

The Baird Star

Our Motto—"Tis Neither Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State. But the Get-Up-and-Get That Makes Men Great."

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INTERSCHOLASTIC MEET OPENS TODAY IN CROSS PLAINS

The Callahan County Interscholastic League will meet in Cross Plains today and Saturday. Olaf South, Supt. of Clyde High School is director general of the meet. Baird will be at the County Interscholastic meet at Cross Plains "with bells on", so to speak. Some student will represent Baird in practically every event.

The Senior track events and Baird representatives are:

100 yard dash—Grover Wiley, Tom Stanly, Dub Ashton, 220 yard dash—Doyle Chrisman, Clyde Yarbrough.

880 yard run—Jesse Miller, 120 yard high hurdles—Bob Austin, Clyde Yarbrough, 220 yard low hurdles—Jesse Miller, Bob Austin, Richard Windham.

Mile run—John Schaffrina, Mart Gorman.

440 yard run—Doyle Chrisman, Broadjump—Clyde Yarbrough, Dub Ashton, Bob Austin.

Pole Vault—Dub Ashton, Bob Austin.

High Jump—Richard Windham, Doyle Chrisman, Clyde Yarbrough.

Mile Relay—Clyde Yarbrough, Jessie Miller, Tom Stanley, Doyle Chrisman.

Shot Put—J. D. Gorman, Grover Wiley, Richard Windham.

Javelin—Bob Austin, Dub Ashton, J. D. Gorman.

Discus—Bob Austin, Dub Ashton, J. D. Gorman.

The Junior track events and Baird representatives are:

50 yard dash—J. B. Pitzer, Chas Coats, Lowell Evans.

100 yard dash—J. B. Pitzer, Chas. Coats, Lowell Evans.

Broad Jumping—Bob Owens, Chas. Coats, Lowell Evans.

High Jumping—Sterling Reynolds, Aubrey Ground, Bob Owens.

Relay—Lowell Evans, Bob Owens, Chas. Coats, J. B. Pitzer.

Pull-ups—Bob Owens, Lowell Evans, Chas. Coats.

Literary events and Baird entries:

Ready Writing—Atrelle Estes, Declamation, Sr. Boys—Clyde Yarbrough.

Declamation, Jr. Boys—J. B. Pitzer.

Declamation, Sr. Girls—Madge Bennett.

Declamation, Jr. Girls—Ruth Ford.

Extempore speaking, boys—Irby Smith.

Extempore speaking, girls—Mona Bess Bradford.

Typing—Beryl Owens, rate: 46

Blanche Varner, rate: 38

Spelling, High School—Russell Chatham, Bernice Robinson.

The debate finals have already been held. The Baird Girls Debating Team, Beryl Owens and Wyoma King, defeating Clyde in the first round, but were defeated by Putnam in the finals. Awards will be made.

The boys debating team, Russell Chatham and Lynton Hughes, won first place in the county, and will debate at the district meet at Breckenridge April 17. They defeated Clyde and Cross Plains in the preliminaries.

Tennis entries are: Singles: Wyoman King, girls division.

Doubles: Vivian Nunnally, Marion Dyer, Jr. Girls, Singles: Lawrence Wheeler, Sr. Boys, Doubles: Jim Tom Lawrence and Thomas West

The Playground ball team, junior girls, will play their final game at Cross Plains.

Grammar School events and entries:

Declamation—Buck Cargal, boys

Declamation—Kitty Ruth Brown girls.

Essay—Pauline Coates, alt. Willie M. Miller.

Spelling grades 4th and 5th—Irma Lois Young, Raynell Miller.

Music Memory—Buck Cargal, Eugene Swinson, Betty McCoy.

Picture Memory—Janice Ivey,

H. D. Club Council Meeting

The County Home Demonstration Club held its monthly Council meeting in the court house, March 20. It was designated as an educational meeting, and a short drill in parliamentary procedure was held. There were garden and wardrobe demonstrations and plans were made for sending delegates to the A. & M. Short Course. Mrs. T. J. Dockery, of Clyde, presided over the meeting. Mrs. Evan J. Barton acted as secretary pro tem.

Clubs represented were: Admiral, Clyde Progressive, Cross Plains Denton, Eula, Lone Oak, Midway, Zion Hill, and Enterprise.

The next meeting will be held the afternoon of April 17. The Clubs of the county will contribute funds to be used by State Home Demonstration Association in financing 4-H Club members in College.

Garner-McCandless Wedding

Mrs. Jannie B. Garner, of Colorado, and Mrs. J. T. McCandless of Cisco, were married at the home of Rev. Joe R. Mayes, pastor of the Baptist church Sunday evening, March 20th, with Rev. Mayes performing the ceremony.

The couple were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Aycock of Cisco and Mr. and Mrs. D. S. McGee and little daughter, Ola Bess of Baird.

Mrs. McCandless has held the position of District Deputy of the Supreme Forrester, Woodmen Circle in this section for several years and has been active in the work of that order for some years. Mr. McCandless is a prominent ranch man of Cisco, where they will make their home.

Auto Crashes Into Bridge

Mrs. W. D. Hardy, living north of Baird, had a narrow escape Wednesday afternoon when her car crashed into the bridge railing near the W. T. U. Co. substation and nosed down into the creek bed some six or eight feet deep.

Mrs. Hardy escaped with slight bruises, but the car was badly damaged.

Faircloth Home Destroyed by Fire

The home of V. O. Faircloth of the Midway community, was destroyed by fire last Friday afternoon the house and all contents being a total loss.

The good people of the Midway community, Clyde and Baird have contributed many gifts to the family, but they yet need furniture, dishes, clothing and bedding. Any who have any articles to give the family should leave them with Rev. Joe R. Mayes, of Baird and they will be called for.

Mr. Faircloth and family wish through the columns of The Star to express their sincere appreciations to all for the kindness shown them.

Carl Yarbrough, Dorothy Estes, Dorothy Farmer, Laura May Windham, Frances Austin, Mildred Coates, Billy June Farmer, Bessie L. Benson.

Arithmetic—Kitty Ruth Brown James Walls.

Story Telling—Sally Gay Corn

Tennis—Ruth Dyer, Pauline Coats, Ellen G. Tankersley, Berry Griggs, Roy Mayes, Bill Yarbrough.

Volley ball—Kitty Ruth Brown, LaVerne Bryant, Ruth Dyer, Pauline Coats, Ellen G. Tankersley.

Boys track team—A. Burleson, B. L. Yarbrough, Roy White, Roy Mayes, Harold Cummings, John E. Wheeler Eugene Swinson.

Stroke Fatal To J. M. Cummings

J. M. Cummings, 86, a resident of Baird for the past 22 years, died at 9:15 Monday morning at the home of his daughters, Mrs. Fred Estes, death resulting from a stroke of paralysis suffered a week before.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at 4 p.m. Tuesday, under the direction of the pastor, Rev. J. A. Scoggins, assisted by Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of the Presbyterian church and Rev. Joe R. Mayes, pastor of the Baptist church.

Pallbearers were: Larmer Henry Robert Estes, Frank Estes, W. B. Barrett, Ed Alexander and R. L. Edwards; Granddaughters served as flower bearers.

Burial was made in Ross cemetery by the side of his wife, who died Dec. 6, 1924 and his daughter Mrs. Cora Estes, who died some years ago. Funeral arrangements were directed by Wylie Funeral Home.

Mr. Cummings was born in Webster county, Miss., March 10, 1851. He was married to Sallie Crowell in April 1873 at Walthell, Mississippi. The couple moved to Jones county in 1896, went from there to Red River county and later came to Baird. He served for nearly 20 years as caretaker of the Ross cemetery, retiring a year ago due to advancing age.

Surviving children are Mrs. Annie Smith, Groveton, Mrs. Fannie Carr, Old Glory, Mrs. Mattie Day, Abilene, Mrs. Senna Thomas O'Brien, Mrs. Fred Estes, Jim Cummings of Fort Worth and Roy and Durwood Cummings of Baird. Thirty grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren also survive.

All of his children and most of the grandchildren attended the funeral.

Baird Lighting Program

Study lamps, scientifically designed to provide proper light, has been placed in 40 Baird homes yesterday by the West Texas Utilities Co., whose educational campaign to promote light conservation was given considerable impetus by the Parent Teachers Association.

L. F. Foster, local manager, said the study lamps were placed in homes as an experiment to demonstrate the value of indirect lighting as a means of preventing eye strain. Home lighting for the company had given 113 complete demonstrations in Baird Homes, illustrating "better light better sight" and its many advantages.

The home lighting contest is still open to entrants, Foster announced. Prizes totaling \$50 will be awarded the three homes with the best seeing conditions when the contest closes April 22.

"The most modest home in town has an equal chance with more pretentious homes," Foster declared. "A better chance, in fact, because the small home owner hasn't so many rooms to equip with proper lighting. This campaign primarily is to bring good lighting conditions to the average person, who may heretofore have considered it too expensive. We are especially anxious to assist these homes in their light conservation problems."

The P. T. A. will profit indirectly from the contest as members help "carry the message of good light," Foster said. The organization also will select judges to name the winners in the contest.

Mrs. W. A. Fetterly is president. Superintendent of Schools Boren was quoted as saying "I hope every home will adequately light children's study quarters, better grades and fewer failures would result."

The advisors expect to visit every Baird home to give the free demonstrations.

LITTLE BABY DIED SUNDAY

Little Wanda Mae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aubry Connell of Baird died at an early hour Sunday morning shortly after birth.

Burial was made at Clyde Sun- survived.

Miss Carlyene Hearn Bride of J. A. Campbell of Longview

Miss Carlyene Hearn became the bride of Mr. James A. Campbell, in a simple ring ceremony read by Dr. Griswold in his home at Clyde Saturday morning.

The bride wore navy blue spring taffeta with matching accessories. Her attendant, Miss Tennie Blascoe, of Abilene, was dressed in navy blue with yellow accessories.

Mr. Weldon Bryant, of Abilene, was best man. Others present were: the bride's mother, Mrs. C. L. McCleary, her sister, Pinkie Hearn, and Mr. Billy Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, after spending Sunday with the bride's parents, left for Longview, where they will make their home. Mr. Campbell will be in business there with his father, T. D. Campbell, prominent Longview lawyer.

Both bride and groom were students of McMurry College at the time of their marriage. Miss Campbell was a well known and very popular member of Baird's younger set. She graduated from Baird High School in '36, was a member of the locally prominent B. E. T. Club, and winner of a number of beauty contests, including a place in the "Goddess of West Texas" title last summer.

The couple will return to Baird soon for a visit with the bride's parents. A series of parties are being planned in her honor.

London School Disaster Pictures, Story Published In This Week's Issue

Expedited service permits The Star to give its readers in today's issue a complete picture of the New London, Texas, school explosion late last week which snuffed out the lives of several hundred children and teachers.

Special news pictures, together with a comprehensive article combine to give an accurate description of the most disastrous tragedy in years.

A special corps of photographers and correspondents was moved to the scene immediately. The story and pictures in today's issue are the results of their work, giving a vivid description of the catastrophe.

Don Nelson, Clyde high school coach last year, was one who escaped with his life in the disaster. He had gone to the building 30 minutes before the explosion to take his mother's place for a short time in the elementary department, while his mother went to another part of the building.

Mrs. Nelson was killed. Don and a brother and sister who were in the building, escaped without injury. Two smaller children had gone home. There were 25 children fifth graders under Mr. Nelson's care and none were seriously injured. He guided them out into the open quickly and saved them.

Mrs. Odelle Gary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Chrane, of Dudley, a teacher in charge of ninety-five students escaped as did her pupils. Mrs. Gary said that when the walls and ceiling began falling, she called to them to get under their desks.

Auto License Moving Slowly

Olaf Hollingshead, county tax assessor-collector, reported—up to noon yesterday that approximately 800 license plates for passenger commercial and farm motor vehicles had been issued from his office at the courthouse.

This leaves around 1600 more license plates to be issued between today and April 1st, which is the last day plates may be purchased without penalty.

Mr. Hollingshead urges all to get plates as early as possible so as to avoid a rush at the last when you may be required to stand in line for sometime. He also requests that you bring your 1936 receipt, which will expedite matters in buying your new plates.

O. E. S. School of Instruction

The O. E. S. School of Instruction held in Baird Tuesday, was attended by 103 members of the order. The session was held in the Baptist church.

Grand officers attending were: Mrs. Florence Reed, of Coahoma, Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas; Mrs. Josephine Ramie Fort Worth, Grand Examiner; Mrs. Florence Thomas, of Mart, District Deputy Grand Matron; Mrs. Maybelle Rigby of Ranger, District Deputy; Mrs. Gertrude Joiner, De Leon, Grand Esther; Miss Minnie Higginbotham, Abilene, Deputy Grand Matron; Mrs. Oleta Potter Santo District Grand Matron; Col. E. J. Litter, Abilene Grand Committeeman; Miss Thelma Gordon, Albany Grand Committeeman.

Twenty-one chapters were represented at the meeting, which is said to have been one of the best ever held in the district and the Grand officers complimented the officers and members of Callahan Chapter upon their efficient work. Fifteen members of the chapter were awarded certificates for efficiency in the work.

Lunch was served in the basement of the church by the Baptist Missionary Society and a banquet served at 6 o'clock.

The night session was devoted to the exemplification of the degree work by the local chapter, presided over by Mrs. L. B. Lewis Worthy Matron.

Mrs. Bruce Bell Honored With Shower

About seventy guests attended the miscellaneous shower given by the B. E. T. Club and Mrs. Jack Flores, Jr., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Flores, Sr., and gave the honoree, Mrs. Bruce Bell, their blessings, best wishes, and a vast number of beautiful gifts.

Mrs. Bell is the former Miss Bobbye Griggs, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Griggs.

As guests arrived, Mrs. Sidney Foy softly played "Shine On, Harvest Moon", and other appropriate selections, while Misses Maxine Williams, Frances Mayfield, Edith Lewis and Beryle Owens greeted the guests. Miss Edith Lewis presided at the bride's book.

Misses Ellen Louise Nunnally and Lois Bell, accompanied by Mrs. Sidney Foy, sang, "Trust In Me".

Miss Beryl Owens accompanied Maxine Williams as she read a charming musical reading dedicated to the bride.

A trio composed of Misses Edith Lewis, Frances Mayfield and Beryl Owens sang, "Those Wedding Bells are Breaking Up That Old Gang of Mine."

Little Billie Claude Flores furnished some highly amusing diversion of his own devising.

Gifts were presented to the bride, who was seated on an improvised "throne" decorated with blue and white streamers, on a wagon piled high with gifts and topped with a loaf of bread on which was perched a miniature bride and groom. Little Billie Claude Flores, who pulled the wagon, solemnly handed the loaf of bread to the bride.

Delicious refreshments of punch and wafers were served.

Nature and romance is fast breaking up the B. E. T. Club, which flourished through three years of high school. The Club was formed in December, 1933, with 12 charter members. Of the original membership, four are married, four are away at college and four are at home in Baird. The Club still meets occasionally when enough of its members are in town.

JR. B. Y. P. U.

The Junior B. Y. P. U. met in regular session Sunday evening, March 21, 1937.

We had a good attendance and a good program. Be sure and come next Sunday at 7 o'clock. Reporter

BAIRD TRACK TEAM MAKE GOOD SHOWING AT FORT WORTH

Callahan Co. Name AAA Committeemen

At county wide election held on March 12th and finished March 20th nine committeemen and six alternates were elected. In community No. 1 Steve N. Foster of Atwell was chosen chairman and E. H. Williams of Putnam and Ed Davis of Admiral the other two members. Geo. A. Brown of Putnam and N. M. George of Baird were named alternates. In community No. 2 Julian L. Farmer was chosen chairman with T. N. Minix of Denton and Aaron McKee of Clyde the other members. Otto Betcher of Dudley and Rufus Miller of Eula were selected alternates. In community No. 3 Chas. D. Straley, of Oplin, was elected chairman with Fred Stacey of Dressy and Robert F. Joy of Cottonwood the other two members. Sam Windham of Oplin and Ed Henderson of Dressy were selected as alternates.

These men met with Ross B. Jenkins county agent Saturday March 20th, and elected Steve N. Foster as chairman of the county committee, Julian L. Farmer as vice chairman and Chas. Straley the ranch member of the committee. Fred Stacy was selected as alternate. The county committee then appointed, subject to approval of the State Board, W. L. Henry, rancher and stockman of Baird, as range inspector for the ranch program. Everett H. Williams of Putnam was chosen assistant and alternate.

It will be the duty of the ranch inspector to visit each ranch that is making application for entry into the A. A. A. program for 1937 and determine the grazing capacity of his land and also to establish such areas as will be used in the eradication of prickly pear, mesquite, cedar and to check the dirt that is moved in the construction of earthen tanks.

In order that there will be uniformity of decisions covering the range area in Texas there will be schools for these inspectors along with the range member from the county committee and the county agents held at various places over Texas. Messrs. Henry and Straley will accompany Mr. Jenkins to Big Spring March 29 through 31 to study with the members from the Forestry Service, the experiment stations and the Extension Service to effectuate the purpose of the range program.

Mr. Henry stated that he believed that all ranchers would enter the program because there is needed improvements on every ranch in the county that can be aided by the 1937 range program. Some 150,000 acres of ranch land has now been listed for entry into the Program and others are sending in their applications daily.

The community committees above named will take temporary applications of all farmers who wish to enter the Agricultural Conservation Program but ask that farmers please call at their homes either at noon time or night as each of them has farm work that is needed to be done. However, anyone may sign his application in the county agents office any day and if convenient it is hoped that most all of the signing will be done in the office because all the available records covering the past several years are now on file and can be checked with the farmer so as to help him in making his 1937 work plan on the farm.

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Fourteen 4-H Club Boys Attend Stock Show

Fourteen 4-H boys from Callahan County which had representatives from the Oplin, Denton, Eula and Putnam Clubs attended the 4-H Day at Fort Worth, March 15th.

The County Agent deeply appreciated the cooperation extended by the Oplin School Board in granting the use of one of their school buses and a driver to carry the boys. If the day had not been so very very cold the bus would have been filled to capacity for the trip. However, the boys reported a good time, since it was the first time for most of them to ever have visited Fort Worth and the Stock Show.

Bobby Williams sold his prize winning calf at 13 1-2 cents. The calf weighed 875 pounds. In addition to the sale price Bobby received a prize of \$9.

Gene Finley also sold his calves in the club sale and received 11 1-2 cents on his senior calf and 10 1-2 cents on his junior entry.

The Baird Track Team is rather proud of itself, and the town is proud of it, for the showing made at the Fort Worth Exposition Track Meet held March 19th and 20th. The cream of Texas high school athletes were there, and to make any kind of showing you must be good—really good.

Six Baird men entered, and all six qualified for the finals. The entries were:

Pole Vault—Bob Austin, Dub Ashton.

Relay—Doyle Chrisman, Tom Stanley, Clyde Yarbrough, Jessie Miller.

Bob Austin tied for first (yes you read it right—first) place in the Pole Vault, and Dub Ashton got fifth place.

The relay team finished fifth in the finals. The old relay record which was 3 min. 34.7 seconds was trimmed to 3 min. 32 sec by the Brady team.

Approximately 75 high schools entered this track meet.

Alvin Christian, who is a student in N. T. S. T. C. at Denton, was a member of the relay team which made the fastest baton event the meet has ever seen. Alvin also broke the record in the 440 yard run; Time 50.4; old record 50.5.

Coach Benny Rundell, Mrs. O. C. Yarbrough, Billie Barrett and perhaps others accompanied the team to Fort Worth.

R. E. Jolly, 92 Dead At Clyde

R. E. Jolly, 92, pioneer Texan and Confederate veteran, died early Monday morning at the home of a son, Marion Jolly, in Clyde. He suffered a paralytic stroke late Sunday night and died three hours later.

Funeral rites were held at the Clyde Baptist church Monday afternoon at 3 with Rev. Dick Bright in charge of the service, assisted by Rev. J. S. Treat.

Burial was made in the Eula cemetery with Patterson Funeral home of Clyde handling the arrangements.

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World's Largest Rural School Destroyed



The building in which nearly 500 school children lost their lives in the explosion that wrecked the central portion of the \$1,000,000 plant.

NEW LONDON.—Death and destruction fell with terrific blast on this rural community when on Thursday afternoon a few minutes before time to dismiss the school, an explosive blew out the walls of the New London Rural school and the roof of the building falling on the entrapped pupils crushing and mangling to death nearly 500 pupils, including several teachers. The school, located in the East Texas oil field, is the largest and richest rural school in the world, with an enrollment of more than 1,000 pupils, drawn from a radius of 29 miles. Indescribable grief and horror filled the hearts of the vast crowds drawn to the scene by the explosion that was heard for miles around. Frantic parents were unable to identify their loved ones in the mass of crushed and mangled forms in the ruins. Plans for relief were rapidly formed and aid came from all sections of the state to work day and night to clear up the debris and account for all the children if possible.

Col. Clarence E. Parker, absolute ruler of the disaster scene under the authority of Gov. James V. Allred's proclamation of martial law, ordered a military board of inquiry to meet at noon.

It was generally agreed by all authorities, including C. E. Snow, superintendent of the school, whose own 17-year-old son was one of the victims, and National Guard officers, that an accumulation of natural gas in the building's subbasement caused the explosion that bore the building down on the heads of 1,100 students and teachers.

At the same time the military board meets members of the New London School Board, officials of the oil companies operating in the East Texas field and military authorities will inspect the ruins. Reports that there had been a dynamite explosion arose from the finding of fifteen sticks of unexploded dynamite in a school building not touched by the blast. The dynamite was intended to remove rocks in preparing the school's athletic field.

Call for Grave Diggers.
Albert Evans, regional director of the Red Cross, arrived and set up relief headquarters at Henderson, five miles from the disaster scene. A large supply of antitetanus serum arrived from Dallas and will be administered to the injured.

The rain set in at dawn, which revealed an appalling scene. Bodies recently taken from the wreckage cluttered the field morgue, awaiting distribution among a dozen nearby towns.

The blaring of loudspeakers, rumble of trucks, screaming of ambulance sirens and tramp of National Guardsmen was pierced occasionally by a scream, as some parent identified a child.

Several thousand spectators crowded at the guard lines, eager but helpless to aid.

Many Are Maimed.
Of the 1,100 students enrolled in the school, less than half escaped death or injury, and the dead far outnumbered the injured. More bodies were believed buried under the great heaps of steel, wood and concrete and several hundred workers turged at the debris, piling it onto trucks for hauling away.

250 Thought Injured.
Red Cross authorities, emergency nurses and doctors, who came from hundreds of miles around, believed that the final account would show the number of injured to be approximately 250.

The blast was accompanied by a sheet of reddish light seen for miles and caused reports that the wreckage was on fire.

There was no fire.
For an instant utter silence hung over the country side whose every atmosphere carries the stench of the oil coming from the earth. Then there were frightening shrieks and screams, blood curdling cries, all in childish treble. Teachers came rushing out of the opened wall of the auditorium to find headless bodies, armless bodies, bodies so dismembered and mangled that they were not recognizable as bodies. They found children drenched in their own blood running in circles, to collapse grotesquely.

Soon the news of the worst of recent disasters was filtering over the telegraph and telephone lines from Overton, six miles from New London. In Austin, the capital of Texas, Gov. James V. Allred heard the first news and when it was apparent that there had been no exaggeration he placed the town of New London and its immediate vicinity under martial law.

The National Red Cross was mobilizing its facilities. The automobiles of physicians and nurses from

hundreds of miles away, as far as Dallas and Fort Worth and Shreveport, were racing along the highways—a procession that continued throughout the night. While this was happening the oil field workers were running through the forests of derricks.

The producing companies, including the Humble Oil Company, a Standard Oil subsidiary, and the largest of the field, were sending every truck and crane and workman they could find to the scene.

Ambulances and hearses and private cars raced along the paved highway in packs.
The cranes were pushed into position, the scoop shovels began digging their blunt noses into the debris.

Occasionally there was a faint cry and the shovels halted and hundreds of frenzied hands tore away at the bricks, each pair of hands belonging to a man whose child or children had been in the school until a still living child, though in almost every case, a dying child, was lifted out and sent in a waiting ambulance to a hospital.

But more often the men and the cranes and the shovels turned up no living children or dying but dead children.

Find Own Children.
It was the cry of a man who had discovered himself, or had pointed out to him by a sympathetic fellow, the body of his own child. These cases were not scattered—there were many.

Night came and from the tool sheds of the companies came great lamps that soot bathed the ruins and the sweating workers in a weird hot white light.

A public address system was erected, its loud-speakers hanging from trees, from the ruins of the auditorium, from poles planted in the earth.

They blared through the night. They summoned J. R. Reach of the Emergency Hospital. It was sad news, for the bodies of his two children had been identified.

Blown From Steps.
Cruel rumor tortured the rescue workers even more than their task tortured them. One said that a dynamite bomb had been exploded under the school and anger, for a few minutes, raged uncontrolled.

Then it was found that fifteen sticks of unexploded dynamite had been found in the gymnasium.

It had been part of a supply used for blasting out rock in clearing the athletic field and contributed not in the least to the disaster.

Others that circulated during the horror-filled night were that living children and living teachers remained beneath the debris; that their pitiful cries filtered up through the heaped brick and mortar. These caused fathers whose children still were missing to hope against hope, only to be led later to a mangled body.

Before midnight a few children were taken in a dying condition from the debris. They had been near the top. After midnight, the children removed were dead.

Col. Clarence E. Parker of the National Guard, a kindly greying man, was obviously under a frightful strain. The complex though efficient organization passed through his hands. His voice shook a little and his eyes were a little dim.

Among other of his own form of a 7-year-old child uncovered brick by brick. The child was breathing when the last brick was removed.

A grease-covered pump man, his shoulder muscles trembling so intensely was he concentrating on making his red, ironlike hands gentle, lifted her up and her head turned just a little, her lips parted and saliva drooled over the and glistened under the blinding overhead light.

The child was dead.
Almost all of its 60 class rooms were occupied, children at their desks, teachers and the blackboards.

At exactly 3:05 p. m. there was an explosion that was heard for miles around and instantly stifled every pump in the East Texas field. The walls of both wings of the "U" shaped building fell outward, dumping the three floors and their human burden on top of the other into the basement.

Yellow brick spewed out in cascades and were scattered for a quarter mile around. One end of the "U" shaped building was driven into one wall of the auditorium and its front wall fell inward, showering some 100 mothers and teachers in a Parent-Teachers' meeting with crumbled brick and mortar.

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But, above all, was the wreck of the building which had been approximately 350 feet long, the length of an ordinary city block, and 100 feet wide at the base of the "U." Not even a fragment of wall remained. Desks, blackboards, books and the arms and legs and bodies of children showed in crazy-patch pattern amid the heaps of bricks and mortar and timbering.

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The building had no central heating plant, but each room had its own heater.

The basement through which the gas mains ran, had been closed and gas could accumulate there for days, according to C. F. Evans, 29-year-old chairman of the science department.

"We probably never will know the true cause."

The school contained two buildings, one of which was completely demolished. The other building, ironically, was empty. Classes had been dismissed a few minutes earlier and the children had gone home.

The building which was destroyed was a two-story structure, built in the shape of a "U." In the center was a large auditorium, and down the sides were two wings containing classrooms.

All survivors agreed that the explosion occurred in the basement under one of the wings, which was built several years before the rest of the building.

Blown From Steps.
"There is no doubt where the explosion occurred," said F. L. Waggoner, 28, principal of the elementary school.

"I was entering the building and had my hand on the door when the blast threw me down the steps and knocked me out. The force of the explosion was directly from the other side of the building—from the basement up."

Waggoner aided in rescuing 60 or 70 children after he regained consciousness.

Lines of Workers Form.
Long lines of workers formed, and hands rubbed raw and bled as jagged framework and torn bricks were passed along, hand-to-hand.

Trucks hastily recruited from the oil field arrived within a few minutes, and cranes lifted tons of wreckage from the broken bodies of the dead and dying children.

Darkness fell, and floodlights, hastily installed, cast a ghastly white pall over the temporary tomb of the children.

National Guardsmen patrolled the area after it was placed under martial law by Gov. James V. Allred. State highway patrolmen, liquor agents, local officers, rangers and members of the American Legion threw a police cordon around the appalling scene.

Executives from oil companies, who stopped operations in the nearby vast East Texas field to volunteer their men and machinery, conferred with Parker to formulate plans for speeding removal of the debris.

Strikes Heart of Nation.
The tragedy struck deep into the heart of the nation. From all sections offers of aid and condolences streamed in.

In Warm Springs President Roosevelt announced he had ordered the Red Cross and all other government agencies to "stand by and render every assistance to the little Texas community."

The president said he was shocked with the rest of the nation and could only hope further information would "lessen the scope of this tragedy." A few hours earlier the president himself had stood in a little brick school house just completed for Negro children and dedicated it by asserting educational levels must be raised.

Gov. James V. Allred, after declaring martial law, ordered a military court-martial to begin an investigation.

The slow process of identification moved forward before dawn. Bodies were held in morgues and improvised morgues in a dozen towns. Injured, of which there was yet no accurate estimate, were equally as scattered.

Where Blast Killed Hundreds of Children



General view of the New London Consolidated school, New London, Texas, after the explosion that wrecked the school and snuffed out the lives of hundreds of school children in the worst school tragedy in all history.

Dig and Cut Away Their Path to Dead



Rescue workers at scene soon after Texas school was blown up, engaged in hazardous task of bringing out the dead.

After Death Struck School in Texas



Amid crumbling masonry and steel, rescue workers and frantic parents hunt for bodies of children killed and mangled by explosion.

Many Times This Scene Was Repeated



Volunteer rescue workers bringing out the body of one of the victims of the school disaster.

Spectator Tells of Awful Blast

One spectator thus described the scene of the Texas school disaster: "In the middle of a ring of about 5,000 persons lay the remnants of the huge structure. The center portion had only a bare split wall at the rear still standing. The brick and stones were piled about 15 feet high in a quarry-like effect. From the ponderous oil trucks to the mass

of debris covering the children were stretched stout cables. Sweating oil field 'roughnecks' turned errands of mercy—many seeking their own sons and daughters.

"In the manner of stevedores, they lined up on the rock and passed debris hand-to-hand to a clearing.

"Blood smeared an upturned brick. With a shout, the workers gathered available shovels and lights and stretchers were called. An arm, a head appeared—terribly crushed. In a few minutes it was

on the stretcher, carried to a waiting ambulance and speeded to the nearest temporary morgue.

"The scene was repeated over and over. Finally the worst of the shock was over and the men and families settled down to a quiet, organized effort to get out the bodies as quickly as possible—not actually in the hopes of life but to spare the anguish of ignorance of their children's fate—which the rescuers knew too well."

My Favorite Recipe

By Babo Didrikson Athlete

- Plain Cake.
- 1 cupful brown sugar
 - 3 teaspoonfuls of boiling water
 - 4 eggs
 - 1 cupful of flour
 - 1/4 teaspoonful of cinnamon
 - Pinch of cloves
 - Dash of allspice
 - 2 teaspoonfuls of baking powder

Beat the yolks of the eggs and sugar well. Add spices, mixing well. Add boiling water. Sift flour several times, adding the baking powder. Then add the flour and baking powder to the mixture and bake in layer tins ten minutes in a hot oven. This cake is very delicious if made with a date filling between the layers.

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Short-Lived Governments

France has had 100 governments—premiers and their cabinets—or an average of one every eight months since becoming a republic for the third time in 1871. Not one has served a full term of four years because each has been forced to resign the first time that one of its bills was voted down by the National Assembly, an act which is indicative of a lack of confidence in the cabinet. —Collier's Weekly.

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CHAPTEE X—Continued

A worried look came into Siefert's eyes. "I'll come at once, of course," he said. He looked at the nurse and then lifted his gaze to Vance. "Will you excuse me?" Vance bowed. "Certainly, doctor. But I think Miss Beeton had better remain here in the air for a while longer."

Siefert left the roof reluctantly, with Garden following him. Vance watched them until they turned through the door of the passageway; then he spoke to the nurse. "Please sit here a few minutes, Miss Beeton. I want to have a talk with you. But first I'd like a minute or two with Mr. Hammle."

The nurse nodded her assent and sat down a little wearily on the settee. Vance beckoned curtly to Hammle. "Suppose we go inside for a moment."

Hammle rose with alacrity. "I was wondering how much longer you gentlemen were going to keep me here."

Vance led the way into the study, and Markham and I followed behind Hammle. "What were you doing on the roof, Mr. Hammle?" asked Vance. "I told you some time ago, after our brief interview, that you might go."

Hammle flinched. He was patently apprehensive and wary. "There's no crime in going out into the garden for a while—is there?" he asked with unimpressive truculence.

"None whatever," Vance returned casually. "I was wondering why you preferred the gardens to going home. Devilish things have been happening in the garden this afternoon."

"As I told you, I wish I had gone. How did I know?" "That's hardly the point, Mr. Hammle," Vance cut him short. "It doesn't answer my question."

"Well now, look here," Hammle explained fulsomely; "I had just missed a train to Long Island, and it was more than an hour until the next one. When I went out of here and started to go downstairs, I suddenly said to myself, 'It'll be pleasant waiting in the garden than in the Pennsylvania station.' So I went out on the roof and hung around. And here I am."

Vance regarded the man shrewdly and nodded his head. "Yes, as you say. Here you are. More or less in evidence. By the way, Mr. Hammle, what did you see while you were waiting in the garden for the next train?" "Not a thing—absolutely!" Hammle's tone was aggressive. "I walked along the boxwood hedges, smoking, and was leaning over the parapet by the gate, looking out at the city, when I heard you come out carrying the nurse."

went on, "was fired from another revolver after Swift's body had been carried from the vault and placed in the chair out here. We were naturally anxious to find that other weapon, and Sergeant Heath made a search for it."

"But—but—my coat?" Her hand went out and she clutched at Vance's sleeve as a look of understanding came into her frightened eyes. "Yes," Vance said, "the Sergeant found the revolver in the pocket of your top-coat. Someone had put it there as a temporary hiding-place."

She recoiled with a sudden intake of breath. "How dreadful!" Her words were barely audible. Vance put his hand on her shoulder.

"But it's too terrible! . . . And then this—attempt on my life. I can't understand. I'm frightened." "Come, come," Vance exhorted the girl. "It's over now, and we need your help."

She gazed directly into his eyes for several minutes. Then she gave him a faint smile of confidence. "I'm very sorry," she said simply. "But this house—this family—they've been doing queer things to my nerves for the past month. I can't explain it, but there's something frightfully wrong here. . . . I was in charge of an operating room in a Montreal hospital for six months, attending as many as six and eight operations a day; but that never affected me the way this household does. There, at least, I could help and know that I was helping. But here everything goes on in dark corners, and nothing I do seems to be of any use. . . . But please don't think I am not ready to help—to do anything I can for you. You, too, always have to work in the dark, don't you?"

"Don't we all have to work in the dark?" Vance murmured, without taking his eyes from her. "Tell me who you think could have been guilty of the terrible things that have happened here."

All fear and doubt seemed to have left the girl.

CHAPTER XI

"Woodie Swift's death wasn't at all the sort of thing I would expect to happen here," the nurse said. "I wouldn't have been surprised at some act of impulsive violence, but this premeditated murder, so subtle and so carefully planned, seems alien to the atmosphere here. Besides, it isn't a moving family, except on the surface. Floyd Garden is saner than the others. His interests are narrow, to be sure, but on his own mental level. He's dependable, too. I think he has always taken the course of ignoring the existence of those qualities which have caused friction between the other members of the household."

She paused and frowned. "As for Mrs. Garden, I feel that by nature she is shallow and is deliberately creating for herself a deeper and more complex mode of life, which she doesn't in the least understand. That, of course, makes her unreasonable and dangerous. I have never had a more unreasonable patient. She has no consideration whatever for others. Her affection for her nephew has never seemed genuine to me."

"And Professor Garden?" "He's a researcher and scientist, of course, and, therefore, not altogether human, in the conventional sense. I have thought sometimes that he isn't wholly rational."

"What is your impression of the guests who were present today?" Vance said. "I don't feel competent to pass judgment on them," the girl replied seriously. "I can't entirely understand them. But each one strikes me as dangerous in his own way. They are all playing a game—and it seems to be a game without rules. To them the outcome justifies the methods they use."

"Yes, quite. You have clear vision," Vance scrutinized the girl beside him. "And you took up nursing because you are able to face the realities. You are not afraid of life—or of death."

The girl looked embarrassed. "You're making too much of my profession. After all, I had to earn my living, and nursing appealed to me."

you think of Mrs. Garden's condition?" Miss Beeton hesitated before she answered: "Really, I don't know what to say. I can't understand it. And I rather suspect that Doctor Siefert himself is puzzled by it. Mrs. Garden is obviously a sick woman. She shows many of the symptoms of that nervous, erratic temperament exhibited by people suffering from cancer. Though she's much better some days than others, I know that she suffers a great deal. Doctor Siefert tells me she is really a neurological case; but I get the feeling, at times, that it goes much deeper—that an obscure physiological condition is producing the neurological symptoms she shows."

"That's most interesting," Doctor Siefert mentioned something of the kind to me only a few days ago. Vance moved nearer to the girl. "Would you mind telling me something of your contacts with the members of the household?"

"There's very little to tell. Professor Garden practically ignores me—half the time I doubt if he even knows I am here. Mrs. Garden alternates between periods of irritable admonition and intimate confidence. Floyd Garden has always been pleasant and considerate. I've rather liked him for his attitude."

"And what of Swift—did you see much of him?" The girl seemed reluctant to answer.

"The truth is, Mr. Swift asked me several times to go to dinner and the theater with him. I got the impression that he was one of those unhappy men who feel their inferiority and seek to bolster themselves



"Vance! Come Down From There!"

up with the affections of women. I think that he was really concerned with Miss Graem, and merely turned to me through pique."

Vance smoked for a few moments in silence. Then he said: "What of the big race today? Had there been much discussion about it?"

"Oh, yes. For over a week I've heard little else here. A curious tension has been growing in the house. I heard Mr. Swift remark to Floyd Garden one evening that the Rivermont Handicap was his one remaining hope, and that he thought, Equanimity would win. They immediately went into a furious argument regarding Equanimity's chances."

"Was it generally known to the other members of the afternoon gatherings how Swift felt about this race and Equanimity?" "Yes, the matter was freely discussed for days—You see," the girl added in explanation, "it's impossible for me not to overhear some of these afternoon discussions."

"By the way," asked Vance, "how did you come to be on Azure Star?" "Frankly," the girl confessed shyly, "I've been mildly interested in the horse—betting parties here, though I've never had any desire to make a wager myself. But I overheard you tell Mr. Garden that you had picked Azure Star, and the name was so appealing that I asked Mr. Garden to place that bet for me. It was the first time I ever bet on a horse."

"And Azure Star came in," Vance sighed. "Too bad. Actually you bet against Equanimity, you know—he was the favorite. A big gamble. Most unfortunate that you, won. Be-ginner's luck, d'ye see, is always fatal."

"The girl's face became suddenly sombre, and she looked steadily at Vance for several moments before she spoke again. "Do you really think it will prove fatal?" "Yes, Oh, yes. Inevitable. You won't be able to resist making other wagers. One doesn't stop with the first bet if one wins. And, invariably, one loses in the end."

Again the girl gave Vance a long and troubled look; then her gaze drifted to the darkening sky overhead.

said, "is as beautiful as New York seen from a vantage point like this in the early twilight." (I wondered at his sudden change of mood.) He stepped up on the parapet and looked down into the great abyss of deep shadows and flickering lights far below. A curious chill of fear ran over me—the sort of fear I have always felt when I have seen acrobatic performers perilously balanced high above a circus arena.

Miss Beeton was standing close to Markham, and she, too, must have experienced something of the sensation I felt, for I saw her face go suddenly pale. Her eyes were fixed on Vance with a look of apprehensive horror.

"Vance!" It was Markham's stern voice that broke the silence. "Come down from there!" Vance jumped down and turned to us.

"Frightfully sorry," he said. "Height does affect most people. I didn't realize." He looked at the girl. "Will you forgive me? . . . As he spoke, Floyd Garden stepped out on the roof through the passageway door.

"Sorry, Vance," he apologized, "but Doc Siefert wants Miss Beeton downstairs—if she feels equal to it. The matter is putting on one of her acts."

The nurse hurried away immediately, and Garden strolled up to Vance. He was again fussing with his pipe. "A beastly mess," he murmured. "And you've certainly put the fear of God and destruction into the hearts of the pious boys and girls here this afternoon. They all got the jitters after you talked with them." He looked up. "The fact is, Vance, if you should want to see Kroon or Zalia Graem or Madge Weatherby for any reason this evening, they'll be here. They've all asked to come. Must return to the scene of the crime, or something of that kind. Need mutual support."

"Perfectly natural. Quite," Vance nodded. "I understand their feelings. . . . Beastly mess, as you say. . . . And now suppose we go down."

Doctor Siefert met us at the foot of the stairs. "I was just coming up for you, Mr. Vance. Mrs. Garden insists on seeing you gentlemen." Then he added in a low tone: "She's in a tantrum. A bit hysterical. Don't take anything she may say too seriously."

We entered the bedroom. Mrs. Garden, in a salmon-pink silk dressing gown, was in bed, bolstered up by a collection of pillows. Her face was drawn and, in the slanting rays of the night-light, seemed sallow and unhealthy. Her eyes glared demoniacally as she looked at us, and her fingers clutched nervously at the quilt. Miss Beeton stood at the far side of the bed, looking down at her patient with calm concern; and Professor Garden leaned heavily against the window-sill opposite, his face a mask of troubled solicitude.

"I have something to say, and I want you all to hear it," Mrs. Garden's voice was shrill and strident. "My nephew has been killed to-day—and I know who did it!" She glared venomously at Floyd Garden who stood near the foot of the bed, his pipe hanging limply from the corner of his mouth. "You did it!"

She pointed an accusing finger at her son. "You've always hated Woody. You've been jealous of him. No one else had any reason to do this despicable thing. I suppose I should lie for you and shield you. But to what end? So you could kill somebody else? You killed Woody, and I know you killed him. And I know why you did it. . . ."

Floyd Garden stood through this tirade without moving and without perceptible emotion. "And why did I do it, mater?" "Because you were jealous of him. Because you knew that I had divided my estate equally between you two—and you want it all for yourself. You always resented the fact that I loved Woody as well as you. And now you think that by having got Woody out of the way, you'll get everything when I die. But you're mistaken. You'll get nothing! Do you hear me? Nothing! Tomorrow I'm going to change my will. Woody's share will go to your father, with the stipulation that you will never get or inherit a dollar of it. And your share will go to charity." She laughed hysterically and beat the bed with her clenched fists.

Doctor Siefert had been watching the woman closely. He now moved a little nearer the bed. "An ice-pack, immediately," he said to the nurse; and she went quickly from the room. Then he busied himself with his medicine case and deftly prepared a hypodermic injection.

The woman relaxed under his patient dictatorial scrutiny and permitted him to give her the injection. She lay back on the pillows, staring blankly at her son. The nurse returned to the room and arranged the ice-bag for her patient. Doctor Siefert then quickly made out a prescription and turned to Miss Beeton.

(TO BE CONTINUED) Dutch East Indies Costumes In the Dutch East Indies the simple, but none the less colorful, costume of both the men and women consists of the sarong, which is a batik wrap-around skirt, and the kebaya, a jacket in a color which harmonizes or contrasts with that of the batik skirt. The men wear a "kain kepala" which is a batik turban headgear, and the women have a slendang, a long shawl-like piece of batik cloth which is used for purposes varying from carrying infants on one hip to ornamental decoration very much in the manner of the American girl's kerchief.

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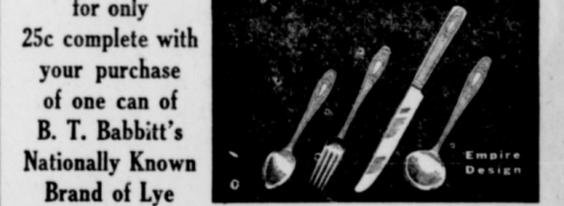
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By Jim Ferguson
(Editor's Note: This article is published as a news item, and represents the personal views of Mr. Ferguson only.)
OFFICIAL ABILITY

While the next election is months away, it will be a cracking good idea for the people to begin now to think about the type and kind of people that they want and need to fill the important offices at the next election.

To avoid the personal controversies that arise in all campaigns it will be well for the great masses of voters to begin to think about men as well as measures.

Our experiences for the past six to eight years has emphasized the necessity of ability to fill our important offices. The imperative needs of our government demonstrate the evil effects of placing incompetent and inexperienced people in high office.

In the first place nobody should be elected to any office unless they have had some experience in private life that in some measure qualifies them for the office which they seek. Honesty is commendable virtue of any candidate that seeks our support. But honesty alone is a very weak recommendation for official honors and our government affairs have been often mismanaged by ignorance as well as dishonesty.

Just now our government is threatened with ignorance and inexperience as well as corruption.

In the selection of the next governor the people should be blamed careful that they don't go a dose of either. With our state affairs afflicted with inexperienced and incompetence and likewise threatened with corruption it is the solemn duty of the vote now to begin to look at the list of those who will seek our support for governor and find out who they are and what they stand for. If none of them look good, then we should look around further for somebody who can make some showing of experience and accomplishment as well as honesty that will recommend them to our favorable consideration.

Let us not be in a hurry. The election is some months away and the people should improve the time in picking a real individual for the job, there never was a time when the office should seek the man as much as now. Yes, of course we want an honest man but that does not mean that we want some ballyhoor that is in love with the sound of his own voice who alone recommends his honesty when his neighbors remain silent on him.

In the next place the governor of Texas should be a fearless and morally courageous man. With labor troubles and problems con-

fronting us the next governor of Texas should be as brave as Julius Caesar, and as smart as Andrew Jackson and as honest as Abraham Lincoln.

It will be hard to fill the order, but let us avoid mistake if possible. Let us demand of the next governor before we elect him to tell us what he stands for and what he proposes to do. Let him show us that he has made a success of his own business before we turn him over ours. Let him prove to us that he has had experience and success in some line of sufficient volume and kind that in some degree will qualify him to grapple with the legislative and financial interests of the vast and growing state of Texas. The next governor of Texas can make us or break us. He can wreck us on the rocks of ignorance and arrogance or he can destroy us by the hand of corruption.

It is a shame that Texas with all its rich domain and natural resources must stand by and see our great state destroyed by ignorance and corrupt management of our state government. If the people permit such condition to continue, it is their fault.

With back breaking tax burdens, the result of ignorance and corruption which already oppresses us past endurance, certainly we can find a patriot somewhere who can lead us out of official bondage in the time of our dire distress. We can if we will try. I have no candidate or favorite. I believe the people of Texas realize the imperative necessity or now getting the best man for the place. We should begin now to look and listen for good of our welfare and destiny.

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BY JULIAN CAPERS, JR.
Special Correspondent

AUSTIN—One of the pall of grief, which fell over Texas and the nation in the wake of the New London school disaster, claiming the lives of 425 children and teachers, will doubtless come legislation designed to prevent a repetition of the disaster. A joint committee of East Texas senate and house members, named promptly, was studying the cause of the catastrophe, which early reports indicated was the result of accumulated gas in the basement or hollow tile walls. Whether this was from leaking gas connections within the building or from drifting gas from near by oil wells had not been determined at this writing. But sentiment among the legislators indicated very positively that possibly laws requiring a malodorant in commercial gas, a more rigid inspection of school buildings generally and other indicated legislative measures will come out of the unparalleled tragedy.

ALLRED PROGRAM SUNK
Two additional planks in the program of Gov. Allred fell by the wayside during the week when action by the senate state affairs committee virtually killed for this session the two pending major public utility regulation bills. The utility interests saw their fight virtually won for them by outsiders when the Texas League of Municipalities spokesmen vigorously opposed turning regulation over to the state commission as provided in Olan Van Zandt's measure. Mayors and managers of many Texas cities joined in opposition. Final passage of the Tennyson' house bill, extending the right of utility regulation to small incorporate cities and towns appeared to be the only victory in sight for those seeking stronger utility control at this session. The other Allred sponsored measure was the Herman Jones franchise tax bill, a highly controversial bill. The house literally riddled it with amendments that would reduce its probable revenue to less than \$3,000,000 annually and almost killed it by a motion for indefinite delay. The governor had strongly urged higher franchise taxes, devoting a large section of his original message to the subject.

PAROLE BOARD CREATED
Texas acquired a legal system of pardon and parole, carrying out the terms of the constitutional amendment adopted last year, when the long deadlock between house and senate on where the board's headquarters should be located was broken by a compromise, with Austin designated as headquarters, but stipulating that the board must spend at least 15 days each month at either

Huntsville or the prison farms. The new law removes much of the load of responsibility from the governor and prevents forever, it is believed, a repetition of 'pardon peddling' by making it impossible for the governor to grant any pardon not first recommended by the board.

LABOR TROUBLE LOOMS
Possibility of a reenactment in the Texas oil field of the bitter labor warfare and sit down strike staged in Detroit was seen by some observers here as the date neared for the April drive of John L. Lewis' organization to enlist oilfield workers under the banner of his committee for industrial organization. Seeking apparently to head off this drive, some major oil companies announced wage increases and others forecast such a step. The International Association of Oil and Gas Well Workers, already well entrenched in the Texas fields, is an affiliate of Lewis' union and provides a substantial nucleus for the drive, which will be launched by Lewis in person with speeches in several strategic oil centers in Texas next month.

OIL CUT ANTICIPATED
Meanwhile, a reduction of allowable oil production was announced after the statement by Rail Commission Chairman C. V. Terrell, pointing out the ample stocks of refined gasoline on hand the decline in winter consumption of fuel oil and recent additions to crude stocks in storage. Continued drilling new wells in Texas has brought the differential between marginal and flush wells to about three barrels, and many operators feel that some step, such as enactment of the pending Clint Small bill to prorate marginal wells below the present 20-barrel minimum, must be taken soon if the commission is to continue to maintain the differential in favor of flush wells required by the federal courts to uphold the legality of the proration orders.

NEWS AND NAMES
Hearings on the race betting repeal bill before the senate committee on criminal jurisprudence, set for March 25, will move the race betting repeal fight a step nearer final decision, with repealists battling for an early report by the committee that will force the

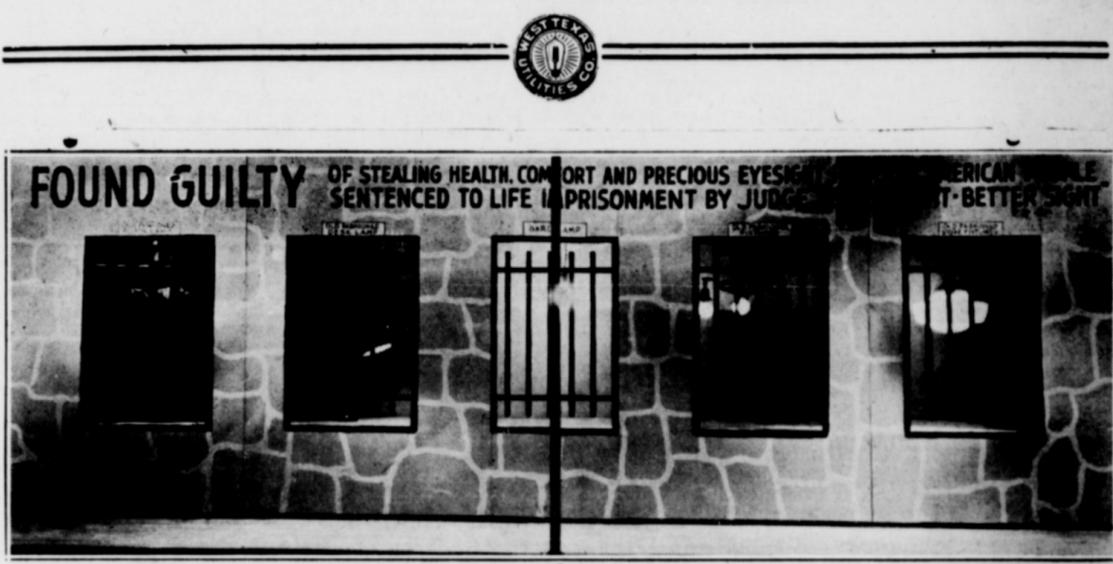
senate to a record vote. Proposals of repeal are confident of victory if they can get the bill out on the senate floor. Pat Mareland, poet, preacher, union carpenter and late secretary to the governor, stepped into the vacant post on the unemployment compensation commission which the senate refused to Wallace Reilly, Dallas labor representative, and was promptly confirmed. . . . It is a two year job at \$5000 a year. . . . Sam Houston Allred, third son of the governor and Mrs. Allred, born on St. Patrick's day in Sam Houston's bed at the mansion, begins life with an illustrious name and

\$20 in the savings bank. The \$20 came from Rail Commissioner Ernest O. Thompson as the nestegg of his educational fund. . . . The senate state affairs committee postponed until March 30 hearing on the house's 6-cent oil tax bill, waiting to see if any other revenue-raising legislation will come over from the house. . . . Edmunds Travis, veteran Austin newsman and press agent, delivered a vigorous and eloquent speech against the Roosevelt plan to reorganize the supreme court before the Austin Rotary club and won high praise from the 'defeatist lawyer' element in Austin.

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The ever-increasing demand on the eyes—close work, more reading and study and longer hours indoors—has made the problem of sight preservation a major issue in every home where the future of children is to be considered.

Injured vision in childhood is a danger lurking in every study room where children are called upon to exercise their use of sight. Parents no longer can afford to overlook the handicap they saddle upon a youngster when his vision is impaired at an early age.



"WASTE IS APPALLING"

Dr. William H. Wilmer, professor of ophthalmology in connection with the School of Medicine of Johns Hopkins University, says:

"Few persons consider seriously the great diversity of light conditions under which the eyes are required to function. From a game of golf or tennis where the photometer would register a lighting level of several thousand footcandles, one may come into a dimly lit corridor or vestibule with a light of five to six footcandles; or to a telephone booth in a dark corner where light measurers only one to four footcandles. But the eyes are such willing little slaves, and sight is such an everyday affair, that one is not sufficiently careful about the proper lighting. Much of the fatigue in this half-seeing world of civilized beings is due to seeing. The human and economic waste engendered by poor seeing in bad lights is appalling. There is no excuse for this; for light and the instruments for measuring it are available."

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EASTER GREETINGS

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County Agent's Column

By Ross B. Jenkins, County Agr.

SMALL GRAIN AS GREEN MANURE

All producer who plan to use small grain acreage in establishing their soil conservation acreage must sign a statement to that effect with the county committee on or before April 15th. A letter from the State Board of March 13th says, "Small grains are soil depleting crops regardless of the use made of the crop, except THAT THE COUNTY COMMITTEE MAY APPROVE THE USE OF SMALL GRAINS ON A DESIGNATED AREA ON A FARM as a winter cover crop. If small grains on these designated areas are pastured or plowed under and the land is protected immediately thereafter by a soil conserving crop or practice, such land will take the classification of such soil conserving crop or practice. Where such crops are plowed under as green manure and followed by another soil conserving crop or practice, ALL SUCH LAND SHALL BE CLASSIFIED AS SOIL CONSERVING. April 15th is the final day for designating the use of such small grain areas."

The committees have in their hands forms to be signed by all farmers that plan to use this method in setting aside conservation acres and should be signed at once.

FINAL DATE FOR SUMMER FALLOWING

The State Committee has recommended that the first operation of furrowing, or other working of the soil, as required under Subsections J, K, and L Section 104, SRB-101 be completed not later

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than July 1, 1937 for land to be considered as soil conserving as provided in these Subsections. The State Committee has also announced that idle land terraced in 1937 between the dates of October 31, 1936 and October 31, 1937 will be accepted in lieu of soil conserving crops and such areas will be accepted as setting up soil conserving acreage.

Marriages

The following marriages were reported to The Star by Justice of the Peace, G. H. Corn, of Baird, with Mr. Corn officiating:

J. D. Stevens and Mrs. Julia Guthrie, of Abilene, married at Mr. Corn's office at 3 p. m. Feb. 15, 1937.

Leslie Howard Lee and Miss Effieonia Hooper, of Abilene, Feb. 24, 1937.

William York, and Miss Inez Allen, of Abilene, Feb. 27, 1937.

H. B. Bassett and Miss Dorothy Peeler, of Clyde, March 12, 1937.

C. W. Barron and Miss Martha Musses, March 24, 1937.

LITTLE GERALDINE CRAWFORD DIED SUNDAY

Little Geraldine Crawford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford, of Denton, died at the Griggs hospital Sunday at 12:30 death resulting from pneumonia.

Funeral services were held at Dudley Monday afternoon conducted by Rev. Dick Bright of Potosi assisted by Rev. Joe R. Mayes, of Baird. Burial was made in Dudley cemetery under the direction of Wylie Funeral Home.

Little Geraldine is survived by her twin sister Jeanette, her parents and baby sister Joan, also her grand mother Mrs. Kate Avery Crawford of Denton. Geraldine and Jeanette were born in Stockton, Calif., August 18, 1935.

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Griggs Hospital News

J. O. Allen, of Clyde was a tonsilectomy patient Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everette Woods of Pueblo and J. D. Fuller of Moran, were patients for treatment of injuries received in a car wreck; at the top of Mt. Airy Wednesday morning.

Mr. B. L. Boydston, who was enroute to Abilene, was driving behind the car when it went in the ditch and brought Mr. and Mrs. Wood and Mr. Fuller to the hospital for treatment. Mrs. Wood was most seriously hurt, being unconscious for a time.

Mr. W. D. Hardy of Baird, was a patient Wednesday for treatment of injuries received in a car wreck.

Miss Janie Hall was able to leave the hospital Tuesday, following treatment of injured ankle.

O. B. Jr., little son of O. B. Spencer of Belle Plain, was able to leave the hospital Tuesday.

The little baby of Granville Wolfe, of the Brightwell ranch, was able to leave the hospital Monday.

Took Hampton a patient for the past two weeks was able to go to the home of his niece, Mrs. Rod Kelton at Belle Plaine where he is convalescing.

Mrs. Troy Chrane of Dudley who underwent a caesarian operation ten days ago, is doing nicely and will be able to leave the hospital in a few days.

Mrs. W. B. Griggs continues to improve slowly.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. C. A. Long, Presiding Elder, Abilene District, will preach at the Methodist Church next Sunday morning at 11 a. m.

At 8 p. m. our Easter program will be given, sponsored by Mrs. V. E. Hill. Your are cordially invited to attend these services.
J. A. Scoggins, Pastor.

Capt. and Mrs. George T. Lamar, of Cross Plains were here Tuesday to attend the School of separate. Rooms rented for any Instruction of the O. E. S. They length of time. Travelers Always spent Tuesday night in Baird and Welcome. 14-tf.went on to Sweetwater Wednes-

Personal

Mrs. Sue Wagley of lower Deep Creek was in Baird Tuesday.

Mr. R. P. Odom of Cross Plains was in Baird Tuesday visiting old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo H. Tyler and sons were among the visitors at the Fat Stock Show last week.

Larry Blakley was in from the Bayou farm Monday. He reports grain and range condition good.

Mrs. P. C. Caylor of Ft. Worth came out Tuesday to attend the funeral of Grandpa Cummings.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Anderson of Longview, visited in Baird the past week.

M. and Mrs. Alex Shockley and daughter, Miss Nan, spent the week end at Goldwaith.

Mrs. C. L. McClery and Mrs. W. B. Jones were visitors in Abilene Monday

Miss Edith Lewis, student in Hardin-Simmons university will spend the week end at home.

Mrs. Jefferson Dawkins has returned from Big Spring, where she visited her daughter for a few days.

Mrs. Frank Payne will spend the Easter holidays in Baird. Mrs. Payne is a student of Hardin-Simmons university, Abilene.

Jack Scott, editor of the Cross Plains Review, was in Baird Thursday of last week. Mr. Scott is recovering from his recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Spencer, Mrs. Frank Spencer and Geo. T. Baum of Burnt Branch, were in Baird Wednesday

Miss Earlene West, who teaches in the Denton Grade school spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. West

James Crutchfield who is employed at Breckenridge, spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Crutchfield.

Miss Mary Lou Howell and little Miss Bobby Sue Edwards spent the week end in Rising Star with Mill Howell's mother.

Mrs. R. C. Thompson of Paduch, mother of Mrs. Will Rylee of Baird was reported resting better Sunday. Mrs. Thompson has been ill for some time.

Miss Ida Louise Fetterly, student of North Texas State Teachers College, will spend the Easter holidays here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fetterly.

Randall Jackson is another one of the Bairdites who will spend the Easter holidays here. Randall is attending Texas university at Austin.

Mrs. Ralph Ashlock has returned home from Sherman where she spent a few days last week with Mr. Ashlock's parents Mr. and Mrs. James Ashlock.

Judge, L. B. Lewis, and Commissioners' B. H. Freeland and B. O. Brame attended the West Texas County Judge's and Commissioners' Convention in Lubbock last week.

Mrs. Will Rylee and daughter, Miss Deloros, and Mr. and Mrs. Buford Tyson and little daughter Melba June, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Steakley and Mr. and Mrs. Tyson of Eula Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. Gilliland returned Sunday from Dallas where she has been visiting her son, Bill Gilliland and helping to care for a new grandson who has been named Johnny Joe Gilliland. She was accompanied home by her little grand daughter, Virginia Gilliland.

Judge and Mrs. J. H. Carpenter were in from their farm home near Dudley Wednesday. They drove out a new V-8 Ford Coach, purchased from Earl Johnson Motor Co., of Baird.

J. D. Beckelman of Ft. Worth was in Baird a few days ago. Mr. Beckelman has oil interest in Callahan county and placed his name on The Star subscription list, so as to keep in touch with conditions out here.

The TEN THINNEST MEN registering at the box office Saturday, March 27th will receive a pass to see William Powell in "After The Thin Man".
The Plaza Theatre.

WITH BAIRD BAPTIST

We had a lovely day Sunday, but it was saddened by the funeral of one sweet little infant, one of the little twins of Mr. and Mrs. Aubry Connell and the death at the hospital of Little Geraldine, the little 18 month old twin of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Crawford.

Our service Sunday was centered around the cross. The S. S. lesson was about the trial and crucifixion, and Bro. Claud Warren with his class of 9 boys gave a splendid program on the cross.

Next Sunday is Easter. Our Sunday school lesson of course will be on the Resurrection. We are making it Mission Day. A Missionary program will be given after Sunday school and then I will speak on Missions.

Next Tuesday and Wednesday the 30 and 31st, The Sunday school and B. T. U. conventions of the 17th District meet in Cisco. We want Callahan County Baptist to be well represented and Tuesday night the Mens Brotherhood will have their annual banquet at the Laguna hotel and we should have a large group of men from Baird over there to attend that. Come on brethren let's go.

Joe R. Mayes.

JUNIOR WEDNESDAY CLUB

The Junior Wednesday Club met Mar. 24th with Mrs. W. O. Wylie Jr. as hostess. Roll call was answered by seventeen members. After the business meeting Mrs. Jack Ashlock gave a review of the book entitled "Death comes to the Archbishop". The club welcomes Miss Bessie Pierce our new member.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our many friends for their help and sympathy during the illness and death of our darling baby. May God's richest blessings go with each of you, is our prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Crawford
Mrs. Kate Crawford and family

Mrs. Faye Scoggins of Clarendon, Texas, spent the week end with Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Scoggins. She was accompanied by Miss Doris Fowler of Strawn. Both of these ladies are teachers in the school at Pyote, Texas.

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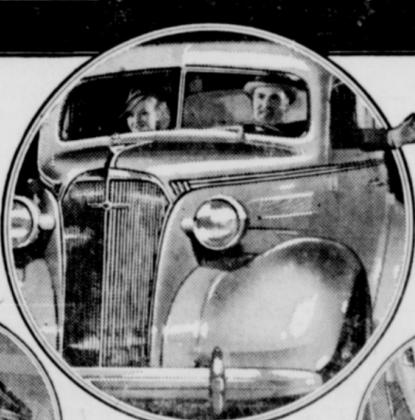
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STAR DUST Movie • Radio

LITTLE did Jack Benny know what he was letting himself in for when he decided to go to New York for a few weeks and do his broadcasting from there. So many requests for tickets came in, and from very important people too, that the largest studio at Radio City wasn't anywhere near big enough to hold them.

So, National Broadcasting company had to rent the biggest ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria and send the Benny broadcast out from there. Jack is one of those big, affable, patient fellows who can remember practically everybody he ever met, and he has met thousands in his years of vaudeville, musical comedy, pictures, and radio.

First results of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts awards are beginning to be noticed at the studios. Luise Rainer, whose performance in "The Great Ziegfeld" was voted best of the year, has been given a five-year contract by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Paul Muni, who got the year's award for his work in "The Story of Louis Pasteur," evidently figures that he won't be out of a job for a long time, so he is talking to contractors about building extensive dog kennels at his house. Someone has given him a valuable schnauzer, and he is shopping around for some other dogs.



Paul Muni

For the fifth successive year Walt Disney won the award for best cartoon, Mickey Mouse in "Country Cousin" being the one singled out as the best of the year. You will have a chance soon to see all of the Disney winners in one evening, as United Artists is going to combine the prize-winning comedies of the past five years, calling them the Walt Disney Revue.

Edgar Bergen, the ventriloquist who has become such a favorite on the Rudy Vallee radio hour, has joined the wonderful array of comics, opera singers, and dancers that Sam Goldwyn has lined up for his Goldwyn Follies. Bergen's skill as a ventriloquist was developed when he was just a youngster. He liked to play jokes on his mother, making strange voices call to her from various parts of the room. Later he worked his way through Northwestern university giving shows at college parties.

Apparently Sam Goldwyn won't be happy until he signs up simply everyone of note in the entertainment world for his Follies company. Over in London he has put Vera Zozina, sensationally successful young ballerina, under contract. You may have seen her in person, for last year and the year before she toured the United States, playing in one hundred and ten cities with the Monte Carlo ballet company. She won't just dance in Goldwyn pictures, but will be groomed as a dramatic player.

Jane Withers just dares any kidnaper to come around her house threatening her now. In addition to her usual bodyguard, a Texas Ranger who looks as if he could rout an army single-handed, her father is usually around, and he has been sworn in as a deputy sheriff, complete with guns. Furthermore, there is an electric signal beside her bed which rings a bell in all the police stations near Beverly Hills. Everybody is betting that the mischievous Jane will never be able to resist pushing the button just once, just to see the police coming dashing to her rescue.



Jane Withers

ODDS AND ENDS: Janet Gaynor slipped out of Hollywood and went to New York for a vacation, and now she says she won't come back until she can play in a comedy. . . . Skippy, the famous wire-haired terrier whom you know as Asta in "The Thin Man" pictures, has a big part in the R-K-O picture, "China Passage" . . . Joan Crawford has launched a new style, wearing old-fashioned bead bracelets that match the color and design of her print dresses. . . . Sonja Henie cancelled the rest of her personal appearance tour and hurried back to Hollywood to make pictures. Maybe the rumor that Tyrone Power was rushing other girls had something to do with her impatience to return. . . . Bobby Brown is going to star in a new radio serial called "The Singing Kid" for National Broadcasting. . . . Another program to watch for is Paramount's Sunday morning hour that will be staged at the studio.

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MYSTERIES THE WORLD HAS NEVER SOLVED

THE RED WIDOW What Was Her Purpose? By MADOC OWENS

THERE was great excitement at the Elysee palace, Paris, on the night of February 16, 1899. Attaches came and went hurriedly. It had been suddenly announced that Francois Felix Faure, president of the republic, had dropped dead of apoplexy at 10:15.

President Faure had been under a great nervous strain. The Dreyfus scandal had harassed him greatly. He had passed the half-century milestone, and it had been noted of late that he was careworn and haggard. So at first the official announcement of the cause of his death aroused no skepticism, even in cynical Paris. Later, however, there gradually leaked out rumors that he had not died from the causes stated. There were repeated hints that he had met a violent death and that the public had been deceived. One Paris newspaper declared that he had committed suicide to escape some sort of blackmailing conspiracy.

During those times there dwelt in a comfortable apartment in Paris a woman of wonderful magnetism, who possessed a voluptuous beauty that brought to her feet many high officials. She lived in apparent harmony with her husband, Adolphe Steinheil, an artist; her daughter, Martha, a beautiful child of nine, and an elderly woman, Madame Japy, whom Madame Steinheil introduced in later years as her mother. Madame Steinheil had proved so attractive to men high in affairs of government that she readily made herself a political power. In fact, it was said that she became an official spy and that one of her commissions from the government had been to fascinate the king of Cambodia during that dusky monarch's visit to Paris, and hold him and her clutches.

Murder Shocks Paris. Nine years after the death of President Faure, or in May, 1908, Paris was shocked by the news of a horrible murder in Madame Steinheil's apartment. The dead bodies of her husband and Madame Japy were found bound, and in another room Madame Steinheil was discovered gagged and strapped to a bedpost. According to Madame Steinheil's story, told in a straightforward fashion to the police, she had awakened to find several figures wearing masks and gowns entering her room the night before, and a search proved that nearly everything of value had been taken from the premises.

Later Paris was dumfounded to learn that Madame Steinheil herself had been arrested for the dual crime. Her trial was one of the most sensational hearings ever held in Paris. Because of her penchant for wearing red, back in the gay days before her mourning, she became known in the annals of the news as "The Red Widow." From day to day during the trial, the newspapers described in detail her studied demeanor designed to exert her wiles upon judge and jurors. After weeks of suspense, so cruelly trying to her charming daughter, now a young belle of eighteen, "The Red Widow" was acquitted.

Past Deeds Unmasked. Meanwhile, the close scrutiny of "The Red Widow's" past life, entailed by the investigation connected with her trial, uncovered certain rumors connecting her with a tragedy even more serious than the murder of her husband and stepmother. According to a story alleged to have been told in confidence by some one in the innermost circle of the Elysee palace, President Faure had had an important engagement at the palace on the afternoon of February 16, 1899.

His disappearance caused palace attaches to institute a careful search, and Madame Faure became alarmed by their failure to find him. Certain suspicions having for some time been ranking in her bosom, Madame Faure, becoming desperate, proceeded to Madame Steinheil's apartment, and, entering suddenly, found her husband dead in a chair, his hands clutching Madame Steinheil's hair. After recovering from the horrible shock, Madame Faure collected her wits and, with a great presence of mind, resolved to cover up the stain upon her husband's honor.

So, summoning some trusted servants from the palace, she had the President's corpse covered so as to avert suspicion, and after darkness had it smuggled into the Elysee palace and placed in a chair where it might be discovered by those who later gave the alarm. According to some Paris papers, the postponement of "The Red Widow's" trial for the murders at her

apartment had been carefully arranged by the high officials of the government until the statute of limitations had prevented the possibility of an official inquiry into President Faure's death.

After "The Red Widow's" acquittal, her connection with the President's murder became gradually forgotten, and the world will probably never know whether Felix Faure died of apoplexy or was murdered.

BLIND TOM The Negro Nemesis

A NEGRO slave, on a plantation near Columbus, Ga., gave birth, about 1850, to a nearly blind, idiotic boy, "Tom," who at the age of three was sold as a slave to J. N. Bethune of Fauquier County, Va.

Almost from the time he was an infant in arms the child developed wonderful genius as a mimic. He imitated the cries of animals, the calls of birds and the sound of the elements with such skill that he was soon called in to entertain the Bethune household. He was often found with his ear pressed to the wall of the house listening to the sounds of the piano within, and he would sing or whistle any complicated air after hearing it but once. Once, when he was caught stealing into his master's house and imitating in undertones upon the piano some melodies he had heard played during the day by others, it was discovered that the child had a wonderful musical genius.

When four years of age Tom astonished the Bethune family by excursions on the piano that were truly phenomenal, and his master decided to turn this talent into gain. So, when the lad was eight Bethune toured the country with him, later taking him to Europe, where Tom played before the crowned heads of the continent. More than \$200,000 was realized from this first tour.

After J. N. Bethune had enriched himself on "Blind Tom" he had his son, John G. Bethune, appointed by the Virginia courts curator of the blind idiot's person in 1870, and from that time until his death, in 1883, young Bethune exhibited the negro phenomenon throughout the country.

Had Imbecile's Face. "Blind Tom" had a big, uncouth, ungainly frame, and the face of an imbecile. His mannerisms at the piano were grotesque and suggested those of the trained apes that we have seen in recent years. At the conclusion of his performances he would jump about on the stage, wildly clapping his hands for self-approbation. His music was destitute of invention, but marvelously imitative. One of his feats was to play a melody with his right hand and, simultaneously, another with his left, at the same time whistling or singing a third—not merely popular airs like "Yankee Doodle" or "Sailor's Hornpipe," but the most intricate classic compositions of Bach, Chopin and Mendelssohn.

After leaving the stage Tom relapsed into stupid idiocy. For a time he became lost to the world, but later it was announced that he was living with his mother in New York city and that the two were subsisting on charity. Finally, in 1904, after he had been almost forgotten, he reappeared upon the stage in New York city, giving several concerts with much of his old-time vigor.

Reported Dead Nine Times. This uncanny phenomenon seemed to possess the feline characteristic of having nine lives. He was reported as having died at least that number of times. Once it was announced that he had succumbed to consumption, again that he had jumped off a bridge in St. Louis and had committed suicide; also that he had been killed near Cincinnati and that he had been drowned in a flood in Pennsylvania.

At last, in 1912, came what was heralded as "positively his last appearance" in the death notices. On June 13 of that year a negro dying in Hoboken was alleged to be "Blind Tom," but upon the burial certificate his name was given as Thomas Wiggins, although during his professional career he had been known as Thomas Bethune. One account published at the time stated that he had spent his last days subsisting on charity and another that he had been cared for during his declining years by the widow of his former master.

"Blind Tom" was a sphinx riddle to psychologists all over the world. None of them could ever fathom his phenomena. Probably there will never be an explanation of the remarkable freak of nature which gave the black idiot his mastery over the world of sound.

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UNCOMMON AMERICANS

By Elmo Scott Watson

She Modeled Lincoln

IN THE rotunda of the United States Capitol at Washington stands a statue of Abraham Lincoln. Among all the sculptured likenesses of the Great Emancipator this one is unique. It is the only one which was modeled from life and it is the work of a young girl. Vinnie Ream was her name and she was born in Wisconsin in 1847. As a girl she amused herself by sketching the Indians whom she saw when her father, a surveyor, took her with him on his trips in the West. They were crude sketches but an old Italian who saw them recognized her latent talent and encouraged her.

When she was fourteen her father secured a position for her as a copyist in the post office department at \$50 a month. She became acquainted with Clark Mills, the famous sculptor, and while watching him at work, exclaimed, "Oh, I could do that if I had some clay!" Mills told her to help herself and she was delighted with the progress which she made.

Then Vinnie Ream conceived the idea of modeling President Lincoln from life. When this was first suggested to him he refused, but after talking to the girl and becoming impressed with her earnestness, he gave his consent with the understanding that she was to come to the White House every afternoon during his rest period. She was not to talk and he was to sit, walk, or lie down to take a nap, as his mood dictated.

So for five months she spent part of every afternoon in his study. As he lay on the couch she took life masks of his face and hands. As he walked about or sat at his desk, she sketched his figure again and again.

After Lincoln's assassination congress decided to erect a statue in his memory and asked sculptors to submit sketches. Many famous artists responded but the work of this sixteen-year-old girl was the one selected. In 1869 congress advanced her \$5,000 and she went abroad to study and complete the statue. After nearly two years of steady work she finished it and it was unveiled in 1871. When the statue was placed in the rotunda of the Capitol an old servant who had lived in the White House exclaimed "the real Lincoln has returned to us."

Vinnie Ream later married Lieut. Richard L. Hoxie but continued her work as a sculptor until her death in 1914. She made many other statues and modeled medallions and busts of many notables, both here and abroad. But she is best remembered as the only sculptor who ever modeled Lincoln from life and the pioneer woman sculptor of America.

Soldier-Painter

IF YOU think of a painter as an impractical idealist, revise that view before applying it to Charles Willson Peale. Born in Maryland in 1741 he was apprenticed to a saddler at the age of thirteen and was such a good workman that he won his freedom by the time he was twenty. Then he went into business for himself and later formed a partnership with a chaise-maker who promptly absconded with all of the firm's money. To get out of debt Peale next tried clock and watch making and set himself up as a silversmith.

Becoming interested in painting, Peale took lessons from a Swedish-American artist and paid for them with a saddle which he had made. Next he spent two years studying under Copley in Boston and then went to England to learn more from the famous Benjamin West. Returning to this country a few years before the Revolution, he began painting portraits of Colonial celebrities, one of which was destined to make him famous. It was the picture of a young colonel in the Virginia militia named George Washington.

At the outbreak of the Revolution Peale, who was an ardent patriot, organized a company of militia and became a captain. For the next three years he mixed painting and soldiering, winning distinction in both. Next he went into politics and in 1779 and 1780 served as a member of the Pennsylvania assembly.

After the war, Peale gathered together all of the portraits of Revolutionary leaders he had painted—including several of Washington—and started a picture gallery in his home, which was so popular that he had to seek larger quarters. In 1802 he opened the famous Peale museum on the second floor of Independence hall. There he exhibited not only his paintings but also a remarkable collection of natural history specimens he had collected.

At the age of eighty-one Peale turned from portraiture to paint religious pictures. When he died in 1827 he left behind him a collection of 269 portraits and historical scenes as a memorial to one of America's greatest painters and also one of her most versatile geniuses.

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Operations and the Heart.

ALTHOUGH deaths whilst under an anaesthetic are now very rare, every anaesthetist, surgeon and physician is alert and very watchful before, during, and after an operation.

It is to prevent accidents during the taking of an anaesthetic that the patient is usually admitted to hospital the previous day so that an examination of heart, blood pressure and urine can be made.

One of the dangers that is always in mind is that a patient may have heart disease which has always been considered a serious risk during the anaesthetic.

It is interesting therefore to read in Archives of Surgery, Chicago, of the study made by Drs. J. Hickman, H. L. Livingstone and M. E. Davies, Chicago. They followed during a period of two years the history of 336 patients with heart disease who had undergone operations.

Fair Surgical Risks.

Since there were only six deaths due to heart disease and two to lung disease that could be linked up in any way with the operation and anaesthetic in the 336 patients who underwent 345 operations (a death rate of about 2 per cent), it shows that, as a group, patients with heart disease are fairly good surgical risks.

Angina pectoris (the severe pain under the breast bone due to lack of oxygen in the blood going to the heart), coronary occlusion (when the blood vessel or vessels helping to bring blood to the heart muscle gets blocked), decompensation (when the heart muscle has not the power to pump the blood properly), hardening of the arteries, and thyroid poisoning (poisoning of the heart muscles by the excess amount of thyroid juice from the thyroid gland in the neck), are, in the order named, the most serious diseases of heart and blood-vessels with which physicians have to deal.

These physicians state further: "Contrary to the belief of many medical writers, inhaling the anaesthetic, particularly ethylene-oxygen anaesthesia, is safe when a high percentage of oxygen is used and asphyxia (suffocating) or struggling is avoided. Ethylene-oxygen and local anaesthesia gave the most satisfactory results in the 336 cases above mentioned.

"The use of spinal ether or nitrous-oxygen anaesthesia increased the amount of complications which occurred after the operation."

Causes of Eczema.

Just why some individuals are bothered by eczema, asthma, hay fever, and others asting the same food, doing the same work, and living in the same climate are free from these ailments may seem hard to understand.

And yet if we just think for a moment we can readily see that as the cause of the irritation (pollen from plants, feathers, furs, foods, chemical substances), is always the same, the trouble must be in the individual, not in the substances.

Thus it is now agreed that there is something about the individual, something he has had handed down to him by his parents or something that he has acquired himself, that has so changed the cells or tissues of his body that they are sensitive to or can be changed somewhat, by any of the above irritants.

And it would seem that when the sensitiveness is not inherited some infection in the system from teeth, tonsils, or other parts, can develop or bring on this sensitiveness in an individual who has hitherto been free from eczema, asthma, and hay fever.

Dr. A. M. Memmesheimer, Berlin, reports that of 98 patients with eczema who were carefully observed and examined for the presence of focal infection (infection starting at some particular point as at teeth or tonsils), 82 had focal infections. The infection from bad teeth was found to be the most frequent, then in order came tonsils, the sinuses adjoining the nose, then the intestine and gall bladder and other parts.

This research worker states that of 76 cured patients in whom the infection had been found and removed, only ten had a relapse within a year, while 15 in whom no focal infection had been found, six had a relapse. Of course the infection may have been present and not found by the examining physician.

The business of trying to find some point of infection in a patient afflicted with eczema may be very "wearisome" to both patient and physician. However, eczema is a persistent and distressing ailment, and getting rid of it is worth weeks or months of effort.

Remember, it is the cells of the skin or other parts of the body that are at fault, not the irritant, and if something (infection) is making these cells "sensitive" it is really common sense to try to find and remove it.

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The Rogues' Gallery

JOHN LARDNER

Explains the Black Art



It is even possible to make the ingenua guilty in the end, provided you have plenty of nerve and a second, sweeter ingenua up your sleeve.

By JOHN LARDNER

CRITICS have referred to me as a close student of detective literature, one of them going so far as to say: "Lardner is the closest student of detective literature in the world. He never spent a dime in his life."

There's a mint of money to be made in mystery fiction these days. Look at Agatha Christie. Look at S. S. Van Dine. Look at Dorothy Sayers. Look at Rockefeller, who is the exception that proves the rule. And after looking at these parties for about five minutes (or ten, if you are astigmatic), try to realize that you, too, can be one of the 15,604 men, women, and kiddies who make an income of \$1,000,000 or less per annum by writing detective stories.

The main thing is to keep up to date. Trends and fashions change swiftly in the detective-story racket. A few years ago you could hang the rap on the butler on page 312 and forget about those two dangling clues that pointed straight at the ingenua in the first chapter. But plots have tightened up since then. Homicidal butlers are taboo. Dangling clues are not considered crickets. It is even possible to make the ingenua guilty in the end, provided you have plenty of nerve and a second, sweeter ingenua up your sleeve.

Another thing, the killer should not turn out on the last page of the book to be a total stranger. Time was when a bearded Kurd or a one-legged traveling salesman, perfectly new to the reader, could emerge at the finish and confess that he assassinated J. D. Bedrox, D. D. S., in the interest of painless dentistry. You can't get away with that now. The murderer has got to be somebody whom the reader suspected in chapters II, III, IV, and VIII, but forgot all about in chapters V, VI, VII, IX, and X.

Maybe I could make it easier for you tyros to earn a fortune if I gave you a short sample of the art, a sort of skeleton mystery story. All right, I will do so, and I will call it "The Skeleton Mystery Story." This title is a great hunch, closely akin to genius, because it gives you students a chance to write a whole series of books with rhyming titles, like, for instance, "The Gelatin Mystery Story," and—well, you get the idea. Good, eh?

Here's the Formula.

Now, first of all, you can have your choice of three detectives, as follows:

a. Silas Q. Peagreen, a Welsh sleuth, who plays wild Welsh airs on his flute or carves small statuary out of ice-cubes to assist concentration. Peagreen will not travel in anything but the sidecar of a motorcycle. He likes to read Dante, and has a comical Samoan valet, and lives in a remodeled dog kennel.

b. Mary Ellen Smith, a tiny, fluffy-haired kindergarten tot who speaks with a lisp and has a peculiar knack for tracking down criminals, especially murderers. She is partial to rag dolls and chews tobacco. Somewhere in her career Mary Ellen picked up the art of jiu-jitsu. She can send the toughest killer sprawling headlong.

c. Pete Mackerel, the stuttering detective, who never goes anywhere without his pet wolf, Lobo. Pete is seven feet tall, abnormally shy, and wears a pince-nez. He raises giant radishes for a hobby. Faints at the sight of blood.

With one of these three eccentric but lovable sleuths in mind, we can get on with the story. I am going to give you specimens of chapter

I, chapter VIII, and chapter X, because those (working proportionally, on the decimal system) are the important chapters in any mystery story. Viz, and to wit:

Chapter I (the crime).

No one seemed to know how it happened. The body lay there—a little grotesque, a little askew, a little dead—on the deep bearskin rug. The firelight threw weird flickers through the room, showing here a scattered pack of cards, there an ivory-handled dagger, there a pool of blood.

"H'm," mused Silas Q. Peagreen. "Diss iss very unny."

He drew the flute from his pocket and played a few snatches of "March, Men of Harloch." Then he studied the people in the room—the footman, the beautiful bride, the old lawyer, the soap tycoon. He picked up a blood-stained card from the floor.

"The deuce of spades," said Peagreen, with a soft sigh.

Chapter I-b (the crime).

There was the body. There was the shiv, with its ivory handle, and there were the pasteboards, and there was the gore. Nobody seemed to give a d-n about it.

"Screw layout," lisped little Mary Ellen Smith to herself. "I'm thupritted to thee it."

She grinned absently at the soap tycoon and bit a slab of Old Hickory off the plug. She studied the cards on the floor.

"Five athes in one pack," growled the fluffy-haired tot to herself. "Thith muht be a clip joint."

Chapter I-c (the crime).

The body lay on the floor. Pete Mackerel studied it tensely. Then he smiled an apology at the beautiful bride as his pet wolf, Lobo, bit off her finger.

"S-s-some fun, eh, kid?" stammered Pete.

Suddenly he saw the blood on the floor and fainted dead away.

Chapter VIII-a (the hunch).

Silas Q. Peagreen put aside his flute after 13 hours of constant playing. He looked down from the window of his apartment and gazed idly at the other tenants moving out of the building.

"I got it," said Silas. "I must have been blind not to see it before. The cunning, cunning fiend."

Chapter VIII-b (the hunch).

Little Mary Ellen Smith put her last dollie to bed and chewed a hunk off the plug. A slow smile came over her pan.

"I muhta been a thap not to thee it thooner," she lisped. "Thith I mean the hot neat for—"

Chapter VIII-c (the hunch).

Pete Mackerel stammered "D-d-down, Lobo!" as the trusted wolf bit off his arm. Then he faintly head away—but not before smiling slowly for he knew the answer at last.

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Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for March 28

JOHN'S RECOLLECTION OF THE RISEN LORD

LESSON TEXT — John 20: 19-29; 21: 20-24

GOLDEN TEXT — And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am he that liveth, and was dead; and behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen: and have the keys of hell and of death. Rev. 1:17, 18.

PRIMARY TOPIC — Our Living Lord. JUNIOR TOPIC — Eating Breakfast With Jesus.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC — Who Saw Jesus after His Resurrection?

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC — Christ's Resurrection a Glorious Fact.

"The best authenticated fact in all history"—that is what competent historians have called the resurrection of Christ. One of America's greatest legal authorities used it as an illustration of how properly to prove a fact in court. If anyone comes to this lesson with doubts about the bodily resurrection of our Lord, let him give himself to a study of the evidence. He will find it overwhelmingly satisfying and complete.

That is as it should be, for the resurrection is vital to the completeness of man's redemption. Had Jesus died and remained in the grave, his claims would have been nullified; we should indeed have been "of all men most miserable" (I Cor. 15:19). But Paul goes on in triumphant faith, "Now is Christ risen from the dead." We have a resurrection faith, a living Saviour.

Our lesson brings before us our Lord in his post-resurrection appearance to his disciples, and a subsequent conversation with Peter. These verses fittingly tie up the resurrection of Christ with the life and service of his followers. Those who serve the risen Christ have an inward peace and an outward authority and power. Their convictions are based on the best of evidence and carry them forward to a life of personal responsibility and service.

I. Peace (20:19-21).

Peace of soul is absolutely essential to useful and satisfied living. Only as we are "steadfast, immovable," can we be "abounding in the work of the Lord" (I Cor. 15:58). Steady at the center, active at the circumference.

II. Authority (vv. 21-23).

Commissioned and sent by the Son of God, clothed with Holy Spirit power, the Church of God has his authority. While some have read too much into verse 23, others have read out of it the real authority that God has given.

III. Conviction (vv. 24-29).

Thomas made the serious error of being absent from the gathering of the disciples when the Lord Jesus stood in their midst. Let those who commonly absent themselves from the place and hour of worship take heed lest they miss a blessing, and coming later add nothing to the spiritual life of the church, but rather become troublers and doubters.

But God graciously turns the doubt of Thomas into a means of blessing to all of us who since then have read of his experience. Thomas was an honest doubter. God is always ready to meet such with satisfactory proof. The trouble is that there are so many in the world who use professed doubts to cover a life of sin.

Doubt may come to any man. In itself it is no sin. But to cherish it and hold to it in unbelief—that is a different matter. One wise spiritual leader rightly counseled his people, "Believe your beliefs and doubt your doubts. Never make the mistake of doubting your beliefs or believing your doubts."

When Thomas saw the Lord, doubt rapidly changed to strong personal conviction and abandonment of himself to his Lord and Saviour.

IV. Responsibility (21:20-24).

This incident took place at a later appearance of Jesus to a smaller group of the disciples. The irreplaceable Peter has, as usual a question to ask, "What shall this man do?" It is a right thing to be concerned about the welfare of others, to see to it that they live right and do right. But there is in our relationship to God a primary personal responsibility, our own lives. The writer of the Song of Solomon (1:6) spoke a profound and deep-cutting word when he said, "They made me keeper of the vineyards; but my own vineyard have I not kept." Perhaps Jesus is saying to me, or to you, the solemn words that he spoke to Peter, "What is that to thee? follow thou me."

Personal responsibility should be one of the most resultful factors in the making of manhood, as in the finding of salvation.

The House in Order

The beauty of the house is order, the blessing of the house is contentment, the glory of the house is hospitality, the crown of the house is godliness.

Walking Gracefully—

Learn to Move About With Youthful Step and Fine Poise

By Lydia Le Baron Walker

EVERY person would like to be graceful, and recoils from being considered awkward. This attribute of grace is held in such high esteem that children are frequently sent to dancing school just to acquire it although they may never become exceptionally fine or professional dancers. They are taught poise and rhythm of motion that gives them the ability to move about with ease of body and grace of action.

Ungainly Gaits.

Knowing all this, it is odd that youths of today frequently have ungainly walks. This is instanced in girls especially. Older folk regret it when they themselves do not walk gracefully, and so eventually the young girls will also.

Promenades in Foreign Lands.

The art of walking gracefully is a matter of special attention in some countries. In Italy and many other foreign lands, the afternoon promenade is a function. Not to have a graceful gait is to mark one as awkward and conspicuous. The women from such countries are noted for their erect poise and fine carriage.

Acquiring Grace.

A graceful walk can be acquired by anyone who really wishes to be graceful on her feet, unless

she has some pedal affliction. Ungainly gaits may be the result of heedlessness, badly fitting shoes or stockings, actual maladies of the feet, or poor poise. Once you know what is the hindrance to graceful walking, you can set about the task of overcoming it, gracefully.

Some Hints.

Throw the shoulders back, hold the head high, watch where you are going without keeping your eyes glued to the ground. Do not ape the stride of men, for their long steps are awkward for women. Learn to flex the knees slightly, not enough to cause you to bob up and down, but just enough to provide that springiness which is an indication of the suppleness of youth.

A Suggestion to Remember.

Do not throw the torso first into one hip socket and then the other. This is ungainly and is said to increase the size of the hips. The hint of a "swinging gait" with its buoyancy is desirable but, when exaggerated, this becomes a rolling walk, which is to be avoided.

Uncle Phil Says:

Your Work at Hand

Look to tomorrow and plan for tomorrow—but don't forget to work today.

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Foreign Words and Phrases

- Semper paratus. (L.) Always prepared.
- Vox populi, vox Dei. (L.) The voice of the people is the voice of God.
- Vis-a-vis. (F.) Opposite, face to face.
- Etat d'ame. (F.) A state of mind.
- Non est. (L.) It is not; it is wanting.
- Sponte sua. (L.) Of one's own accord.
- Viva voce. (L.) By living voice; by oral testimony.
- Traumerei. (Ger.) Reverie, day dreams.

"They're DELICIOUS!"

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More Than Half Of Farmers in Callahan Co. Are Tenants

Tenants constitute 51 per cent of the farmers of Callahan County according to figures released today by J. S. McKnight, county supervisor of the Resettlement Administration. The Resettlement Administration survey shows that in many Texas counties more than 70 per cent of the farmers are tenants. The high percent of tenancy is confined to no one part of the state for in Terry County near the New Mexico line 72 per cent of all the farmers are tenants' while at the opposite corner of the state' in San Augustine County' the figure runs to 65 per cent.

In Haskell County and in Jones County' the heart of central west Texas' most fertile cotton area' 70 per cent and 68 per cent' respectively' are tenants. In the famous black belt where more than a million bales of cotton are normally raised within a 100-mile radius' Ellis County has 68 per cent tenancy' Navarro County 72 per cent' Hill County 67 per cent' and William County 66 per cent.

The lowest per cent of tenancy is in the hill country' where the farmers grow their living first and make cash crops more of a secondary matter. Typical of this type of county are Gillespie County' Kerr County' and Kendall County' where the percentage of tenancy ranges from 21 per cent to 27 per cent. Some comparatively low tenancy areas are also found in southeastern Texas' where there is another area of smallville at home farms. In five counties just north of Beaumont' the percentage of tenancy runs from 32 per cent to 38 per cent as compared with an average for the state of 57 per cent.

The Resettlement Administration is carrying out a three-point program to improve the conditions of tenant farmers and help them toward eventual ownership of the land.

(1) Rural rehabilitation' which resulted last year in lending \$9,010,971 to 29,653 Texas farm purchase of teams, tools and equipment which they would have been able to obtain in no other way. The central feature of this program is guidance in "live at home" methods, such as have kept certain sections of the state low in tenancy and high in percent of owner operators.

(2) Debtadjustment committees' organized by the Resettlement Administration and working under its supervision' are preventing hard pressed land owners from losing their farms through foreclosure and thereby swelling the ranks of tenants still farther.

(3) Construction is now in progress or authorized on 183 farms in Texas which have been bought for sale to farm tenants on 40 years time at not more than three per cent interest. Eighty five families already living on these farms are using the original buildings which are to be remodeled or replaced by new ones.

All these activities being carried out by the Resettlement Administration are alongs line suggested for more intensive prosecution by President Roosevelt in his recent message to Congress in regard to tenancy.

FARM LOANS
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JONES DRY GOODS

Spring Clean-Up Campaign

The accumulation of winter's debris represents a distinct menace to the health of adults and particularly to little children, according to Dr. W. Cox, State Health Officer, who urges everyone to clean their houses and yards at this time. It is not only good housekeeping, but ordinary sanitary principles indicate the necessity of prompt removal of all waste matter in and around the neighborhood of yards of homes but the definite lessening of the spread of disease, especially those affecting infants, is vitally connected with this procedure.

Flies help spread typhoid fever, dysentery, diarrhea, tuberculosis, anthrax, and cholera. They breed live and feed in filth. To prevent their increase oil refuse should be disposed of once, garbage kept in covered containers, privies made sanitary, and houses screened. Every neighborhood raises its own flies, so that their number is an index to the sanitary conditions.

Mosquitoes are responsible for the spread of malaria, dengue, and yellow fever. Malaria is spread by the bite of the Anopheles or malaria mosquito. Dengue fever and yellow fever are transmitted by the Aedes Aegypti or Tiger mosquito. The best way to prevent these diseases is to destroy the breeding places of the mosquito. They breed in standing water, therefore, one should drain, ditch, or fill such places, spray oil on water each week, or stock the water with surface minnows as they will eat the wiggletails. Houses should be well screened to protect against these insects. After the spring cleaning is finished, it should be kept in this condition at all times.

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METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The regular monthly business meeting of the Methodist Women's Missionary Society was held Monday afternoon at the church.

Mrs. Ace Hickman led the Bible study, and reports of the officers were heard. Those present were: Mmes. Bob Norrell, E. H. Adams, W. A. Fetterly, M. G. Farmer, Lua James, J. A. Scoggins, Gene Love and F. L. Foster.

NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF COMMISSIONERS PRE. N. 2

I wish to call the attention of the public generally that is is a violation of the law to dump tin cans, brush or rubbish of any kind along the public road. Dumping rubbish along these roads is interfering greatly with the drainage of the water. I respectfully request you to be more careful in observing this. Thanking

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