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Borden County Round-up

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Borden County Couple To Wed August 2

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bradford, Route B, Lamesa, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Janey Sue Bradford, to Weldon Edward Reeder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reeder of Fluvanna.

The Couple will be married August 2, in Lovington, N. M.

Miss Bradford is a graduate of Borden Rural High School.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Fluvanna High School, and is a former student of Texas Technological College in Lubbock. He is now employed in Hobbs, where they will make their home after a wedding trip.

The Roundup to Make Changes Soon

We are asking our readers to bear with us in the absence of a printer. We are now making necessary arrangements to change the complete set-up of the paper. In the meantime for lack of time news may necessarily be omitted.

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Local News Items

Recent visitors of L. A. Pearce were three daughters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Petty and Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Johnson of Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Harrison have been vacationing at Cloudfroft, N. M.

John Johnson is a patient in the Veterans Hospital at Big Spring, where he was taken after suffering a light stroke.

Mr. and Mrs. Mert Jones were recent visitors of the Ben Weathers.

Carrol Patterson is visiting with relatives at Caddo Mills, Texas.

The Ardhie Dodsons attended a reunion of the Dodson family at Brady recently.

Due to the fact we had printed the issue of Aug. 3 ahead, we were unable to use the election returns. This will be done later, with proper changes in Political Announcement Column.

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TOTAL \$12,413,267.03

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Announcement

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BORDEN COUNTY

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For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1:

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For County Sheriff and Tax Assessor-Collector:

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For Congress, 19th District:

GEORGE MAHON

BORDEN COUNTY ROUND-UP

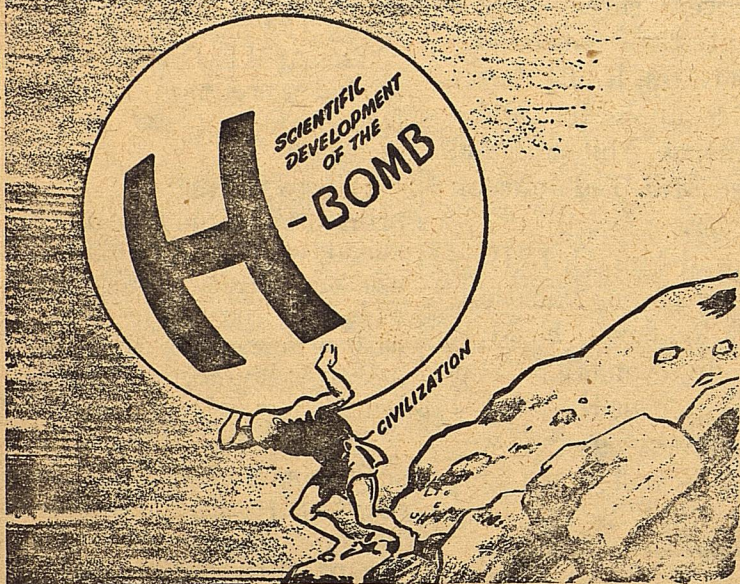
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SHORT STORY

Without Excitement
By Besse Lecke

WELL, she had spent her two weeks in Florida and now she was on her way home. And other than a good tan, she had nothing to show for her expensive vacation. She had eaten ham-burgers and soup for a year so she could have these two weeks but she was returning home without finding excitement on her vacation. Not one unusual thing had happened.

Atmosphere in the club car was a little smokey and anything but quiet, so Susan and her mystery novel decided to move back up the train to her seat. She passed through the club car and the two beyond. Her seat was in the fourth car from the end.

As she opened the door to the little space between the cars, she saw the whole thing. The outside door of the speeding train was open and, framed against the black night and the fleeting countryside was a man with his back to the door. Terror was written in every line of his white face. Two feet away from him, with his back to Susan, was another man in a gray overcoat and gray hat. She saw his hands move swiftly and the white-faced man screamed as he toppled backward out the door, his hands clutching at nothing. One moment he was there, the next he was swallowed up in a black pit.

Susan gasped, unable to scream, just as the wind whipped the con-



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"No, thank goodness. I caught you just in time."

necting door shut in her face. Only a second before the door slammed the man had turned to see her. He

ing her back as the sieve of her suit tore. The man in gray was still holding her sleeve as he fell.

She came to, sitting in the club car with people crowding around her, exclaiming over her. She picked one face from the crowd.

"I didn't die?"

"No, thank goodness. I caught you just in time. I'm Lieutenant Blake, Miami police. We've been chasing that guy and the one he pushed off the train for weeks. We won't be bothered with them again. I'll get you something to drink then we'll go somewhere and I'll tell you about it, privately."

She'd never again complain of a vacation without excitement. And romance?—well, Lieutenant Blake was goodlooking and, he told her, unattached.

knew she had seen him murder a man.

She fled back down the aisle toward the club car, unable to speak. Half-way to the next car she glanced over her shoulder. The door opened and the man in gray started down the aisle after her. With high heels and the swaying of the train, running was almost impossible.

Somewhere down in her throat, her voice had stuck. She couldn't utter a sound or cry for help. She could just run, while the other passengers hardly took notice.

He was right behind her as she reached the door to the next car. His hand closed over hers on the door knob. They were alone in the tiny space connecting the two cars and the roar of the train would drown any sound she could make even if she could find her voice.

Her heart pounded so hard that she could feel it in her ears and at the base of her throat, choking her. His hand was like a vice as he moved hers from the knob. She jerked around, facing him; seeing his face like a mask, his eyes expressionless, his thin lips drawn back from white teeth.

She had known what he would do even before he jerked open the outside door, but fear had rooted her to the spot. She knew how the white-faced man must have felt before he fell backward into space.

With his hands on her shoulders, he moved her backward toward the open door without speaking a word. Terrified, she found her voice at last and screamed. Her hand found and clutched the edge of the door as she heard a voice from somewhere.

"Let her go, Jackson."

The man spun around at the sound of the voice, lost his balance and fell toward the door dragging her with him. The rest was like a nightmare. Her grip on the door loosened and she was falling outward. She screamed again before she felt the hand on her arm pull-

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2 proposing an amendment to Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, so as to change the membership of the Veterans' Land Board; so that the total amount of bonds or obligations that may be issued by the Veterans' Land Board shall be increased to Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000); providing for the issuance of said bonds or obligations and the conditions relating thereto and the use of the Veterans' Land Fund; providing for an election and the issuance of a proclamation therefor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, be amended so that the same will hereafter read as follows:

"Section 4-b. There is hereby created a Board to be known as the Veterans' Land Board, which shall be composed of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and two citizens of the State who shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Governor shall biennially appoint one such member to serve for a term of four years, with the initial appointments to the Board under this section to be for terms of two and four years, respectively, and all subsequent appointments to be according to provisions of this section. One such appointive member shall be well versed in veterans' affairs and the other such appointive member shall be well versed in finances. The Commissioner of the General Land Office shall act as Chairman of the Board and shall be the administrator of the Veterans' Land Program under such terms and restrictions as may be now or hereafter provided by law. The compensation for said appointive members shall be as fixed by the Legislature, and each shall make bond in such amount as may be prescribed by the Legislature. The Veterans' Land Board may issue not to exceed Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) in bonds or obligations of the State of Texas for the purpose of creating a fund to be known as the Veterans' Land Fund. Such bonds shall be executed by said Board as an obligation of the State of Texas, in such form denominations, and upon the terms as are now provided by law or as may hereafter be provided by law; provided, however, that said bonds shall bear a rate of interest not to exceed three per cent (3%) per annum, and that the same shall be sold for not less than par value and accrued interest.

"In the sale of any such bonds, a preferential right of purchase shall be given to the administrators of the various Teacher Retirement Funds, the Permanent University Funds, and the Permanent School Funds; such bonds to be issued as needed, in the opinion of the Veterans' Land Board.

"The Veterans' Land Fund shall be used by the Board for the sole purpose of purchasing lands suitable for the purpose hereinafter stated, situated in this State, (a) owned by the United States, or any governmental agency thereof; (b) owned by the Texas Prison System or any other governmental agency of the State of Texas; or (c) owned by any person, firm, or corporation. Provided, however, the portion of the Veterans' Land Fund not immediately committed for the purchase of lands may be invested in short term United States bonds or obligations until such funds are needed for the purchase of lands. The interest accruing thereon shall become a part of the Veterans' Land Fund.

"All lands thus purchased shall be acquired at the lowest price obtainable, to be paid for in cash, and shall be a part of the Veterans' Land Fund.

"The lands of the Veterans' Land Fund shall be sold by the State of Texas veterans of the present war or wars, commonly known as World War II, and to Texas veterans of service in the armed forces of the United States of America subsequent to 1945, as may be included within this program by legislative Act, in such quantities, and on such terms and at such prices and rates of interest, and under such rules and regulations as are now provided by law, or as may hereafter be provided by law.

"All monies received and which have been received under the Constitutional Amendment as adopted by the people of Texas at the election held on November 13, 1951, and which have not been used for repurchase of land as provided herein by the Veterans' Land Board from the sale of lands and for interest on deferred payments, shall be credited to the Veterans' Land Fund for use in purchasing additional lands to be sold to Texas veterans of World War II, and to Texas veterans of service in the armed forces of the United States of America subsequent to 1945, as may be included within this program by legislative Act, in like manner as provided for the sale of lands purchased with the proceeds from the sales of the bonds, provided for herein, for a period ending December 1, 1959; provided, however, that so much of such monies as may be necessary during the period ending December 1, 1959, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds heretofore issued and on bonds hereafter issued by the Veterans' Land Board shall be set aside for that purpose. After December 1, 1959, all monies received by the Veterans' Land Board from the sale of the lands and interest on deferred payments or on such other bonds as may be necessary, shall be set aside for the retirement of bonds heretofore issued and to pay interest thereon, and any of such monies not so needed shall not later than the maturity date of the last maturing bond or bonds be deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund to be appropriated to such purposes as may be prescribed by law. All bonds issued hereunder shall after approval by the Attorney General of Texas, registration by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, and delivery to the purchasers be incontestable and shall constitute obligations of the State under the Constitution of Texas. Of the total Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) of bonds herein authorized, the sum of One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000) has heretofore been issued, said bonds heretofore issued are hereby in all respects validated and declared to be

obligations of the State of Texas.

"The additional bonds herein authorized may be sold in such installments as deemed necessary and advisable by the Veterans' Land Board. All monies received from the sale of land and for interest on deferred payments on land purchased with the proceeds of such additional bonds, shall be credited to the Veterans' Land Fund for use in purchasing additional lands to be sold to Texas veterans, as herein provided, in like manner as provided for the sale of lands purchased with the proceeds from the sales of the bonds provided for herein, for a period ending December 1, 1965; provided, however, that so much of such monies as may be necessary to pay interest on the additional bonds herein provided for shall be set aside for that purpose. After December 1, 1965, all monies received by the Veterans' Land Board from the sale of the lands and interest on payments, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be set aside for the retirement of said additional bonds and to pay interest thereon, and any of such monies not so needed shall not later than the maturity date of the last maturing bond be deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund to be appropriated to such purposes as may be prescribed by law.

"This amendment shall be effective on and after January 1, 1957."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at the general election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1956, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"FOR the Amendment to Section 49-b of Article III of the Constitution of Texas to change the membership of the Veterans' Land Board; increasing the Veterans' Land Fund by \$100,000,000; said fund to be used for the purpose of purchasing land in Texas to be sold to Texas veterans of World War II and to Texas veterans of service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America subsequent to 1945. Such funds shall be expended in accordance with instructions and requirements that may be provided by law."; and

"AGAINST the Amendment to Section 49-b of Article III of the Constitution of Texas to change the membership of the Veterans' Land Board; increasing the Veterans' Land Fund by \$100,000,000; said fund to be used for the purpose of purchasing land in Texas to be sold to Texas veterans of World War II and to Texas veterans of service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America subsequent to 1945. Such funds shall be expended in accordance with instructions and requirements that may be provided by law."

If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast were in favor of said amendment, the same shall become a part of the State Constitution and be effective from the date set forth in said amendment, and the Governor shall issue a proclamation in keeping therewith.

Sec. 3. Should the Legislature pass legislation with regard to this amendment prior to its adoption, it shall not be invalid because of its anticipatory nature.

Sec. 4. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution and Laws of this State.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5 proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, amending Section 48a, Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to authorize needed changes in and revision of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas; providing that this section shall not amend, alter, or repeal Section 63 of Article 16 of the Constitution of Texas as adopted November 1954, or any enabling legislation passed pursuant thereto; providing for the necessary election, form of ballot, proclamation and publication.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 48a of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 48a. In addition to the powers given the Legislature under Section 48, Article III, it shall have the right to levy taxes to establish a fund to provide retirement, disability and death benefits for persons employed in the public schools, colleges and universities supported wholly or partly by the State; provided that the amount contributed by the State to such fund each year shall be equal to the aggregate amount required by law to be paid into the fund by such employees, and shall not exceed at any time six per centum (6%) of the compensation paid each such person by the State and/or school districts, and shall in no one (1) year exceed the sum of Five Hundred Four Dollars (\$504.00) for any such person; and provided that no person shall be eligible for retirement who has not rendered ten years of creditable service in such employment, and in no case shall any person retire before either attaining the age fifty-five (55) or completing thirty (30) years of creditable service, but shall be entitled to refund of moneys paid into the fund.

"The Legislature may authorize all moneys coming into such fund to be invested in bonds or other evidences of indebtedness of the United States, or of this State, or any county, city, school district, or other municipal corporation or district of this State; or in such other securities as are now or hereafter may be permitted by law as investments for the Permanent University Fund or for the Permanent School Fund of this State; provided a sufficient sum shall be kept on hand to meet payments as they become due each year under such retirement plan, as may be provided by law; and provided that the recipients of such retirement fund shall not be eligible for any other State pension retirement funds or direct aid from the State of Texas, unless such other State pension or retirement fund, contributed by the State, is released to the State of Texas as a condition to receiving such other pension aid; providing, however, that this section shall not amend, alter, or repeal Section 63 of Article 16 of the Constitution of Texas as adopted November, 1954, or any enabling legislation passed pursuant thereto."

Texas as adopted November, 1954, or any enabling legislation passed pursuant thereto."

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1956, at which election each ballot shall have printed thereon the following words:

"FOR the constitutional amendment empowering the Legislature to revise the existing Teacher Retirement System and to broaden the benefits to employees of public schools, colleges, and universities supported wholly or partly by the State, authorizing that the State's contributions for such purposes shall equal contributions by such employees and providing that they do not exceed six per centum (6%) of the compensation paid each such employee by the State or school district or the sum of Five Hundred Four Dollars (\$504.00) for each year for any such employee, regulating the eligibility of such employees for retirement benefits and prescribing the manner of investing money accruing to the retirement fund."

"AGAINST the constitutional amendment empowering the Legislature to revise the existing Teacher Retirement System and to broaden the benefits to employees of public schools, colleges, and universities supported wholly or partly by the State, authorizing that the State's contributions for such purposes shall equal contributions by such employees and providing that they do not exceed six per centum (6%) of the compensation paid each such employee by the State or school district or the sum of Five Hundred Four Dollars (\$504.00) for each year for any such employee, regulating the eligibility of such employees for retirement benefits and prescribing the manner of investing money accruing to the retirement fund."

Each voter shall mark out one of said clauses on the ballot leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed amendment. If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast were in favor of said amendment, the same shall become a part of the State Constitution and be effective from the date of determination of such result and the Governor's proclamation thereof.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said special election and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30 proposing an amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adopting a new Section to be known as Section 51-b, giving the Legislature the power to provide, under such limitations and restrictions as may be deemed by the Legislature expedient, for assistance to needy individuals who are citizens of the United States, who are more than eighteen (18) years of age and less than sixty-five (65) years of age, who are permanently and totally disabled by reason of a mental or physical handicap and not feasible for vocational rehabilitation, who are residents of the State of Texas, except that the individuals who are receiving aid for the permanently and totally disabled may not, during the same period of time, receive Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Needy Blind, or Aid to Dependent Children, or be resident in any completely State supported institution; providing that the Legislature shall have the authority to accept from the Government of the United States financial aid for the permanently and totally disabled individuals; providing that the amount paid to any individual may not exceed Twenty Dollars (\$20) a month out of State funds and may never exceed the amount paid to that individual from Federal funds; providing that the amount paid out of State funds for assistance payments shall not exceed One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) per year; providing for the necessary proclamation, publication and election.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

"Section 1. That Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new Section to be known as Section 51-b which shall read as follows:

Section 51-b. The Legislature shall have the power to provide by general laws, under such limitations and restrictions as may be deemed by the Legislature expedient, for assistance to needy individuals, who are citizens of the United States, who shall have passed their eighteenth (18th) birthday but have not passed their sixty-fifth (65th) birthday, who are totally and permanently disabled by reason of a mental or physical handicap or a combination of physical and mental handicaps and not feasible for vocational rehabilitation, and who are residents of the State of Texas, who have resided in this State for at least one (1) year continuously immediately preceding the application and who have resided in the State for at least an additional five (5) years during the nine (9) years immediately preceding the application for assistance; and providing further that no individual shall receive assistance under this program for the permanently and totally disabled during any period when he is receiving old age assistance, aid to the needy blind, or aid to dependent children, nor while he is residing permanently in any completely State supported institution; and provided further that not more than Twenty Dollars (\$20) a month out of State funds may be paid to any individual recipient; and provided further that the amount paid out of State funds to any individual may never exceed the amount paid to that individual out of Federal funds; and provided further that the amount paid out of State funds for assistance payments shall not exceed One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) per year.

"The Legislature shall have the authority to accept from the Government of the United States such financial aid for individuals who are permanently and totally disabled as that Government may offer not inconsistent with the restrictions herein provided."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional

WASHBOARD SERENADE

Kitchenettes Make Music For Town Park

BIGLERVILLE, Pa.—There's a Mardi-Gras air today in this thriving little community, not far from historic Gettysburg. And it's the women of the town who are responsible.

The girls have banded together to form the novel Biglerville Kitchenettes, members of which use all manner of kitchen utensils to produce music.

Community Betterment

The 40 members of the band have one sole aim—community betterment. Right now, the town needs a new playground or a public park.

While the serenade is going on, non-playing girls pass bread-baskets and tureens, among the audience, wheeling and cajoling contributions from the delighted audience. This money, quite logically, is transferred into a tremendous kitchen pot. To date, the Kitchenettes have raised the level of the pot to a hefty \$3,000—more than enough, they figure, to purchase the land for Biglerville's newest play area.

Unique Auctions

Unique auction sales also further the Kitchenette cause.

Famed writers, painters and other civic-minded persons, intrigued by the Biglerville project, have contributed valuable items. Last Spring, the Kitchenettes undertook to present a musical performance based on the various seasons of the year and the seasons' effect on apple-growing, one of Adams County's principal sources of income.

The play was so popular that it played to standees for three consecutive nights—quite a pat on the back for the Kitchenettes' talents, for Biglerville has a population of 890 and the town auditorium seats 700. Receipts totaled \$800.

Another unique custom of the Kitchenettes is the serenading of brides and grooms, often after the newlywed pair returns from the wedding trip.

Some couples have escaped by leaping from rear windows and outdistancing the band. In recent months, the musical girls have resorted to a new kind of strategy to foil escape. They turn out in unusually large numbers and actually surround the house and block all exits.

Amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Texas on the second Tuesday in November, 1956, at which election there shall be printed on the ballot the following clause:

"FOR the Amendment giving the Legislature the power to provide for assistance not to exceed Twenty Dollars (\$20) a month out of State funds for each needy individual, eighteen (18) years of age or older, who is a resident of the State of Texas and who is permanently and totally disabled by reason of his mental or physical handicap."

"AGAINST the Amendment giving the Legislature the power to provide for assistance not to exceed Twenty Dollars (\$20) a month out of State funds for each needy individual, eighteen (18) years of age or older, who is a resident of the State of Texas and who is permanently and totally disabled by reason of his mental or physical handicap."

Sec. 3. **PROCLAMATION.** The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for an election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and Laws of the State.