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<p>SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT</p> <p>Sunday, Oct. 28, 1917.</p> <p>Baptist Sunday School Number present 151 Collection \$ 4.25</p> <p>Methodist Sunday School. Number present 122 Collection \$ 3.19</p> <p>Presbyterian Sunday School Number present 114 Collection \$ 4.00</p> <p>Christian Sunday School Number present No Report Collection \$ Chapters read \$</p> <p>Total Attendance 387 Total Collection \$11.44</p>	<p>HOMER HAM DEAD</p> <p>News was received here this morning of the death of Homer, only son of Dad Ham, at Mineola. Homer had been suffering from paralysis for sometime and was enroute home from Hot Springs, so we were informed. The body will reach Baird tonight and the funeral will likely be held sometime tomorrow.</p> <p>EPISCOPAL SERVICES</p> <p>Rev. W. C. Williams will preach at the Episcopal Church Sunday morning, Nov. 11th. Holy Communion at 10 a. m. Morning service at 10:45. Everybody invited to attend.</p>	<p>SAD ACCIDENT</p> <p>Herschell Walker, aged 7 years, son of M. C. Walker was accidentally shot and killed by his cousin, Auther Walker, age 12 years at the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. J. W. Walker, Wednesday. Wednesday Herschell went over in North Baird to visit his aunt, Mrs. J. W. Walker and while playing with a shot gun, supposed to be unloaded, the gun was discharged, killing little Herschell instantly. Only the two boys were in the house at the time and we found it difficult to learn just how the accident occurred. Our heart-felt sympathy go out to both families in their hour of sorrow. The remains of little</p>	<p>Herschell were interred in Baird cemetery Thursday. This tragedy, not the only one of the kind that has occurred in Baird, should be a warning to parents about the promiscuous use of fire arms by small boys. A small boy with a loaded gun is just about the most dangerous thing out, unless it is some careless men we have known.</p> <p>CAKE AND PIE SALE</p> <p>The Junior Home Reserves will have a pie, cake and candy sale at R. L. Alexander's Furniture store next Saturday, November 10, 1917.</p> <p>I will take subscriptions to any paper or magazine. Inquire at The Baird Star office.—John Gilliland.</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY CLUB</p> <p>The Wednesday Club met with Mrs. L. L. Blackburn on Nov. 7, and 18 members responded to roll call with items of interest about noted Spanish discoverers.</p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting were read and the following program was rendered: Paper,—Spain's Golden Age Mrs. Cooke. Talk, Rural life in Spain—Mrs. Driskill. Reading, Columbus before the University of Salamanca—Mrs. James. The Club then adjourned to meet with Mrs. Boren on Nov. 14.</p>	<p>METHODIST CHURCH</p> <p>The recent meeting of the North-west Texas Conference reappointed Rev. W. Y. Switzer as pastor of the local Methodist Church for another year. He will begin his new years work next Sunday by preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. All members are urged to be present and the public is cordially invited to these services. Sunday School 10 a. m.</p> <p>LAND WANTED.</p> <p>I have several houses that I will trade for farm or grass land. Will pay difference. 48-2t. C. E. Holmes, Baird.</p>
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INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 11

LESSON TEXT—Nehemiah 1.
GOLDEN TEXT—"Whatever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight."—John 3:22.

Some twelve or fourteen years after the revival of the worship of Jehovah under the administration of Ezra, Nehemiah led a company to Jerusalem to restore the city walls and civil authority. The walls and gates of the city had lain in ruins ever since they were broken down by Nebuchadnezzar. In this condition the remnant of the Jews who had gone back to Jerusalem were exposed to the dangers of assaults from the surrounding enemies. Not only was this exposure detrimental to the peace and comfort of the people, but it was a matter of severe reproach to them (v. 3). Nehemiah was a man of strong character. Though occupying a position of high honor and responsibility in the very center of the great heathen capital, the desire to honor God was uppermost in his heart. He is an example to all young men, demonstrating to them that it is possible to be true to God regardless of the environment in which he may be compelled to live. In order for a man to thus stand, his life must be rooted in Christ, and these roots—our faith—must be watered and kept alive through vital communion with God in prayer and study of His Holy Word.

1. Nehemiah Learns of the Affliction and Reproach of the Returned Remnant in Jerusalem (vv. 1-4).
1. The time (v. 1). It was in a winter month, November or December, in the 20th year of Artaxerxes. He was engaged in the performance of his accustomed duties as cup-bearer to the king, when the news came to him of the deplorable condition of Jerusalem and the remnant who had gone there.

2. The occasion of (vv. 2, 3). The visit of Nehemiah's brother and certain men of Judah made it possible for him to inquire concerning the state of the remnant and the conditions of Jerusalem. They informed him that they were in great affliction and reproach.

3. The effect upon Nehemiah (v. 4). He was greatly moved by the story of the distress of his brethren. Though occupying a position of honor, and enjoying all that heart could desire, he keenly took the misfortune of his brethren to heart. He not only shed tears of sympathy, but took these burdens in prayer to God. This is the proper way to sympathize with the unfortunate. It is manly to weep with those in distress, and to pray for those who have need. Jesus wept over Jerusalem and prayed for his own. Nehemiah exhibited the spirit of true patriotism. The affliction and shame of his own people went close to his own heart. National and racial solidarity constitutes the real basis of patriotism. The reproach and affliction of a nation is the reproach and affliction of every member thereof.

4. Nehemiah's Prayer for Israel (vv. 5-11). We are taught that in the midst of affliction, we should pray. Nehemiah in this early time practiced this New Testament direction. A study of his prayer is most helpful.

1. It was earnest (v. 4). He fasted and prayed for several days. When men are willing to desist from food and turn aside from their occupations to pray to God, they are unmistakably in earnest. This is true fasting.

2. The ground of (v. 5). He plead covenant relationship and the faithfulness of God in keeping his covenant. It is a good thing always in our praying to plead thus with God. He is delighted when we come as children pleading for the things we need on the basis of our relationship to him.

3. Unselfish (v. 6). He has as his supreme object the welfare of Israel. His personal interests were not affected, either for better or for worse, by the condition of the Jews in Jerusalem. Many prayers do not count with God because they are self-centered.

4. Penitent (vv. 6, 7). He acknowledges that the state of Israel was due to disobedience to God's commandments and their corrupt dealings with God. So completely had he identified himself with his people that he included himself with Israel as having sinned.

5. The prayer of faith (vv. 8, 9). He believed the word which God had spoken to Moses touching his willingness to restore and bless his people, though he was obliged to severely judge them. In our praying, we should be able to point to some definite promise in God's word, as we plead with him. Faith takes God at his word, and holds him to it.

6. Definite (vv. 10, 11).
a. He pointed to the specific people, as those redeemed by God's powerful hand.
b. He asked that God would prosper his way and grant him mercy in the sight of the king. This was a part of wisdom on Nehemiah's part. Before going before men for consideration of important interests, we should ask God to prepare their hearts, so that they will listen sympathetically to our plea. This we should do in all things, and we can do it, when our hearts are right, and we see the good of others and not that of ourselves.

DAIRY

LOSS OF FAT IN SKIM MILK

Farmer Using Separator Should Pay Close Attention to Matter—Chief Cause Is Speed.

Every farmer who uses a separator to skim his milk should give close attention to see that he does not lose fat in the skim milk. A small percentage of fat going into the skim milk continuously means a great loss for the year. If a cow gives 5,000 pounds of milk and four tenths of one per cent is lost, it would mean for the year a loss of about \$8 per cow.

There may be many causes to produce such a loss. Probably the chief cause is the speed of the bowl. If a separator is turned too slowly the milk does not skim clean and fat goes over into the skim milk. Another cause might be the temperature of the milk. For close skimming milk should be 83 degrees or above. Still another cause is an unbalanced bowl. See that the separator gets plenty of oil when running and do not neglect it when it gets out of order.

MAKING IDEAL DAIRY RATION

Silo Solves Succulence Problem Best—Roots Should Be More Generally Fed to Cows.

It is very necessary that succulence be supplied if we hope to come anywhere near an ideal dairy ration. The silo solves this problem best. From all points of view silage is to be preferred. The second choice would be roots. These will be very satisfactory, either when fed alone or supplementary to the silage, and should be more generally fed than at present on all dairy farms. Lacking either of these, it will be important to secure similar effects through the grain ration with the aid of alfalfa or clover if available. In this connection oil meal is of great value because of its well-known laxative properties coupled with its high protein content.

BUILDING UP A DAIRY HERD

Care and Feed of Calves Is of Great Importance—Select Best Marked Females.

Select the best marked female calves from the tested and most productive cows. Let the calf remain with the cow for eight to ten days or until the cow's milk is fit for human food. Feed sweet skim milk heated to blood heat; about one to two quarts may be given morning and evening. Have a clean tin feed bucket; disease and no end of germs may be found in dirty buckets. Feed every day and set out in the sun and air.

Feed sweet milk; it should always be fed warm; cold and sour milk will produce scours and diarrhea. After



Good Foundation Stock.

the second week a little oatmeal and a small quantity of flaxseed oil meal after it is boiled may be added to the milk.

Tie a little bunch of bright, sweet clover hay in the pen every day for the calf to nibble. After the milk has been fed put a little meal in the calf's mouth. A little hay may also be given. By this method the calf will soon learn to eat meal and hay.

Whole oats and wheat bran may be fed in small quantities after the sixth week. All stock, young and old, thrive and keep in health when well fed and kindly treated.

CHECK GROWTH OF BACTERIA

Milk Fresh From Cow Should Be Chilled at Once to About Fifty Degrees Fahrenheit.

Cooling milk immediately after milking checks the growth of bacteria and thus prevents the milk from spoiling. Hence milk fresh from the cow should be chilled at once to about 50 degrees Fahrenheit and kept at that temperature until delivered.

SILAGE NECESSARY FOR COW

Thirty Pounds Per Day Is About Right—It Won't Hurt to Give Her All She Will Eat.

About 30 pounds of silage per day is required by the dairy cow, while a beef animal will consume one-third more, or possibly a still greater amount. It will not hurt a cow to feed her all that she will consume if the silage is good and is fed regularly.

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Saving the Bullets.

There are several kinds of airplanes adapted to different kinds of military service and their equipment varies according to whether they are intended chiefly for scouting, for bomb dropping or for gun fighting. On most of the machines of the last-named or battle-plane type, a writer in the Scientific American says, a machine gun is so fitted as to point along the axis of the machine. The pilot, who is alone, directs the nose of his airplane at the enemy and fires across the propeller. Two plans were tried for preventing the propeller from being broken by the bullets. The first consisted of stopping the machine gun whenever the propeller came within the field of fire, but experience showed that frequent stopping of the gun with the propellers making 1,200 revolutions a minute ends in putting the gun out of order. Designers then placed steel plates on those parts of the propeller likely to be struck, and these plates turn the bullets that strike the propeller. It is mathematically calculated that only one bullet in eighteen is wasted in this way.

Music of the Wind.

The wind in the trees sound poetical. But the hot air that accompanies some family trees does not.

Not a Sure Sign.

The way wife shows her shoulder blades at the opera isn't any sign she means to cut expense.

GERMANS RAID AN AMERICAN TRENCH

THREE KILLED, FIVE WOUNDED AND TWELVE CAPTURED ON NOVEMBER 3.

CABLE FROM GEN. PERSHING

Details of First Encounter Says On Wounded German Was Taken. No Names of Casualties.

Washington.—Advancing under protection of a heavy barrage fire a German raiding party before daylight on Nov. 3 stormed a trench held by American infantry, killing three, wounding five and capturing 12, according to dispatches from General Pershing received by the War Department.

American infantry were in occupation of a small salient for instruction when cut off from the main body by heavy bombardment of German artillery. General Pershing reports the capture of one prisoner. Enemy losses are not known, says the dispatch.

The official statement follows: "The war department has received a dispatch from the commanding general of the American expeditionary forces which stated that before daylight Nov. 3, a salient occupied for instruction by a company of American infantry was raided by Germans. The enemy put down the heavy barrage fire, cutting off the salient from the rest of the men. Our losses were three killed, five wounded and 12 captured or missing. The enemy's losses are not known. One wounded German was taken prisoner."

Pershing's cable gave the first meager details of the first actual fighting experienced by America's overseas forces. Intimations of a conflict were had in dispatches from Berlin declaring that American prisoners had been captured.

The announcement from General Pershing gave no names of the casualties.

The announcement also omitted to mention whether the trench had been captured. It is presumed, however, that the attacking force inflicted as much damage as possible in a short space of time and then retreated to the protection of their own earthworks before American reinforcements could arrive.

Italian Lines Hold Teutonic Invaders

Great Britain and France truly are rushing to the aid of Italy in her critical hour. Not alone have men and guns been sent to the battle front along the Tagliamento river, where the Italians are holding the Teutonic allied invaders at bay, but the war brains of Great Britain and France—comprising the elements that have been so successful in operating against the foe in France and Belgium—are in Italy to consult with the Italian leaders and evolve plans to change the order of things as they now stand.

Meanwhile General Cadorna's men are holding the invaders along the Tagliamento by means of their heavy artillery and quick-fire guns. On the left wing the Italians have repelled vigorously to strong pressure by the Germans and Austro-Hungarians and have held the attacking forces for no gains.

Americans Captured After Stiff Fight

With American Army in France.—A small detachment of American infantrymen was attacked in the first line trenches early Saturday morning by a much superior force of German shock troops. The Americans were cut off from relief by heavy barrage in their rear. They fought gallantly until overwhelmed solely by numbers.

The fighting in the trenches was hand to hand. It was brief and fierce in the extreme. As a result of the encounter three Americans were killed and four wounded. A sergeant and corporal and ten men were taken prisoner.

Two French soldiers who were in the trenches also were killed. The enemy lost some men, but the number is unknown, as their dead and wounded were carried off by the retreating Germans.

British Destroy 11 German Ships

London.—The admiralty announced that a German auxiliary cruiser and ten armed patrol craft had been destroyed by British naval forces in the Cattegat, an arm of the north sea between Sweden and Denmark. The cruiser was armed with six-inch guns. The announcement says that 64 prisoners have been rescued and that there were no British losses. Further details are promised when the British forces return to their bases.

12 Men Lost as Picket Boat Sinks

Washington.—Twelve men—all the crew of the picket boat of the battleship Michigan, were lost when their little craft foundered in home waters. In a brief announcement of the disaster the Navy department gave no details. Presumably the fast little picket boat was on patrol duty and foundered in a heavy sea or met with some accident. Three bodies have been found, and as all the others are missing, the Navy department assumes that all were lost.

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that your heart's all right. Make sure. Take "Renovine"—a heart and nerve tonic. Price 50c and \$1.00.—Adv.

Glasgow, Scotland, has given \$12.50 per head of population to war relief funds.

Many people imagine that Worms or Tapeworm cannot be gotten rid of entirely. Those who have used "Dead Shot"—Dr. Peery's Vermifuge, know that they can. Adv.

Nothing hurts quite so much as the wrong that is done to us unintentionally.

Love Found the way.
The spirited story of one of the most romantic weddings of the war was unfolded recently, writes a British correspondent. Lieutenant Wyndham was gassed in France, and taken to Lady Luchepes's hospital. There he fell in love with Lord Incheape's daughter, but the girl's father refused his consent to their marriage. The couple ran away to London, only to find Lord Incheape in hot pursuit, and that Wyndham was wanted for being absent without leave. There followed a chase through London, in the course of which the couple got into telephone booths and changed their clothes, and then walked out under the very noses of the detectives who were waiting for them. They then made their escape to Scotland, where they were married.

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Callahan county is going to vote on a \$1000,000 road bond issue. It should carry. Old Callahan, one of the best counties in the Central West, needs some sure enough good roads.—Abilene Reporter.

Callahan county has spent lots of money on roads and already has some "sure enough" good roads, but needs more of them.

Some of us are too old to enlist in the military service of our country and some of us are too poor to buy bonds, the editor belongs to both classes—but we all can do something to help Uncle Sam win this war—and we will. We cannot afford to play the slacker, because our nation is lost if we lose this war. Did you ever think of it in this light? Well if not better get your think cap working.

The German foreign minister told the American Ambassador Gerard before the break with Germany that the United States would not dare go to war with Germany, because, said he, "We have five hundred thousand German reservist in the United States. Gerard replied that we had five hundred thousand lamp-posts on which to hang these reservists if they attempted to interfere with this government. Germany it seems relied on the loyalty not only of the German reservist in this country but the American born German as well. This lack of gumption on the part of the German government is the reason that it is at war with the world.

We hear of some criticism of the Hoover method in his efforts to conserve our food supply. This was to be expected because free born Americans are cranky about their individual rights, but "can" the kicks until the war is over. The National government is trying to teach us all a lesson we should have learned long ago—that of thrift and economy. Most Americans are industrious enough but a majority of them are said to be the most wasteful people on earth and we believe it at times. We lived near many Germans when a boy and we recall that it was a common saying that a German family would live on what the average American family would throw away and we now believe this is true, though we did not believe it then. These sturdy German families learned thrift and saving in their Fatherland where they had to make every penny count, and these habits of thrift served them well in their new homes and of course they all prospered, and by the way they lived better than the average American family. People of the old world learned long ago what Hoover is trying to teach us now. Produce all you can, save all you can, and can all you can.

The German press is very sarcastic in its comments on the success of the Germans in this first encounter with the American troops in France. Well let them brag while they have a chance because a day is coming when they will not have any chance for self-congratulation about success over American troops. The little setback to the Americans will only make them more determined than ever and perhaps more cautious in the future. The Germans are destined to have as rude awakening about American troops, as they long ago experienced with the French and English troops. The "decadent" French, and English "shop keepers" fooled them, and today are smashing the Hindenburg line in places along on a two hundred mile front. The Germans profess to believe the Americans cannot stand before the German soldiers. If they do fail it will be the first time in two hundred years that the Americans ever

quailed before any foe. We have the utmost confidence that man to man Fritz will get the worst of the fighting with the Americans, but they will have to show Fritz. That is what they are in France for, because they realized it was better to meet Fritz at home than to meet him in our own home land.

WAR REVIEW.

The situation on the Russian and Italian fronts is exceedingly grave for the entente. The extreme socialists have secured control of the government at Petrograd and Kerensky, head of the Provisional government was forced to flee. The Maximilist say they will demand peace at once. It looks like Russia is either out of the war or on the verge of a civil war. Either will be unfortunate for Germany's enemies.

The Italian army has lost over two hundred thousand men and is still retreating. There is danger that Italy will be put out of the war unless prompt assistance is given by England and France.

All this looks dark for the entente side, but do not get the idea that Germany will win even if every nation but England, France and the United States quit. Neither of these nations are quitters and will fight to the end. Should both Russia and Italy quit it means more serious work for America. Do not forget this important fact: if we do lose in this war we lose all. That is what defeat means, never doubt this no matter what any slick tongued Germanophile may tell you.

We are going to win, or this old world is going to experience a greater disaster than the Romans had when the barbarians overrun the Roman empire.

German gold and spies and Russian traitors put Russia out of the war, which was responsible for the recent disastrous defeat of the Italian army, because while the Russians are jouncing among themselves about how to carry on the war, the Germans quietly sent 50 odd divisions of troops from the eastern front to help their distressed ally, Austria, against the Italians. We must hand it to the Kaiser as the slickest duck in the muddled war pond in Europe.

The work of pro-German sympathizers and spies in the United States becomes evident in many unexpected ways, but they seem to be sleepless and our people should make eternal vigilance a watchword. The recent burning of the freight depots at Dublin and Fort Worth and other places is thought by officers to be the work of war enemies, the intention being to destroy food stuff that might be stored in the railroad depots. These successive catastrophes serve to give warning to keep watch not only over depots and down town feed stores and grocery stores, but also the barns and graneries and smoke houses throughout the country. We must ever bear in mind that this the harvest time and unusual care must now be exercised or our stores will suffer fearful depletion, and the punishment for in-conditionalism will not restore the loss, and loss of feedstuffs and foods is what we should most jealously guard against now. Eternal vigilance is the price of preservation at this time.—Hamilton Record.

There is now no limit on the amount of taxes that may be levied and collected by counties, cities, towns and sub-divisions of counties in Texas for school purposes, according to an act passed by the last session of the legislature, and which bill has been duly approved by Governor Hobby. Before the enactment of this law, a limit of 50 cents on the \$100 of property valuation was placed. Now the limit has been taken off and it is up to the voters of a county or sub-division thereof to determine the amount. Prof. W. F. Doughty, state superintendent of public instruction, considers this act one of the most important pieces of school legislation enacted by the legislature in many years and that it will do much toward improving school conditions.—Ex.

How short a span it is from our firesides to the bloody trenches in France. Only a few weeks ago a stalwart young son of Donley county stood in the News office and cen-

versed with this editor about his expected trip to France and in this week's issue will be found a letter to his parents after having landed in the old world. Let us not assume that the war is so far away that it cannot effect us here. Such is not the case and the sooner we realize it and use our every effort to conserve food and finance for the successful prosecution of the war the sooner will the horrible affair end, and the sooner will American boys be home again.—Clarendon News.

Brazil has declared war on Germany. Bolivia will soon follow suit. In coming years when sojourning on St. Helena's lonely isle the Kaiser can repeat what Byron makes Napoleon say:

"Farwell to the land where the gloom of my glory Arose and o'ershadowed the earth with her name— She abandons me now—but the pages of her story, The brightest or blackest, is filled with my fame I have warred with a world which vanquished me only When the meteor of conquest al-lured me too far; I have coped with the nations which dread me thus lonely, The last single captain to millions in war.

"Oh! for the veteran hearts that were wasted In strife with the storm, when their battles were won— Then the Eagle, whose gaze in that moment was blasted, Had still soared with eyes fixed on victory's sun."

Night is coming to the Kaiser as certain as it came to the great Napoleon, unless justice has fled the earth because of the wickedness of man. "Vengeance is mine I will repay, saith the Lord" He repaid Caesar, Hannabal, Fredrick the Great and Napoleon and He will repay the German Kaiser for starting this war, Old Emperor Francis Joseph, the Kaiser's cats-paw has gone to receive his reward, and the Kaiser will follow of course, naturally, but it does seem that some such punishment as Napoleon received would be too small for the millions of lives and billions of dollars he has cost the world.

LETTER FROM JOE ELLIS.

Great Lakes, Ill., Oct. 28th, 1917 Editor Baird Star,

Dear Sir: Again I'll write a line or two, and four or five lines for the lads besides myself. Perhaps you or our friends don't realize how lonely us kids got at our different camps and training stations, so here goes to try to express my own opinion, and that of other fellows I've had the pleasure to be with a number of times at the bugle call for mail:

THE CALL.

What is the call, the bugle call, the call that has no letters. That longed for call that beats 'em all, that musical call for letters. You can take a silver trumpet and sound the dread alarm We will spring to action with our rifle 'neath our arm But if you want to jump and beat a streak of hall, Just take the same old bugle and sound the call for mail. No one who has not been there can know just what it means To have a live epistle from the home folks in your jeans Perhaps the maiden's name is Madge, Jane or Marguerite, But a scented word of love makes a week's dull toil sweet And any Mothers' sailor son who hears that bugle cry Just stops his heart and holds his breath for fear he'll be passed by His hands are all a-tremble and his eyes stick out like pegs And he goes all a-quiver with the ague in his legs But if his name is not on the list he waits, a frozen bud Until another mail call brings him trudging thro the mud He is no correspondent and his answers are but few His chances are so slim to write his love "Billet-Doux," And when he does it's beneath a spluttering pine-knot taper With a broken nib, and an ink-starved pen on a piece of cartridge paper, Now the moral for the "at homes": Don't wait for him to write, And don't just say: "Dear Joe,"—Must close, I hope this finds you right But a good long newsy letter is the best you can yield In the way of active service to your Sammies and Jackies in the field That is the call, the bugle call, the call that has no letters That longed for call, that beats 'em all, that musical call for letters.

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MOTORIST NEWS.

W. T. Hensley and R. A. Kavanaugh went to Abilene Monday in Mr. Hensley's car.

Mrs. Martin Barnhill and a party of friends motored to Abilene last Saturday.

The mode of transportation has changed greatly in the last few years in the west. The farmers and cow men that used to come to town in wagons and buggies and on horse-back now come in their automobiles.

Oscar Black Flivvered in from Admiral with some friends Saturday H. Schwartz, Earl Hall, Gloster King, H. C. Jones, Claud Terry and A. D. Williams returned last Saturday from a ten days trip to the Llano river and San Antonio. They saw most of the Baird boys who are in the army at San Antonio. They made the trip in H. C. Jones and Glouster Kings' cars.

The Baird High School Basket Ball team (boys) went over to Moran last Friday and played the Moran team. The Baird boys report a victory of 40 to 12. They made the trip in autos.

Nearly all the automobile dealers in the county are now displaying their 1918 models, which in all classes are a more refined and better appointed cars, and in most makes are many changes which make for convenience and economy.

It takes very little trouble or expense to either drain your cooling system or put an anti-freeze solution in it thru the winter, but it causes great annoyance and expense if you fail to do this and it freezes up on you.

Harry Berry, Manager of the Baird Auto Co., is on the job again after an extended illness and is now trying to get more Fords.

The Dunlap Motor Co. received another car load of Chevrolets last week.

W. J. Ray of the Baird Garage and Jesse James of the James Bros. Garage, report that the repair business is fairly good, but automobile and accessory sales are a little slow at present.

The war tax which went into effect recently has made a slight raise in the price of all cars.

The Dunlap Motor Co. sold a new Chevrolet to Morris Woodward of Clyde last week.

E. C. Fulton who has the Oldsmobile agency here, drove another

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There is quite a bit of tourist travel at present, but we would get a larger per cent if the roads were in good shape, and a good rain would help them if they were properly dragged afterward.

Carl Hensley motored to Abilene, Thursday. Reporter.

Buy a pair of warm gloves at B. L. Boydston. 48-21-adv.

FOR SALE.—A few sample books. Two will make a quilt top. Price 50c and 75c each. 49-1t. Roy D. Williams.

Mrs. R. D. White has returned from Fort Worth where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Welch.

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Mr. and Mrs. Van Jones have returned to Baird after spending the past few months on the car. Mr. Jones having charge of the Building Department at different points on the west end of the T. & P.

Mr. J. A. Hutchison and family moved to Corpus Christi last week. We regret to see them leave, but Mr. Hutchison said before he left that he may return to Baird. Ben Sigal has leased Mr. Hutchison's ranch near town.

H. C. Perkins and family moved to Oklahoma last week. Mr. Perkins was seriously hurt at the coal chute in Baird several months ago and is not able to do hard work. We hope he will find something that he can do to make a living.

What is better than a magazine subscription as a Christmas present. It costs no more than anyone wishes to pay for a gift, and in the whole year it does not grow shoddy or cheap. It brings a happy reminder every month of the giver. Let me send in your order for any magazine. I will appreciate all orders.—Miss John Gilliland, at Baird Star Office.

FOR SALE.—New type Z, 15 horse power, Fairbanks-Morse oil engine. Texas Coca Cola Co., Abilene, Texas. 49-3tp.

Child's Purse Found.—Owner can have same by describing purse and contents and paying 20c for this notice at THE STAR Office.

FOR SALE.—A good second hand wagon and saddle, at a bargain. See Robert Mitchell, Baird, Texas. 48-2t-adv.

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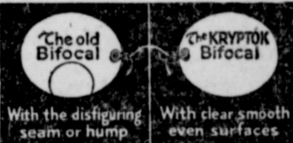
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PERSONALS

John Estes spent Sunday in Anson with his parents.

F. S. Russell, of the Bayou, spent a day or two in town this week.

N. O. Burson spent a few days in Fort Worth this week.

Mrs. Tom McGuire and little son, of Admiral are visiting her aunt, Mrs. Russell this week.

F. S. Bell and daughter, Miss Ellen spent a few days in Dallas the latter part of last week with Bowyer Bell.

Mrs. Chas. Peek and little son, Glenn Dale, of Clyde spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Williams.

Mrs. J. H. Walker, Misses Eliza Gilliland, Catherine Walker, Haynie Gilliland and Richard Price spent Tuesday in Abilene.

L. D. Harwell, of Putnam called at THE STAR office yesterday and pushed up his date on THE STAR another year.

Mrs. John Walker, of Admiral spent Wednesday in Baird. Miss Susie Walker, of Baird returned home with her for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mitchel will leave today for Camp Travis, San Antonio, where their son, Irving is stationed as a member of the National Army.

Miss Roberta Gilpin, of Moran and Misses Blanche Clemer and Ada Raley, of Clyde, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Williams over Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Jas. H. Walker and daughters, Catherine and Billie Bess after spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland left Wednesday evening for her home in Balmorhea.

Ike Brown, of Abilene has bought I. N. Jackson's cattle and leased the Jackson ranch north of Baird. We hear that Mr. Brown has also leased the Lones pasture. Ed Lambert is working on the ranch.

LISTEN!—TEXAS MAP FREE

We have a few Texas-Oklahoma-Old Mexico Maps left and from date will give, as long as they last, one map to each subscriber who pays as much as \$2.00 or more on subscription, provided at least one year is in advance. Every subscription to THE STAR that is past due will be discontinued on January 1st.

November and December are Pay-Up months at THE STAR Office. No credit for 1918.

Rev. W. Y. Switzer returned Monday from Memphis, Texas where he attended the annual meeting of the north-west Texas Conference of the M. E. Church, south. Bro. Switzer has been returned as pastor of the Methodist Church at Baird for his third year. We are glad to have Bro. Switzer and wife continue with us another year. Both are effectual earnest workers in the Church and Sunday School, and if all the members will give them their earnest loyal support the church will make even a better report the coming year than in the past, which was the best report it made for ten years.

CHEAP—WINTER—PASTURE

Now that the cold weather is on you with a shortage of pasture for your cattle had you thought of feeding the prickly pears scattered over your pastures? Get you a Pear Burner and note the satisfaction of your stock at finding the thorns burned off and how well they will eat them. For Sale By Jno. C. Sherman, 47-4t-adv Cisco, Texas.

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ADMIRAL NEWS

Nov. 5, 1917.—We are having real pretty weather now, and still dry.

Bro. McNair preached at Cedar Grove Sunday and at Admiral Sunday night.

They organized a red cross society here last Thursday afternoon. Bro. Peebles of Baird made a real nice talk.

Clark Smith, wife, children and Mrs. G. W. Black visited Mr. Jim Price last Tuesday afternoon and came back Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Ona Berry came to her mothers, Mrs. Beasley Saturday.

Mrs. E. M. Higgins, two daughters and Mrs. Joe Higgins visited C. B. Higgings at Ft. Worth and went to Dallas fair while there.

Mr. John Walker was in Fort Worth last week to see his son, Less at Camp Bowie.

J. R. Black, mother, and aunt, Mrs. Boen, went to Abilene last week.

Mr. Ed Davis and wife spent Sunday with home folks.

School began here Monday, Miss Winnie Davis will teach again this year.

Mr. Louis Crutchfield and son, attended the San Angelo fair last week.

Mrs. Ralph Harris, who has been staying with her parents for some time will return to her home in Dallas soon.

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NOTICE

Dr. Simmons, of Abilene, will be in Baird November 19. Practice confined to the Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat and fitting of glasses. Office with Dr. Griggs. 48-3t-dva

WANTED.—Man to work on dairy, must be good milker. 47-tf-adv H. M. Bailey.

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FIRE AGAIN

Fire destroyed Sheriff Moore's tent on his farm near the Peak, and all it's contents on Tuesday morning, originating from the stove. Before Mrs. Moore noticed the fire it had got beyond control, and she burned her hands badly in getting some of the children to safety. All their household goods, relics, etc., except their best furniture, which is still at Baird, were destroyed. Mr. Moore was called from Baird, and he brought his family to his son, Jesse's in town.—Cross Plains Review.



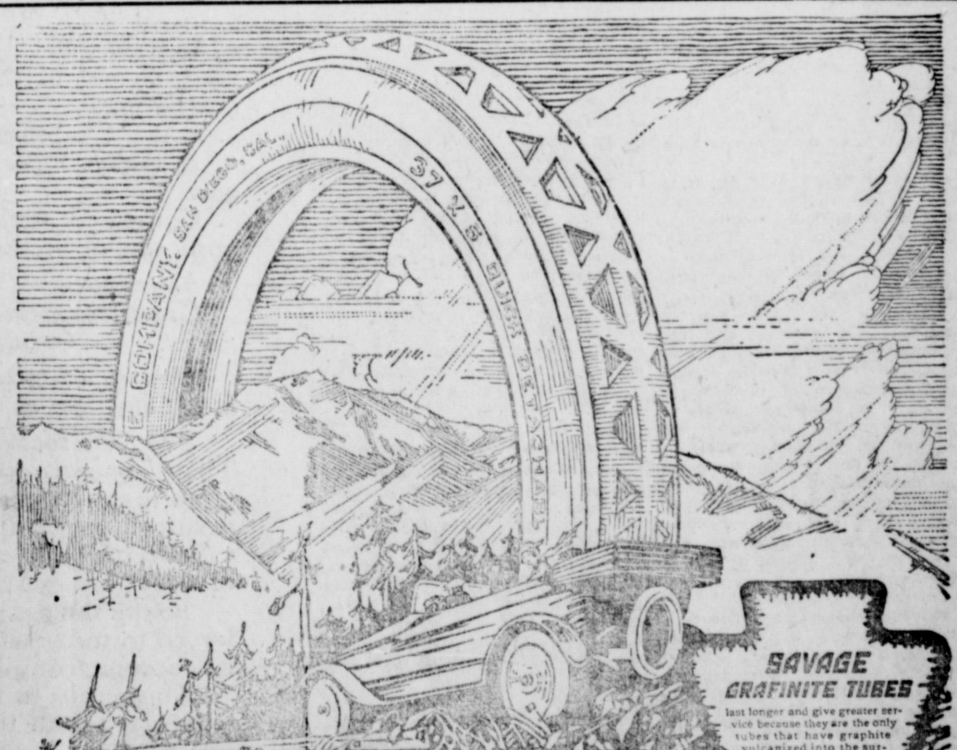
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ALL MEMBERS MUST ATTEND

Senate Committee Adopts Resolutions Asking Absentees to be Present or Resign from Committee.

Austin.—Joint organization of the house and senate investigating committees has been effected for such work as may be done in joint meetings. The joint committee and several subcommittees adjourned, subject to call of their chairmen.

Senators Lattimore, Hudspeth and Buchanan were not here and the senate committee sent telegrams to them, urging them to attend or, if not able to do so, to resign their places. A reply was received from Mr. Lattimore that he would come. Representatives O'Banion and McDowra of the house committee were the only house absentees.

Joint Action Only by Agreement.
Resolutions under which the investigation is to be made are separate house and senate resolutions and the only joint action that is possible under them is by agreement of the subcommittees. That this agreement will be had in all ten cases is the general expressed opinion, and the work of each of the ten subcommittees is expected to be accomplished by joint effort.

SOLDIERS GUARDING OIL FIELD.

Leaders Claim Strike is Growing While Operators Say They Are Still Busy.

Houston.—Soldiers are now guarding the oil fields at Sour Lake, Humble, Goose creek and Damon mound. Three companies of the Nineteenth infantry, with headquarters at San Antonio, are on guard at Goose creek. One company of the Nineteenth is on guard at Damon mound.

Four companies of the 131st infantry from Camp Logan are on guard at Humble and two companies of the 132d infantry from Camp Logan are on guard duty at Sour Lake. A detachment of 24 men and one officer will guard the tank farm at Engelwood. There is in storage at the Engelwood farm approximately 2,000,000 barrels of crude oil.

The oil from the Gulf coast fields is sent through pipe lines to the big refineries at Beaumont and Port Arthur, where it is being manufactured into oils and greases for the use of the allied navies.

The situation as far as the strike is concerned is unchanged. Leaders of the strikers claim that more men joined their cause Friday, while on the other hand, officials of the big operating companies claim that they are still operating in all of the fields and expect to put more men to work.

Two Dies as Result Auto Accidents.

Dallas.—Two victims of automobile accidents died in Dallas hospitals Friday. One of them, Henry C. Taylor, 43 years old, was injured when an automobile in which he was riding ran off a bridge near Allen Thursday afternoon. The second, Miss Ora Virgie Smith, 19 years old, died from the results of injuries received when she jumped from a moving automobile Wednesday night. She was a member of a Hallowe'en party. A Dallas woman, Mrs. Joe Burton, was killed in an automobile while en route from Fort Worth to Dallas. Four other persons are in a critical condition as the result of violent accidents which have occurred within the week. Three of the patients were burned; one was injured in an automobile accident.

McKinley Reappointed Deputy.
Temple.—Robert McKinley, deputy state labor commissioner, who tendered his resignation to retiring Commissioner Frank Swor some days ago, has been tendered reappointment by the new commissioner, T. C. Jennings, and has accepted same, deciding to remain with the labor department.

Germans Dismantle Belgian Factories

London.—According to information received from Belgian sources, the Germans are systematically dismantling and destroying factories and work shops throughout Belgium. In the Leige district the blast furnaces have been taken down and the machinery and materials sent to Germany. At Ougre preparations have been made to pull down three blast furnaces and seven rolling mills have been removed. It is suggested the Germans are preparing for an early retreat in Belgium.

New Credit of \$435,000,000 to Britain.

Washington.—A credit of \$435,000,000 was made to Great Britain Nov. 1 by the treasury to cover British expenditures in this country up to Jan. 1, 1918. This brings the total loans to Great Britain to \$1,800,000,000 and total loans to the allies to \$3,566,400,000. The credit is the largest ever made to an allied government. The money will be withdrawn from the treasury only as needed to pay for war contracts.

SIX KILLED BY KATY IN AUTO

Train Crashed Into Car at Elm Mott Crossing, Nine Miles North of Waco.

Waco.—Crashing into an automobile Sunday afternoon at Elm Mott nine miles north of Waco, the Katy Limited killed six persons. The dead are: T. M. Sanders, aged 38; Mrs. T. M. Sanders, aged 35; Mrs. Florence Whatley, aged 63; Anna Whatley, aged 14; Wilburne Whatley, age 8, and H. O. Whatley, aged 45.

The first four named were killed instantly; the little boy and H. O. Whatley died in a Waco sanitarium. Mr. and Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Whatley and the two Whatley children resided at Penelope. H. O. Whatley was chief clerk in the car service department of the I. & G. N. railroad at Houston. Mrs. Sanders was Mrs. Whatley's sister and a daughter of Mrs. Florence Whatley. Anna and Wilburne Whatley were children of H. O. Whatley.

The automobile was owned jointly by Mr. Sanders and Mr. Whatley. A Mexican who witnessed the accident says it seemed as though the auto engine went "dead" while the car was on the track, and the crash came at a crossing at the Elm Mott depot.

Parties from Waco who visited the scene of the accident declared that the train cut the auto, a five-passenger car, almost exactly half in two.

WOMAN KILLED IN AUTO WRECK

Four Other Persons Injured Between Arlington and Handley.

Dallas.—Late Thursday night an automobile in which six persons were riding was wrecked at a crossing of the Interurban between Arlington and Handley, killing one and seriously injuring four others.

The dead: Mrs. M. J. Burton of Dallas.

The injured: Mrs. B. H. Bennett, Dallas, injuries slight; Mrs. Dixon, injuries serious; E. S. Cashion, Dallas, injuries serious; unidentified man, injuries serious. The name of a sixth person in the car could not be learned.

According to reports, the automobile was being driven in the direction of Dallas at a rapid speed and when an attempt was made to round a sharp curve in the road the car crashed into a cattle guard on the interurban right of way, wrecking the car and injuring the occupants.

An interurban car, en route to Ft. Worth, passed shortly after the accident and carried the dead and wounded to Fort Worth.

Pros Ask Hobby to Call Extra Session

Fort Worth.—At a mass meeting of prohibitionists called by the Anti-Saloon league and the W. C. T. U. of Texas and held here, resolutions were adopted urging the president of the United States to close saloons and eliminate dens of vice in cities adjacent to army cantonments and a committee of 100 of the most prominent Pros in the state was appointed to assemble at Washington Dec. 8 and personally present the resolutions. Another resolution was adopted requesting Governor Hobby to call an extra session of the legislature immediately to enact statutory prohibition "or other measures necessary to destroy the liquor traffic" in Texas. The essence of this resolution was sent to Governor Hobby by wire and he was requested to reply upon receipt thereof, so that the answer might be read to the convention, but it finally adjourned without any reply being received.

Two Air Squadrons Reach Ft. Worth

Fort Worth.—The Twenty-Seventh United States aero squadron, under command of Major Hartney, has arrived here from the British aviation fields near Toronto, where the squadron has been in training for several months. The Twenty-seventh squadron was closely followed by the arrival of the 139th aero squadron from Kelley field, San Antonio, under command of First Lieutenant A. P. Lapey.

Five Student Airmen Hurt in Wreck

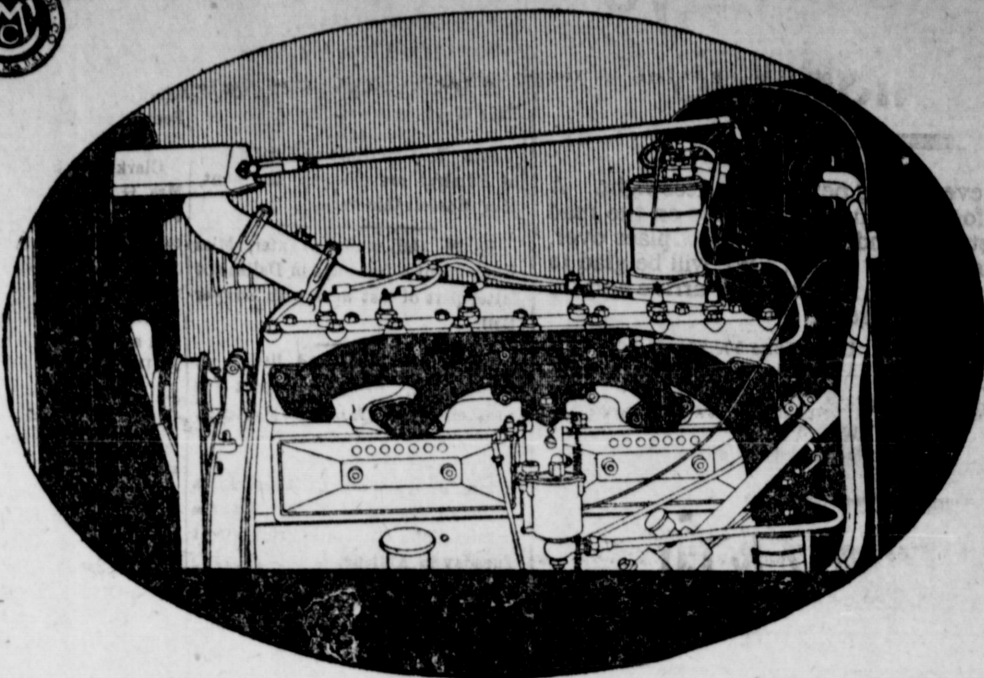
Austin.—Five student aviators were injured, one of them probably fatally, and three trainmen were hurt when a Katy light engine pulling a caboose crashed into a Pullman on the rear of the Katy Flyer at Koums switch, five miles south of Austin. The student airman who is fatally injured is Thomas Brandon of Emmett, Mich. will meet in the First Baptist church.

Texas Federation to Meet at Waco.

Waco.—The twentieth annual convention of the Texas Federation of Women's clubs will be held at Waco, beginning Nov. 12 and continuing through Nov. 17. Many topics of particular interest to women at this time will be discussed by prominent speakers.

8 Lives Lost on Transport Finland.

Washington.—The torpedoing of the homeward bound army transport Finland, resulted in the death of two members of the naval armed guard, two army enlisted men and four of the ship's civilian crew. A third naval seaman is missing. Vice Admiral Sim's report of the casualty to the naval department added no details to the announcement that the Finland had been torpedoed but had been able to reach a European port under her own steam.



The Coming of a GREAT ENGINE

It Makes High Power Out of Low Grade Gas

Men who drive cars are face to face with a condition that becomes more and more serious each day.

That condition is the constantly declining grade of gasoline.

Nearly every engineer has said goodbye forever to high-grade gas.

For the moment, and possibly for all time, multi-cylinders, counter balanced crankshafts, and little tricks with valves give way in engineers' discussions to the "gas problem".

Every alert engineer is bending his utmost to make "one drop of gas now do the work of two".

Just as great situations produce great men, so out of this condition has come a great engine.

It is a Chalmers.

It makes high power out of low grade gas.

Compared with other engines of the same size or thereabouts, it shows:

*More power More rapid acceleration
Greater economy Greater length of life
Greater smoothness*

And an amazing ability to start quickly on a cold day, and to "warm up" without delay.

The Chalmers engine is a simple one. That is one reason why it is so good.

In many engines of the moment the gas passes on its way from the carburetor to the cylinder through a tunnel, which runs all the way through the engine block.

Before the gas gets to the cylinder it is forced to turn many sharp angles and does not become completely mixed with the air.

This results in raw gas running into not only one but all the cylinders, particularly when the car is cold, and especially when running for the first five or ten miles.

In the case of the Chalmers engine this type of intake manifold has been completely eliminated.

A new manifold, termed "The Rams-horn," has been constructed of simple piping. It is on the exterior of the engine. It is a manifold of easy curves so that there are no sharp corners for the raw gas to lodge against and be pushed into the cylinders.

The next development was to give the gas the proper amount of heat after it came from the carburetor.

What is termed a "hot plate" is built in at the top of the throat of the carburetor so that the gas coming straight up from the carburetor hits the "hot plate", the dimensions of which have been worked out very scientifically, and then passes around the easy curves of the smooth manifold in a perfect state of mixture and at the proper temperature to each of the cylinders.

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SCHOOL IS 200 YEARS OLD

Member of John Brown Raiding Party Taught in Connecticut Institution.

The controversy over the location of the new school building for the Long Hill school district, has brought to light some interesting history in connection with the building of the East Long Hill district, which will be abandoned as soon as the new building is erected. It is probable that this pres-

ent building is one of the oldest school-houses in the state still in use. Old residents of the district claim that it dates back nearly 200 years, and that it is still used shows with what care the building was erected. The building is located on a hill and is built of stone, a rather unusual feature. It is interesting to recall, in connection with the school, that John E. Cooke, one of the members of John Brown's raiding party, and who was later hanged with him, once taught in this school. He was born in Killingworth, and as a

young man came to Middletown to teach school. Later on, he went West and became acquainted with the famous liberator, Lyman M. Baldwin, one of the well-known residents of the district, says he has frequently heard his grandfather speak of attending the old stone schoolhouse, and often related a prank which some of his boy companions played there one night. The boys of the neighborhood had been in the habit of gathering in the school-house at night to play cards, their only light being the embers of the fire which

had been burning on the hearth during the day. One night some of the mothers of the neighborhood surprised the boys by suddenly appearing. Rather than get caught the boys all jumped out of windows, and then one of them locked the door on the mothers. The result was that the boys were all home in bed by the time the mothers had returned.—Middletown Correspondence Hartford Courant.

A union of colored bootblacks has been organized at Brownwood, Tex.

King of the Khyber Rifles

A Story That Combines the Thrill of Modern Detective Fiction With the Romance of Arabian Nights Tales

By
Talbot Mundy
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WHEN ISMAIL AND THE OTHERS COMPOSING KING'S GUARD DISCOVER THE CLEVERNESS OF HIS DISGUISE THEY ARE FIRST PUZZLED, THEN DELIGHTED.

Synopsis.—At the beginning of the world war Capt. Athelstan King of the British Indian army and of its secret service, is ordered to Delhi to meet Yasmini, a dancer, and go with her to Kinjan to meet the outlaws there who are said by spies to be preparing for a jihad or holy war. On his way to Delhi King quietly foils a plan to assassinate him and gets evidence that Yasmini is after him. He meets Rewa Gunga, Yasmini's man, who says she has already gone north, and at her town house witnesses queer dances. Ismail, an Afridi, becomes his body servant and protector. He rescues some of Yasmini's hillmen and takes them north with him, tricking the Rangar into going ahead. The Rangar deserts him at a dangerous time. He meets his brother at All Masjid fort.

CHAPTER VIII—Continued.

The packs were laid on the ground, and the mules, shook themselves, while the jackals that haunt the Khyber came closer, to sit in a ring and watch. King dug a flashlight out of one of the packs, gave it to Ismail to hold, sat on the other pack and began to write on a memorandum pad. It was a minute before he could persuade Ismail that the flashlight was harmless, and another minute before he could get him to hold it still. Then, however, he wrote swiftly.

In the Khyber, a mile below you. Dear Old Man—I would like to run in and see you, but circumstances don't permit. Several people sent your regards by me. Herewith go two mules and their packs. Make any use of the mules you like, but store the loads where I can draw on them in case of need. I would like to have a talk with you before taking the rather desperate step I intend, but I don't want to be seen entering or leaving All Masjid. Can you come down the pass without making your intention known? It is growing misty now. It ought to be easy. My men will tell you where I am and show you the way. Why not destroy this letter?—Athelstan.

He folded the note and stuck a postage stamp on it in lieu of a seal. Then he examined the packs with the aid of the flashlight, sorted them and ordered two of the mules reloaded.

"You three!" he ordered then. "Take the loaded mules into All Masjid fort. Take this chit, you. Give it to the sahib in command there."

"To hear is to obey!" said the nearest man. They took the mules' leading reins and before they had gone ten paces were swallowed in the mist that had begun to flow southeastward. The night grew still, except for the whimpering of jackals.

Ismail came nearer and squatted at King's feet. Darya Khan came closer too. King had tied the reins of the two horses and the one remaining mule together in a knot and was sitting on the pack. Solemn, almost motionless, squatted on their hunkers, they looked like two great vultures watching an animal die.

They sat in silence for five minutes. Then suddenly the two hillmen shuddered, although King did not bat an eyelid. Din burst into being. A volley ripped out of the night and thundered down the pass.

"How-uh! Hukkums dar?" came the insolent challenge half a minute after it—the proof positive that All Masjid's guards neither slept nor were afraid.

A weird wail answered the challenge, and there began a tossing and fro of words, that was prelude to a shouted invitation:

"Ud-vance-frromnen-orss-werrul!" English can be as weirdly distorted as wire, or any other supple medium, and native levies advance distortion to the point of art; but the language sounds no less good in the chilly gloom of a Khyber night.

Followed another wail, this time of half an hour. Then a man's footsteps—a booted, leather-heeled man, striding carelessly. Not far behind him was the softer noise of sandals. The man began to whistle "Annie Laurie," "Charles? That you?" called King. "That you, old man?"

A man in khaki stepped into the moonlight. He was so nearly the image of Athelstan King that Ismail and Darya Khan stood up and stared. Athelstan strode to meet him. Their walk was the same. Angle for angle, line for line, they might have been one man and his shadow, except for three-quarters of an inch of stature.

"Glad to see you, old man," said Athelstan.

"Sure, old chap!" said Charles; and they shook hands.

He put fingers between his teeth and blew until the night shrilled back at him. Ismail seized the leather bag and started to obey.

"Leave that bag. Leave it, I say!" "But some man may steal it, sahib. How shall a thief know there is no money in it?"

"Leave it and go!" Ismail departed, grumbling, and King turned on Darya Khan.

"Take the remaining men and go up the pass!" he ordered. "Stand out of earshot and keep watch. Come when I whistle!"

"But this one has a bellyache where Ismail smote him! Can a man with a bellyache stand guard? His moaning will betray both him and me!" objected "Lord of the Rivers."

"Take him and go!" commanded King.

"But—" King was careful now not to show his bracelet. But there was something in his eye and in his attitude—a subtle, suggestive something-or-other about him—that was rather more convincing than a pistol or a stick. Darya Khan thrust his rifle's end into the hurt man's stomach for encouragement and started off in the mist.

"Come and ache out of the sahib's sight!" he snarled. In a minute King and his brother stood unseen, unheard in the shadow by a patch of silver moonlight. Athelstan sat down on the mule's pack.

"Well?" said the younger. "Tell me. I shall have to hurry. You see I'm in charge back there. They saw me come out, but I hope to teach 'em a lesson going back."

Athelstan nodded. "Good!" he said. "I've a loving commission. I'm ordered to enter Khinjan caves."

His brother whistled. "Tall order! 'What's your plan?'"

"Haven't one—yet. Know more when I'm nearer Khinjan. You can help no end."

"How? Name it!" "I shall go in disguise. Nobody can put the stain on as well as you. But tell me something first. Any news of a holy war yet?"

His brother nodded. "Plenty of talk about one to come," he said. "We keep hearing of that lasher that we can't locate, under a mullah whose name seems to change with the day of the week. And there are everlasting tales about the 'Heart of the Hills.'"

"No explanation of 'em?" Athelstan asked him.

"None! Not a thing!" "D'you know of Yasmini?"

"Heard of her, of course," said his brother.

"Has she come up the pass?" His brother laughed. "No, neither she nor a coach and four."

"I have heard she's up the pass ahead of me," said Athelstan.

"She hasn't passed All Masjid!" said his brother, and Athelstan nodded.

"Are the Turks in the show yet?" asked Charles.

"Not yet. But I know they're expected in."

"You bet they're expected in!" The young man grinned from ear to ear. "They're working both tides under to prepare the tribes for it. They flatter themselves they can set alight a holy war that will put Timour Lang to shame. You should hear my jezalchies talk at night when they think I'm not listening!"

"The jezalchies'll stand though," said Athelstan.

"Stake my life on it!" said his brother. "They'll stick to the last man!" "I can't tell you," said Athelstan, "why we're not attacking brother Turk before he's ready. But my job is to help make the holy war seem unprofitable to the tribes, so that they'll let the Turk down hard when he calls on 'em. Every day that I can point to forts held strongly in the Khyber is a day in my favor. There are sure to be raids. In fact, the more the merrier, provided they're spasmodic. We must keep 'em separated—keep 'em swarming too fast—while I sow other seeds among 'em."

His brother nodded. Sowing seeds was almost that family's hereditary job. Athelstan continued:

"Hang on to All Masjid like a leech, old man! The day one raiding lasher gets command of the Khyber's throat, the others'll all believe they've won the game. Nothing'll stop 'em!

Look out for traps. Smash 'em on sight. But don't follow up too far!" "Sure," said Charles.

"Help me with the stain now, will you?"

With his flashlight burning as if its battery provided current by the week instead of by the minute, Athelstan dragged open the mule's pack and produced a host of things. He propped a mirror against the pack and squatted in front of it. Then he passed a little bottle to his brother, and Charles attended to the chin-strap mark that would have betrayed him a British officer in any light brighter than dusk. In a few minutes his whole face was darkened to one hue, and Charles stepped back to look at it.

"Won't need to wash yourself for a month!" he said. "The dirt won't show!" He sniffed at the bottle. "But that stain won't come off if you do wash—never worry! You'll do finely."

"Not yet, I won't!" said Athelstan, picking up a little safety razor and beginning on his mustache. In a minute he had his upper lip bare. Then his brother bent over him and rubbed in stain where the scrubby mustache had been.

After that Athelstan unlocked the leather bag that had caused Ismail so much concern and shook out from it a pile of odds and ends at which his brother nodded with perfect understanding. The principal item was a piece of silk—forty or fifty yards of it—that he proceeded to bind into a turban on his head, his brother lending him a guiding, understanding finger at every turn. When that was done, the man who had said he looked in the least like a British officer would have lied.

One after another he drew on native garments, picking them from the pile beside him. So, by rapid stages he developed into a native hakim—by creed a converted Hindu, like Rewa Gunga—one of the men who practiced yunani, or modern medicine, without a license and with a very great deal of added superstition, trickery and guesswork.

"I wouldn't trust you with a ha'penny!" announced his brother when he had done. "The part to a T."

"Well—take these into the fort for me, will you?" His brother caught the bundle of discarded European clothes and tucked them under his arm. "Now, remember, old man! We've got to hold the Khyber, and we can't do it by riding pell-mell into the first trap set for us! Be a coward, if that's the name you care to give it. You needn't tell me you've got orders to hunt skirmishers to a standstill, because I know better."

"How d'you know better?" "Never mind! I've been seconded to your crowd. I'm your senior, and I'm giving you orders. Hit hard when you have to, but for God's sake, old man, ware traps!"

"All right," said his brother. "Then good-by, old man!" "Good-by, Athelstan!"

They stood facing and shook hands. Where had been a man and his reflection in the mist, there now seemed to be the same man and a native. Athelstan King had changed his very nature with his clothes. He stood like a native—moved like one; even his voice was changed, as if—like the actor who dyed himself all over to act Othello—he could do nothing by halves.

"By, Charles!" Officers in that force are not chosen for their clumsiness, or inability to move silently by night. His footsteps died in the mist almost as quickly as his shadow. Before he had been gone a minute the pass was silent as death again, and though Athelstan listened with trained ears, the only sound he could detect was of a jackal cracking a bone fifty or sixty yards away.

CHAPTER IX.

King repacked the loads, putting everything back carefully into the big leather envelopes and locking the empty handbag, after throwing in a few stones for Ismail's benefit. Then he went to sit in the moonlight, with his back to a great rock and waited there cross-legged to give his brother time to make good a retreat through the mist. When there was no more doubt that his own men, at all events, had failed to detect the lieutenant, he put two fingers in his mouth and whistled.

Almost at once he heard sandals come pattering from both directions. As they emerged out of the mist he sat silent and still. It was Darya Khan who came first and stood gazing at him, but Ismail was a very close second, and the other three were only a little behind. For full two minutes after the man with the sore stomach had come they all stood holding one another's arms, astonished. Then—

"Our sahib—King sahib—where is he?" asked Ismail.

"Gone!" Even King's voice was so completely changed that men who had been reared amid mutual suspicion could not recognize it.

"But there are his loads! There is his mule!"

"Here is his bag!" said Ismail, pouncing on it, picking it up and shaking it.

"It rattles not as formerly! There is more in it than there was!" "His two horses and the mule are here," said Darya Khan.

"Did I say he took them with him?" asked the hakim, who sat still with his back to a rock. "He went because I came! He left me here in charge! Should he not leave the wherewithal to make one comfortable, since I must do his work? Hah! What do I see? A man bent nearly double? That means a bellyache! Who should have a bellyache when I have potions, lotions, balms to heal all ills, magic charms and talismans, big and little pills—and at such a little price! So small a price! Show me the belly and pay your money! Forget not the money, for nothing is free except air, water and the Word of God! I have paid money for water before now, and where is the mullah who will not take a fee? Nay, only air costs nothing! For a rupee, then—for one rupee I will heal the sore belly and forget to be ashamed for taking such a little fee!"

"Whither went the sahib? Nay—show us proof!" objected Darya Khan, and Ismail stood back a pace to scratch his flowing beard and think.

"The sahib left this with me!" said King, and held up his wrist. The gold bracelet Rewa Gunga had given him gleamed in the pale moonlight.

"May God be with thee!" boomed all five men together.

King jumped to his feet so suddenly that all five gave way in front of him, and Darya Khan brought his rifle to the port.

"Hast thou never seen me before?" he demanded, seizing Ismail by the shoulders and staring straight into his eyes.

"Nay, I never saw thee!" "Look again!"

He turned his head, to show his face in profile.

"Nay, I never saw thee!" "Thou, then! Thou with the belly! Thou! Thou!"

They all denied ever having seen him.

So he stepped back until the moon shone full in his face and pulled off his turban, changing his expression at the same time.

"Now look!" "Ma'uzbillah! (May God protect us!)"

"Now ye know me?" "Hee-ye-ye!" yelled Ismail, hugging himself by the elbows and beginning to dance from side to side. "Hee-ye-ye! What said I? Said I not so? Said I not this is a different man? Said I not this is a good one—a man of unexpected things? Said I not there was magic in the leather bag? I shook it often and the magic grew! Hee-ye-ye! Look at him! See such cunning! Feel him! Smell of him! He is a good one—good!"

Three of the others stood and grinned, now that their first shock of surprise had died away. The fourth man poked among the packs. There was little to see except gleaming teeth and the white of eyes, set in hairy faces in the mist. But Ismail danced all by himself among the stones of Khyber road and he looked like a bearded ghoul out for an airing.

"Hee-ye-ye! She smelt out a good one! Hee-ye-ye! This is a man!"

"And I will study how to heat hot irons!" said Darya Khan, with grim conviction. "It is likely that, having worked for a blacksmith once, I may learn quickly! Phauughh! I have tasted medaceen! I have drunk Apsin saats (Epsom salts)."

He spat, too, in a very fury of reminiscence.

"Good!" said King. "Henceforward, then, I am Kurram Khan, the dakitar, and ye two are my assistants, Ismail to hold the men with bolts, and Darya Khan to heat the irons—both of ye to be my men and support me with words when need be!"

"Aye!" said Ismail, quick to think of details, "and these others shall be the tasters!"

"We will not drink the medicines!" announced the man who had a stomach ache. "Nay, nay!"

But Ismail hit him with the back of his hand in the stomach again and danced away, hugging himself and shouting "Hee-ye-ye!" until the jackals joined him in discontented chorus and the Khyber pass became full of weird howling. Then suddenly the old Afridi thought of something else and came back to thrust his face close to King's.

"Why be a Rangar? Why be a Rajput, sahib? She loves us hillmen better!"

"Do I look like a hillman of the 'Hills'?" asked King.

"Nay, not now. But he who can work one miracle can work another. Change thy skin once more and be a true Hillman!"

"Aye!" King laughed. "And fall heir to a blood-feud with every second man I chance upon! Better be a converted Hindu and be despised by some than have cousins in the 'Hills'! Is that clear, thou oaf?"

"Aye! Thou art more cunning than any man I ever met!" The great Afridi began to rub the tips of his fingers through his straggly beard in a way that might mean anything, and King seemed to draw considerable satisfaction from it, as if it were a sign language that just then he needed a friend, and he certainly did not propose to refuse such a useful one.

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of it!" said King. "What shall my new name be? Give ye me a name! Khan is a title of respect. Since I wish for respect, I will call myself Khan. Name me a village the first name you can think of—quok!"

"Kurram," said Ismail, at a hazard. "Kurram is good. Kurram I am! Kurram Khan is my name henceforward! Kurram Khan the dakitar!"

"But where is the sahib who came from the fort to talk?" asked the man whose stomach ached yet from Ismail and Darya Khan's attentions to it.

"Gone!" announced King. "He went with the other one!"

"Went whither? Did any see him go?"

"Is that thy affair?" asked King, and the man collapsed. It is not considered wise to the north of Jamrud to argue with a wizard, or even with a man who only claims to be one. This was a man who had changed his very nature almost under their eyes.

"Even his other clothes have gone!" murmured one man, he who had poked about among the packs.

"And now, Ismail, Darya Khan, ye two dunderheads!—ye belles without brains!—when was there ever a dakitar—a hakim, who had not two assistants at the least? Have ye never seen, ye blinder-than-bats—how one man holds a patient while his boils are lanced, and yet another makes the hot iron ready?"

"Aye! Aye!" They had both seen that often.

"Then, what are ye?" They gaped at him. Were they to work wonders too? Were they to be part and parcel of the miracle? Watching them, King saw understanding dawn behind Ismail's eyes and knew he was winning more than a mere admirer. He knew it might be days yet, might be weeks before the truth was out, but it seemed to him that Ismail was at heart his friend. And there are no friendships stronger than those formed in the Khyber and beyond—no more loyal partnerships. The 'Hills' are the home of contrasts, of blood-feuds that last until the last-but-one man dies, and of friendships that no crime or need or slander can efface. If the feuds are to be avoided like the devil, the friendships are worth having.

"There is another thing ye might do," he suggested, "if ye two grown men are afraid to see a boil slit open. Always there are timid patients who hang back and refuse to drink the medicines. There should be one or two among the crowd who will come forward and swallow the draughts eagerly, in proof that no harm results. Be ye two they!"

Ismail spat savagely.

"Nay! Bismillah! Nay, nay! I will hold them who have boils, sitting firmly on their belles—so—or between their shoulders—thus—when the boils are behind! Nay, I will drink no draughts! I am a man, not a cess-pool!"

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afterthought, instead of his chief reason, "if he special man Rewa Gunga is a Rangar, and is known as a Rangar throughout the 'Hills,' shall I not the more likely win favor by being a Rangar too? If I wear her bracelet and at the same time am a Rangar, who will not trust me?"

"True!" agreed Ismail. "True! Thou art a magician!"

But the moon was getting low and Khyber would be dark again in half an hour, for the great crags in the dis-



"Kurram Kahn Is My Name Henceforward! Kurram Khan the Dakitar!"

tance to either hand shut off more light than do the Khyber walls. The mist, too, was growing thicker. It was time to make a move.

King rose. "Pack the mule and bring my horse!" he ordered and they hurried to obey with alacrity born of new respect, Darya Khan attending to the trimming of the mule's load in person instead of snarling at another man. It was a very different little escort from the one that had come thus far. Like King himself, it had changed its very nature in fifteen minutes!

They brought the horse and King laughed at them, calling them idiots—men without eyes.

"I am Kurram Khan, the dakitar, but who in the 'Hills' would believe it? Look now—look ye and tell me what is wrong?"

He pointed to the horse, and they stood in a row and stared.

"The saddle?" Ismail suggested. "It is a government artificer's saddle."

"Stolen!" said King, and they nodded. "Stolen along with the horse!"

"Aye!" "Shorten those stirrups, then, six holes at the least! Men will laugh at me if I ride like a British artificer!"

"Aye!" said Ismail, hurrying to obey. "Now," he said, gathering the reins and swinging into the saddle, "who knows the way to Khinjan?"

"Which of us does not?"

"Ye all know it? Then ye all are border thieves and worse! No honest man knows that road! Lead on, Darya Khan, thou Lord of Rivers! Forward march!"

So Darya Khan led the way with his rifle, and King's face glowed in cigarette light not very far behind him as he legged his horse up the narrow track that led northward out of the Khyber bed. It would be a long time before he would dare smoke a cigar again, and his supply of cigarettes was destined to dwindle down to nothing before that day. But he did not seem to mind.

"Cheleh!" he called. "Forward, men of the mountains! Kuch dar nahin hai!"

"Thy mother and the spirit of a fight were one!" swore Ismail just in front of him, stepping out like a boy going to a picnic. "She will love thee! Allah! She will love thee! Allah! Allah!"

The thought seemed to appal him. For hours after that he climbed ahead in silence.

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after my heart! Hee-ye-ye! God preserve me to see the end of this! This one will show sport! Oh-ye-ye-ye!"

King watched the faces of the other four men. He saw them slowly waken to understanding of what Ismail meant by "worker of spells" and "magic in the bag" and knew that he had even greater hold on them now than Yasmini's bracelet gave him.

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