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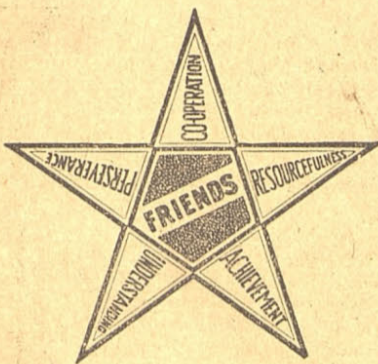
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## A Word About Bank Balances:

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## "THE FREE TRADERS" OUR NEW SERIAL STORY

"The Free Traders", our new serial, by Rousseau, will start in the next week. Don't fail to read the installment. You will find a grim full of action—an un-mingled with adventure—once—a gripping story—full of "Blue Lake Ranch", our new serial, is concluded this week. All who have read it will agree it is a fascinating story from start to finish. It has met the general approval of all, because it was a story out of the ordinary, and in securing our new serial, "The Free Trader" we have selected another story in this exceptional class. People are tired of the common run of stories, and they demand "something unusual", so to meet the demand for these better stories, we have been fortunate in securing this new serial—and don't fail to get the first installment in next week's Review.

Tell your friends about this new story—if they are not reading the Review. This story alone will be worth the price of the paper. And if your time has expired, or will expire soon, had better renew your subscription be sure to get all of the story. Keep up with the story. If you miss any, let us know and an extra paper will be mailed to you. Don't miss an

## LOCAL FIELDS CONTINUE ACTIVE, BUT NEED WATER

Gilman & McMurry's Moore No. 2, completed for about 75 barrels.

Root-Rhodes & McMurry are drilling at 400 feet on their Newton No. 2.

C. O. Moore, et al, on south Chambers No. 1, drilling at 800 feet.

Canyon Oil & Gas Co's, McDonough No. 7, are drilling at 500 feet.

Williams, et al, on H. A. Newton, underreaming at 1,000 feet.

Carter-Low & Dulaney are moving in tools on the Beck lease to start well at once.

Mahlstedt-Mook have new location on the Newton tract for well No. 5.

Conway Bros. & Gilman also have new location of J. W. Newton tract for No. 4 well.

C. O. Moore has sold his 3-8 interest in his 136 acre Teston tract and 115 acres on Chambers, with two producing wells, to J. L. McMurry, et al.

On the Burns farm north of Burkett two miles, 15 feet of sand with good showing of live green oil has been found at 385 feet, which is creating much interest among the operators here.

W. O. Kimball and Canyon Oil & Gas Co, are straight reaming at 2525 on the Lamb tract, east of Pioneer.

The Pennant Oil & Gas Co. & Pope & Wilson have new location on the southwest corner of the Teston lease, east of town.

## NEW HIGHWAY DESIGNATION LEADING NORTH FROM CROSS PLAINS TO PUTNAM AND MORAN MADE BY THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION

Will Connect with State Highway No. 23 at Moran; Will Not Effect Existing Highway Leading From Coleman to Cisco by Way of Cross Plains and Rising Star; Surveys to Be Made in Near Future.

The Review stated last week that F. M. Gwin, sec'y. of the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce in company with Judge Victor B. Gilbert and B. L. Russell of Baird and county engineer, Mr. Webb, were in Austin in the interest of a new highway for this section. Well, they were successful in their efforts, and the State Highway Department has granted a new highway designation leading north from Cross Plains to Putnam, connecting with the Bankhead Highway there, then on to Moran, making connection with highway 23, which will mean much to this section of the state. Cross Plains has long felt the need of highway outlet north, and now it is to become a reality. The necessary surveys will be made in the near future and right-of-way established for this new highway, and it is hoped that before long actual work of construction will begin on same.

Mr. Gwin, authorizes the Review to quote him as saying that this new highway will in no way effect the existing highway 23, leading from Coleman by Cross Plains, Rising Star and on to Cisco, or its maintenance by the State Highway Department. A report has gone out that the new designation would effect highway 23, but such a report is without foundation, we are requested to state. It is a new designation altogether, separate and apart from highway 23.

After Mr. Gwin and his party returned from Austin, R. J. Hank, acting State Highway Engineer, wrote Judge Gilbert advising him of the new highway. The letter follows:

Hon. Victor B. Gilbert, County Judge, Baird, Texas.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that the State Highway Commission at its regular monthly meeting on February 16th, designated as a State Highway the road from Cross Plains north by way of Putnam to make connection with State Highway No. 23 at Moran in Shackelford County.

Your attention is called to the fact that this road will not be made a State Highway or taken over to be maintained by this department until it has been placed in satisfactory condition; subject to the approval of the Engineers of this Department. We understand that this condition is agreeable to Callahan County.

Yours very truly,

R. J. Hank, Acting State Highway Engineer.

cc B. L. Russell  
cc F. M. Gwin  
cc Early  
cc T. H. Webb

Faye Clifton

Faye Clifton, age 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clifton, died Friday, Feb. 20, with pneumonia, and was buried here Saturday in the local cemetery. She is survived by parents, one brother and three sisters, all at home. She was a girl who had many friends and was attending school here. She was a member of the girls high school basket ball team, and girl friends composing the team acted as pall bearers. They were: Misses Juanita Wilson, Kathlene Nesb, Zelda Barr, Irene Harding, Yonette Sipes, Gladys Swan. Elder Lambreth of Rising Star, conducted the funeral service. A great concourse of friends were present and the floral offerings were very beautiful.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Clifton were sick in bed and were unable to attend the services.

Economy! The President has estimated a surplus of \$67,884,489 on this year's budget, and by following a program of rigid economy in all government departments hopes to have a surplus of \$373,745,714 in 1926. On these grounds he tentatively promises further tax reduction.

## High School Notes

### HIGH SCHOOL STAFF

Metra Clarkson, Editor-in-chief  
Christine Cunningham, Social editor  
Raymond Cross, Sport editor  
Elizabeth Pace, Reporter of 9th Gr.  
Brownie Baum, Reporter of 8th Gr.  
Marie Williams, Reporter of 8th Gr.  
Eugene Davanay, Reporter 7th Gr.

### HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

The Cross Plains high school basketball boys went to the district meet at Abilene for the first time last Friday, Feb. 20. There were eleven teams there and the coaches of each team had to draw the teams they had to play first. Our coach being unlucky drew Abilene and we played them at 11 o'clock Friday morning. They defeated us 30 to 8 but we thought we did good playing. That night we saw Abilene play Haskell, Abilene defeated them 33 to 3 and that proved to us that we had a better team than Haskell.

Being as the basket ball season is over we are getting ready to start base ball. Mr. Featherstone (our coach) says that if the boys work as hard playing base ball as they did at basket ball that we will have a real base ball team. We as the base ball boys are going to work hard to have the best team that ever was known in Cross Plains before.

### SOCIAL NEWS

The Primary Department rendered a most excellent program Monday morning. The Program was as follows:

Opening Song, by all.  
Dramatized Story, by 2nd grade.  
Special Music, Miss Miss Gaines and Miss Crabb  
Reading, Elvin Williams.  
Dialogue—"An Afternoon Tea", by 4th Grade.

Our Washing on, by three 1st graders  
Saxophone Solo, Miss Crabb, Miss Lewis at piano.

Invocation, Mrs. Little.  
The program was enjoyed by all and we are proud to say that several of the parents were out to see the program and we want them back again next Monday.

I am very sorry that the seventh eighth and ninth grades reporters are falling down in getting their notes in from their grades.

By Editor-in-Chief.

## C. of C.

Due to so much sickness in town and surrounding communities, attendance at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Tuesday night was light. As soon as the health conditions improve, it is understood that a special meeting will be called, as there are some important matters to be brought before the organization, which will be of interest to the entire membership.

The C. of C. is starting the year off with big achievements, and there is much more to be accomplished during this year.

The Chamber of Commerce, through its secretary, F. M. Gwin, is in a large measure responsible for the new highway designation leading north, just granted by the State Highway Department—and this achievement alone will offset the operating expenses of the organization for several years. Mr. Gwin deserves much credit for his part in securing the new designation and the entire town and community should give him a vote of thanks. He gets what he goes after, largely because he is one of the most capable and live wire secretaries in Texas—and that covers lots of territory. Of course we are not overlooking the assistance and co-operation of Judge Gilbert, B. L. Russell, Mr. Webb and others who put their shoulders to the wheel and help secure this new highway. The two, deserve much credit, but this article is for the purpose of showing the public what our Chamber of Commerce is doing—and to urge them to join, if they have not done so.

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## Presbyterian Notices

There will be no preaching at the Presbyterian church next Sunday. I go to Sabanao each First Sunday. Sunday School at 9:45 A. M. Christian Endeavors meet at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening we begin the study of the book of Revelations, and will continue this study each Wednesday evening until we finish the book. S. P. Collins.

Join the C. of C. NOW.

## RURAL SCHOOLS GET STATE AID GRANT

Frank Van Winkle, Rural School Supervisor connected with the State Department of Education at Austin, recently completed an inspection of the rural schools of Callahan County making the following special aid grants Callahan County was granted a total of \$13,220.

Tecumseh \$315, Iona 320, Eula 370, Denton 580, Putnam 500, Dressy 900, Erath 450, Colony 370, Atwell 550, Deer Plains 375, Rowden 590, Turkey Creek 550, Cedar Bluff 125, Caddo Peak 250, Burnt Branch 555, Gardner 200, Fairview 700, Dudley 790, Cedar Grove 325, Union 415, Lanham 400, Enterprise 680, Bayou 320, Oplin 750, Oplin (special grant for vocational training 250), Lone Oak 500, Wallace 400, Cottonwood 440.

Quite a number of those who have trees planted along the side walks in the resident section, have just recently had them trimmed, and it adds much to the general appearance on these streets. On some streets the trees are swinging too low over the side walks and that is a nuisance—especially at night, when a limb hits you in the face. Now is a good time to trim the rest of those trees. Ye editor is going to do some of it himself.

## The Texas Qualified Druggist League Says:

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messages in Farm and Ranch and Land's Magazine

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U. B. Prifty



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## SICK WOMEN OF MIDDLE AGE

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Macon, Georgia.—"During the Change of Life I suffered with my whole right side and could not lie on my left side. I was in bed about two months and could not get up only as my son would lift me. After doctoring without relief a man who was rooming with us told my son that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cured his mother at the Change of Life, so I began taking your medicine. After taking it for two weeks I could get out of my bed by myself. I am now 53 years old and in better health and stronger than ever in my life. I have recommended the Vegetable Compound to many suffering women, young and old, and you may use my name anywhere as long as you please. I will be glad to answer any letters sent to me."  
—Mrs. F. B. HEADDEN, 5 Holt Avenue, Macon, Georgia.

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## BRIEFS BY CABLE, WIRE, WIRELESS

Great Events That Are Changing the World's Destiny Told in Paragraphs

### ITEMS OF INTEREST TO ALL

Short Chronicle of Past Occurrences Throughout the Union and Our Colonies—News From Europe That Will Interest.

### DOMESTIC

American's trade with Sweden has increased greatly since the war.

One of the newest forms of punishment for automobile speeders in Kansas City, Kan., is compelling the offenders to serve as a traffic officer. Policemen are on hand on the busy corners where the victims are "doing time."

Announcement was made by the American Chemical Society that, according to advices from Tokio, Prof. Hantaro Nagaoka, Japanese scientist, has transmuted mercury into gold. A microscopical picture of the gold which he is said to have produced from the mercury has been taken.

While being chased through downtown shopping districts in Boston, a man recognized as a notorious crook, dropped a bag containing three pounds of pure gold. The fugitive escaped with another bag believed by police to contain a larger amount of bouillon. Where he got the gold is a mystery.

Twelve thousand five hundred busses and vehicles were built and placed in service during 1924, states Edward F. Loomis, secretary of the national motor truck committee, National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, in bus transportation or February. This fact, together with the estimate of 2,500,000,000 passengers carried in old and new busses in 1924, indicates, the writer points out, that the bus is fast assuming a major position in our transportation system.

The Washington State bonus to veterans of all branches of the service in the World War amounts \$12,500,000. It has been announced by C. W. Claussen, State Auditor. The bonds, figured at the rate of \$15 for each month of service, has been paid to 53,011 residents of the State. The first bonus claims were paid in March, 1921. Of those who received the State's check, 48,925 still were residents of the State, 7,835 lived in other States, including every State in the Union, 225 were in territories and possessions of the United States, and 376 had migrated to foreign lands.

The most remarkable freak of nature ever seen in Apalachicola was revealed at the Gulf Beach Packing Company's plant when a shucker opened an oyster that was a solid mass of pearls, ranging from the size of a pin head to a cow pea. The pearls are colored black, brown, cream and snow white, and are embedded clear through the body of the oyster, with a thin filmy skin covering them, through which they can plainly be seen on both sides of the oyster, which is a nice sized one and contains perhaps 500 pearls. Only the great muscle, gills and mantle of the oyster are free from pearls.

Oysters taken from Galveston Bay waters are free of pollution or any form of poisoning, according to J. S. Price, Deputy Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner, who said that recent newspaper stories about unhealthful oysters referred to a district in the northeastern portion of the United States, where it was said the oysters had become contaminated by sewage. "Every oyster brought into Galveston and shipped from this point comes from tide-water," Mr. Price added. "There is not an oyster marketed that does not come from Gulf waters at least five miles from any sewage."

### WASHINGTON

The foreign population of Texas increased by 6,475 during the last six months of 1924, as shown by reports from the Department of Labor for the first six months of the operation of the new quota law passed by Congress. Immigrants to the number of 7,336 went to Texas during the period, giving the State a rank of seventh in the greatest number of new immigrants received, while 891 of those already in Texas departed for their former countries.

For the first time in four years the huge gold supply of the United States has begun to dwindle. The Federal Reserve Board announced that exports of gold were larger in the month of December than in imports. The \$110,000,000 Dawes plan loan to Germany was a powerful factor in overcoming the trend which was threatening to concentrate the world's gold in this country and render foreign countries unable to buy American goods.

The China trading act, exempting from American taxation American firms doing business in China, has been passed by the House.

Passage of the resolution of Senator Trammell of Florida for a Federal trade investigation of the price of gasoline will be opposed by Senator Harrel of Oklahoma. The Smoot bill for reorganizing Government departments, was virtually killed when Republican membership of the Senate at a secret conference declined to approve the measure.

Assent of the German government to the reservations attached by the Senate to the commercial treaty between the United States and Germany will be sought immediately by the state department.

The Senate Commerce Committee postponed until next week final action on the \$43,000,000 rivers and harbors bill and also failed to reach an agreement on the \$9,000,000 Louisiana and Texas intercostal canal plans.

The House Aircraft Committee called upon Secretaries Weeks and Wilbur to send representatives before it to demonstrate how the War and Navy departments could adequately defend the United States against an air attack.

A committee representing various traveling men's associations arrived in Washington recently to urge House members to accept the Senate rider to the independent offices appropriation bill eliminating the 50 per cent Pullman surcharge.

All previous records for monthly gasoline production were broken in December, when, according to the Bureau of Mines' figures, the output was 795,613,195 gallons. Stocks on hand during the month, standing at 1,179,503,185 gallons on Dec. 31.

The British Government is to have a new embassy here. The present embassy, which is near the center of town, has been sold and a new building will be erected farther out, on Massachusetts avenue. The present site was sold for \$500,000, which will be the cost of the new headquarters of the British Government here. An office building will be erected where the embassy now stands.

A bill authorizing appropriation of \$75,000,000 for good road construction available for the fiscal year of 1926, and a like amount for the fiscal year of 1927, was passed by the Senate. The bill was passed by the House during the last session. The usual terms of previous legislation that the States in order to share in the Federal fund, must make an appropriation equal to the amount used in such State are continued.

An analysis of the flight of the American dollar to other lands in 1924, issued by Secretary Hoover, showed that of the \$1,263,340,000 flowed in the United States \$567,770,000 went to Europe, Canada and Newfoundland sold securities in this country to the amount of \$224,295,000, Latin-American loans were \$294,372,000 and those to Japan and the Philippines, \$189,000,000. The remainder of the sum was scattered to the four corners of the earth.

### FOREIGN

Italy consumes about fifty pounds of macaroni per capita annually.

The attitude of the Little Entente toward Soviet Russia will be determined at a conference in Belgrade March 25.

Pedro Puig, the last Spanish Governor of the Philippines, died in Madrid recently, virtually in poverty. He had lived in obscurity for many years.

The Ferre brothers, airplane pilots of Turin, Italy, announce the invention of a device for extinguishing fires occurring in airplanes while in midair.

Several persons were killed and many injured when a violent wind blew a train from the rails between Stobbe and Wolfgang. Some of the wooden cars were crushed by the impact.

"Radio Pirates" who have dodged payment of the Government's fee for listening in will be heard if the bill proposed by the Baldwin government is enacted. It would give the police power to search homes for those who are "stealing" entertainment and provide a year's imprisonment or \$500 fine.

For the first time in the history of Italy an "affair of honor" has been settled by a boxing match. Captain Delarosa and Signor Podesia, president of the boxing federation, chose fists instead of swords to settle the dispute which arose between them at a political meeting recently. The captain looked like the winner at the end of the fourth round; but his opponent gave the final knock-out punch early in the fifth. The Fencing Society is seriously perturbed by this precedent, which threatens fencing as the accepted means of settling such affairs.

More than 200,000 German war widows have married since the war. The figures are shown in official statistics by the Government. In spite of this number of war widows who have remarried, there are still 335,000 widows of soldiers. The Government is supporting 271,000 wounded veterans. The total number of wounded veterans for all countries is put at 7,000,000 to 8,000,000. The number of dependents of men killed in the war in all countries is estimated at 15,000,000.

## MY FAVORITE STORIES

By IRVIN S. COBB  
(Copyright.)

### What Aunt Myra Desired

They brought a darky out of the jail in a North Carolina town with intent to hang him for murder. This was in the day when capital punishment was publicly indicted. As a special mark of attention the widow of the murderer's victim was permitted to witness the event from a position of vantage directly facing the gallows. She had had a sort of small grandstand rigged up and she had decorated it with bunting, and when the march to the scaffold started, there she sat in a white mother-hubbard wrapper gently agitating a palmleaf fan, flanked and surrounded by relatives, invited friends and sister members of her lodge.

The preliminaries went forward according to the ritual. When the condemned had been properly trussed up, with the noose dangling about his neck, the sheriff, holding the black cap in his hand, edged up to him and said: "Well, Jim, we're about ready. If you've got anything to say, I reckon this would be a mighty good time to say it."

"Yas, sah," said the doomed. "I has got sump'n to say. I jest wants to say dat I is fully repented fur what I done. I taken it to de Lawd in prayer an' I knows it's all right wid Him. I ast de Jedge w'ich tried de de persecutin' attorney, an' de foreman of de jury ef they bore me any grudge, w'ich, one and all, they said they did not. An' now I kin go right straight to hebben an' nestle in de bosom of Father Abraham ef only 'n kin git de forgiveness of dat nigger lady sittin' yonder—de wife of de man I kill't."

He lifted his voice, addressing the white-clad figure in front of him: "Lady," he entreated, "does you fergive me fur shootin' yore husband six times wid a forty-fo' caliber revolver?"

Excepting that her under lip jutted out a trifle farther there was no sign she had heard him. She calmly fanned on.

The darky on the scaffold tried again:

"Lady," he pleaded, "for de second time I axes you, ain't you, please ma'am, gwine fergive me?"

Still from her there was no response. It was as though she had not heard him. The sympathetic sheriff felt moved to add his intercession:

"Aunt Myra," he called, "Jim, here, will be goin' away from us in a minute and we don't expect him back. Surely you don't entertain any hard feelin's against him now? Won't you speak to him and let him go in peace?"

This time the obdurate widow shook her head in an emphatic negative. Yet still she uttered no sound. The sheriff turned to the condemned.

"Jim," he said, "you see how it is; that old woman is set in her ways. What's the use of wastin' any more time on her? Besides, it's hot as the devil out here and I ought to be gettin' on home to dinner. Jest hold still a second and we can have this all over."

"Mr. Lucas," sobbed Jim, "I never see ef I still can't sofen dat nigger woman's stony heart. Lady," he cried out, "wid mouty nigh my dyin' bre'r I begs you fur jest a word. I ain't hopin' no mo' dat you'll fergive me, but won't you please, ma'am, jest speak to me an' tell me what's in yore soul?"

And now she did speak. She motioned with her fan as though it had been a baton of authority, and in impatient tones she said: "Go on, nigger, git hung—git hung!"

### And Worth the Money Too!

A noted lawyer down in Texas, who labored under the defects of having a high temper and of being deaf, was trying a case in a courtroom presided over by a younger man, for whom the older practitioner had a small opinion.

Presently in an argument over a motion there was a clash between the lawyer and the judge. The judge ordered the lawyer to sit down, and as the lawyer, being deaf, didn't hear him and went on talking, the judge fined him \$10 for contempt of court.

The lawyer leaned toward the clerk and cupped his hand behind his ear. "What did he say?" he inquired.

"He fined you \$10," explained the clerk.

"For what?"

"For contempt of this court," said the clerk.

The lawyer shot a poisonous look toward the bench and reached a hand into his pocket.

"I'll pay it now," he said. "It's a just debt!"

### Advice to Charlie Chaplin

Last spring when General Neville, the hero of the defense of Verdun, was making his tour of America he was the guest of honor at a big public reception in one of the Los Angeles hotels. Among those invited to meet the distinguished visitor were the more prominent members of the moving-picture colony.

At the doors of General Neville's suite Will Rogers met Charlie Chaplin, who in private life is a reserved and rather shy little man, was considerably fussed up over the prospect ahead of him.

"I suppose we're expected to say a few words to the general," he confided to Rogers. "But for the life of me I can't think of the best way to start the conversation."

Rogers gave to the problem a moment of earnest consideration. "Well," he said, "you might ask him if he was in the war, and which side he was on."

**Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale**  
By MARY GRAHAM BONNER  
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### I'D LIKE TO BE

Old Witty Witch, and Old Mr. Giant, Billie Brownie, Peter Gnome and many of the others decided to have a verse party.

"A verse party," explained Witty Witch, who was going to have the party at the entrance to her cave, "is a party which might be worse."

"That is, the verses might be worse. So don't write your worst verses but next-to-the-worst."

It was very nice to be able to write a next-to-the-worst verse.

That meant they didn't have to apologize for it too much.

They didn't have to say: "They would have been better had I not been rushed at the last moment and so couldn't give it the proper time."

Nor would they have to say: "I didn't just feel in the poetry mood today. You know some days I feel in it so much more than others."

They didn't have to make any excuses at all.

But there was one rule. And that was that the verses should be about something they'd like to be if they weren't themselves.

It was curious too, to see, when the verses were being read, that no one really wanted to be anything else.

There is always some reason why no one wants to be someone or something else. You'll find it that way.

Sometimes you will wish you had as much money to spend on toys as



"We Need Strength After All Our Effort."

another little girl you know, and yet you wouldn't like to change places with her as you wouldn't want her daddy and her mother as you would your own. Maybe, too, her daddy wouldn't let her own a pet dog!

Oh, you'll always find that you've grown so used to being you that you don't really want to wholly change places with any one.

But of course at the next-to-the-worst verse party they thought of absurd things they might be! That was quite natural. Here are their verses.

This was Witty Witch's verse:

I'd like to be a Rhino,  
And live upon the Nile,  
But I'd rather not be guilty  
Of such wretched taste and style.

This was Billie Brownie's:

I'd like to be a circus clown,  
So folks would laugh at me,  
But it wouldn't be so pleasant  
If my jokes they couldn't see.

This was old Mr. Giant's:

I'd like to be an elephant  
With a trunk to swing and sway,  
But it wouldn't be so handy  
When I went out to play.

This was Peter Gnome's:

I'd like to be a tortoise  
And live for years and years,  
But a home within a shell  
Would cause me to shed tears.

This was Elsie Elf's:

I'd like to be a bow-wow  
And have a little tail,  
But wagging it so constantly  
Would make me tired and pale.

There were more verses and then there was a great banquet of delicious goodies served by Witty Witch, for she said:

"We need strength after all our effort!"

### Wanted One Loud

A farmer had come up to town for a few days. Before he started he had promised to bring his daughter a present, so he went into a jeweler's shop and said to the assistant: "I want a pair of earrings, cheap, but pretty."

"Yes, sir," said the jeweler; "you want something loud, I suppose?"

"Well, I don't mind if one of them is a little loud," replied the farmer. "My girl is slightly deaf in one ear."

### On a Detour

Jack and I were making our first trip across the Atlantic to meet our mother in London. The weather had been beautiful and calm for the first two days, but on the third morning the ship rolled and pitched heavily.

Jack awoke me from an uneasy slumber.

"Daddy, what is the matter with the boat today? Are we on a detour?" he asked.

### A Matter of Choice

"Mamma," said four-year-old Edna one day, "why are you going to give my kitty to the milkman?"

"Because the kitty scratched baby sister and we can't keep her any longer."

"But, mamma," said Edna, as a frown wrinkled her little brow, "why can't we give baby sister to the milkman and keep the kitty?"

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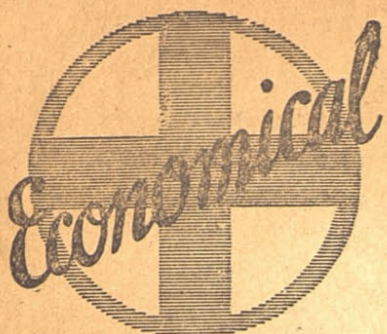
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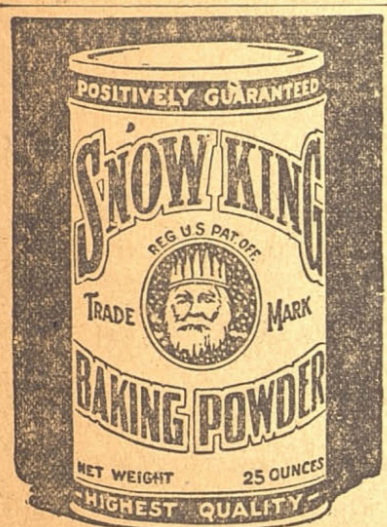
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## THE PROD THAT SPURS US ON

By GEORGE L. CATTON

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Charde was a tobacco-eating brute who never thought of giving hostages to fortune because he never found time to think of anything but gold. As a man he assayed about thirty cents to the ton, and there was considerably less than two thousand pounds of him.

LIKE diamond dust the snow glittered on the solid river. Like great emeralds the stars hung quivering through the dead atmosphere. The long tongues of the aurora hissed in the silence, and it was ten miles to Kelly's.

Every time Charde's right hand and left knee plunged down into the snow, Charde lurched ahead twenty-one inches. Every time Charde's left hand and right knee plunged down into the snow, Charde lurched ahead twenty inches. He made twenty-six lurches a minute. So Charde made a mile every two hours. And behind him on a toboggan rode the Prod.

No matter what our urge may be, or whether we have an urge or not, the Prod we have always with us, spurring us on.

It was the Prod that got Charde.

Born in the smudge of a California gold-rush dance-hall, spawn of a frowsy doxy and a mule-muscled flat-head, Charde was patently a mistake. Principally beef, he inherited from his mother the cunning of necessity; from his father, the sullenness and ferocity of a starving wolf; and from both, the hellish viciousness of primitive brains—a-crawl with stampee whisky. To the lean and bitter years of a wasted youth he added other corruptions; till at thirty-three remained but the massive frame and the virus of the Klondike gold strike.

He didn't possess a stimulus—only the shadow. His was the mere love of gold because it was gold. Like Midas, he loved the greasy feel of it, the yellow glint of it, the dead weight of it; but there, Midaslike again, his love came to a full and self-satisfying stop. He was too low in the intellectual order to realize that the love for gold is but a means to an end. So he lived to gather gold; to feel of it, glare at it, weigh it in his filthy paws; then, after he had gouted his fill, to convert it into a liquid hell to pour down his roaring throat.

Charde was known at Kelly's as the Bull. Every time he came into Kelly's to prop his awkward bulk against the bar and roar for whisky, the regulars would hitch up their gun-belts and turn their backs to him. Always on the raw edge of a murderous explosion when drunk, his little red eyes warned even the most fuddled of the danger of the smallest spark of annoyance in the vicinity of that magazine of intoxicated rage. And he drank alone. Not that any of Kelly's regulars would have refused to drink with him, with whisky at a dollar, but because he never extended an invitation. Charde traveled alone, worked alone, drank alone—and nobody grieved. And the last time he packed his canoe at Kelly's and went up the river, the Prod got him.

The last time Charde went up river, he turned into a new tributary. A half mile up that creek, Allan MacFarlane and his wife were cleaning up five thousand a week; everybody knew that. Furthermore, their nearest neighbor was fifteen miles away. But Charde didn't do anything rash. When he reached MacFarlane's cabin he paddled across to the opposite side of the stream and for a full hour sat behind a clump of alders, eating tobacco, cursing other men's good luck and twirling the cylinder of his forty-five. Then he paddled on. Though all the other claims on the creek had pinched out and been abandoned, scarcely a summer's day passed but some one rode the current—and it was just ten miles to Kelly's.

When the winter came, when the creek and the river were dead, and the few who were forced to travel cut off two miles by the other pass farther down then . . . Charde looked more brute than human when he left MacFarlane's cabin behind.

Perchance it was the idea in his mind that blurred his vision; or maybe his luck had deserted him; or yet again, Providence may have had a hand in it. Be that as it may, when Charde started back to MacFarlane's cabin in December, his poke was as flat as his stomach; also both feet were frosted.

When he awoke from a drunken stupor beside an extinct fire, and found both feet dead, an empty match box, and his flask dry, he rolled over on his knees and started down stream. Two miles below was MacFarlane's cabin. Just around the next bend of the creek were food and a fire, and a warm bunk to lie in till his feet were again fit for travel. And there was the gold—gold! Charde crawled through the snow, his wits driven by necessity, striving to formulate a plan of procedure.

He would keep out in the open and crawl straight for the cabin. And then, when MacFarlane came out to help him . . . Charde halted and his hand went back to the revolver in his belt.

Then when he got around again, when he was fit for a long, hard trail again, he would leave Mrs. MacFarlane—that was—and start for Kelly's. Yes, he would start for Kelly's, but he wouldn't stop at Kelly's. In fact,

he wouldn't stop at all till many, many miles lay between him and the handful of ashes that he would leave behind.

Charde was less than a hundred yards from MacFarlane's cabin when his plan matured. And then, as though MacFarlane had heard his muttered thoughts, a rifle bullet roared out from the cabin window and screamed above his head!

Instinctively Charde ducked. He stopped crawling and his right hand fumbled at his belt. He cursed. The rifle roared again.

Charde dug down into the snow, his sharpened wits laboring resentfully. What was MacFarlane's idea? He had never done anything to MacFarlane. And if he wanted to shoot at him, why didn't he come out into the open.

A moment later, Charde raised his hand and poured five shots into the cabin, aiming for the window, but the whining lead still picked at him.

Allan MacFarlane was stark, staring mad. His wife was dead, and to his insane mind that crawling man out there was a thieving mob trying to rob him of his own, and his aim was as wild as his wits.

An hour passed. Charde reloaded his revolver and crawled out of the hole in the snow. Of the thirty-two screaming bullets not one had struck within a yard of him. Besides, it was quicker to die by lead than by frost. He crossed that hundred yards.

MacFarlane jerked open the door, threw down the muzzle of his rifle and pulled the trigger. He missed. Charde's answer ended the shooting, and he crawled into the cabin.

When the edge of daylight deserted the stars, Charde pulled MacFarlane's body away from the door and dragged out the toboggan. It was ten miles to Kelly's. Every time Charde's right hand and left knee plunged down into the snow, he lurched ahead twenty-one inches. Every time his left hand and right knee plunged down into the snow, he lurched ahead twenty inches. His right leg shrieked at him and he lost an inch.

Dead feet trailing just ahead of the toboggan, knees sinking deep with the weight of his tremendous bulk, mitted paw over mitted paw, Charde dogged through the glistening frost dust. Hour after hour, that thing of brutal brawn, that soulless mass of male animal, fought those ten white murderous miles to Kelly's. And he made it.

The first mile was easy. Fortified in his alcohol heart with the last half-cupful of MacFarlane's whisky, Charde's pumping paws and plunging knees never once hesitated. Unmindful of the grueling ache in his calves, he plowed ahead. But the second half of the second mile came the inevitable reaction. Battered out, and consuming the keen edge of his energy in the burning, the dead color clogged his veins. He stopped for a rest. Then as he went on, lapping over into the third mile, the unnaturalness of the wasted years behind him began to ride his muscles. An hour later, when the twilight faded out, he was traveling on sheer nerve. At the end of the fifth mile, one thing, and one thing only, kept him going. Behind him on the toboggan rode the Prod.

Knees plunging with automatic monotony, paw over paw doggedly—feet—rods, miles, with grim persistence he forged ahead. His fingers were benumbed. The pain in his calves had gnawed up to his knees and died. And as the last tenth of that awful trail dragged itself beneath him, his pumped-out heart began to miss its beats, but he didn't rest. He dared not stop. A few hundred yards more—and

The Prod won. The door of Kelly's swung slowly inward and Charde, the bull, crawled across the threshold, dragging the toboggan on the snowless step. For a moment, while the astonished crowd gaped, the bull tugged in the traces. Then he collapsed.

The crowd bestirred itself. Eager hands dragged the toboggan inside and lifted the bull to a table near the stove. Raw brandy was poured liberally into the gaping mouth; mittens, parka, footgear, were stripped off. Then the bull opened his eyes and tried to sit up.

"MacFarlane's—croaked," he gasped. "And—and so's his—his woman. And there—" he tried to turn his head toward the toboggan.

And then—the end came. Awed, the crowd looked at one another then back to the toboggan. Horny handed unstrapped the pile of bedded blankets; a bundle of rags was laid on a chair. And then, as if in answer to their wondering faces, came the low, weak wail of Allan MacFarlane, junior—the Prod—a week old.

## Railroad Man Knew Value of Diplomacy

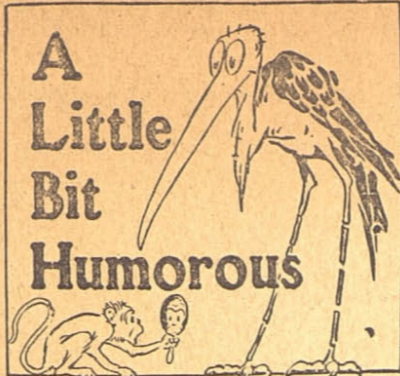
"See here, guard," whispered a timid-looking man on a station platform. "I want the compartment to myself. Do you think you can manage to see that I'm not disturbed?"

And he placed one hand on the carriage door and the other suggestively in his pocket.

"Well, sir," replied the guard. "I did think of putting another couple in there. They've been sort of getting into trouble, y'know, but I dare say they'll be quiet and harmless. They'll be linked together—"

But that was quite enough. With visions of desperate criminals in his mind, the timid little man chose another compartment, and tipped the guard for the flint.

A few minutes later that same guard pocketed another tip as he smilingly locked a newly married couple in his train.—Edinburgh Scotsman.



## THE SAME THING

Sybil—It's no use denying it, Maud. It was too dark for me to see who it was, but I saw some young man kiss you in the garden. I'm ashamed of you.

Maud—I don't see why you should be. I've often seen George kiss you. Sybil (engaged to George)—Yes, but I allow nobody but George to kiss me.

Maud—Well, nobody but George ever kissed me.

## Many a True Word

"Papa, what is a low-brow?" "A low-brow, my son, is a person who likes the funny papers, snappy stories, girl shows and the like and doesn't mind saying so."

"And what is a high-brow, pap?" "A high-brow, my son, is a low-brow who won't admit it."—North Shore Bulletin.

## DO YOU GET THE POINT?



Fair Voter—I wouldn't care to occupy the President's chair—it's too uneasy a seat for me.

He—Yes; it's scarcely possible to sit in it without being annoyed by the tax.

## Clashes of Authority

The Cat looks at a Queen. The Queen attempts to catch 'er; the Cat, with nerve serene, reserves the right to scratch 'er.

## His Dream

Two brothers were exchanging comments, as brothers will, regarding their respective girl friends.

"I hope you're not suffering from any hallucination that your girl is a ravine beauty," sneered the elder.

"I sure am," replied the younger. "I'm going to continue to hug my illusion."

## Vicarious Benevolence

Little James (who has an inquiring mind)—Father, what do they mean when they call a man public-spirited?

Professor Broadley—Why, it usually means that he is very liberal in endeavoring to persuade other people to spend their money bountifully for the public good.—Stray Stories.

## Too Good to Change

Alice—Dick is so nice to me. Virginia—Why don't you marry him?

Alice—Oh, but I want him to keep on being nice.

## Differentiation

"Is your husband an optimist?" "Well," replied the tired-looking woman, "he's an optimist in hoping the best, but a good deal of a pessimist in working it out."

## DAY OF REST



"Why does he sit so far back in the shadows in church on Sunday?" "To rest his eyes from sitting so far front in the stage lights in the theater all week."

## That Woman

He gently opened the locket. And scanned the pretty face; "It suits my mind," said he, "to find This woman in the case."

## Wouldn't

"Are you in favor of a tax on bachelors?" asked a heckler, knowing that the candidate was unmarried.

"I thought, s . . ." was the reply, "that I had already said I did not favor a tax on raw material!"

## Much Occupied

"Fludub seems to be flustered all the time. Evidently a very busy man." "He is. In addition to looking after his own business, he mixes in all the squabbles his wife has with her various friends."

## Two Looks

"Did you notice that insolent conductor looking at you as if you hadn't paid your fare?" "Yes, and did you notice me looking at him as if I had?"—Paris Le Rire.

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J. A. Coats was born June 22, 1846,  
died Feb 17th, 1925, age 78 years, 7  
months and 25 days. He was married to  
Miss Angeline Love Oct. 15, 1873,  
to this union was born 8 children, 7  
boys and one girl. Two of the boys,  
James and Frank preceded him to the  
other world. The living children are:  
John, George, Lee, Owen, Charlie and  
Mrs. Francis Kelly, all of Cottonwood,  
except Owen who lives at Jayton, Kent  
county, Texas.

All of the children were present at  
the funeral services which were con-  
ducted in the Methodist church at  
Cottonwood at 10:30 a. m. Feb. 18th.  
His pastor, Rev. T. H. Davis, superin-  
tended the service. There were several  
ministers present, Bro. Herring of  
Putnam spoke some beautiful words of  
condolence, also Bro. Odom of Cross  
Plains paid a nice tribute to his old  
friend. After the devotional services  
were closed the Masons of Cross Plains  
lodge of which deceased was a member,  
took charge of the casket and rendered  
a beautiful program in Masonic order.  
We buried his remains in the Cotton-  
wood cemetery beside his loved com-  
panion who preceded him a little more  
than two years.

Bro. Coats professed faith in Christ  
and united with the Methodist church  
between 35 and 40 years ago, he was a  
consistent member, true and tried, he  
never flinched. We will miss him so  
much. Our state lost a real citizen.

The six living children lost their  
father, the country lost a good neigh-  
bor all told our loss was great, but we  
believe our loss is heaven's eternal  
gain.

So come on noble children and grand-  
children and merry friends and let us  
try to honor his life by living right,  
that we may meet him again on the  
other shore, so mote it be.

T. H. Davis, P. C.

Chas. Hemphill is erecting a home  
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Littleton is remodeling his home  
west part of town, and when  
completed will have one of the most  
elaborate homes in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Smotherman, of  
Houston, are here this week, visiting  
Mrs. Smotherman's parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. J. D. Joyce, and family. Mrs.  
Joyce has been quite sick, but is said  
to be improving.

Uncle Marion Moore returned the  
past week from an extended visit in  
Nolan and Fisher counties, with family  
connection.

J. C. McDermott, was in Monday  
from his ranch west of town.

Leroy Butler and Clovis Tyson went  
fishing on the Bayou the first of the  
week, and report that they had  
good luck with the finny tribe, catch-  
ing a total of 39.

Send or bring in the local news of  
town and surrounding communities.  
Your cooperation will be very much  
appreciated. Keep this in mind.

W. R. W. Smith of Pioneer was  
trading here the first of the week.

Mrs. Noah Johnson and Mrs. Frank  
Ferrell, of Dressy, were shopping here  
Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilkinson  
motored to Cisco, Monday.

De Little and family were visiting  
in Cisco the first of the week.

Ralph Buckingham made a business  
trip to Coleman, Tuesday.

The Misses Catherine and Christine  
McGowan, Faustine Butler, and Mrs.  
S. F. Bond and daughter, Miss Paulne,  
motored to Cisco, Monday afternoon.

**Ford**

Confidence in Ford  
Performance

The owner of a Ford is never in doubt  
as to what he can expect in service. He  
knows what his car will do and how  
sturdily it will do it.

The Coupe  
\$520

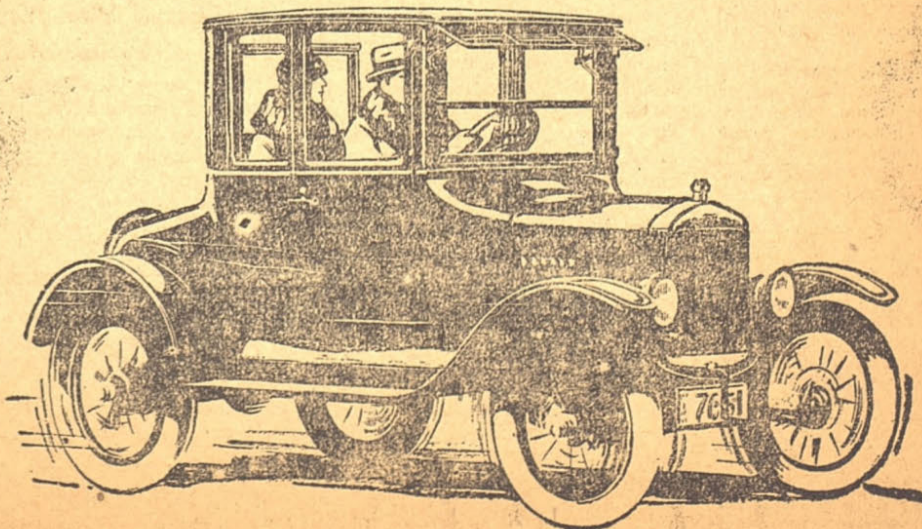
Runabout - \$260  
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Tudor Sedan - 580  
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able rims and starter are  
\$35 extra  
All prices f. o. b. Detroit

When bad weather and roads put other cars out of  
commission, the Ford car will stay on the job. It  
will carry through slush and snow, over frozen ruts,  
newly constructed roads—anywhere.

Yet Ford benefits can be yours for the lowest prices  
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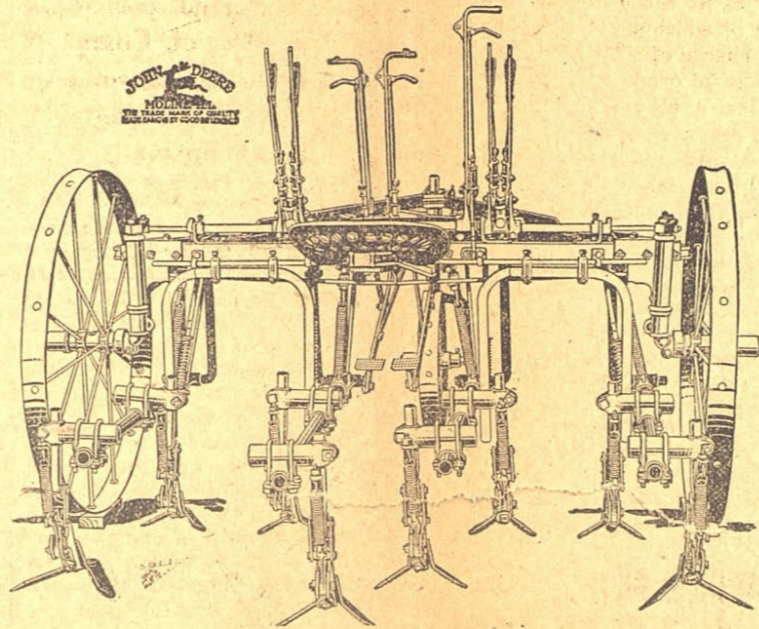
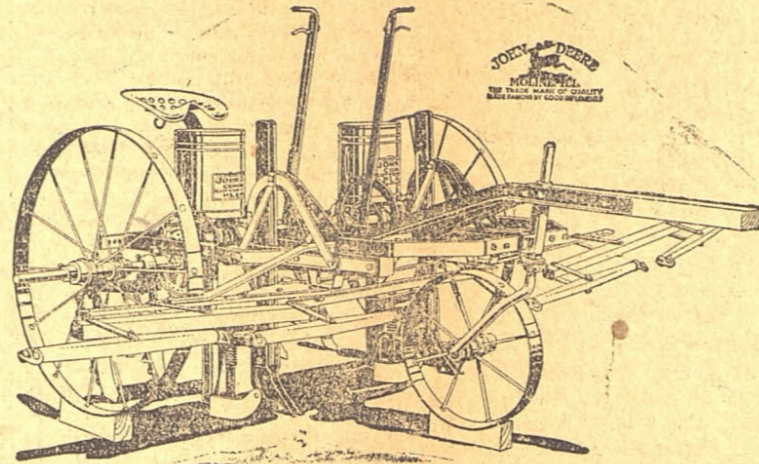
VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ALL FORD PLANTS

# Satisfaction In Implements

## Obtained in the P. & O., John Deere and J. I. Case Lines

When you buy Farm Implements, you want the kind that will give **SATISFACTION** and in order to give you that very much desired Satisfaction, requires that they be easily operated and adjusted, durable and so constructed to give best possible service.

You won't go wrong to invest in either of the above mentioned lines. That is the verdict of those who have used and still use these Implements with **SATISFACTION**. Ask the users.



### Double Row

We have the Double-Row Planters and Cultivators in all three of the above lines. They are growing rapidly in popularity; it is because of economy, saving both in cost and labor; and these days time saved often means much to the farmer, when the big rush is on especially. Be prepared for those busy times. Let us show you what we have in this line.

### To Suit You

And of course, we have the single row cultivators and planters in the above lines, and other implements of all kinds, which we are **ANXIOUS** to show you.

# Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

#### A Famous System That Lets Them Live Not Just Exist

Success with an incubator requires perfect balance of temperature, moisture and ventilation. The famous Buckeye hot-water heating system maintains the perfect balance. Hot water gives a quiet, easy circulation that throws off a soft, steady heat.

#### We Do Not Cook the Moisture Out of the Air

Joe H. Shackelford

#### Notice

I pay cash for scrap iron of all kinds, copper, brass, rags, zinc, bones, rope, lead, babbitt. See me at junk house next to Mr. Childs' Picture show.  
J. H. Pace. 4-p

#### Wakefield Robbins

As we prepare to go to press, we are informed that Wakefield Robbins, age 35, died here at two o'clock Thursday morning. He has been sick for several months. He is survived by wife, several children, and other family connection. It is understood that he will be buried here this afternoon, (Thursday). More will be said next week in the Review.

Mrs. App Orrell was removed to a sanitarium at Gorman Tuesday night for treatment.

As we go to press, we're informed that George Clifton is still seriously ill, also Mr and Mrs. Ollie Dennis' baby. We do not have a report on others who have been quite sick. There is much sickness in the community, we regret to report.

#### Wasted Advertising

The futility of circular advertising was fully demonstrated here the past week when a big store at Brownwood and another at Eastland put on big sales and flooded the mails with double page circulars. On the days that the circulars were received at the local postoffice the writer made careful note of the big waste cans in the lobby of the postoffice, which were piled to overflowing with these big handbills, very few of the envelopes ever being opened. The waste cans were emptied and repeatedly filled as patrons visited the office. We venture to say that not one-tenth of the circulars went into the homes of this community.

The home newspaper is by far the best to reach the people of this community, or any other for that matter, and there is no doubt that there is more good money wasted on circulars and postage in sale advertising than in any other way.—Ed.

The Review has a scholarship in Draughts Business College for sale, or will trade for any thing we could use. If interested, see us at once. for particulars.—The Review

Walter Westerman and mother, visited relatives in Palo Pinto, Sunday.

#### Health Conference

All mothers are invited to bring their children up to six years, for conference with the county nurse, on Saturday, Feb. 28. Conference to be held at the Band hall.

Children will be weighed and inspected and advice given. It is especially urged that children who have attended before be present.

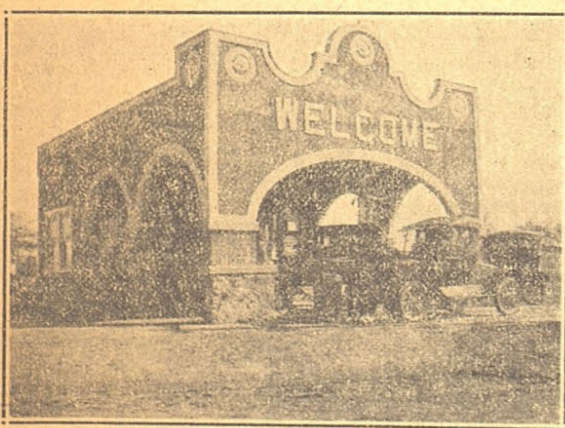
Blue, Gray and Khaki work shirts, real values at a price.

The Model "Sells for Less"

#### Dance at Pioneer

Dance at Pioneer, Texas, Friday night, February 27, 1925, music by Lane's Peerless Band Orchestra, (six pieces) Make your date early boys. Come and dance to the peppy music of this Orchestra. Dancing begins promptly at 9:00 p. m. and lasts until 1:00 a. m. Ladies cordially invited to attend free.

Chaperons Per Couple \$2.50  
11p.



Gas, Oil and Accessories  
Badger Tires and Tubes  
Vulcanizing

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>Welcome Service Station  
BUCKINGHAM-HENDERSON

# BROWNWOOD TRADE REVIEW AND STYLE SHOW FRIDAY, MARCH 6 MATINEE AND NIGHT

Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall

The following Brownwood Merchants Participating:

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Roussel-Robertson     | The Shop of Youth       |
| Gilliam Dry Goods Co. | Bettis & Gibbs          |
| Hemphill-Fain Co.     | Looney Dry Goods Co.    |
| Everywomans Shoppe    | J. C. Penney Co.        |
| Brownwood Floral Co.  | Texas Power & Light Co. |

Seats may be reserved on request to any above firms. Mail orders will be given prompt attention.

ADMISSION: Box Seats, 75c; Parquet and 1st. Gallery Seats, 50c; 2nd. Gallery 35c



## Is Your Blood Starved?

ARE you unknowingly handicapping yourself in this life race? Is it blood starvation—lack of energy-building elements—that is heading you toward failure . . . unhappiness? Examination shows that 80 out of 100 men and women are Anemic . . . and don't know that this condition is responsible for their loss of energy . . . ambition. Press your thumbnail as illustrated above. Unless the blood comes rushing back Anemia is indicated.

Gude's Pepto-Mangan is the tried way to revitalize the blood. For thirty-two years physicians have prescribed it. Its rich iron and manganese content have restored health to thousands. Your druggist has Gude's Pepto-Mangan in either liquid or tablet form.

## Gude's Pepto-Mangan Tonic and Blood Enricher

Opportunity is an angel in disguise that some people suspect of being a gold-brick peddler.

### DEMAND "BAYER" ASPIRIN

Take Tablets Without Fear If You See the Safety "Bayer Cross."

Warning! Unless you see the name "Bayer" on package or on tablets you are not getting the genuine Bayer Aspirin proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians for 23 years. Say "Bayer" when you buy Aspirin. Imitations may prove dangerous.—Adv.

Habit is what makes one come down to the shop on his days off.

Cuticura Soap for the Complexion. Nothing better than Cuticura Soap daily and Ointment now and then as needed to make the complexion clear, scalp clean and hands soft and white. Add to this the fascinating, fragrant Cuticura Talcum, and you have the famous Toilet Trio.—Advertisement.

The greatest skill is shown in hiding skill.

Every department of housekeeping needs Red Cross Ball Blue. Equally good for kitchen towels, table linen, sheets and pillowcases, etc.—Advertisement.

The times change, and we change with them.

### "CASCARETS" IF BILIOUS, CONSTIPATED—10c A BOX

If Dizzy, Headachy or Stomach is Sour, Clean the Bowels.

To clean your bowels without cramping or over-acting, take "Cascarets." Sick headache, dizziness, biliousness, gases, indigestion, sour upset stomach and all such distress gone by morning. Nicest laxative and cathartic on earth for grown-ups and children. 10c a box—all drug stores.

### Don't Fuss With Mustard Plasters!

**Musterole Works Without the Bliiter—Easier, Quicker**

There's no sense in mixing a mess of mustard, flour and water when you can easily relieve pain, soreness or stiffness with a little clean, white Musterole. Musterole is made of pure oil of mustard and other helpful ingredients, combined in the form of the present white ointment. It takes the place of mustard plasters, and will not blister. Musterole usually gives prompt relief from sore throat, bronchitis, tonsillitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, headache, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frost feet, colds of the chest (it may prevent pneumonia).

To Mothers: Musterole is also made in milder form for babies and small children. Ask for Children's Musterole. 35c and 65c, jars and tubes.



## RESINOL

Soothing and Healing Promotes Skin Health

**INFLAMED EYES**  
Use Dr. Thompson's Broomer. Buy at your druggist's or the River, Troy, N. Y. Booklet.

## FIFTY MEN ARE DEAD IN COAL MINE EXPLOSION

TRAPPED IN SMALL ROOMS 310 FEET UNDERGROUND AS BLAST OCCURS.

### AIR SUPPLY IS STOPPED

Rescue Squads Handicapped as Gas Floods Indiana Pit—Seventy Miners Saved.

Sullivan, Ind.—Trapped in two small rooms 310 feet below the earth's surface, at least fifty miners lost their lives when an explosion cut off their air supply and tumbled timbers and loose coal down upon their bodies. The blast occurred in the City Coal Company's mine one-half mile east of this city.

About seventy men at work in the mine but in a room remote from the explosion came to the surface unhurt. The casualties were all in two small chambers leading into the coal vein off the main entry of the mine. Miners who escaped and rescue teams rushed here from various parts of the Indiana coal fields toiled clearing away the debris and recovering the bodies. Mine officials said it was improbable that any of the trapped men would be brought out alive.

Clarence Ford, a rescue worker, said he had been able to explore a good part of the wrecked portion of the mine and had seen many bodies. He had discovered none alive, he said.

Mine officials gave a list of twelve known dead. Those on the list were Arthur Sullivan, Pearl Hawhee, Mike Cusick, George Neal, John Solomon, John Collins, Ellis Eaton, Cecil Carty, Harry Garby, Claude Saunders, John Ward and Robert Freeman. All were residents of this city. Rescue workers went to work at once and the rescue team of the United States Bureau of Mines at Vincennes, Ind., reached the scene of the disaster by motor truck, one hour after the terrific explosion. They were on the bottom within thirty-five minutes after arrival. The work of bringing out the dead proceeded slowly, the bodies being removed singly. Rescue workers are handicapped by fumes of gas which flooded the mine immediately after the explosion.

## FEDERAL BOARD SEEKING TO REDUCE OIL LOSSES

Letters Sent to Industry Heads Asking Opinion on Situation.

Washington.—Representative oil men are asked by the Federal Oil Conservation Board to estimate the losses in oil while being transported between gauge tank and refinery, in a letter just made public, and to give their opinions as to practical methods for reducing such losses. The board states there were in pipe lines and on tank farms the first of this year 350,000,000 barrels of oil, and the views of the industry is asked as to the average monthly loss and how it may be avoided or reduced. The letter says in part:

"There are technical problems connected with the discovery of the oil, with the recovery of oil from the deep sands, with the transportation and refining of the crude oil, and finally with the efficient utilization of all of the products. In order to industry who have been studying one or several of these problems letters are being addressed to them asking for their opinions on certain phases of the situation.

"For instance, it is generally recognized that there is a certain loss of oil between the gauge tank and refinery. This may be due to pipeline leakage, leakage of measuring tanks or storage, evaporation losses at measuring stations or at tank farms. What is your estimate of the total loss between the gauge tank and the refinery and what practical methods should be adopted for reducing such losses?"

The letter also calls attention to loss of oil, both on the leases and on tank farms due to the presence of emulsions, that must be treated in order to separate the oil, and asks the most practicable scheme for doing this. The industry is also asked to estimate the losses due to tank-car transportation, as compared with that through pipe lines.

Call for State Warrants. Austin, Texas.—State Treasurer Hatcher issued a call for warrants up to No. 41550 against the general revenue fund for a total of \$112,176.

Gets Second O. Henry Prize. New York.—Inez Haynes Irwin, wife of Will Irwin, the writer, was awarded first prize in the sixth annual short story contest conducted by the O. Henry memorial committee, it is announced. Her story, "The Spring Flight," was adjudged the best published during 1924. The prize is \$500. Chester Crowell, formerly of Dallas, was awarded second prize, \$250, for his story "Margaret Blake" Frances Newman author of "Rachel and Her Children," received \$100.

## McFARLANE WOULD CALL HALT ON REMISSION OF TAXES

McFARLANE SHOWS PROPERTY WORTH \$200,000,000 NOT TAXED NOW.

Austin.—That the legislature should call a halt on the passage of bills releasing counties of the state from the payment of state taxes ranging from periods of 10 to 25 years, in the opinion of Representative McFarlane of Graham, who has prepared statistics showing that property valued at approximately \$200,000,000, of which the state is losing and will lose by tax exemptions nearly \$700,000.

The following is a list of the counties that are now exempted from the payment of state ad valorem taxes for various reasons, also the taxable values and the amount of the tax exemption.

County	Value	Exempt
Brooks	\$ 4,467,828	15,640
Duval	2,677,675	28,884
Jim Hogg	2,876,206	10,000
Jim Wells	7,967,196	27,885
Kierberg	7,670,534	26,846
Nueces	20,217,329	70,760
Willacy	5,554,671	18,356
Galveston	56,246,364	190,908
Hidalgo	30,117,684	105,412
Matagorda	20,097,880	60,363
Wharton	15,540,090	54,390
Arañas	2,614,985	9,152
Calhoun	4,682,086	16,387
San Patricio	9,755,265	34,148

Total \$195,085,918 673,196

McFarlane stated that these totals did not include proposals now before the legislature to also exempt from taxation for a long period of years of the city of Freeport, the counties of Cameron and Brazos. Passage of the Cameron county bill would mean the remission of \$100,000 in taxes while exemption of Brazos county would mean about \$80,000.

"The people back home should know about this," said McFarlane, "so they could advise their representatives."

## BUS CARRIER BILL KILLED IN THE HOUSE

Claims Measure Would Create Monopoly for Established Concerns.

Austin.—The important common carrier bus bill, to place automobile bus lines under regulation of the state railroad commission was killed in the house by striking out the enactment clause 72 to 42.

This was considered one of the most important measures before the legislature, as it had been agitated throughout the state and discussed for weeks before the legislature convened. Regulation of the bus lines as common carriers had been demanded in some form by many organizations and lawmakers, and even by some of the established bus lines.

The argument against the measure was that it would create a monopoly for established companies and that it was incompatible with the functions of the railroad commission, whose duties are to regulate road rates.

May Get Out of Politics. Austin.—Representative T. K. Irwin of Dallas, leader in the prison investigation, announced that with but one exception, after the present session of the legislature, he would retire from politics. "What's the exception?" he was asked. "I intend to stay in politics until the legislature cleans up the prison system and any other state department that needs attention," he said. "If the Thirty-ninth legislature does the job, I will retire, and will devote my time to my personal affairs, but if it does not, I intend to again run for the legislature, and stay in the race until the cleanup is achieved."

Uniforms for Road Officers. Austin.—Representative Williamson of San Antonio, obtained final passage, under suspension of the rule of his bill requiring traffic officers in cities or on highways to wear uniforms and badges so that the people may know who they are. "The bill is to protect the public so we may know whether we are being arrested for violation of the speed laws," said Williamson, "or being held up by hijackers."

Holderness Appointed. Austin, Texas.—C. O. Austin of Dallas, State Bank Commissioner, who succeeded J. L. Chapman, announces appointment of C. N. Holderness of Greenville, departmental examiner and office deputy. Mr. Holderness was an examiner when Mr. Austin was Banking Commissioner under the administration of former Governor James E. Ferguson.

Labor Pays Its Respect. Austin, Texas.—Organized labor paid its respects to Governor Miriam A. Ferguson recently when its legislative representatives called at the executive office in a body and had a brief conference with the Governor, who was assisted by her husband, James E. Ferguson. No business matters were discussed, and the representatives paid only a social call. It was the first meeting of Governor Ferguson with the labor representatives.

\$3,000 for Texas Electors. Austin.—An appropriation of \$3,000 for the Texas presidential electors who met here last month to select a messenger has been passed in the house finally. About \$1,000 of the sum goes to the messenger, Mrs. John D. Claybrook of Austin, who carried the official presidential returns to Washington, and the other \$2,000 pays expenses of the electors.

New Policy is Adopted. Austin.—A new policy in letting road contracts, providing for submission of bids to the highway commission before they are let by Commissioners' courts, is announced by the new state highway commission. Under the old system the Commissioners' courts let the contracts and they were then submitted to the highway commission for approval or rejection. Rejection of a bid meant readvertisement and entailed expense, according to Frank V. Latham, chairman.

## REVENUE BILLS ARE REJECTED BY COMMITTEE

PROPOSERS CLAIM PROPOSED LEGISLATION WOULD HAVE PRODUCED \$10,000,000.

Austin.—Two proposed revenue producing measures which its authors claimed would have yielded nearly \$10,000,000 have been effectively buried as far as this session of the legislature is concerned when both of these bills were reported unfavorably by house committee of revenue and taxation.

One of these bills is the 1-er Tobacco bill in which it was proposed to raise, according to calculations made by former governor Ferguson, over \$4,000,000 annually on a graduated occupation tax on cigars and cigarettes. Governor Ferguson believed that the imposition of such a tax was not only practicable but could be enforced. The bill was discussed at a recent conference by the governor with the heads of the various educational institutions of higher learning, as the plan was to turn this immense amount of revenue to these schools.

The other bill was one by Representative Loftin of Henrietta, known as the soft drink tax, in which an occupation tax of ten per cent was to be imposed on soda fountain and other dealers of soft drinks. Loftin said that had his bill received a favorable report and passed in the legislature, it would have produced approximately \$5,000,000 in revenue.

The defeat of these measures means that the lawmakers do not mean to increase the burden of taxation against the people by additional taxes or by increasing appropriations. There was no minority report on either of these bills as they have been effectively disposed of as far as the regular session of the Thirty-ninth legislature is concerned.

This committee also unanimously voted adversely on the Rawlins ice cream bill. This is the bill which would have required a standard formula in the manufacture of ice cream. Rawlins, however, had introduced this bill by request.

## \$12,000,000 EXPECTED FOR ROADS IN TEXAS

Burkett Says Construction and Maintenance Will be Followed.

Austin, Texas.—"We expect to have \$12,000,000 to spend on the Texas highways this year," said Senator Joe W. Burkett, member of the State Highway Commission, "and that amount \$8,000,000 will be available by July 1, next. As a result of this condition the commission will proceed with the usual program of construction and road maintenance."

Another statement by Mr. Burkett was that it is probable that the State Highway Engineer will not be elected for a month. "We want to take our time and find the best man available for this responsible position," the Commissioner declared, "and we are not going to be rushed in finding him."

"One definite policy decided upon," explained Mr. Burkett, "is that the commission is going to personally direct the program of construction and maintenance, instead of leaving it to the State Highway Engineer, which has prevailed in the past. This commission is going to see that the highways are built properly and maintained as the law contemplates, and we are not going to leave it to any other person. That is our duty under the law and we intend to fulfill it."

The State Highway Engineer receives \$8,000 per annum, being the highest salaried official in the State Government, and Mr. Burkett said he did not think the next one will come from the present organization.

\$237,253 on Wards in January. Austin, Texas.—The State expended \$237,253 in the care of its wards in the various eleemosynary institutions during January, the per capita cost being \$22, according to the monthly report of the State Board of Control. The average monthly per capita cost for the five months of the current fiscal year was \$23.

Sugar Output Falls Off. Washington.—An 18.7 per cent increase in value of the output of the American Cane Sugar Industry, although the volume of production declined, was reported by the Census Bureau in making public statistics for the biennial census year 1921 and 1923. The 1923 value of all products was placed at \$27,251,274. The output of cane sugar, the industry's principal item, dropped from 260,089 tons in 1921 to 169,574 in 1923, a decline of 34.8 per cent, and 12.2 per cent greater than in 1921.

## JARDINE COMPLETE'S COOLIDGE'S CABINET

Selected for Portfolio Because of Understanding of Farming and Marketing Questions

Washington.—President Coolidge has completed the Cabinet he will take into office with him on March 4 when he begins the term to which he was elected last November in his own right.

He chose William Jardine of Kansas as Secretary of Agriculture and sent his nomination to the Senate along with that of Frank B. Kellogg of Minnesota, whose selection as Secretary of State to succeed Charles E. Hughes was announced a month ago.

The nomination to fill the third vacancy in the Cabinet—that of Charles B. Warren of Michigan to be Attorney General—was made early in January and has met with so much opposition that administration leaders in the Senate have hesitated to seek confirmation at this session because it might operate to prevent enactment of important legislation.

Immediately after completing his Cabinet, the President issued a proclamation calling the new Senate in extra session "to receive such communication as may be made by the executive." Should the Cabinet nominations now pending be disposed of before March 4 there would remain little for the Senate to dispose of except the reappointment of present Cabinet members to whom Mr. Coolidge desires to give commissions in his own name.

Both Republican and Democratic leaders said that so far as they knew there would be no serious opposition in the confirmation of either Mr. Kellogg, who is a former Senator, or Mr. Jardine, who is president of the Kansas Agricultural College and has the indorsement of the entire Kansas delegation in Congress.

The way to the confirmation of Mr. Warren, however, is not so clear. After conferences with President Coolidge early in the week, some of the majority leaders said they would make no effort to force action at this session, but apparently a change in this program now is being considered.

Senator Curtis of Kansas, the Republican floor leader, said if the judiciary committee reported the nomination out, the Senate would act. Senator Butler, Massachusetts, one of the closest of the President's advisers, declared flatly that action would be had at this session.

Both Senators predicted confirmation, but those leading the opposition asserted there had been no defections in their ranks and that they would have the votes for rejections either in this or in the new Senate.

## DISCHARGE TWENTY-ONE STATE EMPLOYEES

Workers in Warehouse and Markets Bureau Feel Retrenchment Ax

Austin, Texas.—As the first step toward a general reorganization of the department and in line with the administration's announced policy of retrenchment, twenty-one employees of the Markets and Warehouse Department have been dismissed, according to a statement made by W. D. Cowan, commissioner.

"We believe that the policy adopted will enable the department to turn back to the State Treasury for the last six months of our fiscal year, ending Aug. 31, approximately \$15,000," said Mr. Cowan.

"Cuts of the personnel in the various divisions and consolidations of duties, where deemed advisable, have been made with both efficiency and economy in mind, and after having carefully gone over the situation from every angle I am convinced that the public will receive as good service as heretofore and that no division of the work will be allowed to suffer.

"I am also going on the theory that a busy office force is more efficient and effective than a larger force that is idle a part of the time, and therefore am strongly in favor of the Governor's policy of retrenchment so long as efficiency and economy will go hand in hand."

Dr. Sun Grows Weaker. Pekin.—Dr. Sun Yat Sen, South China leader, who was operated upon recently for cancer, is steadily growing weaker. He has been in a hospital since Jan. 26.

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## GET FEELING WELL AGAIN

From Mother Nature's storehouse we have gathered the roots, barks and herbs which are compounded, under the famous Tanlac formula, to make Tanlac. This great tonic and builder has brought health and strength to millions.

If your body is weak and undernourished, if you can't sleep or eat, have stomach trouble or burning rheumatism, just you see how quickly Tanlac can help you back to health and strength.

Most people notice a big change for the better after the very first bottle. They have better appetites and more pep. The sparkle comes back to their dull eyes and color to their faded cheeks.

Don't delay taking Tanlac another precious day. Stop at your druggist's now and get a bottle of this, the greatest of all tonics.

## TANLAC FOR YOUR HEALTH

Revenge at Last  
It is said that the next generation will be heating its houses by electricity, and we have about decided to stick around till then, so we can go down occasionally, look the furnace dauntlessly in the eye, and laugh derisively. —Newark Advocate.

## MOTHER!

Child's Best Laxative is "California Fig Syrup"



Hurry Mother! A teaspoonful of "California Fig Syrup" now will thoroughly clean the little bowels and in a few hours you have a well, playful child again. Even if cross, feverish, bilious, constipated or full of cold, children love its pleasant taste.

Tell your druggist you want only the genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother, you must say "California." Refuse any imitation.

## DREADFUL PAINS

Georgia Lady, Who Had Lost Too Much Weight, Was Advised to Take Cardui and Is Now Well.

Columbus, Ga.—Mrs. George S. Hunter, of this city, writes:

"After I married, thirteen months ago, I suffered with dreadful pains in my sides during . . . My side hurt so bad it nearly killed me. I had to go to bed and stay sometimes two weeks at a time. I could not work and I just dragged around the house.

"I got very thin—I went from 126 pounds down to less than 100. My mother had long been a user of Cardui and she knew what a good medicine it was for this trouble, so she told me to get some and take it. I sent to the store after it and before I had taken the first bottle I began to improve.

"My side hurt less and I began to improve in health. . . The Cardui acted as a fine tonic and I do not feel like the same person. I am so much better. I am well now. I have gained ten pounds and am still gaining. My sides do not trouble me at all.

"I wish every suffering woman knew about Cardui." NC-160



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## CHAPTER XVII—Continued

Trevors was upon him again, but Lee slipped aside, even rolled over, managed to get to his feet. Again Trevors bore down upon him, a new leaping fire in his eyes. Again, though barely in time, Bud Lee slipped away from him. He drew Trevors' harsh laugh after him and Trevors' questing, eager fists. Lee put up his arm, his right arm, guarding his face, and drew away, back and back. Carson was almost whimpering, calling whiningly:

"Stand up to him, Bud! Oh, go get him, Buddie!"

Still up and down the room they went, Trevors rushing at Lee, Lee taking what blows he must, striking out but little seeking now only to pull himself together, to get his head clear of daze and dizziness.

"Run away, will you?" panted Trevors. "I've got you, d—n you. Got you right."

Lee didn't answer. He was thinking dully that Bayne Trevors was near telling the truth, that Bud Lee was almost beaten—almost. That was as far as a gentleman ever went—just to that desperate "almost beaten." Not quite. No! not quite. Never that.

Both men were nearly spent; Carson saw that while he cursed softly in his corner; Melvin saw it and watched for the end, wondering just how it would come. Trevors should swing for the point of the jaw, put all that was in him into a final, smashing blow, beat through an insufficient guard, do it now, quickly. For both Carson and Melvin saw another thing, a thing which both had sensed at the outset: Bud Lee was harder than Bayne Trevors. Lee, slipping away at every step was getting something back which had nearly gone from him; Trevors was breathing in noisy jerks; save for the vital fact that he now had two hands to Bud Lee's one, Trevors was showing more signs of weariness than Lee.

"Bud'll get him—somehow," whispered Carson. "Good old Bud. Somehow."

What Carson and Melvin sensed Trevors knew. He saw that Lee was having less trouble in eluding him now, that Lee's feet were quicker, lighter than his, that Lee was beginning to strike back viciously at him, and when the blow landed, Trevors' big body rocked, shot through with pain. There came to him the thought which was Melvin's, but it came in Trevors' way: Now, quickly, before Lee was ready for it, must come the end. So, for the third time that day Bayne Trevors, with much at stake, resorted to "what weapons God gave him, what weapons he could lay his mind to, his eyes to, his hands to"—his feet to. Resorting to the old trick which came up from South American ports in disreputable wind-jammers which is known to the San Francisco waterfront, he raised a heavy foot, striking for Lee's stomach, seeking with one low, horrible blow to double up his already handicapped antagonist in writhing pain on the floor.

"An' I gave my word!" bellowed Carson, the sweat on his own tortured brow. "Oh, my Gawd!"

But just that one brief instant too late did Bayne Trevors lift his foot. For Bud Lee had expected this, never had forgotten it, had prayed within his soul that the man he fought would use it. Just by that fraction of time which has no name was he quicker than Trevors, and he knew it. Now, as he read the sinister purpose in Trevors' glaring eyes, as he glimpsed the raised boot as it left the floor, he lowered his own head, averted it ever so little, stooped—and his hand closed like locked iron about the calf of Trevors' leg. A stifled cry from the bulkier man, a little grunt of effort from Lee. Lee straining, heaving mightily, and Trevors went back, toppled, fought for his slipping balance, and fell. As he went down Lee was upon him, Lee's arm about his neck, Lee's weight flung upon him, Lee holding his body between a powerful pair of knees which rode him as they rode daily some struggling Blue Lake coit.

Now Bud's left arm, defying the agony of a broken hand, was around him, Lee's legs were about the frantically fighting body, and at last Lee's right hand went its sure way to the thick, bare, pulsing throat. Trevors' right arm was caught at his side, held there by the body upon his. His left hand beat at Lee's face, struck and battered again only to come back like a steam-driven piston to hammer again. But Bud Lee's pain-racked body clung on, his thumb and fingers sank and sank deeper into the crooked muscles of the heaving throat, crooked, white and hard and red.

Trevors' eyes were terrible, filled with hatred, red-flecked with rage. He fought with a great sudden heave, to get up, but he could not shake off Lee's hands which were like stubborn iron about him, could not free his head from the pulsing clutch. He tore at his wrists, smote again at Lee's face, but his own hand to Lee's throat.

In an instant his hand was back at the hand worrying him, but he was unable to drag it away.

His face went white, flamed red, grew purplish. His eyes bulged up at Lee's, his deep chest contracted spasmodically. Lee, summoning all of the force within him, drove thumb and fingers deeper.

"Got enough?" he panted.

For the last time Trevors strained with him and they rolled like death-locked mountain-lions. But still Lee's left arm was about Trevors' neck, his legs about the tossing body, his hand at Trevors' throat. Trevors' breath caught, faltered, failed. . . .

Then and then only did a new look come into the bulging eyes. A look of more than fear, or utter, desperate terror. Trevors threw up his hand weakly, then let it fall so that it struck the floor heavily, a dead weight.

Lee's grip at the strangling throat relaxed. But he did not move his hand.

"Got enough?" he panted again.

The answer came brokenly, weakly, almost inarticulate. But it did come and the men drawn close heard it: "Yes."

"You'll get out of the country?"

"Yes."

Bud Lee drew back and rose, going to the door swiftly. He stooped for his hat and passed out. And as Bayne Trevors got unsteadily to his feet and

to the cave. They had found Quinn. He was dead, the manner of his death clearly indicated. For he lay at the foot of the cliffs straight below the cave's mouth, his face terribly torn and scratched by a mad woman's nails, the mad woman herself lying huddled and still close beside him. He had allowed the escape of her captive; she had accused him after the two of them had gone back to the cavern, had thrown herself upon him, tearing at his face, and the two had fallen. Mother and son? Lee shuddered, hoping within his heart that Judith had been mistaken. It was too terrible.

But, such is youth, such is love, Bud Lee promptly forgot both Chris Quinn and Mad Ruth as he went through the lilies to the house. He remembered how Marcia had flown once to Pollock Hampton when he had made a hero of himself, how again just today she had gone swiftly to him because he had made a fool of himself and because it seemed she loved him. In due time there was going to be a wedding at Blue Lake ranch. A wedding! Just one? Lee hurried on.

Yes, Judith was waiting for him. She was there in the living-room, curled up on a great couch, lifting her eyes expectantly as his step sounded on the veranda. A wonderfully gowned, transcendent, lovely Judith; a Judith of bare white arms, round and warm and rich in their tender curves; a Judith softly, alluringly feminine even in the eyes of Bud Lee, no longer theorist; a Judith whose filmy gown clung lingeringly to her like a sun-shot mist, a Judith whose tender mouth was a red flower, whose eyes were Aphrodite's own, glorious, dawn-gray, soft with the light shining in them, the unhidden light of love for the man who came toward her swiftly; the Judith he had first held in his arms and kissed.

He came in quickly, his heart singing. The color suddenly ran up hot and vivid in the girl's cheeks. Standing over her he put out his hand. But she slipped her own hands behind her.

"Good evening, Mr. Lee," said Judith brightly. "Really, you have taken your time in making your first call. Won't you sit down?"

"No," said Bud Lee gravely. "I'll take mine standing, please!"

"Like a man to be shot at dawn?" cried Judith. "Dear me, Mr. Lee, that sounds so tragic. What, pray, are you taking?"

"A new job," said Lee. "I've come to tell you that just being horse foreman doesn't suit me any longer. What you need and need right away is a general manager. That's what I want to be, your general manager, Judith. For life!"

Judith laughed softly, happily. Her hands flew out to him like two little homing birds, and she followed them—home.

"You'll find your work cut out for you, Mr. Lee," she told him.

"It's the kind of work I want," answered Bud Lee.

Then suddenly her arms went about his neck and tears sprang into her eyes and she set her lips to the cut he had sought to cover with his hair, and took his sore, swathed hand tenderly into her own two hands, laying it against her cheek.

"Carson telephoned me," she whispered, her lips trembling all of a sudden. "He told me how Trevors fought . . . and how you fought! And he was half crying over the telephone, he was so proud of you. And I am proud of you! And—oh, Bud Lee, Bud Lee, I love you so!"

From without came the sound of the Blue Lake boys returning, Carson at their head. Riding close together they were singing, their voices floating through the night, in an old cowboy song. Mrs. Simpson heard and ran out into the courtyard to listen. Marcia and Pollock Hampton, lost to all save each other in the shadows far down the veranda, listened, and Marcia clapped her hands. The voices were to be heard from afar, the strong voices of a score of men. The strange thing is that neither Judith nor Bud Lee heard; that neither had the vaguest consciousness just then that there were in all the world any other mortals than—Judith and Bud Lee.

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## CHAPTER XVIII

### Yes, Judith Was Waiting

At the old cabin above the lake Bud Lee dismounted. His hand in its rude sling was paining him terribly, demanding some sort of first-aid treatment. Tomorrow he could take it to a doctor; perhaps in an hour or so he could get Tripp to look to it. Just now he must do what he could for it himself with hot water and strips torn from an old shirt.

Night had descended, serene with stars. He wondered if the boys were back yet from the lumber-camp. He had met them, as Carson had predicted he would, riding in a close-packed, silent, ominous body. He felt assured that they would find no work for them to do at the company's office, that Carson was right and Trevors would "be on his way." But he stopped at the bunk-house.

No, the boys hadn't come in yet. But there was a message for Lee, just received by the cook. It was from Greene, the forester, brief and to the point:

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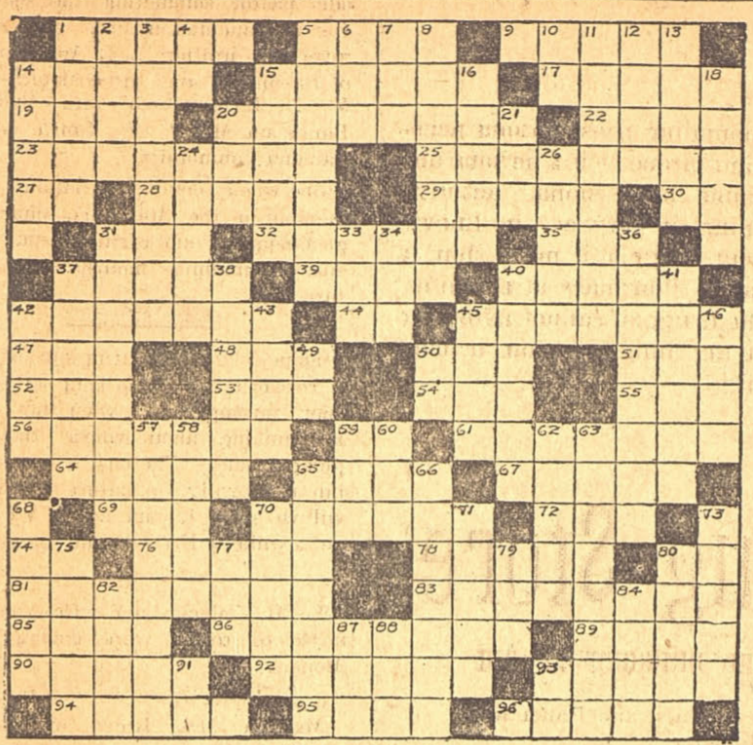
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## Beginning of Y. M. C. A.

The Young Men's Christian association was founded in England by Sir George Williams, a London merchant. Williams' organization grew out of meetings he held for prayer and Bible reading among his fellow workers in a dry-goods business in London, and the association was founded in 1844. On the occasion of its jubilee, its originator was knighted. Similar associations had been in existence in Scotland at a much earlier date. In 1824 David Naismith started the Glasgow Young Men's Society for Religious Improvement, a movement which spread to various parts of the United Kingdom, France and America. Later the name was changed to the Glasgow Young Men's Christian association.

## CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



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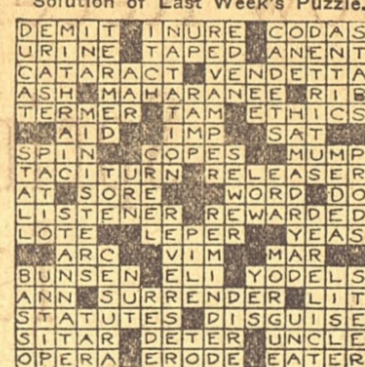
### Horizontal.

- 1—Savory
- 5—Cuts
- 9—Visible moisture
- 14—Ladles
- 15—Cruel ruler
- 17—Part of a Mohammedan house
- 18—On any occasion
- 20—Judicious
- 22—Priest
- 23—Encounter
- 25—Constructive metabolism
- 27—Bliss
- 28—Slow (musical term)
- 29—Peninsula in East Asia
- 30—Toward
- 31—Downcast
- 32—Killer
- 35—Almost possible
- 37—Pertaining to eye
- 38—Water pitcher
- 40—Limb (anat.)
- 42—Not lawful
- 43—Note of musical scale
- 45—Covered with a cupola
- 47—Conical mound of earth
- 48—Tear
- 50—American protective association
- 51—Daughter of Cadmus (myth.)
- 52—Read with attention
- 53—Beverage
- 54—Transgress
- 55—Nothing
- 56—Crouches
- 59—Interrogation
- 61—Shell, discordant whistle
- 64—Procreant
- 65—Highway
- 67—Beam, set as a prop
- 69—Angling term
- 70—Goddess of the hearth
- 72—One
- 74—Conjunction
- 76—Public assembly
- 78—Forebly
- 80—One
- 81—Falsetto tenor voice
- 83—Empting out a cupola
- 85—A special privilege
- 86—Of boundless extent
- 88—Tune
- 90—Wanderer
- 92—Philosophers
- 93—Excavated circular piece of metal
- 94—Restore
- 95—Term used in printing
- 96—Disinfectant

### Vertical.

- 1—Flavor
- 2—Expression of hearty assent
- 3—Blow through
- 4—Part of verb "to be"
- 5—Regular contraction of the heart
- 6—Curve
- 7—Contest between nations
- 8—Cowardly fellow
- 10—Exclamation
- 11—City in California
- 12—Verbal
- 13—Forgive

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She was a devout christian, and a member of the Methodist church; a good neighbor and a true friend. The entire community mourns her departure.

Some folks are wasting lots of time in research and theorizing on where they "sprang from", when they should be thinking about where they are going to land. The past is behind us, but an eternity is before us—Where will we spend it, and how? We have yet a while to live here and then what?

S. H. Calhoun and wife who live north of town, were trading here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Coleman were here Monday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pace.

H. W. Ham and wife of Cisco, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Poley Williams, this week. Mrs. Williams is Mrs. Ham's niece.

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We take this method in thanking everyone for their help to us in our recent misfortune. May God's richest blessings be with all.

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J. B. Ford, age 74, died at his home in May, last Friday. He was the father of Mrs. J. Worth Joyce of this city, who with her husband were present when he died. Mr. Ford was a pioneer citizen of May. He was a Mason and was buried by that order.

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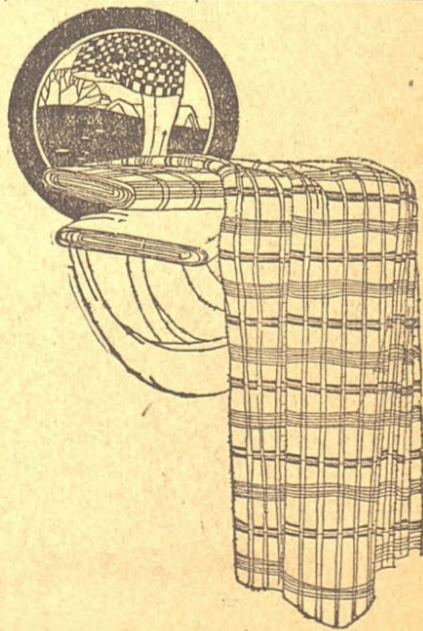
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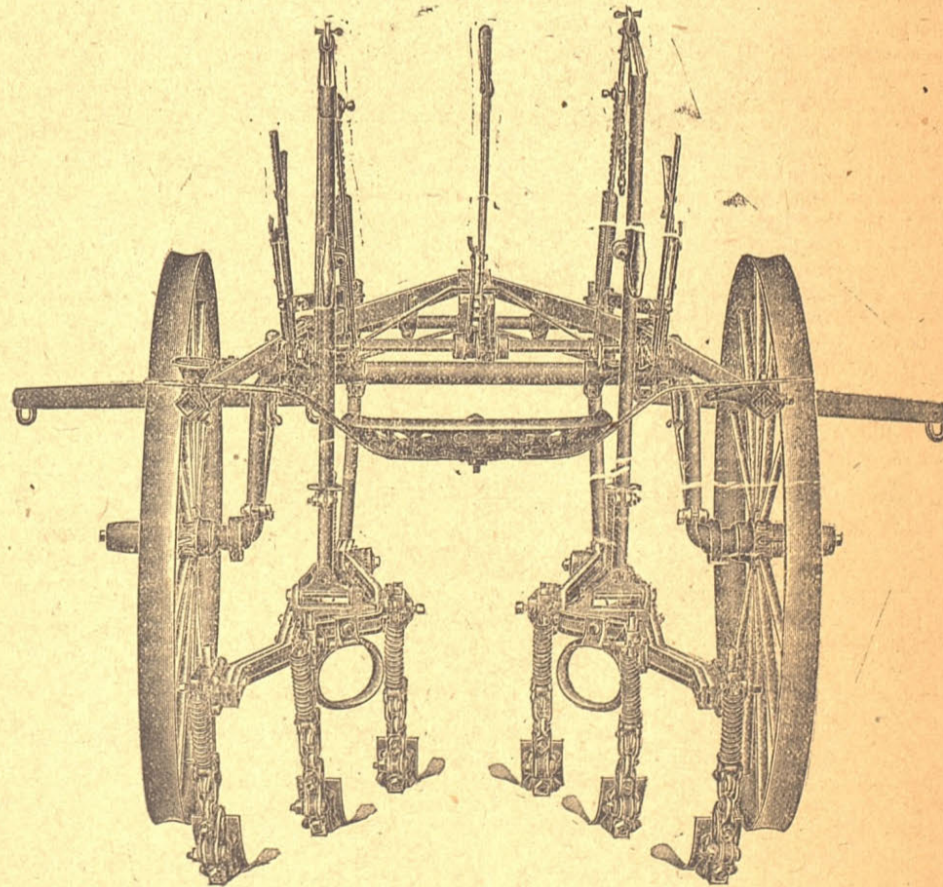
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