beginning of Masonry in Texas

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MASONRY in Texas is older than the State itself, and the men who pioneered in Masonry here were intimately connected with the break from Mexican rule.

The first Masonic charter brought to Texas was dated at Philadelphia October 8, 1832, and was brought to the State in 1833 by Anson Jones. But there was no movement toward organization of a Masonic body in Texas until March, 1835, so far as history reveals.

Trouble with Mexico during those early days made necessary postponement of the actual organization of a Masonic body, and it was not until after Texas achieved independence from Mexican rule that the first lodge was instituted. The Mexican officials were opposed to Masonry and for several years maintained a system of espionage against it.

It is an interesting historical fact that Anson Jones carried in his saddle-

bags at the battle of San Jacinto the first Masonic charter brought to Texas. In that battle Santa Anna was humiliated and Texas smashed the yoke of despotism. Shortly afterward the first lodge was organized, and became known as Holland Lodge No. 36. This later became Holland Lodge No. 1, located at Houston.

## Shrine of the Order

Even before plans for a lodge were formulated, however, there is a record of Masonry in Texas. William Morton, in 1825, erected in the cemetery at Richmond, Texas, a monument to the memory of Robert Gillespie. It was emblematic of Masonry and has long been a shrine of the order, although in crumbling ruins.

A record also is found of a meeting of seven Masons at San Felipe de Austin on February 11, 1828. Stephen F. Austin, Ira Ingram, H. H. League, Ira Mitchell, Joseph White, G. B. Hall and Thomas M. Duke were present. At this

meeting a petition was prepared asking for a new lodge. It was addressed to the York Grand Lodge, Mexico. Stephen F. Austin was named Worshipful Master; Ira Ingram Senior Warden, and Thomas M. Duke was acting secretary. So far as the records are concerned, the petition was never heard from again. Presumably the petition fell into the hands of the Mexican government and caused a furore. An intimation of this was the Mexican decree expelling the York Masonic Lodge.

Anson Jones, who brought the first charter to Texas, in the winter of 1834 and 1835, left this record: "Five Master Masons who had made themselves known to each other, consulted among themselves and, after various interviews and much deliberation, resolved to take measures to establish a lodge of their order in Texas."

Every movement in Texas was watched at that time with jealousy and distrust by the Mexican government,

which already had its spies and emissaries denounce some of our best citizens as factionists and disaffected persons. But zeal for a beloved institution, a belief that it would be beneficial at a period when society seemed especially to need some fraternal bonds to unite them together, predominated."

## First Activity in 1835

In December, 1835, S. M. Williams became active in Masonic matters and says he was "cherished by the hope that Masonry and Masonic institutions would have a tendency to bind together the scattered few inhabitants of Texas, strangers to each other, claiming birth in all the various States of the Union—who of all ages and sexes did not number 20,000 souls, that dared to open opposition to a nation numbering nearly 8,000,000, without any previous preparation, without a musket, and not 200 pounds of powder west of the San Antonio river in Texas."

Authorities differ on the date and place of the first lodge meeting in Texas. It has been said that the first meeting was held beneath a famous old live-oak tree near Brazoria, in January, 1836, but an account which is probably more exact is contained in the history of Holland Lodge and says: "Holland Lodge No. 36, under dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, was the only lodge organized in Texas prior to the founding of the Republic. On December 27, 1835, for the first time, Masons met 'upon the level' within a 'tilde lodge room' at Brazoria, Texas, Mexico."

The lodge at Brazoria continued on until February, 1836. The Mexicans took possession of Brazoria about that time and destroyed all the books, jewels and other belongings of the lodge. Anson Jones presided over the last meeting and Col. Fannin, who soon after lost his life to the Mexicans, acted as Senior Deacon.

# The Last Speech, or Public Expression, of Ex-Governor James S. Hogg

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On November 7, 1912, previous to the death of James S. Hogg, Governor of Texas from 1890 to 1894, during the session of the Texas State Fair at Dallas, a banquet was given the members of the Legislature by the citizens of Dallas, at which most of the shining lights of Texas politics were present. Of course the famous Ex-Governor of Texas was invited to this banquet, but at that time he was seriously ill in Fort Worth and could not attend.

A few days before the banquet, however, a warm personal friend of the Governor Hogg visited him at Fort

Worth and obtained from him a short expression, which was placed on a phonograph record, and which produced a great sensation in the banquet hall when the well known voice of Governor Hogg was heard from a corner of the dining room after the toastmaster, Hon. Yancey Lewis, had announced that the popular statesman would be on for an address.

This short speech, which made only thirty-two newspaper lines, has come down in history as the last public expression of Governor Hogg bearing on the policies that he would have liked to have seen in force in Texas. Judging

from these remarks, the ex-governor evidently realized that he was almost ready to "cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees" The speech, as given, on the phonograph was as follows:

"Mr. Toastmaster and Gentleman: In a recent nocturnal voyage on the wtery waves of despair I drifted over the vortex of eternity, but was wafted back by the breath of fate. In this sensational experience I forgot neither my God nor my State. To Him I stood ready and willing to render a final account with no fear of my place in the great beyond. As to Texas, I felt that

there was much political work to be done, in which every patriotic citizen should take a part. Before leaving here I should like to see:

"Rotation in office permanently established, nepotism forbidden, equality of taxation a fact, organized lobbying at Austin suppressed, the free press system honestly and effectively abolished, oil pipe lines placed under the Commission's control, insolvent corporations put out of business, all stocks and bonds of every class of transportation lines limited by law, corporate control of Texas impossible and public records disclose every official act and to be

open to all, that every one shall know that in Texas public office is the center of public conscience, and that no graft, no crime, no public wrongs shall ever stain or corrupt our State."

## KILLED TWO DEER WHOSE HORNS WERE INTERLOCKED

During the latter part of November, Culey Arnett, of San Antonio, while on a deer hunt in Llano county, found two buck deer in combat, with their horns interlocked. Mr. Arnett killed both deer at the same time, setting a record for Llano county for hunter's luck.

# CURRENT COMMENT

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## Starting Anew

TIME, the great tomb-builder, has erected a stone over the remains of Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-One and moves on his resistless way. Not one of us accomplished all he had hoped to do ere the sun went down to rise no more on Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-one, but Time could not linger for the plans of men. The earth, in its ceaseless journeys around the sun, had completed its annual course, and so Time's stream rushed on, bearing us all on its bosom toward Eternity's sea, while the world moved on to its far-off destiny. Happy are we if we make this New Year season a time for prospecting, and not for retrospection—if we get away from the year where mistakes and failures and heart-aches lie buried and ghosts of neglected opportunities face us at every turn—to face bravely and lovingly the opportunities the New Year has brought. New Year wishes are still in order. I may have expressed mine in similar words before, but if so I repeat: may you have a correct conception of duty, a willingness to answer every call, strength to meet every task, a love for labor undertaken that will make work a pleasure, a control of your thoughts that will keep your heart pure, a shaping of your moods that will keep your lives bright and sweet.

## Vale, 1931

Yes, Nineteen Thirty-One is no more. It was a long year—to the impatient boy or girl who longed for the age of maturity, with its attendant long trousers or skirts, and sweethearts. To them the days passed slowly, the weeks were tardy, the months dragged wearily, and from Christmas to Christmas was an age. But to those who had passed life's meridian, and the journey was down the hill toward the setting sun, it seemed but yesterday that Christmas held the boards and the bells rang in 1931.

It was a bad year. Yes, there was more crime than ever before. More money was stolen, more murders were committed, and the court dockets show that more people were arrested than in any year before. We had no thought that so many people of our enlightened country would ever turn to high-jacking, embezzling, boot-legging and murdering as the records show. As we study the figures we are prone to exclaim that the human race has reached its zenith in virtue and honesty and is fading, even as a weed that has flowered. But it was a good year—the best that the world has ever known. More men stood for honesty, and more women stood for virtue. Brotherly love gave to the world fairer and sweeter flowers than ever blossomed before. More of the world's unfortunates were aided, more unselfish work was done, more orphans were sheltered, more money was spent for the alleviation of human suffering, and more tender words were spoken. Nineteen-Thirty-One grew the greatest crop of weeds the world has seen, but it also gave us the greatest crop of corn. If the deeds of evil were stacked before us they would make a great mountain of

horror; but if all the unselfish, loving deeds that were performed for the benefit of God's creatures were rungs in a ladder, they would reach from earth to Heaven's glorious summit.

A year is a period of time allotted by Him who hung the stars and gave the planets their orbits for the sun to complete its journey around the elliptic. It marks the age of the world and men. It is like human life, in that it embraces all there is in the way of seasons, in sunshine, clouds, rains and snows. There is Springtime, which in humanity is youth; there is Summer, which is maturing manhood and womanhood; there is Autumn, which is man's gathering and storing period; there is Winter, when vigorous life is chilled and fades away. And there is The End—no, not the end, but a new garment and a new name. The death of the year does not end Time; neither does the death of man end life.

Of course we all made new resolutions, and of course we will not keep them all. Some of the resolutions we have already forgotten and broken. But it is helpful to make new and better resolves. It is better to resolve and break than not to resolve at all. This is progress; it is the working of righteousness. The resolve to scale the mountain peak takes us farther up the mountain side, even though we do not reach the summit.

I am persuaded that New Year was a gloomy day to many of us, because of our low and selfish aspirations. We asked "what shall we have," instead of "what shall we do?" As the day dawned we met it with open palms, beseeching it for material favors. For this the promise was not bright, and we turned away in sadness and gloom. Had we met the year with a longing to do, a prayer for usefulness, a craving to give, a smile of hope and promise would have rewarded our supplications. Never was there opportunity to be of greater service than NOW.

Yes, I am going to keep inviolate the custom of our country by making for the readers of this department a New Year wish. I wish for you plenty of work to do, and trust that you may love your work even as a love-sick swain loves his sweetheart, and that you may get as much pleasure out of working as a lover gets out of courting; also that your labors will yield returns as rich and sweet as the sweetheart's kiss. I trust that you may be so perfect in mood, in temperament and determination that you will be able to smile instead of saying "damn" when you stub your toe or hit your finger with a hammer. When the withering, parching drouth comes I wish for you a perfect faith that will see huge ears of corn instead of nubbins, and when the pantry runs low and credit is exhausted I trust you may be so strong and heroic that you will swear by the great horn spoon that corn-bread and sorghum are more pleasing to the taste than syllabub and cake.

## Politics Again

In our country every other year is political year. Some people contend that this is unfortunate—that elections should be at least ten years apart, and that during the intervening space politics should never be mentioned. These contend that political campaigns disturb business, excite the people and turn their minds from work, which should be the common and continuing lot of man. From this opinion I dissent. Truly political campaigns make us do uncanny things, but they are by no means an unmixed evil. We receive from them far more than we lose to their account. Political campaigns are educational; yea, they teach men the science of government, they introduce them to the poets and philosophers. The common run of people would know no more about how their government functions but for the political spell-binders than they would know of the Bible if there were no preachers. We are too lazy, or too indifferent, to study these things for ourselves. Political campaigns are real schools of oratory. They train and develop men in the graces of the orator's art. If we had only our prayer meetings, and the meetings of official boards, directors, etc., we would have no orators who could get up steam sufficient to electrify an audience and move men to deeds of valor. It is necessary for men to be swayed occasionally, and they cannot be swayed without skillful and impassioned oratory. Scotland would not have struck that wonderful blow for freedom but for the oratory of Robert Bruce, neither would magna charta have been wrung from King John at Runnymede but for the impassioned addresses of the hard-headed English barons. And the need for orators in our land today is fully as great as in Scotland and England in centuries gone by. The cormorants are with us, and their claws must be clipped; we must swat the octopi and mulet the money minions, and we will never do this unless the proletariat are aroused to patriotic impulse and awaked to ecstasy by silver-tongued orators.

What the school room is to the children, political campaigns are to the grown-ups. Without the school-keeper the children would learn very little about "readin', ritin' and arithmetic," and but for the political spell-binders the grown-ups would learn very little about government, history or poetry. Furthermore, if there were no political speakers to stir us up to a deeper appreciation of our liberties, I fear we would soon cease to do homage at liberty's shrine, and our United States would soon, like Venice of old, be no more than the shell and shadow of a republic. Let the orators come and point out to us the sad state of Venice, Rome, Greece and Nineveh when the people of these once mighty nations ceased to worship at liberty's shrine, and then move us to shout, throw up our hats, and swear that the fires of liberty lighted by our patriotic forefathers never shall be quenched.

## And the Flu Came, Also

It's flu time again. I have no desire to attempt another description of this alien malady, or tell of its follies and foibles, but I do desire to make what may seem to you a strange wish concerning it. Since we must have the flu in our country, I wish it had come a hundred years before it did. The flu has been with us about twenty years, and the doctors seem to know no more about it than when it came. If you talk to a doctor about it, he'll give you to understand (perhaps with an oath) that he doesn't believe doctors will ever learn anything much about it, except that it's a child of perdition. But if the flu had been wafted to our shores a hundred years ago, our forefathers and foremothers and good old foreaunts would have found a simple home-remedy that would have knocked it higher than Gilroy's kite. I have checked up on the whole category of disease and find that the flu is the only malady our forebears didn't leave a cure for. The dear old souls left specifics for all other ills of the flesh. From them we learned that sleeping with a dirty sock tied around the neck would put a crimp in every form of sore throat; they taught us that if one should be attacked by rheumatism he could free himself from it in a jiffy by carrying an Irish potato in the left-side pocket; that when baby was noisy a dose of catnip tea would woo the youngster to pleasant dreams; when worms attacked the internal economy of young hopeful a draught of Jerusalem oak would free it from the troublesome parasites; that a buckeye in the pocket was a sure cure for hemorrhoids, and that taking nine sips of water without drawing a breath would put the worst case of hiccoughs over the dump. But, sad to relate, the flu didn't get here in time for the Aunt Mandies and Uncle Peters to study it in all of its ramifications and find a cure, and I fear that frail humanity will never be freed from the alien monster.

If you didn't receive any Christmas presents, don't be too sorely grieved. You can doubtless buy most of the gifts that other people received at twenty cents on the dollar.

The nations engage in much talk about doing away with all the implements of war, such as battleships, submarines, cannons, machine guns, mustard gas, etc. I don't believe they will ever do it. If they should do away with all these weapons and reduce the wars of nations to fist-fighting, Ireland might go on a rampage and conquer the whole world.

Distance lends enchantment, and people are much richer when they are far away than when we come in close touch with them. When a home girl or a home boy gets married in a distant city, we usually hear that her or his mate is very wealthy, so rich in fact that we cannot but wonder how Cupid could have steered her or him against so much gold. The amount of the mate's wealth

is usually placed at from one-half to one million dollars. Bye and bye we learn a little more and the fortune begins to dwindle. Then further information comes and brings the truth: the newly-married couple are pushed to meet their grocery bills. And the second year, sad to relate, the couple move to the old home community and live with the wife's or husband's parents.

A writer in one of the daily papers pleads for better music and a better appreciation of music. He enters complaint against the poor patronage given grand opera, when grand opera has come this way, and intimates that not much can be expected of a people who turn away from grand opera and applaud jazz. Possibly good Democrats could be educated up to the point that would enable them to like grand opera, just as some have been educated up to the point of relishing olives and carrots, but I hope I will not live to see the day when two old-time fiddlers playing "Turkey in the Straw" can't oust every Democrat from a grand opera performance and set all of them to knocking the back-step. Grand opera is for women, if they have the clothes, but if you want action in the feet and glory in the soul have the old boys "rawsum" the bow and start something quick and devilish.

There's a big difference between saying and doing, and those who teach are frequently the slowest to learn. The movie picture artists have convinced most of us, who did not know it before, that this is true. The movie actors and actresses are constantly portraying the beauties and glories of the holy attributes, love, devotion and constancy, yet nearly all of them are divorces, many of them having been divorced three or four times to take a new lift partner. The movie people portray for humanity the nobler emotions, and do their work gloriously, but when it comes to living their teachings, most of them are rank failures. And why? As a rule they are wealthy and have all that money can provide in the way of comfort and luxury, yet they are nearly always up against domestic tragedy. Teaching others the better things of life, they seem to lose the romance from their own lives. Perhaps they see so much of the false that they doubt the true. The lessons of the drama would appeal to us all with much greater force if those who portray them would live them.

Authorities on men's wear announce that the old bell-bottom trousers are coming back. Fine! The news is good enough to shout over. With the bell-bottom trousers, a fellow doesn't have to pull off his shoes in order to change his pants, but can go from Sunday pants to every-day pants, or vice versa, without bothering with his shoes or their lacings. Of course it won't make much difference this year, as most men have only one pair of pants, but it will be fine when flush times come again and the male species can change the bifurcated garments with their shoes on.

# Dissertation on Critics and Criticism

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ALL my life I have resented criticism, especially the kind tinged with sarcasm and ridicule, leaving in its wake humiliation and discouragement. In my humble opinion thoughtless criticism has wrecked more lives, shattered more hopes and aspirations than anything else in the world. There are thousands of men today working for meagre salaries who, were it not for the critics, would be holding positions of trust and greater remuneration. If that dern crowd of wise-crackers had kept their mouths shut about the time I started shaving fuzz from my upper lip, in all probability a sign like this would now adorn the office door in one of our largest cities:



"I was the leading tragedian"

I suppose there was never an age or time that critics did not flourish and afflict humanity. I imagine the first cave man to put on a breech-cloth, similar to the one worn by Mahatma Gandhi, on his recent visit to London, had to discard it on account of the jabbering criticism of other cave men who opposed all new-fangled ideas. And I venture the remark that Noah was literally beset with critics while he was building the Ark. I imagine the criticisms were something like this:

"What's the old nut wasting all that good lumber for, building a boat fifty miles from the nearest river?"

"Say, old timer, why don't you change your plans and build a barn instead of a boat?"

"I'll bet you the best camel I own against a one-eyed sheep that you'll never finish it and if you do it won't float."

Luckily for humanity, Noah paid no attention to critics, but stayed on the job until the Ark was finished.

## An Ill-Timed Criticism

An ill-timed criticism in a newspaper,

that tried to be funny, not only caused a home-talent company, of which I was the leading tragedian, to disband, but destroyed all the dramatic ambition in our community for many years to come.

This play, or drama, had its inception in a school concert and was so enthusiastically received by the home folks that we decided to put it on in a nearby town of some two thousand population that boasted an opera house. Had the venture proved a success we fully intended to tour the State and play in all the larger towns and cities.

The following article appeared in a leading newspaper of the town the day after the drama was produced:

## "A RIP-ROARING COMEDY"

"One of the most enjoyable and laughable events ever to come to our city was the three-act comedy entitled, 'By Order of the King,' played by boys and girls of the Cave Creek school. It was a scream from start to finish and the way they manipulated the curtain on death-bed scenes, the rescue of the fainting heroine, etc., called forth prolonged laughter and applause. The villain played his part so well that he received hearty encores from all parts of the house. He had a way of juggling his false whiskers, from the front of his face to the back of his neck, that was truly astounding and must have required long practice and much skill.

"The climax of the comedy came in the last act when the King ordered the execution of the brave and daring lover for some rebellious act against His Majesty's government. The hero stood with folded arms, brave and unflinching, in the face of certain death, defying the King's soldiers, while the flower and chivalry of our town looked on in amused expectancy.

## Intentionally Tragic

"But let's hasten on and not prolong a scene so intentionally tragic. 'I die that my country may live,' spake the noble hero in a strong manly voice, according to Hoyle, and the last rehearsals at the Cave Creek school house. The captain of the firing squad cried out in a quavering voice like unto one in great travail of spirit:

"Present arms, take aim and fire at the count of three. One—two—and then the heroine, weighing some forty or fifty pounds more than the hero, came upon the stage in a mad rush, knocking down tables and chairs and shrieking at the top of her voice, 'A reprieve! a reprieve!'

"She fell heavily into her lover's arms and sent him sprawling upon the floor. At this juncture a gun in the hands of one of the King's soldiers went off accidentally, the curtain fell and the show was over.

"As before stated, it was one of the most laughable farces that ever came to our town and we congratulate those who

were responsible for staging and directing it, trusting that our people may be favored with another comedy production from the same company."

That criticism, or rather burlesque, on the drama, "By Order of the King," not only cost the editor publishing it several subscribers in the Cave Creek community, but was the cause of factional strife between two neighbor towns for many years thereafter.

It did no good for the editor to come out with a long article of apology a few weeks later, vowing that he thought the play was a comedy, instead of a drama, and had given it the praise he thought it so justly deserved. The folks of Cave Creek bitterly resented the editor's write-up and exclaimed, unanimously:

"The very idea of his claiming he took it for a farce! That was simply adding insult to injury."

Being the victim of so many criticisms has tended to soften my spirit and give me greater sympathy and tolerance for my fellow man. No matter how often tempted, I refrain from any and all criticisms. If some wild-eyed fellow were to tell me he was about to invent a perpetual motion device that would revolutionize the industrial world, I wouldn't discourage him in the least with criticism, but would brag on his wonderful genius and have him list me as a purchaser for one of his machines just as soon as it could be perfected and delivered.

## THE TEXAN'S SPEECH

Many years ago a Texan was visiting in an Eastern State. While attending a banquet one evening he was asked to tell the company what he knew about Texas, and responded with the following classic:

"Texas is a whopper. She's a peach. She's the wildest and broadest and longest country on earth, extending from east to west and from north to south.

She could put Rhode Island in her vest pocket. She could swallow three or four States like Maryland and wash 'em down by drinking the Mississippi river dry, and could digest 'em without ever having the colic.

"Texas is the empire State of the Union without any Kaiser Bill for emperor. She's the chiefest among ten thousand and altogether lively, wild and reckless. She's the pebble on the beach.

She's one of the old blue hen's chickens. She's the cock of the walk and the democrat of the world. She's a wolf, and it's her day to howl.

"Texas is bounded on the east by the alligators of Louisiana and the huckleberry thickets of Arkansas. She's bounded on the west by the chili carne of New Mexico and the tamales of Old Mexico. She is bounded on the south by the Gulf of Mexico; and if it wasn't

for that measly body of salty water she would extend beyond the South Pole. As I said in the beginning, Texas is a whopper; she's a Jim Dandy, and don't you forget it."

## DISHRAG GOURD MAY MEAN MUCH FOR McALLEN

The establishment at McAllen for the manufacture of dishrag gourd products is being projected by a man late from

California, who recently conferred with Chamber of Commerce officials relative to placing such a plant near the place.

It is said that a number of articles of commercial use are made from the lowly dishrag gourd, including shoe insoles, bath mats, summer hats, dishrags, potholders and other household necessities. It is claimed that the gourds thrive in the Lower Valley climate.

# BRIEF TEXAS NEWS

FROM OVER  
THE STATE

## ORPHANAGE DEDICATED

The \$45,000 national orphanage of the Woodmen of the World recently constructed at Sherman was dedicated a few weeks ago by State and national officers of the order.

## BANKS WILL BASE LOANS ON LIVING AT HOME

Declaring that one-crop programs have always proved disastrous, and that it is impossible to grow one crop, especially cotton, and meet their obligations, more than twenty banks in the Panhandle have adopted the policy of basing farm loans in the future on whether or not a farmer is carrying out a program of living at home.

## CONTRACT LET FOR TUBERCULAR SANATORIUM

The contract for the State Tubercular Sanatorium at Carlsbad has been let and construction work thereon will soon be under way. The bid of Bailey, Burn & Fitzpatrick, Dallas contractors, which was \$66,750, was accepted. The plumbing and electrical contracts were let separately.

## BRIDGE ACROSS NECHES SOUGHT

The Commissioners Court of Jefferson county has passed an order formally requesting the State Highway Commission to make application to the War Department on behalf of the county for the construction of a low bridge across the Neches river at Dryden Crossing. The tentative plan for the structure has been prepared by the State Bridge Engineer, the estimated cost being \$667,675. The maintenance cost, which would be \$5,500 annually, would be borne by Jefferson county.

## POTASH COMPANY PLANS OPERATIONS

The Texas Potash Corporation contemplates starting during the present year activities in the West Texas field, located about ten miles southeast of Odessa, in an area covering some eighteen square miles. The potential value of the tonnage in sight at present market values is over \$5,700,000. The development program calls for a fully equipped mine unit with a 2,100 foot shaft to the potash deposits. Something like \$2,500,000 will be invested in the project.

## CONGRESSMAN HAS TREE THAT BEARS 12 KINDS OF PECANS

One of the most enthusiastic pecan growers in Texas is Hon. John Garner, Congressman from the Uvalde district and Speaker of the National House of Representatives. Mr. Garner has long been interested in the propagation and cultivation of the thin-shelled varieties of pecans, and when not on duty at Washington spends much time looking after his trees.

On one beautiful tree, which stands in the yard of Mr. Garner's home, an even dozen varieties of pecans are growing. The varieties include the Burkett, Humble, Kelly, Love, Mahan, McAllister, Nueces, Onilwon, San Saba Improved, Schley, Western Schley and Venus.

## 101 LETTERS ENGRAVED ON GRAIN OF RICE

Dr. John Ashton, of Mercedes, has a curio which came all the way from India that is truly a wonder. It was sent by a museum at Delhi, India.

The curio is an ordinary size grain of rice on which is the following inscription: "May God grant a long, happy and prosperous life to Dr. John Ashton, editor of the Valley Farmer, Mercedes, Texas, United States of America."

The grain of rice is fastened to the end of a glass rod and is enclosed in a small glass vial. This is packed in a metal container, which resembles a thermos bottle. The bottle is packed together with a magnifying case which is decorated in brass-colored metal bands and trimmings. The curio has been on display in the high school at Mercedes.

## FORT D. A. RUSSELL TO BE ABANDONED

Despite protests from officials and citizens of Texas, the War Department at Washington has announced that it will carry out its intention of abandoning Fort D. A. Russell, at Marfa. The troops will be removed from the post by next June.

The passing of the fort is to be accompanied by the conversion of the regiment now stationed there, the "Dandy First" cavalry. Thus, the oldest and most colorful cavalry regiment, after one hundred years of service, is to abandon horses and saddles for motorcycles. Jefferson Davis, later President of the Confederacy, was lieutenant of this regiment in 1834.

Fort D. A. Russell is so situated that it commands a large section of the Big Bend country, the most sparsely settled and least known part of the State. The country is of such a nature and is so located that it is inviting to lawless elements below the Rio Grande, and for these reasons most Texans believe that the post at Marfa should have been maintained.

## INCOME OF TEXAS RAILROADS

The net operating income of Texas railroads for the nine months of 1931, ending October 1, was \$13,960,574, a decrease of \$5,822,881, according to the report of the Texas Railway Commission.

Passenger revenues showed a falling off of \$5,002,780 and freight revenue decreased \$24,527,000. Total operating expenses were cut \$23,747,575.

## EAST TEXAS COUNTIES SHOW HEAVY POPULATION GAIN

The four East Texas counties of Smith, Gregg, Rusk and Upshur, showed a gain in population of at least 50,000 last year. The rapid growth was due to the discovery of oil in these counties early last year. The heaviest gain was in the counties of Rusk and Gregg, which included the towns of Kilgore, Henderson, Longview, Gladwater and Overton.

## WED 65 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jackson, of Salty, Cameron county, recently celebrated their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary at the community church, with eight of their twelve children present.

Mr. Jackson is a Confederate veteran and the only survivor of Company C, Sixtieth Alabama Infantry. He is in his 87th year and his wife is in her 83rd. They are the grandparents of seventy-one children and great grandparents of sixty-six.

## RAILROAD REDUCES FARES

The Texas & Pacific Railway Company, effective December 1, reduced passenger fares on certain trains to 1 1/2 cents per mile. The trains in which the reduced fares obtain are 31 and 32 between Fort Worth and Texarkana and intermediate stations on the Transcontinental division, Nos. 6 and 7, between Dallas, Fort Worth and Big Spring. The reduction is in the nature of an experiment and was with the permission of the Texas Railway Commission.

## PARROT OWNED 58 YEARS BY ONE FAMILY

A few weeks ago "Jack," a Mexican yellowhead parrot, which has been in the R. A. Chapman family, of Sherman, died of old age while sitting on his perch.

In 1873 this parrot and its mate were purchased for the Chapmans by Chilt Andrews who had been commissioned by them to make the trip into Mexico after the parrots. The other bird sooth died.

## TEXAS' BIG INCOME PAYERS

The high tide of prosperity running in Texas during the first three quarters of 1929, before the collapse of the New York stock market, is reflected in the income tax figures for the 1929 calendar year recently released by the Treasury Department.

For that year 113,555 persons in Texas paid an income tax, which was nearly 2 per cent of the population. From these income tax payers Uncle Sam collected \$12,866,950.

Of the oft-quoted statement that a person enjoying an annual net income of \$100,000 or more is a millionaire, Texas had 152 individuals ranging from the millionaire classification up to that of multi-millionaire. There were 65 individual net incomes of \$100,000 to \$150,000, one of \$750,000 to \$1,000,000, and one of more than \$5,000,000. Harris county led the State in the number of individual returns.

## TEXAS FIRST IN GAS OUTPUT

A recent survey showing natural gas development for 1930, prepared by the United States Bureau of Mines, shows Texas to have again assumed first place as the largest natural gas producing State. The total output for the State, according to the report, lists a total of 517,880,000 cubic feet, or a gain of 11 per cent over the previous year.

This output, however, was insufficient to meet the requirements of consumers, and it was necessary to take an additional 8,280,000,000 cubic feet from adjoining States, placing Texas in first place, not only as the largest producer, but also the largest consumer of natural gas in the United States.

## 14 1/2 POUND POTATO

L. C. Morris, a farmer residing six miles north of Dublin, recently exhibited in Dublin the largest sweet potato ever seen in that section. The huge potato was of the Porto Rico variety and weighed 14 1/2 pounds. The potato was grown from certified seed. Mr. Morris said he found many potatoes in the same patch weighing as high as eight pounds.

## FIRST ICE FACTORY IN TEXAS

The first ice manufactured in the United States was in Texas. Jefferson, Texas, claims the honor of being the home of the first ice factory in our country, the first ice made in the United States having been manufactured there in 1873.

The machinery for the country's first ice factory consisted of a low pressure engine and the molds used in blocking the ice were six feet long, four feet wide and six inches thick. The blocks when first made were not frozen solid, but contained a hollow space in the center where the water remained in its liquid state.

The ice plant at Jefferson was only operated two summers, and the output of the factory was mostly used in supplying local trade and nearby farmers who used the ice in cooling milk and butter.

J. H. Boyle, of Jefferson, was the inventor of this machinery, and also patented a way of making ammonia out of lime, sulphuric acid and other ingredients. Boyle left Jefferson in 1875 and moved to Chicago, where later he sold his patent to northern capitalists. The name Boyle still appears on ice machinery made under his patents.

## TEXAS RIVER FLOWS TWO WAYS

A. H. Dunlap, a member of the State Board of Water Engineers, says there is a river in Texas that flows two ways. This fact was discovered by Mr. Dunlap recently during a trip to Kinney county. The river, or creek, is a branch of the Nueces, with a high hill between a twist of the stream.

Mr. Dunlap says when the water is low on one side water will flow through the hill by an underground channel to the other side. Sometimes one side is low and then the other. Not far from there a branch of the Nueces runs along for many miles, disappears altogether underground, and then reappears.

In the same county, Kinney, is located the Hilcoat cavern, about two miles from the stream that frequently changes its course. This cavern is almost unknown except to those living in the vicinity, but Mr. Dunlap says it is the most picturesque in Texas, with enormous stalactites. Explorers have gone into the interior for 1,000 feet. It is very similar to the Carlsbad cave.

## TEXAS CORN PRODUCTION

Texas was well up among the leaders of the States in corn production the past year, according to the Department of Agriculture's records, a total yield of 112,203,000 bushels having been harvested in the Lone Star State.

That was only about 4,000,000 bushels less than Kansas produced, and Kansas is known as a large corn-producing State. Iowa, as usual, led with a total production of 389,203,000 bushels, while Illinois came second with 338,189,000 bushels. In the entire country the excess production over that of the previous year was 580,000,000 bushels.

As the movement for Texas farmers to produce their own food and feed develops the Texas corn output will doubtless increase. This year's crop, however, is indicative that the live-at-home policy is being widely adopted on Texas farms. Strange as it may sound, this State does not supply its own corn requirements, but ships in large supplies from outside the State. There are even a lot of farmers who do not produce feed for their stock, and who buy imported corn. So, while the Texas corn crop is large, it can be readily seen that Texas could with advantage to itself produce a much greater quantity of corn.

## TWO IN FAMILY BORN ON ARMISTICE DAY

Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Moss Hart, of Nacogdoches, on Armistice days of the past four years. On November 1, 1927, a boy was born to the family, while on Armistice Day of last year a girl arrived.

## A MONUMENT FOR J. T. ROBISON

A bust of the late J. T. Robison, for many years Land Commissioner, will be unveiled in Austin shortly, according to word received from the president of the Association sponsoring the memorial. For this memorial a fund of \$3,000 is being raised with contributions from many Texas ranchmen.

Commissioner Robison died a short time after an attempt had been made in the House of Representatives to impeach him for his policies in administering the State land laws. The attempt was unsuccessful, the charges having been voted down by an overwhelming vote.

## QUARANTINE ON PEACH TREE EXTENDED

The Federal quarantine on account of the phony peach disease has been extended by the Secretary of Agriculture to cover the State of Louisiana, Mississippi and South Carolina, and parts of the States of Texas, Arkansas, Florida, Illinois and Tennessee. The quarantine was also extended to parts of Alabama and Georgia which are not already under quarantine. This is to prevent the spread of this disease.

The products restricted under this quarantine are peach trees, peach roots, nectarine trees, nectarine roots or any kind or variety of trees or shrubs grafted or budded on peach or nectarine roots. The fruits do not carry the disease and are, therefore, not affected by the quarantine. Interstate shipments of these articles from the quarantined areas is conditional on securing a Federal permit.

The disease has been known in Georgia for several years and is believed to have spread from centers of infection in that State to other areas through the infection of nursery stock prior to the establishment of the Federal quarantine in 1929.

Peach trees infected with the phony disease never recover and the crop returns gradually become less and less, making the infected trees valueless.

## TEXAS HAT FACTORY

There is a hat factory in Dallas which began operations five years ago and has had phenomenal success. The concern has proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that men's hats can be successfully manufactured and sold in Texas.

Five years ago a small factory was equipped on one of the upper floors of the company's building; prior to that time the company having been engaged in wholesaling, but not making hats.

In this little factory twelve operators were employed, and were able to turn out about ten dozen hats a day, and an equal number of caps. The business grew rapidly, and as more of the hats and caps were sold additional machinery was installed and more operators were employed. The company now employs 125 operators and is running overtime to fill the demand for its hats in Texas and the Southwest.

The operators employed in the factory are paid approximately \$250,000 per annum. In addition to the employees in the factory there are 20 traveling salesmen, besides a large force of house salesmen, order-fillers, packers, clerical help and the like. The entire Southwest is covered by the traveling salesmen, about 60 per cent of the business being done outside of Texas.

## NARCOTIC PRISON FARM

The Treasury Department will ask the budget bureau to approve a recommendation that \$164,780 be appropriated by Congress as the Government's contribution toward the purchase of the Narcotic prison farm site to be located in Tarrant county, six miles and a half miles from the city limits of Fort Worth. The Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce has offered to furnish the balance needed to acquire the property, which embraces 1,447 acres. The treasury will also ask the budget bureau to approve an additional sum to start work on the prison farm. The total estimated cost of the farm and site is \$3,000,000.

The prison farm will be unique in that narcotic addicts may voluntarily submit themselves for treatment. While intended primarily for Federal prisoners, any one with the drug habit may receive treatment. The farm is to be administered by the public health service. Two such farms were authorized by Congress, and the first is nearly completed at Lexington, Kentucky. They are the only such Federal institutions.

## TEXAS SILVER MINE MAY BE REOPENED

There is a strong probability that the big silver mine at Shafter will be reopened soon. A group of engineers recently visited the mine and announced that it was in condition to be opened on very short notice.

This was the greatest silver mine in Texas, and it had been operated forty-five years previous to its closing down a little more than a year ago. It was shut down on account of the low price of silver, but now that the price is somewhat higher it is believed that the big mine will again be in operation in a short time.

## MARRIED SIXTY-THREE YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Ellis, pioneer residents of the city of Fort Worth, celebrated the sixty-third anniversary of their marriage a few weeks ago, with a family reunion at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis were married in Fort Worth in 1867, and have made their home in that city continuously since their marriage. Few couples have been married so long a time, and very few have lived so long in the same city following their marriage.

## PLANS ORDERED FOR BUILDINGS AT A. & M.

Directors of the Texas A. & M. College have ordered the architect to draw up plans and specifications for five major buildings. The buildings to be erected are the agricultural engineering building, to cost \$200,000; petroleum engineering building, to cost \$250,000; veterinary hospital group, to cost \$200,000, and administration building, the cost of which is yet to be determined.

Work on the agricultural engineering building is to begin soon. The board also directed completion of final details for a modern swimming pool for use of the students as a phase of physical education.

Funds for the building program being launched are to come from A. & M.'s share of the income from the University of Texas oil lands.

The board has also authorized the construction of a combination gymnasium and assembly hall at North Texas Agricultural College at Arlington.

## PRODUCTION OF TURPENTINE AND ROSIN DECREASED

It is feared that what is known as the "naval stores" industry of Texas is nearing its end, by those who have closely investigated conditions surrounding it. This was once a large industry in lower East Texas, but it seems to be nearing its end on account of the scarcity of virgin longleaf pine forests.

The production of turpentine and rosin, commonly known as naval stores, reached its greatest activity in Texas in 1919. That year 18,128 barrels of turpentine and 60,179 barrels of rosin were produced. Only one species of pine trees, the longleaf, is tapped in Texas for turpentine and rosin, and these are growing too scarce for the industry to maintain large proportions. The other species of pine, the shortleaf and loblolly, do not yield sufficient gum to make operations profitable.

With the cutting of the virgin and old growth stands of longleaf the turpentine and rosin supplies have gradually decreased. In 1930 only 4,500 barrels of turpentine and 11,000 barrels of rosin were produced. At present four turpentine stills are in operation, but it is probable that in a few months only one will continue production. The supply of longleaf adjacent to this still will probably make its operation possible for three or four years.

## DENISON FACTORY PAYS \$3,000,000 FOR PEANUTS AND PECANS

The Barnhart Mercantile Company recently completed a five-story building, constructed of brick, concrete and steel, in Denison. This new plant replaced a frame structure which was destroyed by fire in September, 1930.

The large building has a basement for handling peanuts exclusively, a large brick warehouse for storing peanuts and an iron warehouse for storing returns from the peanut factory used in the manufacture of stock foods.

The factory began operations in Denison in 1909, having a factory capacity of two cars daily and with little storage. It was soon shown that peanuts could be profitably grown in the sandy lands of North Texas and Southern Oklahoma and the acreage rapidly increased. The factory increased its capacity to four cars daily for shelling and classifying peanuts. It operated at this capacity until the plant was destroyed by fire.

The new plant has a capacity for handling eight cars of shelled peanuts daily and is equipped with the most modern type of machinery. In addition to shelling and classifying peanuts, the plant is equipped to manufacture stock food from peanut products. The company also operates a large pecan-cracking and classifying plant adjoining the peanut factory, which handles many carloads of pecans annually.

During seven months of the year the pay roll to employees of the company runs over \$150,000, and the amount paid for peanuts and pecans exceeds \$3,000,000.



Representative John N. Garner, elected Speaker of 72nd Congress, sacking pecans on his farm near Uvalde, Texas. Mr. Garner raises the best varieties of paper-shell pecans.

## Here In HICO

Since this is the time of the year for taking inventory, checking up on the business during the past year, and ascertaining conditions at the threshold of the New Year, would it not be appropriate to carry this investigation and checking up a little farther than is customary? Other things besides tangible assets enter into the situation, and a merchant can not properly come to an understanding of his opportunities by simply listing his goods, comparing sales and purchases and figuring with material assets and liabilities.

Far more important than inventories of stocks is the calculation of possible sales through good-will that has been encouraged through past performance. It is most important to keep stocks up to standard, offer them at fair margins of profit, and conduct the inside workings of a business in a sane manner. But there is something else that causes a business to either fail or succeed, and that is customer interest. If a man should conduct the most modern store in the whole country, have a store full of wanted articles and place a low price on same, without customer interest he might as well be out in the middle of the Sahara Desert.

A few days at the first of the year are always allowed by the buying public for taking stock by the merchants, during which time they have learned that everything is in a turmoil, and they have become accustomed to overlooking slight breaches of business etiquette and, to a certain extent, slack service. Now that this period is over, they have a right to expect, and in fact will demand, the same instant, courteous service throughout the year. They will look for new items in stocks, and will as in the past respond to thoughtful, effective advertising. The merchant who goes out into business will find that there is business to be had, regardless of the national economic situation, and the one who makes up his mind that he is not going to do so well, and lets down his sales efforts right at a time they are needed most, is doomed before he starts the year, and might as well find some other way of earning his livelihood.

Our association with the residents of the section around Hico has given assurance that there is still money in the country. The farmers are not throwing away any of their hard-earned cash, but nevertheless they have money, in most cases, to buy what they need and want, even to a greater extent than during the past few months. They are going to trade at home if the home merchants will let them—will furnish the proper inducements for their doing so. But if their good will is not cultivated, they are going to trade elsewhere, and once they start that procedure, local merchants will find the situation hard to change. There is no wisdom in "waiting for the better times" for better times are not coming—we will have to go out after them.

The statements of the two banking institutions in Hico appear in this issue, and reflect a most healthy condition locally. Those who would really get a true picture of the financial condition of this section will be encouraged by the reports. Both statements, in comparison with those of other institutions over the country, stand out as shining examples of the soundness of the banks, and should be studied by those who would know the facts. In spite of the adverse conditions encountered during the past two years in farming operations, people seem to be getting money from somewhere to pay their debts, and the statements show a marked improvement over previous reports, in many ways.

Comparison of reports this year and those made on a corresponding date last year reveal the fact that loans have been reduced to the extent of \$37,430.21. Cash on hand this year totals \$32,543.43 more than that on hand a year ago. Overdrafts have been reduced to about 40 per cent of what they were a year ago. And deposits remain at about the same level, in spite of the fact that people have found ways and means of reducing their indebtedness both to the banks and in other channels of business. We are proud of our banking institutions, and believe that any sane person who studies their sworn statements to the Comptroller of the Currency, at this juncture in this issue of the News Review will find encouragement and a source of pride.

## H. W. Henderson In Race For Re-Election As County Clerk

In the formal announcement column of the News Review this week will be found the name of H. W. Henderson, who is a candidate for re-election to the office of County Clerk. As many of the voters of Hamilton County know, he has had enough experience in this office to be familiar with all the records and the many duties incumbent upon the County Clerk, conducting the affairs of his office in such manner as to win the approbation of the entire public. The auditors have always found his books to balance to the penny, and have complimented him on his efficient records.

Besides being one of the county's best public servants, Mr. Henderson is one of the county's best citizens and is a Christian gentleman whose influence for good is broad.

Mr. Henderson says he will greatly appreciate the voter's consideration in the coming election of any kind word spoken in his behalf. If re-elected, he says he will try to conduct the affairs of his office so that none will regret the honor the people of Hamilton County will have bestowed upon him.

Yielding to the appeal of many friends to again make the race for Tax Collector, I have decided to enter the campaign. I did not think I would ask for the office again, but the office has undergone so many different changes in the last twelve months. The half payment plan has made the office so much more complicated and expensive to operate and the "Fee Bill" has lowered the compensation, so that under these conditions I will again ask for the office. I have served the people as fair and courteous as I know how, given as prompt service as possible at all times. I have nothing to offer only that if nominated to the office, I will endeavor to serve the people as I have tried to in the past.

## Shade Register Has Message For Voters Of Hamilton County

The blaze of color on the streets and places in and about Hico during the past few days was the outcome of exercises held at the Hico High School last Friday afternoon, when sweaters were presented to 14 members of the 1931 football squad, and jerseys to 34 members of the Pep Squad which so loyally supported the team in all its maneuvers.

Coach Miles presided over the meeting, which was held in the High School auditorium at 3:00 o'clock, and which was attended by a fair representation from the citizenship of the town in addition to members of certain grades of the school.

H. F. Sellers, Cashier of the Hico National Bank, and a staunch supporter of the Antelopes was the first called upon for expression, and responded in a pleasing manner, conveying to the boys the message that the town was proud of the school and the football team and all the citizens were proud of having a part in the donation of funds used in procuring the sweaters.

## Meeting Called For This Afternoon To Study Short Course

A meeting of Hico business men, citizens and interested farmers from this territory has been called for 2:30 this afternoon (Friday) for the purpose of considering the advisability of putting on a short course here, in connection with the plan outlined a few weeks ago.

F. J. Wolfe, field man for the International Harvester Company, and F. L. Starke of Dallas, a representative of the same company, arrived in Hico Thursday afternoon, and will remain over for the meeting, in the meantime interviewing as many of those interested in the project as possible. At noon they will be guests of the Hico Luncheon Club, and it is hoped that a representative number of the members will be on hand to give these visitors a good impression of their visit.

## "Mule" Turkey Is Bred



A new hybrid may displace turkey as a national dish. It is called "turken" and is a cross between an Austrian white turkey and a Rhode Island Red hen. Its flesh is said to be delicious.

## Sweaters Presented To Football Squad Friday Afternoon

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H. F. Sellers, Cashier of the Hico National Bank, and a staunch supporter of the Antelopes was the first called upon for expression, and responded in a pleasing manner, conveying to the boys the message that the town was proud of the school and the football team and all the citizens were proud of having a part in the donation of funds used in procuring the sweaters.

Mr. Sellers was followed by Rev. J. M. Perry, pastor of the Hico Methodist Church, who made a few remarks along the line of sportsmanship. Rev. Perry told stories relative to the subject, and enlarged upon them to show that sportsmanship was necessary in all walks of life.

Mr. Miles then took a stand upon the stage and distributed the sweaters to the boys whose names were pinned on them. The sweaters were of a bright orange color, having the letter "H" in relief on the front, and made a beautiful scene when the members of the squad donned them and stood up for inspection, some of the members making short talks.

After the presentation of the football sweaters, Miss Norwood was called upon for a message, in which she stated that the Pep Squad was determined not to be outdone by the boys, and had made arrangements for some new articles of clothing for themselves. The articles mentioned proved to be neat jerseys with the words, "Pep Squad" emblazoned on their fronts. Pep leaders and members of the Pep Squad made short talks, and then the girls were called to the stage for presentation of their new wearing apparel.

## Precipitation For Year Totals 31.45 Inches, 2.96 In Dec.

Following is some weather information as recorded at the weather station in Hico: The temperature during December: Maximum 75 on the 29th. Minimum 27 on the 15th, 18th. Mean maximum 59.3. Mean minimum 39.9. Mean 49.6. Greatest daily range 37. Precipitation 2.96 inches. Greatest in 24 hours, 1.01 on the 1st.

Number of days with .01 inch or more precipitation, 8. Clear days, 3, part cloudy 5, cloudy 3. Heavy frost on the 15th. Precipitation for each month during the year 1931: January—3.10. February—3.12. March—2.95. April—1.16. May—2.96. June—1.30. July—4.74. August—1.86. September—1.55. October—3.41. November—3.14. December—2.96. Total for the year—31.45. JOHN A. EAKINS, Local Observer.

## Friends Not Fooled By Ridiculous Claims Nor "Cheap" Prices

The way our subscriber friends have been paying up for their subscriptions during the past few days indicates that they are not misled by foolish claims of other publications from far and near—such as "largest number of pounds of print paper", "greater number of pages" and similar empty promises. Nor are they being attracted by make-believe Santa Claus publishers who seem to be intent on cramming their papers down the public's throat, as it were, whether they want it or not, and make cut-rate "bargain" prices in an attempt to widen their circulation and back up some of their claims as to coverage.

It seems that people will still subscribe for a home paper when that paper places a just charge on its subscription, and maintains that charge in order to keep its contents up to standard. The News Review claims nothing more than an honest effort to cover news in its territory, augmented by latest syndicate features such as late serial stories, articles by famous writers and short timely tips. Of course the main objective is to furnish a correct chronicle of local events as they happen, and this aim is being furthered through a loyal set of community correspondents and reporters.

Those who have paid their subscriptions have our most profound thanks, and our assurance that they are helping make the paper better by their support.

H. W. Pierce, Route 6, Hico, was in the office Thursday of last week to renew for the Star-Telegram and mark his time for the Hico paper one year.

J. T. Persons paid the editor a visit on New Year's Eve, and had his time for the paper marked up another year. Mr. Persons, a native of Kentucky, was reared in Navarro County, but came to Hico in 1901 and has made his home here ever since. He has been taking the paper ever since he moved here, and has been one of the most staunch friends of this publication. He has four sons, besides E. H. who lives here, and they are all doing well in the business world. They are located at Temple, San Antonio, Haskell and Dallas.

Mrs. E. H. Peek writes from 4004 Avenue S 1-2, Galveston, Texas: "I am sending my personal check for one dollar and fifty cents for renewal of my subscription for your paper." Mrs. Peek is very prompt each year in paying for her subscription, and we hope she finds a great deal of news about her friends here each week in these columns.

Joe Phillips, Iredell, will receive the News Review another year, having renewed last week.

J. C. Lane, city, was in Saturday to collect a little bill, and while here told us to keep the News Review coming to him for another year, giving us back some of our money. Thanks, Mr. Lane.

E. M. Hoover, Fair, renewed recently through W. E. Goyno, the Fairy postmaster.

Mont Young, another staunch friend, who lives between Hico and Fair, in a modern, stucco farm home, renewed for his paper through Mr. Goyno last week.

J. N. Pitts, at Silvertown, Texas, was the third name turned in by Mr. Goyno when he and his new bride visited the office Saturday. Mrs. Pitts is a sister of Mr. Young and a regular reader of the News Review.

G. C. Driver, Route 3, Hico, who will make the race for Public Weigher of Precinct No. 3, will keep up with the news from Hico and this section through the News Review. Mr. Driver's announcement will be found in another column of this issue.

P. B. Hefner, who now gets his mail at Duffau, paid his subscription for another year to Miss Jonnie Huchingson at the news stand a few days ago.

Mrs. Mary McAnelly, city, will read the News Review right on through without missing a copy, since Miss Jonnie Huchingson brought in the money to mark up her time another year.

Mrs. Jo A. Smith, 2025 Western Avenue, Fort Worth, will receive the News Review during the next 12 months as a gift from her mother, Mrs. W. H. Hooker. Mrs. Hooker is most thoughtful about such things as this, having at various times sent the paper to other of her children at different places. This helps to keep them informed about the old home town, so she won't have to answer so many questions when they visit her.

## Raises Silver Standard



William Jennings Bryan, Jr., son of the "Commoner," has called a conference of fifteen Western Governors on the silver question. He asserts there is no politics in his call for a meeting.

## Katy Reaffirms Faith In Southwest In Late Statement

Declaring that with the dawn of the new year the Katy deems it fitting to reaffirm its faith in the Southwest, M. H. Cahill, chairman of the board and president of the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Lines has just issued a statement calling attention to the vast resources of the Katy served territory and predicting that this section of the country is certain to profit as a result of the changes that will result from the depression of 1931.

Headed "The Southwest Beckons Those Who are Looking Ahead" it sounds a new and sound note of optimism and contains many facts that residents of the Southwest may well consider and which will serve to further strengthen their determination to confidently carry on. Paraphrasing Arthur Brisbane, Mr. Cahill, who although a comparative newcomer in the Southwest, has in the last year frequently warned against "selling the Southwest short," presents in his new year statement some interesting reasons for his belief and that of the Katy Lines in the future of this territory. The statement, issued as a part of the Katy's advertising campaign to attract new industries to the Southwest, follows:

"Everywhere men of staunch hearts, clear minds and big vision are looking confidently to the future. They know that always in the wake of slumps come surging waves of expansion. They know that depressions bring readjustments and that it is territories offering greatest opportunities that profit most from the inevitable shifting of capital, population and industry.

"Thus the Southwest has more to look forward to than any other part of the country. For in spite of its teeming cities, its vast farm, ranch and industrial development, its growth has only commenced. It is still a 'new country' immeasurably rich in possibilities, beckoning all those in whose veins flow the blood of pioneers, yet sufficiently proven to intrigue the most conservative.

"In the firm, unflinching and consistent growth that it has achieved, the Southwest has laid a foundation for an era of unprecedented industrial, commercial and agricultural progress. The wealth of its widely diversified products—cotton, grain, cattle, oil, fruits, vegetables, minerals—stagger the imagination. The value of the average cotton crop of Texas alone is almost equal to the value of the zinc, lead and copper mines in the United States. Raw materials are there in abundance. Millions of acres of virgin, fertile soil await the plow. Cheap power is easily available. Production costs are low and climatic conditions are ideal for the full enjoyment of life and for uninterrupted operation of farms and factories. Population is increasing by leaps and bounds and a net work of railroads puts all markets within reach."

ing to them regardless of what happens. John T. Storey, Lockhart, who has considerable property interests in Hico, sent his annual check this week for renewal of his subscription to the News Review.

J. E. Murray, whose home at Black Stump Valley burned to the ground on Christmas Eve, was in the office Wednesday and had the address of his paper changed from Iredell route to Hico route 6.

J. E. Rich, who lives out on Route 6, Hico, dropped in Wednesday and had his Star-Telegram subscription renewed, and his time to the News Review marked up another year, saving himself 50c, and giving us a little business which is always appreciated.

## G. C. Driver For Public Weigher of Precinct No. 3

Having thoroughly considered the matter from every angle, I have decided to make the race this year for Public Weigher of Precinct No. 3, Hamilton County, and will appreciate the support and influence of my many friends in this section.

As will be remembered by many, I intended to run for this office four years ago, but through an oversight and the rush of work in my farming operations I neglected to get my name on the ticket. However after talking to many of my friends who seem anxious that I come out this year, I am making this announcement in plenty of time and hope that it will be considered thoughtfully and favorably.

I hope to be able to see most of the voters in this precinct before the July Primaries, and assure each and everyone that their vote and influence will be appreciated. Having been reared right around Hico, residing in the county for 28 years, and looking to Hico as my trading point through all these years, I believe I am well enough known not to need any introduction. My record during that time will be sufficient evidence that I am sincere, and I will make no promises further than that if elected I will do my best level best to make the people the kind of a public weigher that they want.

## J. T. Dempster of Hamilton Asks Vote And Consideration

The News Review is authorized to announce this week that J. T. Dempster of Hamilton, well known resident of the county for a number of years, has decided to make the race for County Clerk. Mr. Dempster states that as soon as possible he will endeavor to get out among the voters, especially in this part of the county, and lay his claims before them.

Most voters will recall that Mr. Dempster has served as County Clerk before, and is thoroughly familiar with the duties of the office. He promises to discharge same in an efficient manner if the ballots show in his favor in the next election.

He is especially anxious to meet each and every friend of his in the entire county, as well as make the acquaintance of those who do not happen to know him personally, and states that he will make a special effort to do this. His name will be found in the regular announcement column of this issue of the paper.

"If you don't know me or anything about me," states Mr. Dempster, "just make inquiry of someone else who remembers my record while I held this coveted office. If I were not worthy and qualified I would not be making the race. If you consider me so, I will appreciate your vote and influence."

## Lions International Officials Visit With Hico Luncheon Club

W. E. Webb, field director of Lions International, and Howard Condey of Eastland, district governor, were present at the last meeting of the Hico Luncheon Club, held in the dining room of the Midland Hotel last Friday afternoon, and both had interesting messages regarding Lions Club work for the members of the local club.

Problems incident to reorganization as a Lions Club were discussed, and plans laid for retention of the charter if at all advisable. All present indicated a keen interest in the affiliation with Lions International, and Messrs. Webb and Condey presented Lionism in a new light to some of those present.

Mr. Condey, an official in a large refining plant at Eastland, in a fiery and inspired talk of about fifteen minutes, told more than seemed possible in the time allotted, and was given a most interested hearing. He seemed inspired with his work, and stated that he received more good from his Lions Club membership than any of his other operations.

Mr. Webb undertook to cite examples of good done through Lions Clubs; he has been associated with and had visited in his work, and presented an interesting side of Lionism.

Local members present at the meeting were W. E. Petty, W. I. McDowell, Dr. C. C. Baker, H. F. Sellers, E. H. Persons, L. L. Hudson, A. A. Brown, E. H. Elkins, J. W. Richbourg and R. L. Holford. The next meeting of the club will be held today (Friday) at the regular meeting place. A good attendance from the business men and citizens of the town hoped for. Two warrants in payment for land around the Alamo in San Antonio were signed Tuesday by George H. Shepard, state comptroller, and Charley Lockhart, state treasurer. The warrants totaled \$220,000.

## Keeping Up With TEXAS

By dropping \$200 to the street outside his car, E. W. Blount, 907 Monte Vista Drive, Dallas, saved that much from a bandit who held him up at 6 p. m. Monday on Elm St. near Pearl St. Mr. Blount reported to detectives that the hijacker took \$1.05. When the hijacker stepped on the running board with a pistol, Mr. Blount "talked for time," and while the hijacker was not watching dropped the money outside the car.

The San Angelo National Bank closed October 3, reopened Monday with \$400,000 capital and \$100,000 surplus. Ranchers and business men crowded the outside doors before the opening, competing for the honor of making the first deposit. C. B. Metcalfe, pioneer farmer and rancher, who went to that section before the town was established around old Fort Concho, made the first deposit, \$100 in gold. There were lines of depositors at the 12 teller windows throughout the morning.

A piece of lingerie stolen from a Corsicana store six years ago was returned Monday, unworn. An unsigned note accompanied the package, which bore a Texas postmark dated January 1, 1932. It read: "In this package you find a piece of lingerie I picked up in your store six years ago. My conscience would never allow me to wear it. Something always told me to return the article."

Mrs. Phebe K. Warner of Claude, rural club worker, writer and lecturer, Saturday announced her candidacy for congressman-at-large, subject to the Democratic primaries. Mrs. Warner said she would especially seek the farm vote, and that she hoped to be the first member of the national Congress to represent the viewpoint of farm women.

F. B. Peek, 84 years young, Lampasas County retired farmer, will be on the sidelines for awhile. While playing football with a group of children and older boys at his home in Adamsville Monday, he suffered a dislocated hip. He is resting well in a Temple hospital and doctors say his injury is not serious.

Sheriff Joe Crowford of Cleburne followed the trail of two hijackers who held up, slugged and robbed John Peacock of Burleson into Fort Worth Monday morning but could not uncover the tangible clue. The robbery occurred between 11:30 and 12 o'clock Sunday night as Mr. Peacock, who had closed his filling station and walked to his home, entered the yard. One of the men shoved a gun at Mr. Peacock and told him to hold up his hands. Mr. Peacock said a few words when the other hit him over the head, and took \$74 from him.

A driving snowstorm entered Northwest Texas from the Rocky Mountain region Monday on the trail of general rains which drenched virtually every portion of the state in the early part of the week. Reports from Berger and other points in the high plains told of heavy snow falling. The storm had advanced as far south as Amarillo, where drizzling rains were supplanted by sleet and light snow. Hard rains continued to fall over practically every part of the state Monday.

A few minutes before his mother arrived at the scene in an automobile, Leslie Marshall, 19, junior at Polytechnic High School, Fort Worth, was knocked under his horse and killed by an electric wire at Belize Terrace and Vickrey Boulevard during the storm Monday night. Leslie had been exercising his horse during the afternoon and was returning home. He dismounted and was walking beside the animal when both came in contact with the wire, which threw Leslie to the ground. The horse fell on him. Mrs. O. L. Marshall, 1301 Belize Terrace, was driving toward town at the time. She was stopped at the corner by the driver of a mail collection truck, who told her a wire was down. She cried, "There's a horse." She at first believed the saddle was under the horse, but the truck driver told her there was a man under the animal.

Frank Begonia, 32, one of thirteen prisoners who escaped from the Tarrant County jail in 1929 during a jail delivery, came to Fort Worth from Dallas Monday with his wife and surrendered himself to Criminal District Judge George E. Hovey. Declaring he regretted his act committed when he was "young and foolish," Begonia expects immediately to begin serving his two-year penitentiary term on a forgery conviction. Most of the time since the jail delivery was spent by him in Government hospitals, as he was a World War veteran, he said. He had been in Texas for six weeks.

NEWS FROM IREDELL COMMUNITY

By MISS STELLA JONES

Miss Maxidene Sadler is visiting her uncle, Mr. Sadler, of Oklahoma City.

Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery of Springtown spent the week end with their daughter, Mrs. J. L. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rider and baby left Tuesday for their home in Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Newman and children of Dallas visited his brother, Bill Newman, and family this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newman and sons visited Mrs. Ora Wells of near Stephenville on Friday.

Henry Loader is improving from cutting a big toe badly while cutting wood nearly two weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Rose and daughter of Walnut were here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Tidwell, Mr. and Mrs. John Parks and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Newsom and son enjoyed a possum hunt one evening this week. They killed five large ones.

Miss Adina Carroll, who teaches the Black Stump Valley School, spent the week end with Miss Mona Newman, who lives west of town.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Bowman of Meridian visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cas Bowman on Friday.

Mrs. Ratliff of Glen Rose is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Sam Newman.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward and her sister, Miss Ella Thornton were here Saturday. Miss Ella remained for a visit to her sister, Mrs. Joe Tidwell.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Rogers and children, Mrs. R. M. Freeman and son and Mrs. J. T. Ball all of Abilene have returned home from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Rogers here.

Miss Ethel Pylant visited her brother, Walter Pylant, and family, who live on the Potter ranch.

Mrs. H. B. Strong and B. N. Strong Jr. were in Meridian Saturday.

Mrs. Odie Bryan and daughter, Helen, were in George's Creek community Friday. Her son, who had been there visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Gordon, returned home.

Will Summers of near Meridian was here Saturday.

Mrs. Lou Buckhan of De Leon visited her sister, Mrs. Jamie Main this week.

Miss Minnie Dunlap is visiting her sister, Mrs. Edmund Thompson of Koperl.

Bill Carroll and sons of Lamesa visited his wife the first of the week, who is still with her father, Rev. Stovall.

Miss Minta Hopkins had the bad luck to fall and break her right ankle very bad Saturday morning. It is hoped she will be well again soon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bryan have moved to the residence that was vacated by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dunlap.

Harold Dawson of near town spent the week end with B. N. Strong Jr.

Mrs. Ruby Phillips of Stephenville was here Saturday. Her son, H. L., who has been here all during the holidays, returned home with her.

The following ones who are in school and who teach have re-

turned to their places: Mr. Hart to Austin, who is in school, Misses Eddie B. Laurence and Irene Davis who are in Clifton College, Misses Bessie Lee Mitchell and Eugenia Pike to John Tarleton, Stephenville, Misses Annie Belle Tidwell, who teaches in Cove Springs, and Loraine Tidwell who teaches in Adicks.

The younger set enjoyed a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller on Saturday evening.

A surprise 42 party was given to Mrs. Q. A. Fouts on Saturday evening at her home. All had a fine time.

Herbert Gregory of Hico was down here Friday. He and wife are preparing to move on a farm out a few miles from Hico.

Sunday being very rainy, Rev. Jones returned home in the afternoon. The First Quarterly Conference was to have been in the afternoon but on account of the bad weather, the Elder couldn't get here. Will be here at an early date.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tidwell have moved to their farm west of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Sadler and Mrs. Hart took Mr. Hart to Waco Sunday where he will go on to Austin to enter school.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wyche are in Burkburnett where he is working.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Laurence returned to their home in Iowa Park on Monday after visiting here and down South Texas during the holidays.

B. N. Strong and J. G. Helm left Monday for a big quail hunt in Beville.

Mrs. Hart gave the Seniors and Juniors a party on Thursday evening. A big time was enjoyed.

Miss Loraine Tidwell entertained some of her friends with a 42 party at her home Friday evening.

The football boys have their new sweaters, which are beauties. They are white with yellow stripes on one sleeve.

Mrs. Echols and Mrs. Sallie French were in Hico Friday.

The Dragon's Den

Dragons Defensively Strong

In a fast, hard fought game, the IredeLL High basket ball squad lost to the Carlton team by the score of 12 to 4. The score was against us 6 to 4 up to the very last minutes of play. Then the wonderful offensive work of the Carlton boys took hold and piled up six more points to their favor.

The outstanding factors of the Dragons' work was the defensive play. Never had a better team, defensively, stepped on a court. It was a good forward, indeed, that slipped into scoring position. This fine guarding bodes ill for all opposition.

The IredeLL starting lineup consisted of: Mingus, Center; Wellborn and Gosdin, forwards; and Worrell and Sawyer, guards.

Busy Week For Basketeers

Wednesday afternoon on the home field, the Dragons both boys and girls meet the Walnut High team of forecasted strong power. This schedule is indefinite, but both will be good games when we play.

To prove their eagerness to play any contenders, both boys and girls journey to Cranfills Gap for a game Friday night.

—THE STAFF.



Individual Shortcakes

There is no way of serving short cake quite so dainty as serving an individual shortcake to everyone at the table. And there's no more delicious or time-saving way of making these individual shortcakes than with appetizing little fingers of light, fluffy sponge cake.

To make a shortcake, all you need to do is to split the finger, fill with crushed fruit or berries sweetened to taste, then cover with whipped cream and top off with slices of fruit or whole berries.

Creamed Cauliflower

Break the head into flowerlets as soon as it is cooked and season it with half a teaspoon of pepper. Have ready, for every pint of cauliflower cream sauce made from tablespoon of butter, half a tablespoon of flour and two cups of milk, seasoned with half a teaspoon of salt. The sauce should be cooked for about twelve minutes, until it is smooth and thick.

Creamed cauliflower can be served plain or on slices of toast. Chopped parsley or lemon juice can be added to the sauce just before it is poured over the cauliflower.

Boiled cauliflower can be served with lemon juice, pepper, salt, grated nutmeg and melted butter.

Cauliflower au gratin is made from cauliflower broken in large pieces before it is boiled, and then cooked for about twenty minutes. Put the pieces in a baking dish and sprinkle them with grated cheese—Parmesan is the best. Then sprinkle the dish with fine breadcrumbs and small pieces of butter. Pour over the whole a sauce made from two beaten egg yolks, to which is added a saltspoon of salt, a teaspoon of lemon juice, two tablespoons of grated cheese, a tablespoon of melted butter and a little pepper. Brown in the oven.

FAIRVIEW

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hovey and son, T. C. and wife spent Sunday with George Holland and children.

Mrs. W. A. Guinn and son, Edward, Mrs. Eula Word and Mrs. Guinn's nephew, Lewis Bell, of near Clifton spent the week end with relatives at Rio Vista and Dallas.

Mrs. Georgie Holland and daughter, Pearl, and Celo, spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Clyde Phillips.

R. C. White and family have moved to Hico. We are sorry to lose these good people.

John Parker and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Guinn.

Bro. Jackson is giving us a Bible lesson twice a week, Tuesday and Thursday nights. Everyone come and learn more about God's word.

Miss Alice Guinn of near Clifton is visiting her niece, Miss Cynthia Guinn.

Mrs. Lane of Clifton spent a few days this week with Misses Leta and Vera Vickrev.

Mr. and Mrs. John Word spent Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. W. A. Guinn and family.

Charter No. 4366 Reserve District No. 11

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Of Hico, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1931.

RESOURCES

Table with 2 columns: Resource Name, Amount. Includes Loans and discounts (\$63,988.35), Overdrafts (519.04), United States Government securities owned (174,450.00), etc.

LIABILITIES

Table with 2 columns: Liability Name, Amount. Includes Capital stock paid in (\$50,000.00), Surplus (50,000.00), Undivided profits—net (27,000.00), etc.

State of Texas, County of Hamilton, ss:

I, E. H. Randals, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. H. RANDALS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, 1932.

J. C. RODGERS, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: G. M. Carlton, R. A. Dorsey, C. L. Lynch, Directors.

An Explanation of the Items Shown In Our Statement Herewith:

Items number 1 and 2 represent the amount we have loaned in this community, and total \$64,507.39, while item numbers 9, 10 and 11 represent our stockholders' investment and total \$127,000.00, or we lack more than \$63,000.00 of having our stockholders' money loaned.

Item number 3 represents the amount we have invested in United States Bonds and totals \$174,450.00. These bonds have an immediate cash value of more than One Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars.

Items number 6, 7 and 8 represent the amount of cash we have on hand and with other banks and total \$97,529.85.

Our total cash on hand and quickly available cash from our Liberty Bond holdings total \$271,979.85 or \$58,666.62 more than is necessary to pay all our deposits in full.

Item number 13 represents the amount left with us for safe keeping by more than fifteen hundred customers and totals \$213,313.23.

In addition to the Information Shown On This Statement:

For the past ten years our average cash on hand and cash quickly available from sale of U. S. Bonds has totaled \$321,050.15 and our average individual deposits has been \$310,694.82 or our average cash on hand for the past ten years has been more than our average deposits for the same period.

The First National Bank

HICO, TEXAS

Under the Same Management

Since 1890

Community Views

Had you noticed the large number of communities around Hico that are represented with a nice letter each week? And are you a regular reader of these news letters, as are a large percentage of News Review readers?

Here is a message to correspondents: Try to make your letters more and more interesting as the weeks go by. Make a special effort to get names of visitors and happenings, and above all things get the names correctly, and be sure that the news is authentic.

And here's a tip to citizens of those communities which are not represented at all, or not regularly: See if you can make arrangements for a regular correspondent, and help this worker by reporting your visitors and news items.

Let's All Work Together During 1932 For a Better Newspaper and Better Co-operation and More News From the Various Communities.

The News Review

Let Us Be Your Cleaners This Year

We have our machinery in first class shape where we can give you the best of work.

There is nothing too large or nothing too small. We clean the most delicate garment with perfect results. Give us a trial and be convinced.

WE GIVE YOU BOTH THE QUALITY AND SERVICE

We do all kinds of alteration and repair work, re-line both men and women's coats like new.

City Tailor Shop

Phone 159

"The Cleaners Who Clean"

Johnnie Farmer

J. J. Marshall

GORDON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith and son spent a few hours Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Tidwell at IredeLL.

Mrs. Newton spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Minnie Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chaffin visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester Saturday night, also Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lester who are sick there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith and son, John D., and Mr. Hill went to the party at the Bud Smith home in the Black Stump community Saturday night.

Gilitt Newton went to the party at the Bud Smith home Saturday night.

C. E. Lester and daughter of Hico spent Saturday afternoon with Homer Lester and family and seeing his father, who is sick there.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hefner and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hanshaw of Hico were visitors Friday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester.

Mrs. Lee Priddy of IredeLL and Mrs. Perkins spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Carrie Kincaannon.

Mrs. G. W. Chaffin spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Lucial Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Linden Kincaannon have moved in the house where Doba Strickland and family did live. We are glad to have them in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Revant Smith and son went to the 42 party Wednesday evening at Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dunlap's at IredeLL.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lester of Hico spent a few hours Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester.

Little Tom Perkins of IredeLL spent this week end with Jack Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Cannon of near Hico and Mrs. Dora Bullard of near Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Quirk and Mrs. W. B. Kincaannon and Mrs. W. B. Kincaannon and Mrs. W. B. Kincaannon with Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith.

# RAPTURE BEYOND

## KATHARINE NEWLIN BURT



Third Installment  
Fresh from a French convent, Jocelyn Harlowe returns to New York to her socially-cleat mother, a religious, ambitious woman. The girl is hurried into an engagement with the wealthy Felix Kent. Her father, Nick Sandal, suspiciously enters the girl's home one night. He tells her he used to call her Lynda Sandal. The girl is torn by her desire to see life in the raw and to become part of mother's society. Her father studies her surroundings.

Lynda visits her father in his dingy quarters. She finds four men playing cards when she arrives. One of them, Jock Ayleward, her father tells her, is like a son to him, but warns the girl he is a trifter.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY  
He chuckled Lynda on that theme. He chuckled wickedly at her heightening color and the lift of her chin.  
"And that's that," he said delightedly.  
He put her himself into a taxi-cab, escorting her down through the house with its rumors of revelry and play.  
She fancied that from behind one of the closed doors of the ground floor she heard Jock Ayleward's voice, cold and angry and excited. It brought back upon her oddly that light shiver of fear, of unhappiness and of regret.  
At the very beginning there was this special difference between Lynda Sandal and Jocelyn Harlowe. Lynda was without question the more open and ardent of the two. Her eyes had burned upon Nick, his home, his life, his friends with a golden flame of interest, of sympathy, of the will to understand. It was the gift which Marcella had refused and Felix Kent had not even desired to evoke.

One evening Felix questioned her. Heretofore Jocelyn had been the questioner.  
"Why," he asked her, "do you look so conventional tonight?"  
"Oh," said Jocelyn realizing that she must answer. "You used to say I didn't look as I ought to; conventional, that is."  
"Tonight you . . ."  
Felix laughed a dry little laugh with secret meaning.  
I wonder whether it isn't very funny," he went over to her, sat on the arm of her chair and bent above her capturing her in one strong arm.  
"Look, child, I have to be away from you for a fortnight presently."

Her heart went plunging, whether for joy or sorrow she could not for the life of her have told. "When I come back don't you think we could shorten this engagement of ours a little? I'm getting weary of convent airs, I want—and suddenly his face was dyed in deep hot color, "I want a wife."  
Marcella spoke as though she were reciting from her volume.  
"I can see no reason for keeping you waiting much longer, Felix. I did say a four months' engagement but it seems to me that you have tested each other's affections now sufficiently, have had time to draw close to each other."

The girl looked from one to the other with scared golden eyes.  
"You mean you'll both go away? You'll leave me alone here for all those days before . . . before . . ."  
Her heart beat visibly under the ivory silk across her breast.  
Felix bent to her lips. Before his own fell upon them he said in a low key, "Much safer for you, my darling, to be rid of me just now." Even lower his voice dropped. "I can't wait. I can't wait." And the kiss she dreaded fell upon her with the anguish of a blow.  
But she endured it, withdrawing into some fastness, anesthetizing her soul. All her body, however, drew itself up and back into the chair as though it suffered pain.  
She listened while Felix and Marcella discussed details. She breathed deeply, her heart at bitter, at defiant labor. She was to be alone in her ignorance of life. And then she was to be given to this man. "Oh, no," said Lynda speaking desperately to her own heart, "we shall see first. There will be a fortnight at least of liberty and of experience. Perhaps this Felix does not understand me. Perhaps this one correct and most indulgent gentleman is not the only doorway into life and love. I have a chance to learn the truth, just a brief mad chance, and if during this fortnight I discover that my anger and my shame and my terror under the embrace of a future husband do not mean what my mother assures me that they mean," her chest lifted, a wind seemed to blow across her mind, "then I will never marry him, so help me God, no, even to escape from . . . her!" To the terrible estrangement of this pronoun had Marcella driven her.

Events shaped themselves rapidly to make her quest of the truth possible. Cousin Sara came, an old woman with an ear trumpet, very active and very lame, who gadded about the city all day with a passionate enthusiasm for shopping, and went to bed at night exhausted by her own nervous activity.  
So, after Felix had been gone four days—and Jocelyn rather anxiously recognized that she missed

him—there came a night, Mary's night out, when Jocelyn drew from her old trunk the pleated skirt and the small dark jacket and the tam o' shanter and ran her fingers through her hair.  
This time she found her father in the outer room of his lodging, alone. He was doubled over a shabby desk and looked so queer, so almost gnomic over his papers, with his brilliant squinting eyes, that Lynda had again that sick flash of repulsion. Perhaps he recognized it for he put both his dark distorted hands before his face an instant.

She wished to draw the poor face he had hidden against her breast. He killed the impulse with laughter, genuine laughter that could not wound her though it mocked.  
"You wretched woman-thing," said Nick, his whole face gleaming with charm and with masculine rebellion, "get out, get away from me. I won't be bothered by you. Go on and rummage through my possessions, Eve. You may indulge your feminine curiosity at my expense but I'm blasted if I'll be the victim of your softness. Lynda, don't you all in love with me, understand?"  
"I must love you," said Lynda

softly. "I must love you. You are mine, I feel you in me."  
"Above his papers he stared blankly for an instant. Then, "Thanks, Lynda," he said simply, "I like to be a part of your loveliness, if only for a little while. Go on now. I really have to finish this. When you come back we'll talk."  
The bedroom, which contained one full-sized bed and one narrow cot against the wall, was the most untidy and unattractive Lynda had ever been allowed to enter.  
On Nick's dressing table there were no photographs, no knick-knacks, there were no pictures on his walls. On top of a tall chest of drawers, however, a set of clean cheap toilet articles had been neatly arranged and there was a great picture of a dog, one of those magnificent canine heads which, loyal, brave, unselfish, conscious, have a nobility greater than humanity's.  
"Tell me about your dog, Father," was the girl's first question when, after a very brief inspection she came back into the outer room, "He's such a beauty."  
"It isn't my dog, it's Jock Ayleward's. The animal's dead now, I imagine. He was Jock's best friend Jock met with other beasts

answer me quickly, someone is coming up the stairs."  
Nick listened, alert, rigid.  
"Father, Nick, please. Before Jock Ayleward comes, Nick, shall I like being married?"  
"No. Of course not, you little simpleton. It's not an institution, ordained by God and man for anything so unimportant to the race as happiness. Don't let them fool you as to that, it's for your discipline, my angel. My father hath chastised you with scorpions. Don't you know the Old Testament?"  
"We were not allowed to study our Bible," said Lynda, white and scared. "Nick, Nick, I must be happy. I don't want to be chastised as my mother is. As my mother is—" And at that instant first did the child know what it was in Marcella that so disturbed so alienated her.  
Nick had hastily finished his drink, had risen, was not looking

at her but at his door. The step was mounting rapidly.  
"Oh, that!" he threw back at her hastily over his crooked shoulder, "I never said you had to be afraid, did I? That's just exactly the one thing you mustn't be, my girl. If Mr. Felix Kent really scares you in any profound sense of the word, quit him cold . . . It is Jock!"  
The door was opened with a sort of quiet violence and Ayleward, faultlessly attired in evening dress, his hair as sleek as a screen lover's, came in, shut the door and flung a fierce arm about Sandal's shoulders.  
"There, you, old jelly-acher, what do you say? Next time will trust a born card-handler."  
As he spoke he was pulling from his pockets great handfuls of paper money which he shook before Nick's eyes and then tossed up in the air so that they fell about the room like dead leaves.  
In this moment of some triumph mysterious to Lynda he had dropped the grim mask from his mobile and wild winged face. Lynda saw that he was young, ten years younger than Felix Kent, young enough to be Sandal's son.  
"Jock, you fool, here's Lynda!"  
The mask snapped into place. Ayleward turned it upon Nick's visitor in startled grim fixation. He bowed and began to collect his earnings; for surely they must be, thought Lynda, some sort of earnings, from his salesmanship. When he had them bundled together he added to them what was left in his clothing and put the whole great mass into a drawer which he locked. Then he turned to go.  
"Take her home, will you Jock?" said Nick. "I'm done and she ought to be getting back to where she seems to belong."  
But it was nearly morning when he came back to furious prowling Nick.  
Ayleward came in at the door then, humming a dancie air with a strange dazed wistful look on his young face.  
On the way to get a taxi, Lynda gripped Jock by the arm.  
"I must talk to you. You must tell me about Nick."  
"All right. I'll take you somewhere."  
"Do you like to dance?" asked Ayleward.  
"Yes. But I'm not dressed for a restaurant and my moth—" "You're dressed for the place I'm taking you to, only I will say you're a bit stagery."  
At the address he had given the driver he helped her out.  
They mounted steep and narrow stairs which might once have led up from the kitchen of a private house and Lynda found herself seated on a bench against a wall, Jock opposite her across a bare small narrow table. It held one shaded light. Jock ordered supper food. Mechanical music was playing. The floor was filled with dancers, their bodies pressed together. Others drank and ate. But except for the music the long narrow room was very quiet and orderly.  
Lynda drank the black coffee Jock had ordered for her. Jock was watching the dancers.  
"Want to dance?"  
Continued Next Week

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### COUNTY LINE

A big rain fell here Sunday and continued until Monday afternoon. Luther Duncan and Dewey Spinks were in Hamilton Saturday.  
Miss Lillie Mae Adkison spent Wednesday night with Dorothy Cole.  
E. Wicker and family moved Friday. Mr. and Mrs. F. Davis moved in the same day.  
I. C. Duncan and sisters and Miss Mable Polnack were in Pikeville Wednesday afternoon.  
Miss Oleta Duncan spent Friday night with Miss Mable Polnack.  
J. W. Toliver spent the first part of the week with his daughter, Mrs. Luther Cole and family.  
I. C. Duncan and Misses Opal and Oleta, spent Sunday in the Cole home.  
Sam Crist of near Hillsboro spent a part of the past week visiting friends and relatives of this community.  
Miss Dorothy Cole spent Saturday night in the Duncan home.  
Tom Griffin and family, Mrs. Griffin's father, Mr. White, and Marvin Coburn spent Monday in the Cole home.  
Mrs. M. A. Cole and Miss Ardis spent Sunday night in the Cole home.

Longview's \$1,445,829 building program in 1931 was by far the greatest the city has ever experienced, with the total surpassing the previous high mark by nearly \$800,000. Several years ago the city had a \$600,000 building program. In 1930, the total was \$200,000.

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Ladies Silk Dress, plain	50c
Ladies Silk Dress, pleated	75c
Ladies Wool Dress, cleaned and pressed	50c
Ladies Light Weight Coats, cleaned and pressed	50c
Ladies Heavy Coat, fur collar, cleaned and pressed	75c
Ladies Sweater, light weight, cleaned and pressed	25c
Ladies Sweater, heavy weight, cleaned and pressed	50c

Men's Bargains

2 Piece Suit, cleaned and pressed	50c
3 Piece Suit, cleaned and pressed	75c
Overcoats, cleaned and pressed	75c
Single Pants, cleaned and pressed	35c
Pants, pressed	20c
Suit, pressed	35c

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### REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE HICO NATIONAL BANK

At Hico, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1931.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$101,431.35
Overdrafts	185.25
United States Government securities owned	47,800.00
Other bonds, stocks, and securities owned	8,825.27
Banking house, \$13,000.00; Furniture and fixtures, \$13,000.00	26,000.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	6,000.00
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	12,072.78
Cash and due from banks	81,026.67
Outside checks and other cash items	146.29
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,500.00
Total	284,987.61
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	60,000.00
Surplus	40,000.00
Undivided profits—net	2,880.58
Circulating notes outstanding	30,000.00
Due to banks, including certified and cashiers' checks outstanding	12,574.63
Demand deposits	127,446.48
Time deposits	12,145.92
Total	284,987.61

State of Texas, County of Hamilton, ss:  
I, H. F. Sellers, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
H. F. SELLERS, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1932.  
D. F. McCARTY, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:  
W. Pitt Barnes, Robt. Parks, J. M. Nash, Directors.

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THE WASHINGTON BICENTENNIAL

Two hundred years ago next month, on February 11, 1732, a son was born to Augustine Washington, a prosperous planter of Wakefield, Westmoreland County, Virginia. This year we are celebrating the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of George Washington. Because the calendar system of the English-speaking world was changed in 1756, by dropping eleven days, we now celebrate Washington's birthday on February 22nd instead of February 11th.

But this whole year will be given over to commemorating the Father of this country. Everybody who can possibly afford to do so ought to make a visit to the city of Washington, and the neighborhood of George Washington, Mt. Vernon, as well as to his birthplace farther down the Potomac River, at some time or other during the year. It is our feeling that no true American can really get the spirit of America without visiting our national capital and seeing the historic monuments of the great leader who made our nation possible.

The very clothes that Washington wore are on exhibition in the National Museum in Washington. In the great memorial building on Shooter's Hill in Alexandria erected by the Masonic Order as a memorial to Washington, may be seen the apron he wore and the gavel he wielded as Master of Friendship Lodge. In Alexandria still stands the school which he built and for which he left an endowment in his will while the streets of the city are a memorial, for he was the young surveyor who laid them out. St. John's Church, in which he was a vestryman, is open to visitors who are privileged to sit in the pew which Washington occupied, while back from Mt. Vernon is the little church at Pohick which he attended in his earlier years. Mt. Vernon itself stands almost as Washington left it, with much of the furniture which he used.

Any time of the year is a good time to visit Washington. The city named for the greatest revolutionary leader grows more beautiful year by year and easier to get to from any part of the country. Even if you can spare no time nor money for any other holiday in 1932, by all means we hope every one of our readers will find a way to pay at least a brief visit to Washington.

MORE HOMES NEEDED

It is an encouraging sign of the times that so much attention is being given by the Federal Government and by the great financial institutions to the subject of home building. According to those who keep track of such things, the country, as a whole, is five or six years behind its normal home building program. Young folks continue to grow up and get married and to desire homes of their own, and in almost every part of the country there is a shortage of available modern homes. The big problem is how to finance home building, but if the national plans which are now being developed work out there is going to be plenty of money available for those who wish to own their own homes but do not wish to pay an excessive price for mortgage money.

It is possible today for any one who has a steady job, or an income that can be relied upon, to build a comfortable modern house and lot and spreading the rest of the payments over a term of from ten to fifteen years. That is always a safe investment. The would-be-home owners who get into trouble are usually those who try to build a home on a smaller personal investment than 25 percent of the cost. And there never was a better time to build than now, when all sorts of building materials are cheaper than they have been for many years, and there is ample labor available to reasonable wages.

Once the program of home building gets under way, it will do more than anything else to revive business generally. It will make business for the manufacturers of plumbing, lighting, and heating supplies of lumber, brick, cement, of all the items that go into the construction of a house and, best of all, it will make business for the local dealers in these things, besides giving work to craftsmen in the building trades.

Houses have to be furnished, and to do that makes for more business. Every house that is built adds to the wealth of the community and becomes another stabilizing influence against possible depressions.

By all means everybody who can possibly afford to do so and does not already own his home ought to prepare now to build this spring.



ROCKEFELLER

Three solid blocks, nearly eight acres, in the heart of Manhattan Island are to be known as "Rockefeller Center."

King George II of England gave this land to found King's College. King's College is now Columbia University and still owns the land. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., leased it from the University for eighty-seven years at a rent of \$3,000,000 a year, and is financing the construction of a group of buildings which are expected to surpass in beauty and utility anything yet attempted anywhere. Only unlimited millions can handle an operation of this magnitude. Mr. Rockefeller is doing this as a public service rather than for the possible profit.

Nobody today is afraid that the Rockefellers are trying to seize control of the United States. They are not that kind of people.

LAMONT

A Methodist minister's son got a job as a financial reporter on a New York paper. He attracted the attention of J. P. Morgan, the elder, who offered him a job and then took him into partnership. He now ranks next to J. P. Morgan II, head of the famous banking house.

Thomas W. Lamont spent a day recently giving a Senate Committee the lowdown on international debts. When he had finished, the Senators and public who read the report of Mr. Lamont's testimony had a new and clearer understanding of the functions of an international banker. Instead of the enormous profits which banks are supposed to make through lending money to foreign governments, Mr. Lamont made it clear that the profits were never more than 5 per cent, often less, divided among hundreds of thousands of investors in foreign loans, and that the House of Morgan sometimes got as much as a quarter of one percent fee for managing the distribution of these loans, but often did the job for nothing.

The foolish idea that great fortunes are made by robbing the public is gradually being dispelled.

GANGSTERS

Jack ("Leggs") Diamond "got his" at the hands of rival gangsters, after a Troy jury had acquitted him of a kidnapping charge. Both in life and in death this dullwitted, vain, cheap crook got a great deal more publicity than he ever deserved.

His career is worth mentioning only on one ground. It furnishes the perfect proof that crime does not pay. His widow and friends could not raise enough money between them to pay his funeral expenses and had to ask for charity. All that he ever got out of life was a little brief momentary excitement and a constant fear of exactly the thing that finally happened to him. He was a perfect example of the type of undeveloped mentality in which vanity and laziness are combined. He never did an honest day's work but was a thief from childhood. He was a boastful coward, as all gangsters are.

CHICAGO

Good citizens of Chicago have long been disgusted with their community's reputation as the crime center of America. Not very much was ever done about it until Col. Robert I. Shamm, Randolph, President of the Chicago Association of Commerce, appointed a committee, whose names were known only to himself, of energetic citizens whose job was to find evidence which would stand up in court and clean up the town.

The "Secret Six" and the Chicago Crime Commission now say that they have got crime licked in Chicago. A year ago the Crime Commission published a list of twenty-eight "public enemies." Today five of these criminal leaders are in prison, two are under sentence, one is awaiting deportation, two have been killed by their own kind, four are fugitives from justice, one is under arrest on a murder charge, and the others are under the constant surveillance of the reorganized Chicago police force.

If the Chicago citizens and news papers do not stop there, but continue their war on organized crime, the world will not be afraid to go to Chicago's World's Fair next year.

PROSPERITY

I make no claim to being a prophet, but I think that we are all fooling ourselves if we expect prices of goods, wages, rents, salaries and other items of income and output to return to the high figures of four years ago.

I think it is much more likely that when we recover our economic balance we will find that we are about where we were before the great war, with the exception that a higher percentage of our people will be earning a living income than was the case in 1913.

Then something will happen again to make us believe that we can all get rich quick and we will have another crazy speculative boom and another panic. That is what has always happened, and what has been will be.

Shake it Off! By Albert T. Reid



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This Week in WASHINGTON BY RADFORD MOBLEY AUTOCASTER WASHINGTON BUREAU

Special to Hico News Review

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Wall Street spread its cards before the Senate Investigation Committee inspired by Senator Hiram Johnson of California and gave an exhibition of frankness that astonished the country. One major point developed from the testimony of Charles E. Mitchell, of the National City Bank, was that this country had less to fear from repudiation of their obligations from foreign countries than from inattention to our own domestic financial situation.

Mitchell advised that Congress immediately set up an agency comparable to the War Finance Board, capable of absorbing a large share of the non-liquid assets of this country now unmarketable except at a ruinous discount. And he advised speed in setting up the agency. The lack of such an agency, he allowed it to be inferred might throw many of our railroads and other semi-public corporations into bankruptcy. Thomas W. Lamont, of J. P. Morgan and Company, was equally frank, declaring that investors in this country had nothing to fear from their investments in European securities, declaring that the loans were based upon thriftiness and economy of the people of Germany, France and Italy, who have shown through the centuries a willingness and ability to pay. Figures were also presented to the Senators showing that many of the short term and private loans have been paid in part.

Another fact brought out was

that the reputed wide spreads between the price Wall Street houses pair for foreign bonds and the price paid by the ultimate investor was less than five per cent, in most cases. Some loans, notably one to the Argentine Republic, was shown to have been made at a figure around one fifth of one percent, the low commission charge being fixed so that the loan could be made "as a matter of public duty."

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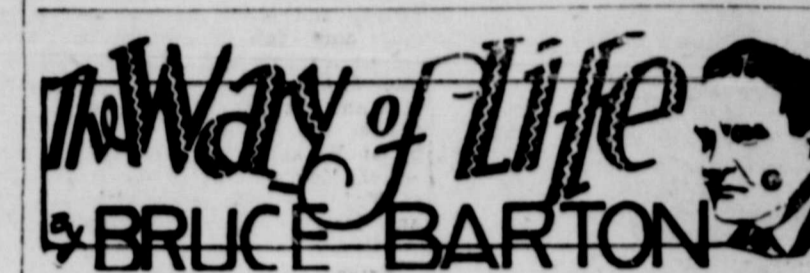
SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

International Sunday School Lesson for January 10 THE FIRST DISCIPLES John 1:35-49

Rev. Samuel D. Price, D. D. Thirty years of developing life are omitted by John in his Gospel. Only Luke, in chapter 2:41-50, tells of the visit to the temple at Jerusalem when the Land was twelve years old. It is profitable to meditate on the kind of life that Jesus lived in the Nazareth home. Here is the ideal son and the record has never been written concerning those developing years.

Meanwhile John the Baptist had attracted much attention through his wilderness preaching. Multitudes came to hear him in the Jordan valley. A group of faithful disciples was working with the Baptist. One day Jesus came and sought baptism, though He had no sins to confess. God placed the seal upon this dedicatory act as the Holy Spirit descended in the form of a dove. The forty days of temptation in the wilderness followed, during which time Jesus Christ truly faced His redemptive ministry.

One day it was the sublime privilege of John the Baptist to say: "Behold, the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world." Some of the disciples of John thereafter identified themselves with this greater Teacher, John's wonderful unselfishness is indicated in that he was ready to give up his closest friends that they might have still better associations. Forthwith personal work began, and that is the one method that Jesus has approved for the growth of His Kingdom. Andrew at once sought out his own brother Peter and brought him to Jesus. John doubtless brings his brother James to Jesus. When they reach Galilee Philip is added to the group of learners and he, in turn, locates Nathanael and induces him to join this group of student-workers.



Where Business is to Blame I was lurching with a group of high executives, and the discussion turned to economic problems. Presently out came the usual line of comment: "Congress is a bunch of idiots. How can we hope for any sensible program when our laws are made by such men?"

I was annoyed. All my business life I have listened to that sort of talk. I have known a good many Senators and Congressmen. My judgment is that they are fairly representative of the nation, neither better nor worse than the rest of us. They do not originate very much in the matter of national policy and legislation. They merely record in laws the sentiment that grows up in the country around them. They respond to public opinion.

And what does Big Business do to create and guide an intelligent public opinion? Practically nothing. Every young man who enters Big Business is told in effect: "Now you have the rest of us. From now on you must not express any opinion on a controversial subject. You are no longer merely an individual; you are the representative of a large body of stockholders who hold divergent views on almost everything. You must not offend either our stockholders or our customers. Your duty is to work, and keep your mouth shut."

Big bankers and corporation officials regard this a policy of "dignified silence." As a matter of fact, it is laziness and cowardice. My father was a distinguished clergyman, the spokesman of a large congregation. He never hesitated to have views or to give them vigorous expression. Sometimes parishioners criticized him. He said to me once: "If I do not know better than the members of my congregation what sort of preaching my people should have, then I am not entitled to be their pastor." The president of a corporation with wide-wide interests ought to know more than his stockholders or his customers. He ought to know whether our present tariff policy is a help or a hindrance to our economic life. And he ought to have the courage to say so. He ought to know whether our war debts should or should not be revised, and guide his stockholders in their thinking. He ought to know what our policy should be toward Russia. Ours is a democracy. For a generation or more we have been lurching our best brains into business. The time is coming when those best brains must render some positive service in the formation of a sound public opinion. It is not enough just to sit back and grumble about Congress.

The FAMILY DOCTOR by JOHN JOSEPH GAINES MD

CASE NOTES A very robust lady, weight 262 pounds, wife of a farmer in the West, came with a backache that disabled her, and which no medicine seemed to relieve more than temporarily. A thorough examination of this lady revealed no organic lesion. Evidently her spinal muscles were suffering from overuse. Just muscular overstrain. She was a most perfectly built woman, almost a giantess. She had borne eleven children, most of them weighing 12 or 13 pounds at birth. And no pelvic injuries of any kind. Her age, 46. My treatment, rest, and DRY HEAT applied daily; the infrared ray over the zone complained of. Six treatments, with REST, cured the woman; she left yesterday for her home. This was not "rheumatism," nor any part of it. All remedies aimed at rheumatic infection would have proven futile. I have seen such patients treated with intravenous injections and the whole array of salicylates—only to record failure. Another case is on hand now, her tenth and last treatment comes tomorrow. She has synovitis in the right knee-joint. Perfect health otherwise, but this disables. Same age as the first patient. The knee is falling from overuse. But the disease is not over six months standing. She will be symptom-free tomorrow—is so now, but she wanted to be sure to take treatments enough. Weighs 206.



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# Local Happenings

Mrs. J. M. Blacklock of Fairy spent Saturday here visiting her sister, Mrs. James M. Carmean.

Bob Maxwell and Perry Maxwell Jr. of Hamilton were business visitors here Wednesday.

G. S. Schwartz of Stephenville was a business visitor here the latter part of last week.

Remember Merchants' nights every Thursday and Friday.—Palace.

Miss Lois Boone spent the early part of last week in Fort Worth with relatives and friends.

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Shade Register of Hamilton was here Thursday looking after the business matters of the county in the way of taxes.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Everett and children of Waco were guests of F. G. Smith and family Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kal H. Segrest and little son, Kal Jr., of Dallas were week end guests here of his mother, Mrs. Sue Segrest.

Dr. and Mrs. P. G. Hays left Wednesday morning for Marshall, Arkansas, for a visit with his mother and aunt, who reside there.

Mrs. Betcher and daughter, Carolyn, of Dallas spent the first of the week here in the John Dorsey home.

Mrs. John Surber of Fort Worth spent the past few days here visiting old friends and looking after her farming interests around Hico.

Mrs. H. F. Sellers went to Fort Worth the first of the week to take her daughter, Doris, back to school. She is a student of T. C. U. there.

Mrs. Modesette left the first of the week for her home at Walnut Springs after spending some time here with her daughter, Mrs. Leslie Smith and family.

Mrs. W. L. Scott and little son, W. L. Jr., of Graham, were here a part of last week visiting Miss Sallie Cunningham and other old friends.

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Dentist  
Hico, Texas  
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Mr. and Mrs. John Stocks and child of Hamilton were in Hico on business last Saturday. Mr. Stocks is a rural route carrier out of the Hamilton postoffice.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bass and daughter, Marjorie Rose of Waco were guests in the home of his mother, Mrs. Minnie Bass, and sister, Mrs. Claude Barbee, the past week.

Miss Woodie B. Looney who is attending school in San Angelo, and who spent the holidays here with homefolks, spent a part of last week here, guest of Miss Lois Boone.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Duncan and daughter, Olive, moved this week to Clifton, where they will make their home for the present, and where Mr. Duncan will be connected with Duncan Bros. Store.

Miss Brunette Malone was taken to the Stephenville Hospital the latter part of last week where she underwent an operation for appendicitis. She was improving rapidly at last reports.

S. O. Rosser, wife and children Billie Allen, Gerald and Billie Lee, of Joshua, spent the week end in Hico as guests of their old friends, Rev. and Mrs. L. P. Thomas and family.

Mrs. Grady Barrow was taken to the Cleburne Hospital Monday to have a small piece of stick removed from one of her eyes. The wound has been very painful, and it is hoped that she will suffer no ill effects from it.

Miss Charlotte Mings returned to Abilene Sunday to resume her duties as English instructor in the Abilene High School, after spending the holidays here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mings.

Miss Lois and Harold Boone returned to Stephenville Sunday to resume their duties in John Tarleton College, where they are students this year, after spending the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boone, and brother, Ralph.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Copeland and Misses Charlene and Ruhle Malone went to Fort Worth Sunday to take Miss Johnnie Copeland back to school there after spending the holidays here with her parents. They went by Stephenville and visited Miss Brunette Malone who is recuperating from an appendix operation in the Terrell Sanitarium.

## "Iron Man" at 86



William Muldoon, famous old-time wrestler, trainer of John L. Sullivan, member of N. Y. State Boxing Commission, as he appeared just before going to hospital for a "looking over" after a fall from a railroad station platform.

## \$291,013,000 Total Texas Farm Revenue

December total cash sales of Texas farm, ranch and orchard products are estimated at \$16,494,924, according to The Dallas News Monthly Farm Income Thermometer. The drop below November's total of \$40,518,982 is largely due to greatly diminished marketing of cotton, the crop being practically harvested in all parts of the State except the South Plains. Nearly 50 per cent of the Texas 1931 cotton crop is held off the market by farmers and the holding movement by bankers.

Grand total cash farm income for Texas since Jan. 1 appears to be in the neighborhood of \$291,013,000, compared with \$442,252,000 in 1930, of which \$301,556,000 was from all crops and \$140,696,000 from live stock and their products. Lower values for all crops and live stock, despite increased production, are responsible for the shrinkage the last year.

The largest single item for December is that of cattle and calves estimated at \$4,557,180. Cotton is second with \$3,513,000; turkeys third with approximately \$1,728,000; grain sorghums next with \$1,500,000, and truck crops with \$1,115,400.

The movement of winter vegetables and citrus fruits from the lower Rio Grande Valley and other South Texas points is now in full swing with a total of 5,109 cars as of Dec. 31 slightly below last season's totals. Recently rains have improved the outlook in the winter truck raising areas with likely increase in production.

Indications are that there will be a fairly steady movement of Texas turkeys during January and February to Eastern markets. Other farm products which will move in fair volume during January are beef cattle, dairy products, hogs, sheep and poultry.

## Sumners Favors Barring Patents To Aid Jobless

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Casting about for means of alleviating unemployment and increasing purchasing power, Hatton W. Sumners of the Dallas district Tuesday suggested that the Government suspend for the present issuance of patents on labor-saving devices. In explanation, the Dallas Representative observed that the person supplanted by the machine and left without a job can not purchase the device.

The suggestion was incorporated in a letter the Representative wrote Representative Stovrich, (Dem.) of New York, chairman of the House Patents Committee. In support of it he observed:

"To increase machine production per man without increasing per man power to buy does not tend toward a healthy economic or industrial condition. To increase production, and at the same time decrease the number of those able to buy is tragically unsound.

"With millions of people idle who are willing to work, as a matter of practical common sense, it seems to me an absurd thing for the Government to continue to offer this (patent) inducement to persons who will devise methods for taking away jobs of persons now engaged, who will have to be supported either by charity or from the public treasury.

"Certainly it is far better to have two persons working, each earning his own living, than to have one person with a machine do the work formerly done by the two, and the person supplanted, unable to get other work, an object of charity."

Mr. and Mrs. Dow Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Jordan and three children and Buck Jordan returned to their homes at Anton the latter part of last week after spending the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jordan. Their sister, Miss Mable Jordan, accompanied them home to spend a few weeks.

**Tuesday Bridge Club**  
With Mrs. C. L. Woodward  
Members and guest of the Tuesday Bridge Club were delightfully entertained on Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. C. L. Woodward.

Bowls of rosebuds were attractively arranged in the open rooms. Refreshments of tuna fish a la king in pattie shells, sunshine salad, sweet pickles, hot tea biscuits, fruit cake topped with whipped cream, and tea were served to the following: Mesdames E. S. Jackson, C. G. Masterson, F. M. Mings, H. N. Wolfe, Roland L. Holford, A. I. Pirtle and Miss Irene Franks. Miss Saraloe Hudson came in for the tea hour.

**"Watch Party Given On New Year's Eve"**  
On Thursday evening, Mrs. Hugh E. McCullough and Mrs. Roland L. Holford entertained with a watch party and midnight supper in the home of the former.

Yuletide decorations were favored. Bridge formed the entertainment and prizes were awarded to Mrs. C. G. Masterson and H. N. Wolfe for high score, and Miss Saraloe Hudson and C. G. Masterson for low.

A delicious menu consisting of orange fruit, turkey, dressing, cranberries, stuffed celery, pickled peaches, pear salad, escalloped potatoes, hot rolls, fruit cake topped with frozen whipped cream and coffee was served while the following group welcomed in the New Year: Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Masterson, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Sellers, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Duncan, Mrs. Mings, Misses Saraloe Hudson and Charlotte Mings, and John B. Sampley, Earle Harrison, H. N. Wolfe, H. E. McCullough, R. L. Holford and the hostesses.

**S. S. Class Social**  
Class No. 3 met in the home of Mrs. Jim D. Wright, with Mrs. King and Mrs. Carmean as assistant hostesses.

The meeting opened with a prayer by Rev. Perry. Mrs. J. J. Marshall presided for the first time since her election.

There were 16 members present and three visitors, Miss Deffie Lackey, Miss Mattie Lee Goad and our pastor honoring us with their presence.

After business was disposed of, Rev. Perry made a splendid short talk. The main thought was good health and an optimistic disposition.

Mrs. Perry, our teacher, made this observation, that as a class in our class meetings and our Sunday School lessons on each Sunday did not make us better and the world more pleasant to live in then we had failed in our main objective.

The meeting closed by all repeating our motto.

A lovely plate of chicken salad sandwiches, jam cake, divinity candy, pickles and hot coffee with whipped cream was served to each of those present.

Come to Sunday School and sit in Class 3 if you want a real inspiration.

**REPORTER**  
**SMART-ARNOLD**  
Miss Vera Smart and George E. Arnold of Duffau were married Jan. 5 at 6:00 p. m. in the home of Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Tidwell, Hico, Rev. Tidwell, officiating.

The bride's dress was navy georgette with harmonizing accessories. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Smart and is an ex-student of John Tarleton College.

After the ceremony refreshments were served to the bride and groom and those accompanying them as follows: Misses Grace Arnold, Minnie Nachtigall; Messrs. Gilbert and Emmett Smart. The couple will live in Duffau.

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## Hints Given On Feeding the Turkey Breeding Flocks

Early turkey poults are the most profitable, says County Agent C. E. Nelson, who gives herewith an interesting article on the subject.

To get the profits, Mr. Nelson continues, means that the hens must be handled so as to lay the largest number of early eggs. If the breeding pen is made up of good birds the number and earliness of the eggs will depend largely on feeding.

In a test conducted by a typical turkey demonstrator feeding laying mash the hens began laying twenty days earlier than those receiving only grain. The pens receiving mash began laying March 11th, while those getting grain only laid their first eggs April 1st. More than double the number of eggs were laid by the mash fed hens and the hatchability of their eggs was practically doubled.

Any good chicken laying mash will do. Start feeding it early in January. A good formula is:

- 200 lbs. dry shorts or finely ground wheat.
- 150 lbs. yellow corn meal.
- 100 lbs. meat scraps; if skim milk is fed meat scraps may be reduced to one-half this amount.
- 50 lbs. alfalfa leaf meal unless you have plenty of good green tender pasture, in which case this may be omitted.
- 10 lbs. finely ground oyster shell.
- 5 lbs. salt.

Provide oyster shell in open hoppers all the time. Feed grain at night in troughs. During the laying season the turkey hens should be fed as many pounds of grain as they eat of the mash. Turkeys must have green feed to lay good hatching eggs. In the absence of greens growing in the pastures, lettuce, cabbage, etc. must be provided.

(Note—Additional articles on selecting eggs, hatching, care and feeding of poults will appear later. Bulletin B-72 on Turkeys, covering all these topics may be obtained from the county agent's office or from the Extension Service at College Station, Texas.)

Edgar and Kenneth McElroy of Ennis spent the past few days here with their sister, Mrs. W. L. McDowell and family. Kenneth is a student of the State University at Austin, and Edgar is attending Trinity University at Waxahachie.

## "Neighbor John" Returns



John D. Rocketteller, 93, photographed as he got off the train at Ormond, Florida, where he makes his winter home. He was glad to see everybody.

## This Demonstrator, Mrs. Jno. Blom Makes Good With Turkeys

Beginning with 7 turkey hens and 1 tom, valued at \$19.92, Mrs. Jno. Blom, demonstrator of Hamilton County, sold \$226.23 worth of turkeys on the Thanksgiving and Christmas markets, and retained twenty-five birds valued at \$47.50, according to a letter from County Agent C. E. Nelson at Hamilton.

Her total cost for feed was \$75.00; the value of her breeding stock at the beginning of demonstration was \$19.92, making total cost \$94.92.

From the sale of birds she received \$226.23, the value of stock on hand is \$47.50, making a total value at close of demonstration \$267.73. Deducting the expense item, \$94.92, we find that she made a net profit of \$172.81.

Mrs. Blom will keep ten hens this coming year and will try to average 20 poults to each hen, as suggested by Paul A. Cunyus, specialist of the A. & M. College Extension Service.

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Thursday-Friday—

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<b>8 O'Clock COFFEE</b> Lb. 19c	<b>GRANDMOTHER'S Bread or Rolls</b> 1 Lb. Loaf or 12 Pan Rolls 5c	<b>Rajah Salad Dressing</b> Pint Size 19c
<b>SUGAR Pure Cane</b> 20 Lbs. \$1.00	<b>COMPOUND Jewel or Vegetole</b> 8 lb. pail 70c	<b>FLOUR</b> Pillsbury's Verigood 48 lb. Bag 75c
<b>Economy OATS</b> 56 oz. pkg. 12c	<b>TOMATOES</b> No. 2 Cans 2 for 15c	<b>Economy RAISINS</b> 2 lb. pkg. 17c

A&P PURE GRAPEJUICE, pint bottle ..... 18c  
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 CORN FLAKES, Sunnyfield Brand, 3 pkgs. .... 22c  
 PREMIUM SODA CRACKERS, 1 lb. box ..... 14c  
 ENCORE MACARONI or SPAGHETTI, 3 pkgs. .... 13c  
 PEANUT BUTTER, 1 lb. size ..... 14c 2 lb. jar ..... 25c  
 EXCELL CRACKERS, 2 lb. Box ..... 19c  
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## "Babe's" Latest Hit



The Home-Run King went hunting at Camp Bryan, N. C., and brought in a deer to prove that he can shoot as well as bat.

### MAIN STREET LOOKS AT BROADWAY BY OBSERVER

**New Year's Celebrations**  
Most Main Street residents are under the impression that there are as many speakies along Broadway as there used to be saloons. That is not true—there are probably only about half as many. As a surprising thing, a lot of New Yorkers still feel dubious about taking their families to them.

Out of this condition has grown a new industry—the "Voyage to Nowhere." Ocean steamers put out late Friday nights for a two-day trip, docking early Monday so its passengers can get back to work.

This year for the first time, some of the big steamers will leave early on New Year's Eve so that those who desire to celebrate with the flowing bowl can indulge themselves at their heart's content.

**Ship's Bars**  
Transatlantic steamships of foreign registry carry an extensive assortment of liquors of all kinds. Nearing port the rooms where the liquors are kept are sealed up and kept sealed until the boat is back on high seas—twelve miles from the coast. Then the stewards break the seals and open the bar.

Many of the steamers put on Christmas cruises of the same nature with a \$50 maximum price. But, of course, that did not include the cabaret entertainment. These short cruises mean hard work for the stewards aboard the boats but they do not object as tips are heavy and, anyhow, they get enough rest on their regular trips.

It is not unusual for a steward to cross both ways these times without getting a single tip—and their wages are practically nothing as they depend almost entirely on gratuities from passengers.

**Speakeasy Plans**  
Everyone of the thirty thousand speakies in this city is all set for a big New Year's Eve. It is the one night in the whole year when grown people want to be anywhere except home. A lot of the theatres have planned midnight shows for those who do not drink, but most of the theatre-goers will drop in at some cabaret afterward.

One thing the depression has done has been to cause prices in the speakies to drop and a \$5 bill will last a whole evening if one is not extravagant. It used to take \$25 for the same amount of amusement. One cabaret has even cut prices to \$2, which covers everything, unless one demands more than the regular bill of fare offers.

### GREYVILLE

F. P. Kille and family of Chardey, Oklahoma, Paul Fletcher and family of Perryton, Mrs. Kiefer and baby and O. R. Bird of Merkel and S. L. Penney and wife of Clyde spent a part of last week here visiting R. C. Hampton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Cole and two children, Beulah Dee and Billie Garth, and Miss Jessie Garth of Stamford spent the week end with Mrs. Cole's and Miss Garth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Garth and family. Mr. and Mrs. Cole and children also visited Mr. Cole's mother, Mrs. R. T. Cole, and sister, Mrs. Harve Priest and husband of Hico. Miss Garth remained for an extended visit.

Herman Driver and sister and Misses Opal and Orion Columbus of Dry Fork and Miss Rosa Lee Lambert spent Saturday evening with Miss Alice Hicks, the girls spending the night.

Jim Kilpatrick and Oleta Joiner of Hamlin spent last week here visiting G. A. Kilpatrick and family and Mr. and Mrs. Elton Slaughter and daughter.

Hubert Johnson, wife and two sons of Dry Fork spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Johnson's brother, Alvin Hicks and family.

Mrs. C. A. Russell who has been very sick is slowly improving. Mrs. J. A. Garth and daughters Jessie Lucille and Mrs. B. D. Cole and children visited Mrs. J. W. Dohoney and son J. W. of Hico Saturday afternoon, and also Mrs. R. T. Cole and daughter Mrs. Harve Priest and husband.

Ross and Carol McLendon carried their mother, Mrs. W. A. McLendon and brother Marvin to their home in Fort Worth Wednesday after spending Christmas here. Mrs. Ross McLendon accompanied them as far as Stephenville where she remained with her sister, Mrs. Hulsey, until Ross returned.

Alice Hicks is spending this week with her aunt, Mrs. Oscar Lankey and husband of Altman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Doty and son Vernon of Hico spent Sunday afternoon with their daughter, Mrs. C. A. Russell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Bingham and son Jim and wife of Hamlin spent Sunday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bingham's sister, Mrs. J. H. Goad and family of Hico.

Dave Jones and son Artie and daughter Naomi of Hico spent Sunday with J. H. Hicks and family.

Carol McLendon and wife of Duffau spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Garth and daughter.

### CARLTON

Mr. Tompkins returned from Denton Sunday after spending the Christmas holidays there with his relatives and friends.

Rev. Carl McKenzie and family of Waco visited here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wright have moved from Stephenville to the home of Mrs. M. A. Ogle.

A. D. Quill of Ada, Oklahoma, visited here last week.

Misses Laverne Baird and Mable Gibson visited in Stephenville Tuesday.

Mrs. G. L. Griffin, Mrs. Memmory Hawkins and Miss Pauline Curry visited in Stephenville Wednesday.

Fred Ascue and family moved to a place near Alexander the first of the week.

Lock Couch and family moved to the home formerly occupied by Fred Ascue.

Mrs. E. G. Thompson returned from San Angelo where she spent the holidays with her husband, Dr. E. G. Thompson.

Conrad Ascue returned home from East Texas Thursday.

Miss Fay Overby returned home from Eastland Sunday, where she had visited homefolks.

Hal Sowell and Herman Wilson were Meridian visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Herman Chick of Dallas visited here during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wright of Dallas spent the holidays here.

Mrs. Lorena Stidham and children, Wayne and Frank, and Mrs. Pattie Lynch of San Angelo were here the first of the week.

Mrs. C. C. Dyer and daughters, Nive and Wayne, returned to Denton Thursday.

Mr. J. S. Turner, age 77 years, well known Carlton resident, passed away at his home on Tuesday morning of last week, after an illness that lasted nearly a year. He had lived here for a number of years. He leaves to mourn his wife, daughter Mrs. R. G. Stopp, three brothers and a large number of friends. Funeral services were held at the local Church of Christ and were conducted by Elder O. O. O. Newton of Pottsville. The body was laid to rest in the local cemetery.

### FLAG BRANCH

Quite a few from this place attended the party at Bud Smith's Saturday night.

Miss Willie Daniel of Paluxy spent the past week with Mr. Flannery.

Mrs. Dora Shipman spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Graves.

Miss Francis Wegner returned from Meridian where she has been spending the holidays.

Mrs. S. E. Chastain and sons, Junior and Patsy of Waco, Misses Stella Flannery and Billie Martin of Dooms, spent the holidays with relatives at this place.

Those who have been entertaining the young folks with parties at their homes the past week are: W. M. Flannery, Monday night; F. D. Graves, Tuesday night; H. C. Pruitt, Thursday night; and Bud Smith, Saturday night.

Most everyone of this community have been killing hogs this week.

S. J. Bandy and J. M. Cooper spent Sunday at Glen Rose.

Ray Henshaw spent Sunday with J. D. Craig.

Mrs. S. I. Bandy spent Sunday with Mrs. J. M. Cooper.

Hunter Newman and wife spent Thursday night with H. C. Pruitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Summerall of Rocky spent Tuesday night with Mrs. Summerall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Sawyer and family.

Mrs. Grace Davis and daughter, Vera Lee spent Monday with Mrs. Vick Hazlow.

## VERY LATEST by MARY MARSHALL

Today's sketch shows a dress from Paris. It is decidedly new but it serves as the model for a little French friend of ours who had an old dress to make over. The dress itself was long enough but it was a little too loose at the waistline and the neckline was out



of date and a little worn. And so this clever French girl bought a yard and more of polka dotted silk, looked once, twice, three times at the charming new dress, went home and in a surprisingly short time had completely transformed her last season's dress. She had taken in the seams so as to make her dress a little snugger at the waist and hips, and covered up any possible signs of alteration at the waist with the girly made from the polka dotted material. Then from a square of the silk she made the new collar trimming, with the points fastened at the back and the front forming a cowl line at the neck.

### Best Farm Boy



Glenn Farrow, 20, of Danville, Ark., won the \$1,000 prize and title of Champion Boy Farmer of America at the National Conference of Future Farmers of America held in Kansas City. Glenn runs his mother's 240-acre farm.

### Taking of Farm Census Is Started By Tax Assessors

AUSTIN, TEXAS.—Tax assessors began work Monday on the compilation of Texas' first farm census, which is to be gathered annually and used for the benefit of farmers. The census was authorized by House Bill 539, enacted at the regular session of the Forty-second Legislature. Its prime purpose is for the gathering and dissemination of facts regarding the operation of farms in Texas so that farmers may be aided in production and marketing of crops. The farm census is independent of the two questions being asked by the tax assessors relative to the number of acres in cultivation and in cotton in 1930 and 1931 for the administration of Texas' cotton acreage reduction law, restricting the 1932 cotton acreage to thirty percent of the cultivated land. J. E. McDonald, Texas Commissioner of Agriculture, pointed out today. The farm census will include a survey of all farm products.

Through the joint arrangement of the United States Department of Agriculture and the Texas Department of Agriculture, the statistical information obtained by the census will be compiled by and used in the periodical crop reports of the Federal-State Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, under direction of Carl H. Robinson, senior agricultural statistician. The law authorizing the survey included a provision permitting the Texas Commissioner of Agriculture to co-operate with the federal department in the work.

Accurate collection of the information will depend upon the various county tax assessors, who are NOT being paid for the work, and upon the farmers in co-operation with the assessors.

For the reason that the assessors are not being compensated for their work, farmers are urged to co-operate with them fully, to give the desired information without reluctance, in order that the census may show a complete picture of Texas agricultural conditions.

"This information is confidential and positively not for taxation or inspection, and not for speculators' or private usage," is the notation on each page of the census blanks. Twenty-eight questions are to be answered for the census, including the number of tenant families on the farm, the acres in cultivation in 1931, the acreage and harvest of corn, wheat, oats, grain sorghums, cane and sweet sorghums, cotton, and vegetables, the number of trees of bearing age, cows, chickens, turkeys, animals slaughtered and the number of steam pressure canners.

Farmers will be directly aided by the census for it will be a guide to them in changing acreage in particular crops to prevent overproduction and a guide to them in marketing, enabling them to have an accurate indication of the future prices of a crop through the number of acres planted, Commissioner McDonald pointed out. Indirectly it will aid them, he further explained, in preventing the ill-effects of misleading crop reports based on erroneous estimates of acreages, by reducing speculation in farm products through giving farmers dependable information on the supply, thus reducing the speculation margin that is necessary when an uncertainty of supply exists.

Statistician Robinson declared that the census will be of great value to him in compiling Texas crop reports and estimates, for it will serve to correct any errors.

"The census material is important to the farmers, for it will be an inventory for the benefit of the farmers," he declared. "As all big businesses annually make an inventory so that they can plan their next year's program, the census will be an inventory for the farmer so he too may logically plan his next year's program."

He complimented the tax assessors of Texas for their indicated willingness to do the work of gathering the census information without remuneration.

"The tax assessors by their work will do a great service for the farmers of Texas," Commissioner McDonald said.

Mr. Robinson, who will have charge of the compilation of the information obtained through the census, pointed out that the individual reports will be held confidential. "Individual information obtained by the census will NOT be used for tax purposes, but it will be held very confidential, with only the tax assessors and the compilers seeing it. Individual operations will not be disclosed under any circumstance," he said.

Commercial interests in virtually every line of industry will likewise benefit from the information to be obtained by the census. It will tend to stabilize the marketing of farm products, it was pointed out.

Value of crop reports, based on a farm census information, are summarized briefly:

To farmers—Directly: Guide to changing acreage of particular crops; guide to marketing, best indication of future price.

Indirectly: Prevents ill effects of misleading crop reports; reduces speculation; aids railroads to distribute more cars needed for farm products; enables economical distribution of farm equipment and supplies; essential for crop programs of agricultural colleges; intelligent marketing programs of public marketing agencies, making farm loans by banks and insurance companies and the maintenance of maximum farm prices in terminal markets in accordance with supply and demand, all of which react to the farmer's advantage.

To dealers and handlers of agricultural products—Reflects trends, reduces speculation which goes with uncertainty of supply and reduces the necessary handling margin and enables the payment of maximum farm prices.

To agricultural college workers

—Best basis for crop production programs.

To bankers and financiers—Basis for providing credit for production, storage and marketing of crops.

To manufacturers—Guide for determining quantities to be manufactured; best basis for distribution of manufactured products.

To meat packers—Reduces the uncertainty of supply, reflects future price trend and reduces the necessary handling margin and enables the payment of maximum price which could not be given otherwise.

To chambers of commerce—Provides facts for advertising local conditions and advantages.

To prospective settlers and investors—Best guide to relative agricultural resources and advantages.

To economists and business analysts—Essential for analyzing agricultural and business conditions.

To business men—Valuable guide for determining whether to expend or contract business operations.

For general public welfare—Nearly all business is interdependent. That is, the prosperity and development of one business depends greatly on the prosperity and development of another business. Crop reports furnish an indispensable link between agriculture and other lines of business. Agriculture prospers directly and indirectly through the information on price trends that crop reports indicate and other business

prosper directly and indirectly through the more economical manufacture, transportation of products, which in turn increases the buying power of consumers for farm products as well as manufactured products.

- Marshmallow Sweet Potatoes
- 3 large sweet potatoes
- 1-2 tsp. salt
- 1-3 cup sugar
- 1-2 cup butter
- 8-10 marshmallows
- 1-3 cup water
- Wash and peel potatoes, cut in halves and add salt, sugar, butter and water. Bake in casserole or baking dish. When tender, uncover and put marshmallows on top to melt and brown in oven.

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- First Prize.....\$250
- Second Prize.....\$100
- Third Prize.....\$75
- Fourth Prize.....\$50
- Fifth Prize.....\$25

And also there are twenty-five \$10 prizes and fifty of \$5.00 each. In addition, 1000 special jackknives will be distributed to all winners of cash awards and to those receiving honorable mention. In case of ties duplicate prizes will be given.

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INSURANCE of all kinds is based on the principle of the vast majority paying for the losses of a small minority. Insurance is a wise investment in many things—but unnecessary on Goodyear Tires. Rarely does anyone but the reckless, careless driver require a repair or a replacement on a Goodyear the first twelve months. Insurance against accident, blowout, cuts, bruises, punctures, etc., is built into Goodyear Tires, in extra quality and construction. World's largest production gives it to you at no extra cost. Goodyear could give you insurance on paper instead—but wouldn't you rather have it on the road? In addition, without limit as to months or mileage, Goodyear guarantees each tire perfect.

# BLAIR'S

### UNCLE SAM'S GOLDEN YARDSTICK NOW MEASURES WORLD'S MONEY

BY CALEB JOHNSON

Gold is today the measure of value the world over. That is not because gold in itself is any more valuable than any other metal, but because it is rather easily stored and does not rust or corrode. When it comes to actual value in usefulness, there is no doubt that a ton of steel or of copper is more useful than a ton of gold.

But from time immemorial gold has been the principal standard of wealth, as it is today practically the world's sole standard. It is a yardstick, in fact. All units of measure are arbitrary. They represent something agreed upon between individuals and nations, and individuals and nations are unanimous in agreeing that gold, measured by weight, is the standard by which all money and all wealth is measured. For thousands of years, when silver was less plentiful than it is now, silver was the principal money standard

in many parts of the world and until comparatively recent times both silver and gold were used as measures of wealth everywhere. Until after the great European war the gold unit by which all other money and wealth was measured was the English pound sterling. It is curious that the name of this unit comes down from the days when silver was the standard. A "pound" in money was a pound of silver. But by the early part of the nineteenth century silver had begun to be so plentiful by comparison with gold that it no longer served as the best standard of money, and first England and then one by one the other nations of the world accepted gold as the sole monetary standard. The value of the gold pound, measured by United States dollars, is \$4.8665. That represents substantially a quarter of one ounce of the precious metal, which is so compact that a bar of gold, 6 3-4 inches long, 3 1-2 inches

wide, and 1 3-4 inches thick, is worth \$10,000.

All over the world statesmen and economists are now discussing the possibility of arriving at some new agreement by which silver will be restored, in part at least, to its former position as a standard or measuring stick for money. And the reason for that is that with the exception of the United States and France, none of the great nations of the world has been able to hold on to enough gold to be able to pay its bills in gold when gold is asked for.

The English pound is no longer the standard money of the world. The American dollar has taken its place. For England went off the gold standard last summer and the pound today represents merely the British Government's promise to pay. And the British Government is in such serious financial difficulties, as compared with the United States, that the price of the paper pound has been as low as \$3.20, and well under \$3.50, in day night. Many nice and useful gifts were presented them. Games of dominoes and forty-two were played after the presentation of the gifts, and a delightful refreshment course of hot chocolate, marshmallows and buns served. Altogether it was a delightful evening for all present.

In other words, the nations of the world are measuring their money and their wealth by the standard of the United States dollar. That is because we have in the vaults of the United States Treasury, the Federal Reserve Bank and other banks, the largest volume of gold that has ever been accumulated under one flag in the history of the world. We hold, in round figures, about forty five hundred thousand dollars (\$4,500,000,000) worth of gold. France has between two and a half and three billion dollars worth of gold behind its currency.

The trouble in England has been that her trade with foreign nations got to a point where she could not collect gold for the commodities she exported as fast as she had to pay out gold for the commodities which she imported. For while gold cuts very little figures in business transactions, inside of national boundaries, it is the only universally acceptable medium of exchange in international trade. So, in order to prevent the complete loss of all of her gold reserves, England had to begin to refuse all demands for gold and to offer instead unsecured promises to pay, which is what the notes of the Bank of England amount to today. No body questions that eventually England will come back to the gold standard. Nobody in a position to prophesy, however, is willing to predict how long it will be before that happens. In the meantime, the money of the British Colonies has depreciated, measured by the United States dollar standard. Canadian dollars have been worth less than eighty-five cents in United States money for several weeks. Money of the other nations that have not been able to maintain the gold standard is also down when measured in dollars. One effect of this is to stimulate purchases by the United States from those countries. Foreign goods are cheaper in dollars than they have been at any time since the great European slump that followed the war. If the rest of the world can induce us to buy enough of their commodities and pay them in gold, they can speedily return to the gold standard. But in the present condition of business in the United States we are importing fewer commodities than for many years past.

Some economic authorities do not believe that it is possible for the whole world to continue to maintain the gold standard, and there is a strong movement toward some kind of a new international agreement which would make a limited proportion of silver equal to gold as a monetary standard. They want to serve the double purpose of putting up the price of silver, which is now around thirty cents an ounce, and has been in the past as high as \$1.30, and of increasing the metallic reserves against currency.

There are great areas with enormous populations that have no use for gold. India, with its three hundred millions of people, was forced to the gold standard in 1926 by the British government, but the people of India still prefer silver to gold. The average worker in India seldom accumulates enough surplus to invest it in even the smallest gold coin. The Hindu has no use for paper money, because he has no safe place in which to keep it. He wants to store up his wealth in the form of silver ornaments, bracelets and bangles which are often merely small coins pierced with holes, so that he can carry it with him all the time.

Everybody who reads the newspapers or listen over the radio is going to hear a lot of discussion of this gold and silver problem in the next few months. In the meantime, it is well to keep in mind that one of the reasons why it is important that all of the war debts owing to the United States from Europe, as well as all of the private debts owed by foreign business to American bankers and merchants, are payable in United States gold dollars, and the rest of the world is very eagerly trying to find some way either to make it easier for them to get gold dollars or to reduce the value of the United States dollar. There is not the slightest chance, however, of the United States going off the gold standard, as conditions stand today.

Friends here will be interested to know that Miss Opal Goode, who made her home here for some time with her aunt, Mrs. C. W. Shelton, married recently in Crystal City, Texas to Mr. Claude Phillips. She and her husband are making their home in Crystal City where Mr. Phillips has a splendid position.

### FAIRY ITEMS

Well, we are now entering a brand new year and we hope all the News Review readers and the News Review force will receive their share of blessings during the year and will be able to keep their New Year's resolutions if they made any.

We were blessed with two weeks of beautiful weather during the Holidays, but rain came again Saturday night and Sunday. I wonder if we were as thankful for the pretty weather as we should be.

In our last week's items we stated that Mr. Darrell Henderson of Hico would take charge of the filling station formerly operated by Mr. Bert Wright, but instead Mr. Bill McGlothlin has charge of it. He is handling Magnolia Gas.

A shower was tendered Mr. and Mrs. William Goynes by about fifty of their friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Allison Thursday night. Many nice and useful gifts were presented them. Games of dominoes and forty-two were played after the presentation of the gifts, and a delightful refreshment course of hot chocolate, marshmallows and buns served. Altogether it was a delightful evening for all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Hedgspeth and children of India Gap, Misses Oleta Hughes, Rilla Loden and brother of near Hico, and Mr. and Mrs. Della Seago of Hico were out-of-town guests at the shower mentioned above.

Mrs. Welch of Stephenville is visiting her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cunningham had as dinner guests on Wednesday, Dec. 30th, the following: Mrs. Cunningham's aunt, Mrs. T. A. Williamson and son Jack; her sister, Mrs. A. R. Pierson and son James of Dallas; her two sisters, Mrs. C. W. Newsom and daughter Wayne of Hamlin; Mrs. J. Pierce Trimmer and J. Pierce Jr., and daughter Janette of Knox City; her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tooley, Mrs. Richard Tooley, and uncle Mr. J. W. Smith of Olin.

Roswell Wright and wife of Dallas spent New Year's Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wright and family of near Fair.

On account of bad weather and roads last Sunday afternoon, we did not get to meet for our regular singing.

Mrs. Bill McGlothlin and children spent New Year's Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wright and family.

Rev. Newton of Pottsville filled his appointment at the Church of Christ Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock, but on account of inclement weather there were no services Sunday night.

Mesdames B. A. Grimes and J. O. Richardson were shopping in Hico last Trades Day. They also spent part of the afternoon in the home of J. S. Patterson who suffered a stroke of paralysis some time ago and is still in a serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burden were shopping in Fort Worth one day last week.

Mrs. Atchley of Olney spent last week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Cox. Her husband came down to accompany her home.

News has been received here of the serious illness of Arch (Art) Blackwell, formerly of this place, but now of New Mexico. Herman Sills, who has been in the Hamilton Sanitarium for some time with a badly lacerated knee from an axe wound, is not much improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Herrieks and daughter Lucille went to Fort Worth Saturday to see their granddaughter Katherine La Verne who arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Herriek Dec. 29th.

Program For P.-T. A. Address—O. R. Williams. Song—James Dudley Richardson and Billie D. Blakley. Music—Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Jackson.

Exercise—Primary room. Quartet—Joe Able, Rusk Brummett, Ima and Edith Pitts. Reading—Frances Cable. Songs—Glee Club.

Debat—Jack Bridges, Harold Jones, Lester Betts and E. C. Allison. Song—Beatrice Kelly and Irene Hedgspeth.

Number—Boy Scouts. Song—Primary Room. Journal—Beatrice Brunson. Reading—"Raisin Pie"—Katherine Cunningham.

Dialogues—"Jennie's Secrets"—Wanell Blacklock and Audie Parks. Songs—Glee Club. French Hays Contest.

### WORKER'S CONFERENCE

At Blue Ridge Church Jan. 11. 9:45 Devotional—Bro. Willie Pruitt.

10 O'clock—What Is a New Testament Church? Rev. Vernon Shaw.

10:20—What Is the Door into a New Testament Church? Rev. Deaton.

10:40—What is the Scriptural Relation of a Pastor to a New Testament Church? Rev. A. J. Quinn.

11:00—The Revelation of a New Testament Church to Our General Work—L. P. Thomas.

11:20—Sermon, Rev. C. A. Morton.

12:00—Lunch.

1:30—W. M. U. Program. Gospel Singer—Bro. Joe Trussell, will have charge of the singing.

—BRADLEY ALLISON.

### America's Olympic Skaters in Good Form



Bill Taylor, who is coaching the American skating team for the winter Olympic Games at Lake Placid, N. Y., says our boys are sure winners. Eddie Murphy is skating through Burt Taylor's legs in the picture.

### Pleads China's Cause



Dr. W. W. Yen, newly-appointed Minister of the Chinese Republic to the United States, who hopes to enlist American influence against Japan's invasion of Manchuria.

### Says Outlook Is Good



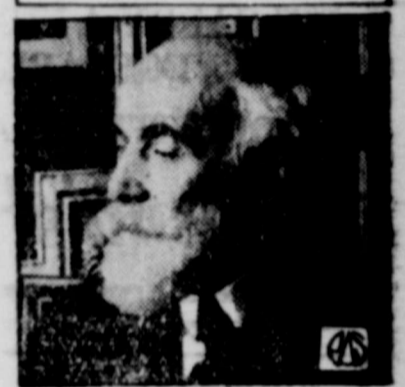
Frederick Ecker, president of the Metropolitan Life, who told a Senate Committee that conditions are now pretty close to becoming normal.

### Japan's Premier



Tsuyoshi Inukai, new head of the Japanese Government, who warns the rest of the world to keep hands off in Japan's difficulties with China.

### Women's Beautifier



M. Marcel Grat-zu, inventor of the Marcel Wave, was given a certificate of honorary membership by the American Hairdressers Association on his 75th birthday. He lives in retirement near Paris.

### Defeats Republican



Percy H. Stewart, Democrat, defeated his Republican opponent in the race for Representative of the Fifth District of New Jersey. His victory gives the Democrats a majority of two in the Lower House and was achieved in a district that has returned Republicans to Congress for many years.

### Famous Chinese



General Mah Chen San, commanding the Chinese forces which have been opposing the Japanese in Manchuria.

### Went Big Injun



The Sioux tribe made Jean Darling, film star of "Our Gang", a princess of the tribe, so she acted as messenger to take a letter to President Hoover from Chief Medicine Crow, asking aid for the Indians at Fort Thompson, South Dakota, whose crops have been damaged by locusts.

### Crusader of the '90s



Portrait of Dr. Charles H. Farkhurst, painted by Paul King recently, hangs in the rooms of the Clergy Association of New York. Dr. Farkhurst gained world-wide fame by his attacks on political partnership with vice.

### Smartest U. S. Frosh



William R. Bowden, 17, Dunbar, Pa., freshman at Haverford College, defeated 33,000 others in a nationwide contest by scoring 346 points out of a possible 370 in an educational test.

### New G.A.R. Chief



Samuel B. Towne, of Philadelphia, enlisted in the Pennsylvania cavalry when 18 and served under Sheridan.



### German Beauty Queen



Fräulein Lieberman, a Berlin model, was named the most beautiful girl in all Germany by the judges of the beauty contest held in the Mar-... (text cut off)

### Who's Who TODAY

When Money Talks It Should Say—  
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2 Lb. Box GRAHAM CRACKERS	25c
PORK & BEANS	15c
2 cans for	28c
2 Lb. Box SALTINE FLAKES	28c
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6 cans for	35c
3 Lb. Box SODA CRACKERS	35c
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No. 2 can	15c
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**New Grid Leader**



Carl H. Hageman, class of '33, 19 years old, chosen Captain of Harvard's football squad for 1932. He comes from Lorain, Ohio.

**POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The News Review is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries in July:

For District Attorney, 52nd Judicial District of Texas: **TOM L. ROBINSON**

For County Clerk: **H. W. HENDERSON** (Re-Election) **J. W. DEMPSTER**

For Public Weigher Precinct 3: **G. C. DRIVER**

For Tax Collector: **SHADE REGISTER** (Re-Election)

**Noted Woman Novelist**



Katherine Newlin Burt, who lives with her husband on a western ranch, knows high society intimately as she proved in her stirring novel, "Rapture Beyond."

**Has Powerful Friends**

**WANT ADS**

LOST—Between Hico and Stephenville, Suitcase containing grey overcoat and other clothing. Finder please return to News Review Office and receive reward. 32-1tp.

PARTIES WANTING gravel from Mrs. A. C. Petty's place, phone 51, Miss Irene Franks. 28-7tp.

FOR SALE or TRADE—Fordson tractor and horse.—Farm Implement Supply Co. 27-1fc.

LOST—Ladies' black purse, containing watch and change. Reward if returned to Geo. Tabor. 32-1c.

Buy Home Spun Meal And complete a meal. Made from selected wheat It's pure and sweet. In whole wheat flour. You will find power. HEFNER'S SERVICE MILL 32-1p

**JOE GISH**



**LOOKS LIKE THE ONLY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS THAT ACT LIKE THE LADIES \***

**Burial Services Here Wednesday For Former Hicoan**

The body of Frank Hale, a former resident of Hico, who died at Waco Monday evening, was brought to Hico Wednesday at 1:00 p. m. for burial in the Oakwood Cemetery, in the presence of a few close friends from Hico and this section of the country. Dr. J. P. Gilliam, a former pastor, conducted services at the grave. Arrangements were under the direction of Barrow & Rainwater. Pallbearers were H. F. Sellers and L. N. Lane of Hico, Robert Maxwell and Perry Maxwell Jr. of Hamilton, and Phil Gilliam and Clarence Carpenter of Clifton.

The following from the Waco News Tribune gives details of the death and funeral services at Waco:

Dr. J. Frank Hale, Waco physician, died at a local sanitarium Monday evening at 8 o'clock, after a long illness. Surviving him are the widow and a daughter, Kathryn Claire Hale, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Hale, all of Waco; two brothers, E. E. Hale of Austin and W. H. Hale of Dallas.

Funeral services were held from Compton's Chapel, at 9 a. m. Wednesday, with Rev. J. P. Gilliam of Clifton officiating.

Dr. Hale had been practicing in Waco for 16 years, going to that city from Hico where he formerly practiced. He was born in Hill county.

**The Ideal Secretary**



Katherine Kramer, 19, Des Moines, was chosen by the Junior Chamber of Commerce as the most beautiful and good stenographer, at its national convention.

**GORDON NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith and son spent a few hours Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Tidwell at Ireddell.

Mrs. Newton spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Minnie Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chaffin visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester Saturday night, also Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lester who are sick there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith and son, John D., and Mr. Hill went to the party at the Bud Smith home in the Black Stump community Saturday night.

Gilf Newton went to the party at the Bud Smith home Saturday night.

C. E. Lester and daughter of Hico spent Saturday afternoon with Homer Lester and family and seeing his father, who is sick there.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hefner and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hanshaw of Hico were visitors Friday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester.

Mrs. Lee Priddy of Ireddell and Mrs. Perkins spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Carrie Kincannon.

Mrs. G. W. Chaffin spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Lucile Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Linden Kincannon have moved in the house where Dohs Strickland and family did live. We are glad to have them in our community.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lester of Hico spent a few hours Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lester.

Little Tom Franks of Ireddell spent this week end with Jack Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sawyer visited Mr. and Mrs. Dave Bullock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Smith and children of Black Stump and Mr. and Mrs. Wick Simpson and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith.

**GRATEFUL**

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Our motto is to give you more merchandise for less money—coupled with better service.

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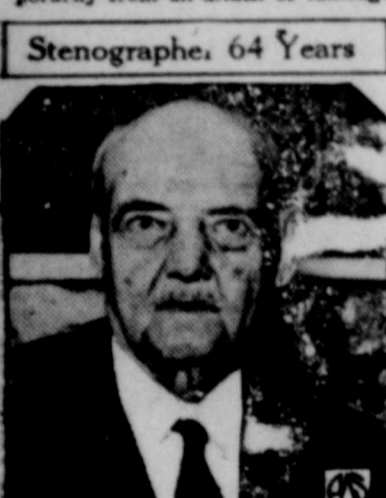
Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, who was 90 in March, has had to quit his job temporarily from an attack of lumbago.

**Freed—Killed**



Jack (Legs) Diamond, notorious New York bootlegger and gangster, was slain a few hours after a Troy jury had freed him on kidnapping charges. This photograph was taken the day before he was shot.

**Stenographic 64 Years**



L. F. Shuey, 87, is still reporting the proceedings of the U.S. Senate in shorthand. He is a Civil War veteran.

**Heard Over Seas**



Signora Grandi, wife of the Italian foreign Minister, talked from her Washington hotel to her two little children in Italy over the trans-Atlantic telephone.

**ON TEXAS FARMS**

By W. H. Darrow, Extension Service Editor

In Lubbock county, home demonstration club women prepared 13 hot beds for early gardens, and more are in the making.

From an irrigated plot of ground 2400 feet square Mrs. J. C. Busher, garden demonstrator for Wingate Home Demonstration Club in Runnels county has kept her family in fresh vegetables every month of 1931. She has had 37 varieties and from one to 22 different varieties each month. Her net profit is \$153.65.

A farmer should be straight in business but crooked in farming, says C. E. Harris of Whiteflat Community, Motley county. For two years he has followed crooked terrace rows to find that he gets one-third of a bale of cotton to the acre, maize that outyields his neighbors' 300 pounds to the acre, gullies that are filled up, and land that doesn't blow so badly.

From an acre and a half of swampy ground that has grown nothing since the dry year of 1925, a Travis county farmer has sold \$275 worth of tomatoes this year and dug 140 bushels of sweet potatoes. The surrounding slopes were terraced by the county agent, keeping the overflow water on the hillsides.

An Uphur county farmer, boasting to the county agent of making six bales of cotton on 7 1-2 recently terraced acres for a profit of \$119, had to confess that he had dropped the poultry demonstration because "there is no money in chickens." Whereupon the agent pulled out the records of another demonstrator who cleared \$232.40 from a start of 386 hens last year. With a poultry calendar under his arm the owner of the prize cotton patch went home to start another poultry demonstration.

Twenty-one cows in a demonstration dairy herd owned by Ernest Richter of DeWitt county paid him 35 cents an hour for doing the chores in October, or returned him a profit of \$2.23 for every dollar's worth of feed.

Planning to make over furniture with material on hand, 81 4-H club girls in Rusk county have entered the State-wide bedroom improvement contest.

Garden stuff worth \$34.890 was raised by 223 garden demonstrators, cooperators and 4-H club girls in Mason county in 1931. More than two-thirds of the vegetables raised were used fresh, a small amount sold and the rest canned.

Because she had a fall garden, Mrs. H. C. Whitley 4-H pantry demonstrator of Hodges Community, Hockley county, was able to use canned stuff to feed cotton pickers last fall and to refill her pantry from the late vegetables.

On his diversified farm near Canadian, George Locke produced butterfat last fall from his 16-cow demonstration herd for 10 1-3 cents per pound feed cost, on a ration composed of 100 pounds each of wheat, barley, bran and cottonseed meal and 200 pounds oats.

Titus county farmers put up 2700 pounds of pork in December by the Extension Service dry cure method, and will use more than 300 per cent more home cured pork this winter than in 1931, according to the county agent.

Since he began mixing limestone flour in his lamb rations two years ago, Craig M. Logan of Valley Mills, Ross county, has had no lambs "cut out" at market. Two shipments last fall topped the market, the county agent reports.

**HOME OF MR. AND MRS. J. E. MURRAY BURNED ON CHRISTMAS EVE**

It was a most unfortunate Christmas Eve for Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Murray when they left their home in Black Stump Valley and went across the field to his father's house for dinner, returning shortly to find their home in ashes and the contents of their dwelling destroyed.


Mr. and Mrs. Murray have moved to a place out on Route 6, south of town, and in a card of thanks in this issue of the paper express their feelings for their neighbors who made their loss lighter by showing all consideration.

The house consumed by the flames was owned by Jim Bird of Carlton, and the place is known as the old Fouts place.

**Card of Thanks**

We take this method of thanking our many friends who were so thoughtful and did so many nice things for us after our regretted fire on Christmas Eve. Again we thank you, and may such misfortune never occur to you or yours. MR. and MRS. J. E. MURRAY.

**New Head of Rutgers**



Robert C. Clothier, dean of the University of Pittsburgh, has been elected president of Rutgers University in New Jersey, one of the oldest colleges in America.

**New Tariff Board Head**



Robert Lincoln O'Brien, who was stenographer to President Cleveland, has been appointed chairman of the Tariff Commission, succeeding Henry P. Fletcher. He is a former Boston editor.



**JOE GISH FREE AIR**

"I NEVER FIGGERED OUT WHICH SPENDS MONEY FASTEST, THE FELLOW THAT'S WON A PRIZE IN A LOTTERY OR A WIDOW WITH THE LIFE INSURANCE MONEY"

**HOW DO THESE PRICES COMPARE WITH THOSE YOU ARE PAYING?**

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I know that every one needs their money go as far as possible and I aim for you to get more groceries here for your money than you can get any where else.

8 lb. bucket Compound	65c
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Dry Salt Bacon, lb.	09c
Fancy Sugar Cured, Wrapped, lb.	14c
Sugar, 21 lbs.	\$1.00
High Grade Guaranteed Flour	75c
Penick's Syrup, 10 lb. bucket	55c
14 oz. Bottle Ketchup	10c
Corn Flakes, large size, 2 for	19c
Red Bird Broom	20c
12 qt. Galvanized Buckets, 2 for	35c
Quart jar Rosewood Pickles	17c
Gallon jar Rosewood Pickles	55c
2 lb. bucket Wamba Coffee	85c
Best Peaberry Santos Coffee, lb.	20c
6 O'Clock Coffee, lb.	19c
Choice Rio Coffee, lb.	12 1-2c
Bananas, dozen	15c

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Nicoletto Alcala Zamora, first Constitutional President of the Republic of Spain, recently inaugurated for a term of six years.

**SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY**

Heinz Ketchup, 14 oz.	23c
Little Sport Catsup, 14 oz.	14c
Armour's Veribest Peanut Butter, qt.	30c
Woman's Club, 5 lb. Peanut Butter	73c
Bowl Oats	25c
Pork Brains, fresh, lb.	14c
W. P. Special Coffee, lb.	22c
Cabbage, lb. only	3 1/2c

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**TEXAS HAS MORE, BUT SMALLER FAMILIES**

Though Texas gained 365,867 families during the decade 1920-30, the average size of families fell from 4.6 persons in 1920 to 4.2 persons in 1930. Texas and Oklahoma showed the greatest decrease in population per family, being exceeded only by the District of Columbia, in which the number per family fell from 4.5 persons to 3.9 persons per family in 1930.

At the census date 1930 there were 1,383,413 families in Texas, compared with 1,017,413 families in 1920. Eighteen and six-tenths of all families in the State owned radio sets, the number of family radio set owners being 257,686. Taking the Nation as a whole nearly 40 per cent of the families owned radio sets.

North and South Carolina led all States in the size of families in 1930, there being 4.9 persons per family in North Carolina, and 4.7 persons in South Carolina. Nevada showed the smallest families, with 3.5 persons to a family.

**TEXAS PRESIDENTS AND GOVERNORS**

During the time Texas was a republic there were elected five presidents, including Gen. Sam Houston twice. The list of presidents, including the first provisional governor, exercising the authority of a president, were in the following order: Henry Smith, David G. Burnett, Sam Houston, Mirabeau Lamar, Anson Jones.

The list of governors follows in the order in which they served: J. Pickney Henderson, George T. Wood, P. H. Bell, E. M. Pease, H. R. Runnels, Sam Houston, Edward Clark, F. R. Lubbock, Pendleton Murrah, A. J. Hamilton (provisional), James W. Throckmorton, E. J. Davis, Richard Coke, R. M. Hubbard, O. M. Roberts, John Ireland, L. S. Ross, J. S. Hogg, C. A. Culberson, J. D. Sayers, S. W. T. Lanham, T. M. Campbell, O. B. Colquitt, James S. Ferguson, William P. Hobby, Pat M. Neff, Mrs. Miram Ferguson, Dan Moody, Ross Sterling.

**TEXAS AND THE OIL INDUSTRY**

All the oil production in the United States comes from 19 of the States, and five-sixths of it from three States, Texas, Oklahoma and California. Oil fields have been found in Texas from the Panhandle to the Gulf and from the Red river to the Rio Grande.

At the present considerably more than one-third of all the oil produced in the United States is produced in Texas. Petroleum refining accounts for nearly 40 per cent of the total annual value of Texas manufacturers. A compilation recently made showed expenditures in Texas by the oil industry during 1930 totaling \$666,446,000 exclusive of the gasoline taxes. Employees of the oil industry in Texas number approximately 120,000. Advalorem State taxes paid by the industry last year amounted to \$4,768,000, which was more than one-sixth of all State advalorem taxes.

**PHEASANTS ON GAME RESERVE**

Starting two years ago with a breeding of fifteen birds, Jack Peel, of Pilot Point, Denton county, recently shipped 190 ring-neck pheasants to Texas game preserve near Ysleta and Kerrville. The birds are still rare in the United States, although they were first imported from China in 1889. They become domesticated quickly and are said to provide an excellent meat for table use.

Behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. (Ex. 3:2.)

**BEAUTIFUL EPITAPH ON MONUMENT OF GEN. ALBERT SIDNEY JOHNSTON**

On the monument of General Albert Sidney Johnston, one of the great and popular generals of the Confederacy, in the cemetery at Austin, Texas, is inscribed the following beautiful epitaph:

"In memory beyond this stone is laid for a season Albert Sidney Johnston, a general in the army of the Confederate States, who fell at Shiloh, Tenn., on the sixth day of April, A. D., 1862, a man tried in many high offices and critical enterprises and found faithful in all. His life was one long sacrifice of interest to conscience, and even that life, on a woeful Sabbath did he yield as a holocaust at his country's need. Not wholly understood was he while he lived, but in his death, his greatness stands confessed in a people's tears. Resolute, moderate, clear of energy, yet not wanting in that finer ambition which makes men great and pure. No country e'er had a truer son—no cause a nobler champion, no people a bolder defender—no principle a purer victim than the dead soldier who sleeps here. The cause for which he perished is lost; the people from whom he fought are crushed; the hopes in which he trusted are shattered; the flag he loved guides no more the charging lines, but his fame, consigned to the keeping of that time, which, happily, is not so much the tomb of virtue as its shrine, shall, in the years to come, fire modest worth to noble ends. In honor, now, our great captain rests. A bereaved people mourn him. Three commonwealths proudly claim him among those choice spirits who, holding their conscience unmingled with blame, have been in all conjectures, true to themselves, their country and their God."

It is said that soon after the transfer of General Johnston's remains from the Shiloh battlefield to New Orleans a lady visiting the cemetery found pinned to the temporary tomb the above beautiful epitaph. It was written in a delicate hand with a pencil, and the rain had nearly obliterated the characters. The lady made a verbatim copy of the manuscript and sent it to one of the New Orleans papers, with the request that if possible the name of the author should be published. This was gladly done and the beautiful lines went the rounds of the press of this country and England as a model of English composition. Public curiosity being aroused, the authorship was traced to John Dimitry, a young man of New Orleans. The young man, though only a boy, served in Johnston's army at Shiloh, and on visiting New Orleans and the grave of his chieftain, wrote the lines on the inspiration of the moment and pinned them on the headboard as the only tribute he could offer.

When the question arose concerning the form of epitaph to be placed on the monument erected to the memory of the dead Confederate general, the committee of citizens in charge with one voice decided upon this, and it is now inscribed on the broad panel at the base of the statue. When the remains of the Confederate general were removed to Austin the same epitaph was inscribed on the monument erected at the grave.

**MARLIN WELLS CRYSTALS TO BE MARKETED**

Realization plans to market Marlin hot wells mineral product were recently announced. The waters will be marketed on a broad scale in the form of concentrated water and crystals. A temporary plant has already been installed at one of the wells for the purpose of turning out these products.

The concentrated water, it is said, will have seven times the strength of the water by the volume in which it comes from the well, and one pound of crystals thus produced will be equivalent to the mineral content of about fourteen gallons of the hot mineral water.

And Joseph gathered corn as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left numbering; for it was without number. (Gen. 41:49.)

**Charting the Human Body**

"Say George, how about that life insurance of mine? Don't I get it?"

"Well," said the agent, "you know, in our company it is the custom for the physician, after he examines a man, to take a chart of the human body, and he punches a hole in it wherever he finds anything wrong."

"Oh, is that so, George? Did the doctor do that in my case?"

"He sure did; and he took the chart home and put it on his player-piano and it played 'Nearer My God to Thee'."

**A LITTLE FUN** Jokes to Make You Laugh

**Too Trifling**  
 Teacher—"Tommy, what is one-fifth of three-seventeenths?"  
 Tommy—"I don't know 'actly but it ain't enough to worry about."

**Knew From Experience**  
 Pastor—"Don't you believe there is a higher power?"  
 Henry Henpeck—"Most certainly. I married one."

**Successful Operation**  
 Surgeon—"You say your son was cured of his wildness by an operation? What type of operation was it?"  
 Banker—"I cut off his allowance and made him go to work."

**Remember This One**  
 "I suppose you will want me to give up my job, Henry, when we are married."  
 "How much do you earn at it?"  
 "Sixty a week."  
 "That isn't a job. That's a career. I wouldn't want to interfere with your career, girlie."

**Reason Aplenty**  
 "So you're a salesman now, Sambo? I suppose you stand behind the products you sell?"  
 "No sah, boss. You see Ah sells mules."

**The Last Instalment**  
 After a terrific struggle, Mrs. Hardup had just paid the last instalment on a baby-buggy. "Thank you, madam," said the salesman, affably, "and how is the baby getting on?" "Oh, he's fine," replied Mrs. Hardup. "He's getting married tomorrow."

**More Wood Utilization**  
 Squad Leader: "I heard the battalion commander call you a blockhead. Is that correct?"  
 Plebe: "No, sir, he didn't make it that strong. He just said, 'Pull down your cap, here comes a woodpecker.'"

**The Lady Who Squinted**  
 "How did you like the banquet last night?"  
 "Not at all."  
 "Wasn't the food good?"  
 "Yes, very good—but I sat next to a lady who squinted, and she ate off my plate all the time."

**Sweet Young Thing**  
 Cop (overhauling speeding car): "Say, do you realize you were going 65 miles an hour?"  
 Sweet Young Thing: "Sixty-five! Don't be silly! I couldn't have been going over 30 at the most. In fact, I don't believe I was going more than 25 at the outside."  
 Cop: "Well, maybe you're right. I'll just tear this ticket up and give you one for parking."

**Assumption of Strength**  
 A porter newly employed by a large concern spent his first day moving heavy steel filing cabinets. At quitting time, he approached the manager and said: "Mister, is you sure you got me down on de payroll?"  
 The manager looked over his list of names. "Yes," he said, "here you are—Simpson—Odus Simpson. That's right, isn't it?"  
 "Yessah, boss dat's right," said the negro. "I just thought maybe you had me down as Samson."

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**Poultry Facts** By F. W. KAZMEIER  
 Poultry Breeder, Bryan, Texas.

**Allowing Laying Hens Out Doors**

The question is often asked, is it best to allow laying hens to run out doors in cold and stormy weather. My recommendation is to keep them confined to their houses on all days it is cold, wet or stormy. If you are producing infertile eggs, the chances are it is best to keep them indoors most of the winter, where they can be dry, comfortable and warm. In the case of breeding stock it is a little different. For them we want more exercise, fresh air and the opportunity of picking up fresh green food. Even for breeding stock it is best to keep them indoors on cold, stormy and wet days.

We have heard a great deal about fresh air for chickens. Some people are going to the extreme of providing cold and uncomfortable quarters, just to be sure of providing plenty of fresh air. Our experience has been, that warmth is necessary and of first consideration in getting a profitable egg production. It is better to close the house more, to confine the warm air, even the odors may be present indicating a lack of fresh air. The house must be warm, even to the extent of sacrificing fresh air. A great deal of this talk about fresh air has been the rising of extremists. In cold weather a small opening will permit the circulation of plenty of fresh air.

We know that the hens must be kept warm and in quarters free from draft. In cold weather you can not do that in the once popular and so-called open front houses. Of course, it is just as bad to go to the other extreme, and close up a house almost air tight to permit the gathering of moisture and foul odors to where it becomes unpleasant. Use judgment, follow the middle road. As a general rule early chicks are easier to raise and more profitable after raised, than late chicks. Early chicks, however, require a good brooder the first eight to ten weeks and also a good, comfortable house. You must prepare or be prepared for early chicks. Last year early chicks proved a very profitable investment, fryers at Easter bringing 30 to 35 cents per pound alive on the average market. At these prices there is good money in raising fryers. I know of many communities that last year grew thousands of fryers, at a very profitable price. It is good advice to say, "get your chicks early." I know of one community where they raised over 60,000 early fryers, at a very attractive price. Early fryers can be raised at a time, on a farm, when you can not do much out-door work. The income from early fryers comes at a time when you can use it in buying seed in the spring to start your farm crops. Early fryers afford an opportunity to increase your farm income. It is an opportunity many farmers and others pass up each year.

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**SAL-AMMONIAC DEPOSITS FOUND**

Discovery in West Texas of large natural deposits of ammonium chloride, commonly known as sal ammoniac, was recently announced by a Fort Worth man, who said he will shortly form a group to market the product in commercial quantities. He said the discovery was made in a test well in Borden county that was plugged and abandoned at 3600 feet after bitter salt water had been encountered at the 2400-foot level. Water that overflowed the flush pot before the hole was plugged spread over an acre of ground and solidified.

The curiosity of the discoverer was aroused by the manner of solidification, which was unlike that of ordinary salt water deposits. A sample of the product was pronounced by a laboratory to be ammonium chloride, 99 1/2 per cent pure.

A report from the United States Geological Survey upon a sample of the product sent it for examination doubted that any extensive natural deposit could occur in the West Texas area. "It seems probable," the report said, "that the sample is an artificial product, inasmuch as natural occurrences of sal ammoniac is known to occur in the vicinity of volcanoes, also coal beds and guano deposits."

The discoverer, however, points out that volcanic disturbances are visible in many parts of West Texas, that intrusive rocks are shown in all mountains in the western part of the State, and that the salt beds underlying the area indicate the probability of the former existence of a great inland sea. Furthermore, he points out that the Trinity sand, encountered at a 4,000 foot level, in many parts of West Texas, is at the surface in Borden county.

He is led to the belief that a large deposit exists by the fact that twenty tons of the product solidified from only a small part of the flow of water from the well. He has secured a lease on 4,600 acres of land surrounding the well, and plans to determine whether the deposit can be produced in commercial quantities.

Sal ammoniac is used as a source of ammonia, as a reagent, and, commercially, for the manufacture of storage batteries and as a bath in making galvanized iron.

**EMPLOYER LIABLE FOR ACTS OF EMPLOYEES**

Applying the law that "a master is liable for the wilful and malicious acts of his servant, when done within the scope of his employment, the Third Court of Civil Appeals of Texas recently affirmed a judgment obtained in the lower courts by a showman against the Santa Fe Railway Company.

The trainmaster for a traveling show complained that he was shot by a switchman in the employ of the Santa Fe Railway Company when the two became embroiled in a difficulty while switching show cars at Temple. The showman obtained a verdict in the District court of Bell county for \$26,196.

In the written opinion affirming the verdict of the lower court the Court of Appeals said "In practically all jurisdictions the law is now settled that a master is liable for the wilful and malicious acts of his servants when done within the scope of his employment. Such acts are imputable to the master under the doctrine of respondeat superior and in accordance with the general principles that the master is liable for any act of the servant done within the scope of his employment, as well as for any act of the servant which, if isolated would not be imputable to the master, but which is so connected with and immediately grows out of another act of the servant imputable to the master, that both acts are treated as being one indivisible tort, which for the purposes of the master's liability, takes its color and quality for the earlier act."

The railroad's contention was that the switchman stepped aside from his duties and shot the showman with his own gun, purely as a personal matter, and that it did not require him to arm himself in the performance of his duties.

**A Narrow Escape**

It was a Tennessee minister who had before him a six-months probationer, whom he was questioning for admission to all privileges of the church.

"Now, Zeke," he said, "you know you must live a Christian life. Have you stolen any chickens during the last six months?"

"No, sah, no sah," said Zeke fervently. "Ah ain't done stole no chickens."

"Nor turkeys nor pigs?"

"No sah, no turkeys nor pigs."

"I am glad to hear it," said the leader, "and I hope you will continue in this way."

Zeke was very quiet on his way home. Then he said to his wife in a cautious undertone: "Golly, I'd suah been er lost niggah of he'd said 'ducks'."

**The Bull**

A farmer regaled the village banker with Munchausen stories of his prize bull's speediness. "That bull always starts from the corner of the lot when the limited comes along and beats it to the other side of the farm!" he related.

The financier was deeply impressed. Soon after he telephoned that he would be out the next day to see the racing bull perform. The farmer decided at once it would be healthy for him to be absent when the banker called. He told his son to account for his absence the best way he could.

"Where's your father?" the banker inquired when he drove up to the house.

"He's gone to California," said the boy.

"That's strange," mused the visitor, "I was talking with him only yesterday. When will he be back?"

"Tomorrow," the boy announced.

"How in the world can he get to California and back in that short time?" inquired the banker.

"He's on the bull!" explained the boy.

**MANY VISIT PALO DURO PARK**

More than 50,000 persons, from thirty-seven States, the District of Columbia and five foreign countries, registered at Palo Duro Park, twelve miles east of Canyon, last summer. The park in Palo Duro Canyon was opened May 17th and proved to be very popular from the start. The Chambers of Commerce of Amarillo and Canyon were responsible for it. Palo Duro Canyon is sixty miles in length, and is one of the most interesting canyons in the world.

The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be. (Gen. 49:10.)

**80,000,000 PECAN TREES IN TEXAS**

There are eighty million pecan trees in Texas, according to the estimate of Dr. I. C. Smith, director of the pecan research laboratory of the United States Department of Agriculture at Austin. The greater number of these trees are native seedlings which grow along streams. More trees of improved varieties are being planted yearly, however, and many native trees are being topworked to improve the variety. The Texas pecan crop last year was estimated at 32,000,000 pounds.

**4,000 WELLS IN EAST TEXAS**

On the first of January there were about 4,000 oil wells in the East Texas field, the oldest portion of which was but little more than a year old, and the most of which was less than a year old. Through the month of December wells were completed at the rate of eighteen a day. The nearly 4,000 producers are entitled to produce about 500,000 barrels of oil daily under the current allowable of 125 barrels per well daily.





