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"SPORT SPASMS"

By Dick West Jr.

Amarillo's Sandies upheld the tradition of West Texas football teams last week by trouncing the Corsicana Tigers. It has been 1927 since a Central Texas team has been represented in the state finals, and the Oil Belt has been the whole show. This week Breck plays Corsicana. The Bucks are due for a good beating, because Shotwell's crew never has trained; besides they are not interested in the game, and Corsicana is. This is too bad, but the Breck teams have always had a tendency to lay down at some time.

Amarillo will defeat Fowler in a scoring melee. Watch for the count to be something like 27-14.

From the spectator's point of view, Ranger had the two most spectacular stars of last year in McCarty and Murray. When Dangerous Dan got back in his customary position of punt formation and the ball was snapped to him the fans all got up and took a breath, because how that kid could run, run. If he had been as smart as Magness and could have weaved like Boyce, he would have been the greatest running back the state has ever known. Dan is built perfectly, possessing powerful, fast legs with lots of drive, and weaving hips, but he has not had enough experience in football like Magness. McCarty was never stopped last year by anyone successfully except Cisco. The Lobo tackles had him outsmarted, however, and he never had a chance. They had heard so much about McCarty that the name had become soured on them, and they went out there that day to show the crowd that he could be stopped. Cole and McMahon and Van Horn certainly had him smothered. Dick Murray was sensational at tackle. He was always the first man down on punts, and this is unusual for a tackle. He is one of the state's greatest tackles.

The Randolph Kittens, who have brought so much pride to Cisco in a basketball way, are destined to go high this year again in this sport. Pop Garrett, famous coach of the Kittens, has three excellent performers in Mageehee, Patterson, and Fulford. Mageehee is from the crack Athens team, Fulford is from Dublin, and Patterson was an All-American last year. Other players making the team this year are Fowler, Qualls, and Barron. All these girls are big, and should develop into crack basketweavers in another two months. Cisco is proud of these girls, and much praise is due Pop Garrett who has brought national fame to Randolph.

Funeral For Miss Birdwell

Funeral services for Miss Dorothy Birdwell, who died at Dallas last week, were held at San Angelo Wednesday afternoon. Rev. H. D. Tucker of the First Methodist church of Cisco, conducted the services. Miss Birdwell was a niece of G. P. Mitcham of Cisco. The body had been held at Brownwood a few days awaiting the arrival of relatives, some of whom came from Los Angeles by airplane to attend.

Byron Yeager had business in Fort Worth Thursday.

SEVERAL XMAS PROGRAMS TO BE GIVEN SUNDAY

Sunday afternoon and evening will see the presentation of several Christmas programs by the various denominations of the city.

At 5:30 a cantata, "The Christ Child," will be presented by the choir at the First Presbyterian church, Rev. B. C. Boney, pastor, directing, and Grover C. Morris at the organ.

At the First Methodist church a White Christmas pageant, "White Gifts for the King," will be presented at 7:30 o'clock directed by Mrs. W. A. Cox and Mrs. Paul Woods. Music here will be directed by Mrs. W. B. Statham and Mrs. B. A. Butler.

At the same hour at the First Baptist church there will be a Christmas cantata consisting of songs, duets and solos, presented by the choir of that church. At the program Mrs. Larry Waterberry will preside at the piano, and Harry Schaefer will add to the music with his violin.

Death of Mrs. M. C. Osburn

Mrs. M. C. Osburn of Cisco, died at the home of her son, Marvin Osburn, at about 5:00 o'clock Monday morning. She had been subject to attacks of heart trouble it is stated, and was ill only a short time previous to her death. Funeral services were held at the First Baptist church at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Rev. E. S. James, the pastor, and Rev. H. D. Blair, Baptist county missionary conducting. Interment was made in Oakwood cemetery.

Mrs. Osburn was 54 years of age, and had made her home in this city for the past seven years. Survivors are: two daughters, Mrs. Mattie Linder, Cisco, Mrs. Viola Woodfin, Ft. Worth; five sons, Marvin and Burnel, Cisco; Sykes, Washington, D. C.; Theodore of South Texas; Vardie, Moran.

Give Clothing For Poor

In front of the Judia building on Avenue D will be found a box which has been placed there to receive any kind of cast off clothing which might be used by someone less fortunate. The Elks organization is working in connection with the women's clubs of the city in getting together this collection of articles which will be given to the poor this Christmas. E. E. Jones has charge of the box, and is taking care of the contributions made. Clothing is most needed, but it is stated that toys or anything which will help to bring happiness to some of the needy at Christmas will be gladly accepted. Many people of Cisco have already generously responded to this worthy cause. Others who have not done so and can be urged to get together whatever articles they can at once and get them down to this box, or if you cannot conveniently bring them down, Mr. Jones or other members of the Elks will be glad to call at your place and get them, if you will phone No. 175 and tell them about it.

Dwelling Burns

A dwelling on the Bankhead highway east of the city, belonging to J. T. Stamps was destroyed by fire Monday night about midnight. Building and furnishings were a complete loss. No one was at home at the time, and the cause of the fire is not known.

FOR RENT—One of the nicest apartments in Cisco, at 612 West 4th St. Very Reasonable. Apply at premises, or phone No. 8.

Sudden Awakening

Our attention has been called to an article in a certain daily paper published in our midst, in which said paper evinces a great interest in Cisco and her citizens. Realizing that our little city is in a financial muddle, this paper proposes by a series of articles, to enlighten and advise the people somewhat about the aforesaid muddle.

Permit us in reply to the above mentioned article to ask a few questions as follows:

First, if right shall ever prevail upon the earth, will not the people be obliged to speak out strongly against all forms of law violations, even though these violations be nothing more than the matter of issuance of what we may think are illegal bonds amounting to a few million dollars against the property of said people?

Second, the writer of the above mentioned editorial stated that two bond issues of five hundred thousand dollars each were voted upon by the people of Cisco. He also states in his article that the News does not favor repudiation. The question arises, DO the people of Cisco really OWE all the bonds which they did NOT vote upon? Apparently there are more than four million dollars in bonds outstanding against our city. If these bonds were actually necessary, then why were they not ALL submitted to the people before their issuance?

Third, the law plainly provides in Article 701, 1925 Statutes of Texas that no bonds shall be issued for ANY PURPOSE except those which are voted upon by the property tax paying voters of the county, city or town issuing them; the only exception is given in Article 717. Does not the clause in our statutes which provides for the funding of outstanding bonds also provide that these bonds must be VALID in order to be so funded? How can they be valid, when the tax payers had no chance to vote upon them?

Fourth, Is it really necessary for attorneys, newspapers and others to piously exhort our cit-

izenship not to repudiate our just debts? Is it not a fact that all of us really want to pay every cent of indebtedness which we voted upon ourselves according to the provisions of our statutes? Have we ever shown any unwillingness to do this?

Fifth, the article above referred to makes the following statement in part: "The News feels that the proposition advanced by the executive committee of the Middle-West Bond Holders Committee, by which Cisco would sell her utilities and refund such balance of her debts as it may be determined she can readily liquidate, is sound in principle and represents the only equitable basis from which to approach a solution."

Now is it not a fact that a member of the above mentioned committee has written a letter and put the word "Finis" on said letter to his clients, stating in substance that the City of Cisco should be required to give the bondholders a deed to our entire water and sewer systems and issue in their favor a million and one-half dollars worth of bonds for the settlement of the city's indebtedness?

As we see it this is what the proposition means:

That the city shall give them our entire water and sewer systems with all extensions, which, according to the city audit cost Cisco nearly two and one-half million dollars, and in addition also require ONE AND ONE-HALF MILLION dollars worth of NEW BONDS bearing five per cent interest for our entire indebtedness, approximating five million dollars. According to a representative of the prospective purchaser, they can buy our entire indebtedness for about thirty cents on the dollar, which means they would only have to pay about one and one-half million dollars for same. Anyone can thus see that the purchasers would then have the entire water and sewer systems as their profit on this investment. Why give away our best assets?

THE TAXPAYERS COMMITTEE.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY OF THE THURSDAY 42 CLUB

The home of Mrs. J. T. Anderson, 300 west 5th street bore evidence Thursday afternoon of fast approaching Yuletide when she was hostess to the Thursday 42 club at their annual Christmas party.

Two gifts were brought by each member, one being placed on Christmas tree, and one in a basket beautifully decorated with season motif and marked "For Others."

Three tables were arranged for 42, and the clever little tallies emphasized the Christmas tide.

After the games Misses Adele Anderson and Virginia Foxworth, impersonating Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, distributed the gifts from the gaily illuminated and decorated tree, to the members and guests.

Again a young lady played

the role of Santa and called for the basket which contained fruits, candies, nuts, homemade jellies, etc., and delivered it to a family of orphan children.

The favors, a chocolate confection, having form and shape of Santa, graced the refreshment plate which consisted of chicken salad, sandwiches, individual mince pies, olives and coffee.

Guests and members present were: Mesdames J. T. Berry, J. B. Cate, T. J. Dean, Chas. Hale, Lee Owen, R. Q. Lee, J. W. Mancill, Ben McClinton, Wm. Reagan, J. J. Porter, C. H. Fee, and C. R. West.

The next week's issue of The Citizen will be brought out early and will go to the people on 25th, Christmas Day. Anyone desiring to get something in that issue will please get copy in by Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY STUDY CLUB MEETS AT CLUB HOUSE

The Wednesday Study Club met at the club house with Mrs. W. K. Esgen presiding. After the usual routine of business, Mrs. Allan Wood took charge, and the following program was given:

Paper, Music in Carmen—Mrs. E. L. Graham.

Resume of Act I—Mrs. Don Sivalls.

Setting of Act II—Mrs. Paul Woods.

Action and Progress Act II—Mrs. Edward Lee.

Everyone is urged to contribute to charity drive which the Elks are sponsoring, and for which this club is packing a box.

DELPHIAN CLUB MEETS AT CLUB HOUSE MONDAY

The regular meeting of the Delphian Club was held Monday morning at the club house, with Mrs. A. J. Olson presiding.

In the business session it was voted to cooperate with the Elks in their charity drive to aid the unfortunate at Christmas. Mesdames Chas. Sandler and J. V. Heyser were appointed a committee to see to packing a basket.

After the business Mrs. Eugene Lankford had charge of a program. The following topics being discussed.

Persia, Before Age of Cyrus, Manners and Customs—Mrs. J. V. Heyser.

Contribution of Babylonia, Assyria and Persia to Modern Civilization—Mrs. Chas. Sandler.

Syria and Phoenicia—Mrs. J. E. Spencer.

Phoenician Colonies—Mrs. A. J. Olson.

AUXILIARY MEETS WITH MRS. H. G. BAILEY MONDAY

The American Legion Auxiliary met with Mrs. H. G. Bailey Monday afternoon. Six boxes, the Auxiliary's quota, were packed to be sent to El Paso for disabled soldiers Christmas.

The Auxiliary voted to contribute to child's welfare fund. This fund is to be sent to Legion, Texas, near Kerrville to help bring Christmas cheer to wives and children of ex-soldiers.

The Legion and Auxiliary are anxious to help the wife or children of any unfortunate veteran, and anyone knowing of such cases will confer a favor on them by sending in the information.

MRS. BLUMBURG HOSTESS TO PLEASANT HOUR 42

The home of Mrs. C. B. Blumburg formed the setting for a very enjoyable afternoon on Thursday, when she entertained members and guests of the Pleasant Hours 42 club.

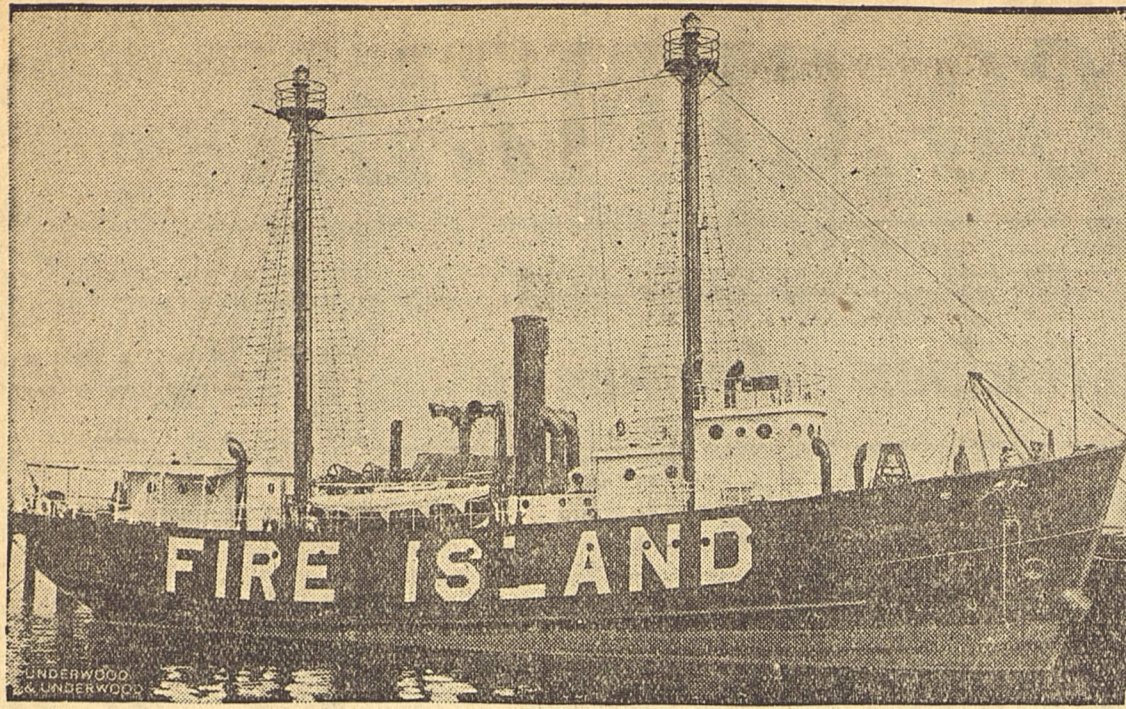
Several games of 42 were played, and Mrs. H. C. Henderson was successful in winning high, Mrs. Blumburg getting low.

Members and guests present were: Mesdames Adams, C. B. Blumburg, B. C. Daniels, Eugene Ford, H. C. Henderson, E. C. McClelland, A. J. McDonald, Wallace Britain, H. L. Reece, Clarence Tune, F. E. Shockley, and M. I. Tarrant. The club meets January 8, with Mrs. B. C. Daniels.

Mrs. Paul Huesties spent Wednesday in Putnam.

B. F. Rushing of Brownwood was a business visitor in Cisco Tuesday.

Floating Lighthouse for New York Harbor



The new "Fire Island" lightship—a floating lighthouse—on its arrival at New York from Portland, Ore., a distance of 6,286 miles. It will be stationed at Fire Island to help protect the billions of dollars worth of shipping which enters New York harbor. It is the most efficient lightship ever built in this country.

Census Total of U.S. 122,775,046

Population Increase Over 1920 Is 17,064,426, or 16.1 Per Cent.

Washington.—The population of continental United States on April was 122,775,046, the census bureau announced as the final result of the 1930 census. This final figure was an increase of 17,064,426, or 16.1 per cent over the 1920 census.

Adding to this figure 2,151,023 included in outlying possessions and the military or naval service abroad, the total number of persons under the American flag was brought to 124,926,069, as compared with 107,508,855 in 1920.

Numerous changes were made in the population of the various states over the preliminary count recently announced by the bureau, corrections being made in all but three instances. Thirty-three states attained populations showing increases over the preliminary count while twelve had less. New York had a population of 12,588,066, while New Jersey had 4,041,334 and Connecticut 1,606,903.

Concentration of the Increase. More than a quarter of the total increase in the United States was concentrated in California, with 2,250,390 and New York, with 2,202,839. Over half the increase came in six states, five of them industrial, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania in the East; Illinois and Michigan in the Middle West, and the sixth, California, on the West coast.

On a percentage basis, California showed the greatest increase in the past decade, amounting to 65.7 per cent, although its actual numerical increase superseded by only 47,551 that of New York with an increase of 21.2 per cent. Other percentages of increase, in the order of their importance, were: Florida 52.6, Michigan 32.0, Arizona 30.3, New Jersey 28.1, Texas 24.9, North Carolina 23.9 and Oregon 21.8. New York was ninth, and Oklahoma tied with West Virginia for tenth place at 18.1 per cent. Connecticut's ratio was 16.4 per cent.

Only one state, Montana, showed a

decrease below the 1920 census, amounting to 11,283, or 2.1 per cent.

Increases were shown in the outlying territories and possessions, the Virgin Islands alone showing a decline, which amounted to 4,039, or 15.5 per cent. A decline was noted in the number of persons in the military and naval service abroad, there being 27,785 less than in 1920.

The Population by States.

The nation's population by states in geographical divisions and the outlying possessions, with the amount and percentage of the increase or decrease over 1920, is as follows:

State	1930	Inc., 1920-30	Number	P.C.
New England.				
Maine	797,423	29,409	3.8	
New Hampshire	555,293	23,116	5.0	
Vermont	359,611	7,183	2.0	
Massachusetts	4,219,614	397,258	10.3	
Rhode Island	687,497	83,100	13.7	
Connecticut	1,606,903	226,272	16.4	
Middle Atlantic.				
New York	12,588,066	2,202,839	21.2	
New Jersey	4,041,334	865,434	28.1	
Pennsylvania	9,631,350	911,333	10.5	
East North Central.				
Ohio	6,646,697	887,303	15.4	
Indiana	3,238,593	308,113	10.6	
Illinois	7,539,654	1,145,374	17.7	
Michigan	4,842,325	1,175,913	22.0	
Wisconsin	2,399,006	306,939	11.7	
West North Central.				
Minnesota	2,583,953	176,828	7.4	
Iowa	2,470,939	86,915	2.8	
Missouri	3,629,267	225,312	6.3	
North Dakota	680,845	33,978	5.6	
South Dakota	729,245	55,502	8.8	
Nebraska	1,377,963	81,591	6.3	
Kansas	1,880,999	111,742	6.3	
South Atlantic.				
Delaware	238,380	16,377	6.9	
Maryland	1,631,626	181,865	12.5	
Dist. of Colum.	486,869	49,298	11.3	
Virginia	2,421,851	112,664	4.9	
West Virginia	1,729,235	295,014	18.1	
North Carolina	3,170,276	611,153	22.9	
South Carolina	1,738,765	55,041	3.3	
Georgia	2,908,506	12,674	0.4	
Florida	1,468,211	499,741	61.7	
East South Central.				
Kentucky	2,614,589	197,959	8.2	
Tennessee	2,616,556	278,671	11.9	
Alabama	2,546,248	295,074	12.7	
Mississippi	2,009,821	212,203	12.2	
West South Central.				
Arkansas	1,854,482	102,278	5.8	
Louisiana	2,191,593	305,084	16.9	
Oklahoma	2,396,040	397,757	24.9	
Texas	5,824,715	1,161,487	18.1	
Mountain.				
Montana	537,606	*11,283	*2.1	
Idaho	445,032	13,166	3.0	
Wyoming	225,566	31,163	16.0	
Colorado	1,635,791	95,162	10.2	
New Mexico	433,207	62,967	17.6	
Arizona	435,573	101,411	30.3	
Utah	507,847	58,451	13.0	
Nevada	91,058	13,651	17.6	
Pacific.				
Washington	1,563,396	206,775	15.2	
Oregon	953,786	170,397	21.8	
California	6,677,251	2,250,390	65.7	
Outlying Areas.				
Alaska	59,278	4,242	7.7	
Hawaii	368,336	112,424	43.9	
Porto Rico	1,543,913	244,104	18.8	
Guam	18,509	5,234	39.4	
American Samoa	10,055	1,999	24.8	
Panama Canal Zone	39,467	16,609	42.7	
Virgin Islands	22,012	*4,039	*15.6	
Military and naval service, etc., abroad	89,453	*27,785	*23.7	
*Decrease.				

Lightning Strikes Two Buildings at Same Time

Pinehurst, N. C.—Lightning may not strike twice in the same place, but apparently it can hit two places at the same time. Back in September a bolt set fire to a shed at the Pinehurst Gun club and burned it up along with nearly \$500 worth of traps. It was believed at the time no other damage had resulted. However, the curator of the club, while getting the clubhouse ready for the season opening the last week in October, discovered the bolt had struck the end of the building near where the shed stood, though about 50 distant.

Ohio Parrot Sings Hymns and Swears

Pomeroy, Ohio.—A parrot that repeats the Lord's Prayer and sings "Nearer My God to Thee" is owned by Miss Sarah Brannon here.

A short time ago a neighbor walked into the Brannon home singing the hymn, slightly "off key." Polly immediately broke in with "Hold on there, Newt, you've lost the tune."

According to Miss Brannon, the only thing the matter with Polly is that she swears oftener than she sings or prays.

Don't Get Mad When You Hear This Name

Paris.—When a Frenchman calls you a great big "siderodromophile" it really isn't correct to get mad. A French law court has just decided that this six-cylindered jawbreaker means excessive love of railroad riding.

A man recently was arrested for riding on a government railroad without a ticket. Taken before the judge, the man explained that he was suffering from "siderodromophilie." The court, baffled and embarrassed, called in a medical man, who explained the term meant undue desire of choo-choo riding.

Just the same the man was fined for gratifying his desire without first buying a ticket. If one can get that far, the accent is on the last syllable.

2,000,000-Volt Flash Caught in Photograph

Fayetteville, Ark.—Making 2,000,000 volts of artificial lightning pose for its picture was the job of Prof. W. B. Stelzner, of the electrical engineering department of the University of Arkansas, while doing research work last summer for the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company at its East Pittsburgh plant.

Stelzner said that the high speed cathode ray oscillographs, capable of taking pictures of an event occurring in less than a millionth part of a second, were used to photograph the flash.

CHAMPION HUSKER



Fred Stanek of Webster county, Iowa, winner of the National Corn-husking championship at the seventh annual contest at Norton, Kan. Stanek won the highest honors in three other "stucking" battles in 1924, 1926, and 1927.

CHRISTMAS TOYS



An Airplane Turkey

by Florence Harris Wells

A Belated Christmas

By Blanche Tanner Dillin

WHAT do you kids think you're going to do with all those Christmas ads the airplane has been showering over the town every afternoon?" Randy Roberts demanded of his small brother and sister at the table a few evenings before Christmas.

"That's what I'd like to know," Eleanor, nineteen, chimed in as she folded her napkin.

The twins, Beth and Bob, aged but seven, looked at each other over their plates and then turned towards their mother.

"Beth and Bob are quite justified," Mrs. Roberts assured her two older children. "Those advertisements are unusually attractive. The twins are making Christmas cards out of them with the aid of paste, cardboard and a verse now and then clipped from some magazine. It is their own idea and that is what every one is striving for nowadays, you know, unique and original Christmas cards." Mrs. Roberts' brown eyes twinkled.

"I'd say they're original all right," Randy grinned. "But go to it, kiddies. At least you're saving expenses, and that's what we're all trying to do." He turned to his father at the head of the table:

"How about the doctor's bill, Dad? Is it reducing enough so that we can manage a turkey for Christmas?"

Mr. Roberts smiled wearily: "I don't know, son, you know that incision isn't healing as it should and I've only worked two days this week. Even with your help and Eleanor's the bills just about stand still."

"That's all right Dad, I was just asking. Mother's cooking makes everything taste good." He stopped on the way out to look at the heap of ads piled on various chairs. Suddenly he picked one up and scrutinized it.

"See here, folks. Listen what it says on the Smith Market announcement—Some of these advertisements are marked. The one turning in the greatest number of marked ads will receive a 12-pound turkey at our market the morning of Christmas eve. Babies, the turkey's yours! There can't anybody beat a collection like this." And nobody did.

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CHRISTMAS should be a happy time for every one, but to Ruth Kenfield's heart there was little cheer. Every one seemed to be receiving gifts, she thought, as she sorted the mail in the little suburban post office. She had received a goodly number herself even now, the day before Christmas. But although there must be many beautiful gifts in the unwrapped ones, the one gift for which she had looked for three years, a letter or just a card, had never come.

Three years ago she had been certain that before Christmas Ned Traverse would ask her to marry him. But Christmas had come and gone and he had not spoken. Then she heard that he had gone to South America. Just yesterday she heard that he was again in a neighboring city living at his old club.

She had been grateful for the work as postmistress that had been given her, for the last few years would have indeed been lonely. But how she wished that she might go with the



letters which she had just given to the man for the night air mail, and fly into new scenes and experiences.

Feeling around in the storage box to be sure that she had left nothing, her hand struck a loose board. There she felt something like a letter. Prying it loose she held it up to the light, and to her astonishment she saw that it was addressed to her.

"I am sailing for South America in two weeks and shall expect an answer before I leave. No answer will mean 'No' to me." Then she saw it was post-marked three years before.

Rushing to the telephone she called the club in the neighboring city and heard the dear, familiar voice. It might be a belated Christmas letter by several years, but both Ruth and Ned agreed the next day that it was "Better late than never."

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CARNIVAL QUEEN



Miss Doris Parkes of Vancouver, B. C., chosen to reign as queen of the winter carnival at Banff, Alberta, in the Canadian Rockies, February 7 to 12.

COWS NEED REST TO RECUPERATE

Give Them at Least 6 Weeks Between Periods.

Cows as well as people need vacations if they are to do their best work, says Prof. H. A. Hooper of the New York State College of Agriculture. Six weeks is the minimum and cows in poor condition should have a rest of two months between lactation periods.

It is not generally understood, says Professor Hooper, that when a cow is producing milk she uses the minerals from her body faster than they can be replaced. A cow producing 6,000 pounds of milk a year must manufacture 750 pounds of dry matter, or more than is contained in the carcass of a 1,250 pound steer. If a cow is given little or no rest, she enters the next lactation period in a weakened and run-down condition with the result that she can produce less milk than she could have had she been dried off a few weeks before she freshened. It is false economy, according to Professor Hooper, to try to keep cows in nearly constant production.

To allow them to replace the minerals which have gone into the production of milk, cows that are dry during the pasture season should receive legume hays and pasture or be allowed to graze on a legume pasture. At other times legume hays and silage should be fed to dry cows if possible.

Term Balance in Ration Means Proper Portions

The term balance in a ration is used to mean the proper proportion of the nutrients. The nutrients are needed for special purposes and in definite amounts. Young pasture grass is practically a balanced ration for milk production, but as the grass matures the proportion of protein decreases, and as a consequence the balance is lost.

A cow in milk needs a ration containing from 15 to 25 per cent of digestible protein. If there is too small a proportion, either the protein of the body tissues is drawn upon to supply protein for the milk or some of the carbohydrates and fat which would otherwise be used for milk production must go toward the construction of body tissues. On the other hand, an excess of protein has no more value than the same amount of carbohydrates, and since protein is usually the most expensive constituent of the ration it is a wasteful practice to feed more than is needed.

Cows Relish Warm Water During Winter Season

The dairy cow needs water in large amounts at the right temperature. It must be realized that the cow's body is 70 per cent water and her milk is 87 per cent water. To supply the needs for all this water the dairyman must see to it that the cow drinks large quantities and the only way to get her to do this is by warming the water in the winter time and giving her an adequate amount of salt. Too much salt should be avoided, but free access should always be had to salt and in addition it is well to feed a little in the grain mixture.

Large quantities of water with the chill taken off will greatly aid milk flow and water is the cheapest "feed" available. Whenever the water is not naturally warm, a tank heater is about the best buy that a dairyman can make. Cows will not drink much ice cold water on a cold day but will consume large quantities when warmed.

Dairy Notes

Frozen milk and cream often jeopardize the quality of the products manufactured. The careful dairyman protects his milk and cream from freezing temperature during the winter months.

Probably the three greatest essentials in winter shelter are to have a desirable place to milk, to have a place where cows can be comfortably out of the storms, and to protect the watering system.

As a result of the short corn crop, many silos will be only partially filled this fall. If the corn is dry, water should be added to prevent possible loss.

The weight of scientific evidence at present indicates that tuberculosis may be transmitted from animals to human beings, chiefly young children, by the consumption of raw milk containing tubercle bacilli.

Past experience shows that it is impossible to make a truly high grade butter from butterfat that has come from frozen cream.

The KITCHEN CABINET

So much to do that is not seen begun,
So much to hope for that we cannot see,
So much to win, so many things to be.

THE CHILDREN'S LUNCH BOX

Where the child must carry a lunch at school, every effort should be made to make the food appetizing. Fresh fruit when it is possible should always be included. Jams, jellies, dried fruits such as figs, prunes and raisins or dates will help out when apples, oranges and fresh fruits are not available.

Fruit Paste.—Thoroughly mix chopped dates, raisins, dry figs and finely ground nuts with orange juice and a little cream. Spread generously on thin, buttered bread.

Quick Orange Jam.—Take two cups of orange pulp and juice, one lemon, pulp and juice, and one and one-half cups of sugar. Boil ten minutes. Put into jelly glasses and seal. Serve in sandwiches or with toast. A small glass of this jam makes a dainty addition to the lunch-basket.

For a wholesome sandwich, spread one slice of the buttered bread with orange marmalade and the other with cottage cheese. Put together and wrap in waxed paper.

Carrot, Celery and Nut Sandwich.—Mix ground raw carrots, celery and nuts with lemon juice and boiled dressing. Put the mixture into cases made by scooping out a roll cut in half. Fit the halves together.

Egg Sandwich.—Chop hard cooked eggs, moisten with lemon juice, season with salt and pepper, spread over a lettuce leaf, place on a buttered slice of bread. Cover with a plain buttered slice.

Party Sandwiches.—These should be served as soon as prepared. Mash bananas and fresh raspberries in equal amounts and moisten with sweet cream, add a pinch of salt and a bit of sugar if needed. Spread white bread with butter, then with the fruit mixture. Put the slices together and cut into fancy shapes. If the fresh berries are not obtainable, use raspberry jelly. If desired especially festive, decorate the top of small sandwiches cut into rounds with a spot of the jelly.

Nellie Maxwell

Little Mary Knew All About Social Workers

Karl de Schweinitz, general secretary of the Family society, tells of a social worker who recently took Sammy and Mary, aged ten and six, respectively, in her car to a hospital clinic for examination.

It was the first automobile ride for both the children—and Sammy could not restrain himself. He had to see everything that passed, including street cars, people and even vacant lots. Kiddle-like, he had to stand up and lean far out the car window.

The social worker repeatedly told him to sit down—but he was too interested in the passing scenery. Finally, in desperation, she said: "Sammy, if you don't sit down I'll never take you for another ride in my car."

To which Sammy rather impishly replied: "Do all your children mind you perfectly, Miss X—?"

But little Mary knew better than her older brother and she scornfully corrected him. "Don't you know, Sammy, that Miss X— doesn't have any children—she only has an office!" —Philadelphia Record.

Making His Last Stand

The Ivory-billed woodpecker, king of its tribe, inhabiting the great cypress swamps, probably is making its last stand in Florida, says Nature Magazine. The last breeding record of this giant woodpecker was made by Dr. A. A. Allen, who found a pair nesting in central Florida in 1924. It is now against the law to kill this fine bird. The last stand of the Carolina parakeet was made in Florida. This beautiful little parrot was once abundant but was shot and trapped in such quantities and so persistently that not one has been seen for many years. The bird is now undoubtedly extinct.

Deadly Visitation

The "black death" is the name given to an aggravated epidemic of the oriental plague which swept over Asia, Africa and Europe in 1348-49. The disease turned the bodies of its victims black, hence the name. More than 25,000 people perished in Europe alone, and the death toll in Asia and northern Africa was much greater.

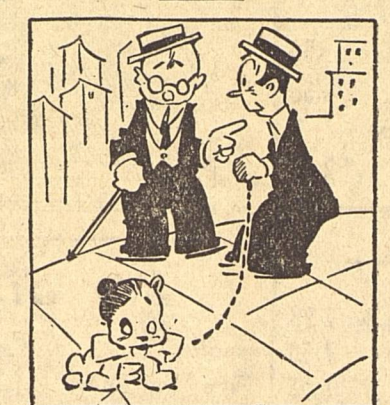
CAP AND BELLS

A SEA STORY

A quartette of revelers were down on the waterfront one moonlit night, singing "Sweet Adeline," when the tenor fell off the dock into the bay. The incident passed unnoticed by the leader, but he perceived that something was wrong with the harmony. "Smatter with you boys?" he complained. "One of you don't sound right."

"It's Jack," rumbled the basso solemnly, "he's off quay."

DOG WAS OUT OF DATE



"My dog has been acting queerly the past two days."
"Strange. The dog-day season is over."
"Perhaps my dog doesn't know it."

Applause of the Hour
Like the operatic band
That used to sing with glee,
They've got to cheer for some one, and
It might as well be he.

It's Next Best
Diner (sadly)—Waiter, there's no fly in this soup.
Waiter—Of course not, sir.
Diner (mournfully)—Will you please take it back and have the cook put in a fly? I'm on my vacation and I can't afford a camping trip. —Brooklyn Eagle.

A Pedestrian's Widow
The neighbors were coming home from the funeral.
"I'm sorry for Kate," sympathized one. "I'll tell you it's a tough thing to be left a widow with two children."
"It is," agreed a second. "But then, what could she expect? She knew he was a pedestrian when she married him."

Funny Disease
Salesman—I think I'll drop around and see the doctor tonight, dear. I've had ringing noises in my ears on and off all day.
Wife—I don't wonder at it. You left your sample case at home this morning and took out your portable wireless set.—Passing Show.

TURNED OUT BLIND



"How did your blind date turn out?"
"Just as dumb as blind."

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Terrible Make-Up
"Why do you stare at me?"
"Father says you are a self-made man."
"Well, why stare?"
"I'm wondering why you made yourself like that."

Out of the Army Now
"This will be a major operation," said the surgeon.
"Ah, give me a general, doc, I'll go the limit," grinned the former doughboy.

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(By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D. D., Member of Faculty, Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)
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Lesson for December 21

TIMOTHY: THE INFLUENCE OF HOME TRAINING

LESSON TEXT—Acts 16:1-3; Philip-
pians 2:19-22; II Timothy 1:1-6; 3:
14-16.
GOLDEN TEXT—And that from a
child thou hast known the holy scrip-
tures, which are able to make thee
wise unto salvation through faith
which is in Christ Jesus.
**INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOP-
IC**—Living for Christ in Our Homes.
**YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOP-
IC**—Religious Training in the Home.

I. Timothy's Parentage (Acts 16:1).
His father was a Greek and his mother a believing Jewess. On his mother's side, at least, he had a godly ancestry. Frequently the influence of the mother makes the son. A pious mother and a pious grandmother were back of Timothy. How thankful to God ought those to be who have been blessed with a godly ancestry. Christian heredity and training are vital elements which go to make up Christian life.

II. Timothy's Training (I Tim. 1:5; II Tim. 3:14, 15).
His wise and faithful mother and grandmother carefully nurtured him in God's Word. He knew the Scriptures from childhood through their training. The faith which came to him through his grandmother and mother did not come through the laws of heredity, but through careful training and teaching.

Three factors were involved in his training:
1. Godly ancestors. Those who have been blessed with godly ancestors should thank God for them. Those who are to be the parents of the coming generation should see to it that their children are not handicapped by a wrong life and wrong teaching.

2. A Christian home. The young of the human race must remain for the longest period under the influence of their parents. Unending existence and exalted destiny demand long and careful training. The goodness and wisdom of God are vitally reflected in this provision for humanity.

3. A diligent study of the Holy Scriptures. Timothy not only was taught the Scriptures from childhood, but was commanded diligently to study them (ch. 2:15). No home training or hereditary influence can possibly take the place of personal study of the Bible.

III. Timothy's Call (Acts 16:2, 3).
While on his second missionary journey in company with Silas, Paul found Timothy at Lystra near Derbe. Perhaps he had been converted on Paul's first missionary journey, but hearing a favorable report of him by the brethren, Paul circumcised him so as not to offend the Jews, because his father was a Greek. This was in harmony with the decision of the Jerusalem council. It was a case where conciliation was possible without compromise of truth. From this time to the end of Paul's life, Timothy was his devoted companion.

IV. Timothy's Character.
1. Of a retiring disposition (II Tim. 1:6). He had received a gift from God at the hands of the apostle but it needed to be stirred up; that is, fanned into a flame. Such a temperament would mature in touch with a great personality like Paul. Each Christian has a gift from God's hand. It is highly important that the God-given gift be stirred up.

2. Courageous (II Tim. 2:1-8). Having been stirred up and freed from the spirit of fear, he deliberately identified himself with Paul in his sufferings and trials. Courage is greatly needed in doing the Lord's work.

3. Faithful (Phil. 2:20). Timothy tarried in the difficult field of Ephesus through many years. He was the only man of the proper fidelity to minister to the Philippians. The secret of his faithfulness in such a position was his fidelity to God's word.

V. Timothy's Ministry.

1. As a fellow missionary with Paul (Phil. 2:22). Paul testified that Timothy, as a son with a father, had served with him in the gospel.

2. As pastor of the church at Ephesus (I Tim. 1:3, 4). Here Timothy labored for many years, tactfully meeting the difficulties of that great church. The secret of his ministry, as that of all Christian ministers, was that he had implicit confidence in the Scriptures as God's Word, and that he diligently studied them so as rightly to divide them in meeting the needs of those to whom he ministered. This is the only way to meet the needs which arise in the difficult field of a pastor.

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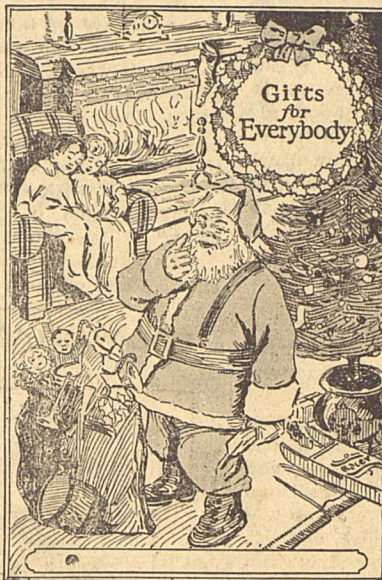
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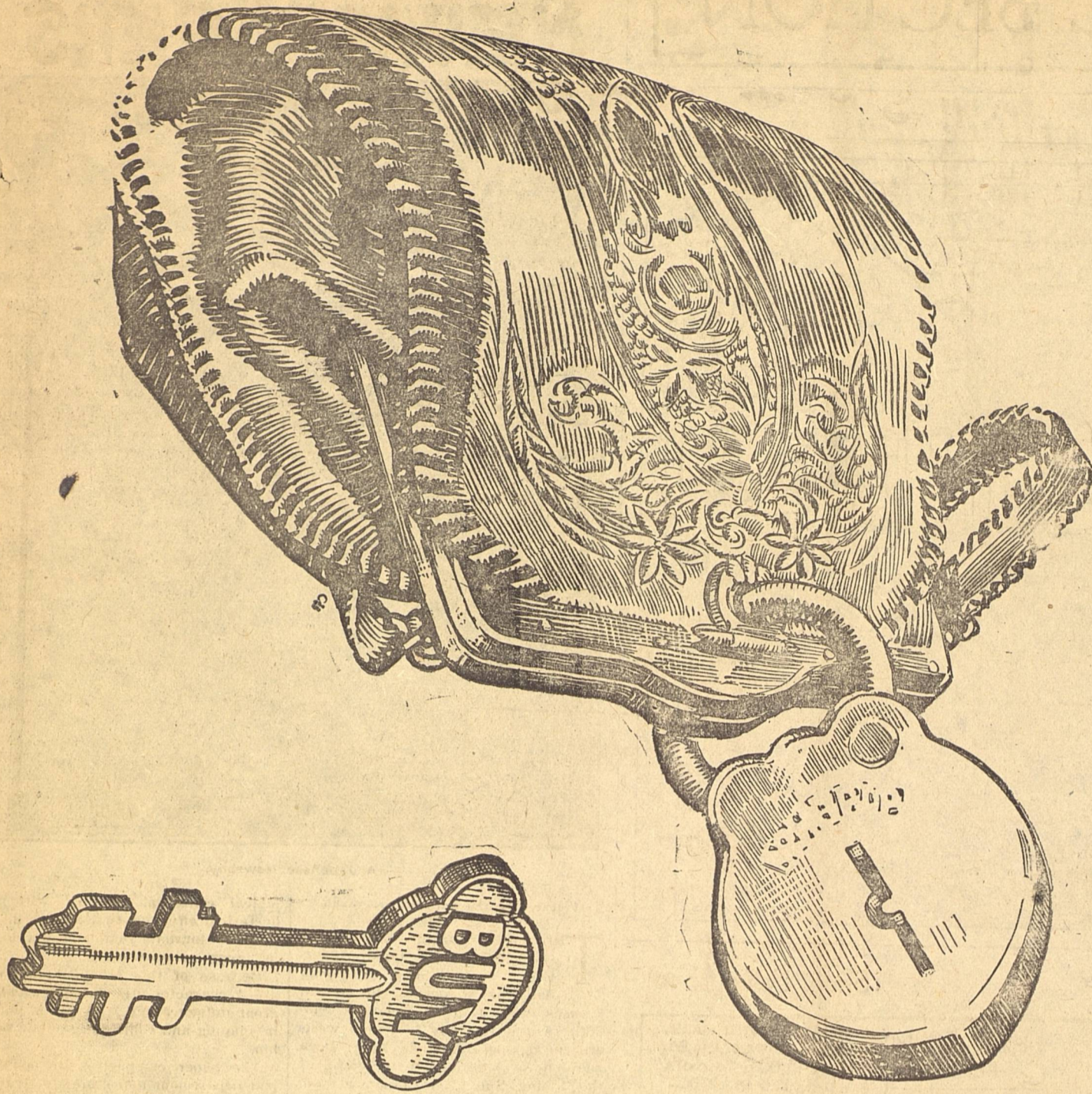
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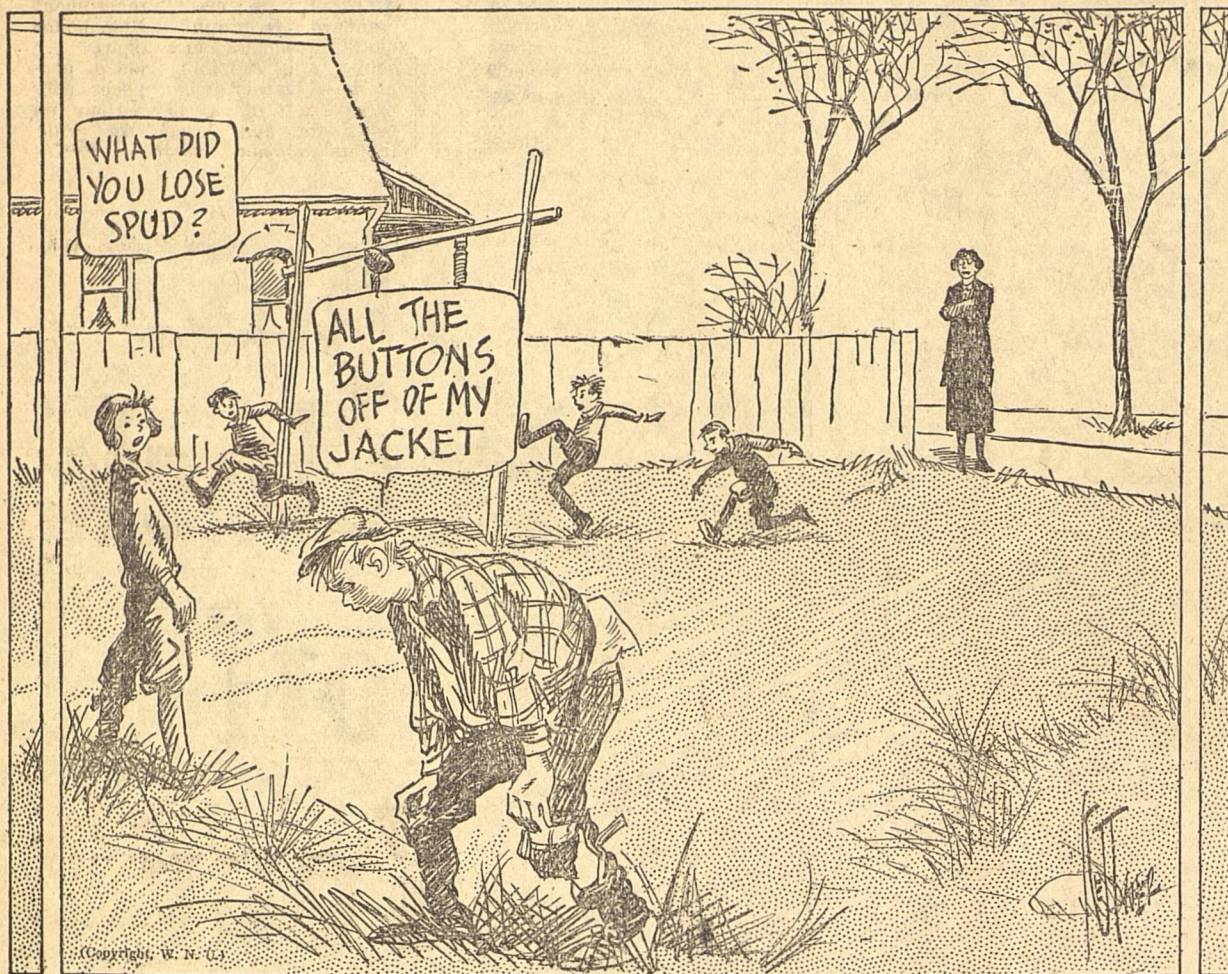
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JAPAN'S NEWSPAPERS



A Japanese Newboy.

(Prepared by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.)

THE recent burning in Tokyo of the plant of the Japan Advertiser, best known American daily newspaper in the Orient, arouses interest in its Japanese competitors and the way in which western newspaper methods have been adapted to conditions in the Land of the Rising Sun. That Japan should, in the very few years since her modern metamorphosis, have so speedily caught up with the van of periodical publication is less wonderful when one remembers that the Orient is the birthplace of the "art preservative," and that China possesses the oldest newspaper in the world.

The first attempt at a modern journal in Japan was in 1864, when the Kuaigai Shimbun was undertaken by Joseph Hess, a picturesque character, who in 1850 was cast away in the wrecking of a junk, rescued and carried to America. Here he lived for a number of years, acquired a smattering of western ideas and methods, and, when Japan was opened after the visit of Commodore Perry, returned to his native land as an interpreter.

The first modern newspaper monthly worthy of the name was founded by John Black, an Englishman, one of the first foreign residents of Yokohama. This was in 1872. Since then Japanese journalism has grown with wonderful rapidity, both in volume and in character. There are now some eight hundred newspapers and magazines published in the empire, of which more than two hundred are in Tokyo.

Of the newspapers there are the Kuampo, which is the official gazette, containing the government announcements, such as laws, regulations, and appointments; the Kokumin, much quoted in press dispatches from Tokyo, as giving the government opinion of things international during the premiership of Prince Katsura, and the Nichi Nichi, as expressing popular sentiment of the better sort.

Of magazines there are scores of every sort and kind—literary, artistic, legal, medical, scientific—technical along all lines of modern accomplishment and endeavor.

Jiji-Shimpo is "The Times." The Jiji-Shimpo corresponds in a measure to our words "The Times." "Jiji" means "timely events" or "daily events." "Shimpo" is the word for journal or merely "paper."

The Jiji-Shimpo is a monument, in a way, to the memory of its founder; not more a monument than a constant reincarnation of his spirit and influence. It was founded 48 years ago by the late Fukuzawa Yukichi, who was often called the Japanese Gladstone. No account of Japan, however brief, and particularly no reference to its intellectual and literary development, would be complete without reference to the life and influence of this remarkable man.

The policy of the paper is independent. It is partisan only in that it is liberal, devoted to progress, and opposed to any retrograde policy in Japanese civilization. When it takes occasion to differ with the government, it does so with dignified and

logical criticism, and not with the hysterical effusions that appear in the "yellow" journals that have developed in Japan as elsewhere.

Because of this scholarly and dignified character, Jiji-Shimpo wields a great influence and its voice is potent in shaping and controlling public opinion.

The paper emphasizes its commercial department and a staff of trained men looks after this part of the news.

A foreign department of three editors cares for the cable and telegraph dispatches and keeps in close and intelligent touch with international affairs.

Domestic news is gathered by correspondents in every city and important town of the empire, sifted, and arranged by two editors.

Twenty men compose the city staff and, in close harmony with the reportorial methods of our Occidental papers, cover the local news of Tokyo.

In common with all Oriental languages, Japanese is written and printed from right to left, and the title, therefore, is in the upper right hand corner of what would be for us the eighth page. The lines of print are vertical and read from top to bottom and from right to left. Each article is in a small square surrounded by a border.

How the Type Is Set.

Typesetting in Japanese is a tedious and laborious piece of business from an Occidental viewpoint, though the many hands employed make it rapid enough in an Oriental sense. Japanese is printed in two sets of characters—the borrowed Chinese, which are ideographic, each representing a word or a group of words; and side by side with these characters, in their vertical line, runs the translation or explanation in the indigenous grass characters, a sort of phonetic or stenographic script easily read and understood by the common and uneducated people.

When an article or editorial is ready in manuscript, it is sent first to the ideographic composing room, where it is divided into "takes" and given to Chinese compositors. The room is filled with closely set racks, containing the thousands of varieties of ideographic type.

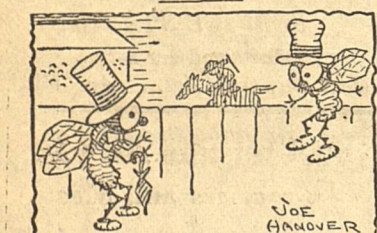
Each compositor goes from rack to rack looking for the character required. That he may not forget what he is looking for, he sings it over and over audibly, in a cracked, nasal sort of sing-song. A composing room is anything but a quiet place, resembling the chorus of a Chinese theater.

When the article is finished, it is placed in a sort of galley, tied together and sent to the real compositors, who untie it and proceed with a pair of tweezers to place the small grass type beside the ideograph characters. This work demands scholarship of a high order.

The type thus completed is proved, the proof carefully read and corrected and taken then to the imposing stones, where it goes into the make-up of the paper.

All typesetting is of necessity hand work, as the peculiar character of the language precludes the use of a linotype.

THE ONLY PLACE



Deacon Bluebottle—"I am very sorry to see you hanging around a race track." Horse Fly—"I can't help it. It's about the only place any horses are left!"

Pull Down the Whistle

The conductor of the slow train approached the impatient passenger. "I've got bad news for you," he said. "We just got word that the station burned." "All right. They'll have time enough to rebuild it before we get there."

Too Inquisitive

"I'm sending my boy to a boarding school." "What for?"

"Oh, he asks such questions. He wanted to know last night if a shoemaker could breathe his last."—Stray Stories.

Never Fazed Him

He had been to the manager's office to ask for the day off so that he could dig up his garden.

"But, my good man," said the manager, "Jones told me only the other day that you hadn't got a garden."

"Well, some one must have taken it off the windowsill," was the calm reply.

Hammer! Hammer!

She—I think Percival is a pessimist, don't you?
Her—Yes—even his knees knock.

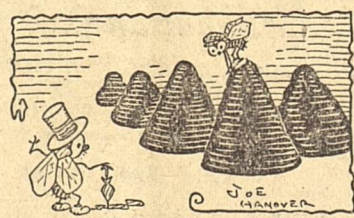
The Reproach

He—You remind me of a magazine cover.
She (reproachfully)—That's because you see me only once a month.

Just Like a Rumor

Gladys—Why is a kiss like a rumor?
Ferdie—Because it passes from mouth to mouth.

POOR EYESIGHT



Professor Fly—"As I live, there's a new range of mountains." Assistant—"New range of nothin'. They're chocolate drops an' if you want any you better hurry up!"

The Wise Bird

Publisher—In your story I notice you make the owl hoot "to whom" instead of "to who."
Author—Yes, this is a Boston owl.—Boston Transcript.

Disillusionment

Young Husband—It seems to me, my dear, that these pancakes are rather heavy.
His Bride—Then I'm afraid you're a poor judge, for the cook book says they are light and feathery.

Only 50-Odd Working Days in 1931!



By ELMO SCOTT WATSON
Drawing by Ray Walters

OME one has stated that if a person were a true internationalist and showed it by joining in the celebration of the various holidays throughout the world, he would discover that he would have left only some 50-odd days during the whole 365 of the year in which to busy himself with his usual occupation. As Americans face a new year, they may be interested to know that 1931 holds for them nearly as many rest days as work days.

Now let us consider the possibilities if a person set out to observe every holiday which is generally or locally observed in the United States. He could begin with January 1, which, of course, is New Year's day everywhere. A week later he should be in New Orleans where the anniversary of the battle of New Orleans is celebrated as a holiday. On January 17 he might join in the observance of the anniversary of Benjamin Franklin's birthday, which is not a holiday anywhere, but which is widely observed as the beginning of Thrift week.

Two days later, January 19, if he were in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina or Virginia, he could join in the celebration of the birthday anniversary of Gen. Robert E. Lee, and ten days later, January 29, he could honor the memory of President William McKinley.

February is the shortest month in the year but there's only one other month which has more days in which to celebrate. If this hypothetical holiday-celebrating citizen doesn't think Ground Hog day is important enough to justify observance on February 2, he can make a quick trip to Arizona and there help the citizens of that state celebrate Arbor day. They do it on the first Monday in February and this year it's February 2. But he will have to hurry to get to Florida in time to help them celebrate their Arbor day on the first Friday in February which falls on February 6 this year. On February 12 he can help celebrate Georgia day in that state although most people think of that date as the occasion for honoring the memory of Abraham Lincoln on the anniversary of his birth. In order to join in that celebration it will be necessary for him to go north, for there are only 14 states, all in the North, which have made Lincoln's birthday a legal holiday.

February 14 is St. Valentine's day and February 15 is Maine ("Remember the Maine!") day, both of which he can observe if he chooses. This year February 17 will be celebrated as a legal holiday in Alabama, in parts of Florida and in five parishes in Louisiana, for it is Shrove Tuesday, and in Louisiana it ushers in the famous festival in New Orleans. Our holiday-observing traveler can spend February 22 in any state he pleases, for Washington's birthday is officially celebrated in every state in the Union, but when March comes in he should go south again—to Texas, where on March 2 he can help observe Sam Houston's birthday and Texas Independence day.

But he will need the rest which he will get in March, for April is going to be a busy month, even busier than February. To start it off right in Alabama, Connecticut, Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Porto Rico, or Tennessee he can join in the celebration of Good Friday which comes on April 3 this year. April 12 should find him in North Carolina celebrating the anniversary of the Halifax Independence Resolutions (a reminder of pre-Revolutionary war days); April 13 he can honor the memory of Thomas Jefferson about anywhere he wishes (but in Virginia would be the most appropriate place); April 15 he should be out in Utah, helping celebrate Arbor day; then he can cross the state line on the east and on April 17 aid in observing Arbor day and School day in Colorado.

However, if he expects to help Maine or Massachusetts celebrate Patriot's day on April 19, he might start east and spend April 17 in one of the northern counties of Illinois celebrating Arbor day (the governor usually sets the third Friday in April for that observance). But if he does go to New England for Patriot's day, it's going to mean an airplane trip back west in order to be in Texas for San Jacinto day on April 21 or in Montana on the same day for Arbor day, or on April 22 in Nebraska, for its Arbor day celebration, and the next day, April 23, in Illinois to help honor Stephen A. Douglas. Three days later, April 26, he should be in either Alabama, Georgia, Florida, or Mississippi to honor the Confederate dead on one of the two Confederate Memorial days.

After the busy month of April, May is comparatively restful. On May 8 he has his choice of Arbor day in Idaho, or in Rhode Island. Then on May 10 he should be in either North Carolina or South Carolina for the second Confederate Memorial day. If the former, he might just as well stay until May 20 and help celebrate the anniversary of the Mecklenburg Independence Declaration. On May 30 anywhere in the United States he can bow his head reverently in memory of our soldier dead and help decorate their graves. For it is Memorial or Decoration day. On June 3 he can take cognizance of the anniversary of Jefferson Davis' birthday, a legal holiday in five southern states. Next comes June 14, which is Flag day,

observed in all states. June 17 is Bunker Hill day, commemorated in Massachusetts, and June 20 is West Virginia day, when that state celebrates its admission to the Union. Wherever he is in the United States on July 4 he can celebrate Independence day, but on July 13 he will need to go to Tennessee to celebrate the birthday of Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest, then speed out to Idaho for the Pioneer day celebration on July 15 and drop down into Utah for the Pioneer day celebration in that state on July 24. From Utah he should start east immediately if he is to take part in the celebration of Bennington day in Vermont on August 6.

After the Labor day in North Carolina on September 3 (the first Thursday in September) he can go to some other state and celebrate it again on September 7 (the first Monday in September). Then there's Admission day to be celebrated in California September 9, Defense day on September 12 and American Indian day on the third Friday in September—September 18 this year. After taking part in the celebration of Fire Prevention day on October 9, he can go to Florida and celebrate Farmers' day on October 10. But he will have to leave there if he expects to celebrate October 12, Columbus day, legally for it's not a legal holiday in that state. But there are 23 states in which it is. On October 23 he should be in southern Illinois for its second Arbor day celebration (the fourth Friday in October for the southern part of the state) and then he himself out to Nevada to help observe Admission day in that state on October 31.

He must not linger long, however, for he's due in Louisiana for the celebration of the legal holiday of November 1, which is All Saints day. November 11, wherever he is, he should "face east" in honor of Armistice day and on the last Thursday in the month (November 26 in 1931) he should join with his fellow-Americans in being grateful on Thanksgiving day. December 4 should find him in Georgia celebrating Arbor day (the first Friday in December) and he might as well stay there for the celebration of Christmas on December 25 and then cross the state line over into South Carolina where December 26 and 27 are legal holidays as a part of the Christmas celebration. Thus the busy year of 1931 ends for the holiday-celebrator.

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Twelve-Month Calendar Used by Ancient Race

Those who propose a revised calendar are 4,000 years behind time, according to Prof. Arthur Posnansky, a German authority on obscure civilizations of the ancient world.

On a broad plateau touching the boundary line between Peru and Bolivia and overlooking Titicaca, the largest lake in South America, there lived, 4,000 years ago, a mysterious people who raised enormous temples and adjusted their lives to a calendar for 12 months each year, divided into three 10-day weeks, says Popular Science Monthly. The actual calendar as written by the savant priests of the ancient race has been discovered by Professor Posnansky, who is in Bolivia exploring the relics of the Tiuanacans.

Although the Tiuanacans are believed to have flourished at the same time as the Egyptians, it is difficult to trace their history, since they were unknown to contemporary Peruvians. The colossal stone structures built by the strange races are filled with huge monuments and statues and enhanced by elaborately carved doorways. The remains are considered in many respects to be among the most interesting of archeological records discovered in America.

Dad Still Remembered His Early Truncings

Bartholomew had come home from school with the complaint that in the course of the day his teacher had assaulted his anatomy with undue alacrity. Mother was indignant.

When father came home the report was made that the son had been beaten to a pulp by the teacher—the measure of punishment always grows as the story is retold.

"Why, she must have beaten him up awful!" the mother groaned. "I'll talk to the boy," said the more composed dad.

"Son, how long was the ruler she used?"

"Two foot."

"Go on back and get some more education—they used three-footers in my day!"—Exchange.

Freak Atlantic Craft

The desire to cross the Atlantic in some sort of freak craft seems to be contagious. A German production on the lines of a submarine with a weighted keel and with some sort of passenger accommodation up aloft is being constructed. The boat is stated to be unsinkable. It is made of steel, and is alleged to be absolutely watertight. This craft has actually materialized and an American named Jackson is busily engaged near Belfast on the building of a 75-footer (of wood) on the shores of Loch Neagh, in which he proposes to attempt crossing.

And So Does the Dog

Musical Wife—It's strange, but when I play the piano, I always feel extraordinarily melancholy.

Husband—So do I, dearest.—Passing Show.

No Doubt Right

The hired hand says the hardest work he has to do is done before breakfast. Tillie says he means getting out of bed.—Prairie Farmer.

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