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## Yellow Jackets Defeat Roswell 'B'

After trailing the entire first three quarters, the Yellow Jackets came to life in the final period to defeat Roswell 43-42. The score at the half was 24-14 in favor of Roswell and at the end of the third quarter was 37-29 in favor of Roswell. At this point, the Hope varsity offense began clicking with the final gun ending the game after Kent Terry had been fouled while in the act of shooting, with the score tied at 42-all. Kent Terry made his first free throw, ending the game with the score 43-42.

Terry was high point man in the varsity game with 14 points, W. G. Madron scoring 11, Alvin Melton 4, G. Harrison 2, L. Harrison 5, C. Forrester one and Blaine McGuire six points. The Roswell junior team defeated the Hope "B" team 27-17 in the preliminary game. Thomas Harrison leading the "B" team with 9 points, C. Forrester 5, Ray Jones 4, with Dale Young, Eugene Bates and Robert Wood also seeing action in the "B" game.

The last home game of the season will be played here on Saturday night, Feb. 19 with Hondo. There will be two games and with this game being the final of the season, we urge all Hope fans to come and support our high school teams.

## Clean-Up Week To Be Designated

Some time during March, we should have a week set aside as a week in which to rake and pick up all the tin cans and other rubbish that has accumulated during the year. Usually tin cans and bottles and trash of all kinds are thrown out in the alleys and forgotten about. Alleys should be just as clean as the front yards. Let's think about this.

## Brotherhood Week Feb. 20 to 27

This does not mean that this is the only time that Brotherhood Week should be observed and practised. "Brotherhood Week" should be observed every week in the year. Not only on Sunday, but every day in the week. Some people get the idea that if they go to church on Sunday and greet brother so and so and sister so and so with a hearty hand-shake that gives them the privilege to stick 'em in the back with a knife on Monday. To be a good brother to your neighbor is to practice the Golden Rule—"Do to Others as You Would They Should Do to You."

Let us not just observe Brotherhood Week. Let's feel brotherhood and live it, every day of the year.

That will not be hard to do if we realize that brotherhood is not a hope or a dream, but a solid fact. It is a fact that all men, whatever they may believe, are really the children of one God, the offspring of one parent. We are all so much more alike than we are different. It's a fact that we can not dodge if we wish, but why wish to dodge it? It is a soothing, restful fact that gives peace of mind—this fact of a common parenthood.

Resting in the fact that we are joined together in a common life—and praise to the all-knowing God that he did make us all of one blood, one mind, and one spirit that we need not dwell on earth as strangers and enemies, but can be friends!—the Protestant, the Catholic and the Jew can respect, understand and love one another. (Brotherhood Week is being observed Feb. 20 to 27).

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the people of the Hope community for their kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of our husband and father.—Mrs. Jessie Harrison and children.

M. C. Newsom who has been working on a pipe line in Texas was home this week on a visit.

The "March of Dimes" dance will be held Saturday, Feb. 19, at the high school gym. Music by Fisher-Bates orchestra.

Word has been received from Charlie Hardin at Rochester, Minn. An operation has been performed on his hand. He is getting along as well as could be expected.

A water well rig pulled into Hope Wednesday and enquired the way to the Scoggin place. We think that a water well is to be drilled on the Anderson farm which was formerly owned by Lewis Scoggin.

## Cattle Growers Will Meet in March

Some three thousand ranchers from New Mexico and bordering states are expected to attend the 35th Annual Convention of the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association in Albuquerque, March 28 and 29, according to G. W. Evans, Magdalena, president. "Advance hotel and tourist court reservations already confirmed indicate this convention will be the largest in history of the organization," Evans said.

State and national legislation, freight rate problems, cattle theft and a depressed livestock market are attributed as some of the reasons for increased interest in the coming convention. "The cattle market has sustained a greater drop in price in the past five months than in any other like period since records have been kept," Evans added, "and while all indications point to a leveling off in the market, producers are anxious to learn all factors which may influence the market in the ensuing year."

Speakers who have already agreed to appear on the convention program include: Art A. Smith, president, American National Livestock Association, Sterling, Colo.; Frank Boice, Sonoita, Ariz., chairman, National Livestock Tax committee; Governor Thomas J. Mabry; R. J. Eggert, director of marketing of the American Meat Institute Chicago and G. W. Evans will deliver the annual association activity report at the convention.

Others invited to appear on the program include Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannon; Washington, D. C.; and David Lillenthal, chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, Washington, D. C. United States Senator Clinton P. Anderson has advised that he intends to be present if conditions in Congress will permit.

Bud Williams, Clovis, vice president of the organization has been named chairman of the General Resolutions Committee to serve during the convention.

"More time will be devoted to committee meetings and association business at this meeting, than in past conventions," Evans said. "We are encouraging all cattlemen in the state to take an active part in our standing committee work in order that action of the association will be completely representative of industry views."

Committee which will make arrangements for an elaborate program of western cowboy entertainment is headed by colorful Huling Means of Silver City. Other committee members include Holm Bursum, Jr., Socorro; Ted Bonner, Albuquerque, A. D. Brownfield, Deming and Jack Berkshire, Estancia. The group is working in joint cooperation with the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce.

## Eddy Countians Good Investors

Eddy County residents invested \$109,181.75 in U. S. Savings Bonds during January, the Treasury Department has notified L. B. Feather, chairman of this county's Savings Bonds Committee.

Series E Bonds attracted \$81,843.75 of this total, which will return \$109,125.00 to their owners, if held to maturity.

The total investment in all three series, E, F, and G, by Eddy Countians last month exceeded those of any month of 1948, and was greater than that of 1947, except \$173,834 and \$133,597 in June and September. Furthermore, it exceeded that of any month of 1946 except \$140,160 and \$129,941 in September and August of that year.

Series E investments last month exceeded those of any month of 1948 except \$89,475 in January; of 1947 except \$82,893 in April and of 1946 except \$92,943 in August.

"U. S. Savings Bonds are expected to attract more money each month for several months to come," predicted Edwin G. Hobbs, state director, Treasury Savings Bonds Division.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crockett were shopping in Artesia Monday.

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## Murmurs of the West Wind

OR  
Gossip!

Someone asked the editor the other day why he didn't run a gossip column, so here goes the latest gossip for this week:

Pete Blakeney went to town Monday to get a shot in the arm. The editor of the News brought back with him a quart of whiskey. But it was not for himself, it was for a friend and was to be used for medicinal purposes. Bob Wood claims that he has the largest calf that ever was born in Hope. We went down and looked the calf over and we think Bob is telling the truth for once. It is said that Tiny Wood is contemplating a trip on the sea of matrimony. . . . Lawrence Blakeney went down to Lovington to visit his brother, that's what he says. We know different. . . . The editor was asked how he was able to buy a new Plymouth. The editor said, "You see I made some money in turkeys on the black market the past year and so I thought I would invest it in a new car." (Please don't mention this black market business to Bryant Williams.)

Ben Marable went to an oyster supper down on the Cottonwood last Thursday. There must be some attraction there besides an oyster supper. We will investigate this and report back next week. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lipsett and son went on a fishing trip down to the Big Rock on the Pecos last Saturday. Mrs. Lipsett don't think much of her husband's ability as a fisherman. . . . Mrs. Toyobo and baby arrived home from Oklahoma this week. Coach Toyobo is now looking for a wash board that someone else is not using. . . . Jess Musgrave says that his little granddaughter up at Las Vegas is growing like a weed. She looks like him, I feel sorry for the little one. . . . Met J. P. Menefee in Artesia Monday, he said he would pay his subscription to the News whenever he made some money. I wonder how long an editor can live on those kind of promises. . . . Bonnie Altman says, "The men should shave at least every other day and not go around looking like a grizzly bear." He was looking at Bob Wood when he said it. . . . Max Johnson was up from Carlsbad Tuesday. . . . I think we will sell this newspaper and go into the dairy business. . . . The State College at Las Cruces is turning into a matrimonial agency. . . . We understand that someone is going to open another service station in Hope. . . . Mrs. Anderson Young is getting to be quite a society reporter, believe it or not. . . . This will be enough for this week, if we live through this, we will give our readers another dose next week.

## "An Act of God," Says Pickett

Ingram B. Pickett, Corporation Commissioner, said in Santa Fe today, that he was seven feet of happiness again because of having the Broome Furniture Company of Santa Fe and Albuquerque as his sponsor for his "Report to the People," on the first and third Fridays of each month during Legislature, over KOB, 6:15 p. m.

He feels that by having Charles and Tom Broome, both good Republicans, as sponsors, it will be impossible for anyone opposed to his "Report to the People" to turn on political pressure and heat in the last few hours before each broadcast. "It will now take an Act of God to keep this report off the air," Pickett said.

John B. Rountree, Purina Mills representative and Leland Wittkopp, of Artesia, paid a visit to the News office Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Teel and Mrs. Guy Crockett have returned from a trip to Mangun, Okla., where they visited relatives for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fisher went to Weed Sunday where they visited Mrs. Fisher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Jones.

Joe Fisher was taken to the hospital at Artesia Tuesday where an operation will be performed on his eyes.

Al Malone, stock inspector for this district, with headquarters at Carlsbad, was a visitor in Hope Tuesday and paid a call to the News office.

Max Johnson hauled a load of furniture and lumber down to Carlsbad Wednesday, where we understand that he will be engaged in the dairy business. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson are an enterprising young couple and the town of Hope are sorry to lose them.

## School News

Eighth Grade News—We have a new student in the eighth grade. He is Allen Stirman from Portales. Edward has been absent from school the past week. We do not have an excuse for him. We had our Valentine box Monday. We received some nice valentines. Next week is six-week exams. We hope the teachers are not too hard on us.

Seventh Grade News—Monday was Valentine Day. We didn't have a party but we enjoyed it just the same. Wilma and Alta Ruth haven't come in so far. They no doubt will be late. There are only two in the seventh who have not missed a day of school. They are Sammy Eugene and Reeva Jeanne. Barbara and Babe Ann are also here but they are whispering (too bad the teacher isn't in right now). Jeral, our new pupil, is doing fine. Even if the girls outnumber the boys, the boys keep up. John has been absent. He has a sore on his lip. Sounds like bad business.

Junior News—We hear the Seniors are going to have a contest for the prettiest girl. Every class is supposed to pick out the girl they want to run. There is not but one girl in our class, so we have decided to run the handsomest boy. Hope the Seniors agree with us. They are also going to have a box supper next Tuesday night, although we can't figure out who they think will bring a box. Harvey Taylor spends all of his extra time in May-hill these days. Eugene Bates spends his time in Alama. Frankie is usually in Lovington when he can get someone to take him. Tufty goes to Weed once in a while. Dale usually stays in Hope.

Third and Fourth Grade News—Tommy Greene has returned to school this week after being absent last week to attend the memorial service of his uncle which was held at Roswell. We were so happily surprised on Feb. 14, when Mrs. Chester Teague brought us heart-shaped cookies coated with pink icing and fruit punch to drink. Mrs. John Bush brought each of us a tasty, pink popcorn ball. We want to thank them very much for making our Valentine Day a pleasant one. We appreciated having Dorane Teague to help serve us. We enjoyed our Valentine box very much, too. We received a nice Valentine from Peggy Clements of Hatch. She was a former pupil. We enjoyed the note which she added. We wrote her a letter during our English period.

Fifth and Sixth Grade News—In our science class, we have been studying the many different ways of communication. We have learned the Morse code and enjoy sending messages to each other. Gordon Goddard's mother and grandmother surprised us Friday. They brought us some of the best home made fudge. Billy Stephens is the only one in our room who has not been absent or tardy since the beginning of school. We hope he will be able to keep his good record until school is over. We exchanged Valentines Monday afternoon. We had fun telling and guessing riddles. Mrs. Lipsett gave us a treat of gum and candy. Patsy, Bobby Rex and Gordon are back in school again. They missed school because they were sick.

First and Second Grade News—We had a grand Valentine party Monday afternoon. Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Teague helped us pass our Valentines and then served us punch and helpings from two cakes. The red and white cake read "To My Valentine" and the pink and white cake read "Happy Birthday Mrs. Young." She was really surprised when she had to be led in blindfolded and heard us sing the birthday song. All of us are coming to school every day now. Lyndell Clanton was sick Monday and didn't get to come. He moved to Artesia last week, but he comes to school with Mrs. Williams. So we still have 20 boys and girls—mostly boys. Did we tell you we have only one first grade girl? Geraldine Bryant is her name and she doesn't care a thing for basketball, riding stick horses or shooting guns!

## Pay Your Water Dues Promptly

This snow reminds us that the prospects for water for the Town of Hope is very bright. We all need our cisterns filled. Therefore it is our painful duty to remind all those who have not paid their water dues to come into the clerk's office and pay the water dues at once. At the last meeting of the Town Board, it was agreed that all dues must be paid in full before water would be delivered.

When the water does come and the Mayordomo fails to deliver you your share of water don't get on your high horse about it, the trouble probably is that your dues are still unpaid. Do not say that we haven't warned you.

## Hotel Man Heads Campaign For Cancer Prevention

Appointment of Fletcher Brumit, prominent hotel man, to head the April fund-raising campaign for cancer education has been announced by Dr. H. C. Jernigan, chairman of the State Board, a director for the New Mexico Division, American Cancer society.

In disclosing the appointment, Dr. Jernigan said:

"We feel fortunate in having Mr. Brumit accept the state leadership in the 1949 campaign. He is well known throughout New Mexico and has friends in civic circles whom we feel will readily volunteer to assist."

Mr. Brumit is president of the New Mexico Hotel Association, first vice president of the Rocky Mountain Hotel Association and an active member of the Albuquerque Rotary Club. He is manager of the Hilton Hotel in Albuquerque and a director of the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce.

Plans for the statewide program, with selection of committee chairmen and other groundwork for the month-long fund raising effort will get underway immediately, Brumit said.

"The importance of the work done through the American Cancer Society is such that I foresee no delays in getting a good working organization set up."

## It Was a Tough Fight



Bedraggled and worn is this Rhode Island Red hen which won top egg-laying honors for the country in 1948 at the Maine egg-laying test. The new champ, owned by George B. Treadwell of Spencer, Mass., turned out 337 eggs and scored 368.7 points, thereby trimming all entries in 18 official egg-laying tests held throughout the United States.

## Derris in Ecuador

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## Potato, World Food Crop

Potato, a native of the Americas, made possible the agricultural and industrial development of north and central Europe. Used there for both food and feed, it was the mainstay of German aggression during two world wars. Almost half a billion bushels are grown in North America, and the pre-war total for the world exceeded eight billion bushels. Relatives of the potato are still to be found growing wild in the elevated regions extending from the southwestern part of the United States to the southern part of South America.



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**Eleven Immortals**

Lesson for February 20, 1949

JESUS BELIEVED in prayer, but he did not usually spend all night at it. When he did, we may be sure he had something of the greatest importance on his mind. One of these occasions was the night before he selected the twelve men he called Apostles. He had thousands of disciples, crowds followed him wherever he went. But it was important to have a few with whom he could live as an intimate friend. So from the immense number of followers, Jesus selected twelve closest friends. Before that fateful morning no one outside their villages had ever heard of them. But now their names are known—and eleven of them are honored—around the world.



Dr. Foreman

**Jesus Multiplies Himself**

A GOOD executive, Jesus multiplied his own personality. A recent book has shown how Harry Hopkins during World War II lived in the White House as Roosevelt's personal companion, having given up his own ambitions and living only to carry out the ideas of his chief. Without Roosevelt, Hopkins would have been little more than an inferior politician; and without Hopkins, many of Roosevelt's plans could not have been carried out. He enabled the President to be in two places at once. So it was with Jesus, as Mark tells us. Jesus wanted those twelve to be with him, and then to send them out.

He wanted these friends to know him as the crowds, and his enemies, never could know him. He wanted these men to absorb his ideas and ideals.

**Raw Material**

THE ASTONISHING thing about Jesus' choice of these twelve is his faith in them. Of course they had faith in him—who would not? But who would have faith in them? There was not a single "outstanding" man in the lot. Not one had what we would call a college education, not a man of them had held public office or was rich or famous for anything at all. The officers of any modern church might shake their heads over them.

There was Peter, an ordinary fisherman, much given to profanity; there was Matthew, a crooked business man if ever there was one, for no publican could be honest and keep from starving; there was Philip, as stupid a man as ever asked a foolish question; there were James and John, loud-mouthed (Jesus nicknamed them the Thunder Boys—"Sons of Thunder"), greedy fellows who could not be satisfied till they had elbowed their way ahead of everybody else; there was Thomas the born pessimist, the defeatist. What could have got into Jesus' mind to select such men?

**—And Judas Iscariot**

THE SECRET of Jesus' choice was this: He selected his men not for what they were or had been, but for what they could become, filled with his spirit, transformed by his friendship. It is so today, as always. The Kingdom of God needs men and women, but the raw human material found in or out of the churches is too shabby and weak to build anything like the kingdom of God. "Twelve Immortals"—? Nay, but one is the immortal betrayer and suicide. Why? The reason was in Judas, not in Jesus.

The truth is that Christ will not force himself on any one, not even on an Apostle. Christ needs men, now, as he needed men then, to carry on his work in this world.

But he wants volunteers, never forced labor. The Christ of Glory can be served by the humble; but the free Christ can be served only by free men with open hearts. Judas may keep his heart shut if he will; Christ never forces his way in.

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**KATHLEEN NORRIS**  
**Failing Marriage**

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By KATHLEEN NORRIS

AMERICA comes first with me in everything. Ninety-nine times in a hundred she stands head and shoulders above the rest of the world. In the hundredth case I pass as lightly over her shortcomings as I can and hope—and know—that coming generations will correct them.

So one evening some weeks ago I was made really unhappy by the quite innocent and unaffected talk of a certain French professor. We happened, as we sat about a friend's fire, to get on the subject of European marriage and the entirely different attitude in which young persons overseas approach this tremendous subject.

And as I listened, I had uncomfortably to admit in my soul that theirs is a wiser attitude and a wholesomer plan than ours and one calculated to build better homes and children, better communities and better men and women.

**Accept Marriage Naturally**

"Marriage with our women," he said, "is an accepted state. It is not an experiment. The girl becomes a wife just as definitely as she is a French woman, blonde or dark, short or tall, hardworking, well-to-do or somewhere between. Married, she and her husband can afford so much or so little; he needs her help in the shop or restaurant or farm, as a secretary or with the hospitality that maintains his position. They want and are expected to have children.

"They face the facts," he said. "They do not attempt to deny or elude them. They make the most of what they have. Our women like the quiet certainty of marriage, with its plans, protection and com-



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panionship. It is not with us a springboard; it is a deliberately chosen new way of life. We give up much—old ways, old freedom, old amusements. But we feel that we gain more.

"Alimony is low, among the great body of France's sober and industrious people of the great middle class—the people whose scheme includes villas, cars and country holidays and a couple of steady family servants, whose position is quite as definite and respectable as those of their employers.

**No Need for Pretense**

"Youngsters," she said, "approach marriage with care and with the help of family interest and advice. Their parents know the young man, his background and his record. The girl knows what money she will have to spend and her mother and father advise her as to outlay. Everyone knows everything, so there is small need for display or pretense.

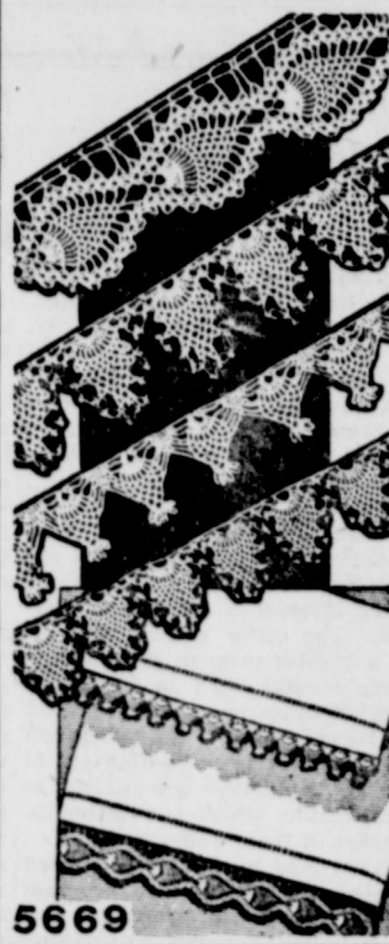
"Once married, she is—married. Her house, her linen, her children and her hospitalities are all-important to her. Her husband comes first. He must be comfortable; he must be made to feel himself loved. He has faults; so has she. But tradition and training save them both from many pitfalls that your young married persons know and of which they become victims.

"The families and friends do not drop in on them unexpectedly during the first year. They are not expected to take groups of young friends to expensive night clubs and foot the bill. Children are expected, and with the coming of children the woman finds herself more important than before. She is wife, mistress, mother, housekeeper. That she remains balanced and self-controlled and equal to doing her duty means that everything else in the household goes well."

He told me that psychologists do not do a good business in France, in the Scandinavias or among Belgian, Swiss and Polish wives. These are women with a job, a position and affectionate home ties to keep them balanced.

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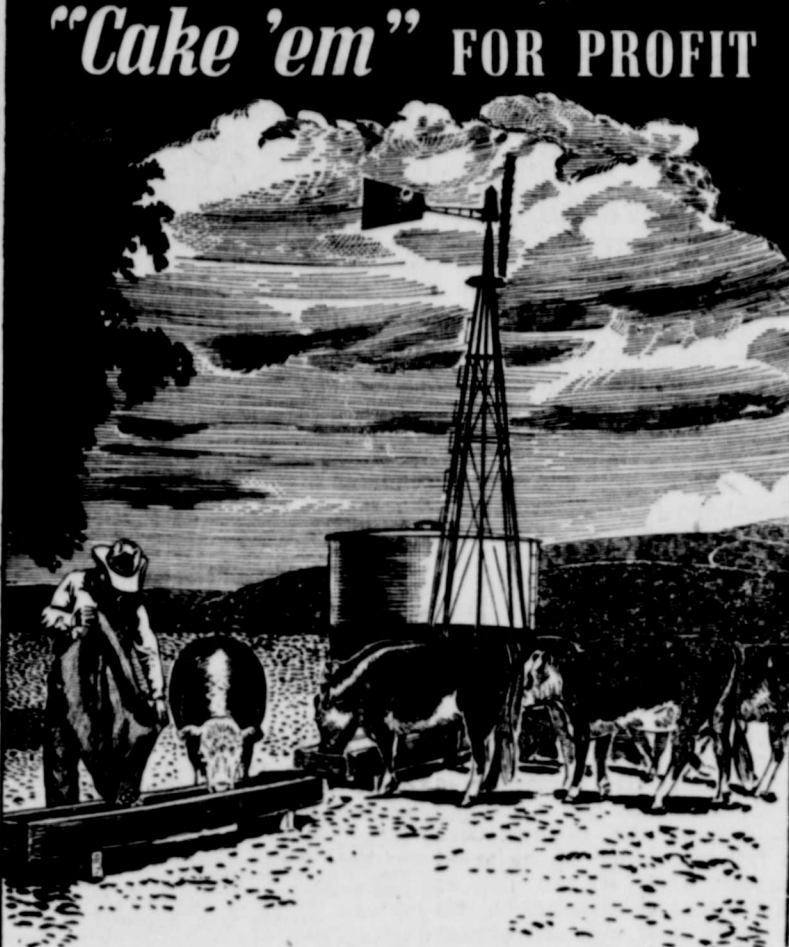
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### New Mexico Notes

FROM A WHEEL CHAIR



(By Katherine B. Mabry)

Santa Fe and the legislature will, in the next few weeks, rub elbows with more "learning" than we are accustomed to have around. Already the higher ups from the various institutions of learning in the state are converging on the capitol to talk up their case for a big slice of the tax money to keep their individual schools going—and growing—and each school head, or spokesman, is fortified with figures to prove how his particular institution is doing a better job with less money than the other fellow's project.

It presents a tangled web of information which will be hard for some to digest. The legislative committees on appropriations are going to have a hard time determining where and how much to cut—to know what are the "fancy trimmings and unessentials" which the Governor has said must be cut out. But the appropriations committees have the help of some experienced and hard-boiled experts to guide them.

It is also interesting to note that while the press of the state quite generally applauds the Governor's statement that these swollen school budget requests must be pared down, the newspapers of the localities where any one of the state institutions happens to be located seem to find little to complain about in the appropriation demand for their particular school. This represents the inevitable expression of local pride and a desire to see ones own home town well taken care of. That's human nature and it's quite understandable.

We do have a right, I believe, to be proud of all of our state educational institutions, not to say our local and municipal schools which have come so far in the recent years. Whatever you may hear about how our schools operate, you do not hear the charge that any of them are politically controlled. That is a healthy sign. There are places in government for politics, but these places are not in our schools, in our public welfare or in the administration of our highway department.

The legislature, and the executive must see the over-all picture and try to match what we will have to spend with that which is really necessary to have. The legislature, facing this problem, will be sorely tried when the members must take a broader view than that dictated by their own community interest, and when they must finally say what allowances can be made to each for the next two years. With a demand of some six to eight million more than will be available without new taxes being levied, somebody will have to step in and use the heavy blue pencil, and that, of course, will hurt.

Perhaps an over-all board of control, with powers superior to those exercised by the several constitutionally created boards of regents would be the answer. At least some overall authority, which would be less influenced by local pride and local interests could in this way serve a useful purpose in cutting out some duplications and in determining where and how much of the scarce tax dollar could be spent.

I must watch myself or I will be getting into deep water and on controversial grounds. But a woman, I believe, should have her say if she doesn't always get her way.

#### Assessor to Be in Hope February 23-24

Richard H. Westaway, assessor of Eddy county, announces in this issue that he will be in Hope on Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 23 and 24 to assist property owners in rendering their taxes. Everyone should take advantage of this and render their taxes on these two days.

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## WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS U. S. Rejects Stalin Peace Talks; Norway Prefers Western Alliance, Spurns Russian Council Suggestion

EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.



SOVIET "BARKIS" . . . Like the Dickens character, Russia's Premier Josef Stalin was "willing" to meet with President Truman to talk peace. But the question was: how willing? He is shown above with President Truman when the two met at Potsdam.

### WANTS OPEN DISCUSSION

## Truman Won't Talk Behind Iron Curtain

It was beginning to look like "Uncle Joe" Stalin and Harry S. Truman never would get together for a talk looking toward settlement of U. S. and other western powers' differences with the Soviets.

"Meet Stalin behind the iron curtain?" Secretary of State Dean Acheson snorted in disdain, declared in effect that the idea was preposterous.

Acheson went further. He asserted indirectly that the Russian leader was playing politics with peace hopes of millions of people.

Anyway, Acheson went on, what might be gained? Hadn't the Russians consistently blocked all efforts in the United Nations looking toward disarmament, control of the atom bomb and creation of a U. N. police force?

BUT THE U. S. couldn't be put in the position of appearing disinclined even to talk about peace, so Acheson left the door open for a parley; but there were some American conditions this time. The White House, it appeared, would be willing to see Stalin—in Washington. Stalin had said he'd be willing to see Truman—behind the iron curtain, and there the matter stood.

Acheson made a further point. The U. S., in any event, would not discuss with Russia alone any points having a direct interest to other nations.

As for a "peace" declaration, Acheson declared he found this puzzling inasmuch as Russia, the U. S., and all other U. N. members are already pledged "by most solemn treaty commitments not to engage in war with one another."

HE ADDED that the hopes of the world's peoples for peace are considered by this nation to be fundamental, and that the United States would not play politics with these hopes.

While it might appear an oversimplification of the problem, many might raise the question that if Acheson is relying on Russia's U. N. pledge to keep the peace, why should there be any official U. S. concern over the entire Russian relations puzzle?

The fact there is grave concern over the puzzle indicates Mr. Acheson may have been talking when he should have been thinking.

### NORWAY:

#### Standing Pat

Norway was drawing no cards. Standing pat, she would play the ones she had.

IN OTHER WORDS, the Norwegians wanted nothing but friendship with the Soviets, but if it were all the same, they would rather depend upon security in regional pacts such as the proposed north Atlantic alliance, than upon an alignment with the Soviet union.

The position stated by Norway was in answer to a Soviet note asking the nation's clarification of its view on the proposed north Atlantic setup.

Norway said the United Nations had failed to provide the world with peace and security, and her own people's "serious concern" for their liberty had convinced the government that it was necessary to seek increased security through regional cooperation in the defense field.

BUT THE NORWEGIAN government assured the Russians that it would never agree to foreign bases on its soil "as long as Norway is not attacked or the subject of threats of attack." And the government pledged itself to support a policy of non-aggression.

The decision could be interpreted no other way than as a definite setback for Soviet expansion-by-intimidation policies. Norway is a small country and vulnerable to Soviet attack. Nevertheless, it has

### U. N. Facilities Offered If Truman, Stalin Meet

The United Nations stands ready to aid in any way it can in any East-West talks, according to a statement by Trygve Lie, secretary-general of the organization.

Lie declared he would be "most happy" to have U. N. facilities used for a conference between Josef Stalin and President Truman if the two leaders were to suggest it.

Beyond that he would not go in commenting on the interview in which Stalin said he would be glad to confer directly with President Truman on a possible Soviet-American peace pact.

He added that the U. N. has several facilities which might be used advantageously in the event of such a conference.

chosen to stand with the western nations—a decision certain to impair Russian prestige and to show the way, in some measure, at least, how other Soviet-threatened nations may find the way out of a seeming impasse.

### PRESS FREEDOM:

#### Losing Ground?

Newspapermen and radio-casters from Sauk Center to Gotham would shout "foul!" claim the opposition was hitting below the belt.

A Baltimore criminal court judge held three local radio stations and the news editor of one were guilty of contempt of court because they violated a court rule that restricts publication of crime news.

THE JUDGE, John B. Gray, Jr., held, in a two-hour verbal opinion that broadcasts of information about a convicted murderer, before his trial last summer, constituted not only a clear and present danger to the fair administration of justice, but "an obstruction to justice" in the accused's right to a fair trial.

The court agreed with a defense contention that the nine-year old rule was an "abridgement of the freedom of the press," but asserted such an abridgement "is justified because it conflicts with an equally potent constitutional right of an accused to a fair trial."

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### PENSION BILL:

#### Vets Must Wait

Little possibility was seen by congressional leaders for enactment of a veterans' pension bill during the current session.

The administration is openly opposed to any such measure, being quoted as saying a program already offered "could not be considered in accord with the program of the President."

THE PROPOSAL to which the reference was made is a veterans' pension bill to give servicemen of the last two wars a \$60 monthly pension when they reach age 60, plus disability payments. It is estimated this would cost almost two billion dollars the first year, with later outlays reaching multi-billion dollar levels.

Under this measure, sponsored by Mississippi's Rankin, a veteran need only to have served 90 days in either world war to qualify for a pension. The extra disability pay would range from \$20 to \$120 a month, with no proviso that the disability must have been incurred in service.

Veterans administrator Cary R. Gray, Jr., said that while he was neither opposing nor favoring the legislation in his capacity as veterans' administrator, its magnitude must be weighed closely now to prevent unwarranted financial outlays in the future. He pointed out the cost burden might be so great as to endanger the entire veteran-compensation program.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN was on record with this statement: "The necessity for new or extended benefits for veterans without service disabilities should be judged not solely from the standpoint of service in our armed forces, but in the light of existing social welfare programs available to all veterans and non-veterans alike."

Mr. Truman also said in his budget message: "The program of veterans' services and benefits should reflect the fundamental fact that our primary long-run obligation is to dependents of veterans deceased from service causes, and to veterans disabled in service. At the same time, we should preserve and stress our basic objective of assisting the recipients of these benefits to be as nearly as possible self-reliant and self-supporting members of our society."

All of which indicates that veterans of both world wars expecting pensions and disability allowances had best be prepared to wait awhile.

### SATURATION:

#### Claimed for Taxes

Millions of Americans would agree with the premise: Taxes in America have reached the saturation point.

Former President Herbert Hoover made the assertion to congress. As a remedy, he suggested unsnarling a century of government red tape, a slash in federal spending.

FOR ALL HIS earnestness and the force of his figures, Herbert Hoover, "great engineer" of the depression, was a voice crying in the wilderness.

While President Truman outlined the need for vast federal expenditures for world social and economic improvement, as well as for defense measures, he had said nothing about reduction of government expenditures. There was nothing in his announced program relating to any such action.

True, there have always been one or two individuals in every congress who have sought to stick a finger in the hole in the dike of federal outlay, but to date the stopper has never approximated the circumference of the orifice. Indications were that it would be thus in the 81st congress.

HOOPER RECOMMENDED consolidation of 1,800 bureaus, commissions and divisions, but lurking in the background, ready to raise its awesome head at any moment, was patronage. Patronage means votes and votes means legislative tenure, and with the one fattening off the other, Mr. Hoover's recommendations commanded respect more for their temerity than for any hope of their adoption.

### New Stamp



This three-cent Minnesota territory centennial commemorative postage stamp will be placed on sale the first time on March 3, 1949, at St. Paul, Minn.



## Dynamite Is Magic Worker on Farmland Must Be Carefully Used to Prevent Harm

Dynamite is the Paul Bunyan of the modern farm. Like the make-believe, giant lumberman who could uproot trees and do other remarkable things, explosives, properly and carefully used, can perform scores of labor-saving tasks about the farm, according to F. S. Eldred, manager of the explosives and powder divisions, Olin Industries, East Alton, Ill.

Farmers today are finding they can save much labor and time in digging ditches, blasting out stumps, making post holes, cleaning out water holes and even planting trees by the use of explosives.

"But caution is the watchword," he warns. Like fire, dynamite is an excellent servant and a terrible master. When the farmer uses it with full knowledge of the great labor-saving work it can do, as well as the fearful damage, he has a giant farm hand who can almost perform miracles."

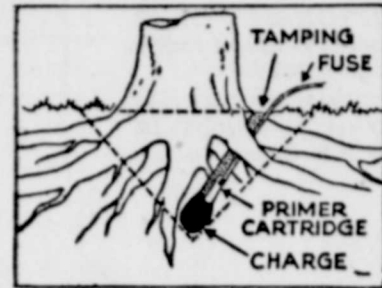


Figure 1

Stumps are a bugbear to farmers. Each is a problem in itself. The farmer must study the type of stump, whether it has roots that run along just under the ground, or has great tap roots. Then he must carefully plan how to blast out that stump with dynamite. Again "caution" is the watchword. If not sure, the farmer should consult an explosives expert. But the typical way to blast a stump is to place the dynamite as near as possible under the center mass, or under the larger roots. If there are two large roots, it may be necessary to plant the explosive under both.

Figure 1 shows the proper way of loading to remove an evenly rooted stump. The charge is under the center of the stump.

Sometimes there are stumps with central downward roots, called tap roots. In such a case as shown in Figure 2, the charge is

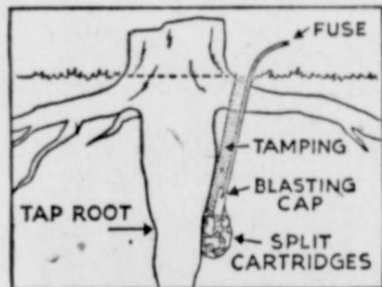


Figure 2

placed down alongside the tap root on the side that will bring it as near as possible to the center of the stump.

Another great labor-saving task can be performed with dynamite. That is the digging of the ditches. Dynamite can be easily carried through the woods, swamps and other country impassible to horses or machines and, once there, can quickly do more work than dozens of laborers or several machines.

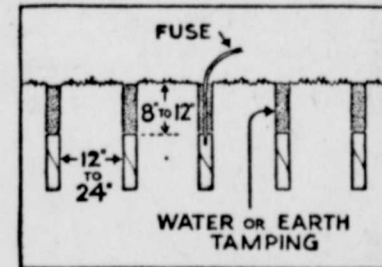


Figure 3

But always the words "safety first" must be kept in mind. The farmer should know his explosive know the type of soil in which he is operating and should not trust his own judgment. If there is ever any doubt, he should consult an expert.

Ditches are dug by dynamite not by placing one charge, blowing out a hole then using another charge. Figure 3 shows the dynamite planted stick by stick at regular intervals so that whole sections are blown out at the same time. In this way, the earth does not fall back

## Household Hints

A coat of spar varnish applied to wooden drain boards in the kitchen will provide an extremely durable finish.

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Do Indians ever stutter?

**Answer:** Practically never, reports John C. Sneed of the University of California in the Quarterly Journal of Speech. He interviewed 800 American Indians and got reports on 1,000 others, but could find only two half-breeds with speech difficulties—in fact, he learned that two Indian dialects

have no word meaning "to stutter." He says one possible reason is that Indians don't try to make left-handed children use their right hands, while another is that children who are injured at birth don't have much chance of surviving.



Can mankind be freed from superstition?

**Answer:** I very much doubt it. For it's not by chance that people adopt superstitious ideas; it's because they cannot get along without them. There are many men and women who would be unable to face life's uncertainties without some sort of guarantee of getting through them safely, and whether this guarantee comes from a lucky penny or a rabbit's foot makes little difference because if they did not have one "charm" they would invent another. Superstition will survive until men become more self-reliant than seems probable for centuries to come.

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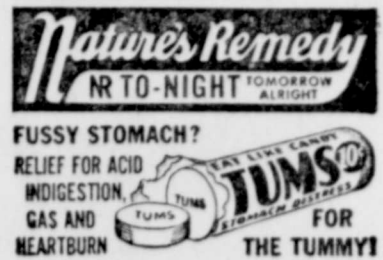
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**Snorers Are Unfair to Others**

By **Dr. James W. Barton**

**THERE** are many who are allergic to noise. When on a train or in a hotel room an individual occupies a berth or room close to a snorer he may lose much sleep. Of course, by knocking on the side of the berth or on the door, he may waken the snorer temporarily; but the latter soon returns to his snoring.

Most individuals are told about snoring by their family or friends, and it is only fair that they should make an effort, at least, to break the habit.

Dr. Ian G. Robinson, in "Proceedings, Royal Society of Medicine (England)," states that snoring may be treated by:

1. Removal or prevention of obstruction of the nose which causes mouth breathing, as by the use of a solution for the nose before retiring. This solution may be one of the various preparations that shrink the lining of the nose; it is the swelling of this lining tissue that causes the blocking of the

nose and consequent mouth breathing. The use of the new drug, benadryl, is also recommended for this purpose. Some keep the nostrils open by the use of a simple salt solution, a half teaspoonful to a glass of warm water.

2. Preventing the patient from sleeping on his back by sewing a cotton padding in the back of his pajamas.

3. Keeping the mouth closed during sleep by a strip of adhesive tape across the corner of the mouth.

4. Removing infected tonsils, which prevent the pillars at the back of the throat from vibrating.

5. Cutting a part of the uvula away and preventing it from vibrating lowers the degree and the pitch (sound) of the snore, but does not prevent it entirely.

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### Lack of Exercise in Cows May Be Cause of Ketosis

Ketosis, mainly a disease of high-producing cows, can also strike others if they are poorly fed, Dr. R. P. Link, University of Illinois college of veterinary medicine reports.

In severe cases a cow may die during an attack of ketosis unless she is treated early. On the other hand, a cow with a mild case may recover without treatment.

To combat ketosis, cows should have good nutritious feed during their dry period before calving.

If ketosis develops, it's generally soon after calving when the milk flow is heavy. The cow's milk supply usually falls off and she loses her appetite. Most cows with ketosis act sleepy and are wobbly in their hind legs. Some are excitable and hard to manage.

"A cow with ketosis has too many ketone or acetone bodies in her blood," Dr. Link says. "Unless she gets enough starch from corn or other grains, she uses too much of her body fat, and ketosis develops."

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5. Approximately how many pints of American blood were handled by blood donor centers during World War II?
6. What president of the United States was a Quaker?
7. Which state was the first to be admitted to the Union after the original 13?

**The Answers**

1. Only one, George Washington—although James Monroe was re-elected with all but one electoral vote in 1820.
2. Microfilmed books projected on the ceiling for bedridden veterans.
3. In an ironworks—it is a furnace in which the metal is subjected to a welding heat.
4. 60 million deadweight tons.
5. 13,300,000 pints.
6. Herbert Hoover.
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**Peppertree Inn**  
By JEAN RANDALL

**SYNOPSIS**  
The loss of their family fortune is accepted stoically by the Bristol family, including Professor Bristol, invalid archeologist; his daughter, Rosemary, and Simmons, a family "fixtured." The only property salvaged is Peppertree Inn, and the Bristols move to California to operate it. Rosemary experiences the turmoil of an innkeeper's existence and is grateful for the aid of Bob Elliot. Kent Standish successfully manages the inn, then envisages a string of hotels. After recuperating from an attack of flu, Rosemary informs Kent their engagement, broken but continued as an experiment at Mrs. Standish's urging, is definitely off.

**CHAPTER XIX**

An hour passed and there was no word from Mrs. Standish. Rosemary tried to read but she could not concentrate on the printed page.

The lunch hour arrived and there was nothing to do but walk into the dining-room and join Kent and his mother at the small table. They were a little late in coming in. Edith Standish dropped a light hand on the girl's shoulder as she passed her chair. She met the worried blue eyes with a smile.

"Kent says he's told you that we're leaving tomorrow or next day," she began pleasantly, unfolding her napkin. "I'm beginning to get used to his sudden departures. I wonder how it will feel to settle down again in Philadelphia. Rosemary, will you help me with my packing this afternoon?"

Rosemary swallowed. "I'd love to," she said politely.

When they were alone in the Standish sitting-room, she burst forth miserably: "I know I've disappointed you, but truly, truly it's best this way! You know I didn't want Kent to stay here all this time! It would have been far better if you and he had gone right after the robbery. He was—"

"Hush, darling," said Edith Standish. "If anyone is to blame it's I. As you said, I insisted on this experiment. I'm glad I did, Rosemary. It's cleared up a lot of things for Kent and me—yes, and perhaps for you too. Don't feel badly, child. You were perfectly right. There is—there's always been—affection between you two, not love. And... will it make you feel better about all this if I tell you I've come to see you're not the right girl for him—not even the right type?"

She raised startled eyes. "But you've always said—"

**Bob Proves Friend in Need**

"You're too independent for him, darling, too determined to do your own thinking. Kent needs a clinging vine. His father did before him. I learned early in our married life to lean heavily on him even when I preferred—to stand alone. If you'll think back you'll realize that it was your dismay over your financial affairs, your worry about the Professor, your apparent helplessness that made Kent rush you into an engagement. It was the best thing that could have happened to him, of course. He had no job—he had to get and hold one if he was to marry you. When he came out here, all his latent ambitions, his talent for organizing, awoke. But you, Rosemary, woke up, too. You stopped leaning on Kent—I don't believe you really did much in the first place, did you?—and he resented your independence of him. That's the whole story, isn't it? No one is to blame, everybody is happy."

"But the—the car," she stammered. "The car you gave me for an engagement present. I can't keep it now, you know. And the perfume bottles, and the bracelet you brought me from Santa Barbara—"

"They're still engagement presents," was the cheerful answer. "You're sure to need them sometime or other, and I always was a fohanded person."

"Hello, Rosemary! It's Bob—Bob Elliot. Feel like seeing a picture tonight? There's a good one in Hollywood; Grauman's Chinese. Are you with me?"

"I will be," she promised. "Bob, the Standishes left last night. Or early this morning, of course. They stayed all night in—"

"I know, my dear. I... er... Mrs. Standish came out to say good-bye to my mother, and I happened to see her. It's good flying weather, isn't it? What time shall I come for you?"

"Have dinner with me here, won't you? The inn seems a little empty at the moment."

"Of course. Be seeing you!"

She wondered a little at his calling her. Unless there was some sort of problem for her to solve, or she

was feeling depressed about something, Bob Elliot usually ignored her existence. But of course! He'd just said he knew of the departure of the Standishes. He knew she'd be lonely and, in the kindness of his heart, he—

She sighed. If Bob wouldn't always be so kind! She'd like him just once to do something for her, to plan to be with her, not because there was a need but because he wanted to.

She dialed Bob's number with a resolute forefinger.

"I've changed my mind about tonight," she said crisply. "No, nothing is wrong. Not at all! I never felt better in my life. I tell you, I haven't a headache; and nothing whatever is worrying me. It's just that I don't feel like seeing a movie tonight. Nor a drive, no. Bob, listen! Stop trying to think up ways to amuse me this evening. I don't need to be amused and if I did there are other... I'm sorry to be so cross. It's that sort of a day, I suppose. I



"I've changed my mind about tonight."

think I'll have a tray in my room and go right to bed. Thank you again, and good-bye!"

"He'll be a long time asking me to go out with him again," she assured herself. "What on earth made me talk to him like that anyway! What's the matter with me? It's not that I'm missing Kent. I'm relieved to have him gone, if anything. Rosemary Bristol, get hold of yourself!"

She put on her hat and went in to the village to shop. She returned to the inn at dinner time, laden down with her packages and, if possible, more out of sorts with herself than when she had left it. The first person she saw in the lobby was Bob Elliot.

"What are you doing here?" she demanded. "I thought I said—"

"I was asked to dinner and I accepted the invitation," he explained blandly. "You didn't tell me I wasn't to come, you know; only that you'd changed your mind about the movie."

"Bob, I said I was going to have a tray in my room."

He nodded. "Good idea! You look like the very dickens, if you don't mind my saying so."

She sank limply into one of the lobby chairs.

"I seem to have got out of the wrong side of bed this morning. It's not often I'm so cross, truly. If you'll give me fifteen minutes, I'll be ready; dinner, movies and all."

"Good girl!" was all he said.

She was her prettiest self when she joined him at dinner.

**Rosemary Irked By Persistency**

"You're not a bad-looking girl," Bob said thoughtfully, and at her spurt of laughter he went on: "I don't mean that as it sounds. The first time I saw you I thought you were about fifteen, you know, and suppose I've gone on thinking that, more or less. Still, there have been times—"

"Name three!"

"Four, if you like. Once was the night of the fancy dress party. You really were something special that night. And once was at Ellen's wedding. I remember saying to the Judge that you were almost beautiful at times. And when you were ill and I carried you to the car—"

"Never mind," she said hurriedly. "How is the Judge? And did your mother make up her mind about going to San Francisco?"

When he returned her to the inn some hours later, he said in a businesslike way: "When do I see you again?"

She glanced at him in surprise. "Oh, any time," she replied vaguely. "It's been a grand evening, Bob,

and I'm all over my crossness. Thank you, and good night!"

"No," he said doggedly. "I want to make a definite engagement with you. May I come Friday evening? We can think of something we'd like to do by then."

"Bob Elliot, I believe you think I'm grieving for Kent, and you—"

"Grieving?" There was such genuine surprise in his voice that she gave a little sigh of relief. "Why on earth should I think that? I've known all along that you—that you were just friends."

He saw her Friday night. He dined with her on Sunday and drove her to San Pedro to see the fleet. Tuesday, though he had made no previous arrangement, he arrived after dinner as cheerful and matter-of-fact as if they usually spent most of their evenings together.

By the end of the week Rosemary was desperate. She sent a telegram and received a prompt answer. When Bob came that evening she looked as gentle and innocent as a Persian kitten, but a kitten with claws.

"The nicest thing has happened, Bob! Ellen Carter—no, Ellen Harkless, of course—wired me today and asked me to visit her at San Francisco. They've bought a home there, you know. It will be so nice to see Ellen, and I've never been in San Francisco. She wants me to stay as long as I possibly can."

She was watching him closely. There was no mistaking the look of sudden relief in his eyes. Her heart dropped into her small shoes but she held her head high.

She had intended to stay at least a week or so but she returned to the inn in four days. Not that Ellen and Jim hadn't been glad to see her; not that they hadn't done their best to amuse and interest her. They had.

There were disturbing glimpses of a marital intimacy which set her heart beating hard. Ellen's look when she heard Jim's step on the porch; Jim's tone when he spoke his wife's name; the glances which passed between them constantly, radiant iterations of their love. Rosemary felt a sudden loneliness when she intercepted one of these unspoken messages.

"Everything going smoothly, Durham?"

"Very smoothly," he said with a hint of surprise in his voice. "I hope you had a pleasant visit."

"Yes, thank you."

After this sedate exchange of amenities, she debated whether she should call Bob or not. It was only friendly to do so, of course. But she had been away such a short time! Four days would not serve to turn him from the path of duty.

She stormed to herself: "I won't be his path of duty! I won't! I won't call him up! Yes, I will, too."

**Truth Revealed At Dinner Party**

So she called him and was very gay and a little breathless with hurry and full up in the evenings for weeks to come. He told her in his kindest voice that he was glad she'd had such a pleasant time in San Francisco. "But what made you come back so soon? Any trouble at the inn?"

"Oh, no! Durham's just been telling me how peaceful everything is. I just thought I'd come back, that's all. How are the avocados?"

"Flourishing. I'll tell you all about them when I see you this afternoon."

"But—but I told you—"

"That you are busy tonight, yes. That's why I'm coming this afternoon."

So she had accomplished nothing by going away! He came as often as before, he was brotherly and kind and entertaining. Now and then she caught his eyes upon her and they seemed to be puzzled; bewildered. She wondered if he were making a scientific study of girls with her as an example of the species. She wondered if his mother had suggested she might be lonely without Kent.

"Will you let Bob bring you out to dinner with us tomorrow night?" Mrs. Elliot asked one morning. "The Judge is pining for a sight of you, he says, and I'm nearly as bad."

During the leisurely meal the hostess chanced to say:

"I was sorry not to tell Mrs. Standish good-bye. If I'd known she was coming, I'd have postponed my shopping; but Katie told me Bob had a nice visit with her."

"Bob did?" She turned accusing eyes, on that young man, placidly consuming his dessert. "Why, you said Mrs. Standish came out to tell your mother good-bye!"

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