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NO PARK BENCH SEAT FOR THE SAVER

If something unforeseen should happen tomorrow and you should lose your job what? Would you, because of lack of finances be forced to give up your home and pleasant surroundings? Not if you take time by the forelock and start saving now while earning. Then you will have a bank account to care for you in time of need.

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OF CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

NEW CROSS PLAINS TO OPLIN HIGHWAY

The new county highway from Cross Plains to Oplin, this end of the route being supervised chiefly by commissioner, Geo. Clifton, will soon be completed from Oplin through the chain of ranches to a point where it intersects the main public road leading west from Cross Plains, the point of intersection being the east limit of the ranch section. The right-of-way for the road covers a width of one hundred feet, and is being enclosed the entire distance through the ranch section by a substantial four-wire cedar post fence. Proper grading and an ample dump for future hard surfacing is being built. On the Oplin side and leading from the Bayou it passes through the south part of the Hall ranch continuing in its direction to Cross Plains by bordering the Gilliland, Brightwell, Spencer, Baum and Cutbirth ranch. Bridges are being built over all the small water shed outlets, and we are informed that a raised concrete dip will be made at the crossing of the Bayou.

When this road is completed it will annex a valuable trades territory to Cross Plains—an agricultural section that will be ever on the increase as those fine ranches are converted into farms. The greater value and profits to be derived from such fertile lands through proper cultivation and crop variety, over the profit gained from the present condition of cattle raising make inevitable this change in the near future.

Wouldn't it be fine to have our big summer barbecue and rodeo celebration to also commemorate the completion of the new Cross Plains to Oplin Highway.

FIRE DESTROYS HOME IN OIL FIELD NEAR TOWN

A small house owned by the Prairie Oil Co., located on their Lease adjoining the south side of Cross Plains and occupied by one of their employees, Claude Minton, was totally destroyed by fire about noon last Monday. None of the family were present when the fire started and only a small portion of the contents of the home was saved. The fire is believed to have originated from a defective electric wire. The local fire department responded with its usual haste, but on account of the distance could not reach the scene in time to avert an almost total loss of the house and household goods.

A HELPING HAND

Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Tommie Aiken Post 423 American Legion visited Rising Star the past week end and with the assistance of Mrs. Hardy of Breckenridge, the 17th district chairman, they organized a new Auxiliary Unit, starting them off with fourteen paid members.

Those present were: Mrs. W. A. Huckaby, Mrs. Luke Westerman, Mrs. Phil Anderson, Mrs. Jim Bachus. Hurrah for our Auxiliary Unit!

MORTUARY

Sherman Gehrett was born in Ormoque, Kansas, August 15th, 1883, died in Alexander Hospital at Abilene, Texas, May 16th 1928.

He was united in marriage to Byrdie E. Bailey of Lenora, Kansas, March 4th, 1908.

He was a member of the Blue Lodge, A. F. & A. M., at Douglas Kansas, and of the Consistory and Shrine of Wichita, Kansas.

Mr. Gehrett was an employee of Cranfill-Reynolds, Cisco oil operators and at the time of his death was drilling superintendent of this firm's operations in Fisher county.

The body was brought to their Cisco home at 1216 10th St., where the funeral services were conducted Friday at 10 a. m. by Rev. Tom Brabham of Pampa, Texas, former pastor of Cross Plains Methodist Church.

The body was taken to Santa Anna for burial.

Deceased leaves a wife, father, four sisters and one brother to mourn his death.

TRADE AT HOME

PAUL RAMSEY HURT IN AUTO WRECK AT TULIA

A message was received here last Monday by relatives of Paul Ramsey that the latter had been seriously injured in an automobile wreck at Tulia, Texas. The message indicated that he was more probably fatally injured, receiving a dislocation of the neck, resulting in almost total paralysis of the body. Reports received Wednesday of this week state that he was still alive but little hopes were entertained for his recovery.

Paul Ramsey is a brother of Pitt Ramsey of the Burnt Branch community, a cousin of Dr. Lenze of Rising Star, Dr. H. H. Ramsey of Abilene and Mrs. Edna Mauldin of Cross Plains. He was formerly a resident of Cottonwood, having conducted a mercantile business there, and of recent years has been engaged in the furniture and ranch business at Tulia. He was well known and has many friends in this community who deeply regret the unfortunate accident. Particulars of just where and how the accident occurred has not been learned.

BURKETT WINS SECOND BALL GAME FROM BAIRD

A close and well-played game developing soon after it commenced into one of the most interesting and exciting of the small town games of the season, was played at Burkett last Sunday afternoon. The contest was the second game of the season between the Burkett and Baird base ball teams and ended in a second victory for the Burkett boys by a score of 3 to 2. In the first game between these nines, played at Baird some time ago, the game was more decisive in favor of Burkett than was their lead of Sunday, Baird falling in defeat by a score of 0 to 5. Odell of Cottonwood pitched for the Burkett team in last Sunday's game.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank each and every one for every act of kindness and sympathy extended to us during the illness, death and burial of our loved one, especially the Masons and employees of Higginbotham Bros. & Co. May the Lord bless you.

Mrs. Sherman Gehrett.
Mrs. Minnie B. Pinney.
James Eugene Pinney
Kathryn Rose Pinney.

Operations Active in Cross Cut Field

T. S. Holden is drilling on Bradstreet-Wahlstedt, No. 2, J. B. Eubank, one location west of their No. 1 which came in for initial production of 600 barrels and is still gauging better than 300 barrels. This farthest location west in northwest extension of Eubank pool offsetting to south, Sinclair Oil Co., is drilling near 300 feet on their Eubank No. 2.

Cranfill-Reynolds have two wells drilling on J. B. Eubank land, a third machine being moved in, and one well drilling near 700 feet on O. L. Kellar tract. Several additional locations have been staked but no work will be started on these until the drilling wells are completed.

Three wildcats are seeking production east and southeast of Eubank pool. One half mile east, Parks and Shaw are drilling on the J. W. Newton tract. One mile southeast of this well, Tom Anderson-Culbertson Bros. are drilling on the M. J. Suttle land.

J. E. Beddingfield et al. are drilling one mile southeast of the Anderson-Culbertson Bros. tract, near the bank of Red River on the Suttle tract. Production in any of these three wells will result in an extensive drilling campaign in that area.

In Tom Bryant's deep test on the T. N. Pinkston estate northeast of town, a bad fishing job has probably been overcome since 8-inch pipe has been set by the baiter which was dropped and wedged in the hole by a cave at 1500 feet. The well is being cleaned to the depth of 1985, which had been drilled and it is believed that the pipe can be set to that depth without further trouble.

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LOCAL LIONS CLUB ELECT NEW OFFICERS

At the regular banquet-meeting conducted at the Presbyterian church Tuesday of this week, the Century Lions Club of Cross Plains elected the following new officers:

Ambra C. Dodson, President.
Ted Smith, 1st Vice-President.
Martin Neeb, 2nd Vice-President.
M. Polishuk, 3rd Vice-President.
Ross Wagner, Secretary.
Russell McGowen, Treasurer.
Geo. Scott, Lion Tamer.
K. J. Preston, Tall Twister.
Directors: Tom Anderson, John Westerman, W. A. Williams, Ted Smith.

Bransford Eubank has just returned from Princeton University, and will spend his summer vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Eubank, Cross Cut. Bransford is a graduate of Texas A. & M. and is an instructor for two years in the University of Peking, China, and returned home last year in order to obtain his Doctor of Philosophy's Degree in the states.

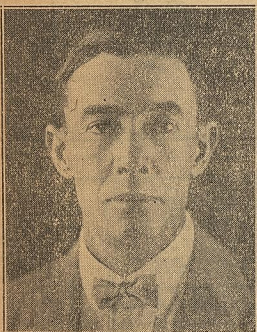
SUMMER SCHOOL TO BEGIN JUNE 4TH

Beginning Monday June 4th and continuing for eight weeks there will be a summer school taught by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde King, and if the number enrolling justify it for those who failed to make a passing grade in some of their work the past school year and now wish to try to make up this work. However pupils may take new work not to exceed one new subject. As much review work may be taken as the student and teacher think may be profitably pursued.

The tuition for the term of eight weeks is as follows and must be paid at the time of enrollment. For high school work; one subject \$6.00, two subjects \$10.00, and for each subject in excess of two \$2.00. For Grammar school; one subject \$5.00, two subject \$8.00, and for each additional subject \$2.50.

No work will be taught below the fifth grade. The hours for teaching will be between 8:00 a. m. and 12:00 noon, for five days each week. Only by special arrangements will classes be organized for fewer than six pupils and only review work will be given in Plane Geometry and Spanish.

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The RETURN of ANTHONY TRENT

by WYNDHAM MARTYN

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WNU SERVICE



CHAPTER VIII—Continued

It was not easy for him, tonight, to give his attention to the dancing. The hours passed with intolerable slowness. He knew that not until every guest had gone, and those staying in the house were asleep, would the dan- gerous Pierre Redlich evolve from the somber, square-shouldered detective.

The Bixes did not stay, late. In a sense their going broke up the party. They were so socially pre-eminent that the lesser lights did not care to remain. At two the last motor had rolled down the drive. By three there was not a light in any window. The men had become tired and the women knew the value of sleep.

Redlich had abandoned his resemblance to a rugged guardian of the law. He was crafty, creeping and sly. Tonight he was determined to take no risks. He wanted to make certain that Anthony Trent had gone to bed and was not about to patrol the exterior of the house. But he assumed the Yeatman carriage as he knocked upon Trent's door.

After a pause a sleepy voice bade him enter. Redlich saw that Trent had been compelled to rise from his bed, assume a dressing gown and come into the sitting room of his suite. He was not in his customary good temper.

"You are the third," he began crossly, "who has tried to prevent me from sleeping. First, Mr. Glimbert wanted me to share sentry go with him. Secondly, Payson Grant thought I ought to be out there on the wet grass looking for burglars in every bush. And now you come. What's your especial grievance?"

"Merely to suggest that you might desire to patrol the grounds with me," Redlich was smiling amiably. "I am going now."

"Then you go alone," said Anthony Trent irritably. "What's this conspiracy to make me a martyr for an other man's house and for?"

Then he paused as though struck by a sudden perplexing thought. "What's it to do with you? Why should an accountant figure in a thing like this?"

"The time is come," said the other impressively, "to tell you the truth. I am a detective engaged by Mrs. Grant to protect her guests."

He was gratified at the astonish- ment he had produced.

Redlich had never liked Trent. He could see that over this young man they thought so bold and debonaire fear was creeping.

"Is there any danger, do you suppose?"

"We hope not," Redlich answered, "but I shall not sleep tonight. I shall watch particularly this door, because it is here that they will come for the jewels. I shall not ask any turking creature what his business is. I shall shoot."

It was plain that Anthony Trent did not relish danger so close at hand. "I'm going to lock my door," he said firmly, "and that's a thing I never do."

When he had closed Trent's door and heard the key turn in the lock Redlich made a gesture of vulgar derision at the bolted door.

On his side of it, Anthony Trent was chuckling softly. What infernal impudence for a crook like Redlich to think he could outwit or outgame the man who had been the master criminal!

He did not waste much time in laughing. Pulling the shades down he took from a locked trunk the second of the bathing suits he had bought that afternoon.

It was a suit of knitted wool, black in color, which covered him from neck to toe. The sleeves were wrist length. On his head he put an aviator's cap; to this he strapped an auto- matic pistol.

When the lights were put out, the shades raised and the window softly opened, he drew on the same heavy gloves he had used to climb the lightning rod, and lowered himself to the marble terrace. He had noticed from his window that the white mast- head light of the steamer was oscillating far more markedly than on the previous night. It was a symptom of the sea, which was growing rougher.

When he came near the bathing houses Trent could at first detect nothing. Then his straining eyes made out, just beyond the white fringe of surf, a boat rising and falling in the tide. He could see, every now and then, that a man at the oars had to work to keep the boat in the same position. Plainly he was waiting mid- way between shore and ship. And Trent guessed shrewdly that he was waiting for Pierre Redlich.

Anthony Trent hoped Redlich would succeed. He had two principal ac- counts against him. The first was his maltreatment of Mademoiselle Dupin. The other was the poisoning of the dogs.

The man in the boat, leaning on his oars and dreaming of the case Red- lich's work would bring him did not see anything at which to be alarmed during his vigil. He wished his tend- er would make haste. These summer storms along the Jersey coast had an almost tropical violence at times.

So fixed were his eyes on the spot where the signals would flash that he had no idea a swimmer passed a few yards from him. The men on the tramp were leaning anxiously over the vessel's side when the black-dog swim- mer clambered up the anchor chains, got a grip of the hawse-hole opening and pulled himself on deck. Merging into the black night he crept to the unoccupied bridge and climbed to the top of the little deckhouse. Here, where no light shone on him, none would look for invaders.

Although Redlich's launch was swamped he clambered safely aboard the broad-beamed rowboat and was pulled to the side of La Belle Alliance. The captain, cheered at the news of complete success, took the wheel, sig-



Behind the Weapon was a Most Sur- prising Being.

naled his orders, put the vessel into the teeth of the wind and stood out to sea. In the cabin Redlich was describ- ing his exploits.

The sense of achievement led to much boasting. He described, with scornful laughter, the kind of people he had lived among for the past week and had fooled so neatly. And in his leers he remembered, with special emphasis, Anthony Trent.

The men about him made him re- peat how he had won his victories. They laughed particularly at Glimbert, who had finally been beaten and robbed of a diamond of five carats which Redlich dashed before them.

No person in the Grant household had been more puzzled than Thorpe the butler when, during the dancing, Trent drew him aside.

"Thorpe," said Trent, "I'm on the track of the man who poisoned those two dogs. I take it you'd like to be in at the death."

"Thorpe breathed heavily. 'I hope I'll get the chance.'"

"I'm going to give it to you. Now pay great attention to what I say."

Thorpe listened wide-eyed with as- tonishment when he heard.

"It's like a book, sir," said Thorpe. "It's like the sort of book I fancy something red-blonded."

"Books don't all have happy end- ings," Trent reminded him. "I'm not too sure of this. Remember all of you must be armed and all of you must

Beds of Clay Reveal the Passage of Time

Geologists can follow the tracks of the sun and tell the time, year by year, in geological ages—so ancient that even by millions of years they are hard to count.

Not far from Stockholm there are some remarkable beds of clay, regu- larly arranged in alternating bands of sand and clay. These turn out to be the layers deposited by the melt- ing glaciers of the Ice age, each one laid down in the spring and summer when the sun was hottest. And as there was a freeze-up each winter and melting each summer, the layers be- come almost as accurate an index to the antiquity of the Ice age as the annual rings of a tree are to the age of the tree.

Moreover, the same system of meas- uring geological time has now been extended over all Scandinavia, and parts of India and South America. Everywhere the layers appear to cor-

respond so closely in the variations of their thickness, year by year, that there seems no doubt they were laid down in corresponding years.—Baron Gerard de Geer.

Drama of Astronomy

Astronomy is marked by a drama of life and hope that no other human activity has approximated. The first complete system was formulated by the Greeks, who conceived the stars as fixed in a spherical shell which ro- tated once daily about the axis of the universe. This shell, beyond the orbit of the planets, they thought was the visible boundary of the universe.

And a Great Improvement

Kids naturally believe in evolution anyway. They think they're an im- provement on the old folk.—Kokoro Dispatch.

Improved Uniform International Sunday School Lesson

(By REV. F. B. FITZWATER, D. D., Dean Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, (© 1928 Western Newspaper Union.)

Lesson for June 3

JESUS FACING BETRAYAL AND DEATH

LESSON TEXT—Mark 14:1-42. GOLDEN TEXT—Not what I will, but what Thou wilt.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus' Last Supper With His Friends.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Jesus' Last Supper With His Disciples.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Loyalty in Times of Testing.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Fellowship of His Sufferings.

I. Judas' Bargain With the Chief Priests (vv. 10, 11).

This black crime was committed immediately following the beautiful act of devotion by Mary (John 12:1). The motive actuating Judas was avarice.

II. The Last Passover (vv. 12-25).

1. The preparation (vv. 12-16).

In reply to the disciples' inquiry as to where they should prepare the Passover for Him, Jesus told them to go into the city where they would meet a man bearing a pitcher of water, whom they should follow in the house to which they were thus led, would be found a guest chamber, a large upper room where they could make ready the Passover.

2. The betrayal announced (vv. 17-21).

The betrayal was to be by one of the disciples who was eating with Jesus. This betrayal had been predicted.

3. The sacrament of the bread and cup.

These were symbols of His broken body and shed blood by which He had made atonement for man's sins.

III. The Cowardice of the Disciples Foretold (vv. 26-31).

In spite of their cowardly turning from the Savior, He assured them that after His resurrection He would go before them into Galilee. Peter pro- tested against such an act of disloyalty by the disciples and assured the Lord that though all the rest would forsake Him, yet he would not. The Lord showed him how little he knew, even about his best resolve, telling him that on that very night he would deny Him thrice.

IV. The Agony in Gethsemane (vv. 32-42).

1. Jesus Christ's suffering (vv. 32-34).

(1) The place (v. 32). The Garden of Gethsemane, an en- closure containing olive and fig trees, beyond Kidron, about three-fourths of a mile from Jerusalem. Gethsemane means olive trees. Edersheim says, "It is an emblem of trial, distress and agony."

(2) His companions (v. 33).

He took with Him the eleven dis- ciples that they might share, so far as possible, this sorrow with Him.

(3) His great sorrow (v. 34).

This is the same as the "cup" in verse 36. It was not primarily the prospect of physical suffering that was crushing him; it was His suffering as the sinbearer—the sensations of His pure soul coming into contact with the awful sin and guilt of the world.

2. Jesus Christ praying (vv. 35-42).

His only recourse in the hour of supreme need was prayer.

(1) The first prayer (vv. 35-38).

a. His posture (v. 35).

He fell on His face to the ground.

b. His petition (v. 36).

"Take away this cup from me." By the cup is meant His death on the cross. It was most grievous to Him to face this shame, but He pressed on knowing that for this cause He had come into the world (John 12:27, 28, cf. Heb. 2:14). He prayed that the hour might pass from Him. The bur- den was so great that it seemed His life would be crushed out. His prayer was heard (Heb. 5:7).

c. His resignation (v. 38).

He knew that His death on the cross was the will of God, the Father, for He was the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

d. The disciples rebuked (v. 37).

He singled out Peter, since he had been the most conspicuous in pro- claiming his loyalty (John 13:38).

e. Exhortation to the disciples (v. 38).

Watch and pray lest ye enter into temptation.

(2) The second prayer (vv. 39, 40).

He withdrew the second time from His disciples and uttered the same words in prayer. This was not vain repetition, but repeated request.

(3) The third prayer (vv. 41, 42).

He uttered the same words in his third prayer (Matt. 26:44). He told the disciples to sleep on and take their rest as the hour had now come for His betrayal.

Jesus Talking With You

There are times when a strange warmth takes possession of our hearts as we pore over the pages of the Bible. What does it mean? Simply this: Jesus is talking with you. And oftentimes He does it "by the way." —R. A. Torrey.

Great Peace

A compromise—half obedience, half rebellion—is never found to be the way of peace. "Great peace have they who love Thy law."—J. H. Jowett.

The Human Heart

There is no standard weight of a human heart. It varies from eight to twelve ounces.

Speaking of Strikes

By RING LARDNER

To the Editor: I made the remark the other day that I wished I was in some sort of a strike and the madam said well why don't you get into one and I said how can I strike when I haven't got no job answer me that which tor- ture she would not.

Well, afterwards I got to thinking it over and finely I seen a way to get into the game that was by organizing a husband's union and demanding a fair trial for the married men. I talked it over with a couple other husbands whom I'm on friendly terms with them and we set down and fig- ured out a set of demands which will first be given to other husbands for their O. K. and then presented to the wives in the shape of a ul- timatum which if each and every de- mand is not granted the married men will walk out on them the day be- fore Xmas and leave them to explain to the kids why Santa didn't show up.

The demands as mapped out is as follows:

1. A 20 hour Day and a 6 Day Week.

Under the present system the hus- band is on the job the whole 24 hrs. of the whole 7 days and even while he is asleep he can't dream nothing that don't remind him of it. The husband wants the hrs. between 8 and 12 every night for rest and re- creation, and Sundays to himself for meditation and prayer some- where away from the home.

2. The Closed Mouth.

The way it is now you don't know sooner get in the house when the owner wants to know where you was. The husband wants the right to not answer.

3. A Increase of at Least 50 Per Cent in Pocket Money.

The owners is getting bigger al- lowances than ever before but the husbands is still supposed to go along on the old scale though it costs 3 and 5 times as much to mingle around and where a person used to be able to get paralyzed on \$10 it now takes \$25 and \$30 to even feel like you wanted to hear the Rosary.

4. Collective Marketing.

In rare cases, the owner consults the husband as to what would be like for dinner but they generally al- ways wait until just after breakfast when the fur mention of food stuffs when a husband can remember 1 of his favorite dishes at that hr. in the morning and mentions it out loud why he has his trouble for his pains you might say, as the matter will either be forgotten and hushed up before nightfall or else they tried to get it but the man at the store advised them to pass it up as it was libel to be a little ranted at this time of yr. or something.

In regards to Demand #4, while I don't like to drag in personalities however, I feel strained to say that I have been a husband for better or worse than 8 yrs. and have never kept it a secret from the owner that my 2 favorite viands was oyster cream stew and doughnuts and yet during the entire Eight Years War the no. of messes of doughnuts in our home has hardly ran into double figures of 1 thumb. In the case of the doughnuts it is generally always brought up that hard is too expen- sive for hardners or doughnuts don't set good on the kids or the owner don't know if lola can make them or not and they don't seem to be no way of finding out and if you get them from the bakery you don't know what is in them though personally I don't give a darn as long as they taste greasy and fill you up.

As far as oysters is concerned that's a version in the Psalms that says don't eat them only in months which is spelt with a r and though it goes vs. the grain for a man to speak of their wives shortcomings suffices to say that they's many a nice girl that was born a bad speller and just as many that can't bear the looks of a calendar around the house so for all as they know oysters may be at their zenith in July instead of vice versa.

5. The Abolition of the Birthday.

The normal husband has as many birthdays per annum as the owner but where as the husband is expected to remember the 10 of July or what ever it is and spend the equal of half a yrs. gold dues where as on the other hand the owner if they don't for- get the 6 of March entirely why they buy you a book that until you have read it through you can set around evenings and pore your finger nails.

That is the demands as they will be presented to the owners as soon as the husbands can get organized and I hope, dear editor, that you are in sympathy with this movement and will urge all the husbands on your staff as those amongst your subscrib- ers to at once join the Amalgamated Married Men of America and put a end to the humiliations to which a member of the servile sect becomes a party to the minute they are drug up to the harmenal altar and if a walk out is necessary on the date chose which is Xmas eve why I hope the owners will see the light and bow to the inevitable and not try and continue in business with a gang of scabs.

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No Happiness Under Yoke

No matter how easy may be the yoke of a foreign power, no matter how lightly it sits upon the shoulder, if it is not imposed by the voice of his own nation and of his own country he will not, he cannot, and he means not to be happy under its burden.—Daniel Webster.

Reversed

"What are you going to do with all your money?"

"The question has gone beyond that," answered Mr. Dustin Stax. "I am in the hands of the jury. What I want to know now is what all my money is going to do with me."

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FORD MOTOR COMPANY
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Mrs. Angie Elsberry Died Tuesday Morning

Mrs. Angie Elsberry, age 48, died at her home in Cross Cut, Texas, Tuesday morning at 11:45. Deceased was a daughter of Mrs. M. C. Clark of Cross Cut and had lived at that place all her life. She is survived by her mother, three children, Eglenna, Fred and Hayden, together with four brothers and two sisters, Luke, Jeff, John and Dave; and Mrs. Kate Cross and Mrs. Lizzie Triplet. Funeral services were conducted at Cross Cut by Rev. B. G. Richbourg, Wednesday evening. Deceased was an excellent lady and member of one of the most prominent pioneer families of the Cross Cut community. Her many friends join in sympathy for the bereaved ones.

W. B. Stringer of Cleburne, is now in charge as manager of the local Atlantic & Pacific grocery, having succeeded Geo. Erwin, who discontinued with the store the first of this week. Mr. Stringer has moved his family here and they are occupying one of W. B. Neeb's residences.

A SHOWER

A miscellaneous shower was given in honor of Mrs. Bob Clark, at the home of Ressa Pierce, Friday afternoon. Mrs. Clark was formerly Miss Hazel Atwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Atwood.

Those present were: Misses Merle Williams, Mable Jones, Do's Placke, Leta Neeb, Ruby Lee and Opal Mae Jones, Vera Clark, Jackie Lane, Wilda McLain, Doris Atwood, Louise Jones, Ila Mae Barr, Freva and Iva Lee Orrell, Ava and Mildred Walker, Mozelle Atwood, Margaret Holeman, and Mesdames Lama Atwood, Zelta Long, Willis Brown, and Hazel Clark.

An enjoyable afternoon was spent by all. Ice cream and cake were served. Many useful and pretty presents were received by Mrs. Clark.

LEGION HEADS "JAILED" AT BRECKENRIDGE MEET

E. M. Howard, the genial and hard working Commander of the local Legion Post, with the Commanders of the Posts at Ranger, Eastland and Cisco, was forced to quit a fine chicken dinner at Breckenridge. Some several weeks ago a contest for membership was entered into between the five towns it be agreed that the commanders of the losing posts should spend a short time in jail, Rising Star being one of the losers, Mr. Howard made good. The tough part of it according to a number of his local Buddies, was the fact that he had just taken his seat in front of a fine chicken dinner when he was taken into custody.—Rising Star Record.

Bonnie Wayne Adams is visiting in Lubbock this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Henderson of Brownwood were visiting relatives here the past week end.

Mrs. Price Odom, Johnny Henderson, J. C. Copeland, S. P. Long and daughter Marie were Coleman visitors Wednesday.

S. R. Jackson and C. F. Brown negotiated business in Forth Worth Sunday.

E. W. Newton and family of Forth Worth spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Sipes.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Haines of Brownwood spent Sunday with the Harrell family.

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Mary Massa visited in Putman last week.

M. E. Wakefield transacted business in Brady Monday.

Macon Freeman and family left Friday for San Angelo where Macon will take charge of a real estate and insurance company.

Miss Gyrlee Lewis and Oak Lewis Jr., are visiting in Dallas and Greenville, this week.

A. H. Daniels, Bill Hopkens and family visited Forth Worth and vicinity last week.

Mrs. Claude Harrell, and Miss Saro Chapman of Cross Cut were Cross Plains visitors Saturday.

Miss. Ali Dell West is visiting her sisters in Santa Anna.

Ross Wagner attended the district Ford dealers meeting in Abilene last week.

Eugene Williams, former teacher, is back in Cross Plains after visiting relatives in Dennison, and other North Texas cities.

C. L. Adams of Lubbock was visiting relatives here this week.

Mrs. Frank Williams and daughters of Cisco are visiting here this week.

EASTERN STAR TO HOLD PUBLIC INSTALLATION

Cross Plains Chapter No. 455 Eastern Star will have their installation public on Monday night, May 4th. Mrs. Lillian Widmayer past District Deputy Grand Matron installing officer of Graham, and Mrs. Anna Lamar, installing Marshall, will be present and conduct the work. All officers and members of the local chapter are requested to be present. Following is a list of the new officers.

- Following is a list of the new officers:
- Anna Myrl McGowen.....Worthing Matron
 - Ike Kendrick.....Worthing Patron
 - Nina Orrell.....Associate Matron
 - Helen Freeman.....Secretary
 - Hettie Oliver.....Treasurer
 - Mable Hemphill.....Conductress
 - Nora Williams.....Associate Conductress
 - Lula Farmer.....Chaplain
 - Iva Lee Orrell.....Marshall
 - Mary Floy Settle.....Organist
 - Evelyn Baktel.....Adah
 - Rebecca Chandler.....Ruth
 - Adelia Scott.....Esther
 - Ethel Bruce.....Martha
 - Myrtle Garrell.....Electa
 - Eva Huntington.....Warder
 - Alford Williams.....Sentinel

FOR RENT—"Alamo Hotel" by the month or would lease for balance of 1928—A. A. Bertrand, Phone 181.

TRADE AT HOME

GRADING COLEMAN ROAD FOR ASPHALT SURFACE

A rock crusher of many tons capacity is now in operation on the Cross Plains-Coleman Highway, a short distance west of the Callahan county line. Suitable rock is found in abundance in the hill where crusher is located and the finished material is being rapidly placed on the Coleman county section of the highway, preparatory for an asphalt surfacing. A large construction crew is encamped in tents near the crusher. We are informed the road will be surfaced with asphalt as fast as the work can progress, and will extend from the Callahan county line via Coleman to Talpa on the Rinnels county line. The highway from Coleman to Brownwood will also be surfaced with asphalt, we are told.

COLEMAN EMPLOYS A \$4,000 CITY MANAGER

W. S. Bizzell has been employed by the city commissioners of Coleman as supervisor of utilities at a salary of \$4,000 per year. Bizzell is a son of W. B. Bizzell, former head of the Texas A. & M. College.

NOTICE—My Dental Office will be closed from 5th to 10th while I am attending the State Dental Convention at El Paso.

Dr. E. L. Thomason.

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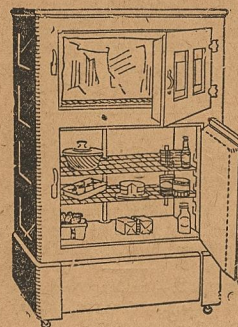
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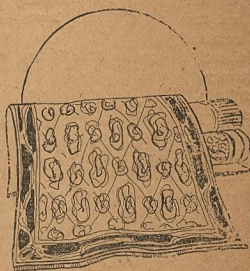


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THE GOSSIPER

Sister Gossip number one, starts each scandal in town. Number two says, listen, hum, saw Sal Jones speak to Joe Brown. Number two says, don't write down. Number three, just what you think. Mrs. Jones and Mr. Brown took hands today, they both did wink. Not stopping to get her hat number three bursted out the door vowed she'd never rest till that d reached dear Gossip number four. Found her waiting for some news. To carry on to number five. He says, I'm sorry, but excuse it's true as sure as I'm alive. At pretty Mrs. Jones, the vamp, today while walking down, the street Mr. Brown and kissed the scamp. How don't you think that's getting sweet. Gossip travels like wild fire, and each one adding to the flame till they've crowded in the mire. Sister's character and name. From the man, like thieves they stole. Is hisommate's confiding love, shut a light out of his soul, precious gift from God above, too well known there is no gain to which Gossipers may aspire, or every one in this domain knows a Gossiper is a liar. Tho they've been here since time began. Some of us still will give them heed, Womanhood, Innocent Man, are the main things on which they feed. Number three, dear Falsfier, you press onward with the freed, God has classed the thief and liar with fallen men and women lewd. No other thing the Master said, This on your mind I pray ye keep, If lie on the living or dead, For "as ye sow so shall ye reap," ere's many things the Father hates And says he'll punish them with fire. One of them the scripture states is just common Bare-Faced Liar. You would do a worthy deed, you erring people do not goro, follow this the Saviors creed, plead with them to sin no more.

—John Holder.

CISCO GIRL TO BE EDITOR OF T. W. C. ANNUAL

Miss Marian Chambliss of Cisco will be the editor of Twoco, yearbook of Texas Woman's College of Worth, next year. This past year she has been associate editor of the yearbook and formerly attended Randolph college here, where she was associate editor of the annual. She will take a leading part in the May at Texas Women's college, is a member of the Korosopolian Literary Society and the Glee club. She is assistant swimming instructor. Miss Chambliss taught Deer Plains school two years ago. Her friends will be glad to hear of her success.—Cisco American.

MADE PASTOR COLORADO CIRCUIT

Colorado circuit of the Methodist church has a boy pastor, Edmund Kirby, 19 years of age, having recently appointed pastor of that circuit. Kirby this year completes his year of study at McMurry, Abilene, he is preparing for his ministry. Kirby will be in charge of five churches. Three denominational colleges here are each year turning out bright young preachers, representative one being Rev. Ollie Dennis of Cross Plains, who is completing his preparation for the work at Simmons University.

The Victory Class of the Baptist Sunday School elected new officers for the ensuing year, Sunday, May 28, Mr. Geo. Scott, Teacher, E. T. Pyle, President, J. H. Sheppard, vice-president, M. F. Dill, 2nd vice-president, M. E. Wood, 3rd vice-president, Conner Elliott, Secretary, Mrs. M. F. Dill, Assistant Secretary, Sam Hill Treasurer, Mrs. C. B. West, Reporter, Social committee, Mrs. Boyer, Sick Committee, Mrs. Myers, Welcome committee, Mr. Sheppard.

Everyone that is not attending cordially welcomed to join our Class. There are quite a nice list of parties outings etc. to be had for the Summer. But the main object of our Class is to learn about Gods word and work. We will be especially glad to have you.

Tom Bryant made a business trip to Rising Star Monday. Mr. Waldo Wilburn spent several days attending business last week in San Antonio.

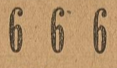
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gossett of Baird and her daughter, Mrs. Edison, and little son, Billie Joe, of Denton, and Bro Maize, of Baird were visiting in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Eli Ensor, first of last week.

WHY MEN FAIL!

There is a cause for everything. Nothing never just happens." If a man is promoted to a better job there is also a cause. There are many causes that lead to failure. Here are a list of the most common causes.

1. Finding fault with the other fellow but never seeing your own. 2. Doing as little as possible and trying to get as much as possible for it. 3. Spending too much time showing up the other fellow's weak points and too little time correcting your own. 4. Standering those we do not like. 5. Procrastination—putting off until tomorrow something that we should have done day before yesterday. 6. Deceit—talking friendly to the other fellow's face and stabbing him in the back as soon as he turns around. 7. False belief that we are smart enough to reap a harvest of pay before sowing a crop of honest service. 8. Egotism—the belief that we know it all and no one can teach us anything.

Last but not least, lack of the necessary training and education to enable us to stand at the head in our line of work. Look over this, check yourself by it. If one of these causes for failure apply to you, then you are to be congratulated, because you are a success.—Hill's Magazine.



Cures Chills and Fever, Intermittent, Remittent and Bilious Fever due to Malaria. It Kills the Germs.

FOR RENT—Sewing machines, electric sweepers and electric washing machines.—J. E. Henkel.

FOR RENT—Five room house with bath room and garage, lights, water, gas and conveniences. See Chas Neeb.

FOR SALE—Hensley Yam potato slips, \$2.00 per thousand as long as they last.—Lon Haley.

FOR SALE—1-ton Ford Truck.—See J. E. Henkel.

Religious Faith No Secret in Jerusalem

In Jerusalem, the little city of great things, religious observances play a part in daily life unknown in other capitals. Since it is the center of three great faiths and all their subdivisions, can it be wondered at if each faith and branch thereof jealously guards rights and rites acquired throughout centuries, often through famine, siege and untold hardship? In a modern city, one meets people daily for years without knowing their religious beliefs. This is impossible in Jerusalem. Be he occidental or oriental, every man's religion is known to all and also the fidelity with which he carries out the obligations imposed by his faith.

The religious festivals bring their own pageantry to the city. There are Moslems with their adherents from northern Africa, India, Afghanistan, Bokhara, Arabia, and the Sudan; Christians of all denominations; Latins, including many of the religious orders and the Uniate churches which acknowledge the supremacy of the pope; the eastern churches, which comprise the Orthodox, the Armenian, and Syriac, Copts, and Abyssinians; the Anglican church; the Jews, divided into Ashkenazim, Sephardim, Karaites, Yemenites, Georgians, and Bokharans.—National Geographic



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TEXAS BANKERS CONTINUE BANDIT REWARD

W. M. Massie, president of the Texas Bankers Association, in his opening address before the recent meeting of that body in San Antonio recommended that the \$5,000 bandit reward be continued. The recommendation was greeted by prolonged applause from all member of the association. President Massie made the recommendation as a part of his annual message and the applause Con-Massie asserted that the reward had been a crime deterrent. Only one successful bank robbery was perpetrated in the last year and only 3 have occurred to date this year. "Crime in this country has become a highly organized profession pursued in cold blood," he said. "Its practitioners are not hungry people seeking bread, but vicious people the type of bank robbery has change. The old bandit who worked carefully at night without the reckless type who depends on fire armes for success. The reward has cut down this type of robbery drastically. We do not claim to have found a solution, but we are trying to do our duty. The association has cheerfully paid rewards of \$5000 for every dead bandit and will continue to do so."

loaning s much money on prospective cotton crops was voiced by John Filds, of the Federal Land Bank of Wichita, who asserted that over-production was chargeable largely to banker. courage farmer to diversity their crops so that they will become self sustained.

According to official figures I have collected, he said, at least 500,000 Texans children living on farms in the states have almost forgotten what milk tastes, like and the reason for it is cotton, which tempts the farmers to gamble everything on one crop."

CARBON VOTERS DEFEAT WATER BOND ISSUE

A proposed bond issue of \$35,000 for a water system was defeated a little more than two to one at Carbon the past week, according to the following item appearing in the Carbon Messenger: The election, held Tuesday, May 15, for the purpose of deciding whether Carbon should issue bonds to the amount of \$35,000 to install water works for the town, passed off very quietly. Only one hundred and forty-two votes were cast. Forty-five voting for the bonds and ninety-seven against them.

Platinum's Value at First Not Recognized

At one time platinum was regarded as a nuisance. Today it is more valuable than gold. Scientists have proved that it is the most permanent of all metals and that it resists the action of moisture or the elements for centuries. Platinum is of exceptional value in dental work, because it is not affected by the acids and secretions of the mouth. It was the Spaniards who brought this metal to the notice of the civilized world. When they were in Mexico and Panama in search of gold they regarded platinum as a nuisance and a dangerous metal because, being as heavy as gold, it was easily mistaken for gold when covered with a coating of yellow metal. It was not long, however, before they realized its value for making jewelry, and used it for snuff-boxes, sword and dagger hilts, and other ornaments. It now commands a higher price than gold. When it is in crude ore form it is like a coarse gravel that appears dull and unpromising. After the first refining process the metal is spongy and porous. It is then pressed into round disks. In ancient times the metal was hammered into very thin sheets and then worked up into endless varieties of ornaments, the best specimens of which have been found in Ecuador.

Old Paintings Throw Light on Indian Life

Six paintings of American Indians made in the 1730's and forgotten for 200 years have been given to the world in reproduction for the first time in a publication, released from the Smithsonian institution. They are drawings of the life and culture of the Indians of Lower Louisiana made between the years 1732-35, by A. DeBatz, a Frenchman, presumably an architect or an engineer.

The drawings are the earliest known to have been made in Lower Louisiana, and they are likewise believed to be the oldest pictures existing of members of the Acolapissa, Atakapa, Choctow, Fox, Illinois and Tunica tribes. The paper has turned yellow with age, but the colors remain clear and bright, and many details are shown with great exactness.

The sketches yield an astonishing quantity of information on the clothing, habitations, temples, fighting activities, games and domestic animals of the Indians around the Mississippi. Though crude, they are very graphic and prove DeBatz to have been a careful observer interested in the customs of the Indians.

Men Like Coffee Beans?

Life standardizes us. We are like so many coffee beans—the same size, the same color, the same smell. Creatures of convention! The very buttons that hold our clothes together are sewed where they are by the dictates of convention. Every article of dress is prescribed by fashion and custom; we eat what we do for the same reason, we get up in the morning, comb our hair, go to our offices, or cook breakfast, wash dishes, and perform the thousand and one things that make up our daily lives, because convention so decides. Some fortunate ones succeed in pursuing more or less independent existences, but the whole tendency of our American life is to make us do the same thing, say the same thing, and think the same thing. —Charles G. Norris in Plain Talk Magazine.

Ostrich Classed as an Error of Nature

The full-grown ostrich sometimes weighs more than 300 pounds and is as much as nine feet high, writes Martin Johnson in the Saturday Evening Post. His most marked characteristic is the fact that he has only two toes—the third and fourth—on each foot. In South America there is another large bird—the rhea—which is also called an ostrich. This bird can be distinguished from the true ostrich by its having three toes instead of two. According to the biologists the original ostrich had five toes. However, the modern bird can probably run faster with the two it has now than could his ancestors with five. Arabian legend has it that the ostrich is the result of a union between the camel and a dodo bird. Certainly it inherited some of the worst characteristics of both. Its awkward shape, the uselessness of its wings, its seeming lack of pleasure in life, all indicate that it is one of nature's errors.

The only weapon at the command of the ostrich is its foot. The terrific downward stroke of its huge toe driven by a muscular thigh the thickness of a leg of mutton is easily the equal of the kick of a full-grown horse. A blow from it will break a rib or the backbone of any ordinary animal. In addition to the force of the blow, the sharp claw can tear skin and flesh like a military saber.

Powers of Endurance in Wild Creatures

Dogs and wild animals of the same family are remarkable for their quickness and staying power in running. Wolves will travel 60 miles in a night. Nansen saw arctic foxes on the ice nearly 500 miles from land, and found their tracks in the snow on the parallel of 85 degrees north.

Esquimo dogs can travel 45 miles in five hours, according to Hayes, who relates that he drove his dog team seven miles in half an hour. A Siberian dog on good ice will draw about 80 pounds; our ordinary dogs at full speed run at the rate of from 23 to 49 feet per second; setters and pointers can travel about 18 1/2 to 21 1/4 miles per hour, and can maintain this speed for two or even three hours.

Foxhounds are very fast, and in a recent trail one of them beat a three-quartered horse, covering four miles in six minutes and a half. Greyhounds can run at the rate of 50 to 75 feet per second.

Many Uses for Flaxseed

Flaxseed is grown primarily for the production of linseed oil, each shovell of seed producing from 70 to 80 gallons of oil, which is used in the manufacture of paints and varnish, linoleum, oilcloth, printers' ink, patent leather, imitation leather and sundry other products. The cake that is left after the oil is pressed out is valued as a feed for dairy and beef cattle and finds a ready market. A large part of the cake produced in this country is exported, principally to the Netherlands, Belgium and the United Kingdom. The United States is the second largest producer of flaxseed in the world, but, in spite of this fact, this country is also the world's largest importer of this product. Our production ordinarily takes care of about 55 per cent of our domestic requirements. This year the United States produced approximately 24,270,000 bushels.

Less Rain in Future?

During the last half century the world's average rainfall has, according to weather records, decreased about one per cent. This has been considered due to outside influences such as variation in sunlight, but an Indian weather expert has put forward a suggestion for the decrease that is quite plausible.

He suggests that the lack of rain may be due to an oil film, less than a millionth of an inch thick, spread on the surface of the ocean by ships that burn oil for fuel. Evaporation of ocean water is the chief source of rain, and this film of oil may be sufficient to retard evaporation.

The Shorter Word

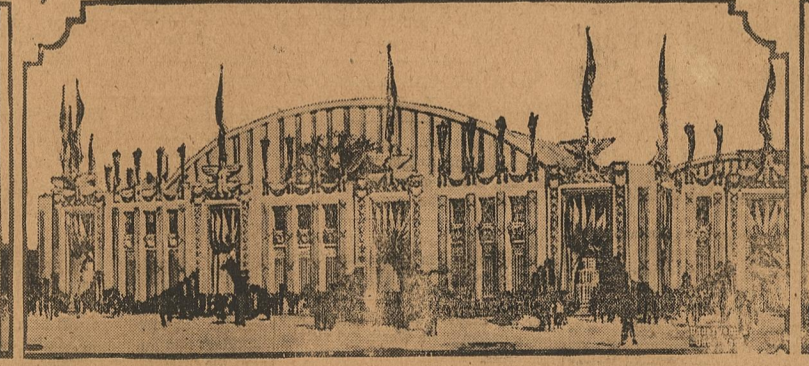
The day before Christmas, Edith, ten, had a number of packages tied up for distribution. The doctor felt of one intended for Uncle John, "That's some tobacco," said the doctor, as he fingered the package.

"How can you tell?" asked Edith. "Because I am a good diagnostician," he replied. Then, as Edith seemed somewhat dazed at the big word, the doctor inquired: "Do you know what a diagnostician is?" "Yes," she answered promptly, "it's a good guesser."

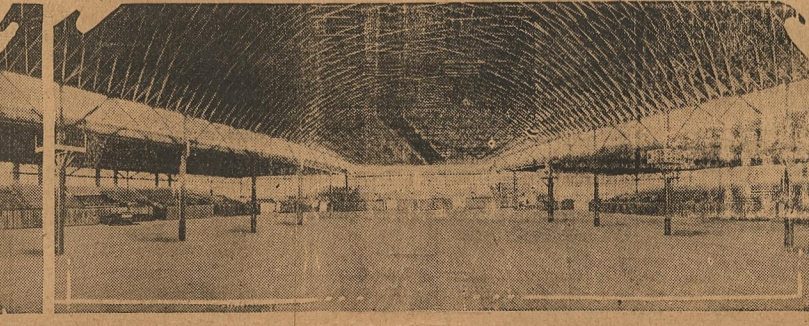
His Philosophy

"Man is never satisfied," declared old Roswell Rickadoo. "The best fishing is always farther down the creek. Every sore-eyed farmer wants to move to town and run a restaurant. The incompetent town man believes he could make a fortune raising chickens. The lazy bachelor thinks he could manage the Belgian hare business. The girl who has a good home wants to become a movie actress. The man with the respect of all the citizens wants to go to the legislature. As the feller said, man never is satisfied. Always to be blessed."—Kansas City Star.

Democratic Convention Hall in Houston



Interior of Houston Convention Hall



The hall in Houston was built especially for the Democratic national convention. This photograph of the interior was made before the seats for delegates and spectators were placed.

—DRESSY NEWS—

(By Coker)

Dressy community has a busy bunch of farmers this week. Plowing and chopping is the order of the day. The business men of the city have been obliged to suspend the six o'clock closing rule, as the farmers come in for supplies late at night.

As we look out upon the present situation our minds wander back to the days of long ago, "down on the dear old farm."

The house sat out on the gyp ridge, high above the water mark, the owls hooted over the chickens, and we used opossums for watch dogs. We rose at four in the morning to hear the birds sing, and see the sun rise. After the chores were done and we had broken our fast, we hurried to the field to spend a glorious day between the plow handles or hugged the neck of a good old gentle hoe. At late afternoon we witnessed the most beautiful sight that a farmer boy ever beheld—"The Sunset", it meant the end of a perfect day. But something more as we neared the home we heard the lowing of the cows, that meant fresh milk. Say boy, those were the days. The poet may sing of the beauties of a summer sunset, and with beautiful words, tell how his mind is carried on each reflection far above the clouds, into the great unknown. But to the farmer boy it still means milking time.

We are glad to be able to report Grandma Scarbrough still on the improve. We anticipate the pleasure of seeing her fill her place in church again before the summer is past.

A shadow of gloom fell over the home of our prospective mayor, H. W. Riggs, the latter part of the week. After an illness of some ten days, grim death claimed his big iron gray horse. But he has replaced him with a mule and has two plows going again.

Messrs. S. E. and Dorse Odom of Denton visited in Dressy Sunday. S. E. has recently terraced his farm under the direction of the County Agent. He says the terraces are just fine on the high places but in the low places they all moved out to the fence row. He is now in need of a few ducks to keep the bull frogs company in the lower side of his farm.

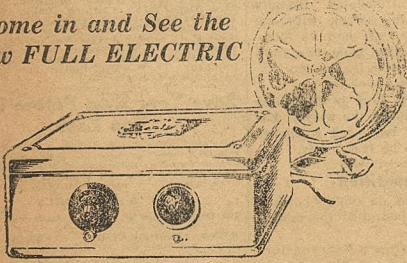
Rev. Ollie Dennis will in his regular monthly appointment at Baptist church Saturday night, Sunday at eleven and Sunday night. Come let's give him a good hearing.

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NOTICE—On next Wednesday night the American Legion and Auxiliary are having a joint meeting at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Huckaby. All Legion and Auxiliary members and all eligible membership are requested to be present.

Miss Cleo Acker left Tuesday night for Terral, Okla., to spend a few weeks with her aunt there. Then she will go on to Oklahoma City to spend the rest of the summer with her grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Renerick Clark spent the week end in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bryant made a rush business trip to New Mexico last week.

Elliott Bryant of Cross Plains, and Melson Wakefield of Brownwood are touring South Texas.

Tom Bryant, Jr. is visiting relatives in Desdemonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Clark made a business trip to Brownwood Monday.

Mrs. R. A. Austry and children, and Miss Mary Parker of Coleman visited in Winters Monday.

Uncle Bill Neeb and Mrs. Nina P. Orrel visited relatives in Abilene last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson and Tom Ray and wife were visiting relatives here last week.

Lester Manning and family of Colorado were visiting here past week end.

Mrs. J. V. Chapman and daughter Sara, formerly of Bonham, joined Mr. Chapman here, and are now living on the Harrell ranch.

Cottonwood News

On Wednesday of last week Mr. and Mrs. Ross Respass motored to Cisco to see Mrs. G. W. Clifton, who is in the Graham Sanitarium and found her doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Rouse took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brock last Sunday.

The Epworth League rendered a fine program here last Sunday night, but the services were broken up on the account of a small shower of rain.

Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Williams and family took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ellis last Sunday, as that was his day to preach here.

Some of the folks of this community attended services at the Christian church at Atwell last Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Coats took dinner at Mr. Strahans' Sunday, then in the afternoon Mrs. Coats and Miss Missouri went to see Grandma Scarbrough at Burnt Branch, who has been sick for some time.

Mrs. C. V. Ramsey got the sad news of Mr. Paul Ramsey of Tullia getting his neck broken last Sunday.

Grandma Hembree who has been sick for the past month was taken to Abilene the last week end for an X-Ray picture and they found a ruptured appendix and an abscess with about a quart of puss, but the Doctors think they can scatter it all right.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fisher are visiting relatives here.

Grandpa and Grandma Cox went home with their Grandson, Hermon Cox and family who lives out on the Plains. They intend to take quite a visit and to visit their son, Noah Cox on the Plains. Mr. and Mrs. Fleet Kursh of New Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cox of Mexico. We wish them a fine and enjoyable trip.

Mrs. A. E. Ellis and children and little grandson, Dale; motored to Atwell last Monday evening to visit some relatives who has been sick, but found them doing nicely.

The Baptist workers' conference will be held at the Baptist Church here next Monday. Every body be sure and come.

Mr. John Moore was in bed sick the last of last week, was still in bed Sunday.

Mrs. Nina (Brownlee) Miles and children are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brownlee.

Miss Meda Houston of Cross Plains

was a visitor here last Sunday.

Glaster Thompson of Baird spent the night with Herbert Ellis last Monday night.

A. H. Daniels, and Fowler Gafford have formed a company partnership, and will sell life insurance in this City. We are glad to have the teachers around town.

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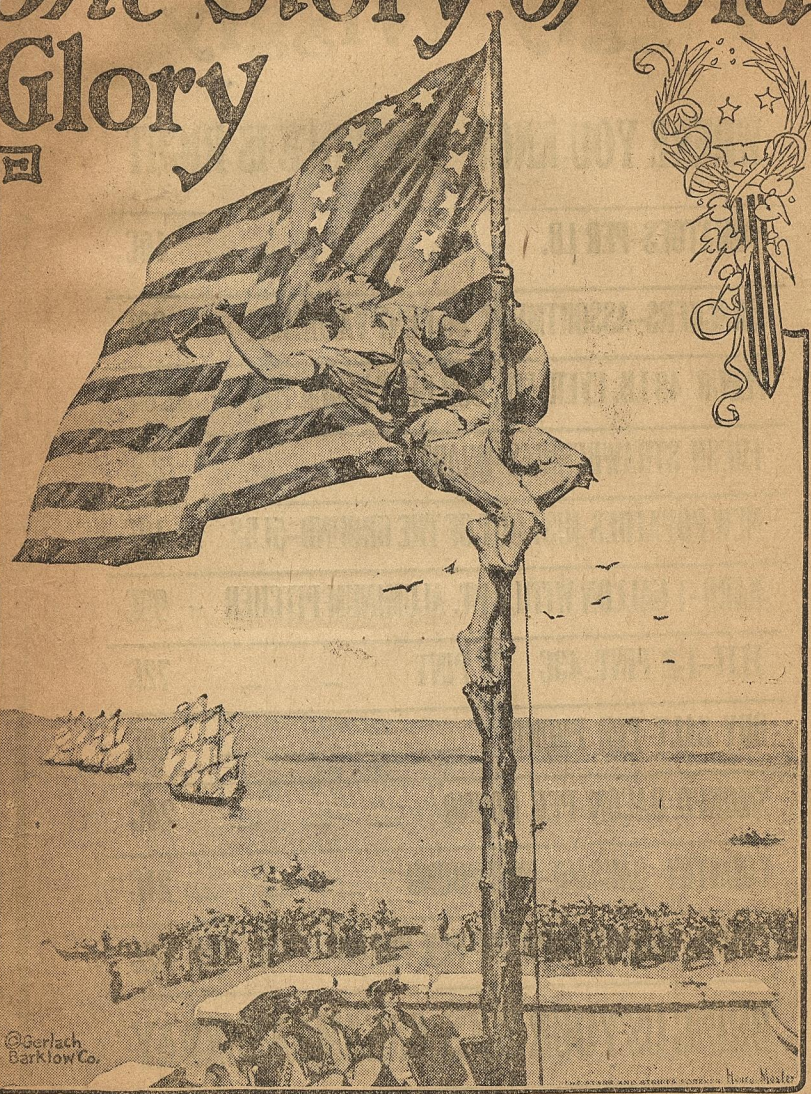
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The Story of Old Glory



"THE STARS AND STRIPES FOREVER!"

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

ALL the Star-Spangled Banner, Old Glory, the Stars and Stripes, or the Red, White and Blue. Call it the National Standard, the Starry Flag, the Flag of the Free, the Banner of Freedom, the Faithful of Hope, or the "Colors." They all mean the same, for they all refer to the Flag, the symbol of the United States of America, and June 14 of each year is Flag day, a day for honoring the Flag.

How did it get all those names? They are a part of the story of Old Glory, the story of one of the oldest national standards of the world with its century and a half of thrilling incident and history-making events. On June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress in session at Philadelphia passed a resolution which stated that the flag of the United States should be "thirteen stripes, alternate red and white, that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation." And that is why we call the Flag the Stars and Stripes or the Red, White and Blue.

On the night of September 12, 1814, Francis Scott Key, a young lawyer, was detained upon board a British man-of-war, which was bombarding Fort M'Henry, the principal defense of Baltimore and the national capital, Washington, D. C. All night long the guns of the British fleet roared, and all night long the fort answered with such artillery as could reach the enemy. As the dawn of September 13 broke, Key strained his eyes to see if the fort still held out or if its guns had been silenced. When he saw that "our flag was still there," he sat down on the back of an old envelope expressed in a poem his great joy that "the Star-Spangled Banner doth wave, O'er the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave." His poem, set to music, became the national anthem, and the Stars and Stripes became the Star-Spangled Banner.

On August 10, 1831, Capt. William Driver of the brig Charles Doggett, ready to sail his ship to the South Seas, was presented with a fine new American flag, a magnificent banner containing 110 yards of bunting. As it was hoisted over the ship, the captain named it "Old Glory," and Old Glory, the American flag has been ever since. The reason for the other names

Reproduction of the famous painting by Henry Mosler. The British, evacuating New York after the Yorktown surrender, nailed the British flag to the flagstaff at the Battery and then greased the pole. A barefoot sailor boy volunteered to climb up, take down the enemy flag and nail the American flag to the pole.—From "The Winning of Freedom," in the "Pageant of America," Yale University Press.

for the flag listed above are too obvious to need explanation.

Due to the fragmentary records in the early history of the flag, there have been a number of disputed points in regard to the matter of "historical firsts." Did Betsy Ross of Philadelphia or Francis Hopkinson of New Jersey design the first Stars and Stripes? No one can say for certain.

Within the last year a new story about the first Stars and Stripes has come to light. Among the effects of Capt. John Hulbert, who commanded a Long Island company which went to Ticonderoga at the outbreak of the war and returned with British prisoners to show to congress in Philadelphia on November 20, 1775, has been found a flag, believed to have been the company flag of Captain Hulbert's organization, which has thirteen red and white stripes and thirteen six-pointed stars which are arranged in a sort of a cross. This flag was found in the attic of an old Long Island home and is now in the possession of William D. Halsey of Bridgehampton. His orians, who have seen the flag and the documents found with it, believe it possible that this flag, carried by Captain Hulbert's men, made such an impression upon the members of congress that, when they came to adopt a national ensign, they simply asked a local seamstress, (Betsy Ross), to make a similar flag. Or Hopkinson may have seen it, made a design after it and submitted to congress that design which was accepted and which led to the historic resolution of June 14, 1777.

Just as there is a dispute over the origin of the Stars and Stripes, so is there a dispute over the question of when the new flag, after its adoption by congress, received its first baptism of fire. The usual view is that this occurred at Fort Schuyler (or Fort Stanwix) near Rome, N. Y., on August 3, 1777. However, it has been pointed out by historians, who have in-

vestigated the subject, that the Fort Stanwix flag was a tricolor of red, white and blue stripes, and not red and white stripes with a blue field upon which appeared stars. In fact so far as documentary evidence is concerned, there is no mention of stars, so that it now seems certain that the Fort Stanwix flag was neither the "first Stars and Stripes to face the enemy," nor the "first Stars and Stripes to be hoisted over an American fort."

There are at least two other occasions upon which it has been asserted that the Stars and Stripes were first carried into battle, and therefore "first faced the enemy." The usual statement is that this first occurred at the Battle of Brandywine on September 11, 1777. But this is disputed by the citizens of Delaware who declare that this took place at the only Revolutionary engagement fought in that state, and that was eight days before Brandywine. A monument declaring that "The Stars and Stripes were first unfurled in battle at Cooch's bridge September 3, 1777," was erected there in 1901 as proof of their belief.

But New York, Pennsylvania and Delaware are not the only states which claim that honor. Vermont also claims it and apparently she has the strongest evidence that has yet been brought forth to support the claim. Researches made by John Spargo, president of the Vermont Historical society, have revealed the fact that when John Stark defeated the British and Hessians at the famous Battle of Bennington on August 16, 1777, his men fought under an American flag that was made of thirteen red-and-white stripes and a field of blue upon which appeared thirteen white stars arranged in the form of a circle. That flag is preserved in the Bennington battle museum and the evidence in support of the fact that "the Stars and Stripes first faced the enemy" and that "Old Glory received its first baptism of fire" at the Battle of Bennington on August 16, 1777, more than a year before Cooch's Bridge or Brandywine, seems indisputable. But, at that, Vermont, in depriving New York of the honor by proving that the Fort Schuyler banner was not a true Stars and Stripes, must share its honor with the Empire state. For the so-called Battle of Bennington was not fought at Bennington at all. It was fought six miles from Bennington at Walloomsac, and Walloomsac is on the soil of New York!

DADDY'S EVENING FAIRY TALE

by Mary Graham Bonner
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HOLDING UP BOOKS

The peacocks were on the library table. Now, you may think that is a funny place for peacocks to be until I tell you that these peacocks were not real ones and that they were book racks which held up books.

One evening a fairy came to call on them and to hear their story.

The peacocks could not look at each other, as one was at one end of the books and the other one at the other end.

The fairy noticed this at once, and said:

"You might begin, peacock, at this end, and then when you pause, the other peacock will talk."

So that settled the difficulty and made it comfortable for all at once.

"The story we want to tell you," said the first peacock, "is this:

"We want to let you know what an honor has been paid to peacocks. "We thought you might tell the fairies about us, and that would please us so much.

"We get rather tired staying so still, but we're happy because of our story."

The second peacock began to speak, as the fairy hopped over nearer that end of the book rack.

"We're so delighted because for years we've been considered very vain.

"We have beautiful trains and we love to spread them out and strut about and show them off.

"We know our trains are lovely, and the colors of our feathers very wonderful.

"No wonder, then, that we want to show them to the whole world. We



"We Hold Up Books."

think the world enjoys beautiful things, and so we show off our trains. "I've not a doubt of that, but instead of thanking us for giving them so many opportunities of seeing our trains, they call us vain."

"We are vain, to be sure," said the first peacock, "but we like to give pleasure with our beauty.

"And so they should appreciate the pleasure we give as well.

"Of course, it's no wonder they chose us for lovely book racks. But more than that—we make lovely decorations—but we hold up books, and so they must think we're wise, and it's something we've never been thought before."

Both the peacocks looked very happy, and the fairy promised to tell the other fairies about them, but she laughed to herself for she didn't think it was any sign of wisdom to simply hold up books!

Strange Home

Tame mice at the London zoo are living in a home that is edible.

It is not as in the fairy story, made of cake, with chocolate tines, toffee doors, and mint-drop windows—but just an old brown loaf.

Nor was it brought by fairies. The keeper coming upon that loaf, very stale, in his store, cut a small hole in the crust at the bottom of the loaf, and handed it over to the mice.

They did the rest for themselves. It is now converted into a very presentable dwelling which they prefer to their sleeping box.

They have made a back and a front entrance, but in their enthusiasm they went a little too far and ate away the whole of the "floor."

Still, the "walls" and the "roof" stand, and should you suddenly approach the cage they will all skip "in doors."

Not Much Help

Little Robert was anxious to learn to read, and looked forward to the time when he could go to school. After he had been attending school a few weeks he declared one day that he might as well stay home.

"But, Robert," protested his mother, "I thought you liked to go to school." "What's the use?" said the youngster. "I've been in school a whole month, and Miss S— hasn't taught me to read yet."

A Perfect Example

Professor—Give me an example of the fitness of a name to the thing to which it is applied.

Student—An orange, sir. An orange is orange in color. It has the shape of an orange, the taste of an orange, and it is really and truly an orange as its name would lead you to expect.

A Drawback

Neighbor—Well, Jimmy, how do you like your new little brother? Jimmy (age four)—I don't like him at all. He can't even speak English.

energy Quick

POST TOASTIES

THE wake-up FOOD

Political

The expression "on the fence" comes to us from an ancient Latin phrase, which translated literally would read "sitting astride with one leg on each side." It had its introduction into English from two lines of a well-known poem by Lowell.

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Competition

"What shall we do tonight? Shall we go to the cathedral of the motion picture?"

"No, I think there's a better picture this week in one of the cinematogueses."—Life.

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Mercy

Farmer—Hey, what did you do with those pups? New Hand—I drowned them. I thought it would be a merciful thing to do, seeing they were all born blind.

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The Golden Dominion

Gold has been found in every province of Canada except Prince Edward Island. The first recorded discovery was made in Quebec in 1824 on the Gilbert river, fifty miles south of Quebec city. Placer mining operations commenced here in 1847 and in intermittent operations have been carried on ever since. Placer discoveries were made in Ontario, in British Columbia, and in Yukon territory at

much later dates. Lode mining for gold began at Tangier river, Nova Scotia, in 1838.

Old Custom Kept Up

The Indian mother in Waterton Lakes national park of the Canadian Rockies, just north of Glacier park, Montana, still draws her pappoose upon the travois when she goes for firewood. The firewood is tied onto the lower part of the travois for the return journey, leaving the pappoose undisturbed.

Banana's Food Value

Bananas are said to exceed nearly any other fruit or vegetable in food value. They contain 460 calories per pound, as compared with potatoes, 385; milk, 325; macaroni, cooked, 415.

Expert Tattooing

The New Zealanders trace artistic and elaborate patterns under the skin, producing the most beautiful effects known, if the word beautiful may be applied to the art.

The KITCHEN CABINET

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There is something good in all weathers. If it doesn't happen to be good for my work today, it's good for some other man's today, and will come around for me tomorrow.—Charles Dickens.

WAYS WITH MILK AND CHEESE

The French manner of serving some simple sweet, such as cheese with a little stewed fruit (if fresh is not obtainable) is worthy of more consideration in our American homes. After a hearty dinner, a bite of cream cheese with a teaspoonful of bar le due, or home-prepared preserved currants or gooseberries, and a cracker with a cup of coffee, is a most satisfying end to a perfect meal. Here are a few of the French dishes:

Lait Epais.—Take a small fresh cream cheese and rub it to a smooth paste with a wooden spoon. Into this rub either one-fourth teaspoonful of salt or one tablespoonful of sugar. Add alternate spoonfuls of sweet cream—about one-fourth cupful of each will be needed. When the lait epais is sugared it makes a good substitute for cream to be eaten with fruit or tarts. When it is salted it is a delicious dressing for salads composed of greens.

Fromage Glaçe.—Cut the peel from two lemons very thin and put with three cupfuls of milk, one cupful of cream and two tablespoonfuls of sugar into a saucepan together. Let boil, stirring the mixture with a silver spoon for five to ten minutes—until it begins to thicken slightly. Remove the lemon peels and pour the cream into a glass dish to cool. Chill an ice cream mold and pour in the cold mixture. Pack in ice and salt, using two parts of ice to one of salt. Unmold and serve on a glass dish.

Fromage à la Duchesse.—Put four tablespoonfuls each of apricot jam and orange marmalade through a sieve. Add one cupful each of fresh milk and thick sweet cream. Warm the mixture to a blood heat and stir in a rennet tablet dissolved in a tablespoonful of water; when well blended pour into sherbet glasses and let stand without disturbing—in a warm place until the mixture is thick. Place on ice to chill before serving. Serve with crackers or sponge cake with coffee for dessert.

Vegetable Dinners.

In most of the city catereries it is possible to find good substantial vegetable dinners. Now in the springtime mothers feed the family on spinach, watercress, green onions, radishes and cabbage; instead of giving them sulphur and molasses they serve them a dish of dandelion greens.

The following are but suggestive of many combinations which will make a good meal. The serving may be cooked and served on a platter or from a large platter, whichever is desirable.

When fresh mushrooms are plentiful broil a few good-sized caps and season well with butter, serve with half of a ripe tomato broiled at the same time the mushrooms are cooked, dot with buttered crumbs and brown. Add a border of corn sautéed—fresh if possible, but drained canned corn will do. Cook in a few tablespoonfuls of butter, stirring until well browned, or enough browned to give that delightful, scorched corn flavor. Then cook potatoes, even-sized ones, cut into eighths, drain and shake over the heat, and over them toss a few tablespoonfuls of finely shredded onion which has been lightly browned in butter, with a bit of minced parsley. This seems enough for a good meal, but if very hungry, add a few carrots washed and sliced into match-like pieces and cooked in butter in their own juices, stirring carefully to keep from scorching. Garnish the platter or plunk with spoonfuls of the cooked carrots.

Chicken Aspic.—Wash, clean and cook a four-pound chicken in a kettle with four pints of water. Add one onion sliced, one-half cupful of diced celery or a bit of celery seed a sprig or two of parsley, a bit of bayleaf and one small carrot diced. Season with two teaspoonfuls of salt and one-fourth teaspoonful of pepper. Cook slowly until very tender. Set away to cool; remove the chicken and skim off the fat which may be on the top of the liquor. Heat the liquor and clarify as above. Add one-eighth teaspoonful of nutmeg and paprika, and another teaspoonful of salt with a bit of cayenne and the juice of half a lemon. Add three tablespoonfuls of gelatin soaked in three-fourths of a cupful of water; stir until dissolved and strain through a double cheesecloth.

Mold as for veal. Combine asparagus tips with the chicken, sliced hard-cooked eggs, canned pimientos cut into strips or stuffed olives for color. Tomato juice, meat stock, using beef cubes, with the addition of gelatin will make good jelly to mold fish or other meats.

Nellie Maxwell

MODERNISTIC DESIGN IN HATS; GIRLS' FROCKS OF PASTEL SATIN

MILLINERY has again become that capricious thing which fascinates with its whims and its foibles and its feminine loveliness. Which means that the new summer hats are bringing into play exotic straws, such as we have not seen for many and many a season past, as well as delicate laces, gay flowers, pretty ribbons, picturesque contours, the entire reflecting a color

sewed together like grandmother's patchwork and yet in effect they are frankly modernistic, perhaps because of their high colorings. Two patchwork hats are shown in the illustration. Quite as modern and effective are certain straw sports hats which are painted in triangles and squares of every gay hue, being somewhat suggestive of "crazyquilt" methods.



Some of the Newer Hats.

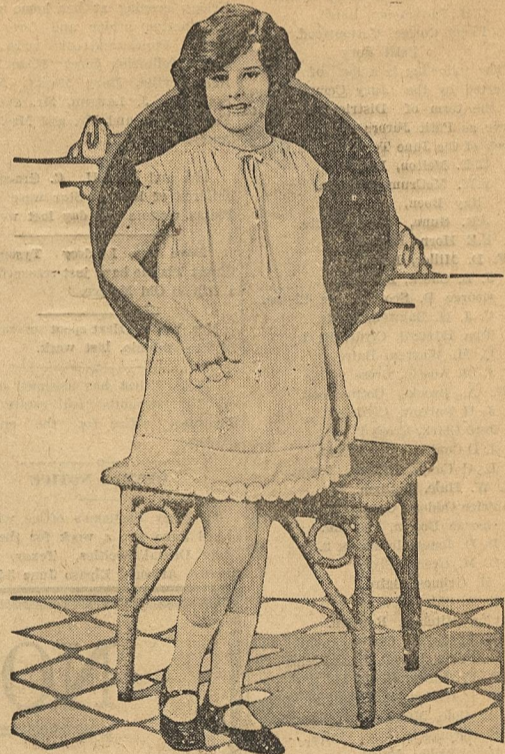
glory beyond that which can be described in words.

It adds to the fascinations of the modern hat, that so much of novel handcraft is being lavished upon it. One of the creatures of fancy which is receiving the plaudits of the fashionable world is the allover hand-painted straw hat. One cannot begin to tell of the many charming interpretations being given to this theme of hand-painted millinery. Perhaps the most novel is that of the leghorn or smooth-finished straw hat, whose hand-painted patterning repeats the motif of the printed frock with which it is worn.

The handsome large black hair hat which concludes this collection is gorgeously applied with huge exotic flowers.

That time-worn anxious query "Does it wash?" is as popular today as it ever was. How it did, in days of old, try the nerves of salespeople, and how deftly, when in doubt, did they evade the issue. But why speak in the past tense! Today that same inquiry brings an immediate straight-forward look-you-in-the-eye "yes, madam it does," reply, for modern invention is accomplishing wonders in the way of producing guaranteed washable weaves. The best of it is this applies not only to gingham, flimsies and cottons, but also to many silks, satins and crepes. A silk that launders or a satin or a crepe! Is it not an intriguing thought? Especially does it appeal to mothers of little girls who must be spick-and-span and "dressy" for this party and that. It is a fact, since silks and satins which launder to perfection are so easily available these days, it pays to buy this kind for the making of children's clothes.

It is well to keep in mind, too, that as much of good laundering results depends upon the making of little



Dainty Wash Dress.

Handpainting is especially contributing to the charm of sports millinery. Typical of the smartest hand-painted sports modes is the ripple-brim hat centered to the left in this group. It is one of those new linen straws which are so chic. Its striking modernistic patterning is done in vivid colorings. It features a band and bow of tri-colored ribbons. The idea of using three ribbons each of a different color is very smart this season, not only when it comes to trimming hats, but for girdles and for bordering on gay print frocks.

The model just above the aforesaid described hat looks as if it, too, were hand-painted. However, this lovely effect has been achieved by stretching flower-printed chiffon over a plain colored soft smooth straw foundation.

Patchwork hats! Sounds interesting? Well, they are all that, and more. Pieces of felt, or of suede, or any fabric for that matter, are actually

daughter's dress as upon the material itself. When one looks at the charming party frock worn by the wee maid in the picture, it is difficult to realize that, with all its "dress-up" appearance, it is made of satin which will "wash and iron" as satisfactorily as the humblest calico or gingham.

A trimming of self-fabric is always satisfactory for the frock to be tubbed. In the instance of the model in the picture scalloped hems are employed, the circles being indicated with a simple outline stitch done in ball-proof silk floss. The cunning pocket and the self-fabric tie at the neck, with a bit of smocking over the shoulders, give this frock an individual hand-made look.

Speaking in general in regard to the styling of children's dresses, Paris considers that extreme brevity adds chic to the silhouette. Hemlines terminate many inches above the knees.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

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WHAT IT COSTS TO GOVERN US

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The Tax on Automobiles

DO YOU realize that, in most states in owning an automobile you pay three distinct taxes in addition to the tax you may pay upon gasoline? The first is that levied by the federal government of 3 per cent upon the factory price of the car.

In most states automobiles are considered personal property for purposes of taxation. The local assessor is expected to list them at their selling value. In many instances few automobiles are listed and the values placed upon those listed indicate an unbelievable depreciation.

The most important levy based directly upon the automobile is the license fee demanded before its operation becomes legal. This is found in each of the 48 states, but there is no semblance of uniformity in the method of making the levy nor in the amount exacted. The total receipts from this source in 1926 were about \$288,282,000.

In the 48 states at least seventeen different bases are used in determining the license charge. The most important basis for pleasure cars is horse power, although other bases used by some states are value of car; weight; horse power and weight; factory list value and weight; value, weight and horse power.

The size of the license payment varies greatly from state to state. With the introduction of the gasoline tax, some states reduced the registration license to a nominal amount sufficient to cover administrative costs and road police, while any net revenue from the owner of an automobile was to come from the gasoline tax. From this small amount the annual license ranges to almost \$100.

The license charge upon trucks is usually higher than upon pleasure cars, and the basis of levy is frequently somewhat different. The bases of levy most used are carrying capacity; horse power and tonnage; weight; total weight of car and load; value, horse power and carrying capacity; tire width; horse power and weight. In many states the rules applying to pleasure cars also are used in determining the license payments on trucks. The payments required by the different states vary from a few dollars to as much as \$800 a year.

In licensing busses, the seating capacity is frequently taken into consideration in arriving at the amount. This is frequently combined with other factors such as mileage, horse power, weight and gross receipts. The charge varies greatly in different states.

Charges for similar services should be as nearly uniform as possible in the different states, but in the licenses levied upon automobiles, trucks and busses this is far from being realized.

The Cost of Highways

THE annual expenditure is now well over \$1,500,000 for construction and maintenance of roads and streets. Of this, well over \$1,240,000 is spent on rural roads and highways.

Expenditures for highways appear in the budgets of federal, state and municipal governments. Only for education and protection is more public money spent.

No other public expenditure shows such a rapid increase in recent years as that for highways. The present total is about 15 times as great as it was 25 years ago.

The method of financing highway construction has changed greatly. Twenty-five years ago almost the entire cost was borne by the counties and townships. Today the part of the cost borne by the state and federal governments almost equals that of the local units. Twenty-five years ago at most one-fourth of the entire expenditure was in the form of labor required from individuals, while the remainder came from property taxes. Now the item of labor has practically disappeared, while receipts from motor vehicle licenses, gasoline taxes, and borrowing, make up more of the total expenditures for highways than do the taxes from property. That considerable use is made of borrowing is indicated by the fact about 15 per cent of the total expenditure goes for the payment of interest on highway bonds.

At present about half the expenditure for highways is for new construction and about half for maintenance. In some states, especially in the north central states, where highway development is being rapidly extended, the construction costs run as high as 70 per cent of the total.

In 1916 congress first authorized federal aid to the states for highway construction. In 1921 the secretary of agriculture was authorized to co-operate with state highway departments in the construction of highways. At present the annual expenditure of the federal government in extending aid to the states for highway construction is about \$100,000,000. In addition to this the federal government is undertaking to build a system of highways connected with the national forests.

The proportion of costs borne by the locality, state, and federal aid, varies greatly in the different states. Thus in Connecticut nearly 75 per cent of the total comes from the state treasury, while in Montana only a little more than 3 per cent comes from this source. In some of the eastern states federal aid comprises less than 5 per cent of the total, while in some of the western states more than one-half of the total comes from this source.

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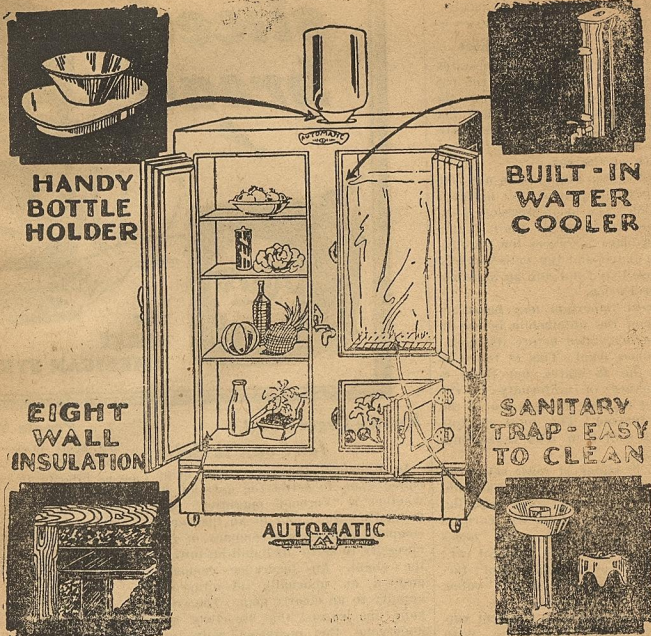
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COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

D. C. Chrisman

DISTRICT COURT

District Court will convene on the 1st Monday in June, the same being June 4th.

Grand Jury

The following is a list of persons selected by the Jury commissioners at the last term of District Court to serve as Grand Jurors at the June term of said court:

- B. L. Russell, Jr. Baird.
- D. P. Hollis, Clyde.
- Charley Brandon, Putnam.
- Joe E. Jones, Admiral.
- H. G. Broadfoot, Clyde Rt. 2.
- Jim Gibson, Clyde, Rt. 2.
- Dee Peavy, Oplin.
- S. N. Foster, Atwell.
- H. R. Tabor, Rowden.
- R. B. McGowan, Cross Plains.
- Geo. T. Baum, Cross Plains.
- J. E. Crawford, Clyde.
- J. E. Wood, Moran, Rt 2
- R. H. Marset, Abilene, Route.
- G. H. Tankersley, Baird.
- Floyd Coffee, Cottonwood.

Petit Jury

The following is a list of persons selected by the Jury Commissioners at the term of District Court to serve as Petit Jurors for the second week of the June Term of said Court:

- W. E. Melton, Baird.
- F. W. McCrum, Putnam.
- Ray Boen,
- J. R. Gunn, Cisco, Route.
- E. E. Horn, Rowden.
- F. D. Miller, Baird.
- J. B. Cheek, Baird.
- George B. Scott, Cross Plains.
- C. J. H. Bagwell, Clyde.
- Tom Edward, Clyde, Rt 1
- C. M. Warren, Baird.
- J. M. Austin, Cross plains.
- W. A. Brooks, Cottonwood.
- J. H. Burrow, Clyde.
- Jeff Clark, Cross Plains.
- J. D. Conley, Cross Plains.
- L. C. Camp, Dothan, Texas.
- J. W. Hale, Putnam.
- Price Oddom, Cross Plains.
- George Brown, Putnam.
- D. D. Jones Moran, Rt 2.
- L. M. Green, Clyde.
- J. H. Grimes, Baird.
- T. B. Elder Rowden.
- Irving Mitchell, Rowden.
- M. E. Jolley, Clyde.
- W. P. Brightwell, Cross Plains
- E. F. Butler, Clyde.
- R. J. Walker, Baird.
- L. R. Cole, Moran.
- Ike Kendrick, Cross Plains.
- Henry Webb, Baird.
- John Lamb, Putnam.
- W. A. Buchanan, Putnam.
- G. W. Gantham, Oplin.
- John B. Dickson, Oplin.
- G. B. Jones, Baird.
- A. H. Wagley, Moran, Rt 2.

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ALSO GOOD COMEDY

Mrs. J. V. Bean entertained last Friday evening at her home with a combination bridge and forty two party. Punch and cake were served to the following guest: Hazel Doyle, Neil Neville, Mary Massa, Ethel Starnater, J. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank King, and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Antry.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Gracey and children of Rising Star were Cross Plains visitors one day last week.

Dave Lee, Lindsey Tyson, and Chunk Thorne have just returned from a trip to Old Mexico.

Mrs. Vincent Hart spent several days in San Antonio, last week.

E. D. Priest has assumed charge of Tom Bryant's real estate and insurance office for the summer months.

DENTAL NOTICE

Dr. Mary Shelman's office will be closed June 4th, a week for the Tri-State Dental Societies, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, El Paso June 5-7.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Lancaster and children of Clovis, Texas, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Kendrick. Mrs. Lancaster is Mrs. Kendrick's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Hackman of Cisco were Cross Plains visitors last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Murman, McGowan motored over from Coleman Wednesday evening to visit with Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Antry.

Mrs. Clyde Durringer was shopping in Rising Star past week end.

Mary Ellen Clark of Fort Worth, little sister of Clyde Durringer, is accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Durringer to California.

Clyde D. Simms Slew Cross and Tom McGary spent few days on the Llano river last week fishing. They report a good time and plenty of fish.

Cecil Lotief is transacting business in Shreveport prior to his trip to the Holy Land.

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