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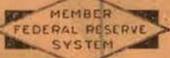
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SAVE AND BECOME INDEPENDENT

So long as you look after the little things, the big things will care for themselves. Life is made up of details, and the details of labor of any kind are the dimes and dollars. The way to get power out of steam is to accumulate a head of water—and in order to accumulate the power possibilities of industry, start a bank account with us and accumulate the dollars.

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TOM BRYANT UNDERGOES OPERATION AT TEMPLE

Tom Bryant, accompanied by M. E. Wakefield, went to Temple Thursday evening of last week, where he was examined at the Temple Sanitarium for the purpose of ascertaining whether it was necessary for him to undergo an operation for appendicitis. He believed to be the cause from which he had suffered for the past few weeks. An operation was performed last Monday morning, and late reports from the Sanitarium state that he is recovering, and may be able to return home within ten or twelve days. Mrs. Bryant left last Sunday to be with him.

FORMER CITIZEN OF CAL-LAHAN ACCIDENTLY KILLED

C. L. Farmer, brother of M. G. and W. J. Farmer, was killed accidentally, near Bonham, last Friday, and on receipt of a telegram to that effect, the two brothers left for Bonham.

The fatal accident was a peculiar

one. Mr. Farmer was moving to Bonham from this country and he and his daughter were seated on a large box in the front of the wagon, which was loaded with household goods. One of the wheels dropped into a crack in the black land, caused from dry weather, and both Mr. Farmer and his daughter were thrown out of the wagon.

Mr. Farmer received fatal injuries from which he died later, and the daughter was seriously hurt, being unconscious for several hours after the accident.

Mr. Farmer was reared in this county, but moved to Burnett county and two years ago moved to Fannin county.—Baird Star.

L. M. Bond, jeweler, announces this week a continuance of his reduction price jewelry sale, commencing next Monday, Trades Day, at prices a great deal less than has formerly prevailed. Bond is offering some good bargains in jewelry and optical good all right, and if you wish to buy an article at a sure enough saving, it will pay you to see

A splendid line of school hose at Mrs. W. E. Butler's.

SIX NEW WELLS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS

All of the six new wells recently started in the Cross Plains field are in good shape and making rapid progress in drilling. Ten more days may witness the completion of a number of them. The Atwood well has attained the greatest depth, and is now nearing the pay sand, with the Harlow a close second at a depth of about 1,250. A number of other locations are reported and arrangements are being made to commence drilling within the next ten or fifteen days. Webb No. 1, and Teston No. 1, are still making good and holding up to their initial production.

LYCEUM ENTERTAINMENT HERE THANKSGIVING DAY

Frank B. Logan, the doughboy who saw the funny side of the war, was a newspaperman and cartoonist before going to France as an officer in Uncle Sam's army. Through force of habit, he spent his idle moments in France sketching the peasants, the doughboy, the English "Tommy," and the little scenes about him which attracted his attention. His buddies seized upon these sketches, and one day one of them reached the office of the Le Mans Bulletin, the newspaper published at this embarkation point. Logan immediately was given a cartoonist post with the Bulletin, and his drawings attracted much attention in this paper.

Mr. Logan is to give his famous chalk talk and cartoon lecture in Cross Plains on the evening of Nov. 24th.

His work is a little bit different from that of any other cartoonist. His pictures are artistically correct, and they sparkle with keen humor and irony. He works with lightning rapidity, and talks almost as fast as he works. Illustrates several of the Robert Service Poems, reading them as he works. He is a master of splendid color effects.

Willis L. Smith, Superintendent of public schools of Oklahoma, writes concerning the entertainment by Mr. Logan as follows: "We enjoyed the first number of our Lyceum course immensely. I have seen lots of crayon drawings and cartooning, but I believe Mr. Logan's was the most accurate I have ever seen."

ARMISTICE DAY APPROPRIATELY OBSERVED

Armistice Day, the close of which brought joy to a world of humanity on Nov 11th, three years ago, was celebrated in Cross Plains in a manner befitting the occasion. Especially appropriate was the program of exercises planned by Superintendent Settle and other members of the High School faculty and pupils, which was rendered in the school auditorium during the morning hours. While many diverted the time from their daily routine of business to hunting, fishing and other out-door activities, a large number of the Parent Teachers Association, intermingled with other visitors, completed a full house attendance at the school and everything seemed in accord with the joyous spirit of the occasion. Rev. R. P. Odom was among the visitors and made a talk which was thoroughly appropriate and a befitting tribute to the American soldiers and the cause for which they fought in the world war.

All business houses were closed for the day that due observance of this great national holiday might be given—a day, the close of which will pass on into ages of world history, an achievement excelled only in importance by the birth of our Saviour, and in American history equaled only by our Declaration of Independence.

DEATH RESULTS TO CHILD FALL IN VESSEL LYE SOAP

An accident of unusual sadness occurred at the home of Ben Hargrove, residing about four miles north of Cross Plains, last Friday morning, resulting in the death of their small child, about twelve months old, Sunday morning. Mrs. Hargrove was making lye soap and had prepared a portion of it in a large vessel to cool. During a moment that her attention was given to other parts of the work, the child fell into the vessel, but only one arm and a portion of the face and body was submerged in the soap. The child was rescued from the vessel immediately, and apparently the soap was not hot enough to cause any serious burns. Dr. Tyson was passing near the home and was called in to attend the child. The burns not being found serious, but believing the child had swallowed a portion of the soap, he administered the usual treatment to counteract internal poisoning from the caustic potash ingredients of the soap. The child died Sunday morning.

Mr. Hargrove was absent from his home at the time of the accident, being with a party of camp hunters on the Llano River. A number of his neighborhood friends departed immediately to notify him, but it was uncertain as to just where they would find him, and he has not been informed as to the time he reached home.

ENGINEER SEEN TO FALL FROM CAB 75 FT. IN AIR

The Clyde Enterprise gives a report of the disastrous explosion of a big E. & P. freight engine which occurred near Clyde at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning of last week.

The boiler was lifted off the track and blown 240 feet, just barely clearing the track. Three men were scalded and otherwise fatally injured as follows:

Raymus Edwards, engineer, died two hours after the explosion from scalds and other injuries.

J. V. Jennings, fireman, was seriously scalded and sustained other injuries. He died Wednesday morning about four o'clock.

E. B. Atwell, brakeman, was criti-

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TEXAS

cally scalded, both legs and one arm broken, and other injuries. He died at 4:30 p. m. Tuesday.

All of the injured men were brought to Clyde where first aid was given them. All of the Clyde and Baird physicians rendered every assistance possible. At eleven o'clock Jennings and Atwell were taken in an ambulance to Abilene where they were placed in a sanitarium for better treatment. All of these men lived at Big Springs.

The wrecked engine was one of the largest on the road and was pulling a heavy freight train up grade at the time of the explosion. The cause of the explosion has not been determined. The entire train was left on the track which was only slightly damaged. Traffic was delayed about four hours.

The explosion was heard a distance of four miles and was seen by several persons who were close by. Parts of the engine were blown several hundred yards in all directions. An eye witness said the engineer fell out of the cab when it was 75 feet in the air.

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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY THANKSGIVING SALE

The Thanksgiving sale by the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Cross Plains, announcement of which was made in our last week's issue, will be conducted at Higginbotham's Store on Wednesday preceding Thanksgiving Day. This firm has tendered the use of the display windows in their grocery department, and all are requested to bring the dressed chickens and other articles which they wish to place with the sale to that place Wednesday morning. The proceeds of the sale will be applied to the needs of the local Baptist church.

BURGLARS BREAK IN STORE AT SCRANTON

We are informed by a correspondent at Atwell, that a few nights ago, burglars broke into Mr. Hairlip's store at Scranton and escaped with four or five hundred dollars worth of merchandise.

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ARMSTRONG TRIAL AT EASTLAND THIS WEEK

The case of the State vs. Will Armstrong, charged with the killing of Grady Tarver in the spring, was called for trial in the District Court at Eastland last Monday. A large number of witnesses from Cross Plains and this part of the country were summoned in the case, and the trial will probably consume the greater part of this week.

THRIFT

Thrift consists not solely in saving, but in spending wisely, and the man who invests with prudence and judgment is more thrifty than the hoarders.

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If you take calomel today you'll be sick and nauseated tomorrow; besides, it may salivate you, while if you take Dodson's Liver Tone you will wake up feeling great. No salts necessary. Give it to the children because it is perfectly harmless and can not salivate.—Advertisement.

Real Compliment.

Bishop W. S. Anderson during his visit at the Edison-Ford-Firestone camp in Maryland, said apropos a recent society wedding:

"There are women, it is true, who make fools out of men, but I am happy to know that the majority of women make men out of fools."

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Maybe She Helped a Little.

"What do you mean by kissing me?" "I'm sorry, I just couldn't help myself." "But you just did."

The camel goes on looking supercilious at the top of its long neck until it sees the giraffe.

Weak and Worn?

Has winter left you dull, tired, all worn out? Do you have constant backache, with headaches, dizzy spells, sharp, shooting pains, or annoying kidney irregularities? Influenza and grip epidemics have left thousands with weak kidneys and failing strength. Don't wait until serious kidney trouble develops. Help the weakened kidneys with **Doan's Kidney Pills**. Doan's have helped thousands and should help you. Ask your neighbor!

A Texas Case

Mrs. J. B. Riggs, 1922 Travis St., Wichita Falls, Tex., says: "Two months ago my back was so lame and sore I could hardly get up or down. There was a bearing down pain across the small of my back. Often I would become dizzy and would have headaches. My kidneys became weak. Doan's Kidney Pills cured me of this attack and put me in fine shape."

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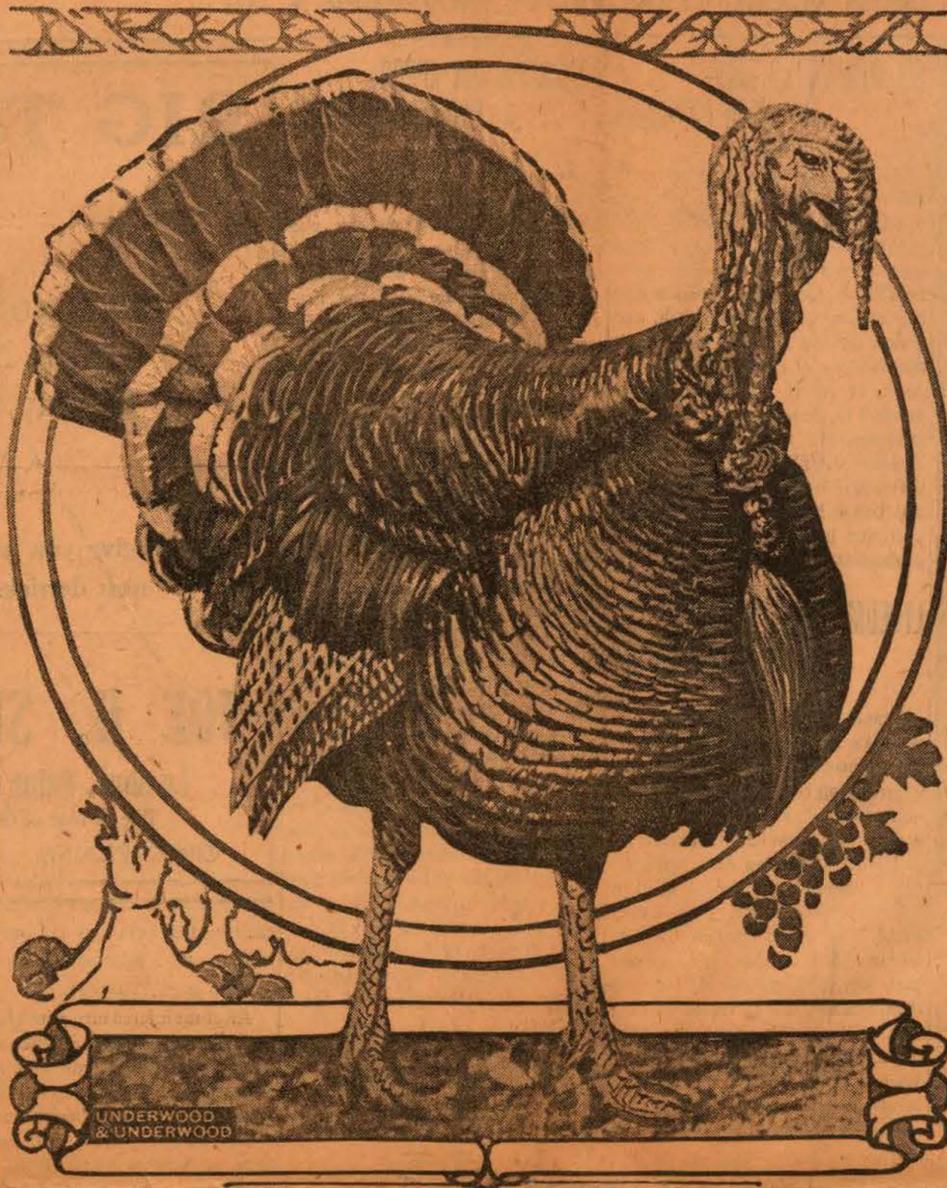
Don't treat sore, inflamed, smarting eyes with powerful drugs "dropped" in by hand. A soothing, effective, safe remedy is **MITCHELL EYE SALVE**. best. 25 cents—all druggists.

NICE JUICY TURKEY may be a powerful incentive to Thanksgiving, yet is not necessary when there is genuine appreciation of the real blessings of the year.



His Highness

GIVING THANKS may be made so formal that the Almighty doubts the existence of gratitude. It was the poor Publican's prayer that was commended to us all.



UNDERWOOD & UNDERWOOD

WHAT WOULD THE DAY BE WITHOUT A BIRD LIKE THIS TO GRACE THE BOARD?

Thanksgiving Should Mean More Than Mere Feeling of Gratitude for Favors

It is to be regretted that the beautiful and appropriate custom of observing a day of Thanksgiving has become associated with an abundance of material things. If crops have been bountiful, if the harvest has been great, if there has been an overflow of the "good" things of earth, and if the times have been peaceful, reasons for thanksgiving are supposed to increase correspondingly.

There is something in the outward tradition of Thanksgiving that would appear to justify this stressing of the importance of material things; but there is also something in the real Thanksgiving that would demand the stressing of other things, demand the placing of emphasis upon spiritual matters rather than upon conditions which pertain solely to the physical well being of man.

The real Thanksgiving demands a feeling of deep appreciation for whatever has come, the acceptance "with equal thanks" of the good fortune or the bad fortune of previous months. This Thanksgiving is essentially an internal thing—it can be observed regardless of what one had for dinner that day, and its observance is an affair that should be open to the rich and the poor of the earth.

It may well be that some, on this day of taking stock and expressing gratitude for blessings, can find little of good that has come to them as the world counts good. But these are the ones for whom Thanksgiving may hold the deepest reality. These may say:

"Lord, for life, its love, its hope, its interest, its opportunity for service; for the great and durable satisfactions of living that center about home and work; for deep and abiding memories of joy that bereavement has brought into sharp relief; for all these blessings may I be truly thankful."

To this prayer may be added by those in prosperity:

"And may I be mindful lest in the excess of good things I become self-centered and forget my obligations to my fellow men."

Pessimism Has No Place in the Real Spirit of Time of Thanksgiving

After having devoted so much of our time to bemoaning the misfortunes that have come to us as a people during the past year, it will do us good on this Thanksgiving day to stop and look at the other side of the ledger and cast up the account of the good things that have come to us.

Our situation admittedly has not been as favorable in many respects as we could desire. We have had problems and difficulties which naturally aroused dissatisfaction and discontent. We have been feeling mighty sorry for ourselves.

Perhaps Thanksgiving occasion could bring no greater blessing to us as a people than to readjust our perspective and displace pessimism with a new spirit of optimism.

Before we enter into the true spirit of the day it is necessary to put our hatreds, our grouches and our doubts and center our thoughts on the blessings that have come. I would give thanks he must realize the fact of having been blessed, and in doing so he minimizes the misfortune he has experienced. The pessimist is in no position to give thanks. Spirit of optimism will possess the extent that we are able to thank in spirit and in truth the Giver of All Good Gifts today.

For the fact remains that, in spite of our difficulties, we are the prosperous and the most favored nation on the earth and we have more reasons for contentment and gratitude than any other people.

This Thanksgiving day, if observed in the spirit of those who inaugurate it, is capable of lifting the spirit of the American people to heights and of ushering in a time of contentment and happiness.

Thanksgiving day comes to today not only an occasion when we may express our gratitude to the High for His care and kindness

Cranberries Always Have Played Prominent Part at Thanksgiving Feast

It is a tradition in Plymouth that the eating of turkey and cranberry sauce on Thanksgiving day goes back to the first Pilgrim Thanksgiving.

That little band of self-exiled, devoted Christians crossed the stormy sea in the Mayflower and landed at Plymouth Rock on December 21, 1620. Their first winter in the New World was one of great suffering, marked with famine and hardships.

Governor Bradford, in his account of the Pilgrims' first Thanksgiving, does not give a menu of the dinner, but he often refers to the wild turkeys as one of the luxuries of the colony. However, John Josslyn, an English traveler and naturalist, who visited New England in 1638 and wrote an account of its "Rarities," says: "Cranberry or bearberry (because

giving dinners in Plymouth, and five grains of parched corn are laid beside each place in remembrance of the early years of famine.

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Thanksgiving

In days of old our Pilgrim sires, These modern days with blessings great
Saved from pestilence, famine, war, The world at peace, the harvests vast:
Pledged faith anew round homestead fires, Might we not pause, a moment wait—
And set a day their thanks to show, To offer thanks, as in the past.

T.M.R.

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The ordinary day of most housewives is a ceaseless treadmill of washing, cooking, cleaning, mending, sweeping, dusting and caring for little ones. How much harder the tasks when some derangement of the system causes headaches, backaches, bearing-down pains and nervousness. Every such woman should profit by Mrs. Liering's experience. Remember this, for over forty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been restoring health.

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There Was No Reply.

Robert Perry, age six, is the son of Paul Perry, of Greensburg. Like all boys of school age, he is of an inquisitive turn of mind, and frequently asks questions of his father which bring only a grunt in reply. At dinner the other evening Robert was eating steak. "Papa, what is steak? Where does it come from?" That was an easy one for papa, and he promptly responded: "From cows, son." But he was not prepared for the next one: "From our two cows, papa?" — Indianapolis News.

Make Your Own Opportunities.

When you feel the fancied greater opportunities of other fields tugging at your sleeve just hold a short communion with yourself and remember that it's the man and not the line which achieves success. You will then decide that there is nothing better than the work you are doing and that you make your own opportunities by the spirit you put into your task every day of the year.—Selected.

Why guess about it— When you can know about it?

Suppose a guide said— "This way there's a safe and pleasant road to your destination, with no risks or troubles on the way," and— "That way there's a road that a good many have stalled on and turned back from, but you may get through."

Which would you take? Postum is a thoroughly agreeable and satisfying meal-time drink, and you're sure that it's perfectly safe for health. Coffee contains drug qualities which disturb and harm the health of many.

Postum or coffee? Which road? Why guess when you can know? Postum comes in two forms: Instant Postum (in tins) made instantly in the cup by the addition of boiling water. Postum Cereal (in packages of larger bulk, for those who prefer to make the drink while the meal is being prepared) made by boiling for 20 minutes. Sold by all grocers.

Postum for Health "There's a Reason"

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Spud Murphy's Girl. Spud Murphy says: "I don't mind that girl of mine being stuck on her folks, but I'm darned if I know why she thinks that every time I call it's up to her to bust out the family album." —The Leatherneck.

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Time Kept by Standard Clocks.

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Cuticura for Sore Hands.

Soak hands on retiring in the hot suds of Cuticura Soap, dry and rub in Cuticura Ointment. Remove surplus Ointment with tissue paper. This is only one of the things Cuticura will do if Soap, Ointment and Talcum are used for all toilet purposes. Advertisement.

Daily Short Story.

Potiphar Wampoodle had words with his wife at breakfast about the way the eggs were cooked.

"I'm tired of this sort of thing," he declared. "From here I go to the river."

So he did. He loafed around the river front, kidded the boatmen, and even accepted a little guaranteed hooch.

It was very late when he wended his way homeward.

Then he had words with his wife about some alleged pork chops he found on the supper table.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

First "Weather Man."

An Englishman, Francis Galton, was the first real weather man. Galton was a cousin of Charles Darwin. He was born in England in 1824. Whether he was really able to forecast rain and sunshine with more accuracy than his successors is an open question; but it is certain that he was the first to attempt the charting, on a large scale, of the progress of the elements of weather. The methods devised by him, in modified form, are used to this day.

Winsome Holiday Gifts

Dainty Accessories



Innumerable pretty things in dress accessories and house furnishings are presented in the shops at Christmas time for women. The only difficulty is to make the right choice among them. Whoever determines to settle upon neckwear cannot go wrong; for no woman ever cries "hold, enough!" in this matter of dainty accessories. A vestee and collar of embroidered swiss, as pictured here, is a thing of sheer beauty that is sure to please.

Suited to Everyone



Here is a gift bag that may be depended on to please anyone who is fortunate enough to receive it and is suited to either men or women. It will answer many purposes and requires only a basket, a length of silk for the top, silk cord for hangers and small silk roses for trimming, to make it. In larger sizes it makes an attractive laundry bag.

Gift Ribbons



Each year brings in new sashes, girdles, hair-bows and a long list of other belongings to replace those that have had their bright day and passed with the year. Two ribbon girdles, as pictured here, make charming gifts. One of them is made of narrow satin ribbon bordered with a tinsel ribbon and decorated with ribbon flowers. The other is a wide sash of two-toned satin ribbon with loops at each side and a knot at the back.

A Merry Clown Doll



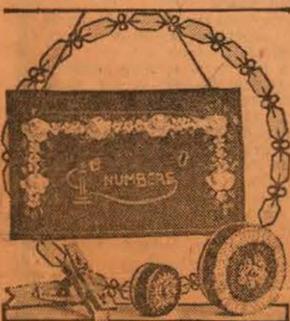
This merry gentleman is one of many dolls that may be made of discarded ribbed underwear or stockings. His head is made of a piece of white or pink ribbed stocking and his face painted with black and red paint. For the rest of him two colors are used and he is stuffed with cotton and has a white ruffle about his neck.

Hand-Made Toys



Here are two of many animals that are due to arrive on Christmas morning. A black kitty that will stand any amount of hard usage is very easy to make, requiring only a pair of silk stocking tops that have survived the worn-out feet. Cut off the worn feet and trim out the ankles in a curved line to form the ears. Sew a seam along this line, turn right side out and stuff with cotton to form the body. Wind the remainder of the tops with small cord to form the tail and tie a gay bow of ribbon at the end. Two white bone buttons make the eyes and heavy silk floss the mouth and whiskers and Miss Kitty is dressed up with a bow at the neck. The elephant is made of gray duvetye, plush or canton flannel and cut by a paper pattern. His eyes are shoe buttons, his tusks white cloth.

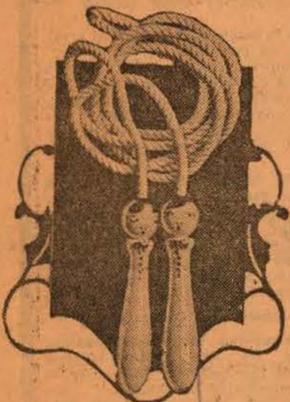
Pretty Home Gifts



Anyone who knows how to handle a paint brush and oil colors or understands the new art of painting with colored sealing wax can make the book for telephone numbers pictured here. It is merely a piece of black oilcloth folded over leaves of white paper. Small holes punched through at each end allow a black silk cord to bind the book and provide for hanging it up at the same time.

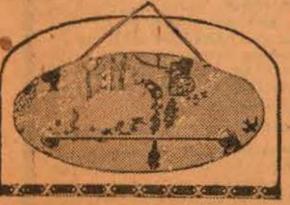
A powder box and a rouge box shown below it are covered with black lacquer and decorated with colored sealing wax that simulates ribbon and flowers.

Gay Skipping Ropes



A skipping rope is a joy to the sturdy little out-door girl, especially when it has Nannette and Rintintin for handles. They are painted a deep pink with faces, hair, neckties and buttons of black paint. By substituting clothespins for these handles and tacking the rope to them it is easy to make this treasure of childhood at home.

Handy Gifts for Men



Every man, young or old, will appreciate a good-looking rack to place within easy reach of his dressing case. The tie rack requires an oblong or oval board, smoothly covered with cretonne and a small nickel towel rack, which is screwed to the front of it. It is suspended by a silk cord fastened at the back with screw eyes.

CASCARETS 10¢

For Constipated Bowels, Sick Headache, Sour Stomach, Bilious Liver

The nicest cathartic-laxative in the world to physic your liver and bowels when you have Dizzy Headache, Colds, Biliousness, Indigestion, or Upset, Acid Stomach is candy-like "Cascarets." One or two tonight will empty your bowels completely by morning, and you will feel splendid. "They work while you sleep." Cascarets never stir you up or gripe like Salts, Pills, Calomel, or Oil and they cost only ten cents a box. Children love Cascarets, too.



Spohn's Distemper Compound

With the approach of winter horses are again more liable to contract contagious disease—DISTEMPER, INFLUENZA, COUGHS and COLDS. As a preventive against these, an occasional dose of "SPOHN'S" is marvellously effective. As a remedy for cases already suffering, "SPOHN'S" is equally effective. Give it as a preventive. Don't wait. 50 cents and \$1.25 per bottle at drug stores. SPOHN MEDICAL COMPANY GOSHEN, INDIANA

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Be good and you will be happy—as happy as you can be under the circumstances.

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"Pape's Cold Compound" is Quickest Relief Known

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffling! A dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" taken every two hours until three doses are taken usually breaks any cold right up. The very first dose opens clogged nostrils and the air passages of the head; stops nose running; relieves the headache, dullness, feverishness. "Pape's Cold Compound" costs only a few cents at drug stores. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, contains no quinine—Insist upon Pape's!—Advertisement.

Began Early. Dentist—When did your teeth first begin troubling you? Patient—When I was cutting them.

The Engine's Ears. Mr. Smith was a commercial traveler, and only came home at long intervals. On one of these he was telling his five-year-old son all about his wanderings. "And then I came home," he finished. "And did you come home in a train, daddy?" asked Johnny. "Yes, sonny." "And did you see the ears of the engine?" "Of course not," laughed Daddy. "Engines don't have ears." "Oh, yes they do!" persisted the small boy. "Haven't you ever heard of the engineers, daddy?"—London Tit-Bits.

Against All Rules. As every golfer is aware, it is against the rules to remove anything growing on the course. The other day a player asked: "What should I do on the putting green if a worm lay between my ball and the hole? Am I entitled to lift it or brush it aside?" "Well," replied his companion, "I think you should brush it aside." "Yes," he replied, "you may be right, but this was a young and growing worm, you know!"—Houston Post.

"Oh, you can never fool my Ma, I know just what she'll say, That that's as-much like Faultless Starch, As night-time is like day."

FAULTLESS STARCH

EZ STOVE POLISH

Shining-up Days Are Here, Use EZ STOVE POLISH Its Shine Is Wonderful

Save the coupons for kitchen aprons. Martin & Martin, Mrs., Chicago

What to Take for CONSTIPATION

Take a good dose of Carter's Little Liver Pills—then take 2 or 3 for a few nights after. They cleanse your system of all waste matter and Regulate Your Bowels. Mild—as easy to take as sugar. Genuine bear signature—Don't look Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

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FARMER BURNED TO DEATH IN BROWNWOOD HOTEL FIRE

W. P. Reavis, aged 65, farmer of Locker, Texas, was burned to death Wednesday morning of last week in fire which destroyed the Harper Hotel at Brownwood.

R. B. Pugh, sheriff of Brown county, jumped from a second story window and was seriously injured.

The loss estimated at \$10,000. The origin of the fire has not been determined.

Sheriff Pugh occupied the northeast room on the second floor. He was awakened either by the alarm or smoke entering his room he made a dash for the hall door only to be met by fire and smoke in such volume he could not get out that way. He then attacked the window fastenings and plunged through the wire screen to the ground, a distance of something like fifteen feet, landing on his shoulder in such a way as to be knocked unconscious and suffered a fracture of arm and leg.

The Brownwood Bulletin stated Wednesday afternoon that Sheriff Pugh's condition was critical. Mr. Pugh suffered concussion of the brain, with the possibility of a slight fracture of the skull; is badly burned about the face, neck and head; has a fracture of the wrist, and miscellaneous bruises about the body.

ONLY FOUR CASES TRIED IN CRIMINAL COURT

Callahan county district court adjourned at Baird last Saturday and Judge Ely is with the district court at Breckenridge this week.

Two cases had been tried on the docket up to Friday night, that of the State vs. Mrs. Lucy Jarvis charged with an assault with a pistol with an attempt to commit murder, and that of Henry Pryor, who has been in jail for some time charged with theft from a box car in the T. & P. yards. In both cases the jury found the defendants guilty, and recommended a suspended sentence of five years in the penitentiary in each case.

Two "moonshine" cases were scheduled for trial last Saturday, that of Ben Gun of Cross Plains, and Charley Dillard of Clyde.

We are informed that trial of Gunn and Dillard was continued.

Women are not eligible to serve on grand and petit juries in Texas, the court of criminal appeals held last week in reversing and dismissing the case of Dick Harper, given two years for burglary in McLennan county.

The records show ten men and two women composed the grand jury which returned the indictment. Harper appealed the case claiming such a jury illegal. The court's decision held the constitution says grand juries must be composed of twelve men and cannot be construed as including women.

The court held the suffrage act by congress gave women the right to vote but did not qualify them for grand jury service.

Two other cases from McLennan county were reversed and dismissed for the same reason.

RANDOM SHOTS BY T. I. FITZGERALD OF DE LEON

When the boys were going to Europe they were praised to the skies, but when they returned to America they were classed as very unwise, and by the eternal, if they run for office they get defeated; and if caught in possession of a pint of corn whiskey they are sent to the penitentiary through kindness.

When Woodrow Wilson was leaving office the chief blessing he bestowed upon Mr. Harding was a cellar full of whiskey and wine.

Here in this great democratic country where equal rights are supposed to prevail, I can't understand why it is right to fine some people fifty dollars for an offense and send others to the penitentiary for the same offense. Funny, isn't it?

Holy writ teaches us to let no man judge us in meat and drink, but the progressives have revised this book and they have judged us in what we drink, judge us in what we say, judge us in what we eat and now to go further they are trying to judge us in what kind of clothing we wear.

It requires nine days for cats and dogs to get their eyes open after birth and some people wonder why this is so. This is no wonder, I have heard of grown men forty years old that had not got their eyes open yet.

The progressives tell us we are living in a land where the people rule, but they must not forget the fact that the people did not get the right to vote on the question of nation-wide prohibition and woman suffrage, no, not even in a school district in the whole United States.

We have no negroes in this country and I think it very wise but what right have we to say that Dallas shall not have the negro?

I have heard of men that were made up of a bone head and a rapid-fire tongue, and they only used their heads for an instrument to feed themselves through and if it were not for others they would not know which end to put to the ground each morning when they arise.

BLAKE COMMUNITY TO HAVE OIL WELL TEST

According to geologists, the Blake community is good oil territory and a test is now to be made on the O. B. Formby farm in that community, about eight miles southwest of Rising Star and about four miles south of the Pioneer field. The slush pit is being dug and the rig is to be set up at once.—Rising Star X-Ray.

Get your Tanlac where they've got it. At The City Drug Store.

Notice of Desolution of Partnership With Continuance of Business.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership between George Wheelock and Neil Callahan has been dissolved. All debts due the said partnership are to be paid to George Wheelock only. Those due from the partnership will be paid by the said George Wheelock, at the George H. Wheelock Automotive Electric Works, in the City of Cross Plains, where the business will be continued under the firm name of George H. Wheelock Automotive Electric Works. No bills, contracts, obligations or agreements arising out of the actions of the said Neil Callahan are chargeable to said firm.

Geo. H. Wheelock.

Sole proprietor of the George H. Wheelock Automotive Electric Works

An opinion rendered Nov. 9th by the Court of Criminal Appeals holds that it is not against the law to possess equipment for manufacturing intoxicating liquor. The court reversed and dismissed a defendant from Shelby county who had been sentenced to one year imprisonment for the alleged offense. In amending the Dean law the Legislature in the special session did not enumerate possession of equipment in the forbidden acts, the court held a return examination of the amended statutes.

MEXICO'S STABILITY INCREASES BUSINESS

CUSTOM HOUSE TRADE REPORTS
SHOW TREMENDOUS DECREASE.

EDUCATION SHOWS INCREASE

Prominent Bankers and Magazines Investigate—Oregon Expresses Views.

Custom house reports indicate a growing business with Mexico. This business increase has been noticeable in every line of trade and has been developed on a large basis in the Mexican Republic while business in the United States was quiet. Because of the possibility of increasing their business in foreign countries the largest business houses in the United States have sent their agents into Mexico to make investigations with the result that the American Chamber of Commerce of Mexico City reports that many American business houses which formerly did no business in Mexico are establishing branches in that city and are preparing to make an intensive drive for Mexican business. The same source reports all factories and mills operating at full capacity and with a degree of labor unrest smaller than in many years.

The cotton industry in particular is being operated at high pitch. Mexico has about 130 cotton mills, of which about 85 per cent, calculated by output, are in or near Mexico City. The staple used for manufacturing is the home-grown product.

New York Bank Investigates

The Foreign Trade Record of National City Bank of New York says: "The purchasing power of Mexico shows a less decline than that which characterizes conditions in many other countries. Exports to Mexico in the fiscal year which ends with next month will, according to a statement by The National City Bank of New York, be double those of the preceding year and six times as much as the annual average prior to 1918 when her great oil output multiplied her purchasing power."

"Exports from the United States to Mexico," continues the bank's statement, "which averaged less than \$50,000,000 a year prior to 1917, suddenly jumped to \$107,000,000 in the fiscal year 1918, \$120,000,000 in 1919, \$144,000,000 in 1920, and will be approximately \$280,000,000 in 1921. This tremendous growth in our exports to Mexico in the very recent period and especially the current fiscal year has continued down to the latest moment despite the fact that exports to nearly all other parts of the world show for the latest month a decline. In fact, no other country shows this unique record of having more than doubled its takings of United States merchandise in the fiscal year 1921."

"On the import side, the growth has also been large, though not so great proportionately as in exports. The total imports from Mexico, which prior to the oil period averaged about \$75,000,000 a year, were \$112,000,000 in the fiscal year 1917, \$158,000,000 in 1919, and will be about \$170,000,000 in 1921."

People Want Land.

Thousands of inquiries are being received weekly by the various departments of the government in Mexico asking information as to the requirements for owning land, the localities where land is available for all purposes from mining and oil to timber and agriculture. The departments are glad to answer any bona fide inquiries and are rapidly preparing information printed in English that they feel will be of interest to those making inquiries.

There is much land in Mexico available for all purposes. The government requires that persons owning such land conform to the laws of the country, which is the same that is demanded elsewhere in the world. The government offers every protection possible to foreigners locating in Mexico. Special inducements have been made for persons locating in Mexico as to freight rates for household goods, and in order to insure the restocking of the country with cattle and sheep and other herd animals the government is assisting by waiving many import restrictions.

Educational Campaign.

The campaign undertaken against illiteracy by the correspondence branch of the National University is being constantly intensified. This work not only affects the children of the middle class, but teachers have also been appointed to carry on the labor of educating the Indians.

Many people have become interested in this campaign and are enthusiastically cooperating in the establishment of additional schools, the circulation of books and the organization of educational programs.

President Obregon's View.

"I believe that Mexico today offers absolute security for business investment and enterprise. The country is at peace; a stable government has been established; every effort will be made to give guarantees to all business men who come here with the object of making investments, and every facility will be granted them for the development of their projects," says President Obregon.

Department Furnishes Information.

The Department of Industry, Commerce and Labor of the Mexican government welcomes any questions as to conditions in Mexico with reference to any commercial or industrial pursuit. Letters should be addressed to the Secretary of the department and they will then be referred to the proper departments. There has been much information advanced with reference to Mexico that has not been authentic and the department is desirous of giving first hand information to any person interested.



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Styles that particular men will accept and those that will appeal to the young men. Smart form fitting single breasted. Brown, Blues and fancy colors. Price ranging from \$15.00, 18.50, 25.00, 30.00
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OVERCOATS

Don't you think it about time you were turning your thoughts toward that overcoat? Here is your opportunity to secure one at a price ranging from \$17.50, \$18.50, \$22.50.

WORK CLOTHES

Leather Coats \$15.00. Leather and Moleskin Jackets \$8.50. Corduroy Pants \$4.00. Khaki pants 1.50, 2.00, 2.50. Extra heavy moleskin overcoats, just the thing for this cool weather, priced \$16.50. Corduroy suits for men and boys 8.50, 15.00. Wool and cotton shirts 2.00, 4.50

LADIES COATS AND DRESSES

Throughout this department you will find just the thing for the threatening cold weather. Good heavy substantial coats for the school girl; beautiful assortment of dresses, suits, coats and dresses for the ladies. Prices that are appealing.

SHOES SHOES SHOES

We are prepared to equip the entire family with shoes at a saving to you. One special group of shoes, all sizes \$1.95. One special group of shoes \$4.95. And all other shoes priced in proportion.

Special 10 Day Offer Mirror Aluminum, Special 1 1-2 Qt. Sauce Pan, Regular \$1.10 Value—

Introductory Price 49c

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It will go further at this store now than at any place we know.

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Just what you want in style, fabric, length and color. Men in every walk of life come here to secure big values and chose "smart deals. Tailored to your order and not ready made.

Our cleaning and alteration departments are equipped with modern machinery.

Accordion and knife pleating will continue at \$1.00 per skirt until Nov. 21.

J. L. Settle Tailor Shop

TOM & JIM'S CAFE GOOD THINGS TO EAT

Just remember that if it is in the EAT LINE we have it.

When in Cross Plains make our Place your headquarters.

AT LAST

We have a treatment for Pyorrhea which we believe is going to prove to be a cure.

Merceton is being used quite extensively by reputable dentists throughout the country, and is meeting the needs of the people.

I will take pleasure in explaining Merceton and its use if you will call at my office.

LOTHAIR THOMASON DENTIST



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LOOK LIKE NEW**

They are all talking about it, about what? why the Brooks Burner Gas stove, sold only by C. S. Boyles.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Smith were called to Merkel by wire the first of this week to be with their daughter, who was reported to be very sick.

I will thrash maize and cane at my gin at Dressy Wednesday, Nov. 23rd. C. D. Baird.

Don't wait for a blizzard, buy that stove now, we have the one you want. C. S. Boyles.

Special Ten Day Offer—Mirro Aluminum, special 1-2 quart sauce pan, regular \$1.10 value, introductory price 49c. At Higginbotham's.

See that wonderful Mirro Aluminum 1-2 quart sauce pan we are offering as a special for ten days; regular \$1.10 value, introductory price only 49c. At Higginbotham's.

See Mrs. Butler for school dresses, middies and gloves.

J. W. Westerman and F. M. Gwin, accompanied by their families, left Tuesday morning on a camp hunting trip of several weeks duration in the southern part of the state.

Mirro Aluminum 1-2 quart sauce pan, regular \$1.10 value, going at our special ten day offer at only 49c. See them at Higginbotham's.

We appreciate your business, we do our best to serve you, but it takes real money to pay our bills, if you owe us, please pay us. C. S. Boyles.

Mrs. J. B. Ellis moved to Cisco Tuesday.

Let us demonstrate a Brooks Burner Gas Stove for you, then you will buy it, then you will be a Brooks booster, they all are. C. S. Boyles.

"I have taken eight bottles of Tanlac and have actually gained 40 pounds in weight and feel better and stronger than I have felt before in twenty-five years," says O. H. Mahaffy, of Nashville, Tenn. Get it at the City Drug Store.

We are doing business at the same old stand. If you owe us you will find us at the same place as when you bought the goods. C. S. Boyles.

I am closing out my stock of hats below cost. Also reduced prices on coats, dresses and sweaters for Saturday and Trades Day. Mrs. W. E. Butler.

Arch Ginsley left Tuesday for Temple, where we are informed, he has accepted employment with a lumber company.

C. S. Boyles is exclusive Dealer for the Brooks Burner Gas Stove, it will save you the price of the stove in one season.

Tanlac will overcome that run down debilitated condition and make you feel just like your old self again. Sold at City Drug Store.

Let us sell you your prepared fruit cake ingredients. Clark's Grocery.

Mrs. J. L. Settle returned Friday of last week from a three weeks visit with relatives at Cleburne.

Lost—Between the school house and my home, a Baby Grand fountain pen, top detached. Finder please return to J. E. Crockett.

Our terms, the bill is due and payable on the first of the month, regardless of the date of purchase, please remember this when you ask to charge it. C. S. Boyles.

Hen Party.

Each member of the Methodist church is requested to bring a hen to the Neib Produce Co. next Saturday afternoon, for the benefit of the Missionary Society.

REV. ROGERS ACCEPTS PASTORATE AT PADUCAH

Rev. S. A. Rogers, former pastor of the Baptist church in Cross Plains, and during the year previous to the last meeting of the County Association, local Missionary, residing at Cottonwood, was a visitor here last week. Rev. Rogers informs us that he has accepted the pastorate of the Baptist church at Paducah, Texas, and was going there to take charge of the work last Sunday.

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Clovis Tyson has accepted employment with a jewelry house in Temple and commenced with them last week. Clovis is learning the jewelry business and was employed some time previous to going to Temple with L. M. Bond jewelry store in Cross Plains. Clovis is a fine boy, being a son of Dr. and Mrs. Tyson of Cross Plain, and will have an excellent opportunity of acquiring a thorough knowledge of the jewelry business in his new location.

Glass, putty, building paper and tacks. Get ready for cold weather, Shackelfore's Lumber Store.

We deliver fresh meats to any part of town. Clark's Grocery.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our friends for their many acts of kindness during the burial of our father and grandfather. May God bless you all.
J. G. Aikin.

See us before you sell your eggs. Clark's Grocery.

Pay Up

If you owe us an account, please pay up. We need the money, C. S. Boyles.

We have a complete stock of Gas stoves, Gas fittings, wood and coal toves, stove pipe, elbows, stove boards, and dampers. See us first. C. S. Boyles.

For choicest fruits and groceries. Clark's Grocery.

CHANGES IN ROAD LAW RAISES TAX TO \$5.00

The last Legislature made the following changes in the road law, which changes went into effect the 15th of this month:

Raised the price from \$4 to \$5.
Raised age limit from 45 to 50 years old.

Made it the duty of the tax collector to collect road tax instead of the treasurer. The new law provides that all able bodied male persons living outside the limit of incorporated cities, are subject to five days road duty, unless they pay the road tax, which tax will be \$5.00 on and after the 15th of Nov., 1921.

DE LEON COMPRESS MAY NOT EXCEED 6,000 BALES

De Leon Compress Co., S. G. Underwood manager, normally handles from 16,000 to 20,000 bales of cotton in a year, and one year when the crop was unusually good the De Leon plant handled 32,000 bales. The crop this year, however, is very short. Up to the present time only 4963 bales have been handled, and Mr. Underwood estimates the year's run at not over 6,000 bales.

The local plant handles all the cotton on the Katy from Albany this way, and all coming from the branch line to Cross Plains. The territory normally is good for a very great deal more cotton than is in sight for the present year.—De Leon Free Press.

When you think of stoves, think of Boyles.

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CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

A TEN YEAR NAVAL HOLIDAY PROPOSED

SECRETARY HUGHES OFFERS A WAY TO PRESERVE PEACE BETWEEN NATIONS

LIMIT TO NAVY TONNAGE

United States Would Have 18 Ships, Great Britain 22, and Japan Would Have 10

Washington.—A ten-year naval holiday in naval construction, involving a tremendous scrapping of ships now on the ways or contemplated by the United States, Great Britain and Japan was proposed to the conference on the limitation of armaments by Secretary Hughes at the opening session Saturday as America's proposal.

Briefly, the American proposal is: That there immediately be destroyed by the navies of the three great powers 85 capital fighting ships and a total tonnage of 1,878,043 tons. Within three months after making an agreement the navies would consist of designated and agreed upon ships as follows:

United States, 18; Great Britain, 22; Japan, 10.

In tons, this would be: United States, 500,050; Great Britain, 694,450; Japan, 299,700.

Replacements would be limited by an agreed maximum of capital ship tonnage as follows:

United States 500,000 tons, Great Britain 500,000 tons, Japan 300,000.

Subject to the ten-year holiday limitation capital ships could be replaced when they are 20 years old. No replacement ships would have a tonnage of more than 35,000 tons.

A total tonnage in cruisers, flotilla leaders and destroyers for each power would be fixed as follows:

For the United States 450,000 tons, for Great Britain 450,000 tons, for Japan 270,000 tons.

The total tonnage of submarines allowed each power would be as follows:

For the United States 90,000 tons, for Great Britain 90,000 tons; for Japan 54,000 tons.

The total tonnage of airplane carriers was proposed as follows:

For the United States 80,000 tons, Great Britain 80,000 tons, Japan 48,000 tons.

In each case it would be provided that no Government whose present tonnage exceeds the prescribed limit would be required to scrap such excess until replacements have begun.

Similarly, destroyers, flotilla leaders and submarines could be replaced when 12 years old and airplane carriers when 20 years old.

Other features of the auxiliary craft reduction program included. Exemption from the terms of the agreement of the existing monitors, unarmed surface craft under 3,000 tons, fuel ships, supply ships, tenders, repair ships, tugs and mine sweepers.

No new auxiliary combatant craft could be built, exempt from terms of the agreement that exceeds 3,000 tons, had a speed of more than 15 knots and carried more than four five-inch guns.

All auxiliary surface craft whose keels already have been laid could be carried to completion.

Agreement would be made later for details of scrapping the ships falling outside the proposed limitation.

Each of the powers party to the agreement would bind itself to inform all the other parties concerning:

1. The names or number of the ship to be replaced by new construction.
2. The date of authorization of replacement tonnage.
3. The dates of laying the keels of replacement tonnage.
4. The displacement tonnage of each new ship to be laid down.
5. The actual date of completion of each new ship.
6. The fact and date of the scrapping of ships replaced.

Japan and America can Agree

Washington.—Secretary Hughes' pronouncements at the inaugural session of the armament conference have clarified the situation. Admiral Barton Kato declared at a reception given Sunday night at the Shoreham by Baron Shidehara, the Japanese Ambassador. The reception was arranged to present journalists who are reporting proceedings of the conference to the Japanese plenipotentiaries, and had been postponed until on account of the assassination of Premier Hara.

Trinkle Elected Governor Of Virginia.

Richmond, Va.—State Senator E. Lee Trinkle, Democrat, was elected Governor of Virginia Tuesday over Terry W. Anderson, Republican, by a majority of at least 50,000.

Welfare Congress Awarded to Waco.

San Antonio, Texas.—Waco will be the place of meeting for the fourteenth annual Child Welfare Association conference of the Texas Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teachers' Association in 1923. It was decided Friday by the board of managers of the congress. Del Rio, Fort Worth and Marshall extended cordial invitations to the congress but Waco was selected because of its more central location. Members of the board reported. Waco is in the fourth district.

EPITOMIZED NEWS OF ESPECIAL INTEREST

IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE ENTIRE WEEK REDUCED FOR BUSY READERS

FOREIGN—

The Austrian Government will introduce before Parliament the budget estimate bill for 1922. This bill will show a deficit of 150,000,000,000 crowns.

The ninth session of the congress of all-Russian Soviets has been called for Dec. 20. Changes resulting from the new economic policy and foreign relations will have a prominent place on the agenda.

President Masaryk has signed an order for demobilization of the Czechoslovak forces which had been ordered out in view of the threatening Hungarian situation caused by the coup of former King Charles.

An arrangement has been made to begin paying the interest on the debt owed by Great Britain to the United States at the rate of 50,000,000 pounds yearly, it was announced in the House of Commons last week.

Far from favoring prohibition, the French Government, while opposing "the scourge of alcoholism," is interested in finding new markets and improving the old markets for the many excellent ordinary French wines.

The Netherlands Government has introduced in the Chamber of Deputies proposals for a new naval program involving an outlay of about 200,000,000 florins (about \$69,000,000) according to the present value of the florin to be spread over 12 years.

The Irish situation has once more deadlocked with the Ulster Cabinet standing solidly back of Sir James Craig in his refusal to accept Lloyd George's proposals for an Irish settlement on the grounds that the new scheme would "subordinate the North to Sinn Fein."

Five hundred tons of Russian flax are being unloaded at Leubek from Riga. A further shipment of 2,500 tons is expected next week. It is expected to be in great demand as German linen factories, which, despite heavy orders, are closing down on account of the shortage of raw materials.

The German Embassy to which will come representatives of the new Government within a short time will be a different place than in the prewar days. Most of its splendor will be gone. Furnishings will be plain, servants will be few and the retinue of secretaries of various sorts will be decimated.

WASHINGTON—

The administration, it is indicated, will quietly resist efforts to have Congress authorize the President to suspend naval construction during the conference on the limitation of armaments.

The order of Director General McAdoo requiring that damage suits against railroads under Federal control be brought at the place of accident or residence of the plaintiff was upheld by the Supreme Court. The reversed Mississippi State courts in holding that the Director General's order was an improper exercise of authority.

A seat upon the New York Stock Exchange is subject to a State tax. The Supreme Court held in deciding an appeal brought by John M. Anderson from a decision of the Ohio Supreme Court, which held a seat upon the exchange property within the tax laws of that State. Justice Van Devanter and McReynolds assented.

Further gain of about \$16,000,000 of gold, as against a loss of slightly less than \$1,000,000 of other reserve cash, accompanied by a reduction of \$15,500,000 in deposit liabilities and an increase of \$12,700,000 in Federal reserve note circulation, is indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly consolidated bank statement, issued as at close of business on Nov. 9, 1921.

American and Canadian prohibition officials have entered into a "gentleman's agreement," designed to reduce smuggling of liquor across the border to a minimum. It is announced at Federal prohibition headquarters.

Halleck A. Butts, of Galveston and a graduate of the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, has the honor of being the first appointee as Trade Commissioner under the Department of Commerce of the United States with a station at Tokio, Japan.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has denied the application made for the International & Great Northern Railroad to reduce certain interstate rates in Texas without reducing corresponding interstate rates.

More than \$22,000,000 in credit has been extended farmers and stockmen during the two and one-half months since Congress authorized the War Finance Corporation to make advances for agricultural and live stock purposes.

Pearl B. Zinn has been nominated for postmaster at Postoria, Montgomery county, Texas.

John W. Riddle of Connecticut, a former Ambassador to Russia, was nominated by President Harding to be Ambassador to Argentina.

Temporary lease of power plant No. 2 of the Muscle Shoals, Alabama, project, to the Alabama Power Company was announced recently by Secretary Weeks.

Congress will be asked for \$10,000,000 for the enforcement of prohibition during the next fiscal year, an increase of \$2,800,000 over the appropriation for the current year.

The Texas and Oklahoma apportionments under the \$75,000,000 highway fund recently voted by Congress are \$4,425,172 and \$1,752,339, respectively, as announced by the Bureau of Public Roads.

Complete inquiry is being conducted at the instance of the State Department into alleged hardships suffered by British subjects at Ellis Island, the immigration situation at the port of New York.

Japanese women are "hoping and praying" for the success of the conference on the limitation of armaments, according to Mrs. Kaji Yajima, who crossed the Pacific and the American continent to bring to President Harding a petition for peace signed by more than 10,000 Japanese women.

DOMESTIC—

Texas Young Men's Christian Associations have a total membership of 24,937, according to L. A. Coulter, State secretary.

The Cincinnati National League Baseball Club will train at Mineral Wells, Texas, next spring. Negotiations were completed last week.

One of the large gingham mills in New York is switching some looms to romper cloths. It is rumored in the cotton goods trade. These cloths, it is declared, have been in good demand.

Four masked men broke into the Twin City Sentinel office at East Chicago, Ind., last week, overpowered Nightwatchman Albert Rhodes and wrecked the printing press, linotypes and other equipment.

Immediate action will be taken to bring about reduction in the wages of train and yard service employees, approximately 10 per cent on all lines north of the Ohio and Potomac Rivers and east of the Mississippi.

A perpendicular drop of approximately \$5 a bale in the price of cotton was the result last week of surprisingly large figures in the Government report of ginnings up to Nov. 1. The report indicated that 6,646,000 bales had been ginned to that date, whereas it had generally been thought that the report would show about 6,200,000 bales.

A general cut in wages of packing house workers was forecast last week when four of the Big Five—Armour & Co., Swift & Co., Wilson & Co. and the Cudahy Packing Company—requested their employees to consider, in the plant councils, a reduction in pay to be made effective in the near future. No definite amount was mentioned, and officials said their conference had not determined the size of the reduction to be sought.

Joe Lewis, farmer, 36 years old; his daughter, Eunice, nine years old, and Lee Madaris, 19 years old, are dead and two others are painfully burned about the hands and face as a result of Lewis striking a match near a barrel of crude oil at his farm home near El Dorado, Ark.

Prince Hosanna of Cape Colony, Africa, was visiting seven of his sisters in Baton Rouge, La., last week, who are attending the Southern University. The Prince's father, who is head of the Zulu tribe, has fifty wives and 25 children, and the Prince has nine wives, but says he is considering selling some to his brothers. Wives can be purchased in Cape Colony with from 100 to 200 head of cattle, the Prince explained.

W. S. George, manager of the Fort Worth, Texas, Municipal Employment Bureau, will be appointed as \$1 a year man by the United States Department of Labor in co-operation with that city in relieving unemployment.

General Pershing declared at Nashville, Tenn., last week that charges brought in the Senate by Senator Watson (Dem.) of Georgia, were "the most outrageous and untrue accusations that could possibly be made and absolutely without foundation."

Four women and a man were injured, two seriously, at Omaha, Neb., last week when a five-passenger airplane in which they were riding, crashed and was demolished at the Air Congress Field.

The average wholesale price of carcass beef is now back to the level prevailing in 1914, according to figures made public in a review of the meat and live stock situation during October, issued by the Institute of American meat packers.

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Sunday School Lesson

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LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 20

PAUL BEFORE THE KING.

LESSON TEXT—Acts 25:1-26:32. GOLDEN TEXT—Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept.—1 Cor. 15:20. REFERENCE MATERIAL—1 Cor. 15. PRIMARY TOPIC—Paul Tells How He Came to Obey Jesus. JUNIOR TOPIC—Paul Before King Agrippa. INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—An Appeal to Caesar. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Paul's Courageous Testimony Before a King.

I. Paul Before Festus (25:1-12). As soon as Festus, the new governor, goes to Jerusalem, he is besieged with accusers against Paul, and they desire that he be brought to Jerusalem for trial, intending to lie in wait and kill him on the way. Festus refused their request, but agreed to give them an opportunity to accuse Paul if they would go down to Caesarea. They go, but are unable to prove anything against him. Festus, willing to please the Jews, proposes to send him to Jerusalem for trial. For this Paul issues a rebuke to Festus by asserting that he very well knew that he was innocent. Seeing that it was impossible to get justice before Festus, Paul makes use of his right as a Roman citizen, and appeals to Caesar. Paul well knew that to go to Jerusalem meant death, and since Festus was too much of a time-server to release him when he knew that he was innocent, he makes use of the radical step of appealing to Rome as the first resort. Festus seems to have been taken by surprise. His failure to release an innocent man should go to Rome for trial. For a man to appear before Caesar would cast reflection upon Festus. He now consulted his council as to what to do, but since the Roman law gave every man the right of appeal to the emperor, there was nothing left for him to do but to grant his request.

II. Paul Before Agrippa (25:13-26:27). 1. The occasion (25:13-27). This was the visit of Agrippa and Bernice to Festus. Upon their arrival they expressed a desire to hear Paul, whereupon Festus told them of his perplexity; so it was arranged that Paul be brought before them for examination.

2. The defense (25:12-27). (1) The introduction (vv. 1-3). In this he expressed his delight that he now could speak and tell his case to one who was able to follow his line of argument, for Agrippa was an expert in questions concerning the Jews; but most of all he was now happy in that he could witness to him of the Savior and perhaps lead him into the light of God. (2) In his manner of life (vv. 4-12). This he showed had been in strictest accord with the most rigid sect of the Jews. He possessed the same hope—that of a coming Deliverer—and reminded them of the fact that formerly he was most bitterly opposed to Christ, as his zeal would prove. These facts make the change from a persecutor to an ardent advocate all the more remarkable. (3) His supernatural conversion (vv. 13-15). Jesus Christ appeared to him on the way to Damascus and revealed himself to him. (4) Jesus Christ commissioned him for his work (vv. 16-18). He was sent unto the Gentiles (a) to open their eyes, so awfully blinded; (b) to perform the blessed work of turning them from darkness to light; (c) to turn them from the power of Satan unto God; (d) that they might receive forgiveness of sins; (e) and that they might obtain an inheritance among the saints. (5) His consecration (vv. 19-23). As soon as he received his commission he obeyed. The very vigorous prosecution of his work brought him into conflict with the Jews, for which they sought to kill him. (6) The interruption by Festus (v. 24). Seeing how thoroughly in earnest Paul was, he attempted to account for it by calling him a crank, attributing it to the ravings of an unbalanced mind. (7) Paul's appeal to Agrippa (vv. 25-27). Still maintaining his courtesy, he appealed to his knowledge of the work of Jesus and of the prophets, for they have an intimate connection.

III. Agrippa Almost Persuaded (26:28-32). Whether this answer is a contemptuous sneer or not, it is evident that his soul was unwilling to yield. Paul took Agrippa seriously. Paul's heart longed that Agrippa and all concerned would accept Christ and be saved.

"God is Love." We never know through what divine mysteries of compensation the great Father of the universe may be carrying out His sublime plans; but those three words, "God is Love," ought to contain, to every doubting heart, the solution of all things.—Selected.

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The Amende Honorable.

"There is a young man in the rear of the hall who isn't paying any attention to this lecture," said the professor sharply.

"I beg your pardon, professor," said a hulking youth who had recently joined the class. "I have been abominably deceived."

"Deceived, sir? How?"

"I was told that you were near-sighted."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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If experiments now being carried on at the Reno station of the bureau of mines are successful, says the Mining Congress Journal, it will be possible to give color to colorless gems which exist in abundance in the West. The experiments so far have produced results which are considered promising. The penetrating radiation of radium is the agency through which gems are being colored. In a preliminary experiment, a colorless Colorado topaz was tinted yellow. The coloring when exposed to light was found to be not permanent, and the experimentation continues with a view to making the color light-proof. Successful termination of the experiments would add materially to the value of western gem stones, whose market value is low on account of their lack of the tint qualities deemed essential for gem manufacturers.

The war has made table linen very valuable. The use of Red Cross Ball Blue will add to its wearing qualities. Use it and see. All grocers.—Advertisement.

Attention.

The family was out of town, and the house was left in charge of a young housemaid. On opening the door the first morning she found the charwoman standing there, obviously angry.

"I've been ringing and ringing here for half an hour," she said. "Why ever didn't you come sooner?"

"Oh! Was that you?" replied the housemaid. "You kept on so regular that I thought it was only the telephone."—London Tit-Bits.

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The Green Pea Pirates

By PETER B. KYNE

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DERELICT RICHLY LADEN.

Synopsis.—Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable, but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Nels Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the forecabin hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room. With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens; the Maggie goes ashore in a fog. A passing vessel hauling the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog. Furious at the deception practiced on them, Captains Hicks and Flaberty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the waterfront, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer. Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey strike. With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild coyness, Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostily received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict.

CHAPTER V—Continued.

"Spoken like a man—I do not think Scraggs, for once in my life I have you where the hair is short. I'm willin' to dig in an' help out in a pinch, but it's gettin' so me an' Mac can't trust you no more. We're that leery of you we won't take your word for nothin', since you fooled him on the new boiler an' me on the paint; consequently, we're off you an' this salvage job unless you give us a clearance, in writin', statin' that we are not an' never was pirates, that we're good, law-abidin' citizens an' aboard the Maggie as your guests, takin' the trip at our own risk. When you sign such a paper, with your crew for witnesses, I'll demonstrate how that bark can be salvaged. My imagination's better'n my reputation, Scraggsy, an' I ain't workin' it for nothin'!"

"Gib, my dear boy. You're the most sensitive man I ever sailed with. Can't you take a little joke?"

"Sure, I can take a little joke. It's the big ones that stick in my craw an' stifle my friendship. Gimme a fountain pen an' a leaf out o' the log book an' I'll draw up the affidavit for your signature."

Scraggs complied precipitately with this request, whereupon Mr. Gibney spread his great bulk over the chart case and with many a twist and flip of his tongue on the up and down strokes, produced this remarkable document:

"At Sea, Off Point Montara,
"aboard S. S. Maggie,
"of San Francisco,
"June 4, 19—

"This is to certify that A. P. Gibney, Esq., and Bart McGuffey, Esq., is law-abidin' citizens of the U. S. A. and in no way pirates or such; and he further resolved that the said parties hereto are aboard said American steamer Maggie this date on the special invite of Phineas P. Scraggs, owner, as his guests and at their own risk.

"Witness my hand and seal:"

Captain Scraggs signed without reading and the new mate and Nels Halvorsen appended their signatures as witnesses. Mr. Gibney thereupon folded this clearance paper into the finest possible compact ball, wrapped it in a piece of tin foil torn from a package of tobacco, to protect it from his saliva, tucked it in his cheek and with a sign for McGuffey to follow him, started crawling over the cargo aft. By this time the Maggie was within a hundred yards of the distressed bark and was ratchling slowly backward and forward before her.

"In all my born days," quoth Mr. Gibney, speaking a trifle thickly because of the document in his mouth. "I never got such a wallop as Scraggs handed me an' you last night. I don't forget things like that in a hurry. Now that we got a vindication o' the charge o' piracy again us, I'm achin' to get shot of the Maggie an' her crew; so if you'll kindly peel off all of your clothes with the exception, say, of your underdrawers, we'll swim off to that bark an' give Phineas P. Scraggs an exhibition of real sailorizin' an' seamanship."

"What's the big idea?" McGuffey demanded cautiously.

"Why, we sail her in ourselves—me an' you an' glom all the salvage for ourselves. T'ell with Scraggs an'

the Maggie an' that new mate an' engineer, I'm off'n 'em for life."

Pop-eyed with excitement and interest, B. McGuffey, Esquire, stood up, and with a single twist shed his cap and coat. His shirts followed. Both he and Gibney were already minus their shoes and socks. To slip out of their faded dungarees was the work of an instant. Strapping their belts around their waists to hold up their drawers, the worthy pair stepped to the rail of the Maggie.

"Hey, there? Where you goin', Gib? I give you that clearance paper on condition that you was to tell me how to salvage that there bark."

"I'm just about to tell you, Scraggs. You don't touch a thing aboard the Maggie. You leave her out of it entirely. You just jump overboard, like me an' Mac will in a jiffy, swim over to the bark, climb aboard, and sail her in to San Francisco bay. When you get there you drop anchor an' call it a day's work." He grinned broadly. "One o' these bright days, Scraggs, when me an' Mac is just wallerin' in salvage money, drop around to see us an' we'll give you a kick in the face. Farewell, you boobies," and he dove overboard.

"Ta-ta," McGuffey cried in his tantalizing falsetto voice, and followed his leader into the briny deep.

CHAPTER VI.

The tide was still at the flood and the two adventurers made fast progress toward the Chesapeake. Choosing a favorable opportunity as the vessel dipped, they grasped her martingale, climbed up on the bowsprit, and ran along the bowsprit to the to-gallan'-fo'-castle. On the deck below a dead man lay in the scuppers, and such a horrible stench pervaded the vessel that McGuffey was taken very ill and was forced to seek the rail.

"Scurvy or somethin'," Mr. Gibney announced, quite calmly. "There should be cholera of lime in the mate's store-room—I'll scatter some on these poor devils. Too close to port now to chuck 'em overboard. Anyhow, Bart, me an' you ain't doctors, nor yet coroners or undertakers, so you'd better skip along an' build a fire under the donkey aft. Matches in the galley, of course."

He trotted down to the main deck and prowled aft. On the port side of her house he found two more dead men, and a cursory inspection of the bodies told him they had died of scurvy. He circled the ship, came back to the fo'-castle, entered, and found four men alive in their berths, but too far gone to leave them. "I'll have you boys in the Marine hospital tonight," he informed the poor creatures, and sought the master's cabin. Lying on his bed, fully dressed, he found the skipper of the Chesapeake. The man was gaunt and emaciated.

The freeboard of the green-pea trade touched his wet forelock respectfully. "My name is Gibney, sir, an' I hold an unlimited license as first mate of sail or steam. I was passin' up the coast on a good-for-nothin' little humboat, an' seen you in distress, so me an' a friend swum over to give you the double O. You're in a bad way, sir."

"Two hundred and eighty-seven days from Hamburg, Mr. Gibney. Our vegetables gave out and we drank too much rain water and ate too much fresh fish down in the Doldrums. Our potatoes



"Out of My Cabin or I'll Riddle You," He Barked Feebly.

all went rotten before we were out two months. Naturally, the ship's officers stuck it out longest, but when we drifted in here this morning, I was the only man aboard able to stand up. I crawled up on the to-gallan'-fo'-castle and let go the starboard anchor. I'd had it cock-billed for three weeks. All I had to do was knock out the skipper."

While Mr. Gibney questioned him and listened avidly to the horrible tale of privation and despair, McGuffey

appeared to report a brisk fire under the donkey and to promise steam in forty minutes; also that the Maggie was hoisted to a cable length distant, with her crew digging under the deck-load of vegetables for the small boat. "Help yourself to a belayin' pin, Bart, an' knock 'em on the heads if they try to come aboard," Mr. Gibney ordered nonchalantly.

"Do I understand there is a steamer at hand, Mr. Gibney?" the master of the Chesapeake queried.

"There's an excuse for one, sir. The little vegetable freighter Maggie. She'll never be able to tow you in, because she ain't got power enough, an' if she had power enough she ain't got coal enough. Besides, Scraggs, her owner, is a rotten bad article an' before he'll put a rope aboard you he'll tie you up on a contract for a figger that'd make an angel weep. The way your ship lies an' everything, me an' McGuffey can sail her in for you at half the price."

"I can't risk my ship in the hands of two men," the sick captain answered. "She's too valuable and so is her cargo. If this little steamer will tow me in I'll gladly give her my towline and let the court settle the bill."

"Not by a million," Mr. Gibney protested. "Beg pardon, sir, but you don't know this here Scraggs like I do. I couldn't think of lettin' him set foot on this deck."

"You couldn't think of it? Well, when did you take command of my ship?"

"You're flotsam an' jetsam, sir, an' practically in the breakers. You're sick, ah, for all I know, delirious, so for the sake o' protectin' you, the sick seaman in the fo'-castle an' the owners, I'm takin' command."

The master of the Chesapeake reached under his pillow and produced a pistol. "Out of my cabin or I'll riddle you," he barked feebly.

Mr. Gibney departed without a word of protest and proceeded to make his arrangements, regardless of the master's consent. As he and McGuffey busied themselves, laying the leading blocks along the deck, they glanced toward the Maggie and observed Captain Scraggs hurling crates of vegetables overboard in an effort to get at the small boat quickly. "He'll die when the freight claims come in," Mr. McGuffey chortled. "Poor ol' Scraggs!"

When Captain Scraggs came aboard, Mr. Gibney escorted him around to the master's cabin, introduced him, and stood by while they bargained. "The tow will cost you five thousand, Captain," Scraggs began pompously.

"Me an' McGuffey'll sail you in for four," Gibney declared.

"Three thousand," snarled Scraggs. "Sailin' cheap as dirt at two thousand. As a matter of fact, Scraggsy, me an' Mac'll sail her in for nothin' just to skin you out o' the salvage."

"Two thousand dollars is my lowest figure," Scraggs declared. "Take it or leave it, Captain. Under the circumstances, bargaining is useless. Two thousand is my last bid."

The figure Scraggs named was probably one fifth of what the master of the Chesapeake knew a court would award; nevertheless he shook his head.

"It's a straight towing job, Captain, and not a salvage proposition at all. A tug would tow me in for two hundred and fifty, but I'll give you five hundred."

Remembering the vegetables he had jettisoned, Scraggs knew he could not afford to accept that price. "I'm through," he bluffed—and his bluff worked.

"Taken, Captain Scraggs. Write out an agreement and I'll sign it."

With the agreement in his pocket, Scraggs, followed by Gibney, left the cabin. "One hundred each to you an' Mac if you'll stay aboard the Chesapeake, steer her, an' help the Maggie out with what sail you can get on her," Scraggs promised.

"Take a long, rummin' jump at yourself, Scraggsy, old sorrowful. The best me an' Mac'll do is to help you cock-bill the anchor, an' that'll cost you ten bucks for each of us—in advance." The artful fellow realized that Scraggs knew nothing whatever about a sailing ship and would have to depend upon The Squarehead for the information he required.

"All right. Here's your money," Scraggs replied and handed Mr. Gibney twenty dollars. He and Nels Halvorsen then went forward, got out the steel towing cable, and fastened a light rope to the end of it. The skiff floated off the ship at the end of the painter, so The Squarehead hauled it in, climbed down into the skiff, and made the light rope fast to a thwart; then, with Captain Scraggs paying out the hawser, Nels bent manfully to the oars and started to tow the steel cable back to the Maggie. Half way there, the weight of the cable dragging behind slowed The Squarehead up and eventually stopped him. Exerting all his strength he pulled and pulled, but the sole result of his efforts was to wear himself out, seeing which the Maggie's navigating officer set the little steamer in toward the perspiring Nels, while Captain Scraggs, Gibney, and McGuffey cheered lustily.

Suddenly an oar snapped. Instantly Nels unshipped the remaining oar,

sprang to the stern, and attempted, by sculling, to keep the skiff's head up to the waves. But the weight of the cable whirled the little craft around, a wave rolled in over her counter, and half-filled her; the succeeding wave completed the job and rolled the skiff over and The Squarehead was forced to swim back to the Chesapeake. He climbed up the Jacob's ladder to face a storm of abuse from Captain Scraggs.

The cable was hauled back aboard with difficulty, owing to the submerged skiff at the end of it. Captain Scraggs and The Squarehead leaned over the Chesapeake's rail and tugged furiously, when the wreck came alongside, but all of their strength was unequal to the task of righting the little craft by hauling up on the light rope attached to her thwart.

"For ten dollars more each me an' Mac'll tail on to that rope an' do our best to right the skiff. After she's righted, I'll bail her out, borrow new oars from this here bark, an' help Nels row back to the Maggie with the cable," Mr. Gibney volunteered. "Cash in advance, as per usual."

"You're a pair of highway robbers, but I'll take you," Scraggs almost wailed, and paid out the money; whereupon Gibney and McGuffey "tailed" on to the rope and with raucous cries hauled away. As a result of their efforts, the thwart came down with the rope and the quartet sat down with exceeding abruptness on the hard pine deck of the Chesapeake.

"I had an idea that thwart would pull loose," Mr. Gibney remarked.

"Well, what're you gain' to do now?" "I ain't licked yet—not by a jugful," Scraggs snapped. "Halvorsen, haul down that signal halyard from the mizzenmast, take one end of it in your teeth, an' swim back to the Maggie with it. We'll fasten a heavier line to the cable, an' haul the cable aboard with the Maggie's winch."

"You say that so nice, Scraggsy, old hopeful, I'm tempted to think you can whistle it. Nels, he's only askin' you to risk your life overboard for nothin'. Tain't in the shippin' articles that a seaman's got to do that. If he wants a swimmin' exhibition make him pay for it—through the nose. An' if I was you, I'd find out how much o' this two thousand dollars towage he's goin' to distribute to his crew. Personally I'd get mine in advance."

"Adelbert P. Gibney," Captain Scraggs hissed. "There's such a thing as drivin' a man to distraction. Halvorsen, are you with me?"

"Aye bane—for sixty dollars. Hay bane worth a month's pay for take dat swim."

"You dirty Scowegian ingrate. Well, you don't get no sixty dollars from me. Bear a hand and we'll drop the ship's work boat overboard. I guess you can tow a signal halyard to the Maggie, can't you, Nels?"

Nels could—and did. Within fifteen minutes the Maggie was fast to her prize. "Now we'll cockbill the anchor," quoth Captain Scraggs, so McGuffey reporting sufficient steam in the donkey to turn over the windlass, the anchor was raised and cockbilled, and the Maggie hauled away on the hawser the instant Captain Scraggs signaled his new navigating officer that the hook was free of the bottom.

"The old girl don't seem to be makin' headway in the right direction," McGuffey remarked plaintively, after the Maggie had strained at the hawser for five minutes. Mr. Gibney, standing by with a hammer in his hand, nodded affirmatively, while the skipper of the Chesapeake, whom Mr. Gibney had had the forethought to carry out on deck to watch the operation, glanced apprehensively ashore. Scraggs measured the distance with his eye to the nearest fringe of surf and it was plain that he was worried.

"Captain Scraggs," the skipper of the Chesapeake called feebly. "Mr. Gibney is right. That craft of yours is unable to tow my ship against this wind. You're losing ground, inch by inch, and it will be only a matter of an hour or two, if you hang on to me, before I'll be in the breakers and a total loss. You'll have to get sail on her or let go the anchor until a tug arrives."

"I don't know a thing about a sailin' ship," Scraggs quavered.

"I know it all," Mr. Gibney cut in, "but there ain't money enough in the world to induce me to exercise that knowledge to your profit." He turned to the master of the Chesapeake. "For one hundred dollars each, McGuffey an' I will sail her in for you, sir."

"I'll not take the risk, Mr. Gibney. Captain Scraggs, if you will follow my instructions we'll get some sail on the Chesapeake. Take those lines through the leading blocks to the winch—"

The engineer of the Maggie came up on deck and waved his arms wildly. "Leggo," he bawled. "I've blown out two tubes. It'll be all I can do to get home without that tow."

"Jump on that, Scraggsy," quoth McGuffey softly and cast his sliver engineer's cap on the deck at Scraggs' feet. The latter's face was ashen as he turned to the skipper of the Chesapeake. "I'm through," he gulped. "I'll have to cast off. Your ship's drivin' on the beach now."

"Oh, say not so, Scraggsy," said Mr. Gibney softly, and with a blow

of the hammer knocked out the stopper on the windlass and let the anchor go down by the run. "Not this voyage, at least." The Chesapeake rounded with a jerk and Mr. Gibney took Captain Scraggs gently by the arm. "Into the small boat, old ruin," he whispered, "and I'll row you an' The Squarehead back to the Maggie. If she drifts ashore with that load o' garden truck, you might as well drown yourself."

Captain Scraggs was beyond words. He suffered himself to be taken back to the Maggie, after which kindly action Mr. Gibney returned to the Chesapeake, climbed aboard, and with the assistance of McGuffey, hauled the work boat up on the deck.

"Now," Mr. Gibney inquired, approaching the skipper of the Chesapeake, "what'll you give me an' Mac, sir, to sail you in?"

"One thousand dollars," the skipper answered weakly.

"You refused to let us do it for a hundred. Now it'll cost you two thousand, an' I'm lettin' you off cheap at that. Of course, you can take a chance an' wait until word o' your predicament sifts into San Francisco an' a tug comes out for you, but in the meantime the wind may increase an' with the tide at the flood how do you know your anchor won't drag an' pile you up on them rocks to leeward?"

"I'll pay two thousand, Mr. Gibney."

Without further ado, Mr. Gibney went to the master's cabin, wrote out an agreement, carried the skipper aft and got his signature to the contract. Then he tucked the skipper into bed and came dashing out on deck.

"Come here till I introduce you to the jib halyards," he bawled to McGuffey, and they went forward.

With the aid of the winch, they braced the foreyard; then McGuffey ran aft and took the wheel while Mr.



Was Forced to Swim Back to the Chesapeake.

Gibney scuttled forward, eased up the compressor on the windlass, and permitted the anchor chain to pay out rapidly. With the hammer, he knocked out the pin at the forty-five fathom shackle and leaving the anchor to go by the board, for it worried him no longer, the bark Chesapeake moved gently off on a west-southwest course that would keep her three points off the land. She had sufficient head sail on now to hold her up.

Mr. Gibney fell upon the main to-gallan'-s'l leads like a demon, carried them through the leading block to the winch head, turned over the winch and sheeted home the main-to-gallan'-s'l. The Chesapeake gathered speed and Mr. Gibney went aft and stood beside Mr. McGuffey, the while he looked aloft and thrilled to the whine of the breeze through the rigging. "This is sailorizin'," he declared. "It sure beats bumboatin'. Here, blast you, Bart. You're spillin' the wind out o' that jib. First thing you know we'll have her in irons an' then the fat will be in the fire."

He took the wheel from McGuffey. When he was two miles off the beach he brought her up into the wind and made the wheel fast, a spoke to leeward. "Sheet home the fore-to-gallan'-s'l," he howled and dashed forward. "Leggo them buntlines an' clewlines, my hearties, an' haul home that sheet."

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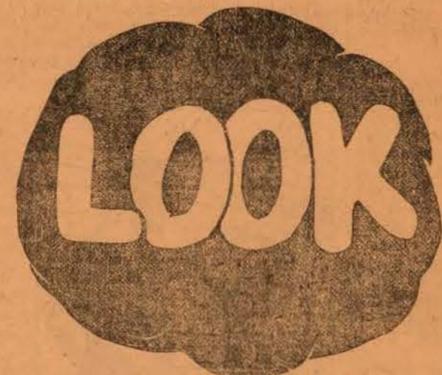
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