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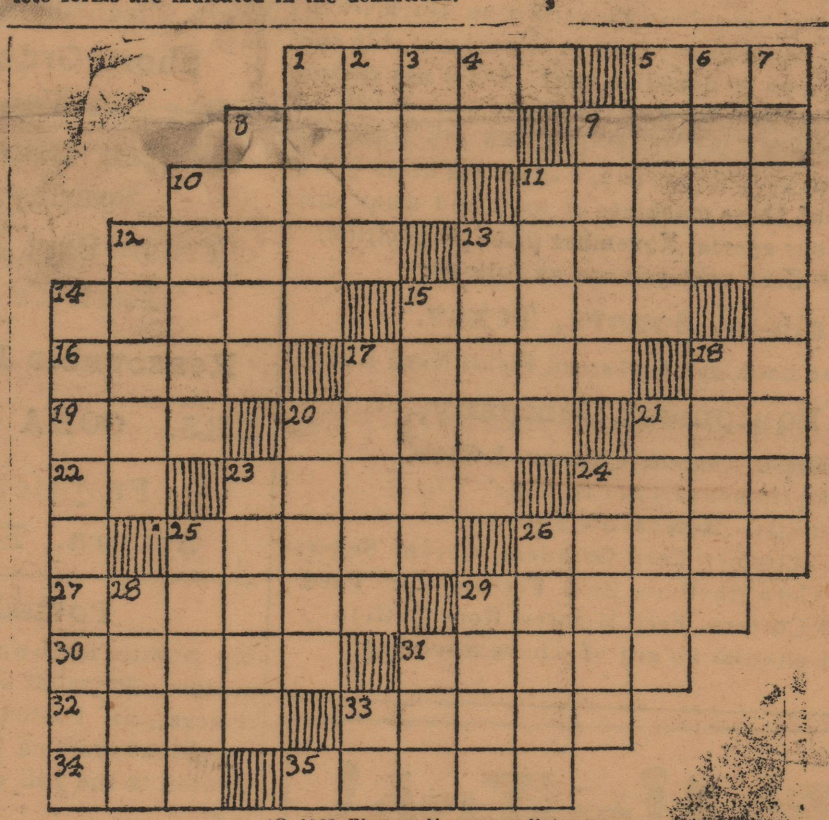
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CROSS WORD PUZZLE

HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white spaces up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.



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Horizontal.

- Hobo
- Confederate states of America (abbr.)
- Humble
- Strokes gently
- Construct
- Silver coin
- One of the hereditary classes into which the society of India is divided
- Teed beverage
- To wash lightly
- Racoon
- Small whirlpool
- One of the dry tablelands of Africa
- Street (abbr.)
- Bronze
- Pertaining to the nose
- Blackbird of cuckoo family
- Physician (abbr.)
- A weak person
- Famously short name given to a famous Egyptian queen
- Pithy plant of Asia
- Teutonic god for whom Wednesday is named
- Imaginary line on earth's surface connecting places of the same barometric pressure for a given period
- Wanders
- Used a saw
- Doer

Vertical.

- Always
- Kind of tree
- Lair
- Same as 26 horizontal

Vertical.

- Hackneyed
- Part in a play
- Conjunction
- This person
- Encampments
- A pace
- A statement
- Cat
- Stringed musical instrument
- Group of musicians (pl.)
- Drivel
- Beverage made from apples
- A raid
- To instruct again
- Same as 12 horizontal
- A native of Kurdistan
- To show contempt by curling the lip
- A gypsy
- A kind of tree
- Sword
- A blanket
- A second-growth crop
- Female person
- To conserve
- To take a trip in a vehicle
- Color
- Company (abbr.)

Solution will appear in next issue.

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KEEPING WELL

DISINFECTING THE SICK ROOM

DR. FREDERICK B. GREEN
 Editor of "HEALTH"

WHEN the germ cause of contagious disease was discovered and proven some fifty years ago, every one at once recognized the fact that if these diseases were caused by living germs, then the logical way to check them was by killing these germs. For many centuries men had thought of these diseases as being due to demons or evil influences, so the first thought was to scare away the germs by bad smells, clouds of smoke or some other awful or terrifying device.

We have gotten away from that idea now and health officers are more interested in the efficiency of the disinfectant than they are in the spectacular effect produced. In a recent issue of the London Lancet, Dr. Henry R. Kenwood, a well-known health authority of London, gives advice on the disinfection of the sick room.

When possible, he says, any infectious material should be destroyed as near the source as possible. In the majority of cases the source of infection is the infectious human being, the patient himself. When the infectious matter is in the evacuation from the kidneys and bowels of the patient, this is comparatively easy. But when the infection is in the discharges from the nose, throat or skin, this is difficult and sometimes impossible.

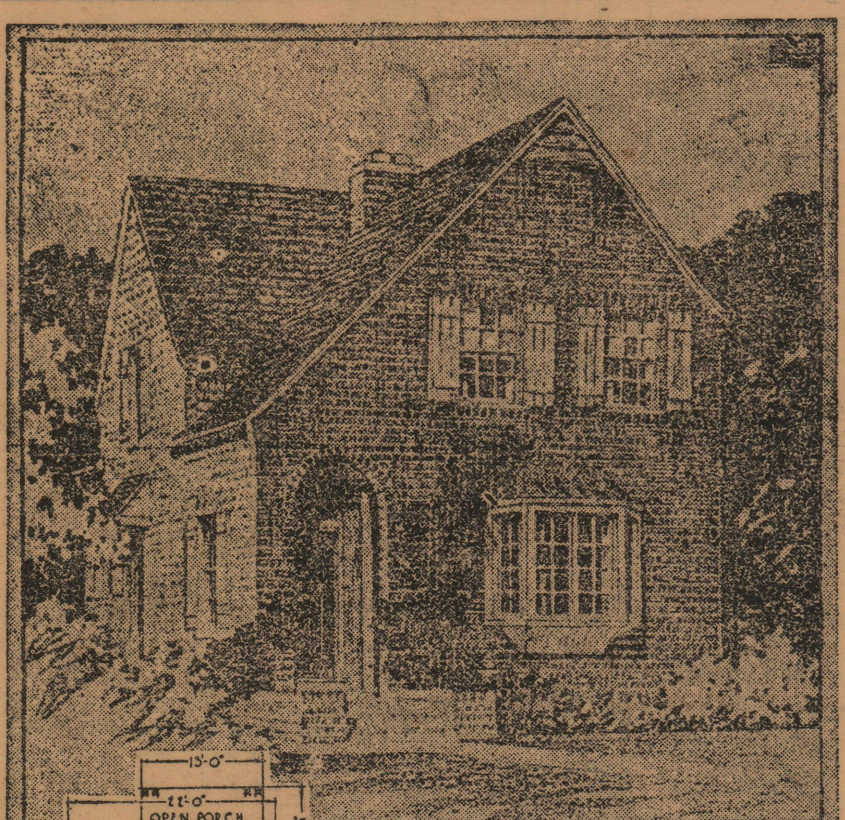
In such diseases as diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles, influenza and pneumonia, complete disinfection of the sick room is practically impossible. Even if it could once be made perfectly sterile, every time the patient coughs or sneezes a new crop of germs is thrown into the air. But the smaller the number of these germs can be kept, the better for the patient, the nurses and any other persons who must come in contact with the patient. So the discharges from the nose and throat should be collected in cloths, old handkerchiefs or soft paper and burned at once before they have time to dry. Daily cleaning of the floor and furniture with damp brooms and damp dust cloths will also help.

For objects which the patient has handled, the best disinfectant, where possible, is heat, either dry or moist. Any infected article that can be kept in boiling water for twenty minutes is effectively sterilized.

Next to heat come chemical disinfectants, of which the best are mercury bichloride and carbolic acid. Each of these is extremely poisonous and dangerous to life and should be used only on the direction of the attending physician.

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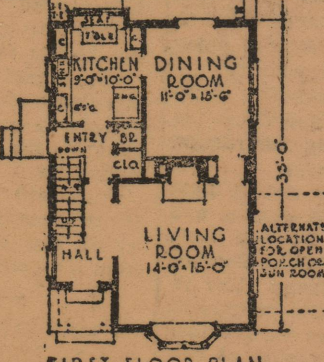
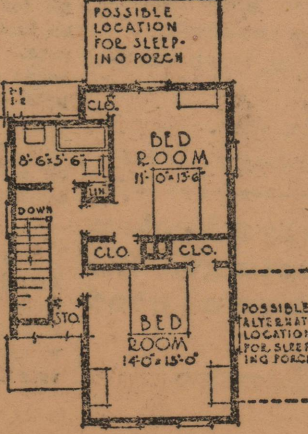
Home-Builder Gets Good Investment Plus Comfort



ECONOMY of space in this five-room English town house has not meant a sacrifice of an artistic exterior. Built of variegated or common brick, whitewashed, with a roof of stained shingles or slate, it presents an unusually attractive and compact appearance. The portico is arched and roofed, and has a red brick floor. The shutters of solid, weathered boards give an interesting departure from the usual New England type.

A number of features provide for exceptional comfort and convenience. The living room has an oriel bay window that gives light from three directions and affords a window seat or fernery within. Every room has windows on two sides, giving cross-ventilation. The house is insulated, walls and roof, with celotex as protection against cold and waste of fuel in the winter, and the hot rays of the sun in summer. The floors are hardwood throughout, and have a layer of celotex placed between them to deaden noises within the house, a feature that is especially appreciated where there are small children and noisy boys in the house.

The living room has an open fireplace and built-in book case. The porch or sun room may open off the living room or dining room, and can well have a sleeping porch above if extra sleeping quarters are needed. The service entry is conveniently placed at the side, to save the housewife steps. The kitchen has built-in cupboards, ironing-board and breakfast-room.

FIRST FLOOR PLAN
 CEILING HEIGHT 8'-0"

SECOND FLOOR PLAN
 CEILING HEIGHT 8'-0"

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Answer to last week's puzzle.

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 RE LEMON TRAP
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 A VERRED MITRE
 GONE NUB TOES
 ONE STEEL NET

Wheel's Terrific Speed

The fastest revolving wheel in the world, according to estimates of experts, is the turbine wheel on the special supercharger of the airplanes used by Lieut. John Macready in his recent attempts to better the world's altitude record. It revolves at the almost inconceivable speed of 40,000 revolutions a minute—almost 700 a second, says Popular Science Monthly. This is about twenty times the highest speed of an automobile crankshaft.

His Lack

"Hon. John R. Tricker is very well informed, I should say, major," stated a young henchman.
 "I doubt it, Amzi," replied Maj. Ira K. Windenfuller, chief speedometer inspector. "It seems to me that he has put in too much time studying the Constitution and too little in acquiring knowledge of practical politics."—Kansas City Star.

Hard Luck Pursues Him

A Minnesota man early in the winter slipped on an icy sidewalk and suffered a broken leg, which kept him confined in a hospital all winter. Now he is back in the same room, in the same hospital, for the same reason. He slipped on his crutches as he left the hospital and the leg was broken again in the same place.

More Schools for Hawaii

Bids will be called in December for the erection of the first unit of a group of schools in Hawaii. It is planned to expend \$5,000,000 during the next ten years on these schools. The first project, involving an expenditure of \$2,500,000, will be completed within five years. The buildings will be of reinforced concrete.

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KEEPING WELL

TEACHING DEAF CHILDREN

DR. FREDERICK B. GREEN
 Editor of "HEALTH"

EDUCATORS realize today more than ever before that all teaching is simply a process of conveying facts from the teacher to the pupil. This can only be done through the five senses. It is only through the senses that any one can learn anything about the world outside one's own body. Of these five senses, two are more important than all the others. These are seeing and hearing. Through these two senses, 97 per cent of our knowledge is gained.

Not only teachers, but members of the school boards as well as parents realize the absurdity and wastefulness of sending a child to school who has defective eyes. Most of our schools now realize how absurd it is to send a child to school who can't read his books or see what the teacher puts on the blackboard. So today the majority of our schools test each pupil's eyes when it first enters school and either has its eye defects corrected by suitable glasses or puts the child with defective vision in a special class where teaching methods are adapted to suit the child's vision.

In the same way it is now recognized that the child with defective and limited hearing cannot be put in the same class with normal children. To do so is unfair to the child and expensive for the school. So many of our best schools today test the hearing of each child on admission and, by sorting out those children with limited hearing, either provide treatment for those deaf children whose hearing can be improved or provide special classes with specially trained teachers for those children whose deafness is incurable.

This would seem to be only common sense. Yet it has required nearly seventy years to secure general recognition of so simple a conclusion. It was in 1836 that little Jean Lippitt, the deaf daughter of the governor of Rhode Island, was taught lip reading. She was the first child in this country to receive such instruction. Seven years later, in 1843, the last year of the Civil war, Mrs. Hubbard taught her little daughter Mabel how to understand speech without hearing. This deaf daughter years afterwards married Alexander Graham Bell, whose efforts to devise some machine by which his deaf wife could hear led to the invention of the telephone.

Yet it has taken years to get results. The American Association for the Hard of Hearing, organized in 1910, has now a committee working on a simple plan for testing hearing of school children so that every school teacher can examine each pupil and determine what kind of teaching it needs.

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STEVE MURPHY, Publisher.

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Subscription \$3 a year in advance.

Sonora, Texas, November 27, 1926.

Columbia, Mo., Nov. 20.—Millard L. Cope of Delano, California, but who prefers to call Sonora, Texas, his home, is among the winners for November in the Sunbelt Magazine "Small Cities Contest." Millard was notified of his winning one of the prizes by a check from Sunset. The story which Millard wrote was about Elythe, Calif., where he, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Cope, were residing last summer. The article appeared in the November issue. While in high school at Sonora he was the writer of a similar story about that town, which appeared in the Dallas News. It was "What I Like and What I Don't Like About My Home Town."

He is a senior in the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri here. He formerly attended Howard Payne College at Brownwood, Texas, and last year was president of the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association.

Rt. Rev. W. T. Capers, of San Antonio, Bishop of the West Texas Diocese of the Episcopal church, will visit the local Episcopal church on November 28th, this being the last Sunday in the month of November. Bishop Capers is known as one of the most forceful and eloquent preachers in the South and his many friends and admirers will welcome his visit here.

Treasurer's Quarterly Report.

STATE OF TEXAS.
Sutton County.
In Commissioners Court,
November Term, 1926.

BEFORE ME, J. D. Lowrey, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County, personally appeared the Members of the Commissioners' Court, whose names are below subscribed, who, upon their oaths, do say: That the requirements of Art. 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, as amended by the regular session of the Twenty-fifth Legislature, have in all things been fully complied with, and that the cash and other assets mentioned in the quarterly report made to and filed in this Court by Mrs. A. J. Smith, County Treasurer of said County, for the quarter ending the 6th day of Nov., 1926, and held by her for said County, have been fully inspected and counted by them at this Term of said Court; and that the amount of money and other assets in the hands of said Treasurer are as follows, to wit:

Total amount of cash in the various Funds belonging to the County, Thirty-four Thousand One Hundred & seventeen dollars and Seventy-four cents, (\$34,117.74.)

Total amount of assets other than actual cash to the credit of the County, Five Thousand dollars (\$5,000.00.)

Alvis Johnson,
County Judge, Sutton County.
Joe F. Logan,
County Commissioner, Pre. No. 1.
Roy Hudspeth,
County Commissioner, Pre. No. 2.
D. Q. Adams,
County Commissioner, Pre. No. 3.
W. H. Kelley,
County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of November, 1926.

J. D. Lowrey,
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Chemists at Cornell university have discovered a way to make sandless glass by using a compound of germanium, a rare, newly discovered metal, as a substitute for the usual silica. The metal, extracted from zinc oxide, is a flaky crystalline substance, hard and extremely brittle, and is worth many dollars a gram.

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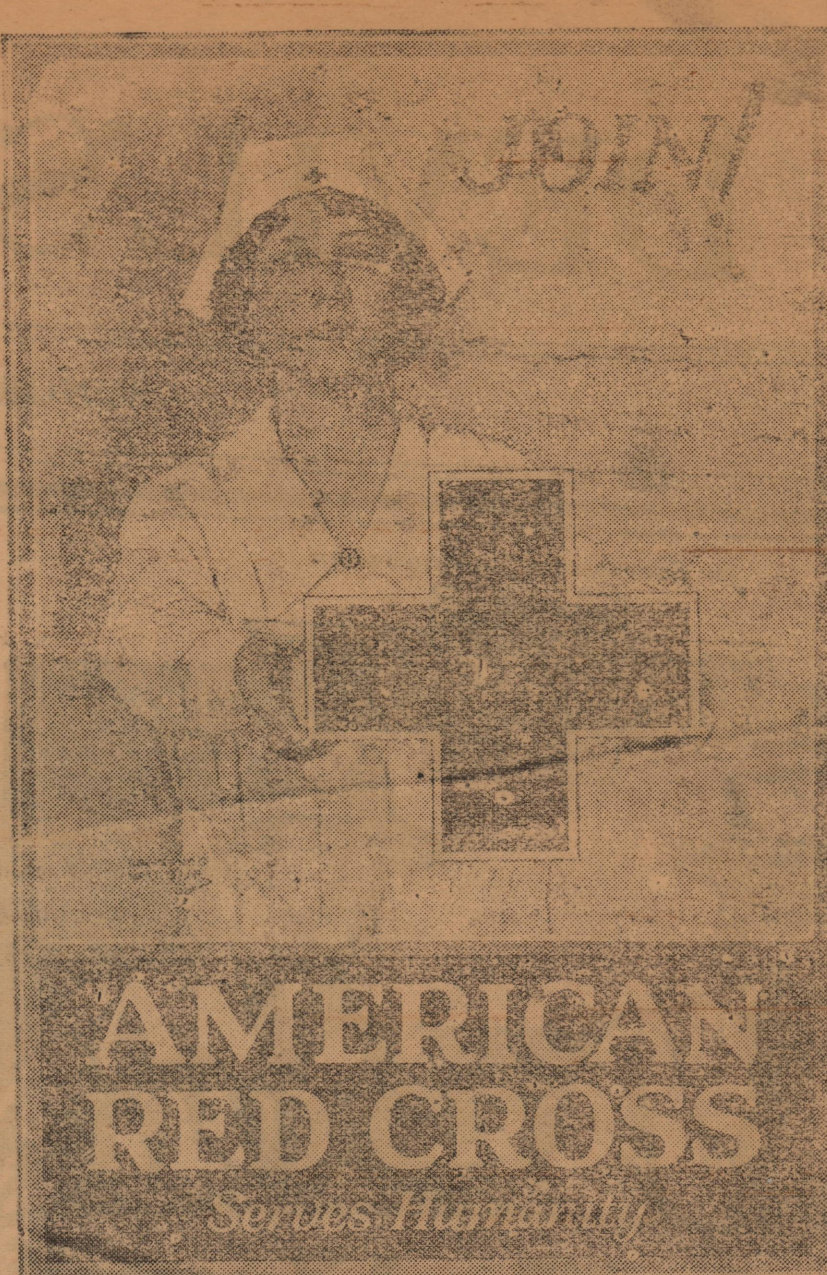
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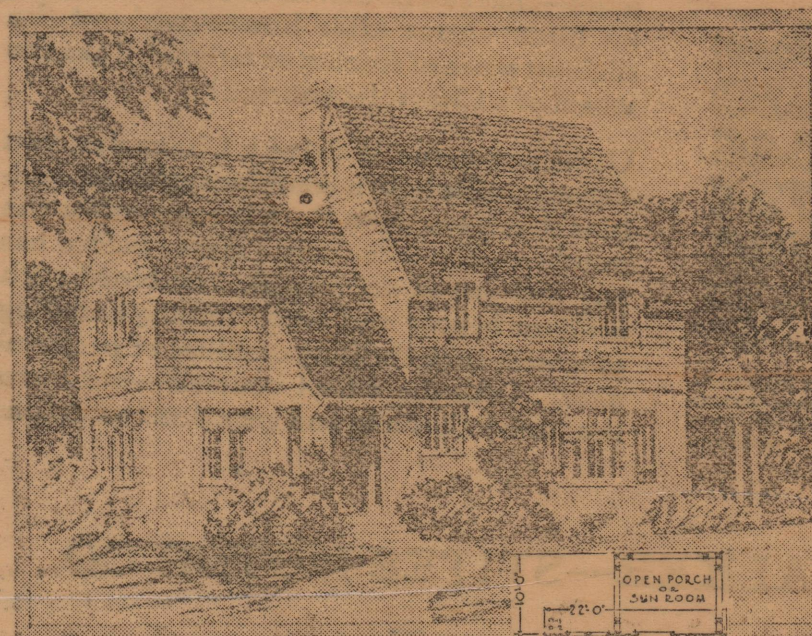
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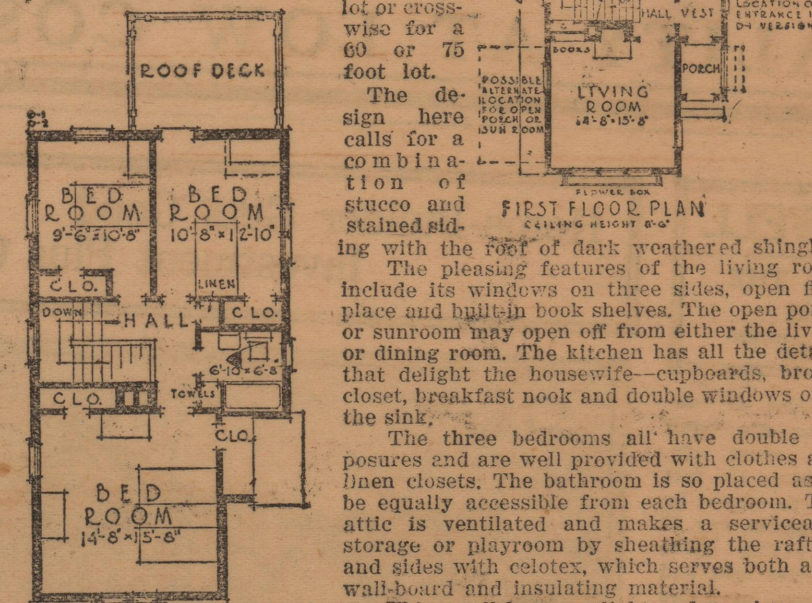


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The three bedrooms all have double exposures and are well provided with clothes and linen closets. The bathroom is so placed as to be equally accessible from each bedroom. The attic is ventilated and makes a serviceable storage or playroom by sheathing the rafters and sides with celotex, which serves both as a wall-board and insulating material.

This small home so light and spacious, yet compact and adapted to doing without a servant, is a typical 1926 product. The poky, dark houses of fifteen or even ten years ago with their fussy little hallways and poor planning would be scorned by the modern housewife who has learned to expect comfort built right into her home and to have everything planned for her convenience in working. Cold, draughty houses are also out of date. All well built houses are insulated as this one is, with celotex sheathing on the exterior walls under the stucco. This effects a great saving in fuel in the winter and resists the intense heat of the sun in summer.

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Red Cross Life-Saving Service Is Nation-Wide

Scarcity of water apparently has no effect on interest in water rescue. Arizona, popularly associated with wide desert stretches and cactus, has gone in with enthusiasm for the Red Cross Life-Saving program.

The building of new irrigation dams is rapidly transforming Arizona into a swimming State despite popular conception of that country.

More than 800 swimming institutes conducted by the Red Cross the last summer, life-saving instruction was given by the Red Cross.

Red Cross Volunteer Workers Ever on Duty

Claim for the oldest volunteer knitter in the country is advanced by the Lincoln County Chapter of the American Red Cross at Wiscasset, Maine. She is Mrs. L. A. W. Jackson, who keeps busy knitting stockings for the Red Cross to send to destitute children abroad. The San Pedro, Calif. Chapter has a close second in a volunteer knitter 85 years old.

The annual report of the American Red Cross stresses the service of volunteers. In more than 3,000 Red Cross Chapters the officers and workers are volunteers.

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METHODIST CHURCH.

Come and bring your family to church.
The Methodist church doors are wide open for you and your family, and you are heartily welcome to all of our services.
Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.
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A hearty welcome

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Come to church next Sunday at the Baptist Pastors home at 11 a.m., and 7:30 p.m.
Regular preach services morning and evening.
Sunday school 9 a.m., W. E. Wallace Supt.
Preaching each Lord's day at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
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Singing Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.
All are earnestly asked to come to all these services.
The young people are cordially invited to attend the Senior Union.
J. A. Stephen, Pastor.

See the new Xmas novelties at E. F. Vander Stucken-Trainer Company.

DIED.

H. A. Halbert, 77 years old and popularly known as Luther Burbank of Texas, died at his home in Coleman at 10 o'clock Sunday evening. Death came about four weeks after he had fallen from a pecan tree, breaking his back. B. M. Halbert and R. F. Halbert, brothers, left here with members of their families early Monday morning after receipt of the death message, which did not give details of the funeral.

Mr. Halbert is survived by his widow and five children. Lucius Halbert resides at Plainview, Mrs. W. W. Gober and Mrs. Garland Woodward live at Coleman and H. A. Jr. at Corsicana. All were expected to be at Coleman for the funeral.

H. A. Halbert attained fame as a plant propagator, weather forecaster and newspaper writer. He was successful in effecting the Halbert Honey melon and the Halbert pecan. Only last year he announced success also in the grafting of English walnuts to the black walnut stock of West Texas and had arranged with his brothers here to carry on the work extensively on the Sutton County ranch. Other nurserymen have taken up this work since Mr. Halbert proved it successful with prospects that another Texas industry will be developed.

Mr. Halbert's studies and plant culture took in a variety of other plants and he was regarded as a seed specialist. He was a visitor at San Angelo during the All West Texas Exposition. At that time he told a reporter for The Standard he regarded his greatest work as discovering that Johnson grass was an annual and not a perennial as many contended, and that it could be killed in one year by plowing. He said the discovery helped many to make a fortune who otherwise would have given up in the fight with the persistent grass—San Angelo Standard.

Mrs. Rena Holmig Baurgeois' sister of Ed Holmig of Sonora, died Monday in San Antonio following a lung operation. She was 27 years, two months and 26 days. She was buried in Del Rio. Ed Holmig attended the funeral.

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Bucks and billies for sale. See C. W. Stephenson, Sonora.

J. E. Holland who ranches in Edwards county, was trading in Sonora Tuesday.

Born in San Antonio, Monday Nov. 15th, a 8 pound boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Mayer.

J. A. Whitten the wellknown banker and stockman of Eldorado was a business visitor in Sonora Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Martin and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Martin, were in from the ranch Monday visiting friends.

Ed Robbins who ranches in Real county near Camp Wood, was a business visitor in Sonora Monday.

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J. R. Robbins was in from his ranch about 20 miles east of town Monday, and reports having sold 1500 ewes and lambs at p. c. and leased his 10 section ranch for 5 years at 65 cents to Mat Renfro.

I have range on the Hugelstein ranch 16 miles south of Ozona, for 401 cows. Lots of grass and water.

E. C. Hugelstein,
784 Ozona, Texas.

John Crosby and daughter, Miss Elsa Crosby of Villa Acuna, Mexico, were in Sonora Monday on their way home from a visit to Mr. Crosby's brother, Gratton Crosby, who ranches in the Eldorado country.

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Sol Mayer who has large ranch interest in Sutton, Schleicher and Crockett counties, was in Sonora Tuesday on his way to San Antonio to visit his grandson. Sol says the oil well Cope & Arnold are drilling on his ranch are down near 3000 feet and have a little indication of gas and oil.

SOL KELLY RETURNS FROM HUNT.

The mounted heads of two bull elk, a bull moose, two Rocky Mountain big horned sheep and two black tailed deer soon will be received by Sol Kelly, Sutton county ranchman, from a Denver taxidermist as trophies of a six week's hunt in the famous Jackson Hole country in Wyoming. During the last fortnight of the expedition in the wilds, some of which is two miles high, Mr. Kelly was accompanied by Mrs. Kelly, who likewise proved her ability with a rifle. A companion of the Sonora man on the entire hunt was his nephew, R. L. Underwood of Wichita Falls. He shot an elk, a moose, a deer and a grizzly bear.

Mr. Kelly brought home with him some of the dried meat of his kill that was smoked over a camp fire in freezing weather. With his pistol he shot twenty-six blue grouse, wild birds that go high into the mountains to the edge of the timber to spend the winter. The moose Mr. Kelly killed weighed about 1,500 pounds; Mr. Underwood's tipped the scales at 300 pounds more. Mr. Kelly reports shooting one elk at 620 yards and a moose at 300 yards. The hunters' camp was at an altitude of 8,000 feet and was swept by a light snow storm on Oct. 1st.—Standard.

OATS! OATS! OATS!

I have one thousand bushels of oats, good for seed and good for feed, at fifty cents per bushel, at granary. My place is 12 miles from Menard on the Mason Highway.

A. A. Williamson,
78-12 Menard, Texas.

WOULD BOND COUNTIES FOR A RAILROAD.

Judge James Cornell, attorney for the Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, is in favor of a constitutional amendment consolidating Tom Green, Schleicher, Sutton and Val Verde counties for the purpose of voting bonds of about \$3,000,000 to finance the building of the Orient railway from here to Del Rio, a distance of 165 miles, one hundred miles of which is already graded. The consolidation would be for the purpose of voting the bonds only and would be the best way to handle such a bond proposition, in order to avoid the effect of the Archer county decision, he thinks. The plan is not to give the Orient that much money but to vote the bonds to buy the bonds that the Orient would issue to build such a road. The Orient bonds, it is planned, would bear interest and both they and four county wide bonds would run for a period of forty years.

The property value on all of the counties is at least \$150,000,000. The benefit to the country thus traversed by the road would be tremendous and it would at the same time confer untold benefits on the two terminal points—Del Rio and San Angelo. It is now the foregone conclusion that the Orient is to connect with the Mexican border from Alpine. Across the river from Del Rio only a distance of twenty miles is the end of a railway in Mexico and should this line from here to Del Rio be built it is thought that the San Carlo to Del Rio gap would be filled and there would be direct connection from here to Mexico via Del Rio.—Standard

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ENTERTAINED.

Mrs. L. W. Elliott entertained Friday afternoon with Bridge, Mrs. Ed. Mayfield winning high score and Mrs. A. B. Whitehead received the guest prize. A delicious salad course was served.

Mrs. Murphy had two tables of Bridge Saturday afternoon. Mrs. J. C. Morrow being the winner. Mrs. Sterling Baker winning in the quiz and Mrs. Louie Stuart received the consolation.

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Miss Alice Karnes has returned from a delightful visit in Austin and San Antonio.

Mrs. J. C. McDonald returned Tuesday from Del Rio where she was visiting her son, Dr. J. A. McDonald.

George J. Trainer of Sonora, has been appointed agent for the Southland Life Insurance Co. The Southland Life is one of the strongest companies in Texas and has more than \$110,000,000 insurance in force.

CARD OF THANKS.

From the children of P. Hurst.
We wish to thank the dear friends of Sonora who attended the funeral of our beloved father and most especially do we want to thank them for the lovely flowers. This act of sympathy and kindness will live in our hearts long after you have forgotten it.

The Children.

FOR SALE—Yearling Rams and about four hundred good ewes All Pure Blood Rambouillet. Prices right. W. E. NEWTON, Mertzon, Texas.

NOTICE.

Have good grass, plenty water for 400 to 500 cattle at 50 cents per head per month. E. W. Bacon, 76.3 Rock-springs Texas.

The McDonald Hotel,

Mrs. Josie McDonald, Owner.
Rates \$3.25 Per Day. Good Table and Service.

Comfortable, Convenient, Homelike

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OLD SPANISH TRAIL STAGES FOR

Economical Transportation. Round Trip Fare Between Sonora and San Angelo is now

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Ride the Stages and Save the Difference.

J. B. LEE, Proprietor.

There Is Health In Every Slice.

For Children who are growing fast and always romping and playing, they need the best kind of nourishment. Feed them our bread and notice the expression of keen delight and satisfaction on their faces.

Baked the most up-to-date way, cleanliness is assured.

WARE BAKERY,
Sonora, Texas.

STAR
Running-in-oil

You will find in the new running-in-oil STAR the many features you have always wanted in a windmill—one oiling a year—your choice of Timken Tapered Roller Bearings or "NO-OIL-EM" Bearings—two gears, two pinions and two pitmans—direct center lift to pump rod—crosshead, guides and pitmans bearings flooded with oil—a scientifically designed wheel with angle steel arms and braces and ball-bearing turn table.

The fans of this new Star are curved to give great efficiency in an 8 to 10 mile an hour wind. Plunger pump in crank case floods crosshead, guides and pitman bearings with oil, and tight cover keeps out dirt, rain or snow.

One filling of crank case with oil each year will save many trips up the tower. May be fitted on any tower.

The new STAR is the last word in Windmill construction. Come in and let us show you this mill. You will want to know about it whether you are needing a new mill right now, and we want you to know what a really fine windmill we have in this new Star.

FOR SALE BY
West Texas Lumber Co.,
SONORA, TEXAS.

INSTRUCTION IN RED CROSS FIRST AID SAFETY FACTOR

Its Industrial and Educational
Service Spreads Throughout
the United States.

Signs that the United States is
awake to the menace of its increasing
accident toll are apparent in the growing
interest in first aid instruction as
offered by experts of the American
Red Cross.

Approximately 20,000 juniors and
seniors completed the First Aid course
during the fiscal year, passed rigid
examinations and received Red Cross
First Aid certificates. This represents
an increase of 2,500 over the
preceding year, and this gain is attributed
to the emphasis on health
education by various public bodies
including not alone the American Red
Cross and Government agencies, but
life and accident insurance companies,
and athletic and recreational groups.

In Dallas, Texas, playground supervisors
are required to hold First Aid certificates.
In many high schools the
subject is included in the regular
curriculum. In order to assist in
training instructors for this phase of
the work, special courses have been
conducted in the summer schools of
such leading institutions as the University
of Maryland and the University
of Virginia. Instruction was continued
during the year at Loyola University,
New Orleans; University of California,
San Francisco; University of Kentucky;
Temple University, Philadelphia;
Peabody Teachers' College and similar
educational centers.

Work with the public utilities group
has shown an exceptional increase
during the year. Classes conducted
by fourteen of the associated Bell
Telephone companies were continued
with increased interest and a number
of the companies sponsored intensive
courses in First Aid for instructors.

The First Aid Instruction Car of the
Red Cross was busy throughout the
year. In the 125 cities visited by the
car 900 meetings were held with an
aggregate attendance of 94,000 persons.

Membership of the people in the
American Red Cross makes such
services possible, the annual opportunity
of pledging support through membership
being offered in the Roll Call
from November 11 to 25 this year.

The Way of a Maid With a Man

By RAFAEL SABATINI

CHAPTER VII

The duke's army was encamped
upon the eastern side of the city, so
that Pantaleone had no inkling of his
master's presence there until they had
entered the main street and saw the
abundant evidences of it in the soldiers
that thronged everywhere chattering
in all the dialects of Middle
Italy. The part he had played at Plevano
had so isolated Pantaleone from the
outside world, that he had remained
without precise knowledge of Cesare
Borgia's whereabouts. His sudden
realization that he had ridden
almost into the very presence of the
duke was as a shower of cold water
upon his heated body. For you will
understand that engaged as he was he
had every reason to avoid the duke
as he would avoid the devil.

He reined in sharply, and his eyes
glared mistrustfully at Madonna. Instinctively
feeling that here was some
trap into which like a fool he had
been lured by this white-faced girl. It
flashed across his mind that it had
been his lifelong practice to mistrust
lwan women. Their very leanness was
to his eyes an outward sign of their
lack of femininity, and a woman that
lacks femininity—as all the world
knows—is as often as not a very devil.

"By your leave, Madonna," said he
grimly, "we will seek a priest elsewhere."

"Why so?" she asked.

"Because it is my will," he snarled
back.

She smiled a crooked little smile.
She was calm and mistress of herself.

"It is early to impose your will upon
me, and if you are over-insistent now,
perhaps you never shall—for I marry
you at Castel della Pieve or I do not
marry you at all."

He looked at her, blenching with
anger. "God's Blood!" he swore, and
gave tongue to that thought of his. "I
never yet knew a lean woman that was
not sly and a very bad devil's
tricks. What is in that mind of yours?"

And then suddenly a hoarse voice
hailed him, and from among the
passers-by there rolled forward a grizzled
veteran upon sturdy bowed legs,
a swarthy, one-eyed fellow, who
creaked and clanked as he walked,
being all mail and leather. It was
Valentini's captain, Taddeo della
Volpe.

"Well returned, my Pantaleone!" he
cried. "The duke named you but yesterday,
wondering how you fared."

"Did he so?" said Pantaleone, since
he must say something, ranging inwardly
to find his retreat cut off by this
most inopportune encounter.

The veteran rolled his single eye in
the direction of Madonna Fulvia. "Is
this the prisoner you were sent to
capture?" quoth he, and Pantaleone
could not be sure that he was not
being mocked. "But I delay you.
You'll be for the duke. I'll go with
you."

Now here was Pantaleone in desperate
straits. Mechanically he moved
forward with Taddeo's glance to obey
his very natural impulse and turn
about to retreat by the way he had
come was now utterly impossible.

Nor could he question Madonna as
he desired to do whilst Della Volpe
stroked there beside him.

A dozen paces brought them to the
open space before the Duomo, and
there Pantaleone grew cold with fear
to find himself almost face to face
with Cesare Borgia himself.

As he checked his horse, mechanically
in his dismay, Madonna Fulvia
dealt her own cut across the breast
that launched it forward as from a
catapult.

"Justice!" she cried, brandishing
above her head what looked like a
short truncheon. "Lord duke of Valentinois,
justice!"

There was a commotion in the magnificent
group about his highness. The wild
bound of her horse had brought
her almost into the midst of it.

The duke raised his hand, and the
cavalcade came to a sudden halt. His
splendid eyes swept over her, and
there was something in his glance that
seemed to scorch her.

She beheld for the first time this
man, the enemy of her house, one
whom she had come to consider a very
monster. He was dressed in black, in
the Spanish fashion, his doublet
scrolled with golden arabesques, his
velvet cap laced with a string of smoldering
rubies large as sparrows' eggs.

From under this the waves of his
bronze-colored hair fell to his shoulders.
The delicate yet essentially
male beauty of his young face was
such that for a moment it checked
her cruel purpose.

A smile, gentle, almost wistful,
broke upon that noble countenance,
and he spoke in a voice that was soft
and full of melody.

"What justice do you seek," Madonna
demanded?

To combat the sweet seduction of
his face and voice she had need in
that hour to bethink her of her
kinsmen juffed in Rome and like to
die, and of her own lover, Matteo, in
peril of capture and death. What,
then, if this man were a very miracle
of male beauty? Was he not the
enemy of her race? Did he not seek
with increased interest and a number
of the companies sponsored intensive
courses in First Aid for instructors.

Under the suggestion of that imperious
will, Pantaleone bent his eyes to the
parchment again, and pursued his
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Again he broke off. "By the Eyes
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"Read on!" the duke's voice and
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On a sudden outcry of terror Pantaleone
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Daily through Pantaleone's
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Presumably he responded to that
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"With your venom," Cesare cut in
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You are in honor bound by your
compact. The poor fellow could not
foresee all this. You had not made him
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me for justice, Madonna," he reminded
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