

# Mason County News.

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MASON, TEXAS, THURSDAY JUNE 24 1920.

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## MONEY TO LEND

On Farms and Ranches

INTEREST PAYABLE AT ANY TIME OF YEAR

No Delays

Runge & Runge

## CHAS. BIERSCHWALE

REAL ESTATE  
ABSTRACTOR AND NOTARY

IN BUSINESS SINCE 1885

MASON : : : TEXAS

## 15 YEARS AGO

From Mason News Jun. 23, 1905—

Tuesday night, August Lang, formerly of this county, died in Austin.

Marriage license—Mr. T. A. Tuckness and Miss Martha Robeson. Chas. Hofmann, Jr., and Max Metzger returned Tuesday from Menard, where they have been painting for several weeks.

Mrs. C. C. Smith fell and seriously hurt her leg last week and has been on crutches since.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Benno C. Schmidt of Smithville, a boy on the 19th.

Miss Olive Thorne entertained a number of young friends last Thursday evening at a pleasant social gathering.

## 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News Jun 28, 1895—

Chas Bierschwale has purchased the small farm of Chas Hill.

Miss Ratie Ricks returned Friday from the church convention at Gainesville.

Miss Hettie Todd entertained a number of friends last Friday evening on the occasion of her birth day anniversary.

Miss Ida Bridges entertained a number of young friends Friday evening. Those present were: Misses Mary and Constance Schmidt, Quint and Ada Garner, Cora and Lovie Hunter, Winnie Murray, Maggie Bowser, Nora Harris, Mollie King; Messrs Ed and Will Broad, Chas Stapleton, Dolly Payne, Ward McMurray, Frank Garner, Pat Harris, Will Bickenbach.

## PEACHES AND PLUMS

Grow your own fruit. Buy the best trees.

Ross R. Wolfe, with the Waxahachie Nursery Company

The colored folks celebrated the 19th in grand fashion with a barbecue at Hicks Springs

## CONFEDERATE REUNION TO BE HELD AT MASON, TEXAS, AUGUST 4-5-6, 1920

### Privileges For Sale

Notice is hereby given that the following stand privileges will be auctioned off to the highest bidder at the Reunion Grounds near Mason on Sat. July 10, at 2 p. m.: 3 lemonade and soda water; 3 ice cream; 2 candy and cigars; 1 near beer; 2 hamburgers; 1 restaurant and chili; 2 milk shake and glace.

Committee reserves right to reject any and all bids. For particulars on conditions not included in above list, see or write to R. W. Hofmann, Sec. Com. Mason, Texas.

### Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

You can generally tell a wealthy man by the fine clothes he doesn't wear, and the many dollars he has banked. THE COMMERCIAL BANK (Incorporated)

## PICNIC FOR MASON COUNTY SOLDIER BOYS

We are giving a barbecue and picnic on the 5th day of July at the mouth of Comanche on the Llano river for all ex-soldiers in Mason county, and it is our intention to have every ex-soldier of Mason county present. Each soldier is entitled to bring four people with him as his guests.

We will have a brass band and plenty of amusement otherwise; such as speaking, etc. We want the affair to be a most enjoyable one.

We request every one to bring their own eating and drinking utensils.

Every ex-soldier of Mason county will please consider this an invitation to attend. C. L. and Max Martin.

### IN MEMORIAM

Whereas, on the 15th day of June, A. D. 1920, John Lemburg, Sr., a pioneer citizen and early settler of Mason county, departed this life;

And whereas, said John Lemburg Sr. had, for upwards of 60 years, been an honored and useful citizen of the county, having been its first sheriff after organization, and having been tax assessor, tax collector and school trustee, in turn, and having all his life been a public-spirited and enterprising and valuable citizen;

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Commissioners' Court of Mason county, Texas, all of its members being present and concurring, that it is with unfeigned regret that it learns of the death of this gentleman, a foremost citizen, that its members who knew deceased feel a personal sense of loss in his death, and that the county of Mason has lost a most valuable and upright citizen.

Be it further resolved that the sympathy and condolence of the court be extended to the family of the deceased.

And it is further ordered that a page in the minutes of this court be set aside out of memory of John Lemburg, Sr., deceased, and the Clerk is hereby directed to inscribe thereon a copy of these resolutions. He is further directed to send to the family of the deceased a copy of these resolutions and furnish a copy to the Mason County News for publication.

Done in open Commissioners' Court this the 16th day of June 1920.

### MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER

Misses Zilla and Zella Wood were hostesses at a miscellaneous shower on June 19th, given in honor of Miss Katherine Jenkins, a bride of this week. After the arrival of the guests they were presented with booklets and required to build air castles for the bride elect.

A great deal of amusement was afforded by writing wedding suggestions. An attractive feature of the shower was the novel manner in which the gifts were presented. A small wagon was brought in by Miss Mayme Doell, who read the will bequeathing all contents to Miss Jenkins. After several musical numbers an ice course was served the following:

Miss Jenkins, Misses Mollie and Lizzie Bierschwale, Lillie Wheeler, Edna Bickenbach, Edna Kettner, Anna Martin, Mayme Doell, Ida Winkel and the hostesses.

Contributed.

### NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

At a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Mason county last Monday, I was appointed Secretary of the committee and I take this means of notifying all candidates that they must pay their assessment to me not later than next Monday, June 28, according to law if their name is placed on the ballot. If you do not expect to see me personally you may mail your check to me.

M. D. Loring, Sec.

The amounts as assessed against candidates for respective offices follow:

Sheriff and Collector	\$45.00
Assessor	42.50
Dist. and Co. Clerk	40.00
County Treasurer	38.00
County Judge	35.00
Commissioners	4.00
Other Precinct Offices	1.00

Judge N. T. Stubbs addressed a large audience at the court house Monday night in behalf of his candidacy for re-election to the office of District Judge of this the 3rd Judicial District. He had a slight cold and was unable to raise his voice and was unable to speak as distinctly as he usually does; but the audience gave him the closest of attention. There is no doubt that the Judge did much towards correcting the reports as to being unfair in the Callan trial recently held at Llano. We believe he thoroughly convinced his hearers that such rumors are false and that there is absolutely no foundation for them.

Mr. Frank Hartgraves of Menard made a speech to a large audience at the court house Monday night in behalf of Pat M. Neff's candidacy for Governor.

### AN OPEN LETTER TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY TRUSTEES OF MASON AND MCCOLLOCH COUNTIES

We the undersigned Board of Trustees of Kamecy Common School District No. 27 of Mason County, Tex., desire to present for your consideration, statements following:

At a mass meeting called for the purpose of considering the petition of J. D. Hubbard, F. B. Kiser, G. W. Curren, J. M. Bratton, and others, asking for the co-operation of this Board, and requesting our consent, a necessary for permission to enter as patrons and supporters of the Kamecy School, acts for consideration were set forth which we deem worthy of notice and respectfully request that they be given your attention. These petitioners stated, that the Trustees of the Peters' Prairie and Fikes' School Districts, are seeking consolidation of said Districts, with the location of the site for the School, definitely defined, that said location was not convenient for them and would finally result in increase of expense, and practically place them where attendance upon this School would a most if not entirely be out of the question, for some of them at least.

We therefore, being familiar with the situation as regards the transferring of the children of several of these petitioners, desire to assist and give them all the support we are capable of, in the effort they are making, at the same time expressly stating that we as Trustees, and those associated with us as patrons of this District, in no way or manner desire to cast any reflection or obstacle in the way of the consolidation as contemplated by the other Districts heretofore mentioned, but do desire to see all concerned receive their just dues, and join these petitioners, in so much that we corroborate the circumstances as set forth, also joining them in requesting your honorable Boards to grant them the privileges as prayed for.

Being no Statute covering a procedure, or defining the course to be pursued under like circumstances, etc., submit the above for your consideration and action, desiring to be further advised by your honorable Boards, of any, if necessary, steps to be taken to secure the adoption of the privileges as prayed for by said petitioners.

Signed and adopted at a meeting of the Patrons and Trustees of Kamecy Common School District No. 27, this the 14th day of June, A. D. 1920.

J. M. Watkins,  
J. E. Green,  
C. M. Fikes,

Trustees.

### AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The News is requested to announce that Rev. Arthur W. Jones of Eastland, will arrive in Mason next week and beginning Friday night, July 2nd, will conduct religious services at the Christian church. Rev. Jones is well known in Mason and we anticipate a large attendance. Everybody is invited to attend.

### (CARD OF THANKS)

We wish to thank our friends for their many acts of kindness towards our beloved father during his last illness and also thank them for their expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness shown us at his death.

We also wish to express our appreciation to those contributing the many beautiful flowers. The Lemburg Children.

Messrs H. B. and Dee Gibbs of Kimble county, passed through Mason Monday enroute for Voca for a short stay on business.

Irl Larimore left Monday for Bonham, where he has accepted a position as linotype operator on the Bonham News.

### A TEXAS WONDER

For kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder. If not sold by your druggist, by mail \$1.25. Small bottle often cures. Send for sworn testimonials, Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street St. Louis Mo.

### ANNOUNCEMENT PARTY

Last Thursday afternoon Miss Katherine Jenkins entertained a number of her girl friends with a party, at which her approaching marriage was announced.

Contests, games and musical numbers were enjoyed. Miss Edna Kettner, who excelled in the contests, was awarded a beautiful handkerchief.

Following the contests the guests were led to the dining room, where delicate shades of pink and white lent a pretty effect. Guests were seated and asked to draw the ribbons which were attached to place cards in the form of wedding bells. The mystery was revealed when tiny "double hearts" were found among the roses with Katherine E. Jenkins—Harry C. Burrus, June 23, 1920, written thereon. Congratulations followed.

A dainty salad course was served to the following guests: Misses Mollie and Lizzie Bierschwale, Ida Winkel, Zilla and Zella Wood, Lillie Plueneke, Mayme Bickenbach, Edna Kettner, Mayme Doell, Lillie Wheeler, Anna Martin.

Just prior to the departure of the guests each wrote a wish for the bride in a lovely hand-painted folder.

Contributed.

Erwin Bellows arrived in Mason this week with his discharge from the United States Marine Corps, after an absence of four years and he says that he does not care to re-enlist for another 4 years.

Mrs. Ray Lambert, Leslie Kothmann and Jake Bain, who have been here from San Antonio visiting the family of W. H. Neill, left Wednesday for home.

Mrs. L. F. Eckert entertained a crowd of little tots Friday evening, honoring the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Grosse of Granger.

The Newsman is pleased to report A. J. Boston as being up from a recent spell of sickness and was on the streets Saturday.

Ross Wolfe and family arrived in Mason last week from Stephenville and will be here a couple of weeks, or as long as it takes Ross canvass this county selling fruit trees.

Mrs. Alfred Grosse and son left last Saturday for Bartlett to visit relatives. Alfred expects to remain here a couple of weeks and will go by for Mrs. Grosse and the boy before returning to their home at Granger.

Mrs. C. M. Pressley and children of San Angelo are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. McCollum.

Miss Minnie McCollum is at home from Eastland, where she has been teaching school.

### MICKIE SAYS

TH' FAIR HAIR'D BOY AROUND THIS OFFICE IS THE JOLLY ADVERTISER WHO BRINGS IN HIS COPY 'N SAYS, "LET 'ER RUN WHAT SHE WILL," INSTEAD OF WORRYING TH' POOR COMPOSITOR ORDERING A QUARTER-PAGE AD SET INTO A FIVE INCH DOUBLE-COLUMN SPACE!



## TEETH THAT FIT

My soft rubber suction plates are guaranteed to fit any mouth. My bridge work is guaranteed to give satisfaction. I make all known removable bridges and the old style stationery bridge.

Have your impression taken in the morning and wear your teeth home that night. ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

Dr. H. W. Lindley, Dentist

LADY IN ATTENDANCE

Phone 81

Brady, Texas.



**BURRUS---JENKINS**

On Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock Mr. Harry C. Burrus, of Slaton, Texas, and Miss Katherine Emma Jenkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Jenkins, of Mason, were united in marriage. The happy event was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents on Weeber Heights. Rev. Gage, of Rochele performing the ceremony. Only immediate relatives of the bride and a few invited friends witnessed the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Arch Jenkins of Brackettville were the only out of town guests. The young couple left shortly after their marriage and after a three week's honeymoon will beat home a Slaton, Texas. The NEWS extends congratulations and best wishes to these young people.

Paramount Air-Craft Pictures at the Star Theater each Tuesday night. This company features such motion picture stars as William S. Hart, Douglas Fairbanks, Cecil De Mille, Chas. Ray, Bennett and produce the famous Arbuck comedies.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Zenke from Fredericksburg and Mr. and Mrs. Max Kilip, of Kerrville, passed through Mason last week enroute to Colorado Springs to spend the summer.

Mrs. Jack Ivy of the London Community died very suddenly on Friday night of last week. The News is informed that she took sick suddenly and died of heart failure.

Mrs. John Lindsay and children are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lauderdale of San Antonio.

The News always considers it a favor when we receive news items over the phone. We want all the news we can get and appreciate it for YOU to phone 57 when you know a personal item or any other item of local interest. Phone 57.

Will Ellebracht sold a feed grinder to Elgin O. Kothmann while in Mason county last week. Mr. K. undoubtedly has the largest barn the Newsman has ever heard of and it contains two large grain bins which he expects to fill with the use of the grinder.

The Mason base ball team played its first game of the season Friday. The game was played at London against Junction. Our team won by a score of 12 to 5. Next Friday afternoon a game will be played on the local grounds against Cherokee.

Wear Diamond tires on your auto. They last longer and are more economical priced.

Star Garage

W. H. Neill has put in electric fans at the picture show and has made things much more comfortable for his patrons. Mr. Neill will have a show on each Tuesday night in addition to Friday and Saturday nights beginning next Tuesday night.

**POULTRY WANTED**

We are always in the market for poultry and will pay you top prices for fryers, broilers, pullets, hens, roosters, ducks, geese and turkeys. Bring us anything you have in the line of poultry. Mayhew Produce Co.

**PLANT PECAN TREES**

DO YOU KNOW that the Pecan FLOURISHES in Mason county? That it grows naturally, and gives a splendid income without replanting for FIVE HUNDRED YEARS? That a grove planted now, at little cost, will mean an INDEPENDENCE for your family in ten years? That this income increases as the years go by? That there is no fruit or nut grown that requires as little care in this favored section as the Pecan? That you can make more per acre from Pecans than from any other product you handle. That you can change the value of suitable Pecan land from present prices of around \$50 per acre to \$1,000.00 per acre, with little effort?

Ross R. Wolfe, with the Waxahachie Nursery Company Money to Lend—Runge & Runge



CORINNE GRIFFITH

It was particularly appropriate that Albert E. Smith, president of Vitagraph, should have selected Corinne Griffith for the leading role of Clyde Fitch's "The Climbers," for she has been steadily climbing ever since she left her home in the south to become a film player. Now she has reached the top rung of film success. In addition to her imposing personal appearance and histrionic talent, Miss Griffith has the happy faculty of wearing beautiful and unusual gowns with grace and has had a splendid athletic training. Some of her most recent features have been "A Girl at Bay," "The Tower of Jewels," "Human Collateral" and "Deadline at Eleven."

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Gilbert and children of Kerrville are here visiting the families of Henry L. Schmidt and Frank Bickenbach.

**BIRTHS**

Since our last report the following births have been recorded by County Clerk, S. C. Brockman: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Caviness, a boy, June 16; Mr. and Mrs. Scott Pankey, a girl, June 6.

You'll enjoy the pictures at the Star Opera House. Shows every Friday and Saturday night. Don't forget it starts at 8:15 o'clock.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

Mrs. Lowrey returned to her home in Austin Tuesday, after a visit of several weeks in Mason. S. J. Brockman took her as far Llano in his car.

**PRESCRIPTIONS**

Accurately compounded day and night at Mason Drug Co.

Fine Bond Papers—News Office.

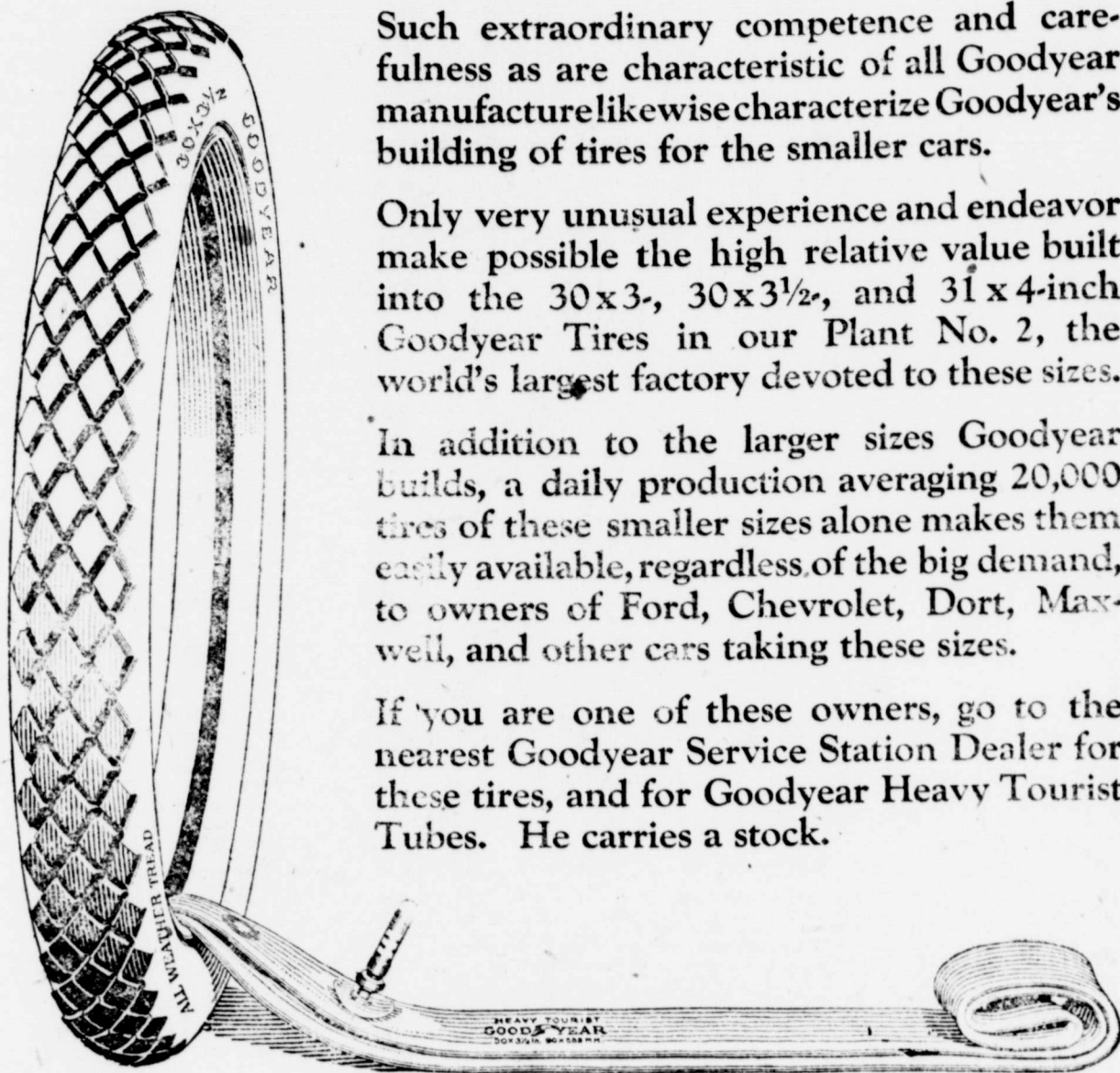
Otto Donop celebrated his 62nd birthday anniversary Tuesday. His children helped to make the day a very happy one by surprising him with a visit. All children, with the exception of Mrs. Neu, of Gonado, were present. The editor wishes Mr. Donop many more such happy events.

We have just received a new lot Diamond casings. All sizes. Star Garage.

Since our last issue this great country has been blessed with 2 good rains. One came early Saturday morning and another followed on Sunday morning.

Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

**Merit That Makes Mileage  
—In Tires for the Smaller Cars**



Such extraordinary competence and carefulness as are characteristic of all Goodyear manufacture likewise characterize Goodyear's building of tires for the smaller cars.

Only very unusual experience and endeavor make possible the high relative value built into the 30x3, 30x3 1/2, and 31x4-inch Goodyear Tires in our Plant No. 2, the world's largest factory devoted to these sizes.

In addition to the larger sizes Goodyear builds, a daily production averaging 20,000 tires of these smaller sizes alone makes them easily available, regardless of the big demand, to owners of Ford, Chevrolet, Dort, Maxwell, and other cars taking these sizes.

If you are one of these owners, go to the nearest Goodyear Service Station Dealer for these tires, and for Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes. He carries a stock.

30x 3 1/2 Goodyear Double-Cure \$23.50  
Fabric, All-Weather Tread

30x 3 1/2 Goodyear Single-Cure \$21.50  
Fabric, Anti-Skid Tread

Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes are thick, strong tubes that reinforce casings properly. Why risk a good casing with a cheap tube? Goodyear Heavy Tourist Tubes cost little more than tubes of less merit. 30x3 1/2 size in water-proof bag \$4.50



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BY OWNER

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ADVERTISING RATES

Local readers and classified ads 5 cents per line per issue Display rates made known on application.

Subscription (always in advance) one year \$1.50

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TERMS—Strictly Cash Announcements will be inserted in the order in which fees are paid. 20 lines will be allowed each candidate, but he must compose his own announcement message. Any additional lines charged for at our regular advertising rates.

RATES

Table with 2 columns: Category (Congressional, District, County, Precinct) and Rate (\$15.00, 10.00, 8.00, 5.00)

The News is authorized to make the following announcements subject to a majority vote of the Democratic Primary:

For Representative 115th Legislative District— B. J. STEWART

For District Judge 33rd. Judicial District— J. H. MCLEAN

For District Attorney 33rd Judicial District— GEORGE E. CHRISTIAN

For District and County Clerk:— S. C. BROCKMAN ROBT. E. LEE

For County Treasurer:— ALVA TINSLEY TOM STRONG C. L. HOFMANN

For Sheriff & Tax Collector— HERMAN SCHUESSLER G. H. WILLIS CHAS. LESLIE OSCAR SHEARER

For Tax Assessor:— WILLIE O. BODE RICHARD (Dick) ARHELGER DAVE GIBBS

For County Judge:— S. F. BETHEL JOHN T. BANKS GLENN W. SMITH

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1— HENRY DOELL F. W. WINKEL

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2— ED L. NIXON W. J. GRIFFITH

For Commissioner Precinct No. 3— BEN BRANDENBERGER G. W. HERRING ED W. JORDAN

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4— HENRY HOERSTER

GERMANY'S PLOT IN U. S. BARED

Von Papen Admits Everything in Berlin Inquiry.

FIRST TIME MADE PUBLIC

Worked to Restrict American Deliveries of War Materials to Entente in 1915—Chief of Staff Believed If This Could Be Accomplished Germany Would Win War—Von Papen Says Officials Were Unneutral.

"If you succeed in measurably restricting American deliveries of war materials to the entente until the end of 1915, we will in all probability have won the war."

the German general staff, wrote this to Capt. Franz von Papen, German military attache at Washington, in the spring of that year. The statement, which comprises part of the evidence submitted by Von Papen in a recent hearing before a parliamentary commission in Berlin, was amplified by him to the extent that he directed his efforts to this end.

First Time Made Public.

Capt. von Papen at the time was secretly examined by the national assembly commission, which also heard Count von Bernstorff, the former German ambassador to the United States; his evidence is only now made public.

Von Papen declared that he was of the same opinion politically as Von Bernstorff with respect to the American situation, and so informed Gen. von Falkenhayn when he returned after his recall from Washington.

"If you do not succeed in keeping the United States out of the enemy coalition, you will have lost the war," Von Papen informed the chief of staff. He added that tremendous material and moral assets were at the disposal of America.

"But," continued Von Papen, "these were so imperfectly appraised here I deemed it necessary to enlighten German public opinion concerning them."

The military attache obtained the consent of Von Jagow, foreign secretary, to appear before the German editors for the purpose of informing them on the German attitude, but Major Nicol, chief of the press and espionage division of the general staff, opposed the plan.

After detailing the plans to secure a corner in war materials in the United States, control of factories, divert labor, and prevent munitions from reaching the entente, Von Papen said that the theft of Doctor Albert's portfolio containing the outlines of the scheme brought the secret to the entente's possession.

Criticizes Government.

In the course of further evidence, Von Papen touched upon the alleged unneutral attitude of official quarters in Washington, the American courts and political circles, and declared that the British military attache was permitted to operate unmolested and given the support of official quarters and the American secret service.

"General Wood once asked me to call on him at Governor's Island," Von Papen testified. "He was very cordial and smilingly told me: 'Several persons have called on me and given me a detailed plan of the plot which you, captain, are supposed to have worked out. The scheme provides for the landing of German U-boats at New York, which would then proceed to blow up the subway tunnels and the city's water mains. We have your complete plans; where you propose to place your explosives and what points you will attack. Complete evidence is in my possession. You may see it if you are interested.'"

"We did not waste a single word over the matter. But the incident shows the methods used against us at the time."

DIALECT WON ADMITTANCE

Southern Negro Regains Citizenship Rights Through His Speech.

The real American southern dialect as used by Peter Snow, a negro, who sought admittance at Ellis Island to the United States as a citizen, was deemed sufficient to substantiate his claim of citizenship, and he was passed by the immigration officials.

Snow had no papers to prove that he was a citizen of Georgia, as he claimed, but the narration of his roamings in Africa won his case. He declared that "sometime about 1895" he had shipped as a cook aboard a ship which carried negroes back to Africa.

He spent 24 years wandering about in the land of black strangers and penetrated into some of the "darkest corners of Africa."

PAYS BILLION FOR LUXURIES

New York Is Indulging in Orgy of Spending.

UNCLE SAM REAPS BENEFIT

Government Gets \$10,500,000 a Month as Result of Extravagance—Little Grumbling on the Luxury Impost—Collector of Internal Revenue Believes Period of Retrenchment is at Hand.

Luxury buying in New York is now going on at the rate of \$1,200,000,000 a year, judged by the amount of luxury taxes—aggregating \$10,500,000 a month—which are being collected by William H. Edwards, United States collector of internal revenue for Manhattan. In February, according to the collector, the government received from his office \$2,000,000 more in luxury taxes than was paid in any previous month in the history of the department. The month of April probably will exceed them all. The receipts, he says, have been mounting higher and higher for six months.

"What some people call the 'orgy of spending' has not exhausted itself," said Mr. Edwards, "but my men, in their talk with merchants and others who pay the great bulk of the taxes, have been told that the 'peak' of extravagance seems to have been reached and that a period of retrenchment is close at hand."

Little Grumbling on Tax.

"We hear a lot about the income and excess profits tax which falls due in the spring of every year, and about the hardship of meeting it, but the fact is that the steadiest tax and one which is least felt by the public and of which we hear very little, is the luxury impost. The poorer chap who buys his girl an ice cream soda doesn't grumble at the penny or two tax any more than does the rich youth who presents his fiancée with a diamond tiara or a touring car. Neither misses it, as the item is so small as compared with the expenditure."

"A king's ransom was spent for candy last December, but the biggest revenue came from dealers in jewelry, furs and automobiles. The theaters showed that in January they did an unusually prosperous business. When persons start to economize they usually cut out amusements, but in January, in the borough of Manhattan alone, \$783,801.43 was paid in taxes. Multiply that by ten and you will get some idea of how Father Knickerbocker and his guests are paying to be entertained at just the theaters. There are no indications of any panic in these figures. The man who said 'Always be a bull on the U. S. A.' seems to be vindicated."

Small Taxes Swell Total.

"An interesting thing about the luxury tax is that more revenue is being derived from ice cream sodas and other small sales which carry a penny or two tax than there is from the sale of motorcars, diamonds and other luxuries. Druggists paid a large sum on expensive perfumes and cosmetics. Every manufacturer, producer or importer is required to make such returns as will clearly show each taxable transaction in the sale of certain goods, and these are verified by revenue officers. Section 904 of the revenue act of 1918 provides that 'on and after May 1, 1919, the tax of ten per cent shall be levied and collected on luxuries, including many kinds of expensive articles in daily use. In the sale of these articles the dealer acts as a collection agent for the government. Other taxes are paid in the form of stamps.'"

FIGHTS WILDCAT IN CAR

Express Messenger Has Lively Experience in Ohio.

An express messenger leaving Cincinnati on train No. 6, Chesapeake & Ohio railroad, had a desperate fight with a wildcat which had escaped from its cage in the express car. Fred Wheeler of Clifton Forge, Va., battled with the cat until it was dead. It was being shipped from Texas to Richmond, Va. Shortly after leaving Cincinnati, Wheeler heard a commotion among the chicken coops at the end of the car. He investigated and the wildcat sprang at him. Wheeler backed away, drew his revolver and pulled the bell cords. Shots were fired and passengers thought there was a holdup. The first shot struck the cat in the leg and infuriated the animal, but the third shot killed it.

FORCING GROWTH OF OPIUM

Troops Flock to Southern China Because of Higher Pay.

Troops from Chekian province, China, who have been stationed in Fukien

STAR OPERA HOUSE

FRIDAY NIGHT BESSIE LOVE IN "A FIGHTING COLLEEN" SATURDAY NIGHT CORENE GRIFFITH IN "THE TOWER OF JEWELS" TUESDAY NIGHT WILLIAM S. HART IN "BREED OF MEN"

Admission: 15 & 25 Cents

BAN ON LATE DANCES

Pasadena Won't Permit Music After Ten o'Clock in the Evening.

Tourist devotees of terpsichore or shimmying jazz music addicts will have to seek other diversion in Pasadena, Cal.

A drastic ordinance forbidding dancing or the playing of dance music between the hours of 10 p. m. and 8 a. m., recently adopted by the city commission, has just become effective in Pasadena, one of the country's most popular tourist centers.

Drove Newlyweds to Barg.

Because of the scarcity of houses, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Mink, newlyweds, who went from Texas to Beloit, Wis., were forced to take up quarters in a tumbledown barn.

Pie Without "Kick" Loses Favor.

The prohibition law preventing the use of whisky or brandy in the making of mince pies has caused this former popular delicacy to fall into disfavor, proprietors of Chicago hotels report.

Chicago Physicians Boost Their Fees

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Pasadena Won't Permit Music After Ten o'Clock in the Evening.

Tourist devotees of terpsichore or shimmying jazz music addicts will have to seek other diversion in Pasadena, Cal.

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Drove Newlyweds to Barg.

Because of the scarcity of houses, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Mink, newlyweds, who went from Texas to Beloit, Wis., were forced to take up quarters in a tumbledown barn.

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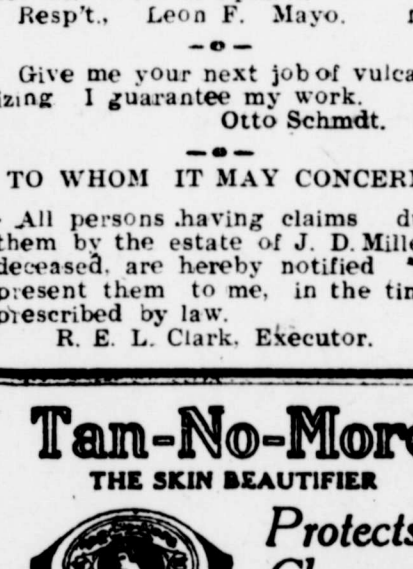
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**Rich Pastry**  
2 cups pastry flour  
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1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup shortening  
cold water

Sift flour, baking powder and salt; add one-half shortening

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and rub in lightly with fingers; add water slowly until of right consistency to roll out. Divide in halves; roll out one half thin; put on in small pieces half remaining shortening; fold upper and lower edges in to center; fold sides in to center, fold sides to center again; roll out thin and put on pie plate. Repeat with other half for top crust.

**Apple Pie**  
1/2 cups flour  
1/2 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 tablespoons shortening  
4 apples, or 1 quart sliced apples  
2 tablespoons sugar  
1 teaspoon milk

Sift flour, baking powder and salt; add shortening and rub in very lightly; add just enough cold water to hold dough together. Roll half out on floured board, line bottom of pie plate; fill in apples, which have been washed, pared and cut into thin slices; sprinkle with sugar; flavor with cinnamon or nutmeg; wet edges of crust with cold water; roll out remainder of pastry; cover pie, pressing edges tightly together and bake in moderate oven 30 minutes.

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Everybody is wearing a smile over the good rains and future prospects for a bountiful crop.

We are to have a picnic the 2nd of July. Every one is cordially invited. Come, bring well filled baskets. We're expecting a number of hungry candidates and a speech from each of them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Davenport had a glad surprise last Thursday afternoon. Their children came in to have a reunion with them. There they found dear old grandma Davenport from Morse, La., who is enjoying her 79th year. A very happy afternoon was spent together. Next day they were entertained at dinner by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Kidd and on the third day were royally entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Watkins. Each reported a delightful time and were happy over being together again and more was added to the occasion by having with them Grandma Davenport. Others present included the families of J. H. Lindley of Mertzon; Gratton Edmiston of Sonora; Dr. W. R. Lindley of Coleman; Geo. Kidd, and W. E. Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. Will Watkins, Willie and Roy Davenport all of Katemey.

The writer wishes them many more such reunions. Quite a number of young people attended the social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Ferguson Saturday evening.

Little Miss Agatha Prater of Dallas, is here visiting relatives. Mrs. M. E. Teague was called to her daughter's bedside, Mrs. Guy Prater, of Eden, who is suffering with fever.

Mrs. Newt Harkey returned to her home at Spur last Thursday after an extended visit here among relatives and friends.

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Money to Lend—Runge & Runge

**SAYS CRIMINAL HAS BRAIN OF 12-YEAR OLD**



Dr. W. J. Hickson in charge of the psychopathic laboratory of the health department of Chicago, says the average man from off the street examined has the brain of a sixteen-year-old child, while the criminal has the brain of a twelve-year-old child, but this is not hopeless. He says some professional men will not test much higher. The man with a mentality of a ten-year-old is hopeless. Dr. Hickson says crime must be dealt with as a disease; prisons and paroles are not cures, merely helps. He believes criminals should be segregated in farm colonies.

**LABOR UNION OWNS BANK**

Machinists Operating Financial Institution in Washington. The International Association of Machinists have secured a charter for and are opening the Mount Vernon Savings bank, in Washington, D. C., said to be the first bank in the country the controlling interest in which is held by a single labor organization. William H. Johnston, international president of the machinists and vice president of the bank, has issued the statement that 55 per cent of the \$200,000 at which the bank is capitalized is held either by grand lodge officers or members of the association. A \$40,000 block is held by the association. The machinists also hold the

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**TELL WHAT THEY THINK OF BOOKS**

12,000 in Reading Course Give Their Opinions.

**WOULD INTEREST AUTHORS**

Federal Bureau of Education Gets Reports From Americans Who Are Pursuing the Home Reading Course—Interesting Comments on the Classics—Divergence of Opinion Over "Alice in Wonderland."

If the shade of Shakespeare, of Homer or of any of the other immortals ever wants to know what the twentieth century thinks of his works he can find out by referring to the filed reports of 12,000 average Americans who are pursuing the home reading courses of the federal bureau of education.

There are 17 of these courses, but fully three-fourths of the government's readers are registered for the course in classical books. This fact might pleasantly thrill the authors of the classics, for if they keep up with the times they must notice the dust is more apt to gather on their immortal works than on the novels of Robert W. Chambers and Ethel M. Dell.

The immortals would doubtless be pleased with the comments on their art. Most of the readers record their impressions in terms flowery and flattering and in the respectful tone prescribed for one who speaks of "the classics."

**Think Ancient Poet Vague.**

Now and again, however, a more daring mortal departs from adjectives and superlatives to insert an original idea into a report. Such a one is the young woman who thinks the last chapter of Homer's Iliad must have been lost before it got to the printer, because the fate of Troy and that of Priam are only vaguely explained.

It is hard to say what Shakespeare would think of the reader who thinks it interesting to compare the insanity

of Hamlet with that of Ophelia. Perhaps he would say carelessly: "Well, perhaps I did mean Hamlet to be crazy, but I forget now. You see, I—or was it Bacon?—have written so many plays."

Most impressions inspired by the classics are monotonously favorable. None of the readers seems to be poring over antique literature for the unholy joy of unburdening a phillistine soul in a scathing report. The home reading division would certainly not accept any report written in slanderous vein. On the other hand, it does feel that the American public is prone to put on a fixed attitude of mind, a sort of pious prejudice, when it opens a classic. This precludes any unbiased or original thinking.

**Open Mind Recommended.**

"If people would only take up these books as if they had never heard of them!" said Miss Ellen Lombard, director of home reading. "If the reader would come to Shakespeare and Milton with an open mind, he would begin to like them for the qualities which appeal to him and not spend his time trying to see what other people have found."

Still, Miss Lombard believes people are getting a great deal out of the courses, that they read thoughtfully and are sincere in their conventional admiration. All are reading the recommended lists, because it will add to their knowledge and enjoyment. Those who send in reports do so because it is required, if they are to receive a certificate from the bureau on completion of the course. Many more outside of the 12,000 now registered are trying for certificates send for the outlines and read without making reports.

Some of the government's readers are children as young as nine or ten years of age. Others are more than seventy. Some are college graduates and many more never reached high school. The children's reports are especially interesting. They are not yet overawed by the fact that "Ivanhoe" or "The Merchant of Venice" are on the immortal list and they say what they think in emphatic terms.

**They All Look for Morals.**

The greatest divergencies of opinion seem to be over "Alice in Wonderland," which is on the list of books for girls. One girl of thirteen thinks the book is clever, but very odd and queer. Another learned from it that "when people are out in the open air

they have good dreams." A girl of around ten thinks Alice a good enough book for young children who like fairy tales, but that it is not interesting for older children; while a fourth gathers a moral from Alice's adventures with magic bottles and cakes, and says "It teaches me not to be curious and to think before doing things."

The boys and girls almost invariably twist a moral out of a story and hold it up as their justification for the book's existence. "Evangeline" teaches a boy of thirteen that "people ought to be all kind to one another." A girl says of "Little Women": "It has many things in it a girl could learn. I learned to be patient with children, and I also learned many good morals." The often repeated opinion about "Little Women" is that "it is a good book for girls to read." A few boys and girls frankly say they do not like a book. D'like is attributed mainly to too

much description, though in some cases the story is voted altogether dry.

**Mothers Are Studious.**

Voluminous reports from the parents' reading course indicate careful study. In one California community 150 mothers banded themselves into a club and have met regularly for four years to read and discuss in turn each book on the parents' course. If the mothers remember and practice all that they have read of child welfare their children should be exceptionally healthy and happy.

The course for parents, started six years ago, was the beginning of the bureau of education home reading circle. One course suggested another, and now there are, among the 17 courses in use, a list for boys; another for girls; lists on American heroes; American history; world heroes; American literature; famous fiction; the world's great literary bibles; great literature; French literature; as well as the original parents' revised course.

A course in modern literature seems to be needed as a standard for up to date reading. Many readers of the classical and famous fiction courses compare the books read with modern novels to the detriment of the latter. The idea is always expressed in such a way that it is obvious the reader refers to the worst novels published, from the literary standpoint.

The division is now arranging "after war" or vocation courses on such subjects as shipbuilding, steel working, machine shop and navigation.

**Selection Left to Committee.**

The division, by the way, consists entirely of the director, Miss Lombard, who reads and files all the reports, answers her correspondents' questions and plans new courses. The actual selection of books has usually been left to a committee of college professors or other recognized authorities on the subject at hand, but with so many readers in its charge and about 300 more starting every month, the one woman division has more than it can handle. As it has no appropriation for extra clerks, it is now planning to turn over some of the work to individual states.

Virginia, North and South Dakota, Arizona, Iowa, Kentucky, Indiana and South Carolina have already arranged to co-operate with the division by conducting their own correspondence through extension departments of the state universities.

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Miss Nell Curlee Bierschwale is at home from a visit in San Antonio with relatives.

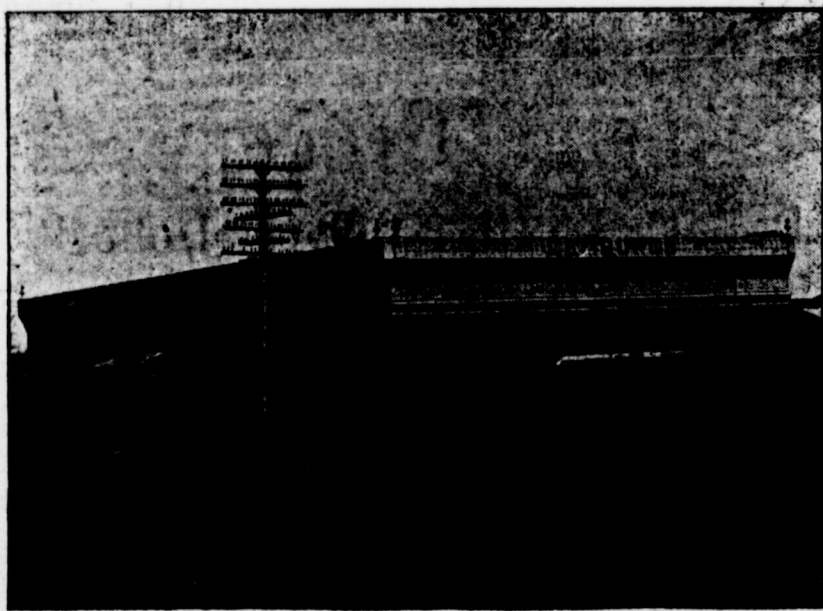
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### AN UGLY DUCKLING

By ALICE FREEMAN.

(Copyright, 1926, by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)  
A group of five girls were sitting before an open fireplace in the living room of Edith Hall's country home. Four of them were enthusiastically planning a sleighing party. Elizabeth Martin, as usual, simply sat and listened. Now and then she sighed

softly as one of her friends related some incident which took place on the last sleighing party. They were trying to decide what fellows they could depend upon to even up their party.

"There is that new family across the street and a perfectly stunning young man comes out of the house every morning, but he simply will not look at one of us," said the hostess with a hopeless sigh. "He was present at the church social the other evening, and when I met him the next morning I thought surely he would recognize me, but he passed by without even looking at me!"

Each girl had some such story to

relate, excepting Elizabeth.

Soon Elizabeth excused herself, and with a hurried good-by she went out.

"I suppose Beth would have to be included," said one girl.

"Yes, but I doubt if she will go," replied another. "You know how she is when there are fellows concerned."

Just outside in the hallway Elizabeth Martin smothered a low cry. She had come back, unnoticed, for her rubbers, and as she heard her name tossed around she took a quick step forward as if to rush into the room where the girls were talking. A moment later she had changed her mind, and noiselessly she slipped out of the house and hurried across the street and home.

So that was what they thought! She was afraid of fellows! Well, she would show them something. She, who had never had a beau—she would go on their sleighing party and she would go with a fellow, too. Yes, she would go with Allen Morse, the fellow who had just moved in, next door—the fellow that all the girls had tried to attract and had failed. But she would not fail! Then perhaps they would change their minds, and she would be the ugly duckling no longer.

The next thing to decide was "how to meet him." It was Tuesday and the party was to be Thursday. She spent the rest of the afternoon and evening in thought. That day the sun had shone brightly, and the snow on the walk in front of her house had melted.

"If it freezes tonight, I can do it," she told herself and as she dropped off to sleep late that night, a smile rested on her lips.

Fate was with her, for the next morning was cold and windy. She was up early and with her coat on and an attractive tam, which was arranged becomingly over one ear, she stood in the doorway, hidden from view by a curtain which was drawn partly aside. She watched the pedestrians as they passed, carefully picking their way along the icy sidewalk.

Suddenly the curtain at the door was drawn together and Elizabeth Martin came quickly out of her house, just as a young man came into view in front of his own house, next door. They both reached the end of Elizabeth's walk at the same moment, and their eyes met. As Elizabeth turned the corner her foot slipped on the ice, and with a low cry she fell forward. Allen Morse threw out his arms and caught her, holding her closely for a brief moment, but long enough to bring a burning flush to the girl's cheeks.

"All right?" he asked, simply.

She thought she was, she told him, and after thanking him, she tried to free herself from his grasp. But he had mistaken the quiver in her voice for one of pain, and kept a firm hold on her arm. As she stepped forward she swayed a little, then sank back in his arms.

"Better let me help you," he offered, and with a supporting arm around her, he led her back into the house. He made sure that she was resting comfortably before he left her, with

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He was surprised when she herself answered the ring, and invited him in, but a greater surprise was waiting Elizabeth's girl friends, for before he left her that evening Allen had given his promise to accompany her on the sleighing party.

The following evening a bright moon lighted the way for a merry crowd, packed tightly in a large sleigh. Elizabeth Martin was undoubtedly the happiest member of the party, unless perhaps it was Allen Morse. As she presented Allen to the others, she smiled mysteriously.

Unable to wait any longer one of the girls finally whispered enviously, "Beth, how did you ever do it?"

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### BROWN BUTTONS

By MILDRED WHITE.

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Rhoda sat listening as Mrs. Hamilton talked, and rebellion arose within her. Was it for this, the visit had been urged upon her? That she might be led into a marriage with the exacting son of her mother's dearest friend. John Hamilton's virtues had been sung into Rhoda's ears as long as she could remember: John Hamilton, the spoiled and adored of his mother. Rhoda, in her country home had anticipated long this stay in the city. She had thought then only of the companionship of her mother's girlhood friend, and of the joyful glimpses into a big world, which she might give her. Then, "Aunt Cynthia," as the girl had been taught to call her hostess—spoiled it all.

"I am going to be perfectly frank, Rhoda," she said. "To have my friend's daughter for my own daughter-in-law, is the secret wish of my heart.

Cynthia Hamilton regarded her guest perplexedly.  
"It cannot be possible," Mrs. Hamilton was asking, "that you are already promised to another, Rhoda? But," she quickly added, "your mother would have told me of your en-

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gagement."

"Not exactly engaged, Aunt Cynthia," she calmly replied, "but there is a man whom I intend to marry—the man who has my heart." Which will be true, Rhoda told her conscience, when the time comes.

"Your mother made no reference to a possible admirer," Aunt Cynthia said sharply.

"I don't think," Rhoda replied, "that mother knows him."

"Not," Aunt Cynthia reproached—"a clandestine affair!" Rhoda shook her head.

"He doesn't live in our town," she explained confusedly. Mrs. Hamilton sighed in relief and smiled.

"We all have those fancies, my dear," she said indulgently. "When I see this lover I will consider you seriously. For the present let us drop the subject. I have an errand for you to do. Would you mind going down town? You can ride directly to the store door. I have some buttons to be matched, brown buttons, for my new suit. The tailor must have them tonight.

Rhoda seized upon this escape, but when she stood in the aisle of the great department store a sample button in the palm of her gloved hand, Rhoda's cheeks were still flushed from her encounter, and two dimples popped out in her cheeks.

"Rhoda Blair," she said mentally, "that was an awful position to put yourself into. Engaged—almost—and not a man on your horizon."

Just then Rhoda, dimples and all, bumped into a man who sent the brown button rolling down the floor. The young man nimbly pursuing the button brought it back with a bow to its owner. And Rhoda perceiving him to be hatless, took the nice young man to be a floor usher and asked to be directed to the "button department." With a stare and a quick, pleasing smile, the young man offered to escort her there and with a protecting arm against the shopping throng led the way to an elevator. As a store usher, however, he was strangely remiss, for as the two issued through a labyrinth of ways, no button department was in evidence. It was necessary for the obliging young man again to seek the elevator and a search of the floors below. His gaze, as he did so, was admirably, though politely bent upon Rhoda's pretty face. And when at last the button department was found the particularly desired button, was not among its number; the nice young man promptly offered to have it hunted out in stock, and delivered surely, that evening. It was with evident regret that he bowed his fair customer through the doorway, while Rhoda riding back to Aunt Cynthia's, experienced a pleasing sense of coming adventure. The adventure arrived that evening. An exceedingly nice looking young man, ushered by the maid into the presence of John Hamilton and his mother, asked, flushing boyishly, to see "Miss Blair." While Rhoda, entering at that moment, was in time for Mrs. Hamilton's reproachful remark. "You did not tell me," she said, "that the friend of whom you spoke lived in our city."

Impulsively, though perplexedly, the "friend" himself, saved Rhoda reply "I am Jack Warren of Warren & Son's department store," he said, "permit me to introduce myself."

John Hamilton arising, bowed testily and left the room, while his mother with an astonished murmured response quickly followed.

"I came," the nice man told Rhoda "to bring those buttons: My own delivery. Thought, when your folks knew who I was, that they'd let me stay awhile—with you. But my presence seems unwelcome, so—

"Not your presence," Rhoda hastened to explain. She paused. "I guess I had better tell you all about it," she said desperately, and she did.

Jack Warren listened, his pleasing smile broke forth.  
"I'd love to play up to that 'almost fiance of yours while you are here," he said.

Then eagerly his eyes held the girl's.

"Afterward," he added daringly, "am going to do my best to try to end the 'almost.'"

T A Saunders left last Saturday for Fort Worth to join Mrs. Saunders, who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Luther Snow.

Messrs Howard and Wes Smith and Irl Larimore attended a barbecue and picnic at Maier last week and report a great time.

T J. Banner of Roswell, N. M., is here visiting relatives and renewing old acquaintances. Mr. Banner resided in Mason about 23 years ago. He informed us that has been visiting his father at Comanche, who only recently celebrated his 100th birthday anniversary.

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### INDUSTRIAL PLANTS IN RUSSIA ARE IDLE

Production Has Declined to Point Where Complete Paralysis Is Threatened.

Industrial productivity in soviet Russia under the bolshevist plan of nationalization of industry has declined to a point where complete paralysis is threatened. This information is contained in reports made in Moscow of economic conditions in Russia made before a recent session of the congress of delegates from councils

of national economy, trade unions and the Moscow soviet.

In his report, A. Rykoff, chairman of the supreme council of national economy, stated that there were 10,000 industrial establishments in Russia when the soviet was established. The peasants' industry is not subject to nationalization, leaving 4,000 factories which have been nationalized. Of these 2,000 are said to be idle. The number of workers is said to be fewer than 1,000,000, indicating that the manufacturing industry in Russia is in the throes of a crisis.

The Rykoff report shows that Russian industries are supplying less than one-fourth of the needs of the nation, and that Russia today is living only

one-half as well as she did before the war. Furthermore, it is pointed out, Russia now is consuming supplies left over from the pre-bolshevik period. These are said to be nearly exhausted.

Russian workers, it is asserted, are leaving the cities in search of better living conditions in labor communes and soviet farms, while a considerable number of skilled workers have remained in the army, leaving Russian industries with a very low percentage of skilled mechanics.

At the same conference Trotzky explained the Russian industrial crisis as being due to lack of technical equipment. It was pointed out, however, that many plants which require no technical equipment are idle or are working only a few departments.

### BLOOD PAYS HIS TUITION

Medical Student Has Sold Eleven Pints for \$600.

With 11 punctures in his left arm, from each of which came about one pint of blood to be appropriated by some other person, a janitor of the Johns Hopkins Medical school at Baltimore, is still "going strong." He has never lost a day from class as a result of this loss, and is \$600 better off financially, which sum he has applied toward his tuition.

Opportunity for students of all classes to sell their blood for from \$50 to \$100 a pint comes daily at the Johns Hopkins hospital, and, although the college authorities do not encourage the students to capitalize this act of humanity, it has been found to be the best way to get the right kind of blood for the sufferers.

The physicians at the hospital school test each student's blood when he enters the school, and in this way, when a patient has need of blood of a certain class, the attending physician can easily locate a student who can deliver the blood needed, thus removing the delay incidental to testing the blood of outside volunteers.

### SHOWER OF PEANUTS

Brief Downpour Astonishes Residents of Santa Monica.

Residents of the Ocean drive near the municipal pier at Santa Monica, Cal., were astonished when it began to rain peanuts early one morning from a somewhat overcast but cloudless sky. The shower was brief but vehement. The peanuts rattled and bounced over roofs, roadways and exposed shoulders, but were soon retrieved by youngsters, who cared less about the phenomenon than the results. The mystery was explained when Sam Christoff visited the spot on the pier where he left his peanut roaster last night. It was gone. He then remembered that he had left the flame turned on under the boiler. One piece of the roaster was found embedded in a porch pillar 800 feet away. Otherwise it was "sunk without a trace."

### LIKES BAND MUSIC

Aged Woman Hopes to Have Such a Concert on 100th Birthday.

Ninety-nine years ago Mrs. Johanna Tibbet of Princeton, Ind., was born in County Clare, Ireland. She is still an active woman and her two chief desires are not to miss putting in her garden and to live to be 100 years old.

Mrs. Tibbet was at work in her garden recently at her home at 603 East State street, where she lives with her daughter.

As the aged woman rested on her hoe, she remarked:

"I want to live to be 100 years old and when I do I want the Princeton band to come and play for me."

"I like band music and I like it loud," she said.

### Clears Vaults of Confederate Money.

To relieve the congested condition of the United States treasury vaults, the department recently destroyed \$60,000,000 in Confederate money, the last held by the government.

### Portuguese Cabinet Changes 366 Times

The cabinet change record is held by Portugal, there having been 366 changes in the body in less than ten years.

### KRUPP WORKER IS UNITED STATES HERO

Quit Germany and Came to America During War—Has 12 Medals.

Louis M. Van Iersel, a native of Holland, who is recognized as one of the bravest and most decorated men in the American Expeditionary forces, served as a laborer in the Krupp gun works at Essen, Germany, during the early days of the war. He recently applied to the United States government for citizenship papers.

Van Iersel wears 12 medals, among them the congressional medal of hon-

or, and the medaille militaire of France. Both medals are the highest honor that either France or the United States can bestow.

When the war began to affect Germany's man power, neutrals were welcomed across the border. Iersel left his home in Dussen, Holland, to work in the shipping department of the Krupp gun works. He soon tired of Germany and escaped to England, where he shipped on the steamship Little Secret, bound for the United States.

When he reached New York, he enlisted in the United States army, all his fighting blood having been aroused when the ship on which he was coming to the United States passed through the wreckage of a victim of a German submarine.

His discharge papers trace him in action in the American army through the Troyon sector, the Aisne defensive, Chateau Thierry, the Marbach sector, St. Mihiel, Soissons, Meuse-Argonne and Champagne.

It was the battle of Soissons that the first war medal came to him, a croix de guerre with silver stars. At St. Mihiel, Van Iersel added a palm to his croix de guerre. Out of 59 men who held back a whole German battalion, he was one of the three survivors. Later he captured, single handed, a machine gun crew of 5 officers and 60 men.

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Americans Rescued 2,300 Russians. After many adventures 2,300 refugees have been brought out of southern Russia by Miss Gladys Vaughn, an American Red Cross worker, and Francis E. Fronczek of the Knights of Columbus.

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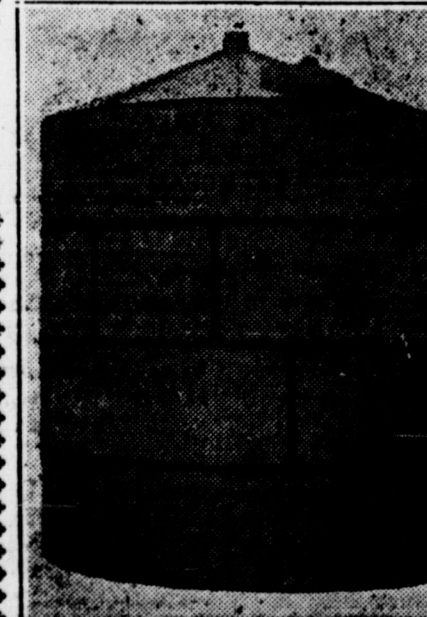
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