



# CREDIBLE

## By BEN AMES WILLIAMS

### SYNOPSIS

Barbara Sentry, seeking to sober up her escort, Johnnie Boyd, on the way home from a party, slaps him, and attracts the attention of the policeman, whom the boy knocks down. As he arrests him, Professor Brace of Harvard comes to the rescue and drives Barbara home. On the way they see Barbara's father driving from the direction of his office at 12:45, but when he gets home he tells his wife it is 11:15 and that he's been playing bridge at the club. Next day Sentry reports his office has been robbed and a Miss Wines, former temporary employee, killed. The evening papers luridly confirm the story, and Sentry takes it hard. Mary, elder daughter, in love with Neil Ray, young interne at the hospital where she works, goes off to dinner at Gus Loran's, Sentry's partner, with Mrs. Loran's brother, Jimmy Endie. Mr. and Mrs. Sentry call on old Mrs. Sentry, and Barbara, alone, receives Dan Fisher, reporter, who advises her not to talk. Phil Sentry, son at Yale, is disturbed at the possible implications and suspicion of Miss Wines' absence from her rooms for three days during August. He goes to the hospital to help Sentry. He is arrested and booked for murder. Dan Fisher explains the evidence against him—that the robbery was a fake, the safe opened by one who knew the combination, changed since Miss Wines' employment there—that a back door key, a duplicate of Sentry's, was found in the girl's purse, and that Sentry, too, had been away those three days in August. Brace calls, and backs up Barbara in her denial that Sentry could have done it, because of the discrepancy of time between the slaying and their seeing Sentry on the road. Phil, showing the police over the house, finds his strong box open and his gun, which only his father knew of, gone. Meanwhile, the police find the stolen money burned in the furnace. Mrs. Sentry sees her husband, who swears his innocence, and tells her he had known of the robbery and murder the night before, but failed to call the police, and came home at 12:30. Mary quarrels with Neil Ray, and runs away with Jimmy Endie to the Caribbean. Linda Dane, friend of Barbara and Phil, tries to comfort Phil.

### CHAPTER VI—Continued

A curious crowd stared at them as they drove away. "You can wear a veil next time we come, Mother."

"I shall not wear a veil," she answered, fighting to forget Arthur, to forget how gray and lifeless the flesh on his cheeks had seemed, and how dull his eyes were. She must forget, so that she could be brave enough to come to him again.

At home, Barbara was waiting with questions. They told her he was fine; was cheerful, confident, and unafraid. They brought her back to comfort for a while.

### CHAPTER VI—Continued

Dean Hare, a day or two later, brought Falkran to see Mrs. Sentry and Phil. Phil was not at first favorably impressed. The lawyer was a big man, bald save for a fringe of red hair above his ears, with the wide, loose mouth of the natural orator; and Phil thought he studied the rugs and the furniture with a shrewd appraising eye, and he saw his mother visibly conquer her distaste for the man.

She asked, after introductions were done, "Are you familiar with my husband's case, Mr. Falkran?"

"I see the newspapers have convicted him?"

Her eyes hardened. "You think him guilty?"

Falkran, suddenly, smiled; and Phil at that smile felt a quick liking and trust for him. The lawyer said, "Mrs. Sentry, no man was ever electrocuted on a newspaper verdict."

Her eyes closed at that word, then opened again as he went on. "If I could have my choice," he said, "I should choose to defend men who have already been convicted in the newspapers. When everyone is convinced a man is guilty, the smallest grain of evidence in his favor has a tremendous effect in provoking doubt of his guilt." He added, "And from the practical point of view, such a situation makes it easier to disqualify jurors, easier to get the jury we want."

Mrs. Sentry had not surrendered her question. "You think him guilty?" she insisted.

"No man is guilty till a court has found him so, after a trial by due process, and till all appeals have failed."

"I asked whether you think my husband guilty?"

He smiled again. His smile had won many a jury. He said reasonably: "Mrs. Sentry, I haven't even talked with him. I don't know his side of the case at all. I only know the published facts. Mr. Hare has told me nothing. The evidence is damaging, difficult; but there are a thousand explanations that might meet the situation as it appears."

Phil saw that his mother too was being won to liking. She put her question in another way. "If you thought him guilty, would you defend him?"

Falkran smiled again. "Even a guilty man is entitled to his day in court, to a fair trial, to all the protection afforded by the law." Then he answered her directly: "Yes, Mrs. Sentry. Even if I knew Mr. Sentry guilty, I would defend him with all my powers."

Mrs. Sentry nodded, surrendered her point. "You said," she suggested, "that any one of a thousand explanations might cover all the evidence."

"An infinite number, yes."

"Have you anything in mind?"

"Mr. Sentry may suggest something." She started to speak, to tell him that Arthur had found the girl

dead; then remembered Phil was here and caught herself.

Falkran went on: "You see, Mrs. Sentry, until I talk to your husband, remind him of small circumstances he has himself forgotten, I can make no plan."

They talked a further while; and Mrs. Sentry said at last that she would let him know her decision next day. She used the interval to consult Arthur's mother.

Old Mrs. Sentry said: "Falkran? Oh, yes. I've heard of him."

Mrs. Sentry explained: "I should have preferred—one of our friends, of course. I hoped for a certain dignity! But Mr. Hare says we must have a good criminal lawyer, and he recommended Mr. Falkran."

The old woman said harshly: "Dignity! Ellen, sometimes you—"

Then she caught herself, spoke almost in apology. "Of course you'd prefer some fine name; but Falkran is a clever man. Arthur will need a good lawyer. Better take him."

So it was decided; but Mrs. Sentry thought, driving home: Even Arthur's mother knows. The whole



"I See the Newspapers Have Convicted Him?"

world knows, I expect. All my friends know; all of them are feeling sorry for me. Oh, hateful!

And she thought again, desperately: Perhaps Mr. Falkran can persuade some woman to say she was Arthur's mistress, that he went to her that night. Pay her to say it, perhaps. No price would be too high, to save him!

And she reflected that by thinking this, she was admitting to herself her actual opinion of Mr. Falkran; and she felt a contamination of the spirit. Felt herself unclean. To be pitied by her friends, to seek the help of scoundrels...

Nevertheless, for all their sakes, if Arthur was to be saved, Mr. Falkran it must be.

The weeks that elapsed before Mr. Sentry could be brought to trial were long, but they were curiously empty; and Mrs. Sentry, used to activity, came in the end to accept this emptiness, to understand that their world would hereafter be thus constricted, whatever the outcome of the trial. It was not so much that her friends dropped away. Some did so; yet others, upon whom she had not counted, surprised her by their understanding loyalty.

But the larger world in which she had been active, all the organized benevolence in which she had taken a vigorous part, now—through with polite expressions of regret—nevertheless closed its doors against her. The resignations which she felt it her proud duty to offer were accepted. She hid as she could her fierce resentful pain.

She missed Mary dreadfully; clung passionately to Barbara and Phil. Linda came often to the house, and Mrs. Sentry thought: Perhaps Linda will marry Phil, even after this. I had hoped Ann Waring...

The Waring's are so fine. But Linda is nice. He might do worse. And she thought: Barbara will marry, too. She's a child. After this is over, she will forget, as children do. I must be sure she marries well. The right marriage means so much, especially for a girl. Once I get Barbara married, I can rest, can surrender. For me there can never be a new beginning. I am too old, old, old. And I can never face people again without knowing their whispers...

She would have nursed her hurts in solitude; but certain friends persisted in their friendliness. Mrs. Dane came often, quietly loyal, never insistent; and when Mrs. Sentry suggested, in the tone of one doing a conscious duty, that Linda might better stay away, Mrs. Dane said simply:

"She's very fond of Barbara and

Phil. And so are we. We're glad to have her come to you."

And Mrs. Urban. Mrs. Sentry had always thought of Mrs. Urban as a mouse of a woman, with no mind of her own; yet she found in her now strength and loyal understanding. Of the others, Mrs. Furness invited Mrs. Sentry to luncheon, but she declined. I will not be made a show of, she promised herself; and Mrs. Harry Mear's persistent advances likewise she put aside.

There was one loss which hurt her keenly. She and Mrs. Waring had been closest friends; and the families were intimate. The two mothers had even discussed the possibility that Phil might marry Ann Waring. But a week after Mr. Sentry was indicted, Mrs. Waring took Ann away to Europe to school there. The decision was sudden; Mrs. Sentry knew it had not been planned in advance. And Mrs. Waring left without even a note to say good-by.

Mrs. Sentry never spoke of this hurt to anyone. In the same way she ceased to resent the curious groups of people who drove past the

er, mother. Grandmother likes him."

"But a reporter, Barbara!"

Carl Bettle chuckled. "Whoo, there, Mrs. Sentry!" he protested. "Reporters aren't so bad, nowadays. You're prejudiced!"

"I'm prejudiced against any young man who meets my daughter secretly."

Barbara cried: "Oh, now, mother, that's silly! It's not secretly, with grandmother there; but even if it was—"

Mrs. Sentry said, yielding: "Of course, dear. I'm afraid it really is prejudice. Ask him to have tea here too, Barbara, if you wish."

"I'm at grandmother's now more than I'm at home," Barbara reminded her; and this was in fact true. Old Mrs. Sentry had since her son's arrest surrendered to physical immobility. Her mind was as keen, her tongue as sharp as ever; but she stayed in her room at the hotel where she lived, had her meals served there, even submitted to an indignity she had long declined, and hired a companion who was also nurse and masseuse.

And Phil had used the old woman's helplessness to dissuade Barbara from her desire to see her father. "You and I have to make it as easy as we can for mother, Barb," he pointed out. "And mother can't be with father and grandmother too, and she can't go to the jail without me, so grandmother's your job! Don't you see?"

So Barbara yielded—Phil thought she yielded very easily—and spent much time with her grandmother; and old Mrs. Sentry by degrees forgot to use toward her that tone of sharp disapproval which had so long been her habit toward both girls. There was during these weeks something deeply and wistfully appealing about Barbara. She was thin; her eyes seemed larger; her color had faded; she looked at people eagerly, anxiously, as though hoping someone would say—what no one ever did say. And Grandmother Sentry was very gentle toward her, warned Mrs. Sentry once:

"That child is ready to crack. Ellen. Look out for her."

Mrs. Sentry nodded. "I—do all I can!"

Grandmother Sentry sought in her own ways to serve; she welcomed Barbara, and welcomed Professor Brace, or Dan Fisher, when one or the other came with Barbara to be with her.

The old woman did not like Professor Brace, and she told Barbara so. "He's a Middle-Westerner, of course, but he's a rank Puritan at heart, Barbara. Believes in the mortification of the flesh or something of the kind. Believes in duty. The wrong kind. If he were a Spartan he'd nurse a gnawing fox to his bosom. Any man with sense knows that you ought to dodge suffering when you can. He's the 'grin and bear it' type."

"He's been sort of nice," Barbara argued. "Standing by."

"I know. The boy stood on the burning deck! Anyone but a fool would've done overboard!"

"Whence all but him had fled," Barbara reminded her. "But there are a lot of us still on the burning deck, grandmother. And he doesn't have to stay. He's just doing it to be friendly."

"Like him, do you, child?"

"It's sort of nice to have friends—"

The old woman saw in the girl's eyes a secret terror, a mounting fear she had seen there before; and she was silenced. Whenever they spoke of Mr. Sentry, and Barbara cried, "He didn't do it, grandmother!" old Mrs. Sentry always assented, always spoke quick reassurances. Barbara was grown so pitifully frail.

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house in cars, and even alighted to pluck flowers or break down branches of the shrubbery for souvenirs. Only when one night someone dug up a young tree in the front yard and took it away did she accept District Attorney Flood's suggestion that a policeman stand guard in front of the house night and day.

For all these things, Mrs. Sentry found strength and courage; but one thing she could not face. She could not read the newspapers, or look at them. Since the first few days, reporters had been kind. Carl Bettle had been of service in that respect. He had put through with the publishers of the other papers an agreement not to print photographs of Mrs. Sentry or Phil or Barbara, and to use their names as little as possible in news stories. When Mrs. Sentry thanked him, he said:

"I don't deserve all the credit. One of our reporters, a young man named Fisher, suggested it." Barbara was in the room and he looked at her, smiling a little, and explained: "He had met you, he said. I think he had you particularly in mind."

Barbara nodded. "Yes. I like him," she agreed. "We've seen each other since, once or twice."

Mrs. Sentry protested, "Seen him, Barbara? Where?"

"In town," Barbara confessed. "He has tea with grandmother and me, sometimes. It's perfectly prop-

### Calculating Machines Used by Chinese Two Thousand Years Before Christ's Time

Two thousand years before Christ the Chinese knew the principle of the calculating machine: they used the Abacus, that educational plaything not seen so often now as a few years ago, says London Tit-Bits Magazine. They invented gunpowder and used it in brass cartridges long before the western bow and arrow stage. They found their way across vast oceans by using a form of compass.

The Arab pearl-divers of long ago forestalled modern science, too; they discovered a way to examine the ocean bed. They used a glass bowl, or funnel with a glass bottom, which they pressed down into the sea to enable them to locate pearl-shell beds.

The ancient people called the Cholos, of Peru, knew and practiced something that is today only a theory, much debated among doctors and laymen. Fierce wordy battles are being fought on the question of Euthanasia. The Cholos had an official named the Despenador, freely translated "Putter out of Pain." The Despenador was a woman, and

her duty, when all efforts to save the life of a pain-wracked dying person had failed, was to thrust her elbow into the breast or stomach of the patient until the merciful relief of death resulted.

One may wonder what was the basis of Shakespeare's suggestion "Hamlet," Act III, Scene 4: "Come, come, and sit you down; you shall not bite."

You go not till I set you up a glass Where you may see the inmost part of you.

Had some alchemist or wizard man hinted at what is now known as X-ray photography?

Unusual Dog-Drawn Transportation

An unusual dog-drawn transportation service operated in Alaska about 1900. At times, says Collier's Weekly, a train would consist of 24 eight-foot sledges, tied end to end, pulled by 350 Eskimo dogs, harnessed two abreast. The crews of 30 men worked in two shifts, one sleeping while the other patrolled the line of animals, which was a half mile long.

Whenever he wants to, Reginald Denny may visit at White Lodge, which was the girlhood home of Queen Mary of England, and where the duke of Windsor was born. The home of British royalty for 200 years, it is the house to which the present king, when he was duke of York, took his bride. White Lodge has been leased by Mrs. Reynolds Albertini, who is Denny's sister.

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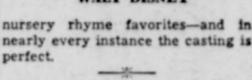
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## Star Dust

★ Who's Simple Simon?  
★ In Royal Atmosphere  
★ Cooper as Gen. John?  
By Virginia Vale

### WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

WHEN you see Walt Disney's new Technicolor short, "Mother Goose Goes to Hollywood," you'll have a lot of fun guessing the identity of the main characters. For Disney has caricatured Film-Down's greatest as Simple Simon, Old King Cole and other famous



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nursery rhyme favorites—and in nearly every instance the casting is perfect.

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So, today, it seemed almost like old news to read in a dispatch from Lima that it was an American doctor and not a statesman, who, possibly more than any other one man, has induced respect and good will for this country, down around and below the equator. With a number of other American doctors, Dr. John D. Long, of the United States Public Health Service, has been carrying on a fight against the bubonic plague, malaria, chagas fever and other tropical curses in Ecuador, Brazil, Peru, Chile and other countries. He holds decorations from half a dozen South American countries. He and his colleagues have served only in response to specific requests for their services, and the sum of their efforts has been to allay ill will, dispel prejudice and misunderstanding and promote friendly relations.

Doctor Long, 64 years old, quiet, precise, unassuming, is a typical American professional man, whose home town was Mt. Pleasant, Pa. After his graduation from the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania, he entered the national public health service, became its assistant surgeon, and, assigned to the Philippines, won eminence in his profession in his work in sanitation and in fighting disease. In 1926, he was loaned to the Chilean government for a similar encounter there.

In this writer's observation of South American countries, particularized instances of civilized behavior, fair dealing and regard for native traditions and amenities, once the fear of predatory designs had been overcome, were effective where all else failed, including our most eloquent offerings of official friendship.

THE New York aquarium gets three African fish which have high foreheads and bigger brains in proportion to their size than any other creatures below the Pri-Rare Fish With mates. This makes them skittish and doesn't seem to get them anything, although they manage to keep out of aquaria and frying pans. These are the first ever brought to this country.

Dr. Charles M. Breder Jr. plans to go to Africa as soon as possible to check up on their I. Q. The ancient Egyptians revered and protected them, in the belief that their huge brain cavities were inhabited by the souls of departed men. Doctor Breder thinks a study of their intelligence, if any, in relation to their outsize brain, might be enlightening.

Doctor Breder was a boy ichthyologist at Newark, where the family was apt to find the bathtub full of kills and sticklebacks. In his examination for a biologist's job in the fisheries bureau, he confounded his elders and beat out Ph. D. entrants in the competition. He was assistant director of the Aquarium for 14 years and became director a year ago.

Doctor Breder is said to rank all other scientists. He is 40 years old, a fragile, clerical-looking man, with blue eyes and yellow hair. But his appearance is deceptive. On the Richard Oglesby Marsh expedition, to the Chucunaque river country in southern Panama, in 1924, in which Dr. J. L. Baer of the Smithsonian Institution lost his life, Doctor Breder came through swimmingly, with no chagres fever or beri-beri and a brand new fish. His name, Rivulus Chucunaque Breder, is in 8-pt. body type, five-sixteenths of an inch longer than the fish.

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Doomed to Perish  
He that despiseth small things will perish by little and little.—Emerson.

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ANSWER  
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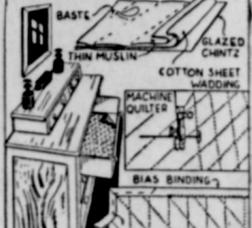
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with darker blue bindings is used for the pads made to fit the chest of drawers shown here. Thin muslin is used for the backing and sheet wadding for the padding. When all three layers of material have been cut the right size, baste them together. The first row of basting is run diagonally across the center and then the rows are spaced about six inches apart as shown. Here also is a sketch of a machine quilter in operation. It is merely a foot with an indicator attached. The end of the indicator runs along each previous row stitched making an accurate gauge for the spacing of the quilting. After the pads are quilted, bind the edges as shown.

NOTE: Mrs. Spears' Book 2—Gifts, Novelties and Embroidery, has helped thousands of women to use odds and ends of materials and their spare time to make things to sell and to use. Book 1—SEWING, for the Home Decorator, is full of inspiration for every homemaker. These books make delightful gifts. Mrs. Spears will autograph them on request. Crazy-patch quilt leaflet is included free with every order for both books. Books are 25 cents each. Address Mrs. Spears, 210 S. Desplaines St., Chicago, Ill.

How Women in Their 40's Can Attract Men

Here's good advice for a woman during her change (usually from 35 to 52), who fears she'll lose her appeal to men, who worries about hot flashes, loss of pep, dizzy spells, upset nerves and moody spells.

Get more fresh air, 8 hrs. sleep and if you need a good general system tonic, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made especially for women. It helps Nature build up physical resistance, thus helps give more vivacity to enjoy life and assist calming jittery nerves and disturbing symptoms that often accompany change of life. WELL-WORTH TRYING!

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**EDITOR'S NOTE**—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst, and not necessarily of the newspaper.

**Asia**

War-torn China's biggest boast is her constantly growing national unity, a product of necessity that has made Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek the strongest Chinese ruler in modern history. But despite this well-publicized unity, China has not been able to make much of a showing against her Japanese invaders. Indeed, foreign military observers find Tokyo's paper-thin front lines so vulnerable that they say 30,000 American, British or French troops could put the enemy to rout. But in Jap-occupied territory are 270,000,000 civilians and 1,250,000 armed



**GENERALISSIMO CHIANG**  
Time to stop bluffing.

guerrillas whose spirit of national unity is still not strong enough to inspire a sudden, inevitably successful attack.

Better than the national unity argument is the theory that smart General Chiang has been staging a fake show of Chinese nationalism, offering a good front at the expense of his wavering government. Though Chungking headquarters are over-run with nepotism, corruption and inefficiency, many abuses have been tolerated to make the outside world think China is strong. In the end General Chiang wangled handsome loans and credit arrangements from both the U. S. and Britain, proving the stunt was working, at least temporarily.

Not anticipated, however, was the walkout of one-time Premier Wang Ching-wei, who celebrated New Year's by reaching peace terms with Japanese Premier Fumimaro Konoye. Long a silent bulwark of China's Kuomintang (Nationalist) party, Mr. Wang reportedly met at Hongkong with Japanese agents and reached terms which would make him China's head man, leaving General Chiang out in the cold. Terms: (1) China should open diplomatic relations with Japanese puppet state, Manchukuo; (2) China should agree to economic "cooperation" with Japan; (3) China should adhere to the Jap-Italo-German anti-Communist agreement; (4) China should accept Japanese garrisons while the anti-Communist pact was in force.

Interpretations of the Wang demerch have come thick and fast. In Tokyo, happy Japanese thought it meant a breakdown of the Kuomintang and the spotlight of publicity on China's internal troubles. With Chiang weakened, Japanese puppet states would no longer seem pointless. In Shanghai, still Chinese despite its Japanese ownership, observers thought the Wang declaration was a well-timed Jap move to counteract U. S. and British credits to General Chiang. Whatever the cause, it was a happy day for Tokyo because China has been showing hardened resistance the past few weeks.

With the die cast, General Chiang no longer saw need for hiding his troubles. From Chungking came word of a wholesale purge of the Kuomintang of some 200 peace partisans. Expelled was Deserter Wang, charged with having attempted to gain support from military leaders in Szechuan and Yunnan provinces.

**Politics**

When Purge failed, when President Roosevelt's favoritism for Left-Wingers Corcoran, Hopkins, Jackson and Oliphant began bothering conservative New Dealers, forecasters saw a coming split in the Democratic party. Veering away from the White House were Vice President Garner, National Chairman Farley and Secretary of State Hull, any of whom might be a conservative 1940 presidential candidate. With two cabinet vacancies to fill, President Roosevelt had a chance to widen this breach by naming left wingers.

What forecasters overlooked was the always-present possibility of concession, both by Garner, Farley, Hull, et al, and the White House. Result: President Roosevelt has named Harry Hopkins to the commerce secretaryship and former Gov. Frank Murphy of Michigan to the attorney generalship, at the

**same time retaining party leadership.**

Roosevelt strategy: Until just before congress opened, the White House reserved comment on what every legislator knew was a certainty, namely, drastic revision of such New Deal brainchildren as social security, the Wagner act, relief administration and neutrality legislation. The President also knew such revision was a certainty, but the trump card was held back. Then, with the Hopkins and Murphy appointments apparently due for congressional opposition, the White House was able to soothe ruffled nerves by promising he would do no more bill drafting. Consequently both appointments are being approved, though Hopkins must appear before a committee investigating relief irregularities, and Murphy before the senate judiciary committee to explain his attitude toward sit-down strikes.

What cannot be avoided, however, is the feeling that White House concessions outweigh those of Mr. Garner and other rebels. Having committed himself to a political back seat while congress is in session, Mr. Roosevelt must find some way to recapture the driver's seat or risk political oblivion by convention time next year.

**Defense**

During the World War German "U" boats made naval history by approaching U. S. Atlantic coast cities. Last September German submarines were still a menace, helping to force blockade-wary Britishers into the embarrassing peace of Munich. In January, German submarines again made headlines because Berlin announces her determination to equal Great Britain's strength in submarine tonnage.

Under the Anglo-German naval pact of 1935, Germany has this right under emergency, but London fails to understand what emergency faces the Reich today. Now built, under construction or appropriated are 71 German submarines; smaller than average, their tonnage is only 31,282. Britain, with 73 submarines weighing 75,904 tons, finds many of her heavy underwater craft obsolete. Not only is London frightened by Germany's numerical superiority if the Reich builds up to parity, but also because Germany intends to build several large ocean-going submarines of 1,000 tons or more.

This program has tremendous significance on the international picture. It can only stimulate the world arms race, since England must now build more ships capable of convoying her ocean steamers. In France, where the Anglo-German naval agreement has always been unpopular (because, claims Paris, London should never have recognized Germany's right to any naval strength), the Reich's new submarine parity has produced genuine alarm. Italy, always a big "U" boat builder, reflects that the combined German-Italian submarine fleets can now patrol the seven seas. Convinced that a new diplomatic onslaught is behind Germany's move, certain British circles are capitalizing on their troubles to win U. S. military support. Their story: That Germany's 1,000 ton submarines are being built to cross the Atlantic, in retaliation for the cool reception Hitler tactics have been receiving in official Washington. If this danger—real or false—can be impressed on U. S. congressmen, Great Britain hopes it will result in a larger American navy.

**Science**

Outstanding among 1938's news stories was the growth and flourish of dictators. To casual investigators, this is a new and revolutionary phenomenon, but historians recall that regimentation is centuries old. By year's end, dictators had been placed on the defensive at least in the minds of democratic nationalists in the U. S., Britain and France. And although 1939 may see more growth, more flourish, science has stepped in with a prediction.

The man: Dr. John R. Swanton of Washington's Smithsonian institution.

The forecast: "In spite of the efforts of political, social or clerical groups to coerce the spirit of man, man has always been able to resist and reassert his freedom. . . . Christianity, the great revolution of the Eighteenth century and the growth of science have been man's answer to all attempts to dominate him."

**Miscellany**

For the first time in its history, New York's Sing Sing prison has executions every week during January. Total for the month already scheduled: 10.

U. S. correspondents returning from eighth Pan-American conference at Lima, Peru, have reported censorship, intimidation and spying unlike that ever before seen at a Pan-American assembly.

Army participation in the U. S. navy's three-month Atlantic fleet maneuvers has been cancelled because of friction, army officials claiming the exercise offers little value for its officers and men.

**Survey Site of Historic Battle In Mississippi**

**Scene of Fight Between Indians and French May Be National Monument.**

WASHINGTON.—The Smithsonian Institution, in co-operation with the national park service, is exploring the site of the French-Indian battle at Ackia, Miss., with view to the possible establishment of a national monument.

On that battlefield the French under Sieur de Bienville were decisively defeated on May 20, 1736, by the Chickasaw Indians, marking an initial turn in the tide against the French in the early stage of their long struggle with the British for control of the Mississippi valley.

Henry B. Collins Jr., archeologist, is now making the local survey of the battle site near the present town of Tupelo, Miss., and will try to delimit the actual ground covered by the battle, which was in effect a siege of a palisaded Indian town.

**Statement by Institute.**

The Smithsonian institution, discussing the project, said in part: "This three-hour engagement, in which the French colonial troops were handicapped by lack of artillery and the Indians were supposedly directed by English traders, may have had a significant effect, at the time unappreciated, on the long struggle between the two empires for possession of territory between the Appalachians and the Mississippi.

"The Chickasaws long had been hostile to the French and friendly to the English. Bienville had planned to crush them in a vise between his own troops and a French force under General d'Artaquette which was moving southward from the Illinois territory. The latter never arrived and it was later learned it had been cut to pieces by a Chickasaw ambush. The Indians had taken many prisoners and burned them at the stake.

**Defeat Considered Significant.**

"Henceforth, the unconquered Chickasaw constituted a serious obstacle to French progress from their gulf colonies to the northward. Otherwise they might have established a continuous fortified line west of the Appalachians between Canada and the gulf.

"After the battle of Ackia the Chickasaws, members of that old Creek confederacy, remained in possession of the territory around Tupelo for approximately a century. They were one of the most progressive of Indian tribes, but were unable to stand against the southwestward expansion of the United States.

"While primarily concerned with delimiting the site of Ackia, Collins will also try to locate other spots in the neighborhood significant in Chickasaw history."

**Nazi Officials Aid in Relief Drive**



Propaganda Minister Joseph Goebbels, like other governmental notables, takes street collections in Berlin, Germany, for the annual winter relief fund drive. The occasion was designated as a day of national solidarity. Scores of German officials aided in the drive to raise funds.

**Children's Bedtime Story**

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

WHEN Reddy Fox had grown tired of prowling and sniffing around the old brush pile, under which Danny Meadow Mouse had managed to run just in time to escape furnishing Reddy with a dinner, and had gone away, Danny came out to look for little Miss Nanny Meadow Mouse. He met her hurrying by the little path that led to the old brush pile, and Danny felt that just to see the look of gladness in her eyes when she saw him



"I tell you what; let's look for a new place to live."

was worth all he had been through, even the skinned tail, the torn trousers, and all his smarting wounds. "Oh, Danny, he didn't catch you! I'm so glad! so glad!" cried little Miss Nanny happily.

"How brave you are! You are the bravest Meadow Mouse in all the

**Science Puts Out Tongue At Horn-Blowing Drivers**

WASHINGTON.—Science supplied motorists with an answer to the horn-toting motorist who thinks he owns the highways. David O. Wilson, of Santa Monica, Calif., has invented a tongue sticker-outer calculated to express full contempt for tooters. The United States patent office gave the invention its approval.

It is a combination of a light, a horn and a protruding tongue to be attached to the rear of the car. The face of the device resembles a clown's mask. It is operated from the front seat by means of a button on the dashboard.

A light illuminates the features of the mask, the mouth opens and a tongue is protruded in an insultingly realistic manner. The horn blows with as close an imitation of a razzing noise as one could desire.

great world!" said little Miss Nanny with a happy sigh.

"Poo! That was nothing," replied Danny, trying very hard to look as if he really thought it was nothing when all the time he was very proud of what he had done, as he really had a right to be.

It was just then that little Miss Nanny discovered for the first time his torn trousers and skinned tail. "Oh, Danny," she cried, and her voice was filled with pity, "you are hurt!"

"It's nothing much," mumbled Danny, trying to hide his skinned tail. You know, that little short, stubby tail has always been a matter of mortification to Danny. All his life he has wished for a long, handsome tail like that of his cousin, Whitefoot the Wood Mouse. And now the little tail he did have was a sad looking affair, with half the skin gone where the claws of Reddy Fox had torn in when he had so nearly caught Danny. But little Miss Nanny was all pity. She made Danny lie down while she washed and dressed his wounds, and very careful and tender was little Miss Nanny as she worked over the poor skinned little tail. Danny thought that just to have her fussing over him was worth all that he had been through.

When he had been made as comfortable as possible they sat down side by side to plan what they should do and where they should make their new home, for they knew now that they could never be happy again without each other. "It is very nice here," said little Miss Nanny, who somehow couldn't bear to think of leaving her old home.

"But it isn't safe any more," said Danny in a very decided way. "Reddy Fox will come hunting here every day now that he has found us here. I think it will be safer over where I live because I have ever so many hiding places there."

"But Reddy Fox will hunt there just as he always has," protested Nanny. "I don't see as it would be a bit safer there than here."

Danny looked thoughtful. "That is very true," said he. "I tell you what; let's look for a new place to live, a place where no Meadow Mouse has lived before, and where Reddy will not think to look."

"The very thing!" cried Nanny, clapping her hands happily. "We'll go home hunting just as soon as you feel able."

"I feel able right this minute," declared Danny, hopping to his feet. "Let's start right away."

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**Turtle Dated 1844**

Blytheville, Ark.—A turtle found by Jerry Easley in a pond here had the date "1844" carved on the shell and residents wonder whether it is that old or whether someone did the carving for a joke. The turtle measures 36 inches from tail to nose with a shell 15 inches across.

**LET'S MAKE A HOME**

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**COLORADO TOWN CLAIMS 'PROOF' OF EXTINCT FURRY FISH**

SALIDA, COLO.—The mountain town of Salida has announced it has found "pictorial proof" that trout with fur on their sides once swam in the waters of the Arkansas river. "Tales of the furry fish-flippers have circulated here since Zebulon Pike first glimpsed the Rocky mountains. Old-timers swear that trout with fur plainly visible on their sides once were numerous. A request for proof of the fur-bearing-trout story was received recently from Platte, Kan., by Wilbur Foshay, secretary of the Salida chamber of commerce. "Said the Kansas request: "Answer collect if you have fur-bearing trout in the Arkansas river." Foshay, after a long search, unearthed a picture and mailed it to the curious Kansan. Foshay said the photograph, which shows a large trout with an even distribution of pelts over its entire body, was taken by a pioneer Salida photographer. "The legend is that the photographer snapped the picture to prove to coming generations the story of the fur-bearing fish," Foshay said. "The pioneers say he was not a trick artist—and that fish with fur once were a fact. All I know is what I see in the picture." Pioneers have an answer to the question of why the strange fish no longer are seen in the Arkansas. "I don't know whether they were mistaken for beavers and exterminated by trappers," they say, "or whether the flow of hot springs into the river has caused them to shed their fur. If there are any left they're not as fur-bearing as they were. Not near." It has been definitely determined, however, that the skins of fur-bearing trout have never been marketed, so troutskin coats are unlikely

**Six Months of This Enough; She Sues**

LONDON.—Suing for divorce after six months of married life, Mrs. Catherine Brooks told the judge that her husband threw the meals she cooked into the yard, hit her repeatedly with a broom, walked on her clean laundry, emptied gasoline from the family car to prevent her from using it, once made her sit on the doorstep until 4 o'clock in the morning and was angry when she could not make \$1.25 do for groceries for a whole week. She was granted the divorce.

**Let Bookshelves Have Spotlight As Decorations**

By BETTY WELLS

No, I'm not going mathematical on you. My ideas on bookkeeping have nothing to do with figures and trial balances. But I have a lot to say about the kind of books you read, and how to keep them where they'll be both handy and decorative.

For, make no mistake about it, books are as good to look at as they are to read; one important decorator I know is even going so far as to paint books on the walls of a new room he's doing—they'll take the place of a mural decoration. While I'm not advocating anything so fancy as that, I do hope to make you appreciate your books as decoration.

Barbara Bennett Downey, wife of the crooner, sister of the stars and mother of five, is quite a reader—she has book shelves built under the



Who'd ask for more out of life than a shelf of books.

window sills of each window in her bedroom in the country. Literary folk often have their bed set into a niche lined with books—add a reliable pair of eyes and a good light and who'd ask for more out of life?

And why not combine dining room and library? Nothing would give more genuine distinction to an otherwise innocuous room than one wall with book shelves to the ceiling. If this happens to be the window wall, make a window seat between and add plump cushions. If it should be the wall against which you need to have your sideboard, that's all right too—books would make a handsome background for candle light and the fine gleam of silver.

If you have a collection of books you're proud of, there's no reason why they shouldn't have the spotlight in your living room. Use them instead of the fireplace as the center of interest—they're pleasant to gather around these winter nights. Or else sink a single shelf into the walls all around the room at about eye level or just below; this will give quite a smart design to the wall, particularly if you have indirect lighting concealed in the shelf.

This is a little off the subject but it's worth saying—don't be diffident about discarding books.

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**CHINA'S AIR CHIEF**



Gen. Chien Ta-chun, chief aide de camp of General Kai-shek, is also the director-general of the Chinese air force.

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FEEDING A FUTURE REVENUE

Feeding livestock in the Pecos Valley is fast becoming a satisfactory source of revenue in this community, and in other parts of the Pecos Valley. A few years ago, one could count on the fingers of one hand, the number that were attempting it as a sideline. Today they are the pioneers in the industry, and each year sees a number of new recruits. It has developed into an integral part of the program on farms on which it is followed, and is proving to be a profitable item. Some of the pioneers have made a study of it, and have it on a twelve month basis, which makes it far more alluring. Heretofore, farmers have only realized income during certain periods of the year, when the overhead extended over the twelve months period. Observers from other states have stated that the Pecos Valley promises to be one of the ideal locations from every standpoint, for this industry. Among feeders in Hagerman and Dexter communities are: E. O. and C. N. Moore, Oscar Kunkle, Raymond Durand, Donal Lee Grizzom, W. L. Heitman, Wiley Newzole, Michelet & Alter, Harrison McKinstry, W. A. Losey, Phil Stoes, Wiggins Bros, Lloyd Harshy. Talk to any of them and get their optimistic views on feeding as a future outlook for revenue in the Pecos Valley.

"MISSIONS" THEME OF SUNDAY A. M. SERVICE

"I Love to Tell the Story," was one of the songs sung, and the Rev. Arthur Shaw centered his theme last Sunday morning around the subject of "Missions," stating that the missionary spirit originated with God, who wanted to help those who were without the benefits of good in the world. The Rev. Mr. Shaw wove an interesting talk around the subject and stated, "The world was never better than now, for the desire of helping has grown to be world-wide. The missionary spirit has permeated the universe, and resulted in a growth in the desire for a knowledge of God."

Go to church next Sunday—to some church in Hagerman.

NOTICE

STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE Santa Fe, New Mexico, December 21, 1938.

Number of Application RA-1211 and RA-1212 Consolidated

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of December, 1938, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, George E. Wade of Roswell, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a Permit to Change Place of Method of Use of shallow Underground waters of the Roswell Artesian Basin by changing the place of use of irrigation waters, as granted in Permit No. RA-1212, from 35 acres of land described as SW 1/4 SW 1/4 of Sec. 33, T. 13 S., R. 26 E., N. M. P. M., to 35 acres of land described as the S 1/2 NW 1/4 NE 1/4; SW 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4, and a part of the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 SE 1/4, all in Sec. 4, T. 14 S., R. 26 E., N. M. P. M.

This application is not for any new appropriation of water, but is merely for a Permit to change the place of use of waters, that have already been established, as stated hereinabove.

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 within ten days after the date of the last publication of this notice. The date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested is the 8th day of February, 1939.

THE CHURCHES

NAZARENE CHURCH

Rev. P. B. Wallace, pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Oscar Kiper, superintendent. Morning service, 11 a. m. N. Y. P. S., 6:45 p. m. Evening service, 7:45 p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Presbyterian Sunday school 9:45. J. E. Wimberly, superintendent. Morning worship at 11 o'clock hour with the Woman's Missionary Society in charge, Sunday, Jan. 15. Senior C. E., 6:30 p. m. Ladies Aid first and third Wednesdays at 2:30 p. m. Missionary Society, second Monday of each month. Young Woman's Guild and baby clinic, last Friday of each month, 1 to 5, Hedges Chapel.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

C. A. Strickland, pastor. Oliver Thomas, superintendent. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning message, 11 a. m. Young people's service, 4 p. m. Evening service, 7 p. m. Come and you will find a hearty welcome.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. R. E. Harrison, pastor. W. F. Sadler, superintendent. Mrs. O. J. Ford, associate superintendent. R. M. Middleton, B. T. U. director. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Morning service 11 a. m. B. T. U. 6:30. Evening service 7:30. Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. Woman's Missionary Societies and Brotherhoods meet each Monday evening at 7 o'clock.

METHODIST CHURCH

Arthur Shaw, Pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. Epworth League 6:30 p. m. Evening worship 7:15 p. m. Mid-week service, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Choir practice, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

Hagerman High School 1938-39 Cage Schedule

- Jan. 24—Carlsbad there. Jan. 27—Dexter here. Feb. 3—Hope there. Feb. 7—Carlsbad here. Feb. 10—Lovington there. Feb. 14—Artesia here. Feb. 18—Capitan here. Feb. 21—Roswell there. Feb. 24—Lake Arthur there. Feb. 27—N. M. M. I. there. March 2, 3 and 4—District tournament. March 11—Junior tournament. One more home game with N. M. M. I. is to be scheduled.

tested is the 8th day of February, 1939.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer. 1-31-3

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This application is not for any new appropriation of water, but is solely for the purpose of obtaining permit to change location of shallow well as has set forth hereinabove.

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GIRL SCOUTS

Transportation and Communication To earn this badge:

8. Interview at least one person in a communication or transportation field who is directly responsible for public safety, such as a railway telegrapher, radio operator on plane or ship, light-house keeper, pilot, watchman at grade crossing, railroad engineer, bus driver. Find out what precautions this person uses on the job, if there are any safety laws he must observe, what efforts his company makes to cooperate in protecting its clients, what kind of character you think a person must have to hold a job that carries responsibility for your and others' safety.

9. Read a book or story about a great inventor or leader of progress in transportation or communication. Find out what that person contributed to the world. Examples: Lindbergh, Marconi, Bell, Fulton, Morse.

10. Discuss communication and transportation with one of your friends who is at least fifty years old, and find out how he or she traveled and how news was received and sent when your friend was your age. Inquire about differences, such as comfort, speed, safety, expense, between then and now.

11. Learn something about television (1938) or another invention in an experimental stage, and what changes it is believed will soon take place because of this invention. Ask your parents or older friends whether they can remember about the first time they listened to an on a radio program, and if they could predict at that time the use of radio in almost every American home today.

12. Pick up on the radio weather reports and messages between radio operators on the ground and pilots in the air and on ships at sea. Find out what is meant by the words "ceiling" and "visibility" in a weather report, and how radio has increased transportation safety.

13. Write to steamship, railroad, automobile, or air transportation companies, asking for their pamphlets giving information about schedules and accommodations on their most modern types of transportation for passenger travel. If possible, go to see what the latest improvements or changes are in comfort, speed, beauty, comparative cost of travel.

14. Plan an overnight trip by train, bus, boat or airplane. Show that you know how to: read time tables and arrival and departure bulletins, purchase tickets, handle baggage, tip porters, order food, select appropriate clothes to travel in and to include in your overnight bag.

15. Prepare dramatizations for your troop of some of the earlier methods and historic events in communication and transportation. Examples: picture writing, curfew, town crier, angelus, Paul Revere's ride, the Pony Express, "How They Brought the Good News from Ghent to Aix."

16. Either help teach or arrange for your troop to learn a work song that American men sang to help them work on boats or trains. Tell the story of the song to your troop, explaining the meaning of the words, how it was used, who sang it, and where.

17. Compare the cost, insurance, care in handling, wrapping or packing required, and speed in delivery when you send a twenty-five pound package by each of these ways: parcel post, plane, bus, railway express, truck, water freight, railway freight.

18. Observe people's behavior when getting on crowded street cars or busses during rush hours; in waiting rooms and washrooms; in waiting rooms, flagmen and so forth say such things as "Step back farther in car, please," or "Remain seated while the bus is moving, please." From your observations, list the ways you found in which people make public services run more smoothly and ways in which they hamper public services. Find out who pays, directly and indirectly, for the abuse of waiting rooms and wash rooms in stations.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Boyce, Jr., and little daughter and Leon Stroud were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Boyce, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Lemon left Thursday for Phoenix, Ariz., and other points in the Southwest. They report much rain and fog in that usually dry section. They expect to be gone about ten days.

Jim Michelet and Chas. Viereggs of Kansas City have been visiting various ranchers interested in the sheep business this week. Mr. Viereggs is a member of a sheep commission company at Kansas City.

E. A. White, superintendent of Hagerman schools, returned Sunday from Santa Fe, where he attended a session of school superintendents, of which he is chairman. He reported driving through a blinding snowstorm, which very nearly reached the impassable stage.

Typewriters for rent—The Messenger. 1-31-3

Home Economics

The Home Economics department and the Agriculture department exchanged classes for one week. The girls were given an opportunity to take some shop work, as well as some instruction in poultry raising and dairying; while the boys were taking courses in cooking. They had several units on bread making, which included baking powder biscuits, soda biscuits and cornbread. This was repeated several times along with vegetable and meat cookery so that the boys would have an opportunity to bake each kind of bread for the unit was finished. This cooking unit was carried out on the basis of a complete meal when the work was finished. The last day of the class, we had a very interesting discussion on "Manners for Moderns." The boys seemed to have enjoyed the work, and we hope it has been beneficial to both boys and girls.

In a late bulletin from the Vocational Education department of New Mexico, an interesting map is displayed, showing the locations of schools maintaining vocational classes aided by federal Smith, Hughes & George Deen funds. This map is on display at the Messenger office and at the School. Hagerman is one of the few schools in the state maintaining a separate cottage for home economics classes. It is also classed as one of the best in the Southwest.

Health Column

Conducted by Charles M. Cree, Director, Division of Health Education

Recently I mentioned in my health column some of the problems which face your health departments in connection with the prevention and control of communicable diseases. Naturally only a very sketchy idea of these problems could be communicated in an article of such brevity.

At this time the primary functions of health departments must necessarily lie in the direction of such control and prevention as I indicated and not for the time being with the care and cure of the indigent sick. This latter function is at present undertaken by the Department of Public Welfare.

Should the forthcoming Congress pass any or all of the recommendations made by the National Health Conference some changes may be necessary in the existing procedures, but at this writing, while the health departments have been able to stretch their proper activities somewhat in favor of care and cure for those indigents afflicted from venereal diseases, that is as far as they have been able to go in this direction. In the case of venereal diseases, amplification of procedures was warranted due to the nature of these diseases and due to the public health import carried by them.

The District Health Act, which was so wisely passed by the legislature, has proved itself to be a great blessing to the population of our state as a whole and the fact that many states have copied our own act in part or in entirety should be sufficient proof of its merit.

New Mexico has probably the most substantial base for progressive health work that was ever laid down, and building upon that base shows every prospect of ensuring to our state a developed health service second to none.

The progress that has been made since passage of the act has been both surprising and pleasing and as time goes on and further constructive work is completed to a reasonable state of perfection the system inaugurated will be the more appreciated.

What expansion of activities of health departments may be contemplated by Congress is impossible to forecast. That such expansion is in contemplation there can be no doubt, and it is also undoubted that both existing finance and facility will be supplemented. New Mexico, with its District Health Act as a firm foundation for full time health service for all of the people all of the time, is in strong position to bespeak every advantage offered.

As time goes on and as conditions and finances permit, construction upon our basic foundation should enable improvement and amplification of the service given to the people by the health departments of New Mexico which should make our state the model for all others which have not had the foresight to enact such a well considered base upon which to build the monument of future progress.

A new negro worker moved timbers and ties all day until he was completely worn out. At the end of the day he approached his boss. "Boss, you suah you got my name right?"

The foreman looked over his list. "Yes," he said, "here you are Simpson—Roy Simpson—that's right, isn't it?" "Yas suh, boss," said the negro, "das right, ah thought mebbe you had me down as Sampson."

Hagerman MESSENGER

10 Years Ago

Robert N. Miller, formerly of this place but now employed by the Pickwick Stage Company in their office at Roswell, was tendered the position of assistant in the office of State Treasurer Emerson Watts, but declined the appointment.

Presbyterian Church

The pastor, the Rev. J. A. Hedges, will preach at Dexter next Sunday morning and here in the evening, flu conditions seeming to warrant a recommencement of the evening service. . . . Until there is a recovery of the many that are ill, no definite program can be announced at this time. There has not been a family in the congregation that has not been visited by the flu, whooping cough and other ills.

Christian Church

Regular preaching services next Sunday at 11 o'clock by the pastor on the subject: "The Fellowship of Suffering." This is an appropriate subject just at this particular time and is designed to be consoling and helpful to all those who have had to bear recently sickness, affliction and bereavement.—C. C. Hill, pastor.

Methodist Church

Our services were very good last Sunday despite the flu. We are very anxious that we now get back to normal again. Let's go beyond the hundred mark in Sunday school next Sunday. We appreciate having visitors Sunday. Come again, you are not only welcome but wanted in all the services of the church.—A. E. Watford.

L. W. Garner is about again after having the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. White of Artesia, who have resided in the Pecos Valley since 1904, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at the home of their youngest child, Mrs. Frances Collins of Hagerman, Wednesday. The day was enjoyed with an elaborate turkey dinner and all the accompanying accessories to carry out the golden event. Numerous gifts suitable to the occasion were presented to Mr. and Mrs. White. Mr. and Mrs. White are the parents of ten living children, only a few of whom were able to be present at this celebration.

John Lane tok his sister, Maggie, to Roswell, Wednesday to have a foreign object removed from her eye. Miss Lane is a teacher in the Hagerman schools.

Perry Andrus has purchased A. L. Nail's interest in the Hagerman Service Station.

W. E. Bowen was able to be on the streets Wednesday for the first time since his round of flu.

C. G. Mason of this place was recently elected to permanent membership in the National Funeral Directors' Association. Not many small town undertakers are thus honored and Mr. Mason is to be congratulated.

T. S. Lawing, who has been confined to his home the past several days with flu, is able to be out again.

Mrs. D. A. Marrs came in Wednesday from Acala, Tex., where she has been living the past several months and will hereafter reside in Hagerman.

National Spanish Teachers Convo To State in '40

Thirty-two hundred members of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish in their national convention in New York Saturday voted unanimously and enthusiastically to hold their national convention in New Mexico in 1940, during the Coronado Cuarto Centennial celebration. The convention will meet during the last week in December. Dr. F. M. Kercheville of the University of New Mexico, representing the Coronado Cuarto Centennial commission, presented the resolution for the executive committee of the association. It was greeted with immediate acclaim by the assembled delegates.

Official invitations from Gov. John E. Miles and Dr. James F. Zimmerman, president of the Coronado Cuarto Centennial commission, were read.

Following the adoption of the New Mexico resolution, Dr. Kercheville of Albuquerque was elected vice president of the association. Centennial officials declared that preparations for obtaining the convention had been in the making for some time. It is but one of several national conventions which the Coronado Cuarto Centennial officials anticipate will come to New Mexico during the four hundredth anniversary celebration in 1940.

Oilcloth in the Making

Oilcloth is a thick canvas coated on both sides with thick oil paint. First the canvas is passed through liquid glue, etc., pressed by heavy rollers, dried, and rubbed with pumice-stone. The paint is applied in several coats, the final coat being in a pattern. The quality of the oilcloth is governed by the number of coats of paint.

There's Always a Way

By MILDRED LAVOIE

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EVERYBODY in town knew that Sally Frogg had set her cap for Job Hobson, and, what is more, everybody knew that she knew that everybody knew what she was doing.

SHORT STORY

"I surmised it when I first saw her sauntering down the street in that fancy get-up of hers," Susan Hickson, proprietor of the little notion store and, incidentally, collector and circulator of gossip, confided to me.

Miss Frogg was a mild enough spinster, not very attractive in appearance, though it was recorded somewhere in the town chronicles that she was once the belle of that district.

Now, Job was not a remarkable bachelor, either for looks or intelligence. He kept the grocery store at the corner of Main street and Peace alley—the sort of place where all the neighborhood cats assembled for a midnight rally. Job lived in three rooms over the store.

But though Job lived in a state of chaos, though his aprons were never too clean, though he was obese and short of breath and flat footed, nevertheless the neighbors loved him, and did not want anything tragic to happen to him. So some kind hearted person, with Job's interest at heart, decided to warn him.

"Yes, I've felt it for some time," Job told Mrs. Busybody. "It's a funny thing the women can't leave me alone. Now, I don't see what they see in me, and I'm sure I don't encourage them. Darn provoking, I call it."

Although Job had said that he never encouraged Sally, nevertheless he was never known to refuse an invitation to ride in her new flapper. But, though Sally did her best to arouse his admiration with smiles and well chosen attire, and though the flapper did rattling good work in shaking him to life, yet neither succeeded in arousing any emotion in that self-satisfied Job.

Then Job's niece arrived in town. She proved to be a fiery-headed flapper and immediately after she arrived at Job's place she decided that his rooms needed a cleaning, and a cleaning they got.

And, to add to his woes, the men folks grinned in passing and alluded to the house cleaning. Supper time came, but the cleaning went on. So Job feasted on cold beans and buns and thought himself the saddest man in the world.

Then there was the opening of the new movie house. They had advertised a sensational movie as a feature—an eight reel affair which portrayed more misery in one short hour than one could possibly live through in nine lives. Myriads of people passed Job as he sat on his steps dejected and forlorn.

He might have stood it all if Miss Hickson had not passed by and asked if he was having his place cleaned. Then she asked him if he were going to the movies.

"No," he replied, "I'm too old for that stuff."

"Well, Sally, I think, is going." "Are you going, too?" he asked Susan. To which she answered that she was going with Lilly Prinkle.

Then Job thought of Sally. Perhaps he might accompany her to the movies. It would do no harm and it would sort of put that Susan Hickson woman in her place. So that was how he called on Sally. He confided his troubles to her. She was sympathetic. She was gushing. So he had had no supper! She jumped up.

"Now, Job, you must be hungry." And she disappeared into the kitchen.

"Make yourself comfortable," she called from the kitchen. "Take off your shoes, if you wish, and smoke your pipe. Tilt back in your chair and have a good time. If you want anything, my sing out."

Job did make himself comfortable in Sally's cosy little house. In fact, he made himself so very comfortable that he decided he had something important to say to Susan Hickson.

That night, before returning to his three rooms, which now really resembled kitchen, bedroom and den, he knocked on Miss Hickson's door.

"Job Hobson," called the spinster from above, "what do you mean coming around here waking up a good-living woman? I'm in my nightgown and cap, and I shan't stir from here."

"No need to," called Job from below. "I just want to tell you that I intend to marry Sally Frogg tomorrow morning as soon as I can get the license. I thought you would like to distribute the news tonight. It's not midnight yet, and I think you can wake folks up. But remember, get this straight: We won't be married before tomorrow noon. And I think that's all. Good night."

WHAT'S WHAT

NEW MEXICO

News Briefs of the "Sunshine State." Gleaned from Many Sources

A little "walkawampus" has been the White Sands National Monument befuddled. Tom Chaffin, custodian of the monument, said it was established in 1933, said it was familiar with all kinds of animals in the region—but never "walkawampus." The animal described as a cross between a beaver and a pack-rat, has the peculiar distinction of refusing to cross a human trail, Walter H. Gardner, of Peoria, Ill., who formerly conducted a lecture in the park, said. "He will stand on his hind legs and fight off the death before you can distribute him over the human track," Gardner said. "What you have to do is get out in a big circle and come around in smaller and smaller circles until finally you can pick up the whole bunch at the end of your nose." Charles said he had had some doubts about the story.

State Land Commissioner Frannington Worden announced the state conservation commission had held the allowable oil production for the state for January at 95,800 barrels daily for domestic consumption of 5,000 barrels daily for export from the Artesia field. The allowance is in line with the Bureau of Mineral Industry recommendation of 95,800 barrels daily for domestic use.

Governor Miles has already started to carry out his campaign pledge of economy. Asked for his newsmen at a press conference, he said he had undertaken the trimming of the state's payroll, he said: "I've fired a lot; I hope they're off by now."

Adj. Gen. R. C. Charlton tonight announced that he would request the National Guard Bureau at Washington, D. C., to authorize two professor camps for the New Mexican National Guard this summer, led by Camp Maximiliano Luna, near Las Vegas. One encampment for officers had been under consideration, but it was decided at the last moment for the rank and file to be at his office last week that the form plan was not feasible. The 11th Cavalry encampment will be held probably Aug. 6 to 21, he said. Boyce of the 120th Engineers probably July 14 to 19. The National Guard Bureau wants Battery A, 158th Field Artillery, to go to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, but his office is urging that to allow the battery to go to Camp Luna with the cavalry.

Threatening Rock, overhanging the ruins of Pueblo Bonita in Chaco Canyon, used to worry people who saw it. But the National Park Service says it has been threatened to fall for at least 800 years and should be good for a while yet. Just a "big bluff."

New Mexico will need \$3,000,000 to match federal aid for highway work during the next two fiscal years, says State Highway Engineer Grover Conroy, in a report given out covering his four years in office. "This amount can be made available through the sale of debentures," he says. His recommendation is based on an estimate of the federal aid that the state may expect—\$4,553,728 for the fiscal years of 1940 and 1941—in the light of its share heretofore.

What's new? Federal aid for secondary roads matched on a 69-31 basis, means eyes being the state's share \$2,491,966. However, he adds, fencing and other items of the expense, in which the federal government will not participate, bring the amount up to \$2,750,000. Forest road money is handled directly by the Public Roads Bureau; grade crossing and public land road monies do not have to be matched, he says; but on these 100 per cent federal projects, there are numerous items which Uncle Sam will not participate in. For these he adds another \$250,000 that the state ought to raise.

Extension of the southern boundary of the Rio Grande district of the Soil Conservation Service to include the Rio Grande watershed as far south as El Paso, Texas, has been approved in Washington, according to Hugh G. Calkins, regional conservator, and E. H. Smith, district manager. This change of boundary will permit increased Soil Conservation Service cooperation with farmers and stockmen, and increase efficiency and latitude of activities in soil erosion and flood control in the Rio Grande Valley. Calkins declared the Rio Grande district boundary of the past extended only as far south as the Elephant Butte Dam, but the district has had supervision of special projects at Kingstons, Hatch-Rincon, Radium Springs, Las Cruces and Jalarosa, N. Mex., and Fabens, Tex. The upper boundary of the Colorado-New Mexico interstate line. Approval of the boundary extension by Washington officials of the service was needed to make the extension effective.

Boomerang

MYRA A. WINGATE

HERE comes our jointed garb... "Sunshine from the window..."

SHORT SHORT STORY

Complete in This Issue

WORLD NEWS

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From Near and Far, Some Timely, Some of Human Interest

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A LINE TO YOU

By E. M.

Will some one please remember to tell us the next time Peggy McKinstry leaves town?

One lady in town really believes in Santa Claus. Mrs. Clarence King found that Santa had left a gorgeous living room suite...

Note too this week, of the faithfulness of Mrs. Harry Cowan in attending Missionary Society.

Another lady, Mrs. Oscar Kiper, observed New Year's by having her home done all over with lovely new designs in wall paper.

A certain young collegiate, home for the holidays, expressed a desire for new hose, and in his "sock" he found about eighteen new pairs...

John Clark was looking through a catalogue the other day at saddles. Is there a candid camera in town?

Helen, five years old, with a solemn expression, answered older sister Mable's scolding with: "Mable, you ought to be ashamed of yourself, losing your temperature like that."

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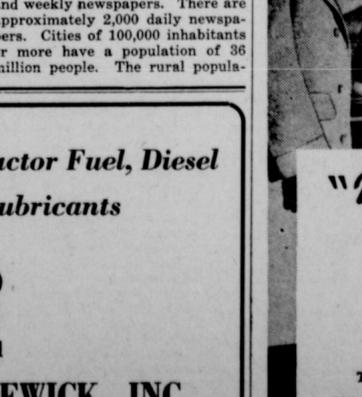
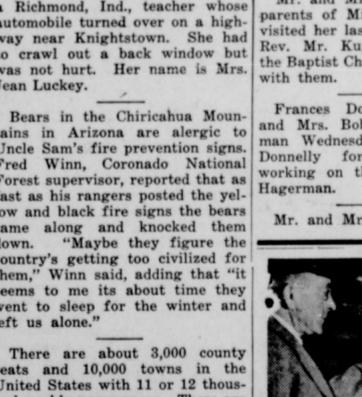
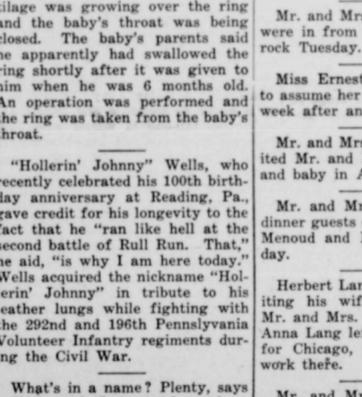
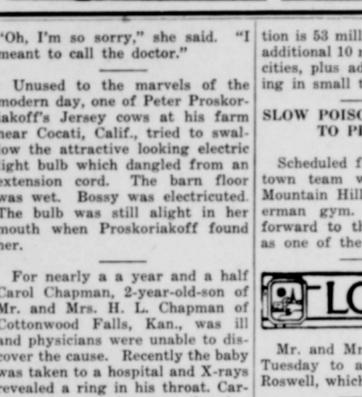
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THE ADVENTURES OF OZZIE

A Turn For The Worse



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Miss Ernestine Haley was able to assume her duties at school this week after an illness last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence King visited Mr. and Mrs. Garland Stuart and baby in Artesia Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivis Boykin were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Menoud and M. A. Dorman Sunday.

Herbert Lang, who has been visiting his wife and children and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Nail and Mrs. Anna Lang left Thursday morning for Chicago, Ill., to continue his work there.

Mr. and Mrs. Haley of Dexter, parents of Miss Ernestine Haley, visited her last week and also the Rev. Mr. Kuykenhall, pastor of the Baptist Church of Dexter, came with them.

Frances Donnelly visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Burns in Hagerman Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly formerly lived here working on the oil well east of Hagerman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Brown left

Bears in the Chiricahua Mountains in Arizona are allergic to Uncle Sam's fire prevention signs.

There are about 3,000 county seats and 10,000 towns in the United States with 11 or 12 thousand weekly newspapers.

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# World Looks Forward to New Year, Fearing Democracy-Dictator Battle



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Will the headlines of 1938 continue to make headlines in 1939?

## Europe and Orient Arm Against Possible War, as Totalitarian States Press Their Advantage Against Weaker Lands

By JOSEPH W. LABINE

Father Time closes another volume in his checkered career and the world pauses to conjecture. What will 1939 bring? Can civilization look forward to 12 months of comparative peace after the hectic year just drawing to a close? Or will the trumpets of Mars beat louder than ever, bringing this battle-scarred globe even nearer to the long-expected general warfare?

Will new heroes and villains appear to replace names already engraved on the horizon? Or will men still read of Hitler, Mussolini, Chiang Kai-shek, Daladier, Roosevelt and Chamberlain?

From the puzzling maze of headlines blazing across the world at year's end, one safe prediction can be drawn:

The year 1939 will bring unprecedented economic warfare between totalitarian states and democracies, forcing one nation after another into the ultimate political lineup from which they will rise or fall. On one side, the side of authoritarianism, will stand Germany, Italy and Japan, aggressively seeking to extend their power to new frontiers. On the other side will stand France, the United Kingdom and those Western hemisphere nations who will cast their lot with the United States to protect the New World from this new threat to security.

### Far East Fears War.

Already the die is being cast. In the Orient, as nowhere else, world powers are consolidating their positions and preparing for a showdown that may come during the next 12 months. Great Britain and the United States, insulted because Japan has discarded the nine-power treaty guaranteeing China's "open door," have come out in the open with financial assistance to sorely pressed Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

At the same time China is drawing nearer an alliance with Soviet Russia, Japan's mortal enemy. Recognizing this threat, admitting that conflict with the Soviet must eventually come, Japan has hatched her belt and made increased armament appropriations to cope with the new and greater challenge to her domination over the Far East.

Will this potential dynamite keg explode in 1939? Observers fear it

fallen into the German sphere of influence, and this program will be intensified in 1939.

### France May Capitulate.

Meanwhile, at the other end of the Rome-Berlin axis, Italy's Premier Benito Mussolini looks for the new year to bring him new territories in the Mediterranean. Though he has "demanded" that France give him Tunisia, Corsica, Savoy and Nice, he is expected to settle for much less. But France will undoubtedly make some concessions in 1939, principally providing for joint French-British-Italian control over the Suez canal and giving Ethiopia an outlet to the sea through Djibouti.

This particular problem is expected to draw attention during January, when England's Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain and Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax visit Mussolini in Rome. France is Great Britain's closest ally, and since Chamberlain has taken the lead in the 1938 program of "appeasing" dictators, he is expected to arrange a settlement of the Franco-Italian problem.

In Spain, where the civil war is now more than two years old, a settlement is expected during 1939. Loyalists, who have lost ground steadily, will probably capitulate to Rebel Generalissimo Francisco Franco. Not only does Franco have the active support of Germany and Italy, but also of the strong Spanish royalist faction. He has just restored citizenship and properties taken from ex-King Alfonso, and Prince Juan is expected one day to become a puppet monarch with Franco as premier.

### Democracies on Guard.

Dictators cannot stand still, and Hitler and Mussolini must either rise to new glories or fall in the estimation of their subjects. That is why no sane European observer can predict a cessation of the diplomatic conflict now waging. If Great Britain and France expected their appeasement policy to bring a permanent European peace out of the chaos of 1938, Italy and Germany are now showing there is no such thing as permanent appeasement. Therefore the democracies are now stiffening their attitudes.

Many are the commentators who predict general European conflict early in 1939. Sir Oswald Pirow, defense minister for the Union of South Africa, made such a statement after completing a discouraging tour of continental capitals.

Meanwhile the Western hemisphere cannot ignore the threat of totalitarian propaganda. At the Pan-American conference in Lima, Peru, the United States joined with other New World nations in a program to keep Italy, Germany and Japan in check. How well the plan will succeed is problematical, since it is based on nothing more concrete than well-intentioned resolutions. But the United States has apparently convinced those South American nations who fear "dollar imperialism" that Uncle Sam has imperial intentions.

### Trade Battle Predicted.

This is the background for 1939's battle of democracy versus totalitarianism. The battle itself will probably be an international trade war, since Nazi-Fascist states depend on foreign trade to expand their political domination. But as Germany's export-import activity grows greater, so does that of the United Kingdom, whose reciprocal trade treaty with the United States goes into effect this year.

From behind the scenes in every nation will come the clatter of steel against steel as men forge the weapons of defense and aggression—battleships, tanks, airplanes and cannon. Never since the World War have armament appropriations been so large. Not the least of these is our own United States, which may embark on a military-naval program plus industrial mobilization—providing congress provides the cash.

So there is a rumbling of caissons and a raucous babble of propaganda to mingle with this season's New Year's celebration. Will war emerge, or will common sense again prevail? Only the infant 1939 can tell, and he's too young to speak!

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# Dress Charmingly Within Limited Budget; Here's How

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



HERE'S an encouraging word to the woman whose wardrobe upkeep must needs be held down to a limited budget. The skirt with contrast tops leads the style program this season. With the separate skirt or simple foundation dress and a flock of flattering sweaters, jackets and blouses tucked to occasion you can dress as well as the next one and not be extravagant especially if you "make your own."

Here's hoping the suggestions offered in the accompanying illustration will prove an inspiration to get busy sewing, knitting and embroidering on a wardrobe of pretty things that will carry you triumphantly through the season from the dress standpoint.

Let's start with the right skirt to wear with the right top accompaniment. It is easily possible to carry on a well-dressed appearance with two skirts in one's wardrobe, a wool or crepe for routine wear, a slipper or velvet or handsome crepe or slipper satin weave for more formal wear. However, you can go as far as you like in laying in a supply of skirts and then not have too many if you go a lot. A tweed, a colorful plaid, a pleated-all-round type, a smartly fashioned crepe or satin for day with a floor-length velvet or crepe for evening formality, are none too many.

Of course, with your tweeds and your plaids you will want a swank utilitarian sweater. The model pictured to the left in the group is easily knit. You will love it because it is so unusual. It has style distinction written all over it in that it is knit in a different way, using two patters that contrast a vertical and horizontal handling. A soft wool yarn in a delectable deep raspberry pink is used for the knitting of this clever sweater.

If it's something a wee bit dressier you are wanting, a touch of gay hand-embroidery will do just what. See what can be done in the way of intriguing embroidery in the sweater blouse below to the right. The model pictured is knitted of rust red wool and the embroidery is done in riotous flower colors.

Coming to the dressier modes, handsome laces of every type and description make the news headlines for blouse and jacket and bolero fantasies in a big way. It's almost like magic the way a bit of lace transforms into a jacket or blouse masterpiece and even if you are not an expert in making things, a charming jacket-bolero or bolero as pictured can be put together with little effort. A collection of lace tops will array you glamorously wherever you go.

A lace bolero does wonders in dressing you up, and does it click charmingly with last year's frocks! It is never so welcome and useful as at the tail-end of winter when you are feeling a bit jaded with dark dresses and feel the need of something to perk them up. The carickmacross lace bolero which you see pictured above to the right will sound a refreshing new note for your wardrobe. Scalloped all around the edges it silhouettes effectively against the background of a black dress in either street or evening length.

A dress-up jacket-bolero to be worn with skirt or suit lends allure to your formal afternoon or evening costume. You can get the fine leaf-patterned lace that fashions the jacket-bolero pictured below to the left in ravishing colors or in black. The glittering rhinestone buttons complete the formal look.

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## In Sleek Satin



Slipper satin in dark or evening shades is playing an outstanding role for dine and dance wear. It is fashionable either in dark or pastel shades. Youth is in the red this season and no mistake about it. This time it is in gorgeous ruby red sleek satin.

## Give White Bead Embroidery Trim

Among newcomers in the field of popularity are very attractive black dresses for afternoon wear that are prettified with white bead embroidery. The character of the embroidered motifs are unique. Sometimes the embroidery is done around the neckline in the new neck-lace effect. Likely as not there will be a dash of the white beadwork on the girdle or belt.

The newest of the new is for a single spray of flowers to be worked on the bodice top with not a vestige of white beads showing elsewhere. The effect takes place of a flattering corsage worn on the left front shoulder.

### Patterned Hats

Patterned fabrics in colorful designs are being shown in the mid-season hats. They are striped cotton that are East Indian in feeling, as well as small cotton plaids.

### Touch of Color

The woman who clings to the preference of black costumes this season is likely to add a touch of color by means of gloves.

### Flounces

Flounces offer the most sensational developments in coat and dress silhouettes that have appeared in many days.

### White Metal Ear Clips

A Paris woman has ear clips of a very white metal on which her initials have been engraved.

# What to Eat and Why

## C. Houston Goudiss Suggests the Part Played by Diet in Helping to Prevent the Common Cold

By C. HOUSTON GOUDISS

STATISTICS compiled over a period of years indicate that during the months of January and February, the number of colds and other respiratory infections continually mounts. Usually a peak is reached in late February or early March.

It is during the next eight or ten weeks, therefore, that, in the light of past experience, more adults will lose time from their work and more children will be absent from school, as a result of colds, than at any other period during the year.

### The Tremendous Cost of Colds

It has been estimated that colds cost the United States more than a billion dollars a year. That figure, of course, is only an estimate. It merely attempts to gauge the dollars and cents lost in wages; and in the money spent in an effort to overcome colds. It does not take into account the discomforts that may be caused by this common complaint. Nor does it allow for the possible after-effects of a neglected cold.

### Cause and Cure Obscure

No scientists today are willing to state what causes colds or how they may be cured. Large numbers of clinical and laboratory tests have been performed throughout the world in an effort to discover why we catch cold. Numerous records have been made concerning colds in men, women and children, as scientific workers have patiently and persistently tried to investigate the cause of colds. They have sought even one clue that might help us to outwit this common enemy!

### Prevention Rather Than Cure

Though we may not know precisely what causes a cold, nor how to cure it once we have been stricken, we can and should help to build up bodily resistance, so that we develop strong reserves against the unknown cold germ and any others lurking about. Inasmuch as a program for building up bodily resistance is one which encourages greater health and longevity, it is a program which all forward-looking homemakers should put into effect for their families.

### Helping to Build Resistance

Such a program should include proper food, normal elimination, adequate exercise and sufficient rest and sleep so as to avoid fatigue. Just as food plays an important part in helping to promote growth, maintain health and increase the chances for longevity, so does it have a stellar role in the battle to prevent colds.

### The Right Food a Strong Weapon

The well balanced diet, as I have previously stated, is one that is built, first of all, upon a firm foundation of the protective foods—milk, eggs, fresh fruits and vegetables. These are the foods that are richest in minerals and vitamins—substances which help to regulate body processes and help to guard against deficiency diseases.

There should be adequate protein to allow for the demands of growth and to help repair worn-out body tissue. There should be enough bulk or cellulose to help promote normal elimination. And there should be a sufficient amount of water and other fluids; for water flushes the countless channels of physical existence, as it passes from the body through the lungs and skin, as well as through the kidneys and the large intestine.

### Significance of Vitamin A

Nutrition authorities are frequently asked, "Is there any specific food substance that may be said to be particularly helpful in preventing colds?" or "Is it true that vitamin A is especially valuable in combatting colds?" Here is one answer to both questions: scientists have found evidence that vitamin A, which occurs most abundantly in milk and other dairy products, and in green, leafy and yellow vegetables, helps to keep the epithelial cells of the mucous membranes in good condition, so that the natural defenses are preserved.

One of our outstanding nutrition authorities has gone on record as saying that in his opinion, at least four times the amount of vitamin A required for apparent health may bring a good return in health protection.

### Don't Overeat

In addition to partaking adequately of the protective foods, those who are endeavoring to plan a program of living that will help to prevent the common cold should likewise guard against overeating. One should also avoid coming in direct contact with persons who have colds.

Through a routine of correct eating and sound habits of hygiene the homemaker can go a long way toward helping her family to prevent colds. Remember that here especially, an ounce of prevention is worth perhaps more than a pound of cure!

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It is important to remember, however, that the best single piece of advice that can be given regarding diet is to eat moderately of well balanced meals.

### Through a Routine of Correct Eating

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### Great Blessings

We can be thankful to a friend for a few acres, or a little money; and yet for the freedom and command of the whole earth and of the great benefits of our being, our life, health and reason, we look upon ourselves as under no obligation.—Seneca.

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# Navy Assembles in Atlantic For Huge Battle Maneuvers

This week a steady parade of Uncle Sam's "battlewagons" begins moving eastward through the Panama canal, bound for the fleet's first Atlantic maneuvers since 1934, and the second largest gathering of ships and men ever held under the American flag.

From now until next spring, 140 combatant ships plus auxiliary vessels, accommodating a total of 60,000 men, will work on "Fleet Problem No. 20," directed by Admiral Claude O. Bloch, commander-in-chief of naval forces. Ships will range up and down the coast from Cuba to Brazil. Divided into two units, the problem will find a "black fleet" defending the coast against a "white fleet" which is attempting to establish a base on that coast.

The 140 combatant ships include battleships, cruisers, aircraft carriers, destroyers, submarines and 600 airplanes, including all types of fighting, scouting and observation planes.

Following maneuvers, the fleet will meet in the vicinity of Guatamano to practice gunnery. Later ships will be sent north to visit the New York world's fair.

Though no public pronouncement has been made, it is quite obvious that the Atlantic maneuvers are destined as protection for Uncle Sam against any possible invasion from Europe, in accordance with President Roosevelt's proposal for United States initiative in a program to protect the entire Western hemisphere.



Admiral Claude Bloch, commander-in-chief of the United States naval forces, who is in direct charge of the Atlantic maneuvers.

Coming immediately after the Pan-American conference at Lima, when European attention is focused on New World solidarity efforts, the maneuvers will serve as a warning that the United States will tolerate no European aggression in South America.

# Women Must Utilize Their Natural Gifts

**PATRICIA LINDSAY**

SOMEONE has said, "No beauties are born, all are made." What hope and encouragement women lie in that statement! It is that few of us are born beautiful but persistence in making most of what Nature endowed with does make us attractive. After all, it is the interesting woman today, rather than the pretty-pretty, who is recognized as the modern beauty. A woman who has developed her natural gifts by being beauty-loving beauty-seeking.

One of the days when one's devotion to good looks was waned upon, or when doctors declared their disapproval of cosmetics, it is considered a womanly duty to society to be as lovely as possible and leading physicians agree strongly that the healthy, normal woman should keep astride the times and make herself most attractive.

It doesn't matter what your age, your occupation, your circumstances, you owe it to yourself as a woman, and those around you, to make the most of your feminine heritage. Hands and children alike unconsciously dote on wives and mothers who do not allow themselves to be faded. Proud is the child who can produce a personable mother who shows his friends and school mates how his mother looks.

# But Don't Extravagant!

It is in seeking beauty, I do not advocate spending the rent or groceries on expensive treatments or a flossy wardrobe. No! If you can afford such luxuries well and good, but don't encourage wrinkles and a worried mind by fretting over what cannot have. You can exercise your body into a pleasing figure just as well in your own home as you can in a costly studio. Current newspapers and magazines of sound advice on meticulous grooming and body care, so there is little excuse for you to moan about your appearance when you have not the wherewithal for frequent visits to beauty salons.

Every woman's budget, however, should allow for occasional visits to a reliable physician to check her general health and diet, and also

# Floyd Gibbons' ADVENTURERS' CLUB



### HEADLINES FROM THE LIVES OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF!

## "The Man Who Came Back"

**HELLO EVERYBODY:**

There was a time when Frank S. Helmar of Shamokin, Pa., could get a kick out of ghost stories. But not any more. Frank says the old spook yarns leave him cold nowadays, and never again will any mere piece of fiction make the hair crawl up the back of his neck. For Frank went up against the real thing once, and now he knows what a scare really is. Hold onto your hats while Frank tells us about it, boys and girls—the strange tale of the Mumbling Ghost!

Quite a few years ago—when Frank had just passed his eighteenth birthday—he began to get that restless feeling that comes to most young lads his age—the itch to travel. It seemed to him that there wasn't any opportunity for a young fellow in the little mining and manufacturing town in which he had grown up. He was tired working in coal holes and hanging around with the same old gang under the street light every night, so one day, after work, he tucked a little bundle under his arm and, with a little lump in his throat, struck out over the hill toward the railroad tracks and points north, east, south and west.

### Planned to Settle Down in Elmira.

Frank didn't know where he was going, and he sure got there. For five years he wandered about in practically all of the eastern states, working in a factory here and a restaurant there, doing odd jobs, and sometimes even landing in jail on suspicion of vagrancy. At the end of five years, Frank found himself working in a silk mill in Elmira, N. Y., and liking the job and the town so well that he was planning to settle down.

He had even subscribed to a newspaper back in Shamokin and ordered it sent to him in Elmira. But it was that newspaper that proved his undoing. For it not only set his feet to itching again, but also provided him with the most horrible shock of his whole life.

It was just a little paragraph, way down in the corner of a page, in one of the first papers that came to him from back home in Shamokin, but it made the tears fill Frank's eyes. His old pal, Jack Hasco, so the paragraph said, had been killed that day, and mangled beyond recognition. Frank felt pretty bad about it for two or three days, and thinking of Jack also made him wonder how his other old pals were getting along. And he decided to go back to the old town for a visit.

He arrived in Shamokin about midnight on February 14, 1929. The sky was dark and a storm was brewing. The wind blew fitfully and the



He mumbled in an outlandish language.

few people on the streets were wrapped up in heavy overcoats and hurrying to get in out of the cold. Frank pulled the collar of his own coat up around his neck and headed for the East Side, where he once had lived.

"It seemed strange to be back home again," he says. "I had expected to find the East Side improved, but it was still the same old hole, with its blind alleys and poorly lighted streets. I was heading into an alley near my old home when I saw a dark form coming toward me. I saw, as it approached me, that it was a man, and thought it might be some one I knew. As he came up to me I looked closely at his face.

One look at that fellow's face and Frank felt his body stiffen. "I let out an insane scream," he says, "and beads of perspiration began forming on my cold brow. My heart was beating violently! I was rooted to the ground! And that face was slowly coming toward me, its eyes bulging in surprise and a slight smile coming to its lips. Yes—you guessed it. It was my old pal—my dead pal, Jack Hasco—and he was mumbling! Mumbling something in some outlandish language that I couldn't understand!"

### Falls Unconscious in Terrorized Flight.

Frank fought to pull himself together. Gathering up all the energy that was left in his weakened, trembling body, he let out another wild yell and, with a leap and a bound, he practically flew out of that alley. "Then I ran," he says. "Ran on and on, until everything turned black in front of me and I slid in a heap to the ground. When I regained consciousness strange faces were looking down at me. When I told them my story they looked incredulously at one another, said I was drunk, and walked away. I picked myself up, brushed off my clothing and moved on."

A little way down the street, Frank saw the lights of an all-night lunch wagon. A cup of coffee would go good after his experience, and it might help him pull himself together. He was sitting on a stool in the lunch room sipping his coffee when the door opened and another familiar figure came in.

But this time it was a LIVING figure. Baldy Williams, another member of the old gang. Never in Frank's life had the sight of an old friend thrilled him so. "Baldy!" he yelled. And Baldy said, "Why, Frank Helmar, where in the heck have you been all these years." And for the next few minutes they talked about Frank's travels, but Frank wasn't long in bringing up the story of his strange experience.

### Friend Explains Weird Reunion.

As he talked on, he saw a twinkle come into Baldy's eyes. The twinkle turned into a broad grin. Frank wondered why Baldy was laughing at him. Did Baldy think he was drunk too? At last Baldy put up a hand and laid it on Frank's shoulder.

"Take it easy, Frank," he said. "Don't let this get you down. What you read in the paper about a Jack Hasco being killed is true enough, but there were two Jack Hascos in Shamokin. The one who was killed came from the West End. Our old pal, Jack, is just as much alive as you or I."

That sounded swell to Frank, but still he wasn't convinced. "But the mumbing!" he cried. "It was ghastly. Jack never talked like that!"

Again Baldy smiled—a little sadly this time. "Well, that's another thing," he said. "You see, Jack had an accident a few years ago, and he lost half of his tongue."

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### 'Vintage Years' for Perfumes

Everyone knows that wines have certain "vintage years" when sun, rain and all other conditions combine to produce grapes which give an unusually fine product. These years do not come frequently and wine of a "vintage" year generally brings a much higher price. Few persons know that there are also "vintage years" for perfumes. These are seasons when climatic conditions are such that the flowers are more luxuriant, richer in fragrance, more abundant in variety. Many of the great perfume houses stock up in these vintage years, to protect themselves against crop failures, etc.

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# Sew for Now and Spring



IT'S fun to sew during the long winter evenings, when you use these simple patterns, each including a detailed sew chart, so that you can follow them with no trouble, and listen to the radio at the same time. Right now, the stores have grand bargains in fabrics, too, so it's certainly the time to get some sewing done. You can make such pretty things, and save so much money, by doing it.

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Here's a charming dress that girls in the 10-to-16 size range will love for school, and it's so easy to do that those who like sewing can make it themselves. The blouse blouse hugs in (by means of darts), to make the waist look small. The skirt has such a pretty flare. Both can be worn with other things. Choose wool crepe, flat crepe, silk print or moire.

### Three Pretty Aprons.

Make this dainty, useful set of aprons now, and have it ready when spring weather arrives and people begin to drive up unexpectedly for meals. You'll enjoy

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# Uncle Phil Says:



## Debunking the "Heroes"

The designation "Public Enemy No. 1" has done much toward taking the self-conceit out of criminals who thought they were daring heroes.

The right angle from which to approach a difficulty is the try-angle.

The key to success has to be put in the right lock. The worst prison the world has to offer is enforced association with a circle of narrow minds.

## Consider Your Influence

Others do much toward making your life, and you are equally influential in that of someone else. Charity seems cold when one gives because he ought to instead of because he likes to.

The only friends we ever had that we really cared for, we did not criticize. That is why we had them.

A chiseler is a born chiseler. Cheating in one situation means cheating in all. Sometimes we think that deceit is the deadliest of the deadly sins.

## That Choked Feeling

For her birthday, little Pat had been given a ring, but, much to her disappointment, not one of the guests at tea noticed it. At last she could bear the indifference no longer.

"O, dear," she exclaimed. "I'm so warm in my new ring!"—Stray Stories.

## More Needy

"Now that you've heard my opinions," said a candidate, addressing a public meeting, "I think you'll agree that my opponent hasn't a leg to stand on."

"All the more reason why he should have the seat," said a man at the back of the crowd.

## MATCHLESS LUCK

"That teacup you broke yesterday can't be matched anywhere, Mary!"

"I'm lucky. I thought I should have to buy a new one."

## With Great Pleasure

A recently promoted army officer received the following invitation: "Mr. and Mrs. Anderson request the pleasure of Captain Brown's company, at a reception on Christmas eve at 7 p. m."

On the appointed evening the captain showed up with 50 of his men.

# ASK ME ANOTHER ?

A Quiz With Answers Offering Information on Various Subjects

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| <p><b>The Questions</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To what coin of the United States did the Spanish "pieces of eight" correspond?</li> <li>What are sun spots?</li> <li>What marks the distinction between a cathedral and an ordinary church?</li> <li>What are the two capitals of Holland?</li> <li>Where is the International Date Line?</li> <li>Who is now the prince of Wales?</li> <li>What was the capacity of the Roman Circus Maximus?</li> <li>From what poem are the lines: "Boys flying kites haul in their white-winged birds, you can't do that way when you're flying words"?</li> <li>When did the Twentieth century begin?</li> </ol> | <p><b>The Answers</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The dollar.</li> <li>Sun spots are solar cyclones in which hot gases are cooled by expansion.</li> <li>A cathedral is the seat of a bishop.</li> <li>The Hague (seat of the court) and Amsterdam (legislative).</li> <li>The 180th meridian, in the mid-Pacific.</li> <li>There is no prince of Wales at the present time.</li> <li>It is said to have had a seating capacity of 385,000.</li> <li>It is from "The First Settler's Story," by Will Carleton.</li> <li>It began immediately after 12 o'clock p. m. on December 31, 1900. A century begins on the first day in its first year and does not end until the close of the last day in its hundredth year. The Twentieth century includes the years 1901 to 2000.</li> </ol> |
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# Instinct, Intelligence

Instinct perfected is a faculty of using and even constructing organized instruments; intelligence perfected is the faculty of making and using unorganized instruments.—Henri Bergson.

# NO ONE IS IMMUNE TO ACID INDIGESTION



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## IN SOCIETY

### THURSDAY CLUB

The Thursday Club met on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. L. Van Arsdol. Mrs. C. G. Mason led the very interesting lesson on "Native Races of Alaska," illustrated the subject by showing pictures. Mrs. Mason stressed the fact that the Eskimos and other Alaskan tribes were skilled in handicraft and understood the construction of the various articles necessary to their use.

Those present were: Mesdames C. G. Mason, Hal Ware, E. A. Paddock, T. D. Devenport, Robert Cumpsten, Sam McKinstry, Robert Connor, Jack Sweatt, J. T. West, J. E. Wimberly, W. A. Losey, Harry Cowan and the hostess, Mrs. Van Arsdol.

### PARTY AT SOUTHARDS

Neighbors in southwest Hagerman farming district gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Southard for a party and to organize a 42 club. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lane, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Langenegger, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Newsom, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hobson, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bledso, Mrs. Leroy Kaffle and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Southards. Delicious refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served. The next meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hobson on Thursday, Jan. 19.

### METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY AT JAMES HOME

Meeting at the James home yesterday afternoon, members and guests enjoyed the afternoon with Mrs. L. J. Burck and Miss Esther James as hostesses.

This was the first meeting of the year, and the retiring president, Mrs. Burck introduced the new officers of the society, who were given a beautiful installation service last Sunday at the Methodist Church. The new president, Mrs. A. A. Bailey, took charge and presided over the session, which was mostly business routine. Arrangements for the coming year's activities were discussed. A covered dish supper, to be under the management of the Rev. Arthur Shaw, was planned, and members of the church and friends are to be invited to bring their families.

An outstanding feature of the afternoon was a presentation of a lovely gift, a piece of pottery, to Mrs. Harry Cowan, who has been present at each meeting of the entire year, an unusual record.

Refreshments of tea and cake were served to the following: Mesdames J. F. Campbell, Tom McKinstry, Arthur Shaw, Flora West, Sarah Walton, Harry Cowan, A. A. Bailey, Elmer Graham, C. W. Curry, James Burck, the Rev. Arthur Shaw and the hostess.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. C. W. Curry in two weeks, Jan. 25. Mrs. A. A. Bailey will have charge of the program.

### METHODISTS TO HAVE COVERED DISH SUPPER

Members of the Methodist Church are planning to hold a meeting on Wednesday evening, Jan. 18 at the undercroft, beginning at 6:30. It will open with a covered dish supper. A program has been planned, which will include music. All members are urged to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Boyce, Jr., and little daughter have moved to Roswell, where Mr. Boyce is employed.

## Social Calendar

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet on Monday afternoon, Jan. 16, with Mrs. J. L. Mann.

Presbyterian Ladies Aid will meet on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 18 with Mrs. E. E. Lane, Sr. Methodist covered dish supper, for members and guests, Wednesday evening, Jan. 18 at undercroft, 6:30 o'clock.

Presbyterian Missionary Society program Sunday morning, Jan. 15 at the church.

### MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. T. D. Devenport was hostess Monday afternoon to members of the Presbyterian Missionary Society. The afternoon was spent in planning the year's activities, among them the serving for the hospital at Dixon, N. Mex. Refreshments are not usually served but the hostess served fruit cake which had come from Mrs. Aaron Clark (Perla Morgan) in Texas and a Chinese tea from Mrs. James A. Hedges in Pennsylvania. Both Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Hedges were faithful, active members of the society when they lived in Hagerman. Present with the hostesses were Mesdames Howard Russell, M. D. Menoud, J. E. Wimberly, H. J. Cumpsten, Robert Cumpsten, and Bayard Curry.

### MEN'S CLUB MEETS

The Hagerman Men's Club held a most interesting meeting on Tuesday evening.

Arden Boellner of Roswell showed moving pictures of his father, L. B. Boellner with his prize winning dahlias in colors, also of his single-lobed black walnut which is attracting much attention among nut growers of the United States. One picture of grafting was very interesting. Mr. Boellner also showed scenes of the flood and hunting pictures which he had taken. News reels were also shown. A delicious dinner was served by the Presbyterian Ladies Aid, to about twenty members.

### CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB

Members of the Contract Bridge Club met with Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Welborn at their home on Monday night. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Dub Andrus, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweatt, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Losey, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Mehlpop, Brennon Witt, Miss Jessie George and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Welborn. Mrs. Jack Sweatt won high score.

### EASTERN STAR INSTALLATION HELD

The regular meeting of the Eastern Star Wednesday evening was also installation night. Officers installed were: Mrs. W. E. Uterback, worthy matron; Dub Andrus, worthy patron; E. E. Lane, Sr., associate patron; Mrs. C. O. Holloway, secretary; Mrs. Howard Russell, treasurer; Mrs. Dub Andrus, chaplain; Mrs. Robert Conner, marshal; Mrs. Walter Green, organist; Miss Almetta Growden, Adah; Mrs. Atwood, Ruth; Miss George, Esther; Mrs. C. G. Mason, Martha; Mrs. John Mann, Electa; Mrs. Giles Hopkins, warder.

Among visitors were Dr. and Mrs. Neely, Mesdames R. L. Burrow, M. H. Whately, Arthur Allison and John Wiley of Roswell. Mrs. Jack Sweatt, past worthy matron, officiated at the installation ceremony.

Doughnuts and coffee were served.

Misses Bernice Tulk, Wanna Bee Langenegger and Dub Hardin attended the show in Roswell Sunday.

## OUR FELLOW DRIVERS

By Mueller



"What a guy! He stops me to ask what time it is, and because my brakes don't hold he gives me a ticket!"

### MRS. WATFORD HOSTESS TO BELLE BENNETTS

Mrs. Elwood Watford was hostess last week to the Methodist Belle Bennett Society. The membership was well represented. No particular subject was given but plans were discussed for the year. Pie topped with whipped cream was served with coffee.

### THANKS FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS

Elton Lankford, E. E. Lane, Sr., Tom Ferguson, Mrs. Fred Clark, N. S. West, A. V. Evans

### CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The Dorcas and Rebecca Circles gave their Royal Service lesson Monday night at the Baptist Church. There were six members and one visitor present. The Brotherhood and Auxiliaries also gave their mission lessons.

A group of classmates and Sunday school workers from the Baptist Church attended the funeral services of the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Boyce, who have lived at Hagerman the past year and operated the Cave store and station.

A number of Methodist Church members, accompanied by the Rev. Arthur Shaw and small daughter are going Friday to Hobbs to the district Missionary Institute.

### LOCALS

Frances Donnelly visited in Hagerman Saturday night.

Bob Burns made a business trip to Artesia Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Conley visited Mr. and Mrs. Perry Andrus Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Langenegger made a business trip to Roswell Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wimberly transacted business in Roswell last Saturday afternoon.

Miss Wanna Bee Langenegger and Miss Bessie May Langenegger shopped in Roswell Monday.

Miss Peggy Harrison and Mrs. Johnny Bowen were Roswell visitors and shoppers Saturday.

Perry Andrus made a trip to his ranch on Caprock Sunday. Stenson Andrus remained at the ranch to work there.

Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Hams were evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. McCarthy on Sunday, New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Yeager, formerly of Ruidoso, have returned to Hagerman to take over the Cave Bros. store and station again.

Katherine Farkas plans to leave Wednesday for Memphis for a three weeks' visit and from there will go to Brookfield, Miss., to

enter a nurses' school.

Jack Bogle returned to school at the New Mexico Military Institute Monday after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Bogle during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jeffries returned home Thursday after a few days visit with their niece, Mrs. D. L. Newsom and family. The Jeffries reside in Carrizozo.

Rep. and Mrs. Frank J. McCarthy, Frances Louise and Tommy left last Sunday for Santa Fe, where they will reside the next few weeks, while the legislature is in session.

Clifford Wimberly, who had spent a part of the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wimberly, left last week to resume his work in N. M. A. C. He is an engineer student.

Miss Ida Langenegger, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Langenegger and family, left on Thursday morning for Denison, Tex., where she plans to visit her sister, Mrs. Fred Clark and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dub Andrus, Miss Bernice Tulk, Miss Wanna Bee Langenegger and Dub Hardin visited Mrs. O. J. Andrus in Roswell Sunday night. Mrs. Andrus, who has been seriously ill, is much better at the present writing.

Among those from Hagerman who attended the preview in Roswell Saturday night were J. W. Tulk, J. W. Langenegger, Bessie May Langenegger, Anna Bell Tulk, Wanna Bee Langenegger, Stenson Andrus, Bernice Tulk, Dub Hardin and Miss Louise Sterrett of East Grand Plains.

Those who remember Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stout will be interested to know they reside now in Decaturville, Tenn. Mrs. Stout has been a teacher ever since leaving here. Their son, William, is a mechanic with the American Airline System in Chicago. Mr. Stout is a carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Mitchell of Long Beach, Calif., arrived on Monday evening to visit with Mr. Mitchell's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Will Wiggins, Spurgeon and Max. They accompanied their son, Cadet Decatur Mitchell, who entered the New Mexico Military Institute. From here, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell plan to make a trip into the interior of Mexico.

Friends of Mildred Perry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Perry, will be interested in recent news of her. She is staying this winter with a sister of Mr. Perry's, Mr. and Mrs. Olive French in Belleville, Kan., and attending school. She is in the sixth grade, and is well pleased with her work. She is an art student. She takes music, and at the Christmas program in their church, was one of the singers. Belleville is very near the Nebraska border.

Mr. and Mrs. Mert Sullivan and little daughter of Artesia were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Menoud at Supper Sunday night.

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## A Good Luck Charm That Works

By T. C. RICHARDSON, Secretary  
Breeder-Feeder Association

Four-leaf clover is an efficient good luck charm if there's enough of it in the pasture or in hay; but the regular three-leaved sort is just as good. This is one way of saying that the fellow who has "good luck" with livestock or poultry doesn't depend on a rabbit's foot, a horse-shoe or a single four-leaf clover. Most of his good luck comes from giving them what they need when they need it.

This and next month are the most critical period of the year in the Southwest. Sudden changes, from dry balmy weather to wet northerly or snow-storms, are liable to occur at any time during the next several weeks. The degree of cold has less to do with the effect on animals and fowls than the extremes to which they are subjected. Shelter and feed are the best charm against severe shrinkage or death losses.

It is particularly important that dairy cows not only be protected and well fed, but that they should also have plenty of water at a drinkable temperature. Most of the falling off in milk is due to the cows failing to drink enough icy water to supply the fluid in milk—nearly nine-tenths by volume. The cow can convert feed into heat to keep the body temperature normal but she cannot turn dry feed into water. It costs a good deal more in extra feed and care to bring the milk flow back than to hold it in the first place, and if the cow is in the latter part of her lactation period the shrinkage may never be overcome.

Cows heavy with calf and ewes bred for early lambing also require extra consideration if one is to have "good luck." "Roughing them through" on just anything that will fill them up is poor economy, when they must nourish the developing embryo in addition to their own bodily requirements. A little grain, cottonseed cake or even whole cottonseed in limited quantities, and in most cases some lime and bone meal, should be added to the roughage ration. Less of the protein and minerals will be needed if alfalfa or other good legume hay is fed.

The minerals are especially important during the period of gestation. If an adequate supply is not in the daily ration the young cannot develop good bone structure. Lime may be supplied in the form of limestone flour or ground oyster shell, and bone meal is the

best source of phosphorus. The amount needed is so small that its cost is insignificant, compared with its value to both the dam and the embryo.

The sorghums, both sweet and grain, are notably deficient in minerals. Old dry forage is less digestible than new, and experiments indicate that it is also more deficient in other respects than that from last season's harvest. If stacked roughage carried over from the 1937 crop must be fed, and green pasture is lacking, it should be heavily supplemented with the highly nutritious grains and proteins.

There is likely to be little trouble in calving or lambing if the dams are kept in vigorous health and condition during the last few months of gestation, but weak dams mean weak offspring as well as danger that the dam herself may be unable to withstand the strain of giving birth. The same general principles hold good for sows, with the extra precaution of being on guard against wet or cold at farrowing time. The good husbandman makes his own "good luck" by watching his animals closely and being on hand when the crisis occurs. If they don't freeze to death from exposure in the first half hour, little pigs may get pneumonia and die later.

E. O. Moore, F. W. Sadler, M. Y. Monical and Raymond Durand, all of Dexter, transacted business in Hagerman last Friday morning.

## Oil Activity—

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Total depth 5,012 feet; swab and flowing estimated 150rels per day.

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Drilling at 4,660 feet.

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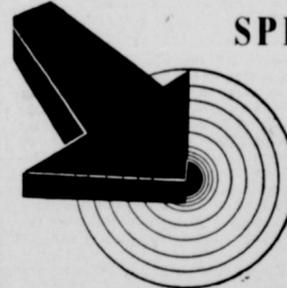
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