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## P. T. A. OFFICERS ELECTED IN LAST MEET OF TERM: WORK DONE IN 1928-1929 OUTLINED

Tuesday afternoon, May 7, the Friona P. T. A. held its last meeting for the term. Due to the great number of school activities of the week no program was given.

The business meeting included the election of new officers and the following were elected:

President, Mrs. Hanson; first vice president, chairman of the program committee, Mrs. Crawford; second vice president, chairman of membership committee, Mrs. Rushing; third vice president, finance committee, Mrs. Furlong; Secretary, Miss Louise Watson; treasurer, Mrs. Truitt; corresponding and recording secretary, Ms. W. J. Thompson. We are looking forward to a bigger and better P. T. A. for 1929-30.

The following is an account of the Friona P. T. A. activities for the year 1928-29.

September 7, reception given at school auditorium for faculty and parents.

September 21 and 22, the school sponsored by the P. T. A. had a booth at the county fair.

October 1, two reproductions of famous paintings were bought and given for four-weeks periods to class rooms having largest representations of parents at P. T. A. meetings.

October 12, the P. T. A. endorsed the move made by the Friona Woman's Club to secure the state health nurse who worked in the schools of the county for three weeks.

November 11, the P. T. A. served dinner to the teachers on Teachers Day.

November 12-16, the P. T. A. sent a representative to Amarillo to attend the convention of Texas Congress of mothers and P. T. A.

January 12, the P. T. A. served dinner for the county teachers association.

The Friona P. T. A. sponsored school grounds beautification.

The Friona P. T. A. has held nine regular meetings.

The Friona P. T. A. bought a \$160 slide for school grounds.

INEZ OSBORN, Reporter.

## NEW MARKERS FOR STATE AND FEDERAL HIGHWAYS

State Highway No. 33, which passes through Friona is also Federal Highway No. 366, and is now being marked with the new improved highway markers and the crew placing the markers were expected through Friona this week.

Through here and on to Farwell the markers will read "Federal 366 and State 33." All curves and dangerous crossings will be properly marked. All Federal and State highways in the state are now being marked, the state doing the work and bearing a part of the expense of buying the markers and the work of putting them in. It is costing the state for its part of the expense \$254,000.

The new markers are beauties and when they are placed this will look like a real highway. The state highway department has been working on the proposition for nearly two years and it will require several carloads of markers to properly mark these highways.

## ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Rev. and Mrs. Carter C. Porter attended part of this week the district conference of the Methodist church which was held in Hereford Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

They were accompanied Monday night by Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Galloway. Rev. Porter is pastor of the local Methodist church.

## PHILLIPS COMPANY MAKE IMPROVEMENTS

The Phillips Petroleum Company has been busy here this week making improvements on their property. The way of installing new apparatus for unloading cars of oil and gasoline.

New pipe lines have been installed between the tank and their tanks, with new pumps. A new landing for unloading the delivery trucks is also being built.

## BOUGHT INSURANCE BUSINESS

Two important deals were put over last week whereby J. J. Horton has secured the control and ownership of the other two concerns writing insurance in Friona.

These two concerns were owned by M. A. Crum and Mrs. Carrie Lillard, and by these purchases Mr. Horton now has control of all the local insurance business of Friona, all of which will be moved and looked after in his office in the post office building and will be operated under the name of the J. J. Horton Insurance Agency.

## Lillard Sells His Herefords; Intends to Buy Shorthorns

L. F. Lillard who has been producing a strain of registered Hereford cattle on his farm northwest of town, informs the writer that he has disposed of his entire herd of Herefords.

When asked if he was retiring from the registered cattle business or was going to invest in Jerseys, he replied that he would do neither the one nor the other, but was considering the shorthorn breed on account of their dual properties.

While in Oklahoma recently he saw cattle of this breed that were roughing it so far as feed and care were concerned, but which were producing and rearing good husky, heavy calves which weighed out well at the block and were at the same time giving a profitable flow of milk.

Since there is a comparatively small amount of open range to be had in this locality and the dairy type of cattle is coming in to popularity and prominence here, Mr. Lillard's views of the situation seems to be a practical one and that the dual-purpose cow should be the most profitable in the long run.

Mr. Lillard proposes to go in the near future to Oklahoma and buy a number of registered heifers and bulls of this sterling breed which he selected on his recent visit there.

## CONGREGATIONAL LADIES AID

The Congregational Ladies Aid met with Mrs. Beattie on Friday afternoon, May 3, with ten members and two visitors present. The members were Mmes. Lange, Kinsley, Goodwine, Reeve, Wilkinson, Sylvester, Wright, Warren and the hostess, and Miss Goldie Stevick. The visitors were Mmes. Dues and Morris.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. John White, May 17.

The ladies held a bake sale last Saturday in town at Mrs. Lillard's office. We are sorry we did not get it advertised better, but we received the nice sum of \$13.80, which will help out nicely on our new dishes we have coming.

## Mother's Day



Take these withered hands in yours, Children of my soul, Mother's heart is craving love— Mother's growing old. See the snow of many years. Crown my furrowed brow, As I loved and petted you. Love and pet me now.

Take my withered hands in yours, Hold them close and strong; Cheer me with a fond caress, 'Twill not be for long; Youth immortal soon will crown, With its wreath, my brow, As I loved and petted you. Love and pet me now. —Unknown.

## DAIRY SHOW CHAMPION IS FINE SIRE

Ware Seeks to Multiply Pure-Bred Jerseys in Parmer.

Ware Ware of J. E. Ware & Son, came into the Star office Monday morning and presented the force with a photograph of his splendid Jersey bull, Theatre Cup Sid, which he exhibited at the Panhandle-Plains Dairy Show at Plainview, April 25.

Sid is a fine looking animal and was awarded first place in Senior class and also grand champion. A son of his also took first in junior class yearling and junior champion. A number of heifers from Theatre Cup Sid also took firsts and seconds in their classes.

Mr. Ware is justly proud of his bull and his off-spring and the whinnies they have made, and is also deeply interested in introducing stock of this type in the Friona territory.

Rev. J. L. Beattie, pastor of the local Congregational church, left Monday for Houston. Rev. Beattie went to Houston to be in attendance at a meeting of the State Association of the Congregational churches. He is expected to return Saturday.

## GEO. T. COURTWRIGHT HERE

The many friends of Geo. T. Courtwright of Pampa were highly pleased with a visit from him Saturday night and Sunday. Mr. Courtwright formerly lived here and has many warm friends among the earlier settlers. He has been in poor health many months and during the past winter had been at his old home in Ohio for medical treatment, which has about restored his health.

He spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kinsley and departed Sunday afternoon for Tulsa where he will visit in the R. G. Glenn home, having formerly been associated with his in the grain business in Friona.

## 7 Dairy Cows and 200 Red Hens Make Money for Warren

S. F. Warren, whose farm home is three miles west of Friona, is making a nice profit from his flock of pure bred Rhode Island Red hens and his seven good grade dairy cows.

Mr. Warren has 200 purebred fowls which during the hatching season have paid him a net profit of \$180 for eggs for hatching and commercial purposes, which he has sold for hatching purposes to his neighbors and others, and also on the local market.

In addition to what he has sold he has hatched for himself 1000 chicks of which 918 are now living and are six weeks old, and weigh an average of two pounds.

Mr. Warren secured his foundation stock from one of the most noted breeders of the country who has made a specialty of breeding for egg production, and from this stock he has taken by trap nesting test the highest producers from which he has secured his hatching eggs. These eggs throughout the season have averaged a hatch of eighty-five per cent, and the unusually large per cent of chicks that have lived to the age of six weeks prove the hardiness and healthiness of the stock.

In addition to his hens Mr. Warren's seven good grade dairy cows have yielded him a net profit of \$55.00 a month, and his twenty-three head of registered black Poland China hogs are also yielding a nice profit. He feeds his hens, cows and hogs on a balanced ration consisting of home grown grains, properly backed by commercial feeds. He attributes his success with hens, cows and hogs to pure-bred stock, good management and balanced rations.

In addition to his poultry and dairy work Mr. Warren also finds time to cultivate a large acreage of land in wheat and other crops, his wheat now bidding fair to make a fine yield. The above story is simply an example of what one man may do in this Plains country by industry, good judgment and perseverance and what one has done many may do.

## WHEAT GROWERS ASSOCIATION TO MAINTAIN ELEVATOR HERE; WILL BUILD OR BUY ONE SOON

### W. W. HALL HERE MONDAY

W. W. Hall a former resident of this locality but for the past several years a resident and business man of Farwell, was a visitor in Friona Monday afternoon.

Mr. Hall had not been in Friona for quite a while and was greatly interested in the progress the town has been making during the past few years, both in its business and residential development.

Another fact that seemed to interest this former resident of the Friona community was the large number of cars parked along the curb and the number of people on the streets, and the fact that there were so few of those whom he had formerly known in the town.

Mr. Hall has lots of warm friends among the Friona folk, who were here during his residence among us who will be pleased to have him visit our town often.

### HEALTH NOTES

State Department of Health.

**How Many Kinds of Colic?** I thought babies' colic was the only kind of colic there is, but I am told there are many kinds of colic. Will you be kind enough to name some of the others?

M. N. C. Breckenridge. The term colic applies chiefly to paroxysmal abdominal pain and includes that of bilious or renal calculus, appendicitis, lead poisoning, floating kidney, mucous colitis, spastic constipation, strangulated hernia and abdominal aneurism. Common names for some of these afflictions are renal colic, gallstone colic, colon colic, lead colic and appendicitis.

**It All Depends.** Why, O why, does my back ache? The answer depends upon whom you consult, declares the Medical Herald. Kidneys, states the herb man; flat feet, according to the shoe doctor.

**What Is Protection Against Disease?** The different serums that prevent and cure disease, I am sure, are all right. I'll trust the scientists and doctors, but what is a plan of life to follow to keep vitality up to the top notch? I don't want to be a stinky, ailing, sniffling old lady. MRS. B. M. Kyle.

A laudable ambition. If every one was so determined illness would be on the wane. One may best keep physically fit by avoiding all things that have a tendency to lower the vitality, to lower the resistance, such as over-fatigue, unnecessary exposure to cold, improper food and improper ventilation of food, regular exercise in the open air is imperative. As far as possible all over-crowded, improperly ventilated public places should be avoided if one would escape many of the human ills.

**NAT JONES FAMILY TO FARM** Mr. and Mrs. Nat Jones and daughter, Mrs. Geneva, moved from their home here in town this week to their farm about five miles northwest of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones have been esteemed residents of the town ever since they came to the Friona community several years ago, although Mr. Jones has been engaged mostly in farming. Since the advent of the Friona Star Mrs. Jones has been its highly appreciated reporter, furnishing news for its columns each week with unerring regularity, and her services for the Star will be seriously missed.

The motive in moving to the farm is that Mr. Jones feels that he can more conveniently attend to his farming interest with less labor and loss of time than he can while living in town, and their many friends in town wish them prosperity and comfort in their new home.

Mr. Jones has leased the town home to the Standard Telephone Company, which is installing its central office therein, the lease running for a number of years.

There was a called meeting of the Oklahoma-Texas Wheat Growers Association here last Thursday afternoon which met in the Baptist church building.

The meeting was called to order by J. A. Wimberly, who acted as master of ceremonies and introduced the various speakers.

The principal speaker of the meeting was John Manley, of Enid, Oklahoma, general manager of the association and chairman of the Farmers' Elevator Pool Association.

Mr. Manley related briefly the more important points of the organization and past accomplishments of the Wheat Growers Association and explained the present contract which the Association offers the wheat growers of this territory, describing the various kinds of pools which are included in the contract.

He then dwelt for some time on the origin and growth of the pool elevator corporation, showing pictures of some of the elevators that have been built by the corporation and explaining the benefits that have been derived from them by the owners.

The matter of building or buying an elevator at Friona was discussed at length by the leaders and farmers present. It was learned that the greater part of the stock for such an undertaking had already been subscribed. A motion was made and carried that local members of the association give the head office the right to collect two cents a bushel on all wheat consigned to the association to meet any delinquent amount unsubscribed and that this amount be returned to the growers in the form of stock in the organization at the end of the season.

Negotiations were then entered into with the owners of one of the local elevators for the purchase of their plant. It seemed, however, to be the most popular desire of those present to build an entirely new elevator and side track. At this writing it has not been definitely decided whether a purchase will be made or a new elevator erected here.

**VISITS IN COLORADO** Mrs. J. C. Wilkinson departed on Monday morning for Eades, Colorado, in company with her nephew for a few weeks visit with her brother-in-law and family. She will be away for two or three weeks.

**MOVE TO HART HOUSE** Mr. and Mrs. William (Bill) Guyer moved this week from Dr. McElroy's house, on Main Street to the house recently vacated by Vay Hart and family.

**STORK-O-GRAM** Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Watkins at their home in Friona, a daughter, Evelyn Ann, Wednesday, May 8.

**DIAMOND SPARKLES** According to information reaching the Star office, Friona will be well represented on the diamond this season by a team of real live wire players.

Homer Pemberton will be manager of the team and will make an effort to have a game scheduled for each Sunday during the season.

The team will cross bats with the Mulshoe boys on the local diamond this coming Sunday at 2:30, at which time all lovers of the game are asked to be present.

**WHEAT GROWERS ORGANIZE** The wheat growers of this locality while in their meeting last Thursday afternoon, completed a local organization.

Following is the list of officers who were elected for the ensuing year: F. W. Reeve, president; Harley E. Nallon, vice president; F. N. Welch, secretary-treasurer; L. F. Lillard and Mr. Whitfield, directors.

Mrs. Bill Smith and daughter, Minnie D., of Hereford, spent Friday here as the guests of Mrs. L. F. Beckner.

## Everything Depends On Mother

OUR GREATNESS IS DUE TO OUR MOTHERS OF THE PAST, OUR FUTURE GREATNESS IS YOURS.



Illustration by Albert T. Reid.

## What the Gray House Hid

The Mystery of a Haunted Mansion

by Wyndham Martyn

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### THE STORY

Hilton Hanby had purchased a country place—the Gray house, near Pine Plains, Miss Selenos, a former tenant, warns him that the house is under a curse. Further alarming details are impressed upon Adolf Smucker, Hanby's secretary, by a man who claims to have been chauffeur for Sir Stanford Seymour, former occupant of the place. The Hanbys laugh off the warnings. But they are shocked when they hear that the caretaker of the Gray house, a man named Kerr, has been mysteriously murdered. Hanby consults his friend Pelham. The family starts for the new home. Appletton, a clerk of Douglas and Smith, the agents from whom Hanby bought the Gray house, urges Pelham to dissuade Hanby from occupying the Gray house. Hanby considers asking Leslie Barron, long an admirer of Celia, to join the house party. Mrs. Hanby declines. She likes the house. Pelham becomes a member of the household. Leslie Barron arrives making four able-bodied members of the Hanby household. A phone call from a man who declares he is an old acquaintance of Hanby's and interested in ornithology, but whom Hanby cannot identify, urges him to preserve a part of the grounds as a bird sanctuary. The idea appeals to Hanby and he makes the promise. The Hanbys take possession of the Gray house. A stranger introducing himself as Frederick Appletton, calls at the Gray house and is welcomed because of his interest in bird life. Hanby foresees trouble in connection with work to be done on the estate with which he is unfamiliar, and gladly engages Appletton as his agent.

### CHAPTER VI—Continued

"Bill," said Les presently, "you give me the idea of being constantly on the watch."  
"What do I get five and a quarter a day for?"  
"Seriously, Bill, what makes you look as if you thought there was something menacing around?"  
"Do I give myself away to that extent? How artless of me! I thought I was just registering firm determination."  
"I've seen you stalking around at night. Why? Let me in on it. You know I'm not likely to spill it. Bill, as man to man, what makes you look so darned anxious?"  
Bill Pelham lowered his voice.  
"As man to man, Les, there is danger. I have made some very remarkable discoveries. You mustn't tell even Junior, because Dina has some psychic way of knowing when her children are worried, and this is not a matter for joking. Here's Junior now."  
"Hi, Bill!" Junior shouted, coming toward them. "There's a lawyer lady all the way from New York. Dad wants you to come."  
Bill Pelham looked at Les with triumph.  
"You see that every one of my statements has been verified. I stated distinctly that she had come from New York to see me. Her shoes were bought at the one city in America where they are sold. Her gloves could only have come from Mustrell's on the Avenue. I recognized the crumb of cake on her second chin as made only by Mary Elizabeth's New York branch."  
The house detective made his way to the big hall. The brisk professional woman was introduced as Doctor Byers.  
"I hold degrees in medicine and law," she said. "I really can't say whether I'm here today as a lawyer or as a psychopath."  
"Bill," said Hanby, "the great Selenos mystery is about to be cleared up."  
"I can hardly agree that it is a mystery," objected the visitor.  
"At all events I'm glad you came, and not your vengeful client. She is a dynamo of unpleasant energy."  
"How little you know her!" Doctor Byers commented. "If one may regard her as a dynamo, she is the kind of dynamo which uses all its force for a few moments and then has long periods of inertia, during which current is being generated for some future use. I am not sure that my knowledge of dynamos is sound, but you no doubt get my meaning. After her interview with you my client was prostrated for a month. She is intensely nervous now—too nervous, in fact, even to come here."  
"I'm bound to say she made a very poor impression on me," Hanby said. "It is her unfortunate way. She suffers intensely from delusions of persecution. She particularly loathes and despises men—unjustly, I believe."  
"What is her interest in this house from which she was evicted for non-payment of rent?"

"That's the very thing I've come about, Mr. Hanby. You don't mind if I smoke a cigarette, do you? Thanks! I must ask you to be patient for a few moments. It is a truisim to say that everything is relative, isn't it? Very well, then. If you, or I, or Miss Selenos, believe in our hearts that some one thing or another, apparently insignificant in itself, is the most vital thing in our lives, that thing is actually the most important. This is modern teaching. The trouble is that we judge the interests of others by our own standards." She turned to Bill Pelham. "Jazz music, to you, may be the most important thing since Tubal Cain's time. I despise it. To me a fine symphony orchestra represents music at its apotheosis."  
"I knew it," declared Bill, gratified.  
"I said so."  
"I don't think you quite understand," said Doctor Byers, a little puzzled.  
"I think we do," remarked Hanby.  
"What you mean is that the thing motivating your client will seem very insignificant to us. What is her interest in my house, and why did she



"Undoubtedly the Poor Creature is Mad," said Hanby.

desire me not to live here? I should like to know how my family can desert me. I think that was the word she used."  
"All she wants to do," said Doctor Byers, "is to be allowed to remove something she buried here. She has had great trouble. It seems that Douglas & Smith referred her to a Mr. Appletton, who had complete charge of houses and properties listed in this county."  
"A most conscientious man," Hanby said warmly. "I know him well."  
"Perhaps too conscientious. My client, having vivid dislikes, immediately declared him to be a libertine, scoundrel and thief."  
"Your client," asserted Hanby, "should be in the county asylum for the insane."  
"I disagree. She is neither dangerous nor likely to become a charge on the community. She believes that Appletton arranged the eviction in order to spite her. Certainly it need not have been so drastic. She did not refuse to pay the rent because she was without means. She refused because certain alterations were not carried out. These alterations were not embodied in the contract that Appletton drew up. Legally she had no case. She is sure that Appletton deliberately tricked her. She was so upset that she went to Algebras to live. When she came back, she made another effort to rent the place through Douglas & Smith. They referred her to Appletton again, and he refused."  
"Why?" Pelham asked. "It stood empty long enough."  
"Appletton would not recommend her to old Miss Coryell, who owned it, as a suitable client. Miss Coryell believed in him implicitly. It seems amazing that Mr. Douglas can place such reliance on him."  
"Not amazing to those who know him," Hanby retorted, unable to see why Frederick Appletton should be criticized thus.  
"My client appealed to successive tenants to allow her to remove what she had buried, but again the Appletton influence intervened. One ten-

### Historians Unable to Place Queen of Sheba

The nationality of the queen of Sheba, mentioned in the Bible in connection with a visit to King Solomon, is unknown for certain. It is supposed, however, that "Sheba," is merely a variation of the word "Saba," which was the name of a country on the Red sea in southwestern Arabia. This region is now known as Yemen. The Sabans were dark-complexioned white people and belonged to the same general family of mankind as the Hebrews. They had extensive colonies in Africa, where they mingled with the Ethiopians, with whom they are sometimes confused. The Abyssinians have a tradition that the queen of

### Wheat Free of Duty

Wheat in bond means wheat imported from Canada by American mills to be ground and the flour to be exported. By this arrangement it is not necessary for the mills to pay the duty.

ant, a Mr. Seymour, seemed likely to be agreeable, but Appletton stopped that. He informed Mr. Seymour that a tenant has no legal right to allow any excavation without the consent of the owner, Miss Coryell. Like most Englishmen, Mr. Seymour was afraid of offending against any such statutes as hedge about landowners, and had to refuse. He laid the blame squarely on Appletton. My client, having no legal adviser at the time, behaved with great unwisdom. She hired men to go there by night and Appletton bobbed up in time to prevent them from entering. I regret to say that Miss Selenos made a regrettable scene."  
"I am bound to say I am not drawn to her," Hanby remarked. "I had a very unpleasant interview with her. What has she buried? Why did she bury it?"  
"Mr. Hanby," Doctor Byers said in her pleasant voice, "forget for a minute that she offended you. Consider her as a lonely old woman grievously deceived by a man forty years ago. Is she the first to become embittered? Is she the first to turn to what we call the lower animals?"  
"You mean those dogs?"  
"I mean those dogs. The dog is the only animal that has ever made an alliance with man, the only animal that will brave death for its owner, the only really unselfish thing in the world." Doctor Byers looked at her. "You have everything—one of the loveliest women in America for a wife, beautiful children, riches, and this home. My client has nothing but her love for dogs. The second shock of her life was when four of her dogs were poisoned here. I suppose, if I tell you she believed that Appletton did it, you will smile."  
"Undoubtedly the poor creature is mad," said Hanby.

His voice was not so vindictive now. It was true, he thought, that he had everything—health, happiness, freedom from monetary care, a friend like Bill Pelham. Insensibly his mood softened.  
"She had leaden caskets made and buried them out on a little lawn where a sundial stood. It shocked her immeasurably to learn that Mr. Seymour had removed the dial and made a tennis lawn. She is now in a position to pay for any damages. I may say I am here to make you an offer for this house considerably in excess of what you paid for it."  
"It is not in the market," replied Hanby.

"Then will you let her have the little lead coffins removed?" Hanby smiled a little.  
"I suppose you know that my family, who are devoted to that grass court, will be singularly pleased."  
"She is prepared to pay."  
"No money will buy a ready-made grass tennis court," he reminded her.  
"Is that a refusal?"  
"Does it mean so much to that old woman?"  
"It means so much that you would not believe it."  
"All right!" Hanby said, sighing. "Go ahead!"  
But the lawn was not wrecked. With a sharp steel probe, the house detective discovered the leaden boxes. They were immediately under the net. The removal was skillfully done. Even Junior did not know it had taken place.  
"Now that it is all over," said Doctor Byers, "I am commissioned to ask Mrs. Hanby if she will accept this emerald."  
Hanby could see that the stone set in a pendant, was of great value.  
"We couldn't think of it," he declared.  
"Why not? My client, now that her California property is clear, is certainly worth \$5,000,000. She is a very remarkable woman. Please notice that she did not offer this as a bribe. If you do not take it, her directions are explicit. I am to throw it into the lake."  
"Oh, Hil!" said Dina, later. "This is another of the things I've always wanted. It's the most gorgeous stone I've ever seen!"  
"You never told me so," he replied, almost jealously.  
"It would have made you unhappy to know there was something you could not give me."  
"So that's the Selenos mystery!" he said, meditating. "Poor old soul! She couldn't bear the idea of young barbarians at play on her burying ground. Well, if she's happier now, I'm glad, but as a mystery it has flattered badly."  
(TO BE CONTINUED.)

## WORDS FITLY SPOKEN

(By D. J. Walsh.)

VOICES raised in angry dispute came to her ears from the apartment across the hall. Sounds carried far in this flimsily constructed building.  
"Oh, dear! they're at it again," lamented Mrs. Harvey. A woman with sad brown eyes and a tremendous droop to her mouth. "So foolish, and such a nice young couple."  
"You sent her \$40, and we need so many things ourselves," complained a feminine voice.  
"My sister needs the money more than we do," asserted the male voice. "I couldn't refuse her."  
"But you never told me," wailed the girl. "You kept it from me. That is what annoys me, Tom."  
"I don't have to tell you everything I do," Tom's voice gave the impression of dogged sullessness. "I earn the money, and have a right to do what I choose with it."  
"Oh, if that is the way you feel about it," tragically.  
"You are making it hard for me to come home at all, Hattie," Tom rejoined savagely, and the door slammed behind him as he dashed down the front stairs three steps at a time. Then came the sound of the little runabout car getting under way, and he was gone.  
"Dear, dear!" lamented Mrs. Harvey, for the second time, suffering vicariously with the foolish young pair. "I know just how she feels. She is too young to have good sense. And he is too young to make allowances for her. The habit of quarreling is growing on them. It will ruin their lives." She stood for an irresolute moment in deep meditation. "If I knew them better I might venture," she thought. Then casting timidity on the winds, she went out onto the long balcony in front of both the apartments and tapped on her neighbor's screen door. Receiving no response to repeated tapping, she entered the room. The in-a-door bed was still down, and upon it lay Mrs. Tom Hayes in a crumpled heap, sobbing her heart out.  
"Oh my dear! my dear!" soothed Mrs. Harvey, smoothing the pretty bobbed yellow hair. She had feared resentment, but Hattie Hayes was too wretched to resent anything. Her attitude expressed the deepest dejection.  
"I wish I were dead! I wish I were dead!" she sobbed again and again. In the outer room the untouched breakfast remained on the table. The coffee was boiling over on the gas stove. Mrs. Harvey poured out a cupful and carried it to the bedside. "Here, dear, drink this," she coaxed. "And then tell me all about it. There's always a way out of trouble. Do not sob so bitterly. You have no trouble that cannot be cured."  
"Tom is angry with me," cried Hattie. "He will not come home all day." But she sat up and drank the coffee.  
"I hope you will not think me intrusive," observed Mrs. Harvey. "I could not help overhearing a part of your conversation. When your husband went out I felt that I simply had to make the attempt to speak to you, even if you should shut the door in my face."  
"You heard us!" cried Hattie, deeply mortified.  
"Yes," answered Mrs. Harvey, sighing wearily. "I have heard you, not once, but many times. It has brought home to me all my own sorrow and bitter regret, my selfishness and my folly. If you will let me tell you, dear, what I have never told to a human being before it may make you realize the value of the real things of life and the folly of ruining your happiness for the sake of trifles."  
"Tell me," breathed Hattie, and said no more.  
"I was twenty when I married John Harvey; a silly, senseless, vain girl; vain because some one called me pretty. An only child and spoiled; spoiled even by John in our courting days. I expected him to keep on spoiling me after we were married. He did for a few months and then the spoiling stopped. I cannot help thinking it was unreasonable of him to expect me to change all at once, and that was where he was to blame. He did not know that all my tantrums were meant to make him keep on petting and humoring me. All my nagging and fault-finding were to keep him always thinking he was in the wrong."  
"I understand," said Hattie, blushing painfully.  
"Well, you quarreled and made it up, quarreled and made it up; quarreled and made it up until the day when we quarreled and never made it up. I had worn out John's patience at last. I told him that I hated him. The great war had just started. John enlisted in a Canadian regiment and was overseas before I knew anything about it."  
"Oh!" cried Hattie in distress. "Oh! Oh!"  
"He never came back," continued Mrs. Harvey dully. "He had left everything we owned in my name, and he sent me a part of his pay all through the war. He was never reported as either dead or missing. I do not know what became of him. That is all."  
"Very likely he would have gone anyway, with our own army," Hattie tried to console her.  
"If we had never quarreled there would have been no bitterness. That is my punishment. I drove him to it."  
There was a long silence. Then "What can I do?" whispered Hattie.  
"Do not think of yourself," advised Mrs. Harvey earnestly. "Think only of

making your husband happy. It will pay in the end."  
"Tom won't be home till late," said Hattie disconsolately. "I always go to bed and let him forage for himself after we have had a quarrel."  
"Stay up tonight, and have an especially nice supper for him," begged Mrs. Harvey. "Ignore the unpleasantness. Above all things do not sulk. Be cheerful no matter how you may feel. Men hate the mournful in real life." She kissed the young wife and returned to her own apartment.

Contrary to Hattie's expectation, Tom came home at the usual hour. He burst into the living room with impulsive speech. "Oh Hattie, forgive me this time!" he besought her. "I should not have said what I did. You have a right to everything I earn." He broke off suddenly. "Have you got company?" he asked, staring at the little table, with its pretty china and glassware, and the vase of pink carnations in the center. "Something smells good," sniffing the appetizing odors coming from the kitchen.  
"No, no!" cried Hattie, flinging herself into his arms. "Only ourselves. Oh, Tom, I am never going to be hateful to you again. You watch and see if I don't keep my temper better after this. You have a right to do what you like with your earnings. So there!"

They made up this time for keeps. Hattie had learned her lesson. She became more sensible, and Tom developed more tolerance.

The following day Hattie went to see Mrs. Harvey to thank her for her kindness and her advice. "You are my best friend," she declared affectionately. "It seems queer, too, for Tom's best man friend is a Mr. Harvey. J. T. Harvey his name is."

Mrs. Harvey began to tremble. "He lost his right arm in France," went on Hattie, unheeding. "Tom got a job for him with the company. Some light clerical work, for he is not strong. Tom asked him if he had no friends."

"None that care what becomes of me," he answered. "It seems so pitiful."  
"J. T. Harvey!" whispered Mrs. Harvey with bloodless lips. "My husband was J. T. Harvey. But no—no—it cannot be!"

But it was. And that was the beginning of a new life for both couples.

### Maxims of Religion Traced to Zoroaster

Christianity owes Zoroaster a debt in that it borrowed the devil, variously called "The Adversary" in the original Persian and "Satan" in Hebrew from the works of the Prophet of Light.  
"It is high time that the debt that modern religions owe to Zoroaster be acknowledged," says Charles Francis Potter, noted clergyman and professor of Antioch college, writing in the Woman's Home Companion.  
"And this is not all that Christianity owes to this great thinker," continues Doctor Potter. "His was the first great philosophy of religion. He had learned the need of a preachable theology, an attractive religion. Before his death in 583 B. C., he had formulated doctrines which resulted in the amalgamation of savage people and founded the laws of the Medes and Persians which today are examples of his wisdom and devotion to his people."  
"The theology of post-exilic Judaism had a devil. Since the Zoroastrian religion of that time strongly emphasized a chief among evil spirits called 'The Adversary,' and since the post-exilic Jews called their devil 'Satan,' which means 'The Adversary,' there is only one possible inference."  
"The earliest visitors to the cradle of the infant Jesus were Wise Men from the East who said they had seen his star and had come to worship him. The Greek word translated 'Wise Men' is 'magi' which enables us to identify these dignified travelers as Zoroastrian priests."  
"When this babe grew to manhood, fulfilled his ministry and was dying on the cross one of his last sentences revealed that he expected to go immediately to 'Paradise.' Now 'paradise' was the Zoroastrian abode of the blessed after death. The very word was Persian. The Hebrew word was Sheol for the abode after death of both 'good and bad.'"

### Famous American Trees

Along the Lee highway, near the confluence of the north and south forks of the Holston river and a few miles from Kingsport, Tenn., stands what is claimed to be the largest elm in the world. Its age is unknown, but it was described by the first Europeans to visit the region. Other famous old elms were the Treaty elm of William Penn that once stood on the bank of the Delaware river; the Washington elm at Cambridge, which fell several years ago, despite the skill of modern tree surgery, and the old Liberty elm at Boston. It was beneath the last that the first mutterings of a revolt against Great Britain were started.

### Eels Made Much Trouble

The town of Montrevel, near the Swiss border, was recently the scene of a general holdup in which the culprits were eels. It happened during the floods which laid waste much of the countryside. The eels were swimming lazily down river when the torrent caught them and threw them in hundreds into the turbine of the electricity generating station on the outskirts of the town. They clogged the vanes of the turbines. The turbines slowed down, all lights went out, tramways stopped and nearly all activity ceased. Engineers worked for days to free the turbines from minced eel.



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SHE shall always radiate good will toward man.

HER life motto shall be service, her guide be kindness.

AND this one He made— My Mother.

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O MOTHER-MY-LOVE, if you'll give me your hand, And go where I ask you to wander, I will lead you away to a beautiful land— The Dreamland that's waiting out yonder. We'll walk in a sweet-rosie garden out there Where moonlight and starlight are screaming, And the flowers and birds are filling the air With fragrance and music of dreaming.

There'll be no little tired-out boy to undress, No questions or cares to perplex you; There'll be no little bruises or lumps to caress, Nor patching of stockings to vex you. For I'll rock you away on a silver-dew stream, And sing you asleep when you're weary, And no one shall know of our beautiful dream, But you and your own little dearie.

And when I am tired I'll nestle my head In the bosom that's soothed me so often, And the wide-awake stars shall sing in my stead A song which our dreaming shall soften, So Mother-My-Love, let me take your dear hand.

And away through the starlight we'll wander— Away through the mist to the beautiful land— The Dreamland that's waiting out yonder!

—Eugene Field

Origin of Mother's Day in Dispute

Honor of First Observance Claimed by Town of Henderson, Ky.

It has been the popular belief that the second Sunday in May was the day first suggested for Mother's day, but the natives of this Kentucky town have an entirely different version, writes Martha Lee Forgy from Henderson, Ky., to the New Orleans Item-Tribune.

Folk here, Miss Forgy continues, insist the day was originated by Mary Towles Sasseen Wilson.

Born and reared in this little city on the south bank of the Ohio river, in the '60s, she labored earnestly to have April 20, her mother's natal day, observed in the schools in the manner in which the day is now celebrated.

In 1893 Miss Sasseen, then a school teacher, published a book setting forth her ideas, aims and objects, dedicating the volume to her mother, with a hope for natural recognition. The book was copyrighted that year.

She traveled extensively and addressed various educational meetings throughout the country in her effort to have the day observed in the schools. It was in the little Center

Mothers' Virtues Put on Record

Most Beautiful Description of Wife and Motherhood Ever Penned Found in Book of Proverbs.

By Right Rev. James E. Freeman, Bishop of Washington.

In her tongue is the law of kindness.

—Proverbs 31:26.

No finer tribute to feminine graces is contained in the Bible than that recorded in the thirty-first chapter of the Book of Proverbs. It is a glowing tribute to wifehood and motherhood. "The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her; she will do him good and not evil all the days of her life." Of her unflinching devotion to her household the writer says: "Her candle goeth not out by night; she stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy." "She looketh well to the ways of her household and eateth not the bread of idleness." Little wonder is it that her children "arise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her." It is a lofty conception of the mother of the household. Nothing that is here written concerning her is more significant than the passage, "In her tongue is the law of kindness." There can be little higher in the way of the fulfillment of the graces and virtues of motherhood than this.

The Understanding Heart.

The law of kindness implies a gentle and understanding heart. It will not be hindered or distracted through misunderstandings nor will it yield to the petty annoyances that day by day cause friction and unhappiness. The law of kindness will not reckon with these. It recognizes with understanding sympathy temperamental inequalities and those elements that render members of a household dissimilar in thought and practice. The law of kindness resists and overcomes the unconsidered and thoughtless utterance and readily forgives the unwitting act of disobedience. The mother of the household, like Mary of old, penetrates beneath the surface of things, weighs with fine discrimination the differences in those who constitute the household and exercises a judgment that finds its inspiration in the law of kindness. It is safe to say that this supreme gift of mother love is one of the mightiest factors in the shaping of character, and that it contributes more to an orderly and peaceful home life than all else. It is the source of contentment and the inspiration to higher thinking and living. Subtract this from our home life and we impoverish it.

True Kindness.

We are not thinking, concerning this great virtue, of that kind of cheap sentimentality that discloses itself in indiscriminate kindness. Kindness without the loving word of counsel is futile. Kindness that reckons not with an ordered and orderly household

whose discipline contributes to the strengthening and enrichment of character inevitably produces impairment of domestic felicity.

Mother's Sunday compels us to think more definitely of those fundamental things that constitute the strength and sanctity of home life. It is demonstrable that the homes of a nation have the power of making or unmaking it. They either exalt its standards or debase them. They either contribute to the wholeness of our social life or they gravely impair it. Indeed the home standards affect for good or ill every phase of our corporate life. No home liveth to itself. We are living in an age in which the duties and privileges of women have been infinitely broadened. They are equal sharers with the men of the nation in its large concerns and opportunities. They have to do with the making of policies and the shaping of national ideals. All this should make for greater refinement and wholeness in all that concerns our well-being.

Mother's Responsibilities.

If these new privileges and opportunities detract in any wise from the high claims and responsibilities that peculiarly belong to mother life and mother influence, they must ultimately work disaster. No social occupations, no indulgence in those things that concern the state and the nation, may be substituted for those holier responsibilities that have to do with home and family life. The greatest trust that God has committed to His children is that which is given to the mother of the household. She, more than all others, determines the moral worth and strength of our domestic and social life. To her hands is given the incomparable privilege of shaping the characters of her children. The moral and spiritual ideals of the nation, as a whole, are largely determined by its mothers.

The Savior's Mother.

Little as we know of that simple home in which the child Jesus was reared, sufficient is told us to indicate His mother's influence as well as her understanding sympathy. She, above all others, discerned the high and holy purpose of His ministry. With prophetic instinct she saw from His earliest days what no other eye could discern.

Poets and painters have exhausted their genius in portraying this sacred relationship. The modern mother may find in this lowly home at Nazareth an ideal of transcendent loveliness. We may change our customs and our ways of living, but we dare not lower those high and holy standards that give to the mother the sovereign place to which by divine sanction she was appointed. She must continue to be the guardian of a nation's character.

High and Holy Day

Mother's day, and its proper observance, means more than a mere gesture. It is legally required that every person shall associate the love of mother, whether living or passed, with the love of country. It is a day set aside for concentration upon the ideals of home and the ideals of our institutions of government. A good home stands for good citizenship, and the home is made by the mother.

Thought For the Day

WHAT would you think of a boy who would strike his mother? You hate to think of anything so unpleasant, don't you? Words cannot express your opinion of one who would intentionally injure his mother.

NOW stop a minute. Probably some time in your life you have had a bloody nose or a skinned knee. And probably some time in your life some one has made an unkind remark that hurt you dreadfully. Which really hurt the worst? The nose or the knee was better in a few hours or a few days, but your injured feelings bothered you for a long time after that unkind remark.

THE meaning of all this is clear: You have only contempt for a boy who would strike his mother, but do you realize that an unkind word to her may hurt her feelings more than a blow? Boys—and girls, too—are so much more careless with their tongues than with their fists. Don't you be one to let your tongue inflict pain.

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The ruins of Zimbabwe in Mashonaland, southern Rhodesia, are interesting and extensive and but little is known of them, although it is more than possible that they have some important bearing on the early history of man. Accordingly an English expedition is about to investigate the ruins from a scientific standpoint. It is thought to be possible that they will find some explanation of the source of the 120 talents of gold which the queen of Sheba presented to Solomon, and some of the other wealth of that time. The gold mines of Rhodesia were worked during an era corresponding to the reigns of those monarchs, and many relics found in the temples and other ruined buildings are distinctly Asiatic. Zimbabwe was the mythical "dead city" of Sir Rider Haggard's "She." It also figures in his other novels, "Allan Quatermain," and "King Solomon's Mines." The natives regard it with superstitious fear. These facts have helped make it a city of mystery and conjecture.

The prices of cotton and linen have been doubled by the war. Lengthen their service by using Red Cross Ball Blue in the laundry. All grocers.—Adv.

Too Personal

"Tell me a story, mother, about fairies or goblins or imps," pleaded little Jimmie as bedtime approached. "Well, once upon a time there was a little imp named Jimmie—" the mother began, humorously. "Maybe you had better tell me a story about a fairy," the little boy interrupted.

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The same metal hats worn by soldiers in France will protect the volunteer fireman of Waterloo, N. Y., from falling glass, bricks and wood. One hat will be painted white for the personal use of the chief. The firemen say that the tin derbies give them the same protection as the old-fashioned and bulky helmets and are not so heavy.

Getting Shorter

He—Another new dress? She—I can hardly bear to see the old ones. He—And I can hardly see this new one.—Lustige Koelner Zeitung, Cologne.

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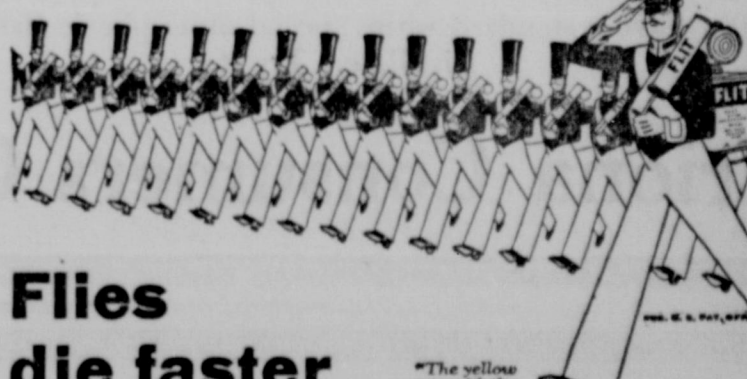
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Mrs. Mary Towles Sasseen Wilson.

street school of Henderson that the first observance of Mother's day was held by Miss Sasseen, and in 1894 she succeeded in having it celebrated in the public schools of Springfield, Ohio. In 1899 she became a candidate for superintendent of public instruction of Kentucky, and it was then generally discussed over the state that she had first conceived the plan of celebrating Mother's day.

It is still being discussed and proudly boasted by officials and citizens alike here, who argue that: "Miss Annie Jarvis of Philadelphia has been given the credit of originating the idea of setting aside a day for the purpose. Miss Jarvis is entitled to great credit in connection with the national celebration of the day, but the idea of Mother's day was conceived long before the time credited to her. It was first thought of here, in Henderson, by Miss Sasseen and celebrated in the schools here long before the date the sponsors of the movement claim it originated."

In 1907 Miss Jarvis invited a friend to spend the second Sunday in May with her, to commemorate the day of her mother's death. On that day Miss Jarvis announced her plan for a national observance of "Mother's day." The next year Miss Jarvis' propaganda had progressed so far that Philadelphia celebrated the day in church and home.

Mary Towles Sasseen married Judge Marshall Wilson of Florida, and gave her life to the cause of motherhood when her first child was born.

The movement to bestow credit to her for the origin of the idea has merited the indorsement of many Kentucky organizations. This movement, they say, would not detract from the impetus that Miss Jarvis gave it, and there is plenty of honor for both her and Mary Towles Sasseen Wilson.

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## Honored for Diction



Milton J. Cross of New York was presented with a gold medal for "good diction over the radio microphone" by the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

## COGITATIONS and APHORISMS of JODOK

I heard two mighty good sermons Sunday, one in the forenoon and one in the evening.

The morning sermon was a bacchanalante sermon for the graduating class. This sermon was filled with inspiration and encouragement and called on the hearers to strive to find God and be more like Him.

The evening sermon told the hearers what God is and how to be like Him.

Altogether too many people seem dissatisfied with their ideas of God as commonly understood and explained by the ordinary religionist and for this reason their religion falls far below par.

It is too bad this class of people do not hear more of such sermons as those two I have just mentioned. They would not all need to go to the same church to hear them, either.

Eighteen of the finest young people on earth will step through the portals of the high school preparation in Friona this week.

Will the people of the community and the world at large give them the glad hand and the proper encouragement to enter the fight for a real education?

Is loneliness real or imaginary? Well, it may be imaginary, but it can become so strong at times as to equal a reality.

## Ancient Writers Had Idea of Punctuation

Our present system of punctuation, which divides written language into sections by means of various signs and points, may be said to have grown out of a system developed by Aidus Manutius, an Italian scholar and printer, who printed Greek classics on his press at Venice in the latter part of the Fifteenth century and the beginning of the Sixteenth. Manutius was born in 1450 and died in 1515. It should not be supposed, however, that Manutius was the sole inventor of punctuation, although the main features of the modern system are due chiefly to his ingenuity and that of the Greek scholars employed by him. Among the later Greek's various dots had been used for oratorical purposes. Aristophanes, a Greek grammarian of Alexandria who died about 180 or 185 B. C., is said to have devised a system of punctuation by means of dots.

Prose punctuation of a crude type was probably used even before the time of Aristophanes. In the early part of the Ninth century these earlier systems were so completely forgotten that Charlemagne requested scholars to revive them. St. Jerome, who died 420 A. D., knew nothing whatever about punctuation.—Pathfinder Magazine.

## Effect of Light on Flowers and Plants

Spring violets have been made to bloom in the summer simply by cutting down their ration of daylight to the length of a spring day. The extra heat of summer had no effect on the growth of the plant.

In this controlling of plant growth, artificial light has the same effect as sunlight or the light of a greenhouse, and twelve hours of light (whether natural or artificial) is "summertime" for the plants, and six hours light "winter."

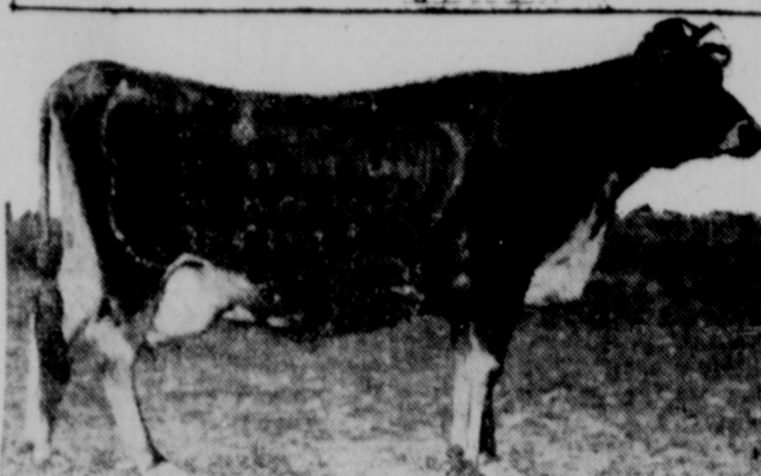
An experiment conducted with iris is given as an example of the effect of light rationing on plants. Two lots of iris were sown in late October; the first were given eighteen hours of light per day, while the others (kept in the same temperature) received only the light provided by nature. The first lot reached normal size very quickly, and actually bloomed on Christmas day, but the others were dormant as late as the following February.

## Queen's Watch

One of the oddest timepieces in the world belonged to Mary Queen of Scots, who felt a superstitious aversion to it and gave it to Mary Seaton, one of her maids of honor, who gave it in turn to Sir Thomas Dick Lauder. It was in the shape of a skull; the forehead was engraved with a scythe and an hour-glass between a palace and a cottage, signifying that time and death made no distinctions. At the back of the skull a figure of Time was pictured spreading destruction over the world, and on the top appeared Eve and the serpent in the Garden of Eden, and the Crucifixion.

A 25c classified ad in the Star may bring home a hundred dollars worth of bacon.

## A New Record Making Jersey Cow



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## COMMUNITY CLUB

The regular meeting of the Community Club was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Adams Thursday, April 25.

Members present were Mrs. Blewett, Taylor, Griffith, Day, Clinkscapes, Boggers, Ivie, Moffett, Vestal, Minguin, Turner, Ware, McEwen, Siebert and Griffith, with Mrs. Blankenship and Merrill as guests.

The afternoon was spent piecing quilt tops and social chat. All departed at a late hour declaring they had spent a pleasant afternoon.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Blewett May 9.

MRS. BLEWETT, Reporter.

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

Program for May 12:

Topic: Appreciating our parents as leaders.

Scripture: Ephesians 6:1-9, Luke

2:41-52.

Song.

Prayer.

Leaders by authority.

Leaders by example.

Leadership by teaching.

What are the things which are true of most parents that you most appreciate?

How much do you think heredity has to do with our preparation for our life work?

How shall we show our appreciation for our parents?

Song.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Pierce left Monday for their home in Hedley, Texas, after spending a pleasant two weeks here visiting Mrs. Pierce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Beckner.

C. H. Fallwell has begun the construction of a new house near his present residence just north of the T. F. Lawrence home.

A new residence is being built in the west part of town which will be the home of Mr. King when completed.

**MONEY TALKS**



Next Sunday is Mother's Day. The symbolic carnation, the special visit or endearing message, is but a feeble expression of regard for the greatest of heroines. Giving strength for weakness, solace for sorrow, courage to the disheartened and love to all, their unselfish devotion gives us our first glimpse of heaven.

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**LOCAL NOTES**

Coney Beckner, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. L. F. Beckner and sister Mrs. L. C. Pierce visited friends in Hereford Saturday afternoon.

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Clyde Seimond is now enjoying a visit from his sister and her children of Magnoketa, Iowa.

Mrs. Grace Hart and children, Roy, Wanda and Elda came in from the farm and spent the day with her mother, Mrs. M. E. Simpson, last Sunday.

Special combination package City face powder and new metal compact, both for \$1.00. CITY DRUG STORE.

S. H. Mitchell, a representative of the Parina mills, whose home is in Plainview, was one of the business visitors here during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Gischler who have been spending the past few weeks at a sanitarium at Glen Rose, where Mr. Gischler has been taking treatment for his eyes, are expected home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Gischler and little daughter, Marette and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Musick were guests in the John White home Sunday afternoon.

Sheriff J. H. Martin of Farwell was a Friona visitor Monday afternoon.

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**ELEVEN-MILE NEWS**

John Annon who has been in Fort Worth the past week, returned home Thursday.

Ben Estes was in Hereford Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Valentine and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Boley and children Sunday.

Earl Porter was at the Williams home on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Nell Lynch and baby visited Mrs. Earl Porter Friday.

L. W. Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Williams and sons were in Friona Saturday.

Frost Collett was in Hereford Monday.

Miss Eunice Williams was in Wheatland, N. M., last week visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Drucella Hutchinson spent a few days last week in the L. M. Williams home.

L. Q. Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams were in Wheatland last week visiting relatives.

L. M. Williams and daughter, Estell, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams and Miss Drucella Hutchinson were in Friona, Hereford, Summerfield and Black Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brown and children were in New Mexico Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells moved here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Gray, and a teacher from Westway, and Miss Mattie Priddy, teacher of Walcott visited Sunday school Sunday.

L. M. Williams and family attended the golden wedding anniversary of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hutchinson at Wheatland Wednesday. Children attending were Mr. and Mrs. Mae Hutchinson, Leonard Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hutchinson. Several grandchildren also attended.

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Baptist.

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J. L. BEATTIE, Pastor.

Church of Christ.

Brother Randol, of Farwell, will preach for us Lord's Day, May 12, at 11:00 in school auditorium. Bible study at 10:30. Public cordially invited.

W. H. FOSTER, Elder.

**CHALLENGE TO ADULTS.**

What is the greatest farm crop? There is only one answer—boys and girls. All other crops can fail, but if your children grow up fine, honest, upright men and women, what matters it?

How are you cultivating your greatest crop? "As ye sow, so shall ye reap," says the Good Book. If your children are to be successes, then it is up to you fathers and mothers to help them.

Do your children accept responsibility? Some day they are going to meet Old Man Responsibility face to face when mother and daddy aren't around. Will they be properly prepared?

The years between ten and twenty are important. During this period is determined to a large extent what sort of men and women your boys and girls will become.

To provide guidance in these formative years is the purpose of that great organization known as the 4-H clubs.

Are your children 4-H club members? If they are, then they have opportunity to accept responsibility, to develop initiative, to be industrious, to make many friends, to gain new knowledge, to be of service to others.

Last year there were more than 620,000 farm boys and girls enrolled in 4-H clubs in the United States. The passage of the Capper-Ketchum bill at the last ses-

sion of Congress should make club work available to thousands—yes, hundreds of thousands of thousands more boys and girls.

Watching over this vast army of young folks, there must be a corps of able leaders. More than 52,000 men and women devoted part or all of their time to leadership last year. But there is room and need for more capable leaders. Herein lies the challenge to fathers and mothers, and to all adults interested in rural advancement.

Why not offer your services in rural advancement? Your county agent . . . will welcome you into the ranks and help you make your leadership successful. The requirements for a local leader are not difficult. You need an interest in boys and girls.

Your experience and the college of agriculture will furnish you the practical knowledge to impart to your club members. There is work for both men and women leaders. You will be amply repaid for your work in the joy of accomplishment, in the achievements of your club members. It is a spare time job that yields great dividends in satisfaction.

**SCENES FROM "IRON MASK" LAID IN ABYSSAL CAVES**

All Hollywood talked about the network of underground caves constructed for Douglas Fairbanks' new United Artists picture, "The

Iron Mask," coming to the Star theatre on May 15-16.

One hundred and fifty feet of subterranean passageways were tunneled on the back lot of the United Artists' studio. Fifty truckloads of field stone were used in building the stone walls and ceilings of the caverns. At the entrance to the cave a lake two hun-

dred feet long and 150 feet wide was excavated and filled with water. The entire excavation was flooded with water to produce the dampness of age and disuse.

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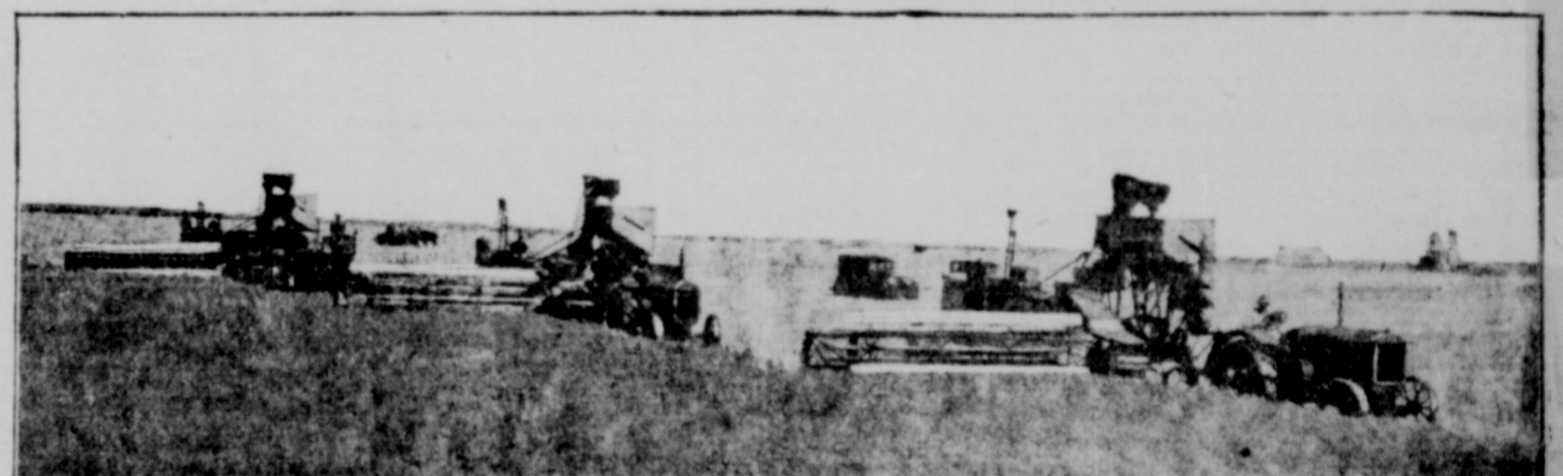
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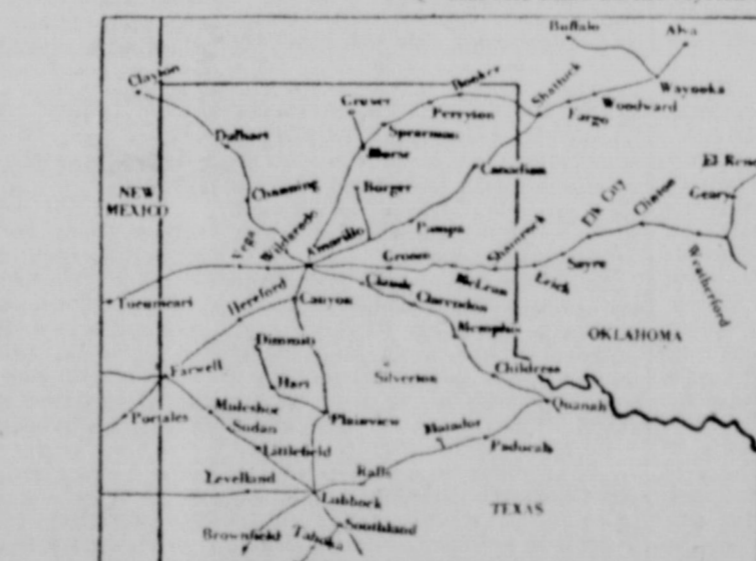
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# New Light on a Famous Tragedy



JOHN WILKES BOOTH



THE CAPTURE OF BOOTH



ABRAHAM LINCOLN



Booth pictures, courtesy Houghton-Mifflin company.

**I**T IS true that the shot fired near Concord bridge in Massachusetts one morning in April of 1775 was "heard round the world," then it is equally true that a shot fired in Ford's theater in Washington, D. C., one evening in April 90 years later seems likely to echo down through history for all the years to come.

For it was the shot which ended the life of one of the greatest Americans. Just at a time when the nation needed most of the wisdom, the patience and the sane moral courage which were his, and the leaden missile which cut the thread of his life at the same time shattered the hopes and happiness of countless thousands of his countrymen. So the tragedy of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln by John Wilkes Booth has a sorrowful fascination about it which makes it unforgettable.

The story of that dark deed and the retribution which so speedily overtook the perpetrator is a familiar one to most Americans but it is one in which fact and fiction became inseparably interwoven in the years which have passed since it took place. That this should be so is not difficult to realize if we can reconstruct the atmosphere of hatred, suspicion and political vindictiveness which prevailed at the close of a great civil conflict. In such an atmosphere it is not to be wondered at that facts should be distorted and that the story of Lincoln's assassination which has been handed down to us should contain as many half-truths and no-truths as truths.

Recently there has appeared a book which sheds much new light on that famous tragedy and from which it is possible to know what actually took place on that historic Good Friday and during the days of wild excitement that followed. It is "John Wilkes Booth—Fact and Fiction of Lincoln's Assassination," published by Houghton Mifflin company, and written by a veteran of the stage, Francis Wilson, who knew many of the members of the cast who played with Miss Laura Keane at Ford's theater that night as well as members of the Booth family, notably Edwin Booth. Wilson, according to one reviewer of his book, "writes not in justification of murder, much less in justification of that monumental crime. His task is the thankless but important one of telling the truth to his fellow-citizens North and South. . . . He has invaded a field poisoned by more than half a century of defamatory propaganda and emerged triumphant."

While there can be no justification for John Wilkes Booth's crime, there can be an explanation of it. There is no doubt that Booth was a morbid-minded fanatic who believed himself actuated by a high and noble purpose in planning his deed. That deed, incidentally, Wilson's book reveals was originally planned as one of abduction rather than assassination. Booth, a strong southern sympathizer, believed that if he could abduct the President and hold him a captive, he could dictate the terms for his release—an abrogation of Grant's order forbidding the exchange of prisoners (an important factor in the war as the South's manpower dwindled), a strengthening of the cry of the northern Democrats that "the war is a failure," an acknowledgment of the independence of the South and an end to the war.

He had been planning the abduction for several months, as shown by a letter written in November, 1864, to John S. Clarke, his brother-in-law, in which he said, "Nor do I deem it a dishonor in attempting to make for her (the South) a prisoner of this man to whom she owes so much misery." But when Lee's surrender marked the beginning of the end and Booth heard Lincoln speak to the crowd that gathered before the White House upon his return from the front, suggesting enfranchisement of negroes who had served as soldiers, a more dangerous idea was born in his mind. "This is the last speech he will ever make," Booth muttered to Lewis Payne, his companion, and a fellow conspirator in the plans for the abduction of Lincoln.

The details of the assassination itself and the pursuit and capture of Booth is so familiar to most Americans as to need no repetition. One of the services of Wilson's book is to correct some of the erroneous ideas about both. The usual story has Booth leaping to the stage from the box in which the President sat, after he had shot Lincoln, brandishing a dagger and shouting "Sic semper tyrannis!" The fact is that Booth shouted those words before he fired and that he did not speak after leaping to the stage. The commonly accepted version of Booth's death is that he was shot down in the burning

barn by a sergeant named Boston Corbett. Wilson states that when the barn was fired Booth determined to rush out of it and try to shoot his way through the cordon of soldiers surrounding it. He had gone but a few steps when he realized the futility of the attempt and, preferring death to capture, he determined to end his own life and shot himself. For policy's sake, Boston Corbett was permitted to have the credit for having shot him. Secretary Stanton had but one purpose in regard to Booth and that was to deprive those who might applaud Booth's deed of the thought that he was a martyr who had cheated the avengers of Lincoln's death by committing suicide.

Various fantastic tales have been told about the disposal of Booth's body but these Wilson sets at rest by telling of his burial in the penitentiary grounds in Washington and the subsequent positive identification of his remains when the body was exhumed in 1869 for reburial in the Booth burial plot in Baltimore. But more important still this book lays for all time the "ghost" of John Wilkes Booth which for the last fifty years has bobbed up at various times and in various places in the forms of different persons who claimed to be Booth. There have been a number of these fake "John Wilkes Booths," but perhaps the most famous one was the central figure in a book written by a certain Finis L. Bates of Memphis, Tenn. Bates became acquainted with a house painter named John St. Helen who confessed to him that he was John Wilkes Booth who had survived the pursuit by the soldiers after Lincoln's assassination. St. Helen was living under the name of David E. George when he died in Oklahoma. Bates discovered that the embalmed body of George was in Enid, Okla. He took charge of it and carried it to his home in Memphis. He then wrote his book to prove that George really was Booth and made repeated attempts to collect the reward of \$100,000 which the federal government had offered for the body of Booth, after the assassination.

As late as 1925 another fake Booth showed up in Minneapolis, where, according to the story, he called upon Blanche de Bar Booth, daughter of Julius Brutus Booth, the younger, a brother of Edwin and John Wilkes Booth. Knocking on her door at the hotel and speaking from the outside, he said: "Blanche, don't you want to see Johnne?" Believing that it was the work of some practical joker, she refused to see him, and after leaving a card bearing the name of John Wilkes Booth, he departed, saying that he would call again. He did not show up again, however, and although some newspapers made much of the incident, nothing further ever came of it. For the truth is, as Wilson's book proves conclusively, John Wilkes Booth died in the burning barn, probably by his own hand, and all who later claimed to be the assassin were rank imposters.

of the board of governors. He told him what had happened and demanded that some sort of action be taken. "My good fellow," said the governor, who was not one of the more dynamic governors, "how fortunate that you were not playing quoits!"

**No Help for It**  
Mrs. A.—You say you were up half the night with the baby. What was the trouble?  
Mrs. B.—My husband was away on a trip.

## Little Journeys in Americana

By LESTER B. COLBY

### Custer Sacrificed to Graft

FOR more than fifty years hundreds of writers have sought to solve the mystery of Custer's massacre. They have pawed over letters and records throughout the West and have piled Indian survivors with questions. Always they have been on a cold trail. New York and Washington were the places to search. Custer was sacrificed to graft!

Gen. George Armstrong Custer, U. S. A., and the 225 men who died with him, were destroyed utterly because Custer had discovered the most colossal conspiracy, probably, in the history of the world. He had discovered a conspiracy which, at that time, was costing the United States government as much as \$20,000,000 a year in loot. Nor was that all of it.

When Custer went into action to break up the ring he signed his own death warrant. Very soon repeating Winchester rifles began to flow to the Indians of the northern plains country by the boat load, up the Missouri river. The Indian department, rotten with the conspiracy, through licensed agencies, was copartner in the selling.

Accompanying the boat loads of rifles went more than 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition. The Indian department, steeped in crookedness at the time, through grafting agents, was giving the sellers protection. Big profits were taken on all of these death-dealing machines by the post traders who were paying tribute to the clique.

Agitators were busy among the Indians for months, stirring them up, getting them excited, preparing them for war. In a little time 5,000 of them were "off the reservations" and on the warpath. They were armed with the best repeating rifles ever manufactured up to that time. They had more ammunition than the 5,000 warriors in the field could lug into battle.

Nor did Custer, who was sent against them with a handful of men, know their strength. Why? Simply because the conspiring Indian agents were reporting them on their reservations. And Custer's men were armed with obsolete single-shot rifles; weapons that had been used in the Civil war, now ten years ended.

Gen. Phil Sheridan, in his official report of the battle, gave a clew to the situation when he wrote: "It now becomes apparent that the hostile forces had been augmented by large numbers of young warriors from agencies along the Missouri river and the Red Cloud and Spotted Tail agencies in Nebraska, and that the Indian agents of these agencies had concealed the facts of the departure of these warriors, and that in most cases the agents continued to issue rations as though the Indians were present at their agencies."

A pretty mess of affairs. Sitting Bull, Gall and those other Sioux chieftains, as much victims of the conspiracy as Custer, because they did not know what it was all about, had plenty of help from men at the agencies.

Custer had been told that not more than 1,000 Indians were on the warpath. Old Indian fighter, he had often whipped Indians when outnumbered by them five to one. So he dashed to the strike. The Indians, knowing he had been informed that a party of about 1,000 was on the warpath, left a trail such as 1,000 Indians might make.

He followed it, riding boldly to his doom. The battle of the Little Big Horn was no battle at all. It was a slaughter. Merely a sham-battle. The Sioux were so thick that only a part of them could crowd near enough to wet their hands in blood.

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### Enthusiast Has Long

#### Been Tormed Fanatic

Once, being carried away by the impetuous rush of his feelings, the eccentric and famous Rowland Hill exclaimed: "Because I am in earnest, men call me an enthusiast, but I am not; mine are the words of truth and soberness. I once saw a gravel pit fall in and bury three human beings alive. I shouted so loudly for help that I was heard at the distance of a mile; help came, and two of the sufferers were rescued. No one called me an enthusiast then; and when I see eternal destruction ready to fall on poor sinners, and about to entomb them irrevocably in an eternal mass of woe, and call aloud on them to escape, shall I be called an enthusiast now?" It is strange how we can be called "enthusiasts" when we are enthusiastic about religion and yet not "enthusiasts" when we happen to be enthusiastic in other matters. Men can be very inconsistent in their arguments.—Exchange.

#### Just Try It!

A sweet young thing at the show the other evening insisted on repeating each joke aloud, to the discomfort of her escort and the mild annoyance of the people seated nearby. The worm was bound to turn, and did, after one of the characters had remarked, "I think the weaker sex is often the stronger sex, because of the weakness of the stronger sex for the weaker sex."

"There," said the sweet young thing's boy friend, grimly, "repeat that one."

## DADDY'S EVENING FAIRY TALE



By Mary Graham Bonner

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### PERCY PET

The turtle's name was Percy, and he was a very valuable turtle.

He was in a beautiful garden—not a real out-of-doors garden, but the kind of sample garden which they have at a flower show.

For Percy had come to the flower show.

He was in a very fine sample garden. It had paths, and rocks behind which water ran.

And it had beautiful beds of flowers and a sun-dial.

"I believe," said Percy, the turtle, to himself, "that I am becoming bored. I am rather weary of these same smooth paths, these flowers, this water, and these rocks."

"Even the sun-dial is annoying to me. I would like to have a change." So as Percy thought about a change he decided he would see what he could do about having one.

"I'll start off at once," he said, and off he wandered. He went along a



"A Great Change."

part of the building where there were not many people.

For the flower show was being held in a big building.

He saw a garden of vegetables and said to himself:

"This will be a great change, and that is what I need—a change of air and scene."

Of course he was right in one way and wrong in another, for the air in the building where the flower show was being held was about the same where the flower gardens were and where the vegetable gardens were.

But he was right in one way, it is true, for he had been living in a flower garden and this was a vegetable garden.

"How-do-you-do, plants," he said politely, though not too politely, for he was such an aristocratic, stylish turtle it wouldn't have done at all to have been too friendly.

"How-do-you-do," the plants answered, nodding their heads.

"I'm Percy, the turtle," he said.

Again the plants nodded their heads. He had said that he was Percy, the turtle, in such a high and mighty way that they were sure he must be important, but they didn't know why he was important.

In fact they had never heard of Percy, the turtle, before in all their vegetable lives.

"Yes," continued Percy, "I'm worth \$1,000, if you don't believe me, ask my mistress."

"I suppose you can't ask her, because you can't go a-calling on her, unless she buys you and eats you."

"But then, maybe she wouldn't get a chance to tell you until she had eaten you, and that would be sad."

"Well, anyway, plants, believe me, for I speak the truth. I am a thousand-dollar turtle and I have come to the flower show to let folks know what a fine, expensive turtle can be like."

The plants didn't like to say that they didn't see he was any different from any other turtle.

"Yes," continued Percy, "I am very valuable, and come from a flower garden."

"I don't mix with vegetable gardens as a rule. I'm giving you a treat in visiting you."

"My mistress feeds me on green flies and delicious ground grubs every day," Percy continued, "but I will take a little taste of some of you plants."

"Say not a word, but be very thankful, for I'm Percy, the fine turtle, I am."

"I am a valuable pet."

And his mistress, who had thought Percy was lost, found her precious, valuable, snobbish flower-garden pet in an ordinary vegetable garden, actually enjoying himself more than he would have wished to say!

#### Couldn't Walk Far

"Now we know that the earth is perfectly round," said the professor, "tell me, Mr. Jenkins, would it be possible for you to walk right round the earth?"

"No, sir!"

"And why not?"

"Because I twisted my ankle at football yesterday."

#### Long Live the Teacher!

A teacher had been telling her class of small pupils a few facts about ancient history. She concluded with: "And children don't forget that all this happened 2,900 years ago."

For a moment all were silent, but finally a small boy spoke. "Gee teacher, you've got a swell memory!"

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### Crank Held Car

Due to a rainstorm and its effects, a woman driver at Plainville, Conn., rammed a tree head on with her car. She was not badly injured, but when she attempted to back out from the tree, the car wouldn't move. She called for a wrecking crew, and they found that the car was held fast by the crank which had been left in the front of her car. It had been driven into the tree as far as the end

of the handle and the wrecking crew had to saw off the handle before they could separate the car from the tree.

#### Mad

A bridge player about town was playing at a very nice club when his partner, for reasons we shall not attempt to go into, threw all his thirteen cards at him. This insulted Mr. Jones, as we shall call him, and he left the room. Flushed and nervous, he paced about, and in so doing came upon one

of the board of governors. He told him what had happened and demanded that some sort of action be taken.

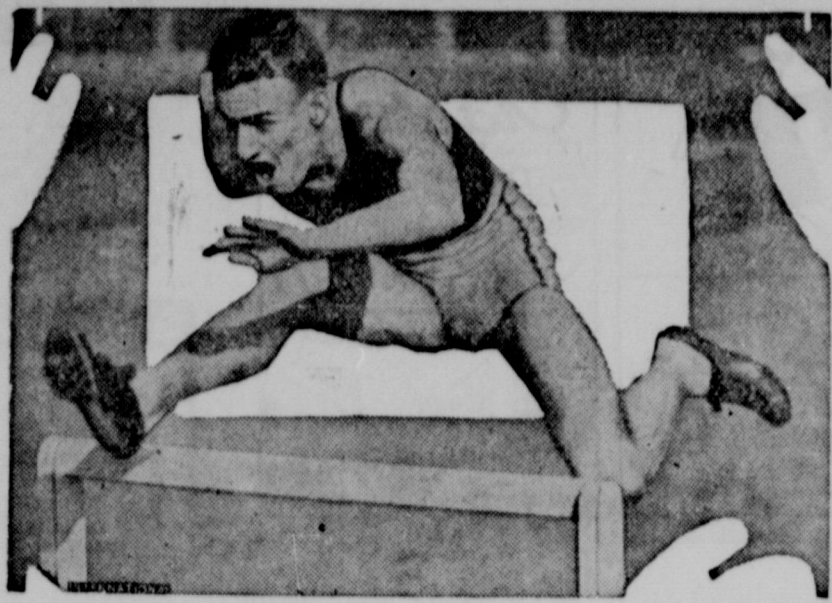
"My good fellow," said the governor, who was not one of the more dynamic governors, "how fortunate that you were not playing quoits!"

#### No Help for It

Mrs. A.—You say you were up half the night with the baby. What was the trouble?

Mrs. B.—My husband was away on a trip.

America's Greatest Hurdler



Steve Anderson, greatest hurdler in America, as the University of Washington star flashes over the barrier at the Husky pavilion. In the indoor meet against Stanford he ran the 80-yard highs in 9.8, announced as the world's record, and the 150 lows in 20.5. In the highs he beat out Nichols of Stanford, his ancient rival.

Manager McGraw Sweet on His Team

Manager John J. McGraw, of the New York Giants, says he is satisfied with his team, runners up of last year and expects to win the pennant this season if he can get the "breaks."

"We have a much improved club," said Manager McGraw, "and I am very well satisfied with our prospects. If we get the 'breaks,' always necessary for success in baseball, I see no reason why we should not win."

"There is plenty of competition. I figure Chicago and Pittsburgh will be particularly hard to beat and other clubs, too, have improved."

"Our pitching staff is stronger. Some of our pitchers who were shy in experience have gained it and the work of the new ones has pleased me."

"The rest of the club has also improved. We had some players last

year vice president as well, is baseball's most rigid disciplinarian. He is a living example of the ancient quip that anyone wishing to find out who is the boss has only to start something to get the information."

He insists that his players go to bed, or at least to their rooms, at an early hour, and they are out at a very respectable time in the morning.

The Giants themselves believe that they will be home in front, and they are enthusiastic at the prospect of giving the manager his first pennant since 1924.



Manager John J. McGraw.

year who were good and they are better now with a year's play behind them.

"Leach will help our club. Reese is very much improved. I expect him to continue to come until he is one of the really great players of the game."

"We have made satisfactory progress and on the whole I am very much encouraged. But, of course, we must have the breaks. A winning club is more apt to make them, and to win the championship we must be in position to take advantage of them."

Manager McGraw, for 27 years, manager of the Giants, and in recent

THE MOTOR QUIZ

- (How Many Can You Answer?)
- Q. Will a fully charged storage battery freeze at temperatures below zero?
- Ans. No. Keep battery charged fully. Have generator rate increased to compensate for the greater use of lights during short days and less driving.
- Q. What generally causes hard steering?
- Ans. Under-inflation of tires, also lack of lubrication, particularly of king pins and the joints in the tie rod connecting the front wheels.
- Q. Why is it necessary to renew the oil filter after 10,000 miles of driving?
- Ans. Because it becomes filled with foreign matter taken from the oil and loses its efficiency after this mileage. Renewing the cartridge makes the oil filter as good as new again.
- Q. What savings are effected in a year's driving with an oil filter equipped car?
- Ans. It is estimated the oil filter effects a savings of between \$20 and \$25 a year in oil besides minimizing engine wear.

Permanent Station

Permanent radio stations for Hudson strait are to replace temporary stations to report weather and ice conditions.

"AC"

Alternating current is one that reverses its direction of flow at regular intervals.

Highways Are Safer and Much Speedier

New Problems in Road Construction for Engineers to Solve.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Newer designs in motor cars, busses, and trucks, together with the more liberal speed laws in the majority of states have presented new problems in highway construction for highway engineers to solve, according to the bureau of public roads of the United States Department of Agriculture. The new vehicles demand that highways be designed for safer and speedier operation.

To meet this demand highway engineers today are planning roads with better grades and alignments than existed some ten years ago. The roads have wider and smoother pavements and easier curves. The curves are super-elevated and widened. Roads are developed to afford greater sight distances on both horizontal and vertical curves. Guard rails are more substantial and better protection at railway crossings is provided.

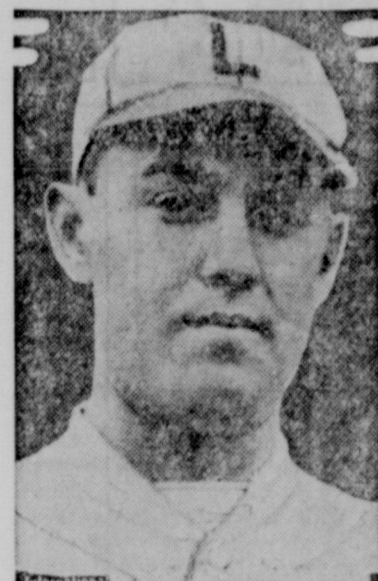
Appreciate Natural Beauty. Further demands are made upon the highway engineer today by the dawn of appreciation of natural beauty on the part of the general public. Highways must not only be travelable, but they must also be pleasing to the eye. The engineer develops road locations so as to bring out the natural beauty of the locality. This is particularly noticeable in the new road locations developed by the engineers of the bureau of public roads in the national parks and national forests.

They are making use of short tunnels and half-tunnel sections under picturesque overhanging cliffs and along precipitous canyon walls. Formerly it was the custom to blast away these irreplaceable landmarks, destroying fine scenes and leaving ugly wounds which took years to heal.

Save Desirable Trees. Much can be done during the construction of highways to preserve and enhance their natural beauty, says the bureau, by intelligent clearing of the right of way so as to save desirable trees, by development of vistas of outstanding magnificence, and in building bridges and culverts to harmonize with the general character of the land-

scape. After the road is built much can be done by intelligent planting, with due care to avoid obstruction to view of intersecting roads, unnecessary interference with the cultivation of adjacent farm land, and use of plantings foreign to the natural character of the locality.

Best College Player



Paul Shellenberger, who is acknowledged the best shortstop in eastern intercollegiate circles this year, and who has received a number of big league offers. Paul, whose home is at Norristown, Pa., will most likely accept a post with the Philadelphia Athletics.

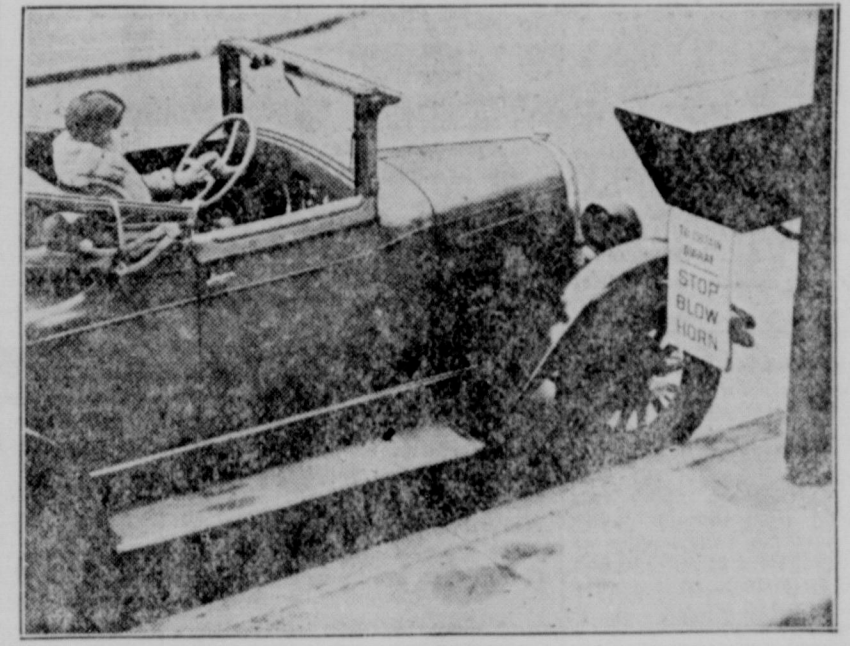
Buck Declares Cubs Greatest Ball Club

Manager Bucky Harris calls the 1929 edition of the Cubs the "greatest ball club I have ever seen placed on a field."

Harris said his compliment was not caused entirely by the games the Cubs won over his Detroit Tigers, but because of its balanced pitching staff and heavy hitters.

"That includes the New York Yankees, too," Harris explained.

SOUND OF HORN OPERATES TRAFFIC LIGHTS



Mrs. L. T. Holton tests a new automatic traffic control installation which is being tested in Philadelphia's suburbs. It is designed to allow a motorist to cut into a busy traffic artery from a side street. By sounding her horn Mrs. Holton is changing the lights through a device which gathers the sounds and uses them to motivate an electrical sequence.

France Is Leader in Game of Tennis

France leads in tennis. She has the world's best amateurs in Lacoste and Cochet. Bill Tilden and Bill Johnston were the rulers of tennis only a few years ago.

The United States can claim the best three golfers in Bobby Jones, Johnny Farrell and Walter Hagen.

It has the most consistent performer in golf in Jones.

It has the best woman tennis player in Helen Wills.

It holds every boxing championship with the possible exception of the flyweight title, where Emile (Spider) Pladner of France appears to have the best claim.

There is little to moan about. The United States average stands up quite well enough.

Revive Class "D"

Billy Doyle, scout for the Detroit Tigers, and Ed Goostree of Clarksville, said that plans were going forward to organize a Class D baseball league in southern Kentucky and northern Tennessee, the clubs to be owned and controlled by major leaguers. Towns being considered are Clarksville, Jackson, and Paris, Tenn.; Hopkinsville, Paducah, Henderson, Owensboro, Mayfield and Bowling Green, Ky., and Cairo, Ill., according to Doyle and Goostree.

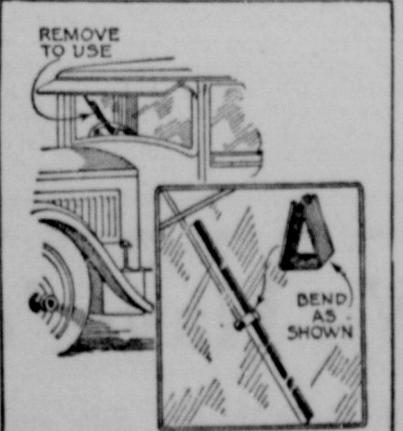
Interesting Little Sport Squibs

- They call Melvin Ott, of the Giants, a veteran and he is only twenty years.
- Reggie McNamara, veteran of the bicycle racing sport, has participated in 61 six-day grinds.
- The Memphis club is nicknamed "Chickasaws," after the Indians, but is generally called "Chicks."
- Baseballs have been so few and far between recently that Manager Shotton, of the Phillies, is worried.
- John E. Blood of Philadelphia has been elected captain of the 1930 swim team. Blood also plays football.
- A party of twenty-five baseball fans of Japan will visit the United States next fall to attend the world series.
- Ray Conger, who beat Lloyd Hahn a year ago, and Nurmil only recently, is now only twenty-two years old.
- The Memphis club of the Southern association has purchased Al Niehaus, first baseman, outright from Mobile.
- Dutch Herman, coach of the Penn State basket ball team, is an assistant professor of history on the faculty there.
- Everett Donaghy, captain and infielder at Harvard, has turned down offers in professional baseball to study medicine.
- Howard Wenner of Catasaugus, Pa.,

Windshield Wiper Goes Bad Before Worn Out

The average windshield wiper goes bad long before it is worn out. Constant contact with the surface of the glass puts a kink in the rubber edge so that it will not bend back and forth to clean the glass as it should. The picture below shows how to avoid this deterioration.

Take a small piece of sheet metal and bend it into a triangular shape.



Small Metal Guard Stops Warping of Rubber Windshield Wiper.

Then cut or file small notches in the upper edge. When the windshield wiper is not in use, the sheet metal piece is slipped over the wiper so that the hinge pin will rest in the notches and the rubber will be held away from contact with the glass. This will prevent the rubber from taking a permanent set.—Popular Science Monthly.

Adrift With Humor

WORSE THAN EVER

A sorry looking individual was up before the magistrate.

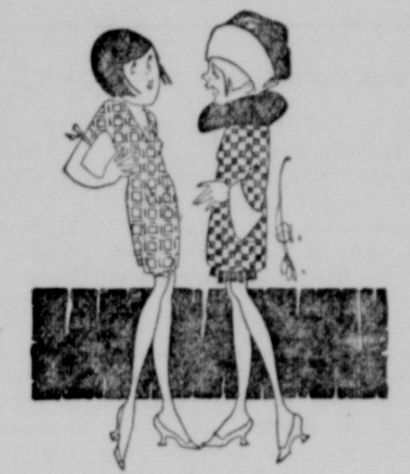
"What is this man charged with?" asked the pompous official.

"He's a camera fiend of the worst type, sir," replied the constable who had arrested the prisoner.

"But," protested the magistrate, "you can't arrest a man because he has a mania for taking pictures."

"It isn't that, sir," the constable explained hastily, "he takes the cameras."

HOW SHE KNOWS



"Is your husband as loving and affectionate as ever?"

"I guess so. All the other girls say he is."

Found His Little Boss

A little love, a little hate,  
And that was life;  
A little hanging on the gate  
And then a wife.

Meanings

"I did not quite gather the meaning of some of your recent remarks."

"They were intended," replied Senator Sorghum, "to show a disposition to be sociable and not controversial. Anything with a direct meaning in it is liable to be regarded as irritating and nonconstructive." — Washington Star.

The Reason for It

Maude—She claims she is the most modest girl in the world.

Auna—I can't understand her contention on that part. She uses lots of paint on her face.

Maude—Well, she claims that is to hide her blushes.

Farm Note

Timmons—And you turned down the job Senator Green offered you as his private secretary?

Simmons—Yes, you see I would have had to sign all his letters, Green per Simmons.—Capper's Weekly.

PERFECTLY WORTHLESS



"He's perfectly worthless, but a ways talking as if he's going to set the world on fire."

"Well, if he ever does, somebody will have to give him the matches."

Best Meal

"Dinner may be pleasant,  
So may social tea,  
But yet, methinks, the breakfast  
Is best of all the three."

A Warning

Mrs. Muggins—It's raining and Mrs. Gordon wants to go home, and I have no umbrella to lend her except my new one. Can't I let her have yours?

Mr. Muggins—Hardly. The only umbrella I've got has her husband's name on the handle.

Overtime at Boss' Club

Employer—What is this item of four hours overtime work against your name?

Chief Clerk—Oh, that is the evening you took me up to your club, sir.

On the Job

Mrs. Knagg—I told you to watch little Jane Marie while I was out and you've let her cut her new dress all to rags.

Her Husband—I know. I was watching her while she did it. Did you wish me to interfere?

Not So Bad

"You say your son has gone to the bad, but you don't look as if it worried you."

"It doesn't. He has been appointed chaplain at the state penitentiary."



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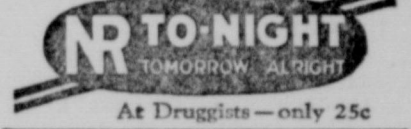
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What Will you do



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