

## Splendid Rain Tuesday Night

Tuesday night the entire country was drenched with the best rain of the season.

This, added to all the local showers for the past two weeks, puts conditions in this section of the Plains in fine shape.

The farmers are all busy planting and cultivating crops, and the business men are all smiles.

Prosperity will smile on the Muleshoe country when the harvest time rolls around this fall, and with a few light showers, we will have a bountiful harvest.

Some of the new settlers may have had a touch of "blues," but the rains came and washed all the "blues" out of the county, everything is sitting pretty, and we all look forward to bumper crops!

Folks, keep your eyes on the Muleshoe country! This is a wonderful section. Come and investigate its possibilities and buy some property.

## Elrod Brothers, of San Angelo, Here

Jess Elrod and family and Tom Elrod, of San Angelo, are in Muleshoe this week visiting in the homes of W. T. Carl and Mrs. Nina Elrod, also their numerous friends.

Elrod Brothers are prominent sheep and cattle men of the San Angelo country. They made quite a record the past year in the feeding of sheep and cattle. We are glad to hear of their success.

Welcome to our city, boys.

## Where They Play Sunday

Following is the schedule for the West Plains base ball league for Sunday, June 26:

Amherst at Olton.  
Sudan at Levelland.  
Earth at Muleshoe.

## Weiner Roast On Sand Hills Friday Night

Miss Wentland delightfully entertained a large crowd of young people with a weiner roast Friday night, June 17th.

There were eight or nine cars of boys and girls, and they met at the home of Mrs. J. E. Aldrige, and then left for Horse-shoe Bend sand hills, about seven miles east of Muleshoe.

After having bushels of fun climbing and rolling down sand hills, a big fire was built and the "roast" began. There was pickles, mustard, buns, bread, bacon and ice cold pop to go with the toasted weiners. "Everything tasted great," was the report given.

Those who enjoyed the fun, and thanked Miss Wentland for a good time are: Misses Opal Haney and Jewel Haney, Mildred Lee, Marie Arnold, Opal Morris, Zula Harding, Beth Mardis, Alva Douglas, Lelia Bickel, Lottie Huke, Mozelle Alsop, Hazel Anderson, Ruth and Iris Harding, Dorothy Wentland and Lorena Paul; and Messrs. Herschel Alsop, Jeff White, Lester Moore, Wayne Wallace, Jimmie Cox, Harold and Carol Griffiths, Howard Carlyle, John Bickel and Bill Bunyard.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Mardis were the stern and very severe (?) chaperones.

—Reporter.

T. E. Arnold is sporting a new Dodge sedan this week.

## Real Estate Transfers June First To Date

Following is a list of real estate transfers filed with the County Clerk from June 1 to June 20th:

Clyde Briley and wife to W. C. Humphreys; 184 1-2 acres, \$3,790.

C. A. Lawhorn and wife to J. D. Summerow, et al; 177.1 acres, Pecos & Northern Texas Ry. Co. to Ammie M. Barnhill; 1 lot, \$40.

E. R. Raft, et al to W. G. Shumake; 177.1 acres, \$5,314. B. O. Sanford, et al to Leray Wynn; 160 acres, \$4,000.

M. C. Butler and wife to A. P. Borger; 177.1 acres, \$5,382. Clyde Briley and wife to W. E. Gabberry; 184 1-2 acres, \$6,812.50.

W. B. Newsome and T. W. Newsome to L. H. Medlin; 254.2 acres, \$5,084.

R. K. Lathy to Wm. Heckman and wife; 10 acres, \$1,000.

J. M. Dickson, et ux, to Wm. Heckman, 10 acres, \$600.

W. B. Newsome and T. W. Newsome to J. T. Parker; 177.1 acres, \$580.90.

Harry C. Livengood, et ux, to Lester J. Smith; 371.6 acres, \$10,660.

J. R. Sumrall, et ux, to T. P. Hunter; 177.1 acres, \$7,084.

## Maudie Douglass' Birthday Party

Last Tuesday evening a host of children gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Douglass where Maudie's thirteenth birthday was celebrated. Maudie was presented with many beautiful gifts, after which many interesting games were played. Maudie blew out the candles on the birthday cake and refreshments were served to the following guests:

Jane Bucy, Beulah Kistler, Claude Wileman, Opal Harris, Catherine Scribner, Margaret Roach, Melvin Moore, Neva Douglas, Junior Winn, Naomi Scribner, Paul Lawrence, Alene Arnold, Jimmie Lee Black, Retta Mae Arnold, Roy Wileman, Vivian Scribner, Ruby Moore, Rheta Wileman, Truman Rice, Bernice Arnold, Lowene Rice, Dorothy Rice and James.

STRAYED from my farm about April 15th—One white-faced yearling steer. If it was branded, brand would be "diamond E" on left side. Don't think it was branded. Finder notify E. C. Priboth, Muleshoe, Texas, Route 1.

Mrs. Annie Howard, who has been in Hermleigh, Rotan and other points for several weeks visiting and for the benefit of her health, returned home recently. She thinks the change helped her.

Miss Sue Snider, assistant in the Tax Collector's office, is at home this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Snider, of Snyder. Miss Sue had her tonsils removed the first of the week in Lubbock. The court house bunch will miss her smiling face this week.

The following received prizes Saturday on Trades Day: A. C. Barton received the \$10 and one five-dollar coupon book. Chas. Boyle and T. P. Hunter received five-dollar coupon books. Don't fail to ask for tickets when you make a purchase in Muleshoe; you may be the lucky one Saturday.

Let me wash your car.—Sherman Vance, Phone 7.

## What Do You Know About July 4, 1776, Fact and Fiction?

Just what did occur on July 4, 1776, to make it notable and give to us our greatest National holiday? Was it the day upon which we first declared our independence from England? Was it the day upon which the Continental Congress officially passed an independence resolution? Or was it the day when the famous group of men affixed their signatures to the immortal document, the Declaration of Independence?

Few Americans know exactly what did take place on that day. And "popular belief" about it is a curious mixture of fact and fiction. What do YOU know for certain about it?

If you will read the article, "July 4, 1776, Fact and Fiction," by Elmo Scott Watson, in this issue, you can clear up any hazy ideas you may have on the subject and you can tell your friends who ask you just what did occur on that historic date.

## One Man Said

One man said: "What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? This will I do: I will pull down my barns and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul: 'Soul, thou hast much goods laid up, for many years; take thine ease; eat, drink and be merry.'"

But God said unto him: "Thou fool! This night shall thy soul be required of thee!"

Just a few days ago, one man said: "I don't mind to go to church occasionally when I find time and haven't anything else to do."

Now, the fact is, the man who values and loves the Church, finds his greatest delight in the worship and service of his church. Jesus said: "By their fruits ye shall know them." So let us know that if we give self and time to the things of the world, it is because of the fact that our hearts are joined on to these things; and Holy Scripture tells not: "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." And again Jesus said: "No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye can not serve God and mammon!"

What value, if any, do we place on Christ and His Church? Let's let our loyalty, our constant service and love for Him be our answer to the world. If one wins all and has not Christ, he has lost in life's battle. Or, to make this plain, I will say: If a man loses Christ, he can lose nothing else, for he has lost all. —J. E. PAYNE.

W. A. McLauri and wife of Moran, left Monday for their home after several days visit with the A. V. McCarty, Jr., and Joel Lee families. Joel Lee and family accompanied them home for a short visit.

Mrs. Robt. W. Cox of Excelsior Springs, Mo., is here this week looking after her land interests. She said her land was not for sale at any price. She likes this country very much.

John Tucker has purchased the Kurz farm and moved back from Portales, N. M.

## City of Muleshoe Buys Fire Truck

Last week the city dads took another step forward in the march of progress when they purchased a fine fire fighting truck and all the needed equipment.

This equipment is suitable for a town of the population of 2500. The city officials believe in doing things up in good fashion. When they make a purchase, they make it with a view of the future in mind.

This is a triple combination Chevrolet fire truck, consisting of chemical pump and hose body and all necessary equipment. It was purchased from A. N. Ledger, and manufactured by the Southern Fire Apparatus Company, of Dallas. They have 1,000 feet of fire hose, 150 feet of chemical hose, 24-foot ladder, 12-foot roof ladder, two 3-gallon hand extinguishers, 1 axe, 1 crowbar, 2 lanterns and a chemical hose reel, a 60-gallon high-pressure chemical tank and large water pump.

The people of Muleshoe should be proud of this equipment, as it is one of the best investments we have made.

Muleshoe is rapidly becoming one of the best towns in this part of the State. Before you make plans for a home, look Muleshoe over.

Car washing station. Wash everything but the driver.—Sherman B. Vance, Phone 7.

Mrs. Anderson of Pampa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eason (and children) are here visiting this week. They will leave in a few days for Ropes, to visit her grand parents. She has not seen them in 17 years. Her little 7-year-old daughter underwent a tonsil operation at the clinic last week.

## Watch Muleshoe grow!

Mrs. A. W. Coker and children are home from a visit to points on the South Plains.

For first-class painting, paper hanging and decorating, see Parsons & Son, Muleshoe, Texas All work guaranteed. (19-2c)

Donel Eason, who is working at the Harvey House in Clovis, N. M., was down Sunday visiting home folks.

Mrs. Carl Willburn left Saturday night for Littlefield to visit her mother.

Mrs. Anna Howard is spending the week-end with her son, T. M. Howard, in the Star Ranch community.

Miss Mildred Lee is off duty at the drug store this week on account of a tonsil operation.

W. T. Black is greatly improved this week. We look for him to be out in a few days.

Mrs. Mel Wilson and children returned Wednesday from a trip to Happy, where they visited relatives.

Mrs. J. M. Stokes, who has been on the sick list, is reported doing fine at this time.

Mrs. T. L. Eason is on the sick list this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. — Done June 20, a fine girl.

L. C. Jones was here the first of the week from Odessa.

A real dinner every day at Moeller's cafe.

## Tonsil Clinic Sunday Success

Sunday of this week was a busy day for our County Nurse. On that day she held a tonsil clinic, and, with Dr. Standifer, Miss Shaffer and Miss Henry, they did seven operations. This work was done on this day because of lack of time on any other day. Many children will in this way be benefited and it will be a great help.

There will be another clinic sometime in July, and if you wish to register your child for this clinic, please come and register early. There are just so many who can be taken care of at a time, and the places are quickly filled.

We, the community, want to thank these people who come down for these various activities, and for the help that is given. It was with great pleasure that we had this clinic here the past week.

—Reporter.

## A Beautiful Home Wedding Thursday

Miss Novella Elrod, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Elrod, and Mr. W. C. Woodburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Woodburn, of Hereford, were married Thursday evening, June 23, at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Nina Elrod.

The archway between the living room and dining room was converted into an altar. On either side of an embankment of greenery stood tall wicker baskets, filled with pink gladioli and orchid larkspur with trailing lace ferns reaching almost to the floor. The rooms were resplendent with baskets of flowers and ferns.

Preceding the ceremony, Miss Opal Haney sang a pre-nuptial solo, "All For You," by Easthope Martin, accompanied by Mrs. Carl Elrod. Following this, Mrs. Elrod played the bridal chorus from Lohengrin at the entrance of the bride party.

Leading from the far door of the living room were groups of high school girls, Misses Iris Hardin, Mildred Dillahanty, Opal Morris and Mildred Lee, wearing flower-like frocks of pink and orchid, and holding white satin bands of white ribbons, forming an aisle to the altar.

The first to enter were the bridesmaids, Misses Vivian and Ruth Courtney. They made a lovely picture dressed in pink and orchid georgette, and carrying bouquets of pink and orchid sweet peas. They were followed by the maid of honor, Miss Helen Elrod, the bride's sister, who wore an orchid georgette frock, studded in rhinestones and pearls. She carried an arm cluster of pink gladioli.

Next came the little flower girls, Tidwell Douglas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Douglass, and Norma Elrod, niece of the bride. They wore fluffy little hand-painted dresses of pink and orchid, and carried baskets of pink and orchid sweet peas, from which they strewed the pathway of the approaching bride. The bride entered with her brother, Carl Elrod, who gave her in marriage. Master Norman Elrod, nephew of the bride, wearing a Fauntleroy suit of pink satin, carried the ring in the heart of a lily.

Mr. Tom Elrod attended the groom as best man. Rev. Dallas Dennison, Methodist pastor of Farwell, read the impressive (Continued to page 4, column 2)

## Volunteer Fire Dept. Organized

At a called meeting last Friday night, a Volunteer Fire Department was organized for the City of Muleshoe.

A. V. McCarty, Sr., was elected President.

Wm. G. Kennedy, Vice-President.

Ivan Mardis, Secretary-Treasurer.

D. E. Keeney, Fire Chief. Mills Barfield, Assistant Chief. Joe March, Captain.

The following men were selected on the Department: Clay Buchanan, Arnold Morris, K. K. Smith, E. Pavleck, Byron Griffiths, A. V. McCarty, Jr., H. C. Edmonds, Leslie Moore and Connie Gupton.

Most of these men have had experience on volunteer and paid departments; therefore, we are assured of a real fire-fighting bunch of husky young men.

Folks, you see this is just another step towards the making of a real city. Muleshoe is one of the most progressive small towns on the great South Plains! And step by step, we are climbing the ladder of progress! A great future is in store for this section!

Watch Muleshoe grow!

## What's the Matter With Texas Eggs?

Why do Texas eggs fail to sell in Eastern markets?

Why does Texas ship in vast quantities of eggs from other sections?

These questions are answered by Roy C. Potts, chief of the division dairy and poultry products of the United States Bureau of Agricultural Economics, in a recent interview published in the Star-Telegram. Mr. Potts said:

"The Eastern markets are dubious about the Texas egg and it does not find a ready sale there. The same condition applies in this state, also. Produce houses do not want it for storage purposes, and as a result eggs are shipped here from Northern markets each year.

"There is no good reason in this, especially the latter condition. Texas can produce as good eggs as California. The California egg is standard on all markets, and get the benefit of the highest prices as well as have markets open to it all the time."

Potts recommended improved breeding methods and a year-round grain diet as the best means of bettering the Texas egg. The best egg for shipping purposes has a fairly heavy shell and is full-bodied and clean, he said.

"I am convinced that Texas could replace, or at least equal, California in the egg markets," he said. "The State has all the products necessary for the feeding of poultry, and has a shorter haul to the Eastern markets. Climatic conditions, averaged up, are about the same.

"Quality is the main point. After the main hatching season, which should end around May 1, is over, infertile eggs should be produced, as they are better for storage purposes."

Texas farmers should not rest until they have remedied this situation to their own profit and to the higher agricultural prestige of the State. Better poultry breeding, better feeding and standardization will help Texas on the exporting in the importing side of the —Star-Telegram



### Mickie's Corner

EDITED BY OUR LIL' MICKIE  
ONE STATE AUNT BENT IN ALL BIRTH PER AN DOG CONTEST  
COME ON, RHODE ISLAND  
STILL TIME BUT HURRY!

### MICKIE, THE PRINTER'S DEVIL

By Charles Squires  
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I'GROSE I SHOULDN'T LAFF, BUT I CAN'T HARDLY HELP IT - TH' TIGHTEST MAN IN TOWN - (I WON'T MENTION HIS NAME) - HE'S ALWAYS BRAGGIN' HOW MUCH CHEAPER HE KIN BUY AWAY FROM MICKIE - (HE JEST THINKS HE KIN)

YESTERDAY HE DROVE TO A NEARBY CITY AND SPENT THE DAY HUNTING BARGAINS - HE FINISHED WITH A NET SAVING OF \$2.37 (BUYING SHORWORN GOODS) AND WITH HIS ARMS FULL OF BUNDLES, WENT TO HIS CAR - HA! HA! HA! HA! (HERE'S WHERE THE BIG LAUGH BEGINS)

WHILE HE WUZ SPENDING HIS MONEY WITH THE MERCHANTS OF THAT TOWN, THEIR GOFS HAD PLACED A TICKET ON HIS CAR FOR PARKING LONGER THAN ONE HOUR, AND IT COST HIM \$13.25 TO PAY HIS FINE

### Retribution

HOW MUCH DID HE 'SAVE'?

### FINNEY OF THE FORCE

By F. O. Alexander  
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### His Native Haunts

Famous Flop scenes #1543210

OH OFFICER - ALL THE WAY FROM BUFFALO WEST I'VE LOOKED FOR A SARAGE INDIAN! I HOPE I SHALL NOT RETURN TO STATEN ISLAND WITHOUT HAVING SEEN ONE OF OUS, OUN, NATIVE AMERICANS

SEEMS TO ME OI SAW AN INJON STOUTIN' AROUND THIS FACIT AV TOWN, LES SEE -

I'M WRITING A THING ON 'THE VANISHING AMERICAN' AND I MUST SEE THIS INDIAN IN HIS NATIVE HAUNTS

THERE, MADAM - IS OI' CHIEF HOOF AN MOUTH HIMSELF!

HOW THRILLING!

FER GOSH OUT LOUD, LIZZIE! - WHAT DIDJA DO WID DE BUCK I GIVE YOU DIS MORNIN! DIS USHERIN AT DE PONTIAC DON'T PAY NO MOVIE ACTORS KALE Y'KNOW!

THE AVERAGE FLAPPER HAS A VOCABULARY OF ONLY 500 WORDS - BUT THINK OF THE TURN-OVER!

### Events in the Lives of Little Men

### Our Pet Peeve

YES I'M COMING  
ALL RIGHT IF HE STAYS OUT THERE WE'LL KNOW THE WATERS READY  
WELL - HERE GOES  
I'M GOING IN

HI - HO - HUM!!

### THE FEATHERHEADS

By Osborne  
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### Thanks Just the Same

HI FELIX!

WHICH WAY YOU GOIN'?

THAT WAY!

OH - THOUGHT I COULD GIVE YOU A LIFF - GOIN' TOWHER WAY THO -

SO LONG!

Feather-head Fables: - 15 YEAR OLD WILLY WAS CERTAIN THAT THERE WERE A FEW THINGS THAT HIS FATHER COULD TELL HIM.

WE LIKE THIS SO WELL WE INTEND TO REPUBLISH THE FIRST PRIZE OF \$5000 - AND GIVE IT AWAY TO - Marion Caplan, Glendale, Calif.

### The Clancy Kids

Chippy Thought They'd Sell Like Peanuts

By PERCY L. CROSBY  
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STATION  
HERE'S A TRAIN COMIN' NOW

ANYBODY WANTA BUY A HOUSE TODAY?

MAYBE SOME BODY OFFER THIS TRAIN'LL BUY A HOUSE

IT'S AWFUL FUNNY. JIMMIESOLD ALL HIS PAPERS AN' COULDN'T EVEN SELL ONE HOUSE - AFTER A WHILE, MAYBE, AFTER A WHILE





By ELLERY H. CLARK  
N. S. Service  
COPYS SERVICE  
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CHAPTER IX—Continued

A moment later and I had entered the house, never dreaming that across its threshold lay the first romantic adventure of my life. Yet it was. One instant in the open air, thinking, somewhat morosely, that the world was filled with cruel and treacherous and generally unpleasant people, the next inside the entrance, to be greeted, in the cool, dim light, by the loveliest girl that I had ever seen. Eustace McAllister, at sight of her, displayed, for the first time, a trace of courtesy, explaining with an air which for him was almost genuine, "Helen, my nephew Robert, Robert, this is my adopted daughter. You two must be company for each other."

Every day, indeed, McAllister had a drill with the maroons, in which I of course took part, and he was constantly calculating on how the wind might be attacked, and on the way in which these attacks might best be met. Yet all the time McAllister took pains to convince me that there was no real danger of being attacked by anyone, and that he merely felt it was wise to be prepared. "For why," he demanded as I asked him to explain the necessity of, "should anyone wish to harm me? I've done no wrong; I haven't an enemy in the world. Some people—"

Helen turned to me, and with his right hand caressed his chin, a favorite gesture when more than usually disturbed—"some people think I'm a rich man. But I'm not; I'm a few pounds laid by for rainy days."

You may imagine how all this disgusted me. If he had come straight out with the truth—honest as it was, but this pretense of being all that he was not was too much for me to stand. And from his general talk, conversation, and with his right hand caressed his chin, a favorite gesture when more than usually disturbed—"some people think I'm a rich man. But I'm not; I'm a few pounds laid by for rainy days."

Meanwhile, as I quickly assumed my place in the routine of affairs on the island, the Ashantee with a cargo of ivory, gold dust and slaves. In fact, another vessel just arrived, a faster sailer in light airs, had reported passing the bark three days before, and that she might be expected any day.

It was evident that the house could not be easily taken, for the lower story, as I have said, was strongly built of stone, and the only entrance was a massive door opening on a portico of log, and always, after dark, carefully locked and barred.

The garrioun, too, was equally impressive, consisting, as it did, of a dozen swarthy maroons, those fierce descendants of the slaves who had fled to the woods when English rule supplanted that of Spain upon the island. Chief among them were Cudjo, their leader, who kept the beat of discipline, Caesar, his second in command, Big Bill, huge giant, six feet and a half in height, and who was only an inch or two shorter than Bill. Altogether, it was clear enough that the taking of the island would be no easy task.

By the time I had reached the door, I found the door open, and I entered the house, never dreaming that across its threshold lay the first romantic adventure of my life. Yet it was. One instant in the open air, thinking, somewhat morosely, that the world was filled with cruel and treacherous and generally unpleasant people, the next inside the entrance, to be greeted, in the cool, dim light, by the loveliest girl that I had ever seen. Eustace McAllister, at sight of her, displayed, for the first time, a trace of courtesy, explaining with an air which for him was almost genuine, "Helen, my nephew Robert, Robert, this is my adopted daughter. You two must be company for each other."

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What's the Answer?

Here is a new feature that will provide profitable entertainment for all of our readers. In each issue we will print a series of twenty questions covering such subjects as history, science, geography, literature, arithmetic, religion, sports, economics, in fact, almost any subject that interests you. We start the series with the first twenty questions. Our next issue will carry the answer to these questions and another set of twenty, and so on over a period of several months. Try to answer these questions as they appear in each issue. To do so, to search for the answers that you do not know, will add materially to your store of valuable information. This new "What's the Answer" feature is a most interesting and profitable one. Cut out the questions, keep them until the answers appear in the next issue and then see how near correct your own answers have been. Follow it from issue to issue and you will find it fascinating.

- Questions—No. 1
1—Who discovered the Pacific ocean?
2—What is the oldest town in the United States and where was it settled?
3—What is the area of the earth's surface that is water?
4—What is the average person's range of visibility?
5—How many times has St. Louis won the National League pennant?
6—What is the meaning of the Renaissance as applied to art?
7—What is the most remarkable thing that has practically no drainage to the sea?
8—What is the oldest Greek letter club fraternity?
9—Who said, "I regret that I have but one life to give to my country"?
10—What industry is considered the barometer for general trade in the United States?
11—What is myopia?
12—How old is the earth?
13—When was negro slavery introduced into the United States?
14—When was Yale college founded?
15—Who was the first man to drive an automobile more than a mile in a minute?
16—What American actor has won distinction as tragedian and comedian as an actor, as the creator of Shakespeare and of the modern drama, and is equally proficient on the stage and in moving pictures?
17—Which of the continents has the most regular coastline?
18—Who was the first lyric poet of France?
19—Who said, "D—n the torpedoes! Go ahead!"
20—What is America's greatest undeveloped resource?

Accidents That Have Made Big Industries

A piece of cheese tossed by one workman at another during the luncheon hour missed its mark and dropped into the pump being used in the production of copper disks from which was photographed records were stamped. Later the disks from that bath were found to be far superior to those of the ordinary investigation revealed that the cause in the cheese had done the trick. This disclosed a possible improvement worth thousands of dollars to the manufacturer. Telephone engineers discovered that an alloy of nickel and iron, when produced in the form of a narrow ribbon and drawn around the copper core of submarine cable, would increase the speed of the cable six times. The only trouble was that no one seemed able to find a flux that would weld the ends of the ribbon into a solid piece. One day a workman jokingly said: "Let's try salt." Picking up the shaker from his luncheon pail, he started to sprinkle the salt over the flux, when the cover fell off the shaker and the salt poured over the weld. This started a chemical action that united the ends of the problem was solved. A scientist in France, while experimenting in his laboratory, inadvertently opened a new vein. Before he could rectify his mistake several drops of molten metal fell in a glass tube that was part of the apparatus. His elation knew no bounds, for here at last was the end of the long search for a new alloy. Again an accident created an industry and gave us an explosive far safer and mightier than dynamite—Floyd W. Parsons in the Saturday Evening Post.

Prophecy Fulfilled

There are several lakes or streams in different parts of the world with which are connected strange stories. One is Lake Charles, four miles from Ermo, in the eastern Transvaal. When the Dutch emigrants from the Cape first settled in the Transvaal an oracle was consulted, and predicted that some day the lake would become dry, and then the Boers would lose their independence. This prophecy was fulfilled when the Boers were expelled by the British.

QUEER QUIRKS IN HUMAN DESTINY

By HARRY R. CALKINS  
WNU Service

Advantage in Misfortune  
WHILE the young Caudin Julius was a student at the University of Rome, the student who later established himself as the incomparable propagandist, turned the event into political capital.

Discouraged by the continued rise of the young Pompey, who had just won honors through his military prowess, the patrician, Caudin, had departed from Rome to study oratorical style at Rhodes. It was on the voyage that he fell into the hands of pirates who held him for 50 days, releasing him when his slave, Epicles, returned from Asia with money. Alleviate to the effect that story would create in Rome, Caesar hastened to write home his own version of it. "This account was extremely unflattering," Caudin described his captivity as a great leak. For 40 days and nights, he wrote, he lived among his captors like a prince surrounded by slaves, playing games with them and reciting to them his poems, which last affected them marvelously. Repeatedly he threatened them with death by hanging if they did not release him. Life under the black flag was the merriest kind extant, he assured his friends.

Lincoln's Lucky Purchase  
THE purchase of a barrel that he did not need and did not want in the life of Abraham Lincoln.

One day while Lincoln was still engaged in the humdrum business of running a store in New Salem, Ill., a traveling peddler came to the store, on stopped and offered to sell him a barrel for half a dollar. Lincoln had no occasion for the barrel but his good nature and kindness influenced him to agree. When he came to empty rubble out of the barrel, the young storekeeper was amazed at the discovery of Blackstone's "Commentaries on the Laws of England" and other books. The elation of a youth who had frequently tramped miles through the woods to borrow a book from a book-may be imagined when the one book above all others that he desired was thus miraculously dropped into his hands.

Those Who Lift  
There are some men and some women whose company we are always glad to see. While with them we cannot think mean thoughts or speak ungenerous words. Their mere presence is elevation, purification, sanctification. Their words lift our nature as we are drawn out by their intercourse, and we find a music in our souls that was never there before—Henry Drummond, in "The Alchemy of Influence."

Warm Weather Healthful  
Medical reports point out the fact that the most healthful time of the year in northern climates is that portion of summer when the weather is just beginning to warm. The summer extremes of heat are not so great as the winter extremes of cold. In the tropics the extremes of temperature in a day in Europe exceed the extremes of a "winter year" in the tropics.



"Some People Think I'm a Rich Man. But I'm Not."

was hot and sultry, so that even the breeze from the sea seemed to blow refreshingly than usual. He rowed over, with two of his bodyguard, to the western bank of the river, and there, under the shade of a tree, he lay down to rest. He had not been long when a hilltop, remained there until lunch time, and immediately after eating, instead of taking his customary siesta, returned to the boat. In the boat, Helen and I had strolled, as usual, to our trying place, but although low, as they say, laughs at locksmiths, it could not make light of the intense oppressiveness of the afternoon. I had never seen anything like it. Little as I knew of the weather in the Caribbean, I felt positive that we were on the very brink of a storm.

I had not, however, the faintest conception of what a tropical hurricane like. Before many moments had passed, the sky was filled with driving clouds, a dark and rapidly advancing line on the water showed the coming of the wind, and from far out at sea we could hear a penetrating roar, the wild cry of the frightful force of the impending storm. And then there broke upon us such a turmoil of rushing wind and raging sea as I had never imagined possible. I seized the nearest arm, and in the lee of a huge cotton-wood we crouched, breathless, and the

Character is Shaped by Means of Thought  
Every day we are becoming more like our thoughts. If they are mean and selfish, we cannot prevent ourselves from being mean and selfish. If they are unclean and evil, our character and conduct will inevitably be shaped by them. It is true that as a man "thinks in his heart, so he is."

Ancient Archives Saved  
European merchants economize by wrapping their merchandise in old newspapers or any other paper which can be easily obtained. In the little Rumanian town of Nagyvarad (formerly Hungarian) this custom led to the discovery of some old documents of historical importance. Students bought fruit from a street vendor and examination of the coruscopias showed that the paper came from old Hungarian documents. One document contained an official account of the battle of Magenta (fought in Italy in 1859). Another was an original decree of Franz Joseph, dated 1780, permitting the Protestants of Nagyvarad to sing their religious songs when conducting burial services. According to reports, the documents in which the fruit was sold came from the local archives, the Rumanian authorities having sold them for old paper.

Idol of Fanatics  
Juggernaut ("lord of the world") was the Hindu idol under whose chariot wheels the people flung themselves.

next instant, to my utter amazement, I found the dripping form of McAllister beside me. He was like a man possessed, his face a dull red from his exertions, his rain-soaked clothing clinging to his ringer-form. He placed his mouth close to my ear. "Quick! he shouted, "we've got to man the big gun before the Ashantees get the bar. We must get to her somehow, or she'll founder and we'll lose every slave on board. Eively now! Bear a hand!"

By the time I had reached the door, I found the door open, and I entered the house, never dreaming that across its threshold lay the first romantic adventure of my life. Yet it was. One instant in the open air, thinking, somewhat morosely, that the world was filled with cruel and treacherous and generally unpleasant people, the next inside the entrance, to be greeted, in the cool, dim light, by the loveliest girl that I had ever seen. Eustace McAllister, at sight of her, displayed, for the first time, a trace of courtesy, explaining with an air which for him was almost genuine, "Helen, my nephew Robert, Robert, this is my adopted daughter. You two must be company for each other."

Every day, indeed, McAllister had a drill with the maroons, in which I of course took part, and he was constantly calculating on how the wind might be attacked, and on the way in which these attacks might best be met. Yet all the time McAllister took pains to convince me that there was no real danger of being attacked by anyone, and that he merely felt it was wise to be prepared. "For why," he demanded as I asked him to explain the necessity of, "should anyone wish to harm me? I've done no wrong; I haven't an enemy in the world. Some people—"

Helen turned to me, and with his right hand caressed his chin, a favorite gesture when more than usually disturbed—"some people think I'm a rich man. But I'm not; I'm a few pounds laid by for rainy days."

You may imagine how all this disgusted me. If he had come straight out with the truth—honest as it was, but this pretense of being all that he was not was too much for me to stand. And from his general talk, conversation, and with his right hand caressed his chin, a favorite gesture when more than usually disturbed—"some people think I'm a rich man. But I'm not; I'm a few pounds laid by for rainy days."

Meanwhile, as I quickly assumed my place in the routine of affairs on the island, the Ashantee with a cargo of ivory, gold dust and slaves. In fact, another vessel just arrived, a faster sailer in light airs, had reported passing the bark three days before, and that she might be expected any day.



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Wedding June 23**

(Continued from first page)  
ceremony, through which Mrs. Carl Elrod played softly, "To a Wild Rose" by McDowell.  
The bride wore a model of white duchess satin with bask style and bouffant skirt, the bottom of which hung in scollops and was covered with a flounce of sheer lace. Her figure was enveloped in a soft cloud of tulle net veil, caught in Spanish fashion at the head with a row of orange buds across the top and ending with a cluster of orange blossoms at each side of the face. The veil which was several yards long, was looped at various places with bits of orange buds. She wore a string of large pearls and carried a shower bouquet of white sweet peas and brides roses.

After the ceremony, a reception was held with the bride and bridegroom receiving the congratulations of their friends.

The dining table was covered with pink net over orchid satin, on which were silver colored baskets holding pink and orchid blossoms. The wedding cake, an artistic three-tiered confection, rested among a bed of pink and orchid sweet peas, and was cut by the bride and served by Misses Mildred Lee and Iris Hardin.

Misses Opal Morris and Mildred Dillahunty presided at the punch bowl.

Mrs. Woodburn's going-away gown was of tan georgette, touched off with red, with red and tan accessories.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodburn left immediately for Amarillo, where they will be at home to their friends.

The invitation list included, besides the members of the immediate family of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Woodburn of Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Watson, Dimmitt, Miss Loma Woodburn, Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Woodburn, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Taylor, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woodburn, San Bernardino, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Thomas, Farwell; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Haley, Farwell; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Mardis, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Wyer; Misses Ruth and Vivian Courtney, Littlefield; Mildred Dillahunty, San Angelo; Iris Hardin, Opal Morris, Mildred Lee, Opal Haney, Helen Carles, Vera Eller, Lola Lipscomb, Zula Harding, Lottie Huke, Dorothy Wentland, Jerre Beller, Jewel Haney, Ruth Harden; Messrs. Howard Carlyle, Mills Barfield, John Bickle, Wayne Wallace and Herstine Beller.

**DUTCH MINISTER**



New portrait of Dr. F. J. Van Itoyen, the new minister from the Netherlands to the United States, in his official garb.

**Stoicism Theory**

Stoics were a school of philosophers founded by Zeno at Athens about the year 300 B. C. They taught that man could rise master to the divine in proportion as he freed himself from the bondage of the human emotions, only allowing himself to be swayed by

Stoic played hob with the initial opening of the overseas telephone. With wrong numbers and wrong air the patrons will feel doubly wronged.

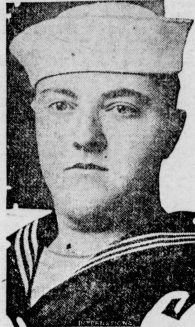
It seems the king of Bulgaria drives a motor boat, rides a bicycle, runs an automobile and swims, in addition to having a useful assortment of time-tables.

A British humorist is making a collection of the world's 50 worst books. The novel plan contains its own ironic justice, the fun-maker must read the worst books.

Colleges are said to set the styles for Wall street brokers, which is no more than fair when one remembers that so many college graduates become bond salesmen.

The school that Mary attended with her little lamb is to be made a shrine, to be visited by young ladies who wouldn't know a lamb if they met it in the middle of the road.

**WOUNDED IN NANKING**



One of the first American fighting men wounded in China was Ray D. Plumley of Ralston, Iowa. He was wounded by Chinese at Nanking, but kept up his fire until the civilians had made their way to safety. Plumley was a member of the consulate guard.

**Card of Thanks**

We take this method of thanking our many friends for their service and loyalty in the sickness and death of our daughter and sister, Vera Jennings.

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The New York man who is trying to correct the perfume and face-powder business of the country came to America without a scent.

Life was so much simpler when a salad was a wad of lettuce instead of an arrangement in chickweed, egg shells and olive oil.

A Paris authority says 1927 skirts will be shorter than ever. This will leave what is known in arithmetic as an improper fraction.

Now and then a fellow gets up feeling like a treasury surplus and goes to bed feeling like a big navy man's description of the fleet.

What kind of a book is it nowadays that has to be privately published?

No one knows where a cold wave goes, and no one seems to care.

No man is as insignificant as he looks in a pullman dressing room at 8 a. m.

Oil prevents mechanical friction. Its influence in world politics is different.

You can tell an uneducated man. He doesn't hate any particular university.

The youth of today is still interested in the three r's—rushes, har-rahs and radio.

A war in China is locally satisfactory only so long as it remains a family quarrel.

In Italy the government is putting special taxes on bachelors. Over here the girls attend to that.

The winner of a prize in a beauty contest is, alas, too often found in the third row of the chorus!

Some young fellows seem to think their social position is fixed by the price of their cigarette lighters.

The German who cut off his fence's nose to cure her of flirting may have started a new style in noses.

Even in radio affairs there must be some arrangement to protect simple merit against the spotlight grabber.

One reason why "heart failure" is on the increase is because it accompanies so many other causes of death.

Well, if Japan wishes to enter into a navy building contest with the United States, the United States certainly knows where to get the steel.

The bob and shingle are altogether too convenient ever to die, says a hair-dresser in convention. Does the thing of beauty want to be a boy forever?

The perfect hostess will never oblige that her guest has parked a cigarette on the piano—but it is nevertheless a severe strain on perfection.

There should be no excuse for idleness among professional humorists in these times with so many ancient lightwad jokes to be translated into Scotch.

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A. W. MELLON, Secretary of the Treasury, Washington, May 31, 1927.

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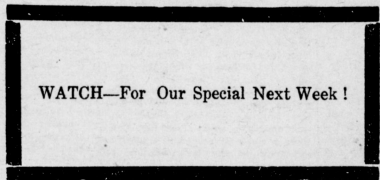
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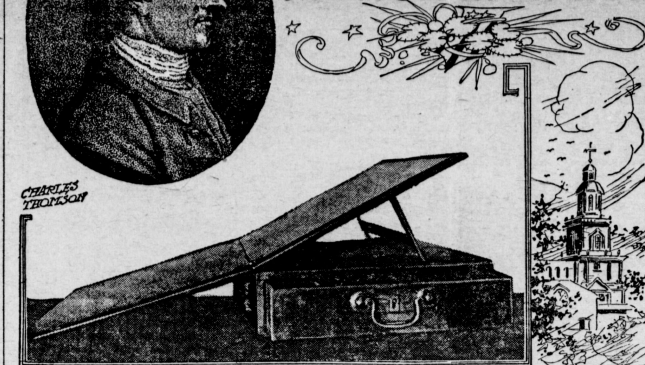
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# 1746 Fiction and Fact



ASK ON WHICH JEFFERSON WROTE THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

BY ELMO SCOTT WATSON  
ASK the average American what took place on July 4, 1776, and he, with a somewhat vague recollection of what he once learned in the history books at school and a similar remembrance of what he saw in the painting "Signing the Declaration of Independence" by John Trumbull, probably will answer you in something of this fashion:

"Why, that was the day that we declared our freedom from England, when Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence, wrote that immortal document in which he said that all men are born free and equal. After he had written it he presented it to the Continental congress and John Hancock signed it. In that bold handwriting which the king of England could read without spectacles. Then the members of congress, Washington and Franklin and John Adams and all the others signed it. After that they read it to the people outside Independence hall and the patriots cheered and rushed away to ring the Liberty bell until it was cracked."

That, of course, is a rather free translation of a composite American idea about the historic events which gave us our greatest national holiday, the one hundred fifty-first anniversary of which is being celebrated all over the country on July 4, 1927. Like so many other composite ideas, usually characterized as "popular beliefs," it is also a composite of fiction and fact. Despite all that has been written about the Declaration of Independence and the signing thereof, few Americans, unless they are professional historians, have a clear-cut idea of just what did take place on that day. And even among the professional historians there is some disagreement, caused by differences in the interpretation of words and phrases. Here are a few facts and a bit of chronology which may make the matter clearer:

Richard Henry Lee certainly has some claim to share the title of "Author of the Declaration of Independence" with his fellow Virginian, Thomas Jefferson, for on June 7, 1776, he presented to the Continental congress his resolution which begins:

Resolved, That these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, independent States; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown; and that all political connection between them and the said Kingdom of Great Britain is and ought to be totally dissolved.

This, as one historian has pointed out, was a "pure declaration of independence." It was promptly seconded by John Adams of Massachusetts, but then countered by a committee of the whole, no action was taken upon it because some of the members felt that the colonies were not yet ready for so radical a step. On June 10, the postponement was proposed, and on the resolution until July 1. On June 11 a committee composed of Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Roger Sherman and Robert R. Livingston was appointed to prepare a formal declaration of independence and have it ready in case it was wanted at the time of the postponement of action on a resolution of independence that Franklin uttered one of his most famous sayings. When the postponement was proposed, in order to give certain delegates time to receive instructions from their colonies as to what their attitude toward independence should be, it was proposed that the necessary unanimity of action on the matter, Franklin remarked dryly, "We must all hang to-

gether or assuredly we shall all hang separately."

When the committee came to decide who was to write the Declaration, it was finally agreed that Jefferson should do it. It is said that Jefferson explained to Franklin the reason why he, as their senior, was not asked to write it was that it was feared he could not resist the temptation to put a joke into it, and the Declaration was serious business! Although stories differ on the manner of selecting the writer, the fact remains that Jefferson did write the first draft and the desk upon which he wrote it (shown above) is still preserved. It is interesting to note that this desk was for a long time in the possession of a man named Coolidge, John Coolidge of Boston, and at his death by his will it passed into the custody of congress.

This first draft of the Declaration, which is often reproduced, shows also the handwriting of Franklin and Adams who made a few minor corrections in it. Jefferson later gave it to Richard Henry Lee and in 1825 his grandson presented it to the American Philosophical Society of Philadelphia, which later entrusted it to the custody of the patent office in Washington. After Franklin and Adams had made their changes on the first draft, Jefferson wrote a second copy, incorporating their amendments, and presented it to the committee which reported it unchanged to congress.

On July 1, the date set by congress for considering a declaration of independence, the original resolutions offered by Richard Henry Lee first came up for consideration before congress acting as a committee of the whole. The formal vote was on the next day, July 2, and the resolutions were approved by a two-thirds vote. Delegates from Delaware, Pennsylvania and South Carolina voted in the affirmative and those from New York, having no instructions from their colonies, did not vote. So under one interpretation, July 2 should be Independence day for it was on that date that the colonies declared their independence and the declaration of independence which they adopted through their representatives was that written by Richard Henry Lee instead of Thomas Jefferson and was not the document so revered by Americans at all!

In fact, if the suggestion of John Adams had been followed, we would now be celebrating on July 2 instead of July 4. In commenting upon the momentous act of adopting Lee's independence resolution, Adams said: "The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epocha in the history of America. . . . It ought to be commemorated as a day of devotion, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward, forevermore."

July 3 and 4 were spent by congress in discussing the draft of the declaration of independence presented by Jefferson, acting for the committee. There was a lively debate which ended in the striking out of the paragraph accusing King George of "barbarous warfare" and a few other comparatively unimportant lines. Then on July 4 the delegates from 12 colonies who had been authorized to vote for independence agreed upon the final draft after the amendment had been incorporated, which was to be printed that night in the form of a poster by John Dunlap, printer, for public distribution. The significant feature of this poster, according to one historian, lies

in the fact that Franklin changed the small "u" in "united" to a capital making the new nation the United States of America, instead of the united States of America.

As to the signing of the Declaration of Independence, there is where the "popular belief" is most at fault. This Declaration, adopted on July 4, 1776, was signed by just two men, John Hancock, president of congress, and Charles Thomson, secretary. "Charles Thomson—never heard of him?" the average American would say. Yet for all that he is neglected by history he is an important character. He was secretary of both the First and Second Continental congresses. And it was he who first read the Declaration to a group of patriots. According to one story this took place on July 4 when he stepped outside the statehouse, as soon as he and Hancock had signed the document, and read it to a handful of citizens who stood around and who made an extraordinary demonstration thereof. According to another account, this did not occur until July 8, after congress had sent copies of the Declaration to the various colonies. Founding fathers, of course, got her copy first, and at noon on July 8 Thomson stood on a wooden platform in the statehouse yard—it had been placed there temporarily in 1793 to enable an astronomer, one David Rittenhouse, to observe a transit of Venus—and read the Declaration to a vast crowd of citizens. These citizens cheered the reading, then sped away to pull down the royal arms in the courtroom and to ring the Liberty bell. As for the fiction of "ringing the Liberty bell until it cracked," that myth, however, did not occur until 1835, when it was being told for the death of Chief Justice John Marshall.

Now, for the signing of the Declaration of Independence. After it had been adopted on July 4, an engrossed copy on parchment for all the delegates to sign was ordered. The copy who held the pen and formed the letters on this copy—the one which is preserved today in the national shrine in the Library of Congress—was Timothy Matlack, the best penman in the office of Charles Thomson, secretary of the Continental congress. It was completed by August 2, and on that date was signed by 54 delegates. Two others signed later. They were Thomas McKean of Delaware, who was absent with his regiment in the Continental army at the time of the signing, and Matthew Thornton of New Hampshire. Thornton was not elected to congress until the autumn, but in November he was permitted to sign and thus made the total of the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence.

As for the other errors in the statement of the average American quoted at the beginning of this article: The phrase "All men are born free and equal" does not occur in the Declaration. That phrase is often confused with the statement "All men are created equal," which does appear in the famous document. The "born free and equal" wording is in the constitution of Massachusetts, framed in 1780 and doubt inspired by the statement in the Declaration. George Washington, of course, was not a signer of the Declaration of Independence. At the time the Continental congress was in Philadelphia declaring independence, he was in Cambridge, Mass., wedding together that Continental Congress and its motto to make good the Declaration. He was a signer of the Constitution after the Revolution and the fact, no doubt, that his name appears on this immortal document leads to the idea that he was also a signer of the earlier important document.

Then try it on the light; the chances are it may do service for several months longer. The final part of the filament have a habit of becoming disconnected. By shaking it the parts come together again, making the bulb as good as new.

What Shakespeare Said  
Men are April when they woo, December when they wed; mists and rain are May when they love, but the sky changes when they are wroth.—As You Like It, Act 4, Scene 1.

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## Improved Uniform International Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for June 26

Review—Life and Letters of Peter (Read 1 Peter 5:1-11).

**GOLDEN TEXT**—Follow me and I will give you life forever.  
**PRIMARY TOPIC**—Peter in the School of Christ.

**INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC**—Peter as a Leader.  
**YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC**—Peter's Life and Work.

At best, suggestions as to the method of review have only a relative value. The individuality of the teacher, the aptitude of the pupils and the department of the school are factors which determine the best method to use. Three methods are suggested, the first two of which are in part taken from "Peloubet's Notes."

**I. Peter's Characteristics.**  
Among the outstanding characteristics of Peter may be mentioned impetuosity, leadership, courage, cowardice, changeableness, outspokenness. These traits and others are to be found in the quarter's lessons.

**II. Biographical.**  
The features to be stressed in this plan are Peter's early life, discipleship, sad fall, restoration, preaching at Pentecost, imprisonment, writings.

**III. The Summary Method.**  
**Lesson for April 3.**  
Jesus had first called Peter and John to become His disciples. Afterwards he called them to become fishers of men. He first calls sinners to come to Him for salvation and then calls those who are saved to serve Him in winning others to Christ.

**Lesson for April 10.**  
Following the feeding of the five thousand, some were disposed to compel Christ to be king. Seemingly to prevent the disciples from entanglement in this movement He sent them across the sea. From His place of prayer in the mount He saw them struggling against the storm on Lake Galilee and went to their rescue, speaking words of comfort. At his invitation Peter walked on the water, but when he took his eyes off of the Savior he began to sink.

**Lesson for April 17.**  
To save the disciples a clear conception of His person, to prepare them for the dark hour of the cross, Jesus put to them two questions, "Who do men say I am?" (Mt. 16) "Who say ye that I am?" (Lk. 9) One's conception of Christ's person determines his character and his service.

**Lesson for April 24.**  
To realize the crushed hopes of the disciples and to show them how the kingdom was to be realized, Christ was transfigured before them.

**Lesson for May 1.**  
Peter's downfall began when he refused to hear about the cross. The steps in his downfall were self-confidence, sleeping at the post of duty, lack of prayer, next with knowledge, following Christ afar off, warning himself at the enemy's fire, and open denial. The look of Jesus brought him to repentance.

**Lesson for May 8.**  
Upon word by Mary that the Lord's tomb was empty, Peter and John hurriedly made an investigation. After Jesus had shown Himself to be alive by many infallible proofs He commissioned Peter. Resurrection must be beyond a peradventure before there can be missionary effort.

**Lesson for May 15.**  
Fifty days after Christ ascended the Holy Spirit was poured out. When the promise of the Father was sent the disciples were empowered for witnessing of Christ.

**Lesson for May 22.**  
In the power of the Holy Spirit Peter wrought miracles and witnessed for Christ with such power that great numbers were added unto the church.

**Lesson for May 29.**  
After Pentecost Peter, who had covered before a Jewish maid and shamefully denied his Lord, witnessed for Christ in spite of persecution.

**Lesson for June 5.**  
In keeping with Christ's command to witness to the ends of the earth, the missionary program had so widened as to include the Gentiles. Cornelius, a prominent Gentile of good reputation among the Jews, was used of God to break down the middle wall of partition.

**Lesson for June 12.**  
Peter was imprisoned for preaching the gospel. A great crisis was upon the church. The church prayed and God sent an angel to deliver Peter.

**Lesson for June 19.**  
Though Christians are sojourners in the earth they have responsibilities as citizens. They should be obedient to the laws of the country.

**Dwell Deep**  
It is God's will that I should be serene and strong and brave. He does not mean for me to be despairing or depressed. Day by day He will give me a measure of strength adequate for each emergency. "Dwell deep, my soul, dwell deep"—Christian Observer.

**True Faith**  
True faith detaches from the world and abides in proportion as it attaches to Christ.—F. B. Meyer.

## FAVOR SMART STYLED GINGHAMS; LACE IN THE MILLINERY PICTURE

AND now it is cotton fabric from sheer to sturdy weaves which mark the pathway to chic. If you would be smartly attired don a gingham or a printed sateen or a linen or a plique frock, for the next bright party or country club day-time wear. If it is an evening affair, wear a flowered or pastel organdy.

To be sure, there's nothing new in the idea of organdy for summer wear, however, it is tremendously important this season and designers are enthusiastically endorsing it for bridesmaid's costumes, as well as for dancing and dining. When it comes to the adaptation of gingham and such for wear-

ers, the hat should be either a large black millan or one of the extremely new big-of-brim white felt shapes, which is banded with black velvet ribbon.

With the arrival of summer comes the conviction that lace is a very smart millinery item. Now that lace or lace-trimmed hats have entered the picture, creative genius is being led into new fields of adventure, with a result that recent collections are including exquisite lace models. Among latest Paris arrivals black lace-covered wide-brimmed shapes complement cunningly designed lace toques. An Ages



A Smart Styled Gingham.

at sports and afternoon events, there's the thrill of riot novelty in that. This new enthusiasm of the mode goes so far as to create tailored frocks of gingham for smart street wear. The idea is unique and opens up a vast field of interpretation for wash goods in a "different" way. The model in the picture is of basket-weave gingham, combining threads of beige and brown.

Many gingham sports frocks favor two-piece stylings, which include belted jumpers posed over platted skirts. Sometimes a jacket of plain wash weave accompanies the blouse-and-skirt ensemble.

Gay-print cottons are very popular, too. Many of them, especially printed satens, can scarcely be distinguished

model uses black Spanish lace for a petite skull-cap, posing a pink rose at one side, which is partly veiled by the lace. Contrasting this is a graceful shade-late whose drooping brim and low round crown are entirely of lace. A maize-colored crepe facing with black velvet ribbon band and bow complete this model.

A pretty fashion is that of stretching lace so smoothly over straw or fabric, at first glance it appears as if the scrolls and florals were stenciled with dye or ink upon their background.

To complement the white-and-black costumes now so modish, milliners are designing large hats of white straw or leghorn, these plastered with black lace. The effectiveness of this



Group of New Hats.

from silk. Small patterns vie with showy moderatistic effects. The tiny colorful florals remind one of the handsome "carava" silks which are in vogue.

Recently some attention has been given to white sateen printed in handsome large flowers or conventional designs. The very essence of style is expressed in a two-piece dress of sateen showing a large belt design printed in black on a white background, such a frock should be a temptation to the woman who makes her own clothes, to add another dress to her summer wardrobe. With a white or scarlet kid belt and black-and-white outerwear, it spells chic in capital let-

mode is aptly illustrated by each of the large hats pictured in this group. Frills of lace about the face finish many a dainty summer toque or bonnet shape. One sees many cunning hats which are lace-frilled like the two youthful little models in this picture.

Very effective toques of black lace over white sateen are being shown in shops which are the first to display the newer things. In these a black or white side trim is attained with a soft bow of the lace.

There are also many beige lace hats, also those in various browns. JULIA BUTTMONEY.

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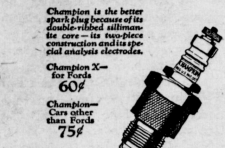
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"It is now said that laziness is the cause of our crime wave. It may be that Satan is taking the opportunity to do his best licks while we let boys and girls run the streets. Work is good for the body and is a tonic that is hard to beat. So if you would keep a youngster out of mischief put him to work and see that he does his work in an honest manner. Even work may be dishonestly done. Work and play should go hand in hand—work first and then play. Reward and praise for work is just as essential for the child as for the grown-up, and the honest, self-respecting lad will do a better job than the boy who works for money alone."—Higgins News.

"It was an experienced Judge of a New York criminal court who declared recently that the major cause of crime is laziness. He pointed out the apparent fact that a majority of the bandits and burglars and yeggmans who came up for trial in his jurisdiction were men, many of them little more than youths, who did not work, never worked and wouldn't work. Yet they had lady friends and expensive tastes, and had to have money. Their hatred of work and their need of means persuaded them to turn criminal. After one or two successful jobs of hijacking or knob knocking, the amateur criminal becomes confirmed in criminality. He sticks to it, scorning work, until killed or imprisoned. Moreover, even an unusually successful job is only a brief success to the criminal. As soon as he appears with money on his person, his lady friends immediately insist on dressing up, his friends must have bail money to help them out of scrapes they were caught in, lawyers must be fed and partners in poor luck supported. The criminal has to belong to a criminal crowd, for the reason that as soon as he turns criminal he is afraid of giving himself away if he mixes with the law-abiding. And, once admitted to the criminal ranks, he is finished. He is a criminal thereafter, continually stripped of means and continually urged to bring in more loot. Soon the end comes, but it began with laziness."—State Press in Dallas News.

An optimist is as a man who can stand in the face of a parching west wind, with not a cloud in the heavens and predict rain. Some call that kind of a man

either a fool or a newcomer, but we call him a public benefactor. He can drive away more "blues" in an hour than a sandstorm can pile up in a day. We love the fellow that always sees the bright side of things.—Lynn County News.

That's a good definition of an optimist. And, we, also, place high value on optimism. We have heard it said that a pessimist is a man who wears a belt and suspenders, too. Another fitting definition would be that a pessimist is the fellow who, after a good rain falls, says it won't be more than three weeks until we'll need some more. Such a man ought to move to an irrigated farm section.

The blues and grays, the blacks and the tans, the whites and the reds, the fats and the leans, the northerners and the southerners, the down-easters and the out-westerns, the hill billies and the sand duffers, the conservatives and the radicals, the stand paters and the go-getters, all seem to be rapidly sinking into oblivion to rise again next year as the Wets and Drys.—Exchange.

It is rumored that Colorado has the record on sugar beets, but our wager is that Texas will go her a close second run dead-beats.

There has been many hundreds of acres of crops planted this week. The farmers had their land in fine condition and there was nothing to do but plant,—and the way they do things out in this country gets the seed in the ground in a hurry. Watch the crops in this country grow!

Why not organize an infertile egg circle? Each party that is producing infertile eggs has a rubber stamp with their number to be stamped on the eggs. With this method the Produce Company will pay 2 cents per dozen more for your eggs. If you are interested, come in and let's get busy, and get this additional money for our eggs. We can get the rubber stamps and ink pads at cost, and will be glad to let the farmers have them at the same price.

It's not too late to plant a garden. Get the garden spot in shape right now. A good garden will help to reduce the grocery bill this fall. A few dozen quarts of vegetables canned will come in handy when the vegetable season is over. Raise a garden and can up the surplus.

Somebody said Muleshoe does not have to be "boosted," if that term involves exaggeration of facts, because there are plenty of good facts to be presented to the world in behalf of Muleshoe without going into the realm of make-believe. If "boosting" means merely letting the world know the good facts, then Muleshoe can very properly be boosted, with the sky as the limit.

Alfred Spicer, Mrs. J. M. Stokes' son, has been transferred from Clovis Harvey House to the same position at Belen, N. M., in the bakery department.

**Church News**

**The Church of Christ**

**ANNOUNCEMENT.**  
The Church of Christ meets every Lord's Day at the High School building for study. The Communion service will be held every Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. Everyone is invited to attend our services.

THE COMMITTEE.

W. M. U.

The W. M. U. met with Mrs. Coker on Tuesday, June 21. There were eleven present, and two visitors. A very interesting lesson was discussed from Royal Service.

Next week is business and social week. The W. M. U. will meet at Mrs. Barron's.

—Reporter.

**The Junior League**  
**Makes Announcement**

For the remainder of June and July we will begin a Bible and Missionary Study. We urge all the Juniors to come and take part in this work. Also, asking the co-operation of the parents.

The rising generation depends on the kind of instruction the children receive at this period of life. Let us instruct them in the ways of the Lord. Our goal is 25 for Sunday.

Mrs. W. T. BLACK,  
Supt. of Junior Work.

W. M. S.

The Methodist W. M. S. met Wednesday, June 22, in the

home of Mrs. Faulkner. There was a good membership attendance, two visitors and an excellent lesson, conducted by Rev. J. E. Payne.

After a thorough lesson study a door leading into the kitchen was opened. The aroma of coffee filled the room. Immediately the ladies were served a cup of piping hot coffee and with it cake that "just melted in the mouth."

Mrs. Faulkner sent every one present home as happy as could be at 6 o'clock.

Wednesday, June 29, the W. M. S. will meet in the home of Mrs. Wm. G. Kennedy at 4 o'clock. "Please be prompt."

—Reporter.

**Intermediate League**

FOR JUNE 26.

Leader—Opal Harris.  
"Adventures in Brotherhood" (Home Mission Study.)  
Song service.  
Memory Verse—Young Hammonds.

Scripture, Acts 10:1-6-34-36—Leader.  
Prayer—Superintendent.  
Examples of Adventures in Brotherhood—Claud Wilemon.  
Students Like the Adventure—Jane Bucy.

An International Dinner Party—Maudie Douglass.  
Our Part—Leader.  
Offering.  
Closing song.  
Benediction. Reporter.

**Junior Epworth League**

FOR JUNE 26.

Leader: Dorothy Rice.  
Hymn, No. 6, "Love Lifted Me."

Talk by Leader: Battle.  
Talk by Beatrice Moore: Result.  
Bible Verse, Matthew 8:5-13: Lillian Roach.  
Luke 7:13-15, verse by Neva Douglass.  
Prayer by Superintendent.  
Hymn No. 1, "O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing."  
Benediction. —Reporter.

**Epworth League**

FOR JUNE 26.

Subject: Building a Christian Korea. (Roms. 10:12-15).  
Leader—Beth Mardis.  
What, Where and Why is Korea?—Leader.  
Religion and Home Life—Ray Buzard.  
Special Music—Alva Douglass.  
Missionary Results—Mrs. Ivan Mardis.  
A Korean Testimony—Mrs. Nina Elrod. Reporter.

**B. Y. P. U. Program**

FOR JUNE 26.

Missionary Meeting.  
"A Modern Miracle."  
Leader—Marie Arnold.  
Song.  
Prayer.  
Introduction—Leader.  
Lepers in Palestine—Louise Lawler.  
Mary Reed Answers the Call

—Avenelle Motheral.  
A Problem That Baffled the Physicians—Bessie Lasater.  
A New Home on Chandry Heights—Mozell Alsop.  
After Seven Years—Griffiths.  
Back To Her Task—Mary Goodson.  
Special Music.  
Baptists, Sunders or Girls—Pat R. Bobo. —Reporter.

**Methodist Church Notes**

Preaching next Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school meets at 9:45. Be on time and bring your family and friends with you.

Our Leagues will meet at the usual hours. Senior League meeting promptly at 7:45 p. m. Let every Leaguer be present and on time.

"The Parable of the Ten Virgins" will be featured in a pageant by ten girls at the church at the evening services. You will find a hearty welcome and hand shake at each service.  
J. E. PAYNE, Pastor.

Mrs. J. F. Henderson and children left Wednesday night for her home in Fellows, Calif., after a few weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. E. J. Vance.

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**Texas Utilities Co.**  
**Makes Reduction in Cooking Rates**  
**Applicable to June Cooking Bills**

Telegram from I. R. Kelso, President of the Texas Utilities Co. dated May 26th, 1927

This will authorize all managers of Texas Utilities Co. to put in new cooking rate effective July first, applicable to June bills of five cents gross four cents net, minimum bill two dollars fifty cents per month.  
I. R. KELSO.

This is a reduction of 20 per cent on our cooking rate, which means if you use the same number of KWH in June that you did in May your cooking bill will be 20 per cent less for June.

This is the fifth substantial reduction in various rates the Texas Utilities Co. has made within the past two years, viz: "1" development rate to municipalities, "2" flat reduction of one cent '1c' per kilowatt hour off of top rate of every lighting customer, "3" flat reduction of ten per cent in power rates, "4" reduction in the power rate under the optional power rate schedule, and '5' flat reduction to twelve per cent in cooking rate applicable to your June bills.

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