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ACTIVITY IS NORMAL IN OIL SECTOR

Eight Wells Completed;
Seven New Locations
Made Past Week; Big
Well Completed in the
Monument Area.

Activity in the southeastern oil area has been comparatively quiet during the past week with eight wells added to the completion list and seven new locations announced. The biggest well of the week is completed in the Monument tract in the Barnsdall Oil Co., upper No. 3, in sec. 7-20-37, which is finished at 507 barrels per acre, flowing through tubing for an average daily production of 168 barrels daily.

The Continental Oil Co., has completed three wells; one the Eckhart B-28 No. 2 in sec. 28-36, drilled to a total depth of 30 feet and finished for an output of forty-four barrels an hour through a 3/4-inch choke on tubing. The Mayers B-4 No. 3, in sec. 10-19-37, of the same company was finished at 3870 feet for an initial production of forty barrels per acre and 300,000 feet of gas, flowing through tubing. The State Oil Co., through tubing, the State Oil Co., No. 1 of this company was finished at 3977 feet and finished the Near Fifty barrels per hour with 300,000 feet of gas flowing through tubing.

Another new Lea county producer was finished in the Devonian, the State Healey No. 2, sec. 5-21-36, drilled to 3866 feet for an average output of twenty-five barrels per hour through a two-inch tubing. The Gypsy Oil Co., Culp No. 3, No. 1-19-37, was completed in the obbs district at 4002 feet for an initial production of two-inch tubular water and 1,250,000 feet of gas.

The Shell Petroleum Corp., State No. 1, sec. 24-19-36, completed at 4043 feet for an initial production of 422 barrels in four hours, later water well through tubing. A fair well was completed in the Barnsdall Oil Co., State No. 1-D, sec. 21-36, which was drilled to 3890 feet and finished for an initial production of 162 barrels per hour through a one-inch choke on tubing.

A deep test in north Lea county, the Vernon and Brown, Robbins No. 1, sec. 14-11-32, which has attracted some attention, is shut down for orders at 4794 feet.

Locations
Locations announced the past week include two for Eddy county, the Keyes, Keyes No. 1, sec. 3-17-28; Flint and Berry, Berry No. 1, sec. 24-17-27. Lea county locations include: Barnsdall Oil Co., Cooper No. 4, sec. 12-36-36; Shelly Oil Co., Christmas No. 1, sec. 25-19-36; Shell Petroleum Corp., State 1-H, sec. 13-21-35; Gypsy Oil Co., State No. 4, sec. 10-19-37; Oilwell Drilling Co., State No. 1-A, sec. 29-19-37.

ANNOUNCING

The arrival of a baby girl last Thursday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Hanson. The young lady will be named Carma Dean.

Southeastern New Mexico Produced Over 19,000,000 Barrels of Oil in 1935

Southeastern New Mexico, including Eddy and Lea counties, produced over 19,000,000 barrels of oil in 1935, according to figures by Pecos valley operators. The line runs from the two amounted to approximately 5,000,000 barrels, in addition 9,000 barrels of storage in inventory on the first of the year. An amount 860,000 barrels through the pipe lines through the Maljamar, Grayburg and districts for an average total of about 72,000 barrels monthly total has been produced by the two refineries as there is no coastal pipeline such as is found in Lea county.

TINGLEY ANNOUNCES FOR REELECTION

Gov. Clyde Tingley announced his candidacy for reelection at the close of his address to the newspapermen of the state at the annual banquet of the New Mexico Press Association at Albuquerque Friday night.

The governor urged the newspapermen to sell New Mexico to New Mexicans; publicize the state's climate; boost the Coronado exposition, and forget politics in matters of the public good.

Jesse Morgan To Enter Military Training School At Benning, Georgia

Jesse Morgan of Las Cruces has been appointed as one of three lieutenants in the 103rd division's area of Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico to take a training course at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan and children will leave this week for the post, where Jesse will study technical and tactical infantry training at the fort training school for infantry students and reserve officers. It is said to be the largest school of its kind in the entire world. They will probably return to New Mexico the latter part of May.

Editor's note: When we heard the above, we immediately thought of it being another step in the rapid success of a former Hagerman boy. Jesse Morgan came to Hagerman when a small lad with his parents. Attended the school here, and was one of the three outstanding pupils in the class of 1925. It was interesting to look over his grades during his high school days (Continued on last page, column 1)

Gen. Wm. Mitchell Dies Yesterday

NEW YORK—Brigadier General William "Billy" Mitchell, 57, died late Wednesday in Doctor's hospital here after a long illness of influenza and heart affliction. He had been in the hospital since January 28th.

His open conflict with superiors on war department aviation policy resulted in his courtmartial in 1925 and he was suspended from the service for five years. He resigned his commission in 1926 and continued his criticism of the war department from the lecture platform.

Dr. Samuel W. Lambert, Jr., who attended Mitchell during his illness, said death had come suddenly and unexpectedly. He said the general apparently had been improving during the past week and was believed in no immediate danger.

Dr. Lambert was with him at the time of his death.

STATE SEWING PROJECTS ARE CUT TO HALF TIME

All sewing projects in New Mexico have been cut to half time, this ruling went into effect on January 21st. This permits each worker only ten days in every four weeks, or seventy hours, which will amount to twenty-two dollars in every four weeks.

This will affect project No. 713 in Hagerman, which had seventeen women enrolled, one or two had not completed their allotted number of hours, and are permitted to finish.

The supervisor, Mrs. I. B. McCormick, states that they hope to begin again about the 28th of February.

20,000 ITALIANS DIE

A foreign representative of the Red Cross said Friday 20,000 Italian soldiers had been surrounded in a huge battle recently in the northern Ethiopian front and had no chance to come out alive.

Date Execution Of Hauptmann Set March 30th

Trenchard Signs Death
Warrant Yesterday In
Sick Room; Little Hope
Left for Delay In the
Execution.

TRENTON, New Jersey—Bruno Richard Hauptmann's electrocution was set yesterday for the week of March 30.

The warrant was signed by Supreme Court Justice Thomas W. Trenchard as he sat in a chair in his sick room.

It was the third time an execution date has been set for the convicted murderer of Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr. The first date was the week of March 18 last, set on the night of February 13 by Justice Thomas W. Trenchard. This was written a few minutes after his conviction by a jury of eight men and four women after a six week's trial in Flemington.

Execution was automatically stayed when the defense appealed the case. The court of errors and appeals rejected the appeal on October 9th and after a further delay caused by an attempt to get a review of the case in the United States supreme court, Justice Trenchard on December 13 fixed the week of January 12.

On January 16th, twenty-nine hours before Hauptmann was to walk to the chair, Governor Harold G. Hoffman, after a brief conference with Attorney General David T. Wilentz, announced he was relieving Hauptmann until February 15.

Virtually his only hope of a further delay in the execution lies in a second reprieve, and this is regarded as unlikely. The governor himself has said he will not take such action again unless Attorney General David T. Wilentz agrees. The attorney general held that the first reprieve was illegal and said at the time it was granted he would oppose another.

PUBLIC DOMAIN BILL APPROVED

WASHINGTON—Interior department Friday approved a bill placing nearly all public domain under the Taylor grazing act. Representative Taylor, Colorado, said the bill also was approved by the budget office of the national resource committee. He said he would fight a bill to return any or part of the public domain to the states.

Mrs. Myron Lovett was a business caller in Hagerman Tuesday and also visited friends here.

Mercury Drops To 15 Above Here Tuesday Morning

A cold snap, which drove Pecos valley residents into heavy clothing again, came in from the north Monday and by Tuesday morning had veered to the southeast. Clovis reported the coldest weather of the season with a low reading of eight above. Roswell reported fifteen above Tuesday morning and the same reading, fifteen above, was reported here. The storm was attributed to a high pressure area over the eastern part of the state. Snow flurries were reported from Gallup to Las Vegas.

Four inches of snow was reported at Sacramento above Weed early yesterday morning and the snow was still falling at that time. The moisture extended down to the foothills. One of the coldest spells of the season was experienced by the Sacramento mountain area at this time, it was said. A low temperature of three above was recorded on the Cap Rock east of here and snow was falling in Roswell yesterday morning.

STREET IMPROVEMENT NEARLY COMPLETED

Dexter business district can now boast of being among the best dressed up, small towns in the valley. In November a project was started in grading, graveling and oiling all the streets in the business section of the town, and the result is a marvelous hard surfaced streets.

This was a city and WPA project. The city gave just about half the money. The project called for \$6,000, which included labor. The town of Dexter furnished over \$3,000 of this. The Garrison was supervisor of labor, which was all WPA. All men used were local, except one. There were fifteen laborers, and five truckmen or drivers.

Two blocks of streets were made forty-nine feet wide of this surface, and five blocks were made thirty feet wide.

The project closed on January 28th, and the city is finishing up by adding more gravel to some of the narrower streets on the sides.

This improvement has added much to Dexter's conveniences. Now one can drive through the town from the highway and back to the highway on the same hard surfaced road.

STEVENS ON WARNS HUNTERS

A warning was issued last week by M. Stevenson, deputy game warden, to hunters to observe the game laws. Mr. Stevenson says there has been some quail hunting in this district out of season. Game wardens on the lookout for violators and those who break the law must suffer the consequences. Mr. Stevenson stated.

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Roswell Host Junior Basket Tourney 22nd

Fifteen Teams Compete
In Tenth Annual Event;
Championship Game To
Be Played At 7:00 On
Saturday Evening.

The annual Junior Invitational Basketball Tournament for the Pecos valley, sponsored by the New Mexico Military Institute will be held at Roswell Saturday, with fifteen junior high school and junior teams entered.

This will be the tenth annual holding of this tournament with competition said unusually strong this year for the championship.

The tournament will get under way at 8:00 a. m., Saturday and the championship game will be a preliminary contest to the N. M. I. Bronco-Eastern New Mexico Junior College game Saturday night.

With the completion of drawings for the flights, with eight teams in the top (a) flight and seven teams in the lower (b) flight, the Hagerman Juniors getting the only bye of the tournament, the following will be the order of games by time and flight:

(a) Flight. Odd Number Games
First round: 1—Dexter Juniors vs. Roswell Juniors, 8:00 a. m. 3—Lovington Juniors vs. Artesia Juniors, 9:00 a. m. 5—Eunice Juniors vs. Carrizozo Juniors, 10:00 a. m. 7—Hobbs Juniors vs. Carrizozo Junior High School, 11:00 a. m.

Quarter finals: 9—Winner of 1 vs. winner of 3, 12:00 p. 11—Winner of 5 vs. winner of 7, 1:00 p. m. Semi-finals: 13—Winner of 9 vs. winner of 11, 3:00 p. m.

(b) Flight. Even Number Games
First round: 2—Hagerman, bye, 8:00 a. m. 4—N. M. I. Juniors vs. Artesia Junior High School, 9:00 a. m. 6—Roswell Junior High School vs. Hope Juniors, 10:00 a. m. 8—Valdsburg Juniors vs. Lake Arthur Juniors, 11:00 a. m.

Quarter finals: 10—Winner of 4 vs. Hagerman Juniors, 12:00 p. 12—Winner of 6 vs. winner of 8, 1:00 p. m.

Semi-finals: 14—Winner of 10 vs. winner of 12, 3:00 p. m. Championship game at 7:00 p. m., on center court, winner of 13 vs. winner of 14.

HOT SPRINGS HOSPITAL STARTED

Three thousand people braved a high wind and sand storm to attend a ground breaking ceremony for the \$500,000 crippled children's hospital at Hot Springs Thursday. Mrs. Clyde Tingley turned the first shovel of dirt.

Dexter Men's Club Plans To Sponsor A Trade's Day There

The Dexter Men's club is planning to sponsor a community trade's day to begin in the near future. It is planned to hold this one day each week, and perhaps later one day every two weeks. Another plan is to sponsor again a more beautiful "Dexter and Community." Robt. McNeil is president of the Men's club, L. Parker, vice president, and Orion McMain, secretary-treasurer.

AUTHOR SLAYER SENTENCED

ALBUQUERQUE—Modesto Trujillo, confessed slayer of Carl Taylor, pleaded guilty to second degree murder in Judge Fred Wilson's court Monday and was sentenced from 99 to 100 years in the state penitentiary.

The trial lasted only a few minutes after attorneys asked for clemency.

Denying leniency, Judge Wilson said, in his opinion, the boy should "be permanently removed from society."

Lawyer Quits The Hauptmann Case

TRENTON, New Jersey—Samuel S. Leibowitz, veteran criminal lawyer, quit his efforts in behalf of Bruno Richard Hauptmann last night, explaining his withdrawal from the case in a statement strongly indicating that he believed Hauptmann guilty of the Lindbergh kidnap-murder.

The Leibowitz withdrawal came with dramatic suddenness at the end of a crowded day in which the new date for Hauptmann's death was fixed for the week of March 30, and in which Hauptmann from his death house cell sent forth an appeal that he be permitted to see Dr. John F. Condon once more. "I believe I can prove to him I am not the man," Hauptmann said of Condon.

The Leibowitz withdrawal was a blow to Hauptmann's defense, but C. Lloyd Fisher, chief defense counsel met it and the implications of the withdrawal statement was a stout declaration that he was still convinced of Hauptmann's innocence.

DEXTER SCHOOL GROUNDS IMPROVED

The Dexter school, under a WPA project, has been undergoing some extensive improvements. Landscaping with an eye for symmetry has been used in setting out trees and shrubs. Some re-finishing, such as painting and repair work around the building, has been accomplished also, which has added to the attractiveness of the grounds.

SHERIFF'S SLAYER DIES IN COLORADO

CANON CITY, Colorado—His calmness broken in the final minutes, Otis McDaniels, 30, was executed in the Colorado penitentiary gas chamber Friday night for the shooting of Montezuma County Sheriff W. W. Dunlap.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence King and youngest daughter Wilva Jean went to Roswell Sunday afternoon to see Bing Crosby in "Anything Goes."

Fishing Regulations Are Clarified In Letter From Deputy Game Warden

TWO CORPORATIONS FILE IN NEW MEXICO

SANTA FE—Incorporation papers filed with the State Corporation Commission Monday included the following:
Western State Publishing Company of Albuquerque; authorized capital stock \$25,000, beginning business with \$7,000; incorporators: Frasier C. Biggs, D. A. McPherson, Jr., and R. P. Tinnin.

New Mexico Educational Association, principal office at Santa Fe; incorporators: J. R. McCollum, president; Ola C. Jones, D. N. Pope, Donald MacKay, H. R. Rodgers, Adeline Sanchez and Irvin P. Murphy, members.

ROAST CROW TASTY DISH?

North Texas sportsmen have recently tried a new dish, roast crow. Sportsmen of Sherman, Texas, staged a crow dinner not long ago and picked the bones clean. The crows were prepared much in the same manner as roast duck and after eating the crows, the sportsmen were said to have declared the duck season could be closed permanently so far as they were concerned.

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POTASH HAS NEW RECORD OUTPUT IN 35

600,000 Tons of Potash
Salts Produced in the
United States in 1935;
Improved Machinery
Has Boosted Output.

NEW YORK—Production of potash in the United States exceeded all previous records in 1935, Howard I. Smith, chief of the mining division of the United States geological survey, told government geologists in a review of the history of the potash industry at a meeting in New York.

Following are paragraphs from his speech:
The incentive for the record production of potash in the United States in 1935 originated in the cancellation of contracts in Europe in 1910 that involved a direct loss of some \$25,000,000 to American purchasers and an additional loss of two to three million dollars to payers of our taxes in Europe.

The following intensive search for potash by governmental and private agencies in America resulted in a production in 1915 of 4,374 tons of crude salts or the equivalent of 1,090 tons of pure potash (K₂O).

With a heavy investment of about \$50,000,000 at the close of the war, the new domestic industry struggled along with the production for brines exceeding that from all other sources until 1933, when the output from mineral salts in New Mexico took the lead. In 1935 American producers attained the record output of 600,000 tons of salts having an equivalent in pure potash of about 200,000 tons, as compared with a production in 1934 of 430,157 tons equivalent to 144,342 tons of pure potash.

Exports during the past year of potash salts of agricultural grade increased to 67,842 tons valued at about \$2,000,000 as compared with the previous record in 1931 of 32,460 tons, valued at \$1,267,000. The 1935 exports went to twenty-two countries and included shipments of 39,670 tons to Japan, 12,200 to Canada, and 7,619 tons to six European countries.

Even with the above exports the imports in 1935 for agricultural use amounted to some 200,000 tons of pure potash or about the same as the American production. The year of greatest imports was in 1930 with 322,370 tons.

The greatest progress made by the domestic industry in 1935 was in the capacity to produce potash salts which, within a few months, is expected to exceed 2,000,000 tons annually. The outstanding technical achievement was the mechanical separation of potash salts from rock salt on a commercial scale in New Mexico, by ore dressing methods. The demonstration plant, capable of producing 70,000 tons a year, has increased the productive capacity of American producers to 390,000 tons of potassium chloride annually.

Outstanding economic accomplishment was the cessation by the federal government of the issuance of prospecting permits for potash in New Mexico in the interests of avoiding overdevelopment.

Devenport of Oklahoma...
D. D. Devenport and Mrs. Devenport.



HOSTILE VALLEY



By Ben Ames Williams

CHAPTER XII—Continued

"Sheriff! I've got a hold of the answer to it now!"

Her tone was ringing; her countenance triumphant.

"Listen here!" she cried. "If Bart had left his gun belt, with the bait can and the gun, there on the ground in all that rain while he fetched Huldry over here, the belt'd be soaked through and wet as a string; and there'd be rust on that gun! But there ain't a speck of rust, and his belt is dry as a bone!"

Saladine had not noticed whether Bart's gun were rusted or not; yet he perceived the justice of this argument, and turned to hear what the sheriff would say. But Bart laughed, and he protested:

"Maybe that belt looked dry to you, Granny, but it's wet enough! I can feel it right through my overalls. And the holster kep' the gun dry." He told Sohier: "I'll show you, when we get over to my place, Sheriff. You can see for yourself."

Sohier accepted this. "All right, ma'am," he shouted to the old woman, over the engine's roar. "I'll look at it sure!"

And Marm Pierce, after a moment's hesitation, drew back almost reluctantly. She stood there, small and straight in the darkness, as they drove away.

It was no longer raining, although beside the road the leaves were dripping, and the headlights re-



And Instantly He Seemed to Dive Straight Upward, Out of Their Sight.

vealed black mirrors of muddy water in the ruts. At the turn that led down to Carey's, Saladine swung that way, carefully, since the clay was slippery; and so presently he saw the farm buildings, the pale white blur of the house, and the barn with its high peak black against the gloomy sky.

He turned into the barnyard and stopped by the kitchen door, and switched off the engine. The headlights, fed by the magneto, died as the engine died; and darkness embraced them there.

In the deep silence and the dark, Bart said hospitably:

"You folks go inside and light the lamp. I'll feed the critters and come right in. Won't take me a minute."

He and the sheriff swung to the ground. Bart started toward the barn, but the sheriff, standing here beside the car, called:

"I'll be wanting to look at that belt of yours, Bart!"

"Certain," Bart agreed, without stopping. "I'll be right in!"

"Need a light yourself, won't you?" the sheriff suggested doubtfully; and Bart said:

"There's a lantern in the barn!"

He had not paused; he did not now. The wide barn doors were open, so that there was a gray rectangle of light against the black bulk of the structure, and Bart's figure, as he moved toward the barn, was in silhouette against this gray.

So they were able to see, though indistinctly, what happened. Bart reached the barn, walking steadily enough; and then suddenly his hands jerked toward his head, and instantly he seemed to dive straight upward, out of their sight.

And at the same time, with a terrific splintering impact and a metallic clank of iron, something fell shattering upon the barn floor. Then silence; and in this silence a rusty, creaking sound.

CHAPTER XIII

FOR a moment after Bart disappeared in this fashion so mys-

terious, the sheriff's bulky figure was motionless beside the car; but Saladine scrambled to the ground, and tripped on the running board and fell hard on hands and knees, his fingers digging deep into the soft and spongy sod, and there was a wet chill of water on his shins.

He was on his feet, instantly. From the barn came, diminuendo, that rusty, creaking sound.

They went forward at last like wooden soldiers, stiff kneed, on tiptoe, warily; till as they came close to the barn, looking up they saw something dark and bulky swinging a little to and fro above their heads. In the peak of the roof above them there was a projecting beam from which the horse fork was rigged. It was from that beam that this object was suspended. Blurred and foreshortened, it was yet unmistakable; and the sheriff uttered a stammering exclamation, and he went blundering into the barn, groping here and there. He stumbled over something, and Saladine struck a match, and the sheriff demanded hoarsely:

"A knife? Got a knife? Quick!"

As he spoke, he looked up at Saladine and above him. Saladine, very stiffly and warily, turned his head to look that way. Over his shoulder, following the sheriff's eyes, he saw a man sitting cross-legged on a timber, his hands hanging idly over his shins, his eyes bright as a cat's eyes in the dark, and burning strangely. His grinning teeth were white.

It was Zeke Dace, with that big hat, its brim curled so jauntily, pushed far back on his head.

Zeke, above them, said in a drawing tone: "Here's a knife! Help yourself!" And something thumped on the barn floor.

The sheriff found the knife even in the darkness, and twisted open the blade, and Saladine heard steel saw on hemp. Then a pulley whirred, and something fell heavily on the ground outside the barn door.

The sheriff was quick that way. He became busy there, and he said over his shoulder:

"Find the lantern, Jim! One somewhere!"

Zeke spoke calmly. "It hangs right here under me!"

Saladine was a man not easily daunted; but his hands were shaking now. He tried fruitlessly to light the lantern, broke two or three matches in an absurd futility before Zeke dropped from his perch and said:

"Here! Let me!"

And he took the lantern and with steady hand had it lighted instantly.

So they turned to where Bart lay. The sheriff had Bart's wrists in his hands, pushing Bart's arms up and back and down to the ground above Bart's head; then bending the elbows, pressing the folded arms hard home on Bart's chest. He repeated this in a rhythmic persistence.

Zeke said at last, in tones which had a peculiar terror of their own: "I low you won't do him any good that way, mister. His neck's broke!" He added contentedly: "Or if it ain't, it ought to be!"

The sheriff relaxed his efforts. "It's all I know to do," he admitted helplessly. He bent forward, examining the dead man. "I guess you're right," he said at last, and stood up slowly. "You must be this Zeke Dace they tell about," he reflected.

"That's so," Zeke assented. "That's who I be!"

The sheriff looked down at Bart there on the ground. "You done this to him, did you?"

"Guess I did," Zeke assented; and after a moment, he explained as though proud of his grim device: "I lowed he'd come to tend the critters in the barn here, give him time. So I run a fall through the tackle of the horse fork, and got enough purchase with it to 'list the grindstone into the upper mow. I didn't know as it'd be heavy enough; so I fastened some trace chains and such truck onto it. Then I balanced it up there on the edge, so's it'd tip over easy, with one end of the fall fast to it, and a running noose in 't'other end. I fetched the noose end down here and waited; and when Bart come in, all I had to do was drop the noose over his head and twitch the grindstone off his perch."

The sheriff tipped back his hat, ran his fingers across his brow. "Well, we'd ought to get Bart in the house," he decided. "Can't let him lay out here!" And he said to Saladine: "Take his feet, Jim, will you? I'll carry his head."

And he spoke to Zeke in a matter-of-fact tone. "You hold the lantern," he directed. "Open the door for us."

So they carried Bart into the kitchen, and laid him on the floor,

Zeke closed the door, and he set the lantern on top of the cold stove; and the sheriff mopped his brow and turned to face this man.

"You done this, you said?"

Zeke seemed almost to chuckle in assent.

"How come?" the sheriff protested. "Why, they don't hang for a killing in Maine," Zeke explained, in a saturnine satisfaction. "But it looked to me that was what he needed!"

"You mean to say," Sohier prompted, "he was the one killed Mis' Ferrin?"

"Certain!"

"Know that for a fact, do you?"

"I low I do," said Zeke, without vehemence; yet there was slow passion in his tones.

The sheriff considered; and then on a sudden thought he knelt down to fumble at Bart's belt, feeling it with his fingers. He looked up at Saladine, nodding.

"His belt's dry as a bone!" he said hoarsely. "The old woman hit on it, finally! That was one thing he couldn't lie out of, and that was enough to nail him!"

He wagged his head. "He had a cold nerve," he said, almost admiringly. "Stood up to her good, didn't he? You wouldn't ever have thought he was lying." And he decided: "But I guess he see he was done. Likely he aimed to duck and run, just now. If he could have got to the barn, he could go through, and cut for it, and we wouldn't have a chance to catch him, in the dark."

Saladine was curiously pleased that old Marm Pierce had been able to prove her case in the end. But—that was over now, and Zeke was here and must be dealt with. Saladine turned to him.

"How do you know Bart did it?" he asked.

Before Zeke could speak, the sheriff warned him gravely: "You don't have to say a word, less'n you're a mind."

Zeke stared at them in an abstracted fashion. "I've got no reason to hold back," he said. He stood with his shoulders against the door, his hands behind him, and his eyes flickered from one of them to the other as he spoke.

"How come you didn't try to get away?" the sheriff asked. "Here after you'd finished him?"

Zeke shook his head. "With Huldry dead," he said, "I hadn't no place to go, nor nothing to go for!"

"I'm going to have to take you along to jail," the sheriff reminded him; and Zeke said humbly:

"Why, the way it is now, I'd full as lief be in jail as anywhere." And after a moment, when they did not speak, he added: "Likely you know about Huldry and me. It was kind of desperate and dreadful for me, right from the start; like having hold of a live wire when you can't let go."

He stood tall in the dim lantern light; he went on, as though speech ceased him, to tell all that remained now to be told.

It fell to Saladine to repeat to Will Ferrin and Marm Pierce and Jenny what Zeke told them now. When half an hour later they returned to the house divided, Will and Jenny came to the door; but the sheriff stayed with Zeke and that other in the car.

"Jim, you got tell them what happened!" he said.

So Saladine alighted and came into the warm kitchen and while they listened without question, he told the tale.

"You were right, Marm Pierce," he said. "It was Bart. His belt was bone-dry!" Will stirred, but Saladine added quickly, restraining the other man: "But Bart's dead already, Will. Zeke killed him."

And he related the manner of that killing; then harked back. "Zeke was upset when Huldry took me down to the brook," he explained. "As soon as Will left him, he tried to find her at the ledge; but she was gone. She must have tried to follow me."

He hesitated, struck by the perception that his own coming here today had precipitated all that ensued. "Zeke didn't see her," he explained. "But he traipsed down brook, and caught up with me, and he thought she was bound to meet me, somewhere; so he followed me till I got over here. He was hiding outside when Bart come through the barn, carrying her."

"Zeke was too far away to stop Bart; but he knew it was Huldry by her dress, and he was wild; and he crawled into the other side of the house, to try to hear what had happened to her."

"It was him I heard in there?" Jenny whispered.

Saladine nodded. "And it was him in the shed, after that, Marm Pierce," he said. He looked at Jenny. "Zeke heard Huldry tell you that Will killed her," he explained, "and he set out to find Will, ready to do for him! But on the way home, he see Bart's tracks in the woods, and back-tracked Bart to where he picked Huldry up after she fell."

"It had rained, but the ground was all soft before the rain, and Zeke was tracker enough to make out what had happened. Bart didn't come up from the brook to where she fell. There'd have been tracks to show, if he had, but there wa'n't. But his tracks was all plain where he'd come down from the ledge and across to where Huldry was laying."

Marm Pierce interjected sharply: "There was tracks coming up from the brook when I went over there,

while you and Bart was here."

Saladine considered, admiring the old woman's thoroughness, yet perceiving an explanation of this matter, too. "Bart must have laid a fake trail," he suggested. "On his way back here from Will's. But you see, Zeke got there before Bart had a chance to do that after Huldry died." He added: "And if Bart told the truth, his rod and all would have been there then; but they wa'n't!"

And he explained: "Zeke went up to the ledge, and found enough to let him make out that Bart and Huldry had had some kind of a scuffle there; so he knowed Huldry had lied about Will, and he raced over to Bart's house, meaning to kill him; but Bart wa'n't there; and Zeke come back here and missed Bart again; and he spent the rest of the day like a dog between rat holes, trying to find Bart and to get at him in some way so Bart couldn't use his gun."

He concluded: "And he finally waylaid him over at the barn! That's all!"

Jenny clung fast to Will's arm; and Marm Pierce exclaimed: "Well, good riddance!" There was never any sentimentality in that stout old woman. "Huldry wa'n't worth it; but I'm right glad to know that Bart got his comeuppance! It was high time."

But Will said: "Pore Zeke. He won't live long in jail!"

"Pore fiddlesticks!" Marm Pierce protested. "I sh'd say you didn't have any call to pity him!"

"I dunno," Will confessed. "I always was kind of sorry for Zeke. And it wa'n't his fault. He tried to hold out against her, but Huldry, I guess she could outnumber most any man."

Saladine felt himself an outsider here. "The sheriff's in a hurry," he remembered. "We're taking Zeke—and Bart too—to town; so I'll be moving on." And turned toward the door. "I'll come see you folks again, sometime," he promised.

"Do so," Marm Pierce assented, and Will seconded the invitation.

So Saladine bade them all good-bye, and went out into the night, where the sheriff and Zeke were waiting in the car, and began the long, wearisome drive to town.

He forgot his rod and fish basket; but it would be long before he came to claim them. Zeke Dace, as Will had foreseen, did not live to face trial. He died in late August, in the jail on the hill above East Harbor.

"He wa'n't sick," the sheriff told Saladine, stopping at Jim's farm on the Ridge above Fraternity one day. "He was always kind of thin and shabby, but no worse than always. He just died, that's all!"

They talked together of Zeke for a little; and then Jim asked a word of the other folk in Hostile Valley.

"I was out there last week," the sheriff explained. "To tell 'em about Zeke. Marm Pierce had made it up with her brother, Will's living with her now, and fixing up his side of the house to keep the weather out. He swears he's never going to touch another drop of rum as long as he lives, prob'ly."

Saladine asked for Will and Jenny.

"They're fine," the sheriff assured him. "They're aiming to get married, here in a week or so!"

"Not married yet?" Saladine exclaimed in surprise.

Sohier shook his head. "You'd ought to go out and see 'em," he suggested. "They spoke kindly about you."

"I left my rod out there," Saladine recalled. "Forgot it, that night, and I never did go to fetch it. Maybe I will!"

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Washington Digest

National Topics Interpreted by William Bruckart

Washington. — Five important stories in the New Deal recovery arch have been torn from their moorings now and, from all of the comments I have been able to pick up, it appears that the general situation has been clarified thereby. Two of the major New Deal items—the NIA and the AAA—have been tossed overboard by the Supreme court of the United States and congress, at the request of the President, now has thrown three others into the limbo of unnecessary things by repealing the legislation for control of cotton, tobacco and potatoes. These three with their parent, the Agricultural Adjustment act, represented all that was basic in the New Deal farm program.

The importance of the President's act in requesting repeal of the three compulsory crop-control laws cannot be minimized. Mr. Roosevelt recognized, when the AAA was invalidated, that the other three crop control laws would be of no further use because they were predicated upon the national law. He recognized further that to remain adamant would be only to permit delay in invalidation of those three laws because they were all headed for an adverse decision by the Supreme court anyway. In seeking their repeal, therefore, Mr. Roosevelt simply took time by the forelock and girded his armor for a fresh start on farm relief legislation.

Where or in what form the new farm legislation will finally emerge, none can forecast. The house and senate will pass some kind of legislation to supplant the laws invalidated by the court or repealed by congress. Necessarily, this new farm legislation will be of a stop-gap character and I don't believe that any of its ardent supporters can tell you exactly what the result will be in so far as its effect upon agriculture is concerned.

As far as the compromises have been worked out, it appears that some of the leaders are willing again to enact legislation directed at crop-control in a semi-compulsory manner. If that is forthcoming, the new law actually will be nothing more than a thinly disguised attempt to circumvent the prohibitions laid down in the Supreme court opinion holding the AAA unconstitutional. In any event, the tragedy in the situation appears to me to be the absence of clear thinking, or else the circumstances we see represent political cowardice of the worst type.

It is to be remembered that in this session of congress more than any other since President Roosevelt took office, there exist a greater number of blocs; cross currents of opinion; partisan jealousy. A great deal of it is in opposition to the brain trust policies sponsored by the New Deal but for political reasons the individuals who oppose these things dare not openly show their disapproval of Presidential policies as such. Thus a consensus has arisen among Washington observers that representatives and senators concerned with directing enactment of new farm legislation are likely to nose up the situation rather than come forth with a definite and workable proposition.

The situation at the White House and in congress in connection with agricultural policies probably is the best illustration in a definite, tangible form, of how many important federal policies are being dealt with in a partisan political way rather than, as they should be, in a scientific manner with partisan politics in the background. I need not recall how many pieces of legislation have been put through congress bearing a New Deal tag of "must" or "course." Mr. Roosevelt cannot be blamed entirely for issuing orders when congress is willing to obey. It is a fact, nevertheless, that time after time and with reference to the major New Deal experiments, the legislation has been drafted by men serving under a Presidential appointment in executive departments, the copies forwarded to given representatives or senators and instructions passed along that the administration will take no substitute. It wants the specific measure and in that form.

The result of all of this has been that in numerous cases legislation was passed without more than a few members of the house and senate having even read the bills before they were asked to cast a favorable vote on their passage.

Now, representatives and senators are seeking to dodge the responsibility for their acts. This was shown definitely in the clerical with which congress acted on the Presidential request for repeal of the three crop-control acts named heretofore. I know personally of a considerable number of representatives and senators who were delighted at the opportunity to vote repeal of those laws. They never did like them—after they found out what they had passed.

President Roosevelt likely will receive some credit for seeking repeal of the discredited laws. He said he made a mistake he would be the first to admit it. So, now he has in a way admitted that he made a mistake in approving those laws although his statement concerning the repeal request was that these were useless without AAA.

It is to be noted, however, that long before the Supreme court outlawed AAA there was a growing volume of discontent with the principles that law sought to apply. It cannot be that Mr. Roosevelt was not aware of this growing dissatisfaction and that his political advisers smelled a rat because a good many plans for modification had been under discussion privately among AAA advisers long before a Supreme court decision was in prospect. Practical men working with Secretary Wallace and Administrator Davis were steadily trying to accomplish changes in administration of the AAA law, and the three others as well, to make it workable. They were confronted, however, with a superabundance of brain trusters who could make a beautiful case in print for their views and during that time the brain trusters had the ear of the President while the practical administrators were left out in the cold.

It is thus that we see a development under the New Deal whereby most of the responsible people are attempting to dodge the responsibility that belongs to them. Some of them are attempting to clean their own skirts, or make their skirts appear clean, by damning the Supreme court; others are blaming our "system" for failure of the theories to work in practical application and still other groups point the finger of scorn at those charged with administration of the agricultural policy, blaming them for the failure. Things like this have developed before in Washington and have died down in the time but I believe that seldom, if ever, has occurred a situation in which the responsibility was so general and the blame so generally denied by those responsible.



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No Need to Suffer "Morning Sickness"

"Morning sickness"—is caused by a little of each claim is true. If expenditures actually are reduced, obviously the action will be welcomed by the taxpayers. On the other hand, the ballyhoo that went out from the White House and executive departments concerning the withdrawal of borrowing power was rather unjustified. It was unjustified for the reason that the move was simply a book-keeping proposition and, further, there was even a hint that such agencies as the Reconstruction Finance corporation and Home Owners' Loan corporation had no plans for borrowing extensively during the forthcoming summer and fall.

If one looks into the future in connection with the Presidential program of curtailing borrowing and cutting expenditures, it is rather difficult to escape the thought that a continuation of policies such as have been sponsored by the New Deal in the last three years will force a renewal of these expenditures in due course. In other words the administration course respecting these expenditures is going to depend upon the results of the November election; if Mr. Roosevelt is returned to the White House and he continues with a substantial Democratic majority in congress there is no reason to believe that present spending policies will be entirely abandoned.

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Ideas From Knit-Crochet Realm

By **CHERIE NICHOLAS**



WHEN is the psychological moment to "tend to your knitting"? Right now, between seasons. The peaceful aftermath of a maddening, whirling, swirling, dizzying, hectic holiday rush, the blissful, mid-season lull betwixt the lingering farewell of winter and the none-too-hurried advent of spring—"tis opportunity knocking at the door" of eager knitters and crocheters.

Yes, indeed, it's full time to begin to puri one, knit one, chain-stitch here and chain-stitch there, if you would be having in readiness a collection of pretty wearables to enhance the forthcoming spring and summer wardrobe. If you are needing fresh ideas to whet your enthusiasm, the illustration offers several of the very newest in the realm of things knitted and crocheted.

A stunning blouse! We agree with you. What with its high rolled collar which chucks under the chin with unmistakable chic, its unique yoke, its novel bib front, and its crocheted-cord-edged short sleeves the ever coveted "something different" is achieved with emphasis. It is knitted of a very likable knitting-and-crochet cotton which comes in heavenly colors. Yes (reading the query on the tip of your tongue) the answer is in the affirmative, it washes to perfection.

Just what you'll be wanting—a frilled jabot to go gracefully cascading down the front of your dark daytime dresses. The one pictured is easy to make, easy to wear and a gladsome sight to appreciative

eyes. It should be slightly starched to give to it its characteristic flare. Hat and gloves? To be sure, and aren't they nifty? A mere matter of a few leisure half hours, a ball or so of knit-crochet cotton in the color you like best, nimble fingers and a will to dare, and these charming accessories will be your reward.

The little close-fitting hat speaks eloquently in terms of the now-so-voguish popcorn stitch. The tall peak is along lines of smartest fashion since the newest millinery gesture trends to extreme height. The beauty of the knit-crochet cotton which is used for its making is, that being strong and firm it assures a hat that will stay in shape, will not be hot and scratchy and, best of all, it will come from a tubbing looking as good as new. It is an extremely young and engaging creation.

The lace gloves crocheted of mercerized cotton succeed in "running the gauntlet" halfway and more up to the elbow. Which means you have to keep on keeping on crocheting for quite some time in order to arrive at just the right point.

A highly interesting bit of news in regard to things crocheted comes from Paris. We refer to the fanciful little tri-cornered shawl-scarf, which being of peasant inspiration is as quaint and colorful as can be. These are proving wonderfully popular and picturesque as worn at resorts this winter. With every shawl-scarf there's a hat, either a straw capeline crowned with matching crocheted or else a small beret or turban.

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CHIC BIRD PRINT

By **CHERIE NICHOLAS**



The new prints are a revelation in the way of original and most out-of-the-ordinary patterns. In engine bars of music notes printed all over your first spring silk, or a design using postage stamp motif and there are any number of ideas that could be cited just as unique. There are the flying bird prints as they are called, for example, such as pictured here. The bodice is of white silk matching the lining of the jacket.

SANDALS WITH SILK GOWNS FOR TRAVEL

Silk dresses in white, in pastels, or in gay prints are tops for luncheons, cocktails or for wear at special stop-offs on cruises—a fashion that definitely calls for sandals. Whether in white linen, white patent leather (a very smart and different note), or in white suede, the sandal shown in the photo has a place in every traveler's wardrobe. It is extremely graceful on the foot, fits beautifully and should be regarded as a "must" in cruise shoes.

For snooty shindigs, where the gala dress of black or white chiffon is correct, and for the more formal cruise occasions, a smart shoe store has created the "corsage" kid sandals in delicately flowered design.

Slender Effect Achieved by Stem-Like Silhouette

A stemlike silhouette making mannequins look slim as a reed, mark the new fashions launched by Roger Worth, new president of the famous old dressmaking house of that name and great-grandson of its founder.

Both day frocks and coats are built on slender lines, their only variation being occasional big sleeves which balance the straight narrow skirt.

Black, violet, wine red and navy afternoon frocks of satin, crepe or faconne silk are generally designed with high necklines and finished with a variety of gold touches. Gold embroidery or gold tipped tassels marks belts, which are sometimes slightly lowered, while necklines are draped into gold metal loops or accented by a cluster of gold coins swinging from silk cords.

OUR FAMILY CORNER

Illustrated Current News, Fashion, Household and Entertainment for the Juniors

Bedtime Story

By **Thornton W. Burgess**

MR. AND MRS. QUACK ARE STARTLED

IT WAS the evening of the day after the closing of the hunting season of Lightfoot the Deer. Jolly, round, red Mr. Sun had gone to bed behind the Purple Hills and the Black Shadows had crept out across the Big River. Mr. and Mrs. Quack were getting their evening meal among the brown stalks of the wild rice along the edge of the Big River. They took turns in searching for



Suddenly a Little Splash Out in the Big River Caught Mr. Quack's Attention.

the rice grains in the mud. While Mrs. Quack tipped up and seemed to stand on her head as she searched in the mud for rice, Mr. Quack kept watch for possible danger. Then Mrs. Quack took her turn at keeping watch while Mrs. Quack stood on her head and hunted for rice.

It was wonderfully quiet and peaceful. There was not even a ripple on the Big River. It was so quiet that they could hear the barking of a dog at the farmhouse a mile away. They were far enough out from the bank to have nothing to fear from Reddy Fox or Old Man Coyote. So they had nothing to fear from anyone save Hooty the Owl.

It was for Hooty that they took turns in watching. It was just the hour when Hooty likes best to hunt.

By and by they heard Hooty's hunting call. It was far away in the Green Forest. Then Mr. and Mrs. Quack felt easier and they talked in low, contented voices. They felt that for a while at least there was nothing to fear. Suddenly a little splash out in the Big River caught Mr. Quack's attention. As Mrs. Quack brought her head out of the water Mr. Quack warned her to keep quiet. Noiselessly they swam among the brown stalks until they could see out across the Big River.

There was another little splash out there in the middle. It wasn't the splash made by a fish; it was a splash made by some one much bigger than any fish. Presently they made out a silver line moving toward them from the Black Shadows. They knew exactly what it meant. It meant that someone was out there in the Big River moving toward them.

Could it be a boat containing a hunter? With their necks stretched high Mr. and Mrs. Quack watched. They were ready to take to their strong wings the instant they discovered danger. But they did not want to fly until they were sure that it was danger approaching. They were startled, very much startled.

Presently they made out what looked like the branch of a tree moving over the water toward them. That was queer, very queer. Mr. Quack said so. Mrs. Quack said so. Both were growing more and more suspicious. They couldn't understand it at all, and it is always best to be suspicious of things we cannot understand. Mr. and Mrs. Quack half lifted their wings to fly.

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Who Could Ask More? "Do you give a guarantee with this hair restorer?" "Guarantee, sir? Why, we give a comb!"—Stray Stories Magazine.

Two "Featherweight" Champions



FAIREST of fowl are these two proud champions. The tiny silver bantam pullet, smallest at the New York Poultry show, "throws its chest out" with pride, standing beside a white Wyandotte cock, grand champion and largest at the show. In spite of the difference in size, they are both "featherweight" champions.

Eve's Epigrams



A woman seldom displays her worst feature — you never see her stick out her tongue.

THREE DAYS WITHOUT HEAT

By **DOUGLAS MALLOCH**

THREE days without heat, while they're fixing the furnace. And so in the kitchen each day we intern us.

Or sit by the fireplace and pile on the splinters, Not much like the cordwood of old-fashioned winters.

Three days without heat, and the family shivers, Or late in the morning still clings to the kivers,

And all because something unknown, unsuspected, Went wrong—that a gleeful young salesman detected.

And yet the unfortunate, woe at its summit, Are those who have trouble and learn nothing from it.

The greatest misfortune, whatever our sorrow, Is, having it, not to be wiser to-morrow.

When furnaces fall, or when anything falters, Let's hope that our viewpoint accordingly alters.

Experience teaches us, children or father, Some truth that repays us for all of our bother.

Three days without heat, but again when we get it In living room, dining room, bedroom, I bet it Will make us appreciate that simple blessing.

We took without thinking or doubting or guessing, I haven't a doubt there is many a pleasure

Our hearts never feel and our minds never measure We have all along without thinking about it. (We would, if we had to go three days without it).

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MOTHER'S COOK BOOK

INVITING DISHES

WHEN cooking carrots add a sliver of onion to the vegetable while cooking, and the addition of a stalk of celery will make the dish, when served with a little butter, quite different.

Piquant Relish.

Take one package of lemon-flavored gelatin, dissolve in one and one-half cups of boiling water and three tablespoons of vinegar. Add one green pepper cut fine, one half cup of grated horseradish. If the prepared horseradish is used omit the vinegar. Pour into greener pepper shells and chill.

Mutton and Peas.

Take a piece of lamb or mutton for stewing, simmer in boiling water with an onion, three cloves, two peppercorns and an eighth of a bay leaf for flavor. When tender, remove the meat to a hot platter and make a gravy of the liquor from the kettle. Strain and add to it a cupful or two of fresh cooked green peas. More seasoning of salt and pepper may be needed and a half teaspoonful of sugar will make the dish much more tasty. Seasonings

are always much more effective if added while the food is cooking.

Cheese Salad.

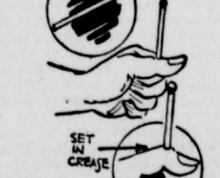
Dissolve a tablespoonful of gelatin in four tablespoonfuls of hot water, add one-half pound of grated cheese and a pint of whipped cream, season with salt and paprika with a bit of cayenne. Pour into a wet mold and chill. Turn out and cut into slices and serve on lettuce with a snappy mayonnaise dressing.

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TRY THIS TRICK

By **PONJAY HARRAH**

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BALANCED MATCH

THE feat of balancing a large wooden match would appear to be a bit of clever juggling. It makes an excellent impromptu trick.

Particularly because the match is balanced on the back of the left thumb. This makes it seem more difficult, and people will talk about the skill and practice that they think has been required.

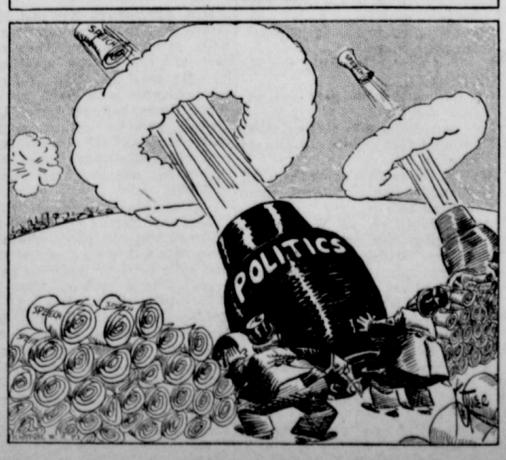
Actually the balanced match depends upon a clever bit of deception, and anyone can do it, once the secret has been learned.

Set the match upon the joint of the left thumb. Bend the thumb inward as you do so; then straighten it. The base of the match rests in the deep crease that is formed.

You will have to use a bit of care to keep the match upright. But the real work is done by the crease and the slight wavering of the match will make the stunt look like an actual feat of juggling.

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Bombardment



Uncommon Sense

By **JOHN BLAKE**

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Here you are, in a highly interesting planet, leading a life that is filled with wonders.

Indifference

What are you going to do about it? Just move along with the crowd—get your ideas of life from the screen, and be contented if you can spend an occasional Saturday or Sunday on a golf course?

Do you ever look around at the trees and the skies, and think about how they "work"?

Do you ever, when you find some problem you don't understand, hunt up a book by somebody who does understand it and read it through?

Naturally you would like to get along—to succeed in whatever you are doing.

How can you expect to do that if you don't set the convolutions in that brain of yours at work, and keep it at work till it tires out?

How can you expect to hold a job very long, if the one bright spot in the day is quitting time?

It's all right to go to the picture shows, if you don't go too often.

Play of any kind is good for you if you don't make it too much of a habit.

Remember that in these days there are far more trained men and women than ever have been before, and that if you don't keep on the alert they will beat you to some of the important places in life.

Keep at work. Keep alert. Don't be afraid that you will have a mental breakdown unless you can spend more time in playing around than you do on the job.

Take care of your diet, and unless you have something serious the matter with you you will be in no danger of breaking down.

Eat sparingly, get plenty of sleep, read intelligently written books, not more than 5 per cent of them novels, keep informed on the activities around you by reading the newspapers regularly, and you will not be haunted with the fear of failure.

Don't ever think about failure. Think about where you want to go, and how to get there.

Above all, don't be jealous if somebody else goes some place where you meant to go.

Concentrate all your efforts to getting there yourself, and if you work hard enough the chances are that you will arrive there.

All this is not going to be easy. But nothing that's worth a rap in this life is easy, or ever will be.

Children learn by asking questions. So do grown-ups, for that matter.

Hungry When fathers are too lazy, or too

Minds or mothers are too ignorant to reply willingly and intelligently to the constant queries their offspring put to them, they need not be surprised and annoyed if the children do not develop any more rapidly than they do.

If your child asks you questions whose answers you do not know, make it a point to enlighten yourself first, and the youngster afterward.

Do you say to him casually: "You wouldn't understand that if I told you, you are too young."

Get up on the subject, and when you know considerably more about it, call in the kid and give him a little instruction.

Never fear that he won't pay any attention to it.

He pays attention to everything he sees, and, if it is something that he is interested in, he will come to you for information.

It is far more important to you than it is to the men or the women who have your child's occupation to direct, to keep his curiosity aroused, and see that it is fed.

As a rule, small children are curious about everything they see.

Don't rebuff them when they ask you about this or that, and the whys and wherefores of it.

Encourage them to come to you with their questions.

Don't talk to them as if they were babies. Explain things. And if you have no knowledge on the subject yourself, find out where it can be found, and let them look it up.

For example, every small child is interested in automobiles.

Tell them how and why by a series of little explosions these machines are made to run.

Better that they should learn from you than from other boys who have very small foundations for their ideas about mechanics.

Bright children educate themselves to a great extent, but you can, if you try, advance their education, and awaken in them a desire to increase it.

Ten people out of twenty, I think, take the world and all its wonders for granted.

Don't let your children fall into that slovenly way.

ANNABELLE'S ANSWERS

By **RAT THOMPSON**



DEAR ANNABELLE: DO YOU BELIEVE THAT A GIRL SHOULD USE PERFUME TO MATCH HER MOODS AND EMOTIONS? EXOTIC.

Dear "Exotic": YES, UNLESS SHE'S THE TYPE WHO'D BE SMELLING LIKE A FIRE-CRACKER ALL THE TIME!

Annabelle.

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Supreme Court Upholds TVA

WASHINGTON—In a decision which did not reach to the constitutionality of the TVA as a whole, the supreme court Monday upheld the right of government to dispose of surplus power for dams constructed for purposes of navigation control or as a national defense measure.

In an eight to one decision, with McReynolds dissenting, read by Chief Justice Hughes, it was held that the construction of Wilson dam at Muscle Shoals was constitutional and that the government purchase of transmission lines from the Alabama Power Company to distribute the energy was also valid.

A minority contended that the court should have dismissed the case.

A record-breaking crowd which included many notables, listened intently as Hughes read the hour-long, history-making decision. The chief justice leaned forward and spoke in a clear, forceful voice.

After ruling that the construction of the Wilson dam as an act of national defense and for the improvement of navigation was legal, the court held that there was no constitutional prohibition against the manner in which the Tennessee Valley Authority was disposing of the electricity generated there. "Surplus power" is power produced in excess of purely governmental needs.

Hughes asserted authority to dispose of property constitutionally acquired was specifically provided in the constitution itself. "The constitutional provision," he ruled, "is silent as to the method of disposing of property belonging to the United States."

Much Interest In Soil Erosion

Farmers in New Mexico are much interested in soil conservation as shown by attendance at meetings held during the past few days in various counties of the state, according to W. A. Wunsch of the New Mexico State College.

Excellent results were reported by farmers who had conducted contouring and terracing work last year. Farmers in all areas where the ground is not frozen are listing their fields to prevent erosion this spring. Hundreds of applications for assistance in running contour and terrace lines are being filed with the county extension agents.

A number of new instruments for running contour lines were secured by the Extension Service and allotted to the various counties, and twelve men were also placed in the different counties to assist the county agents in running these lines.

Even in the irrigated regions, farmers are interested in terracing and leveling their land in order to conserve moisture and reduce soil washing. Farmers reported an increase in yields in crops, varying from five to twenty bushels an acre, due to contouring and terracing. Trees have been planted by eight farmers to serve as shelter and windbreaks. All the shelter belts have been planted on land that has been terraced and the trees have made excellent growth, even on the dry land farms.

HATCH INTRODUCES HOMESTEAD BILL

WASHINGTON — Homestead entrymen would receive oil and oil share rights to land patented to them under a measure introduced in the senate Monday by Carl A. Hatch, democrat from New Mexico.

The proposed bill provides issuance of future patents to entrymen without reservation of oil and gas rights to the government, directs the secretary of interior to convey all oil and gas rights to the entrymen where the patents have been issued under the national land laws and provides royalties and rentals received by the government after enactment of the measure would be held in trust for the owners of the patented land.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, New Mexico, January 23, 1936.

NOTICE is hereby given that John W. Ledbetter, of Dexter, New Mexico, who, on December 6, 1929, made Homestead Entry, No. 041036 for W 1/2, Section 34, Township 12 S., Range 29 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, New Mexico, on the 6th day of March, 1936.

Claimant names as witnesses: Clyde M. Ivie, Elmer Morgan, these of Dexter, New Mexico; Edward J. Atkinson, C. W. Morgan, these of Roswell, New Mexico. PAUL A. ROACH, Register.

NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Number of application RA-1339 Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 20, 1936.

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of December, 1935, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, Mrs. Leslie M. Harter of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the shallow ground waters of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 1000 gallons of water per minute by the drilling of a 12 1/2 inch well approximately 100 feet in depth, located in the NW corner of S 1/2 NW 1/4 Section 5, T. 14 S., R. 26 E., N. M. P. M., for the purpose of irrigating 80 acres of land described as being the S 1/2 NW 1/4 of said Section 5.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and file proof of service of a copy thereof upon the applicant with the State Engineer on or before the 29th day of February, 1936, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Number of application RA-1348 Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 29, 1936.

Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of January, 1936, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, A. T. Stone of Dexter, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the shallow ground waters of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 1200 gallons of water per minute by the drilling of a 15 1/2 inch well approximately 200 feet in depth, located in the NE corner NE 1/4 Section 19, T. 13 S., R. 26 E., N. M. P. M., for the purpose of irrigating 180 acres of land described as follows: NE 1/4 (east of canal) Section 19, 50 acres W 1/2 NW 1/4 Section 20, 50 acres NE 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 20, 10 acres N 1/2 SE 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 20, 5 acres E part W 1/2 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 20, 3 acres W 1/2 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 20, 20 acres All of the above described land being in T. 13 S., R. 26 E., N. M. P. M.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and file proof of service of a copy thereof upon the applicant with the State Engineer on or before the 9th day of March, 1936, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Number of application RA-1346 Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 29, 1936.

Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of January, 1936, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, W. W. Delavan of Hagerman, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the shallow ground water of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 2,000 gallons of water per minute by the drilling of a 20 inch well approximately 150 feet in depth, located in the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 25, T. 14 S., R. 25 E., N. M. P. M., for the purpose of irrigating 320 acres of land described as being the S 1/2 of said Section 25.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and file proof of

JUST KIDS—A Theory.



service of a copy thereof upon the applicant with the State Engineer on or before the 9th day of March, 1936, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, General Land Office at Las Cruces, New Mexico, January 16, 1936.

NOTICE is hereby given that William M. Merchant of Dexter, N. Mex., Rt. 1, who, on February 18, 1931, and on March 13, 1933, made homestead entries No. 042694 and No. 046995, for NW 1/4 Sec. 20, E 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 29, NW 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, T. 13 S., R. 25 E., Lots 3, 4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, Section 5, Township 14 S., Range 25 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make 3 year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. Mex., on the 27th day of February, 1936.

Claimant names as witnesses: Robert L. Lowe, I. F. Wortman, A. H. Merchant, T. A. Bledsoe, all of Dexter, N. Mex. PAUL A. ROACH, Register.

NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Number of application RA-1352 Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 13th, 1936.

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of January, 1936, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, Isaac F. Wortman of Dexter, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the shallow ground water of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 1000 gallons of water per minute by the drilling of a 12 1/2 inch well approximately 150 feet in depth, located in the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 23, T. 13 S., R. 25 E., N. M. P. M., for the purpose of irrigating 80 acres of land described as being the N 1/2 NW 1/4 of said Section 23.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and file proof of service of a copy thereof upon the applicant with the State Engineer on or before the 24th day of March, 1936, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

CATTLE SHIPMENTS FROM STATE SHOW SMALL LOSS

ALBUQUERQUE—New Mexico cattlemen shipped 30,402 head out of the state during the month of January, the state cattle sanitary board reported Friday. The total was slightly less than for the same month last year.

CARBON PAPER—The Messenger

A Line To You

BY E. M.

Seems to be quite the fad these days for "secret weddings." Surely they aren't ashamed of each other, are they?

Did you see the wry smile that the young service station man gave after the "cop" had inspected his truck?

We have a young lady in town who knits the most beautiful of gowns. She knits while she talks, she knits while she dreams, she only stops knitting, when she sews up the seams.

Funny, but a few days ago someone said guess (E. M.) couldn't take it, and now we believe that can be passed on. We have been after school notes right along, and we've decided the ball teams are not winning so much, for they never report. Surely, they can be good sports about telling of the other fellow's luck.

And we heard in a round about way that "Happy Jack" was at school, but that must be something else that they do not want known. Do a few dollars hurt that much?

Do you know how to know about when four o'clock comes every afternoon? If you will keep an alert eye, you'll see a nice looking car go sailing around the corner, perhaps toward the school house, and now and then park in front of the cold drink store. Now that is as far as we go, but if you are a keen observer, you'll find out when four o'clock comes.

Republican Theme Song Little Boy Blue, come blow your horn, There's a government agent counting your corn. Another one is lecturing the old red sow On the number of pigs she can have and how. Pa's gone to town to find out what He can do next month with the old meadow lot. Ma's at the radio hearing them tell How, under the New Deal, there ain't no hell. Aunt Mamie is in Washington, dragging down pay From the PDQ or the AAA. The hired man quit when the work didn't please And got a job trimming government trees. They'll be telling you soon if you don't take care, Where you can live and what you can wear. How much you must pay for your pants and shoes, So this is no time to be taking a snooze. Little Boy Blue may be buried deep Under red tape, but he's not asleep.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher and family have moved to the Curry store building in west Hagerman. They plan to live there for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bradley and daughters Jodene and Patsy Jean spent the day in Hagerman as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus King and Neal.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Baker and Mrs. Will Gentry attended the funeral services of A. J. Miller in Greenfield Monday. Mr. Miller was the father of Jack Miller here.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Atwood of McLean, Texas, visited from Tuesday until Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Atwood. They were on their way to Hobbs. The men are brothers and had not seen each other for fifteen years.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Harshey are driving a new car this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Curry and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Robinson plan to attend the state Townsend old age pension convention in Albuquerque on Friday and Saturday of this week.

Herman Steffin was in town on Monday for the first time for several weeks. Mr. Steffin has been having a siege of flu and reports that recovery is not so fast as he would prefer. He owns one of the best farms in this part of the valley, west of Hagerman. It is irrigated from a shallow well and it has produced record crops.

Lee Frazier of Lake Arthur has given a couple of his gospel song services in the Presbyterian church the last two Sunday evenings which were greatly appreciated. The songs Mr. Frazier sings are his own composition and sung to the music of his guitar make a very sweet program. He will sing next week in a series of meetings to be held in the Dexter Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Alice M. Hedges and Miss Wilma Walden visited relatives in Lake Arthur Sunday. They also saw a piece of the president's birthday cake that Miss Walden's brother, who is a page at the White House, had sent home. Mrs. Hedges gave a lecture on the native rocks and she also saw some real old books that proved very interesting, one had been printed in 1700.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wimberly returned on Monday afternoon from Midland, Texas, where they had gone on Saturday morning in response to a message that Mr. Wimberly's sister, Mrs. T. B. Wadley, was critically ill. Mrs. Wadley had a fall earlier in the week and complications followed. She began improving on Sunday and was much better when they left on Monday. Mrs. Wadley is the oldest and J. E. Wimberly the youngest of the Wimberly family.

"Rastus, I'm sorry to hear that you've buried your wife." "Yassuh, boss, ah just had to—she was daid!"

Health Column

Conducted by Dr. J. R. Earp, Director, New Mexico Bureau of Public Health.

Death Around the Bend The average man becomes interested in contagious disease when his neighbor is sick of it. It begins to concern him seriously only when his neighbors begin to die. While the public sleeps in dreamless ignorance, the public health officer is constantly on guard reconnoitering and contriving war upon the lurking shadows which none but he has seen.

For example, plague. Peps tells us in his diary all that we need know to realize why he should have been, in 1665, "in great apprehension of melancholy." By August of that year 6,000 Londoners were recorded as dying of the plague in a single week. But Peps is probably right in believing the returns to be inexact, "partly from the poor that cannot be taken notice of, and partly from the Quakers and others that will not have any bell ring for them." It may be, as he says, that deaths were at the rate of 10,000 per week.

Plague still kills like that. Java had no plague till 1911. In 1933 it caused 16,881 deaths there, in the first half of 1934 plague deaths numbered 11,355. In British India plague is still spreading. In the plague year 1933-34 no less than 142,449 cases were notified.

Knowing that bubonic plague is caught from the bite of a flea that has previously fed upon an infected rat, there are some who think our comparative freedom from rat fleas is a safeguard against such severe epidemics of plague. They forget that it is the pneumonic form that spreads most rapidly. One turns into the other simply by a sufferer from bubonic plague having pneumonia before he dies. The disease then spreads from person to person.

Some years ago plague landed on our west coast despite all precautions to keep infected rats from disembarking. The disease was stamped out among humans but has persisted ever since among small rodents and has extended among them so that it has now crossed the state of California and is invading neighboring states. The death of a ground squirrel from plague hardly makes news for the press but it makes news to those who are organizing the counter attack. Let them do all the worrying. But while you may forget that death is just around the bend do not forget that money spent on public health may even now be saving far more lives than you have imagined.

Fraud Charges Out At Carlsbad

Accusations of fraud, made against the New Mexico Construction Company and certain unnamed public officials were dropped in district court at Carlsbad Thursday.

In an amended answer to a suit brought by J. D. Ackerman, Colorado Springs banker, two Carlsbad property owners eliminated original charges that the letting of a paving contract had been accompanied by a "conspiracy between the successful bidder and certain public officials, whereby others were prevented from bidding."

The original complaint also maintained the letting on the contract had violated the "due process" clause because the cost of the paving was allegedly fifty per cent higher than "a reasonable price for such work."

Ackerman sued for recovery of \$150,000 in paving bond assessments which he alleged were due him as the purchaser of Carlsbad improvement bonds.

The counter suit was brought January 18th by W. H. Merchant and J. D. Merchant to prevent foreclosure on 253 pieces of business and residential property.

Their amended answer was filed after Ackerman had asked they name specifically the persons involved in their charges.

COTTON CAN BE SOLD WITHOUT TAX WASHINGTON — Officials of the AAA cotton section said Thursday they had been informed by the bureau of internal revenue that cotton on which there was a tax lien as a result of the Bankhead act can be sold freely without payment of the tax.

This development followed an assertion by Representative Chandler (D-Tenn) in a message to the Memphis Cotton Exchange, that congress intended to cancel the tax and lien when it repealed the Bankhead law and that he would introduce a clarifying resolution if the treasury did not concur in his interpretation.

A spokesman for the internal revenue bureau told reporters, however, that taxes which became due under the Bankhead act and were never paid are still due.

What is worse than a loose bolt in a Ford? "A tight nut."

U. S. Senate Passes A \$500,000,000 Control Bill

WASHINGTON—Plurality bi-partisan opposition by three to one margin, action forces Saturday passage of the \$500,000,000 conservation-subsidy branch control.

The bill went to the house. The senate vote, climaxed days of debate during which measure's constitutionality challenged and defended, was six to twenty.

Forty-nine democrats, republicans, the farmer-unionists, Benson, and the progressive Follette, voted for the bill. Democrats and eleven republicans opposed it.

The bill, introduced by Smith (D-SC) as a substitute somewhat similar measure, authorized expenditure of half a billion dollars in federal subsidies to farmers based on their acreage, crop land, soil improving and soil preventing crops, changing farming practices, and the age of normal production of domestic channels.

TINGLEY TO WASHINGTON Governor Tingley left Saturday for Washington, no official announcement was made concerning the purpose of his trip. It was understood that he went to find out what was done about the Conchas district funds.

Wedding announcements, or engraved.—The Messenger

W. A. SHIELDS, M.D. Physician and Surgeon Office At Residence Residence Phone 14

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The only way your body can get rid of acid is through the kidneys. Acidic blood is the cause of many diseases. Kidney trouble is a warning sign. Get the doctor's prescription for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It will clean out the acid and give you new vitality.

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WHEN I was a young girl I could not do my housework because of my nervous system. I was told to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I was cured. I can now do my housework as well as I ever did."

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Feel full of pep and possess slender form? You can if you listen to gossipers. To take off excess fat get light fatty meats, butter, cream and eggs. Eat more fruit and vegetables and take a half teaspoonful of Kruschen Salts in a glass of hot water every morning to cleanse your system.

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HOW many women are just dragging their feet every day? They are tired out with physical weakness and pain? They should know that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the best remedy for all these troubles. It will relieve your pain and give you new vitality. Try it next month.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Senate Passed \$500,000,000 Control Bill

WASHINGTON—Plowing an opposition by one majority, the Senate Saturday passed the \$500,000,000 control bill...

DRAINAGE DISTRICTS

H. M. Brown—Lots 8, 10, 11 & 12 in Block 14 Original Town of Hagerman...

Lot 1 in Block 6 Wranosky Orchard Subdivision

Interest assessment—\$.088 Maintenance assessment 2.49 Interest after due date—.45 Total—\$3.027

Milestones of American Genius



WHEN the steamboat "Clermont" saucily puffed her way up the Hudson River in 1807, the first of the great transit inventions which marked the progress of the American nation...

Homemakers Observe Washington's Birthday and Cherry Week Together

Hatchets Give Way to Can Openers "When George Washington Was just a little boy, He never told a lie! His father asked who chopped the cherry tree— He answered 'It was I!'

NOTICE OF SUIT

ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LANDS are notified...

NOTICE OF SUIT

Adeline W. Samford, Grace C. Samford and Lucy A. Shepperd—Lot 7 in Block 2 West Side Addition to Hagerman...

NOTICE OF SUIT

Thomson Hope—Lot 9 in Block 2 West Side Addition to Hagerman...

THE CHURCHES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11:00 a. m. Sunday evening service.

LOCALS

J. D. Rodgers was up from his home in Lake Arthur Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Velmor Fletcher were here the latter part of last week visiting relatives and friends.

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WHEN your eyes are tired, when you are nervous and your vision is blurred, when you have a headache, when you have a sore throat, when you have a cough, when you have a cold, when you have a fever, when you have a pain, when you have a trouble, when you have a disease, when you have a death.

NOTICE OF SUIT

Mary Ann Brint—South 20 feet of Lot 11 in Block 2 West Side Addition to Hagerman...

NOTICE OF SUIT

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of February, 1936, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, J. V. Brown of Hagerman, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the underground waters of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 240 acre-feet of water per year by drilling a 15 1/2 inch in diameter shallow well approximately 200 feet deep located in the NW 1/4 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 15, T. 14 S., R. 26 E., N. M. P. M., for the purpose of irrigating 80 acres of land described as being the 3/4 NE 1/4 of said Section 15.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. E. L. Askins, Pastor Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Oscar Kiper, superintendent. Morning sermon, 11 o'clock. Subject: "Consecration."

METHODIST CHURCH

Church school 10:00 a. m. B. F. Gehman, general superintendent. Morning worship 11 a. m. Subject: "The Greatness of Men."

HANDWRITING EXPERT IN VALLEY THIS WEEK

Albert S. Osborn, famous handwriting expert who testified in the famous Lindbergh kidnapping case at Flemington, New Jersey, spent a few days in the valley this week, first at Roswell giving testimony in court there and later Mr. Osborn visited the Carlsbad Caverns and went on to El Paso, Texas.



How Much Light Your Eyes Need

Table with 4 columns: Age, Pupil Arise, Light Relative. Rows show data for ages 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80.

Save Your Vision Week A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, the American Optometric Association has designated the week beginning February 23rd as the Ninth Annual SAVE YOUR VISION WEEK; and WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State of New Mexico to encourage all efforts to promote health in general and to decrease all forms of physical disability...

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CHINA CHANGES



Chinese Boys Learn Embroidering.

Prepared by National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.—WNU Service.

AMERICA'S first foreign trade as a new-born Republic was with China. From Amoy, aboard British vessels had come the tea which was dumped overboard at the famous Boston tea party. Within six months after England had accepted the independence of the Thirteen Colonies, our own first merchant vessel, the newly christened Empress of China, was already on the high seas, bound for Canton—and tea. Both Canton and Amoy then figured prominently in early American trade.

One can picture the feverish activity of New York harbor during those early days of 1784 when the little 300-ton ship was reaching the final stages of her overhauling and was being loaded with 30 tons of ginseng (China's "dove of immortality"), 2,000 fur skins, 1,270 camels, and small quantities of cotton, lead, and pepper.

Then came sailing day, Washington's birthday. The departing Empress of China voiced a salute of 13 guns; the battery responded with 12.

In his pocket Captain Green carried a sea letter, penned by the young congress and addressed to the "Most Serene, Most Pious, High, Illustrious, Noble, Honorable, Wise and Prudent, Lords, Emperors, Kings, Republics, Princes, Dukes, Earls, Barons, Lords, Burgomasters, Councillors, as also Judges, Officers, Justicians, and Regents of all good cities and places, whether ecclesiastical or secular, who shall see these patents or hear them read."

Thirteen months later, after four months at Whampoa, anchorage for Canton, the sturdy ship was back in New York, her holds filled with 403,000 pounds of tea, 962 pieces of chinaware, 490 pieces of silk, 42 nankeens, and 2,750 pounds of cassia. Her successful voyage signaled the expansion of our merchant marine. Tiny ships, manned by youthful American sailors, were soon prowling the eastern seas, beating the monsoons up the China coast, and cluttering the Canton harbor. The China trade was on.

Swift Growth of Trade.

Homes in Salem and Boston, and, to a lesser degree, in New York and Philadelphia, became veritable museums of Chinese goods and curios. In 1790 the China trade represented approximately one-seventh of our foreign imports. Within another fifty years our vessels were bringing home about 15,000,000 pounds of tea annually. This trade also gave birth to the swift clipper ships.

American enterprise, however, came to China much later than that of European nations; for, it is remembered, the disappointing new continent's wilderness, uninhabited by savage redskins, appeared on the horizon when Old World adventurers sought China's riches by sailing westward.

But what of the China coast today, the lodestar which attracted those early explorers?

Macao today is a transplanted city, a bit of medieval Europe tucked in a Chinese setting. The pink, blue, and other pastel-colored buildings that line the water front and dot the hills up to the walls of historic Monte fortress, the weathered churches, and government offices are Portuguese. True, the majority of shops are hung with chromatic signs bearing Chinese ideographs, for the city's population is 97 per cent Chinese, but the banner that floats over the tiny area of little more than eleven square miles is the red and green emblem of Portugal.

Here it was that early in the Sixteenth century Portuguese traders, extending the oriental sea route which Vasco da Gama had carved around Cape of Good Hope to India, first opened commercial relations with opulent Cathay. Here they founded the pioneer European settlement in the Far East and held the monopoly on Chinese trade until the Eighteenth century.

In 1557 the Portuguese received conditional cession of this territory because of their assistance to the Chinese authorities in an attempt to subdue the pirates that infested the coast and the river approach to Canton. Pirates still lurk just around the island corners to plunder hapless vessels, and the Portuguese still control the rocky peninsula and two nearby islands, where they gained their first foothold.

Macao Still Important.

Here came the Dutch to be repelled by Portuguese battleships and the Monte guns; later, the long

arm of the East India company stretched across the sea to reach into Macao's rich trade pocket. To all early sea trade with Canton, Macao served as gateway. Even the Empress of China had to stop here to get the official Chinese permit before she could proceed to Whampoa anchorage.

How truly the little possession served as the China outpost is revealed by reading the epitaphs carved on some of the tombstones in the little Protestant cemetery. Names of sailors and merchants from Boston, Salem, and British ports appear frequently. Here, too, rest Robert Morrison, the noted British missionary; Edmund Roberts, special diplomatic agent of the U. S. A. to several Asiatic courts; Thomas Waldron, first consul of the United States for Hong-Kong; and others who featured in the early intercourse with China.

Macao has lost much of its commercial luster since Hong-Kong sapped its vitality; yet today its volume of commerce is greater than in early years, although insignificant in proportion to the total trade now carried on in this region. With recent harbor constructions at the cost of some \$2,500,000 and a reclamation project of 130 acres, it again makes a bid for greater attention.

Fish, freecrackers, opium, and gambling are now Macao's chief stock in trade. The important, colorful fishing industry employs some 2,000 junks and 50,000 men and women.

If recent years have brought little change to Macao, the same cannot be said of Canton. The ancient southern metropolis has been undergoing long-needed beauty treatments, and from it a new Canton is emerging. Little more than a decade ago Canton presented much the same appearance as when the clipper ships were lading their cargoes from its musty godowns. It was Chinese—deliberately, stubbornly Chinese.

Today old suspicions have been minimized. The Bund, formerly a muddy track lined with rat-trap buildings, is now a wide, well-paved thoroughfare fronted with modern eight and nine-story hotels, department stores, commercial houses, and an up-to-date custom house. Narrow streets and alleys, accessible only to the traffic of wheelbarrows and sedan chairs, have given way to wide streets to such an extent that tour conductors find difficulty in playing up the "tortuous channels" of old Canton.

Canton as it is Today.

The visitor who a few years ago wrote that "you have to choose your place to knock the ashes off your cigar, or they will alight in a dish of soy or dried duck, on the one hand, or a pile of wonderfully wrought silk embroidery on the other," could now whisk through 60 miles of wide, paved streets in one of the thousand or more motor cars that honk their way through the city. Thousands of buildings were razed and much of the old wall demolished to provide for these modern arteries of bustling Canton. The great fire of 1927 also assisted in clearing ground for these sweeping changes.

"Everything new originates in Canton," say the Chinese. Politically there is much truth in this statement. Here is where Sun Yat Sen found followers for his three principles of Kuomintang. By popular subscription, a modern monument and memorial auditorium, in which new political ideas are born and talked into vigorous activity, has been built as one of Canton's forms of recognition of the late leader.

Two new bridges are being constructed across the Chu Kiang (Pearl river), linking Canton city with Honan island. Some of the old temples have been converted into school rooms and the Cantonese boys and girls enjoy tennis, handball, and basketball on courts laid out in the ancient enclosures.

All of the old, however, has not disappeared. In narrow lanes one finds secluded restaurants selling snake meat, served in broth. Elsewhere men and boys work elaborate embroidery patterns on silk in half-lighted rooms. Nearby a boy is weaving magic colors in shimmering silk on a crude loom, his dingy cubicle illuminated for night work by a single smoky oil flame.

In other alleys one watches laborers cut and polish jade rings and bracelets on primitive foot-treadle machines and marvel at the skill with which they shape the resistive stone. Here is the center of the jade workmanship that has attained world-wide renown.

RICE IS MOST POPULAR FOOD

Used for Main Dishes and Even for Dessert.

By EDITH M. BARBER

"THE world's most popular food." Guess what? You're probably wrong. It isn't beef, and it isn't potatoes—it's rice.

Perhaps popular is not exactly the right adjective. Perhaps plentiful is the better term. In many countries life depends upon money enough to buy rice. In this country, where food is so varied, we make use of rice in our menu plans as an accessory food, because we like its texture and its flavor. We use it as a vegetable with meat and usually feel that there should be a gravy with it. We combine it with meat, fish, cheese and highly flavored vegetables for luncheon dishes, and we use it for dessert.

The white hullled rice is used far more than the brown rice and the wild rice which are more highly flavored. Brown rice is the unrefined product of the same plant which produces the staple white or polished rice. Wild rice, unlike the other, is a bluish purple in color and is the seed of a native grass.

There are innumerable "right" ways to cook rice. One is as good as the other if it produces a dry, flaky product, each grain of which stands out from the other. I usually use the method which was taught me by a Chinese woman, although I know that there are just as many ways of cooking it in the Eastern world as there are here. It is a quick enough method to be used by the business woman housekeeper and for this reason I am printing the recipe here.

Rice Pilau.

2 thin slices of salt pork, finely diced
 3/4 cup uncooked rice
 2 medium sized onions, cut fine
 2 cups of hot water
 2 cups tomato juice and pulp
 4 tablespoons minced parsley
 Salt
 Pepper
 Paprika

Fry the salt pork until slightly browned. Add the rice, which has

been washed and drained, and onions, and stir until the rice is a golden brown. Add the hot water gradually, cover and cook. When the rice is tender add the remaining ingredients, place in a greased baking dish and bake thirty minutes in a moderate oven (350 de grees Fahrenheit).

Chinese Method.

1 cup rice
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 2 cups cold water

Add rice and salt to the water, cover and bring to a boil in top part of double boiler. Let boil ten minutes. By that time the water should be absorbed. Then set the top part of the double boiler over hot water ten or fifteen minutes. Remove the cover a few minutes before serving to let out steam.

Wild Rice With Mushrooms and Onions.

1 cup wild rice
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 2 cups cold water
 2 tablespoons butter
 1/4 cup pound sliced mushrooms
 2 sliced onions

Add rice and salt to the water, cover and bring to a boil. Let boil fifteen minutes. By that time the water should be all absorbed. Set over hot water and let steam ten to fifteen minutes. Remove the cover for a few minutes before serving to let out steam. Melt the butter, add sliced mushrooms and onions and cook five minutes. Add to rice and season to taste.

Frankfurters With Fried Rice and Tomatoes.

2 tablespoons butter or bacon fat
 1/2 cup rice
 1 sliced onion
 1 No. 3 can tomatoes
 1 tablespoon salt
 1 tablespoon sugar
 Pepper
 6 cloves
 2 bay leaves
 12 frankfurters

Melt the butter or bacon fat, add rice and fry until light brown. Add onion and cook two minutes. Add tomato, salt, sugar, pepper, cloves and bay leaves. Cover and cook fifteen minutes, until rice is tender. Grill frankfurters on a hot, slightly greased frying pan and serve surrounded by tomatoes and rice.

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The Household

By LYDIA LE BARON WALKER

FINGER-BOWL dollies are essential accessories for the table whenever finger bowls are used, whether this is at breakfast, dinner, luncheon or supper. It was customary at one time to use these bowls only at the fruit course which ended a dinner or possibly a luncheon menu. Fruit was not then a breakfast dish, strange as this may seem. Today finger bowls are used during mid-meal courses when certain foods such as artichokes are served, as well as at first and final courses. A finger bowl should always be set on a dolly which is itself on a plate of suitable kind and size.

Finger bowls differ in vases from crystal clear plain glass to precious metal and copper. They may be of porcelain provided this foundation is overlaid with silver or gold. Glass may be incrustated with a design in precious metal or the glass may be colored, engraved or cut. Edges of finger bowls are even and smooth.

Plates for Bowls.

Finger-bowl sets include plates to match. Plates usually accompany bowls with or without metal, solid, or plated, or of the overlaid porcelain. Colored glass finger bowls are apt to have plates to match. However, plates and bowls may differ. Handsome dessert plates are then generally used. Plain china plates, white, in solid colors or with decoration if of suitable size are satisfactory.

The dollies may be entirely of

lace, or have a fine linen center edged with lace. Sheer linen with cutwork edges, forerunners of lace, may be finger-bowl dollies. Pine-apple cloth may be centers. The dollies should be very lacey and dainty. If crocheted lace is made around centers, or if the whole dolly is of the lace, use fine cotton so that the lace will be filmy.

Snacks and Snack Trays.

The colloquial word snack has become a prominent one far out-reaching its provincialism. The snack tray is featured at many smart after theater meals. It appears at card parties when refreshment time comes, and it is the feature of little suppers which take their name, snack suppers, from it. The tray itself is apt to be round with one or two circular spacings indicated by lines of depression or very slightly raised circles. Or again it is square or oblong with or without these spacing lines. It simplifies keeping the rows of edibles clearly and accurately defined when there are spacing lines as mentioned.

The word snack is delightfully appropriate for its present day use, as it not only means a light meal, but a share of something divided. The food is temptingly displayed on snack trays, for a hostess takes pride in dainty arrangements and artistic color schemes. There are two ways of filling trays for satisfactory meals. One is the apportioning of an assortment of edibles so that there are equal shares of everything for the number of persons at the snack supper, or luncheon. The other is to have less variety but in larger amounts so that portions will be lavish and satisfying. There should always be something in the order of a main dish and a relish or two.

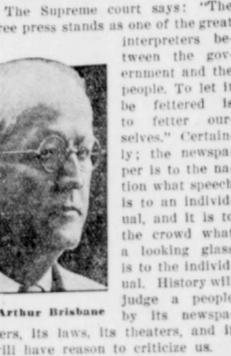
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The Finger Bowl Has a Dolly Under It.

BRISBANE THIS WEEK

Newspapers Are Useful A Leisure Class, Also A Real American Offense and Defense



Arthur Brisbane

The Supreme court says: "The free press stands as one of the great interpreters between the government and the people. To let it be fettered is to fetter ourselves." Certainly; the newspaper is to the nation what speech is to the individual, and it is to the crowd what a looking glass is to the individual. History will judge a people by its newspapers, its laws, its theaters, and it will have reason to criticize us.

Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, repeating what Aristotle said before him, said civilization needs a leisure class, and defined as the "leisure class" those that keep a hired girl. Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, thoughtful and wise, improves that definition; a leisure class for her is made up of individuals that "have sufficient economic security and sufficient leisure to find opportunity for a variety of satisfactions in life."

Charles Fourier, French philosopher, said it long ago, and elaborately. Henry Ford said it well, advocating a short work week, with two days off, that men might have time to spend pleasantly the earnings of five days.

All that will come, and more. In the past men worked too hard, while paid and fed too little, and never dreamed of Mrs. Roosevelt's "varied satisfactions," while the prosperous, as a rule, concentrated too much on foolish satisfactions.

All that knew him learn with sorrow of the sudden death of Charles Curtis, former Vice President of the United States. He was an American, a real one, proud of the red Indian blood in his veins. As a boy he rode horse races well and honestly; as a man, he rode the political race fairly. As Vice President he was content with the position that the American people and Constitution gave him. He would have made a good and loyal President had destiny so willed it.

The newspaper heading, "Britain is redoubting her defense plans to offset Germany," should interest somebody in America. This country is not planning to "offset Germany," but it has all Europe, including Russia and all Asia, to think about in these flying days. We should perfect our "defense plans" and particularly our attack plans.

Senator Pittman of Nevada sees Japan shutting us out of China, "even at the risk of war"; says our business men "have been run out of Manchuria already." Japan might reply that her workmen have been run out of the United States.

The map will comfort Senator Pittman. Gigantic Manchukuo, bigger than all of old Japan, leans up against Outer Mongolia and Soviet Russia. Japan will not invite trouble with those countries, and war with the United States would invite it.

If you wonder "where all the tax money goes," read this:

"In six months the state of New York paid \$801,612 for official automobile expense."

And that does not include automobiles for the department of mental hygiene. One official discharged his chauffeur, paid by taxpayers, accusing him of cheating the state out of \$2,000 in one year through dishonest gasoline and repair vouchers. That is almost "a business."

"Charlie" Schwab may be seventy years old, but he still "knows his way around." The government tried to get \$19,654,856 from Schwab's Bethlehem Steel company, alleging profiteering. Instead of giving the government \$19,000,000, the "special master," hearing evidence, says the government must pay \$5,666,154 to Schwab and Bethlehem Steel. No wonder Carnegie, who was Scotch, thought a good deal of Schwab.

Dr. G. A. Stevenson, "fellow" in the University college of Oxford, suggests to the London Times that the pax Romana ("Roman peace") of ancient times, when Rome ruled the world and would allow no fighting, should be followed now by a pax Britannica ("British peace"), England ruling the world, telling everybody what to do.

American Olympic athletes appearing on the field in Germany met with gloomy silence, contrasting with applause for European and Oriental Olympic squads. The Americans, who defeated Germany at hockey, score 1 to 0, will survive the silence.

Omelets Are Far From Extinct

Food Expert Offers Two Recipes With Preference for Those With Merits of Fluffy and French Types.

"Did you ever hear of an omelet? Or are they extinct? It is almost impossible to buy an omelet pan at a reasonable price today. Won't you give us some recipes for omelets? Perhaps you might awaken an interest and demand, and then, we might be able to buy a pan for a reasonable amount. Nothing is so delicious or so enjoyable as a good omelet, and there are so many varieties of them. They are nourishing, satisfying and economical."

The above letter was received by a well-known food expert, who answers as follows: First, about an omelet pan. I use a well tempered iron frying pan which can be bought at any hardware or house furnishing department, for a moderate price. The double omelet pans which I suppose the writer demands are not particularly popular as they are not necessary. They can be found, however, in aluminum at a large house furnishing department.

Now about the omelets themselves. In my past there were two types of omelets. The french, which has a delicious flavor and texture, but is not particularly tempting in appearance. And the fluffy which looks beautiful, but lacks flavor. Since a visit to Mont St. Michael, however, where I tasted the famous Poulard omelet and watched its making a number of times, I have been converted to omelets which have the merits of both the fluffy and the french.

I was told by Madame, the manager, that it could be made only over the coals of a wood fire in a long handled, copper pan. I have found, however, that it can be duplicated pretty well over a low gas flame. I, therefore, dare give you the recipe!

Quick Meal.

Mock turtle soup Baked tomatoes
 Celery Baked potatoes
 Sliced raw carrots French pastry
 Omelet with kid- Coffee
 ney stew

Method of Preparation.

Light oven
 Scrub potatoes and bake
 Prepare tomatoes
 Prepare celery and carrots
 Make kidney stew and bake tomatoes
 Make omelet
 Open can of soup and heat
 Make coffee

Poulard Omelet.

9 eggs 1/2 cup butter

Beat eggs until light and foamy. Melt the butter over a low heat, add the eggs and stir once. Continue cooking over a low heat, pushing back the edges and letting the liquid run into the bottom of the pan. There will be some foam remaining on the top. Increase the heat and shake thepan until the omelet loosens. Fold omelet in two with a spatula and slip onto a hot platter.

Kidney Stew.

1 large kidney
 1 onion
 1 tablespoon butter
 1 1/2 tablespoons flour
 1 1/2 cups kidney stock
 Salt, pepper
 2 tablespoons sherry

Remove fat and sinews from kidney. Wash and place in a saucepan with enough water to cover. Allow it to come to a boil and then simmer for five minutes, until very tender. Remove kidney, saving the water in which it was cooked, and cut into small pieces. Slice onion and cook in butter in frying pan five minutes. Add flour, and when well blended add one and a half cupfuls of the water in which the kidney was

Smiles

Locating the Cheek
 "Cheek, I call it."
 "Cheek be blowed. The cheek's on the other foot."

Time for Everything
 Sutor—I wish to marry your daughter, sir.
 Dad—Do you drink, young man?
 Sutor—Thanks a lot, but let's settle this other thing first.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

THE FLAVOR LASTS— THAT'S WORTH REPEATING!

THE FLAVOR LASTS AWK!

She—I don't speak to strangers.
 He—Well, all I want is to get acquainted. Then we won't be strangers.

Easy to Please
 "Did I leave an umbrella here yesterday?"
 "What kind of an umbrella?"
 "Oh, any kind. I'm not fussy."

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 THE PERFECT GUM
 THE FLAVOR LASTS

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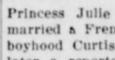
THE STANDARD OF QUALITY

CURRENT EVENTS IN REVIEW

By Edward W. Pickard

Death of Charles Curtis, Former Vice President

CHARLES CURTIS, former Vice President of the United States and before that representative and senator from Kansas, died suddenly of heart disease at the Washington home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Gann. He was seventy-six years old, and was the first man of Indian blood ever to preside over the senate. He was one-quarter Kaw Indian, his grandmother having been Princess Julie of that tribe who married a French voyager. In his boyhood Curtis was a jockey, and later a reporter. Having studied law, he became a prosecutor at the age of twenty-four in Shawnee county, Kansas, and was elected to congress in 1892. He was made senator in 1907, was defeated in 1912, and two years later was again elected senator. He was elected Vice President on the ticket headed by Herbert Hoover, and was re-nominated for that position in 1932.



Charles Curtis

Mr. Curtis was greatly liked by his associates in Washington and his death caused genuine grief. President Roosevelt said: "I am deeply distressed to learn of the sudden passing of my old friend, Charles Curtis. Whether they knew him as a senator, as the Vice President of the United States, or as the man he was in his own right, his legion of friends will remember him, always affectionately, and will mourn his passing."

Vice President Garner said: "I was always fond of him. I was associated with him in the house and senate. He was a fine man and a good friend."

Funeral services for Mr. Curtis and the interment were in Topeka, Kan.

New Farm Bill Pushed for Early Adjournment

LEADERS in congress hope for an early adjournment, by May 1 at the latest, and therefore they pushed the new farm bill forward, trying to get it through both houses by the end of the week. In their desire to get away from the Capital, they already had decided to let the proposed permanent neutrality legislation go by the board.

The farm bill as rewritten by the senate agriculture committee is based on the soil erosion prevention scheme. Some Democrats joined with many Republicans in opposing the measure, one of them being Senator Walsh of Massachusetts. In a statement issued to the press he declared it was a "dangerous" bill conferring "autocratic and blanket authority" on the secretary of agriculture. He said the measure was "neither valid in law nor valid in economics."

Chairman Doughton of the house ways and means committee said he expected definite word from the White House or treasury soon on the amount and kind of taxes that might be proposed to finance the new farm program.

Speaker Byrns said he could see no reason why the tax measure should not emerge from the committee by the end of February.

He and Douglas insisted they had no advance information on what the administration might propose. Many congressmen who are usually well informed said they looked for a recommendation for levies to raise more than \$300,000,000, perhaps through excise taxes.

Rigid Policy Announced on FHA Mortgages

HOUSEHOLDERS defaulting on government-guaranteed renovation and mortgage notes will be no more gently treated by the Federal Housing Administration than are tax delinquents by the Treasury department. Stewart McDonald, FHA administrator, says there has been a general misunderstanding of this matter, and so he enunciates this policy:

"When a borrower under the modernization credit plan defaults on a loan, the lending institution files claim with the housing administration for the insurance on the loan. The matter of collecting the defaulted obligation then is turned over to the Federal Housing administration."

"In such cases it will be the policy of the Federal Housing administration to be just as rigid as the Treasury department in the collection of taxes. The collection machinery is well organized and, while every reasonable consideration will be given to borrowers in default, the public must not get the impression that the housing administration will be lax in performing its duty."

"There is no reason to assume that borrowers in default will be treated like tax evaders, but rather along the same lines as an individual who is in default of tax payments."

After his teaching by the parable of the soil and the lighted candle, Jesus exhibited his credentials, enforcing his teaching by demonstrations of his mighty power.

1. Jesus Calming the Storm (vv. 22-25).

In this miracle he demonstrated his power over nature.

1. Jesus asleep (v. 23). While the disciples were sailing the ship the Master fell asleep.

2. The frightened disciples (vv. 23, 24). The storm seems to have been an unusual one. These sturdy men were used to storms, but as their ship was being filled with water they awoke Jesus with the cry of fear.

3. Jesus rebuked the wind and water (v. 24). At his word there was a great calm. We can with confidence put our trust in Jesus Christ for, as he calmed the tempestuous sea, so he can calm the raging storms which threaten our destruction.

4. Jesus rebuked the disciples (v. 25). After rebuking the raging elements, he turned to the disciples. He did not rebuke them for waking him, but for their lack of faith.

11. Jesus Casting Out Demons (vv. 26-29).

In this mighty act Jesus' power over demons was demonstrated. Demon possession was in that day, and it is today, an awful reality. The characteristics are often similar to cases of insanity, and many are called insane, who are really demon-possessed.

1. Jesus met by the demoniac (vv. 26-29). This poor man's suffering was dreadful. He abode in the tombs without clothing. At the sight of Jesus he made an outcry and fell down before him and besought him not to torment him. There is no doubt in the mind of demons as to the reality of a place of torment. Sin imposes upon its victims anguish and shame.

2. Jesus' question (v. 30). He asked him, "What is thy name?" His purpose was to bring the real man to consciousness, to enable him to distinguish between himself and the demon who held him. The answer shows that the man thought his case was hopeless. He said, "Legion," which meant that many demons had entered into him and therefore, he was powerless to free himself.

3. The demons' request (vv. 31-32). They asked permission to enter into a herd of swine. It seems that demons have a dislike for embodiment. In the presence of Jesus the demons tremble and beg permission to act.

4. Their request granted (vv. 32, 33). Just why this was done we do not know. Since Jesus did it, we must believe that it was right and wise.

5. The effect upon the people (vv. 34-37).

a. The keepers of the swine went and made it known in the city and country. That a supernatural event had taken place was not questioned by the investigators.

b. The people made investigation. They saw the man sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and heard the testimony of those who had seen what was done.

c. The multitude besought Jesus to depart from them. How sad it is that in the face of the mighty works of Jesus men will not open their hearts to him.

6. The request of the healed man (vv. 38, 39). He desired to be with Jesus. This was natural and right, but his responsibility was to go home and show to the people there what great things God had done for him. This is ever the responsibility of saved people—to go back to the very neighborhoods where they lived and make known the saving power of Jesus Christ.

111. Jesus' Power Over Disease (vv. 43-48).

Jesus heals a woman with an issue of blood. Observe:

1. Her helpless condition (v. 43). She had been a great sufferer for twelve long years (Mark 5:26).

2. Her faith (v. 44). Her faith was demonstrated by pressing her way through the thronging multitude.

3. Her confession (v. 47). She thought furtively to get the blessing, but Jesus perceived that virtue had gone out from him, and had her make a public confession.

4. Christ's words of encouragement (v. 48). He told her that it was her faith, not her touch, that saved her, and bade her go in peace.

Senator Borah Formally Enters Nomination Race

WILLIAM E. BORAH, the liberal Republican senator from Idaho, is now a full-fledged candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination. He formally put himself in the running by announcing that he would enter the primaries in Ohio to be held May 12. That state requires that the candidate shall declare himself in writing, and this Mr. Borah did he would do.

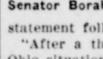
The senator's statement follows:

"After a thorough survey of the Ohio situation I am convinced that the people of that state should be given an opportunity to express their choice in the Presidential primary of May 12. Under the so-called 'favorite son' plan this privilege is denied them."

"To obtain an expression of popular will it is my intention to place at least eight candidates or delegates at large in the field."

"I shall make a number of speeches in Ohio and present the issues as I see them."

It is understood by his friends that the senator will make a contest for delegates in almost every state having a preference primary. He says the G. O. P. conventions have been dominated by the old conservative leaders through the operation of the "favorite son" scheme and this control he intends to destroy if possible. It is his opinion that only a liberal Republican can defeat President Roosevelt next fall, and few will deny that he is the outstanding liberal in his party.



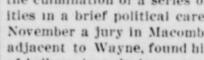
Senator Borah

Michigan Party Chief Convicted of Fraud

ELMER B. O'HARA, Democratic state chairman of Michigan and former clerk of Wayne county, which includes Detroit, State Senator A. J. Wilkowski and 16 others of lesser prominence were convicted in Detroit of having attempted to steal the 1934 election. Eight defendants in the recent case, which had been on trial for nearly 12 weeks, were acquitted. Two other defendants previously had pleaded guilty, thus bringing to 20 the number facing sentence for their part in the vote recount conspiracy.

For O'Hara the verdict came as the culmination of a series of calamities in a brief political career. Last November a jury in Macomb county, adjacent to Wayne, found him guilty of bribery in a drainage transaction in connection with real estate deals he had made before 1932, when he entered politics and was elected Wayne county clerk. He awaits sentence under that conviction. After conviction he was removed from office.

In the recent case O'Hara was found guilty on three counts, permitting others to alter ballots, conspiring to permit others to alter ballots, and conspiring to permit others to conduct the recount in an unlawful manner and change the result of the November, 1934, election by putting Democrats in office instead of the Republicans elected.



Elmer B. O'Hara

Mrs. Huey Long Takes Husband's Senate Seat

MRS. HUEY P. LONG, widow of the slain senator from Louisiana, took her seat in the senate to complete Huey's unfinished term, becoming the second woman member of the upper house. After eleven months she will be succeeded by Allen Allender, speaker of the Louisiana house of representatives, who was nominated for the regular term.

Mrs. Long, middle aged and comely, said:

"In my mind I have a hazy idea about the things I want to do, but I am not yet ready to announce them. I want to take my seat in the senate and get right to work—I'll need a lot of luck."

Great Britain Rushes Rearmament Program

IF THERE must be another war in Europe, Great Britain proposes to be in readiness. The government is hurrying up its rearmament program, which will be financed by a loan of probably about \$2,000,000,000. Plans for the expansion and modernization of the army, navy and air force will be submitted to parliament early in March, and it is said will include mechanization of the entire army. Impetus to the work was given by the latest statement attributed to Mussolini that the Italo-Ethiopian war "may yet have a world-wide disaster."

Vandenberg Doubts Value of Florida Canal

SENATOR VANDENBERG of Michigan has grave doubts of the economic necessity or value of the ship canal that is being dug across central Florida, and offered in the senate commerce committee a resolution for investigation by a special committee. In support of his move he produced letters from 11 companies operating steamships saying they would not use the canal even if no tolls were charged. They asserted the expense of employing canal pilots added to the risk of damage to ships would offset any gain in navigation costs.

Market for Farms Is Materially Better

THE farm credit administration, in a report for 1935 of operations of federal land banks, said the market for farms improved vastly last year with the land banks disposing of 73 per cent more farms than in 1934. The banks sold 8,423 farms during the year. The gain over 1933 sales amounted to 104 per cent.

Both the price per acre and the proportion of the investment recovered were appreciably higher than in the preceding year, said Albert S. Goss, land bank commissioner, in issuing the report.

Long Newspaper Tax Is Held Unconstitutional

ONCE again the Supreme court of the United States comes to the rescue of a free press. Unanimously the nine justices ruled that the Louisiana law imposing a punitive tax on the advertising of the principal newspapers of that state is unconstitutional. The law was passed by a legislature controlled by the late Senator Huey Long. The court said it:

"It is bad because, in the light of its history and of its present setting, it is seen to be a deliberate and calculated device in the guise of a tax to limit the circulation of information to which the public is entitled in virtue of the constitutional guarantee."

"A free press stands as one of the great interpreters between the government and the people. To allow it to be fettered is to fetter ourselves."

"In view of the persistent search for new subjects of taxation, it is not without significance that, with the single exception of the Louisiana statute, so far as we can discover, no state during the 150 years of our national existence has undertaken to impose a tax like that now in question."

"The form in which the tax is imposed is in itself suspicious. It is not measured or limited by the volume of advertisements. It is measured alone by the extent of the circulation of the publication in which the advertisements are carried, with the plain purpose of penalizing the publishers and curtailing the circulation of a selected group of newspapers."

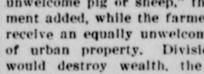
Liberty League Hits at Share-Wealth Schemes

AMERICAN LIBERTY LEAGUE has issued a document concerning plans for sharing the national wealth, calling them "not only impractical but utterly impossible." Reminding that wealth is not money, but land, buildings, industry, railroads, raw materials, manufactured goods and metals, the league said the most feasible method of dividing it equally among all the people would be for the government to issue securities against all property and then to take over its management.

Actual division of wealth might "give a city apartment dweller an unwelcome pig or sheep," the statement added, while the farmer might receive an equally unwelcome piece of urban property. Division also would destroy wealth, the league argued, because separate units of income-producing wealth "would have no value."

Raskob Sued for Alleged Income Tax Deficiency

ACTION against John J. Raskob, former chairman of the Democratic national committee when Al Smith was the Presidential nominee, and who is now president of the American Liberty League has been begun by the government for an alleged deficiency of \$1,028,340 on his 1929 income taxes. The claim was filed in an amendment to the petition recently filed against Pierre S. du Pont two days before Al Smith in Washington had bitterly assailed the New Deal. In the petition, which Raskob described as "New Deal persecution," Mr. du Pont was alleged to have understated his 1929 income by \$2,897,832 and an additional tax of \$617,316 was asked. In the amended petition accusing Mr. Raskob, it was alleged that he and the industrialist engaged in "fictitious" sales of securities, one to the other, to a total of about \$30,000,000 for the purpose of showing losses.



J. J. Raskob

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Lesson for February 23 PEOPLE BEFORE PROPERTY

LESSON TEXT—Luke 8:26-27. GOLDEN TEXT—No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.—Luke 16:13.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus With His Friends in a Storm.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Jesus With His Friends in a Storm.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Sympathy or Selfishness?

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Human Welfare Before Financial Profit.

After his teaching by the parable of the soil and the lighted candle, Jesus exhibited his credentials, enforcing his teaching by demonstrations of his mighty power.

1. Jesus Calming the Storm (vv. 22-25).

In this miracle he demonstrated his power over nature.

1. Jesus asleep (v. 23). While the disciples were sailing the ship the Master fell asleep.

2. The frightened disciples (vv. 23, 24). The storm seems to have been an unusual one. These sturdy men were used to storms, but as their ship was being filled with water they awoke Jesus with the cry of fear.

3. Jesus rebuked the wind and water (v. 24). At his word there was a great calm. We can with confidence put our trust in Jesus Christ for, as he calmed the tempestuous sea, so he can calm the raging storms which threaten our destruction.

4. Jesus rebuked the disciples (v. 25). After rebuking the raging elements, he turned to the disciples. He did not rebuke them for waking him, but for their lack of faith.

11. Jesus Casting Out Demons (vv. 26-29).

In this mighty act Jesus' power over demons was demonstrated. Demon possession was in that day, and it is today, an awful reality. The characteristics are often similar to cases of insanity, and many are called insane, who are really demon-possessed.

1. Jesus met by the demoniac (vv. 26-29). This poor man's suffering was dreadful. He abode in the tombs without clothing. At the sight of Jesus he made an outcry and fell down before him and besought him not to torment him. There is no doubt in the mind of demons as to the reality of a place of torment. Sin imposes upon its victims anguish and shame.

2. Jesus' question (v. 30). He asked him, "What is thy name?" His purpose was to bring the real man to consciousness, to enable him to distinguish between himself and the demon who held him. The answer shows that the man thought his case was hopeless. He said, "Legion," which meant that many demons had entered into him and therefore, he was powerless to free himself.

3. The demons' request (vv. 31-32). They asked permission to enter into a herd of swine. It seems that demons have a dislike for embodiment. In the presence of Jesus the demons tremble and beg permission to act.

4. Their request granted (vv. 32, 33). Just why this was done we do not know. Since Jesus did it, we must believe that it was right and wise.

5. The effect upon the people (vv. 34-37).

a. The keepers of the swine went and made it known in the city and country. That a supernatural event had taken place was not questioned by the investigators.

b. The people made investigation. They saw the man sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and heard the testimony of those who had seen what was done.

c. The multitude besought Jesus to depart from them. How sad it is that in the face of the mighty works of Jesus men will not open their hearts to him.

6. The request of the healed man (vv. 38, 39). He desired to be with Jesus. This was natural and right, but his responsibility was to go home and show to the people there what great things God had done for him. This is ever the responsibility of saved people—to go back to the very neighborhoods where they lived and make known the saving power of Jesus Christ.

111. Jesus' Power Over Disease (vv. 43-48).

Jesus heals a woman with an issue of blood. Observe:

1. Her helpless condition (v. 43). She had been a great sufferer for twelve long years (Mark 5:26).

2. Her faith (v. 44). Her faith was demonstrated by pressing her way through the thronging multitude.

3. Her confession (v. 47). She thought furtively to get the blessing, but Jesus perceived that virtue had gone out from him, and had her make a public confession.

4. Christ's words of encouragement (v. 48). He told her that it was her faith, not her touch, that saved her, and bade her go in peace.

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DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

The district health board of district 10, composed of Chaves, Eddy and Lea counties, met this afternoon at Artesia to discuss health problems of the district. Chaves county members of the board are: Mrs. McGaffey Brown of Roswell and Mrs. F. L. Mehlhop of Dexter.

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(Items for either this column or the calendar must be turned in by not later than Wednesday noon)

Social Calendar

L. C. club meets with Mrs. Buck Boyce next Thursday, February 27th.

The Young Women's Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. T. D. Devenport Friday the 28th.

Methodist Missionary will meet at the home of Mrs. Flora West February 26th.

DEXTER WOMAN'S CLUB CELEBRATES 29th BIRTHDAY

No meeting of the Dexter Woman's club has been more enjoyed, than was the celebration of the club's 29th anniversary held February 13th. The club room was gaily decorated with Mexican zarapes and new paintings on the walls. After a short business session, presided over by the president, Mrs. F. L. Mehlhop, roll call was responded to by "something original." Many beautiful and clever works of art were seen and heard. Among these: a cross-stitch slipper made by Mrs. H. Durand, at the age of eight, and while living in Belgium; a quilt of more than two thousand pieces, every stitch made by Mrs. J. V. Thomas, while in her 73rd year. The table arrangement was Mrs. Mehlhop's original idea. Mrs. Parker read an original verse composition, and Mrs. Whitman showed a beautiful quilt, in the making. The program was in charge of "Fine Arts" chairman, Mrs. Hal Bogle, and the whole theme featured "Indian and Native Arts," and was as follows: Piano solo, "From An Indian Lodge," McDowell—Mrs. Parker; "Indian Art—Sand Paintings"—Mrs. Mehlhop; vocal solos, "From the Land of the Sky Blue Water," Cadman, and "The Waters of the Minnetonka," Lieurance — Mrs. Bogle; "Art"—Mrs. C. N. Moore; Greetings from 3rd District—Mrs. C. R. Blocker; Remarks—Mrs. Jeff Hightower; "Mexican Hat Dance," direction and accompanied at piano by Bruce Gaarder, Bobbie Anderson and Earl Lattimer, Jr.; song, "Indian Mountain Song"—Club octette, accompanist, Mrs. Parker. Many birthday gifts, including cash and a gas range, from friends far and near, were received.

The tea table was beautifully adorned with a lace cloth over red. The unique centerpiece was in keeping with the program theme, Native and Indian Arts, arranged by Mrs. F. L. Mehlhop. An oblong structure depicting a native scene, the native adobe, green grass growing on the hillside with a stream of running water and many miniature figures of native folk, donkeys and animals completed an unusually artistic creation. Tall red tapers cast a soft glow over the table. Mrs. C. N. Moore and Mrs. Mary Thompson presided, serving some fifty guests dainty sandwiches, small cakes, coffee and a piece of a four-tier birthday cake, lighted with twenty-nine heart-shaped candles, and cut by the club founder, Mrs. H. Durand. The hostesses were Mmes. H. Durand, C. N. Moore, F. L. Mehlhop, Hal Bogle and S. R. Whitman. Guests from out of town were Mmes. C. R. Blocker, Jeff Hightower, Roger Durand of Artesia and Mrs. Rogers of Las Vegas.

The Baptist "Hill Billy Band" from the Baptist church met on Tuesday night for practice at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elton Lankford. Delicious refreshments were served to fourteen, following practice.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Wrinkle announce the birth of a baby daughter on February 14th. Mr. and Mrs. Wrinkle (Opal Rhodes) live east of Hagerman. Mother and babe are at the St. Francis hospital in Carlsbad and are doing nicely.

Word comes from Mrs. A. C. Harter that she arrived home feeling fine, and it was raining heavily, but not cold. Mrs. Harter's home is in Los Angeles, California.

L. C. CLUB VALENTINE PARTY

Mrs. Willis Pardee was hostess to one of the most delightful occasions of the year, last Thursday afternoon when members and guests assembled for their regular meeting.

The hostess read the first ten verses of Matthew 6, and roll call was answered by quoting Valentine verses. The hostess had prepared a Valentine basket, and each one present received a package from this. Then the game of Hearts was played, Mmes. Ernest Utterback and Ross Jacobs winning high favors, while Mmes. Will Wiggins and E. D. Menoud won consolation. Refreshments were served from quartette tables. Heart ice cream, delicious cup cakes with candy hearts for decoration, coffee and heart mints were served. Guests were Miss Ruth Wiggins, Mrs. B. F. Knoll and Mrs. Harry Cowan. Seventeen members were present, only three, Mmes. Geo. Lathrop, E. G. Lathrop and B. F. Gehman, were absent.

P. T. A. ACTIVITIES

The local P. T. A. met on Tuesday evening at the school auditorium. Due to so much sickness and inclement weather, only a small crowd attended. After a short business session, in which a nominating committee, namely: Mrs. Robt. Cumpsten, Mrs. Jim Michelet and Mrs. Stella J. Palmer were appointed, the following program was given: "Art in the Life of the Child," Mrs. E. A. White. National P. T. A. president's message was given by Mrs. T. D. Devenport. "History and Significance of Founder's Day," the Rev.

J. W. Slade. Mmes. Ernest Utterback and Frank McCarthy presided over the candle lighting ceremony. The sixth grade gets the picture for the month, having the most representatives present.

PRESBYTERIAN LADIES AID

Mrs. Bayard Curry's home was the meeting place of the Aid yesterday afternoon. The president, Mrs. W. A. Losey, presided during the business session. Plans were made for the Aid to increase their finances through sales. A committee was appointed to meet with committees of the other societies of the town at a near date.

Delicious refreshments of tomato aspic salad, wafers and coffee were served to Mmes. Frank McCarthy, L. W. Garner, J. E. Wimberly, J. F. Campbell, H. J. Cumpsten, Jas. A. Hedges, W. A. Losey, T. D. Devenport, B. F. Knoll, D. A. Marrs and the hostess.

VALENTINE PARTY

The children's division of the Methodist church was given a very delightful Valentine party Saturday afternoon. Mostly Valentine games were played. There were about forty children present and the teachers, Miss Esther James, Mrs. Dacus Parker, Mrs. Lester Hinrichsen, Mrs. B. F. Gehman, Mrs. Elwood Watford and Mrs. J. W. Slade. Miss Dorothea Cowan is also a teacher of that division and helped with the entertainment. Refreshments of heart-shaped cookies, candy hearts and cocoa were served.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTY

The Rev. J. W. Slade gave his Sunday school class a very enjoyable party in the undercroft of the Methodist church last Thursday night. Bingo formed the diversion for the evening and Miss Agnes McCormick won the prize for having won the highest score. Delicious refreshments of cake and cocoa were served.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

A very lovely birthday party was given by Mr. and Mrs. Tom McKinstry in honor of Edmund McKinstry last Saturday evening. A delicious chicken dinner was served to Mr. and Mrs. Edmund McKinstry and young son, Lon Edmund, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Harshey and children, James McKinstry and J. E., Mr. and Mrs. Karner Blythe of Amarillo, Texas, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Tom McKinstry.

D. D. CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Welborne were the hosts to the D. D. club Monday night and all the members were present. Mrs. Jack Sweatt won the high score for the evening. Delicious refreshments were served.

BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mrs. J. L. King was hostess to a delicious dinner Monday in honor of J. L. King's birthday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. King, Winifred and Alice, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence King, Charlene, Norma Joe and Wilva Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus King and Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Orvis J. Atwood, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. King and Bennie Lee and Newt Pippenger and Miss Phyllis Andrews.

Five In Narrow Escape When Car Overturns Sun.

A near fatal automobile accident occurred early Sunday morning at a grade crossing eight miles south of Roswell when a Chrysler sedan, carrying five lower valley people, overturned four times as the driver attempted to negotiate the turn over the crossing. The occupants of the car were fortunate in escaping fatal injuries. Max J. Coffman of Carlsbad, the driver, escaped with three broken ribs. Mrs. Coffman, his wife, received a severe cut in the forehead and was rendered unconscious for a few minutes following the accident. George Nixon of Artesia, with the Artesia WPA office, sustained a broken rib, and the other two passengers, Miss Mary Lynch and Bernice Eustance of Carlsbad, were severely shaken and bruised.

The five were returning from a visit to Roswell, Mr. and Mrs. Max J. Coffman of Carlsbad were married at Hobbs Saturday afternoon. Mr. Coffman, well known in the Carlsbad area, is state agent for a Denver financial concern. Mrs. Coffman is the former Miss Frances Stevens of Wichita Falls, Texas.

LARGE RESERVE OF PROSPECTIVE OIL LAND

According to G. E. Bignell, an oil production engineer, New Mexico has twenty-four million four hundred and fifty-one thousand acres of oil land with three million acres under lease. These figures were given in a recent issue of the Oil and Gas Journal. Mr. Bignell says the state's proven reserve is three hundred and fifty million acres.

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Missionary Tells of Work Among Chinese People

The Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Askins returned last week from a missionary tour of the New Mexico district of the Nazarene church. The party was composed of the district superintendent, the Rev. B. F. Harris, Miss Myrtle Thompson, returned missionary from Tia Ming, China, and the Rev. and Mrs. Askins. The traveled a distance of seventeen hundred miles through New Mexico, a part of Texas and Juarez, Mexico, where the Nazarene church operates a large orphanage home and mission station. The party was at the Hagerman Nazarene church on February 2nd. The district superintendent gave a report on progress of the district and presented the church paper, "The Herald of Holiness." The Rev. Askins spoke on Sunday school work. He is chairman of the district board of Christian Education, and he also gave a treasurer's report of district finances. Mrs. E. L. Askins spoke on the W. M. S. work in the district. Mrs. Askins is district president of the W. M. S.

Miss Thompson gave a very interesting talk on the missionary work in China. Tia Ming is located about three hundred miles inland. Miss Thompson is a registered nurse, and her talk centered around medical missions. She was in charge of the nurse's department of the Nazarene hospital. It has thirty-five Chinese nurses. Dr. R. G. Fitz is head of the doctor's staff. The hospital is of American design, modern in every way, and is equipped with one hundred beds. This hospital has a large place in missionary work, in that it is a contact for the missionaries, who work in and out stations. It has a wide range of territory, the next nearest hospital is 180 (lee) or sixty miles east, and via their mode of travel this distance takes two days and night to cover the road. The principle made of travel is by carts drawn by some animal of burden, sometimes oxen, which is very slow. The next hospital, is a Presbyterian, and is two hundred miles to the north.

The ratio of doctors, both foreign and Chinese, is one doctor to every eighty thousand population. Miss Thompson also displayed a collection of curios, telling the use of each. One was cloth shoes for the bound feet; while China is trying to do away with foot binding, there are millions that still bind the little girl's feet at the age of three years. Their dress costume was displayed, men and women wear similar clothes. They put on padded garments the first of November and do not take them off until the latter part of April. Their homes are made of mud dried bricks with corn stalks for roofing covered with a thin layer of mud, which has to be replaced every year or so. They build their homes in compounds as a protective measure against bandits. The average farm per family is two-thirds of an acre.

The only holiday they observe is the Chinese New Year, which is on February 1st. At this time no one has time to be sick, and those that possibly can will leave the hospital to go home and "kotow" to their elders. This holiday lasts for two weeks. Their education is very limited. They begin at the back of a book and read backward, and their lines run up and down the pages. They know very little of health hygiene, nothing about washing their teeth. One funny thing they do, is to scrape their tongue with a long piece of cow's horn.

Miss Thompson states that they make wonderful christians. There are 1500 Chinese Nazarenes in the thirty-two mission stations covering five counties, which is allotted to the Nazarene field. However, there are millions yet to hear the gospel of a Christ to save.

Messenger Want Ads Get Results

Locals

Bill Alexander visited in Roswell Sunday.

Roy Lee Hearn spent the day at Weed Sunday visiting his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Brennan Witt were dinner guests of friends in Roswell Sunday.

Jim Wheat of Mentone is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweatt and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Keeth of Lake Arthur visited in Hagerman Tuesday.

Dr. M. A. Shields made a professional visit to Lake Arthur on Wednesday.

Alvin Lusk has made arrangements to farm the Whitfield place southwest of town.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Mason and Mrs. C. E. Lannom were Roswell visitors Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Mason left for El Paso on Tuesday morning to be gone for several days.

Brennan Witt and Bill Alexander accompanied the basketball boys to Lovington last Friday night.

Miss Grace Paddock and Mr. and Mrs. Bernon Witt were Roswell visitors and shoppers Saturday.

Miss Oma Dene Graham visited over the week-end with friends here from her home in Roswell and she reports that her mother seems better than she has been for some time.

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Mrs. Ira Marshall and Krukenmeier are entering an afternoon bridge party February 21st, at the home.

Mr. and Mrs. Orvis J. Atwood are planning for the Bluewater county northern part of the area they will locate.

Mrs. Earl Latimer and Mrs. Latimer's mother, Tuesday in Roswell. Audre Latimer, who has in the county assessor's

Miss Dorothy Lewis, student at Las Vegas University has had the honor of two of her compositions being accepted by a national magazine, during a recent verses.

Roy Garrison, shortly after New Mexico has been given the leadership of an operatic play, "The Girl." Dexter and other towns are to be visited by a troupe later in the season.

All Lake Van club members are urged to cooperate with the set to beautify the south of the club house. Made into a picnic area, will fulfill a long felt wish of members. The lady members will furnish the lunch. The set will be set for the next week. Further particulars see the Durand.

Messrs. and Mmes. Cox, Raymond Durand and Parker entertained at last week, with a delicious pointed dinner-bridge, and favors followed the theme. About twenty-five were bidden to this fair. Guests were from Dexter and Hagerman.

SNOW AND RAIN IN MOUNTAIN AREAS

The Sacramento mountains was visited by a rain and snow on the night of the 12th and 13th Thursday morning. The snow extended down to the section. Ranchers said the section now had the best snow experienced in that section years.

A western stare ran the advertisement: "Apples and imported early and avoid the worm early bird gets the worm."