

# THE SLATON SLATONITE

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### SOUTH PLAINS ODD FELLOWS' ASSOCIATION WILL BE GUEST OF SLATON

On Wednesday night a number of local Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, also representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and city government, held a meeting in Odd Fellows' Hall to discuss plans for entertaining the South Plains Odd Fellows' Association, which will meet in Slaton during the month of June. Hon. R. A. Baldwin is president of the association.

### COZBY'S SHOE SHOP IS MAKING IMPROVEMENTS

Your attention is directed to the advertisement of C. A. Cozby elsewhere in this paper. Mr. Cozby states that he has bought a sole stitching machine and that he will otherwise equip his shop in a way that he can take care of any class of shoe work in a satisfactory manner. Before going into the shoe repairing business Mr. Cozby was an employe of the Santa Fe machine shops in this city, and still retains his membership in the machinists' union. He was incapacitated for work in the shops on account of partial paralysis, whereupon he started his shoe repair shop.

### EDDIE HOFFMAN HAS BOUGHT THE IDEAL TAILOR SHOP

Eddie Hoffman has bought the Ideal Tailor Shop from Virgil Brazell, and will continue to operate it at the same location, first door north of R. J. Murray's office. Mr. Hoffman invites you to give him your business. Refer to his ad elsewhere in this paper.

### Drug Sundries of all kinds at the right prices at TEAGUE'S CONFECTIONERY.

Mrs. G. R. Leverett is in receipt of a message stating that her mother was seriously ill at her home in Paris, Lamar county.

### LINCOLN CONCERT COMPANY AT THE READING ROOM

On last Sunday night the Lincoln Concert Company appeared at the Santa Fe Reading Room in Slaton, which was one of a series of free entertainments furnished by the Santa Fe. The personnel of the company is Miss Lillian Eiche, cellist; Mrs. H. A. Ross, pianist; H. A. Ross, violinist; Miss Emeline Wissler, vocalist.

The attendance was good considering the inclemency of the weather, and the entertainment was a high class one from every standpoint. Mr. Marriott, librarian at the reading room, announces that the Emily Waterman Concert Company will give an entertainment there on Saturday night, April 24.

### "Rats Pass Up All Ather Food For One Meal of Rat-Snap."

Their first meal of RAT-SNAP is their last. Kills in few minutes. Dries up the carcass. Rats killed with RAT-SNAP leave no odor. RAT-SNAP comes in cake form. Break into small pieces, leave where rats travel. No mixing with other food. Cats or dogs won't touch it. Safest, cleanest, surest rat and mice killer. Three sizes. 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by Forrest Hardware and Slaton Drug Co.

### CITY BARBER SHOP DRESSING UP INTERIOR OF PLACE

The City Barber Shop, owned and operated by J. S. Bagby, has just had brand new linoleum laid on the floors, and the interior otherwise beautified with new furnishings. Your attention is directed to the announcement of City Barber Shop, which appears in The Slatonite.

The Woodman Circle met Thursday evening, April 8, in regular session, at which time the charter was draped in memory of Gov. Mattie Prince, who died March 18th this year.

## Wilkins Family Pull Off Duel in Denver

Denver, Colo., April 14.—Silas Wilkins, shot through the head in a family duel at 1043 Navajo street Friday afternoon, died at the county hospital Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Ruby Wilkins was killed, presumably by a shot fired by the husband, in the fight in the back yard of their home.

Wilkins did not regain consciousness after the bullet was fired into his brain. As both who took part in the shooting are dead, and no others witnessed the affair, there is no statement possible of the sequence of the happenings, though the police believe that Mrs. Wilkins was killed by her husband.

### Wife Fired First.

One conjecture of the police is that Mrs. Wilkins fired the first shot, using a small caliber pistol, and that the bullet struck Wilkins in the head.

After this, according to this theory, Wilkins emptied the contents of a large caliber pistol into his wife's body, and, as she lay dying, he seized her small revolver and fired a bullet into his own brain.

The couple is survived by four children, who were being cared for by a neighbor until the arrival of relatives.

The windup of an investigation conducted by city detectives disclosed that Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins had quarreled from time to time. The particular disagreement which precipitated the shooting is said by the police to have been over a child's tool chest which Mr. Wilkins had put into storage against his wife's wishes. A note found in Wilkins' coat leads to the belief that the shooting was premeditated by the husband. It read: "Please bury me in this suit."

### Were Well Known in Slaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins were well known in Slaton where they once lived and still own a residence here. Mr. Wilkins was foreman at the Santa Fe round house.

## Movie Theatre

### PROGRAM.

Monday, April 19. "OVER THE GARDEN WALL."

Tuesday, April 20. "SOCIAL PI-RATES."

Wednesday, April 21. "THE CAN-YON HOLD-UP." O. Henry.

Thursday, April 22. "VENGEANCE OF DURAND." Alice Joyce.

Friday, Apr. 23. "The Great Radium Mystery" and "Hands Up."

The 22nd we have a special that will sure please you, "Vengeance of Durand." First show starts at 7 p. m. Admission 25 and 50 cents.

Watch The Slatonite for announcement of "Please Get Married," which will be here May 21.

### FLIRTATION SCIENCE LAID BARE BY STAR IN VITAGRAPH FILM

Alice Joyce Exhibits Fine Art in Latest Picture, "The Vengeance of Durand."

The science of flirtation with its sharps and flats, its lifting of left eyebrows, its coy glances, its demure, shrinking and sidewise glances, is all portrayed to the very limit of the theme at last on the screen. This production is entitled "The Vengeance of Durand," which will be shown as the feature attraction at the Movie Theatre on Thursday, April 22.

Alice Joyce, star of the picture, is called upon through some of its most dramatic situations to employ flirtation upon four different men. The young woman is cast as Marion and later as Beatrice Durand, a bride who commits suicide, and a daughter who works revenge of her mother's death, through flirtation. Tragedy marches along spiritually beside the girl who contrives and applies flirtation.

It is a tragedy of her own soul. Beatrice, using all the arts and artifices of the vampire, is called on to wreck and destroy the souls of not only unloved courtiers, but that of the man she worships. Miss Joyce through it all conveys a subconscious suggestion of her sorrow under every smile. In the end the girl wins her way against fate and is saved for a happy fulfillment of dreams.

### ODD FELLOWS TO CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY ON MAY 2

On Sunday, May 2, the local Odd Fellows will celebrate the one hundred and first anniversary of the founding of the order. Appropriate services will be held at the Baptist church that night, and Rev. J. H. McCauley, pastor, will deliver the address.

### REV. A. V. HENDRICKS GOES TO DALLAS ON BUSINESS

Rev. A. V. Hendricks, pastor of the local Methodist church, left early in the week for Dallas, to confer with Dr. H. A. Boles, general secretary of the Church Extension Board, on business pertaining to the new Methodist church building that is now in course of construction.

A full line of standard toilet preparations at Teague's Confectionery.

### MATERIAL BEING ASSEMBLED FOR SLATON LIGHT CO.

L. H. Fuller of the Fuller Engineering Co. of Houston, has returned home after spending several days in the city looking after business interests. Mr. Fuller's company has charge of the construction work for the Slaton Light Company's plant, which will soon be a reality.

He states that they now have a large part of the materials here, but have been delayed in starting actual construction on account of not having received final papers on the lots bought for the building site. It was contemplated operating an

ice plant in connection with this industry, and it will be done if possible to get the necessary machinery delivered here in time for use this season.

The management of the Slaton Light Co. states that they are now assembling all necessary materials for wiring residences and business houses and that their Mr. Elliott will call on you at an early date regarding your wiring. Your attention is directed to their announcement elsewhere in The Slatonite. Don't fail to read it.

ATTENTION Ladies: Schweizer imported embroidery, dress goods, draperies and novelties. See samples. —MRS. W. H. WEAVER.



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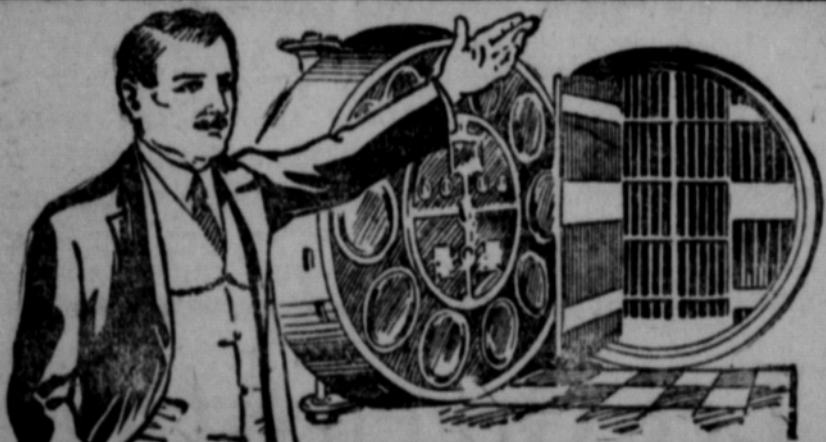
VARIETY IS THE OUTSTANDING FEATURE OF THE NEW STYLES. NO MORE DO THE TALL, THE SHORT, THE STOUT AND THE SLIM NEED TO CONFORM TO ONE MODE OF DRESSING. FOR TODAY THERE ARE MANY AND VARI-ED MODES TO CONFORM TO THEM.

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WE OFFER YOU QUALITY GROCERIES ALL THE TIME. IT MEANS ECONOMY, SATISFACTION, GOOD LIVING, FOR YOU TO BUY SUCH GOODS. IN MAKING OUR PURCHASES OUR IMMEDIATE PROFIT IS NOT CONSIDERED—IT IS YOUR WELFARE, AND AS A RESULT, YOUR PERMANENT TRADE. WE ARE CONSISTENT, THEREFORE, IN REQUESTING YOUR BUSINESS.

Bring us your cream on Tuesday and Friday

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J. E. KUYKENDALL, Manager

### MASONS OF THIS CITY TAKE A STEP FORWARD

The Masons of Slaton have received advice that a dispensation has been granted for the organization at Slaton of a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, and Grand Visitor Harwell of Lubbock has been instructed to come to this city and institute this new lodge, and the ceremonies will be held at Masonic Hall here at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, April 14th.

It has been necessary in the past for Masons in this vicinity who desired to advance in Masonry to go to Lubbock to take the Chapter degrees, and as a result have not had the opportunity of attending lodge like the majority desire, and on this account the movement was started to secure a

Chapter of Royal Arch Masons here at home.

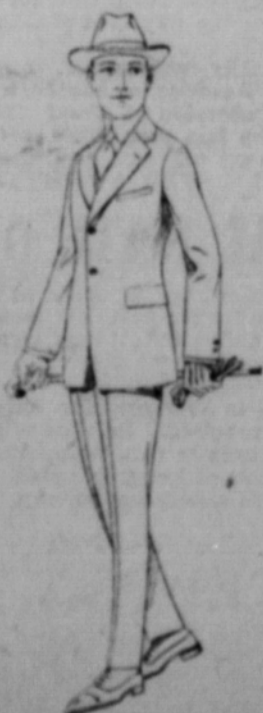
The officers of this new Chapter are: W. H. McKirahan, High Priest; F. A. Baird, E. K.; Ralph Hardy, E. S.; I. E. Madden, C. of H.; H. A. Rutter, P. S.; J. F. Chaffee, R. A. C.; B. A. Dodgen, M. 1st V.; C. S. Greer, M. 2nd V.; T. A. Clark, M. 3rd V.; J. E. Kuykendall, Secretary; B. A. Dodgen, Treasurer; Jim Benton, Guard.

This lodge will embrace the territory including Wilson, Tahoka, Southland, and Post.

### BANQUET THURSDAY NIGHT.

A full account of the get-together meeting and luncheon held at the Singleton Hotel last night, will appear in next week's paper, as it was unavoidably crowded out this week.

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SLATON, TEXAS



## OLDEST UNIVERSITY IN STATE TO CELEBRATE 75TH ANNIVERSARY

The oldest educational institution in the state of Texas, Baylor University at Waco, is to celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary at its commencement exercises, to be held in June. For several weeks now plans have been materializing to make this event in the educational history of the state one of the most unique celebrations ever staged. Invitations are being sent out to every student who ever attended Baylor, to return to his alma mater on this occasion.

### Ex-President Taft to Be Present

Many prominent speakers will be present to speak, among them ex-President William Howard Taft. Secretary of the Navy Daniels has been appointed by President Wilson to act as his personal representative at the celebration. Among the noted preachers who will be commencement speakers are Dr. Geo. W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dallas, and one of the most distinguished ministers in the United States, and Dr. Geo. W. McDaniell, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Richmond, Va.

Among the features of the diamond jubilee celebration will be the presentation of Bach's masterpiece, The Passion According to St. Matthew. To present this great musical program will require a massed chorus of five hundred voices, and it will be the first time in the history of the South that a college or university has attempted to give The Passion.

Other preparations include the erection of a huge rustic arbor which will seat 10,000 people. A staff of trained newspaper men will be present at the celebration to cover all the program, and from these reports a book reciting the history of the occasion will be published.

## BRITISH PREMIER CANNOT VISIT AMERICA THIS YEAR

David Lloyd George, British Premier, who was invited to attend the annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Washington next May will not be able to attend the meeting, according to a letter to Dr. J. B. Gambrell of Fort Worth, who is the president of the Southern Baptist Convention. At the last meeting of the convention in Atlanta last year, the body of 4200 Baptists voted to invite the distinguished premier to visit America during the meeting of its next session at Washington. Dr. Gambrell was appointed to head the committee which sent the invitation. In reply Lloyd George wrote as follows:

"I shall be grateful if you will kindly convey to the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention my sincere thanks for their kind invitation to me to be present at the convention which is to meet this year in Washington. I should cordially welcome such an opportunity of meeting my fellow Baptists in America and of paying tribute to their devotion to those principles which are essential in the life of the community. The cordial relations which have for many years existed between your great country and the British Empire, and which have been considerably strengthened by their common experiences during the last five years of struggle and turmoil, are full of promise for the future. It would give me great pleasure to visit the United States, but I very much regret that the demands upon my time are such as to make it impossible for me to promise to visit your convention this year."

## BAPTIST CAMPAIGN WILL EMPHASIZE EVANGELISM

The new campaign which the Baptists of the state are to conduct during the next sixty days will emphasize the winning of souls, according to a statement issued by Dr. F. S. Groner, of Dallas, the general secretary of the Baptist Executive Board. Though an effort will be made during the latter part of April to increase the subscriptions to the 75 million campaign to the sum of 100 millions, the effort will largely be confined to churches that were not reached in the other campaign, and the evangelistic feature of the campaign will be stressed.

Simultaneous revival campaigns in the larger cities in which all the churches will conduct their meetings at the same time, are planned during the next two months. "The campaign for the 75 million was a glorious success," continued Dr. Groner in his interview. "More than ninety millions was subscribed, and with this encouragement it was decided to attempt to reach 100,000,000. How

ever, this effort to reach this huge sum will not in any way interfere with the main object of the campaign to reach the unevangelized of the state. It is planned that in the period of March and April, every church of the cities and larger towns will hold special revival meetings. The smaller churches of the country will probably prefer to hold their evangelistic services in the summer and early fall. To meet this preference, the summer months of 1923 were designated for the evangelistic period for the smaller churches.

## THE BLACKMAN-TINSCH WILD ANIMAL SHOW AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT KIND

Amusement goers will have an opportunity on Thursday, April 22, of seeing the newest style of tented exhibition when the Backman-Tinsch Wild Animal Show comes to Slaton for one day only, afternoon and night.

The startling program offered by this organization has been received in all the largest cities with the highest praise and the greatest commendation.

For highly skilled men and women trainers to give a long praiseworthy program in the two regulation rings, using forty-foot steel cages as a protective measure, principally to insure safety to the timid observers; offering and producing all the wild animal acts, is such an extreme novelty, that no one should miss the opportunity of attending. This exhibition particularly interests and pleases the ladies and children, and for whose care and attention the management is particularly noted.

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## FORNEY HENRY HAS BOUGHT FINE JERSEY MALE

Forney Henry, one of the most progressive farmers in this section, and who is interested in raising thoroughbred Jersey cattle, has bought a fine registered Jersey male from Pecan Grove Dairy Herd of McKinney, Collin County. This animal is christened Polly's Lee Raleigh No. 178498, sire Wanda's Noble Raleigh No. 155062, dam Polly Lee No. 228322, solid color, with black tongue and switch. He is a very fine individual and comes from one of the best known breeders of Texas, who has won many ribbons at the Texas State Fair, Dallas, and all other stock shows of that section of the State. If you are interested in thoroughbred cattle you should call at Mr. Henry's place and see this fine animal.

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# DIAMOND CUT DIAMOND

by Jane Bunker

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spirit guides wouldn't give it to me if it weren't true."

There was both scorn and appeal in her tone. I saw the moment was not ripe for a discussion of the Tibetan mahatma question. Nor did her renewed expressions of confidence in me and her obvious need of help in the present difficulties lessen the complications that now entangled me. Before I could think of anything suitable to say, she burst out: "You'll not desert me, will you?—now that I need you worse than ever!"

And what could I say but, "No—I'll stand by you though the heavens fall!" and wonder what new bizarre line of conduct I was committing myself to? I didn't try to think, but told her Billy was here and suggested that she meet him—particularly since he'd



I Presented Billy.

been to the hotel and was all wrought up over Claire's mysterious departure. Mrs. Delario demurred, but I overruled her and presented Billy.

Billy's relief and joy at the rediscovery of Claire were quite touchingly amusing and he made himself correspondingly agreeable to Claire's chaperon. He seemed conveniently to forget his dictum of a couple of hours ago that said chaperon was crazy. The only point we any of us attempted to elucidate was the new man's connection with the case—which we felt was somehow the key to monsieur's sudden disappearance—and I was not a little surprised to hear Billy ask her seriously: "Can't you get something about him, clairvoyantly?"

She told him she couldn't at the moment—the conditions weren't right—she was too worried—too confused.

"Of course," he agreed. "It's like everything else—takes your best powers."

"Ah—I see you understand," she replied gratefully, and it seemed to me with a little emphasis on the "you" that set him apart from me; and that, I have always thought, was the precise point at which they began to draw together in a friendship that made him her warm partisan, even against me; for the next time he saw me alone he told me he had decided she had better keep the diamonds.

"Of course," he agreed again. "And I can see how you couldn't feel equal to it after what you've been through this morning." This was artfully hinted to lead back to Claire.

They might have continued their interchange of opinions on Claire and her father for the next half-hour—judging by the way they seemed to be enjoying it—but I brought them to earth with the question: "How are we going to protect Claire from the new man? He's probably determined to see her and find out something about her father's whereabouts."

gotten him. Don't let him see her, if he comes back, whatever you do!" This to Mrs. Delario. "It would be simply too dreadful for her."

"I know. Still, I can't keep her a prisoner in her room. You wouldn't suggest that, would you?"

"Heavens, no!" Billy rapped out. "I should say not! Hasn't she been through about enough already?"

"But suppose the man has already traced her there and has the house watched—the same as her father did?" I flung in.

"That's one of the important things I came to see you about—" Mrs. Delario turned to me. "If the house is watched—and I feel it is, or will be before the day is over—Claire is virtually a prisoner. I won't dare to let her go out alone."

"The deuce!" cried Billy, jumping up and snatching his hat off the table as though he were about to run to the rescue. Then he turned as red as a beet and signaled me with his eyes and a couple of gestures which she did not see—"Help me out, can't you? Make her ask me to go home with her." For he had the wit to see, before he'd let himself in with a word, that he couldn't force himself on a woman like Mrs. Delario without placing himself before both of us in the position of an officious pup and very likely getting a snub that would spoil his chances.

I played to his signal—and won a bushel of gratitude from both sides.

"Won't you let Mr. Rivers go home with you and find out how Claire

and come back and tell me?" I said her artlessly; and to him, "You'll do that for me, won't you, Billy?"

"Oh, will you, Mr. Rivers?" he asked, in great relief, rising as she spoke and preparing to hurry off.

Billy's eyes were popping and his feet were almost dancing. I presented him with a frown—unseen by her—that said: "Now, look out, young man, how you play your cards!"

"What a relief to have Mr. Rivers!" she cried with feeling, and took my hand. Then she affectionately kissed me—for the first time in her life.

I saw her and Billy to the elevator, pushing my hall door flat against the wall to keep it from blowing shut on me, and waited, idly waving a good-bye and watching her till the car had sunk out of sight. I had just stepped into my hall again and laid my hand on the doorknob, when I heard a sharp imperative "Wait!"

I jumped and wheeled. A man stepped out from the stairs back of the elevator shaft. His face was concealed in a pulled-up collar and a pulled-down hat. With three quick strides he was within the doorway. He pushed me out of the way and seized and slammed the door on us. Then he carefully put up the chain-bolt. As he did it, he held up his free hand with a "Shh!"

No need of warning—I was paralyzed! It had taken him just four seconds to make me his prisoner.

## CHAPTER XVII.

### A Little Scheme.

I had been too completely stunned by the suddenness with which my imprisonment had been effected even to think who my visitor might be, and it was not until he turned from bolting the door and apologized politely, "Pardon zis intrusion, madame," that I recognized De Ravenol. And then he removed his hat and motioned me to precede him along the hall.

"Madame, I ask a sousand pardons," he began suavely. "Unfortunately—or rather, unforeseen circumstances, rendered zis intrusion necessary and I feared if you closed ze door—since you had had interview wis your friend Madame Delario you might perhaps be tempted not to speak wis me—and a delay to speak wis me might spoil all our plans."

While he talked I felt my courage come back, and in a voice I felt was not obviously shaky, I replied: "Oh, certainly. I understand. I was expecting you."

"Expecting me?" He seemed surprised that I should be expecting him at that time and asked why, at the same time motioning me to take a

chair by my study table and showing me he would sit in the other.

To gain time on my side, I went on: "I fear you worried about Claire, when she did not come. I should have telephoned you, but my telephone seems to be out of order."

I had a malicious pleasure in reminding him that he was the one to suffer for it and a frown passed over his face, but was gone in an instant as he said: "It is of no consequence," and then plunged into the matter at hand.

"While I wait for ze lift to pass down just now, I sink I recognize ze voice of Madame Delario. She is here a moment since, is she not?"

"Yes—she was here."

He paused as if in hopes that I would tell him what she had come for, but I had taken quick stock of the situation and decided to let him do all the talking.

"Zen she have probably told you zat I have seen her last evening?"

"Yes—she mentioned it, I believe."

"Bien—zat helps me to explain. You see, I feel it necessary to have some words wis her after she have talked wis you and before she can see you and communicate her ideas wis you. Hence I am oblige to put you to some trouble—for which I ask one sousand pardons—in order zat I accomplish it. Zerefore—I arrange it zat I leave my daughter to entertain you and Mr. Rivers while I make a brief call on Madame Delario and see what she have to say for herself about zoze diamonds. And for zis reason: When I see you last evening, I am in positive command of information zat proves her to have ze diamonds."

I fear I gave a start at this information, for he threw himself back with a self-satisfied smile as much as to say, "I thought that would astonish you," and drew a cardcase from his pocket, removing a clipping torn from the "Personals" in the Herald and pointing to one notice, marked with pencil on the margin.

I read it: "Large reward for name of person recently offering special set of matched stones. State number and color. Box 32, Herald Office."

I returned it to him without comment—I tried to appear ignorant of what it might mean.

"I have insert it sree times," he went on smugly. "I do so because I argue to myself as follows: Ze diamonds are find by Madame Delario and she say to herself: 'Probably somebody play a joke on me—zey are not real, zeze jewels—zey are paste. Still, zey may be worse somesing even so, and I will take zem to a dealer and find out.'"

He paused to laugh and under cover of it gave me a look with his beady eyes—which I fancy told him nothing.

"Now zen, I ask myself where does she take zem first? Probably to Tiffany. I have myself inquire zere, but wisout result. And I realize I cannot interview every dealer in ze city—also it is not well for me to be seen too much hunting for zoze stones. Zerefore I give ze notice and I receive more zan fifty replies. All worseless but one—"

He produced a shabby scrap of paper, saying it was a veritable clue, and gave it to me to read.

"I can give you name and address of party offering seven large red stones last Saturday. Address by letter only, Haskins, 1861 Third avenue, Box 7."

"I see at once I have somesing of value. I have receive zis on Saturday morning. But before zat, I have received some uzzer letters"—he gave a little shrug to indicate that he referred to the decoy letters he had received from Billy and me—"and I sink I have not only ze clue, but zat I can obtain ze diamonds wisout to inquire of zis Haskins. So I make my endeavor—as you know—wis ze result—"

He stopped a moment and I saw he was making an effort to keep down his mortification—and probably his hate—and I hastened to help him do both by telling him cordially: "I'm really awfully sorry, monsieur, but then—what else could I do?"

"Ah, madame, it is no more to mention between us," he returned gallantly. "But—you American ladies! So energetic! One knows not how to take you!"

"I suppose we are puzzling—to foreigners."

"Puzzling! I have sink I know somesing of ze ladies and of ze Americans, since my wife is herself American, but I find since I am come to zis country I have much to learn. Ouh!" and he gave me a little laugh, showing he meant me to take this in a complimentary way.

"And now I may tell you zat I have ze name and ze address of ze one who have zoze diamonds in his possession: It is Mr. Eugene Delario—ze young son of Madame Delario—who offers—or at least seeks to 'have valued—zoze diamonds last Saturday at a dealer on Maiden Lane."

It has always been a mystery to me that I managed to control—or think I did—every facial expression that might have shown him I already knew

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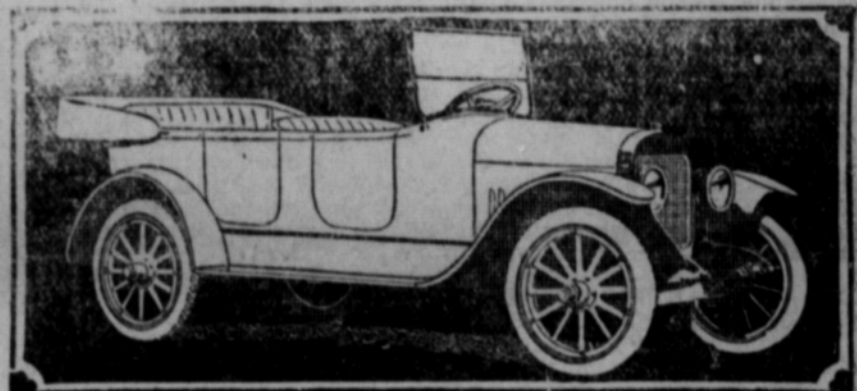
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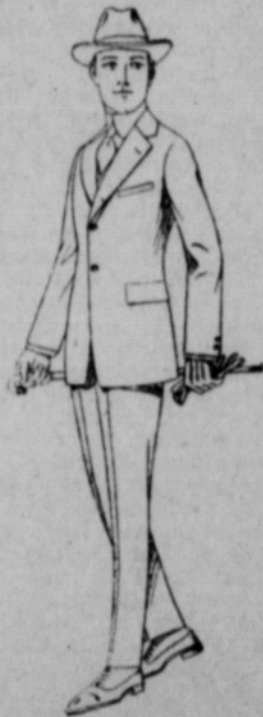
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## Diamond Cut Diamond

By JANE BUNKER

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what he told me. But monsieur went on, apparently not noticing anything about me:

"You know ze son of Madame Delario?—Monsieur Eugene?"

"I have never met him—no."

"Well—it is of no consequence—I know of a certainty it is ze son of Madame Delario who have shown zoe diamonds last Saturday—and he don't know zey are diamonds! Oul! And after I have zis information, I argue zis way: Since I have her so positive denial, it is her son who have accidentally discover zoe diamonds unknown to her and he says nossing! You see? All is now explained."

"But, monsieur, are you sure of this man Haskins?" I questioned. "Are you sure he wasn't lying for the reward?—that all he told you wasn't a mere coincidence?"

"Bah!" he cried in a tone of disgust and some contempt for me. "Coincidence! Madame, you must know zat when you find more zan sree coincidences in a case you have—circumstantial evidence! When you have sufficient circumstantial evidence you have—proof. And when you have ze proof of a crime—you can act!"

He shot this off in a fierce determined tone and I saw he was ready to spring the mine under the Delarios, mother and son. To gain time, I asked: "But are these coincidences sufficient?—are they evidence?"

"Bah!" he cried again. "Zey are sufficient for any court!" He leaned a little nearer to me and spoke in a more confidential way, as if he expected me to agree with him: "Ze chain of evidence is complete. Ze same house—ze house in which zoe diamonds are known to go in zat slipper; ze son of ze lady who owns zat slipper; ze date on which zey are shown—not before zey have arrive in America, but some five days after; ze seven stones. And ze man Haskins have even describe ze same box! Oul—Monsieur Eugene does not take zoe diamonds out of zat box to show zem!—a small white box, about ze size—"

Monsieur glanced over my table and his eye fell on—the box with the diamonds!

"—about ze size of zis," and he picked it up.

My heart stopped beating. With a tremendous effort I raised my eyes from it to his face, just as he took hold of the elastic and snapped it.

"Ze chain of evidence is perfect!" he cried, pulling up the elastic and—it broke with a sharp report.

The sound went through me like a pistol-shot. I jumped half out of my chair and exclaimed, "Oh!" and fell back again. I had heard the pens rattle. I thought, "Suppose he opens it—suppose he drops it! Heavens! What shall I do? How shall I get it out of his hands and not betray myself?" It took about a second for these words to flash through me, and before I had decided—or had need to decide, he exclaimed: "Pardon me, madame—did I frighten you?" and laid the box back on the table.

For a moment I was unable to speak. The tension of those few seconds, while he actually held the diamonds in his hands, had paralyzed me.

I realized that I was pressing my hand to my heart! I stopped that and stammered, "Y—yes, I am a little nervous."

He waited a moment for me to recover my self-possession and then went on briskly:

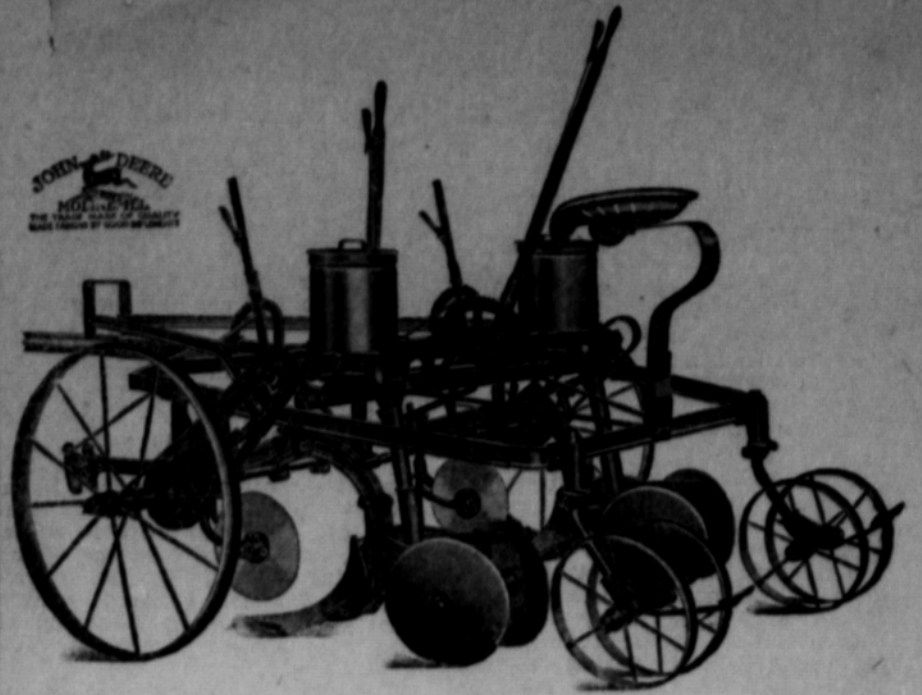
"Madame, I wish to say immediately—before we proceed anozzer step—zat I appreciate your position. It is most difficult—most difficult for a lady such as yourself. You are ze friend of Madame Delario, is it not?"

"Yes, I am—and you must realize—"

He stopped me. "Oul—perfectly. And it is as her friend zat I approach you now and ask your continued help."

"No, monsieur, you must let me withdraw now from all further connection with the case. I have done all I can—I truly have—"

"I know—I appreciate," he cut in. "Now attend, madame, to L y argument: Sree sings must be considered." He checked them off on his fingers. "First, she confesses she has zoe diamonds and will return zem to zeir rightful owner. Second, madame will deny absolutely zat she have ever seen zoe diamonds. It may be ze truse—it may not be—ze point is, zat she denies all knowledre. You and Monsieur



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## How Six Hundred Children Live Together in One Big Family.

By Coleman Craig

The largest orphanage in the United States is in Texas, located seven miles out from Dallas, and is known as the Buckner Orphans Home. This institution has an interesting history. It was founded by the late R. C. Buckner in 1879.

### Began with Three Children

This home, which now takes care of six hundred children, began with just three children in a rented cottage in Dallas. In 1881 the first building was erected. From this small beginning the institution has had a marvelous growth, and during its history has taken care of many thousand children. There are now four large buildings, several cottages and 1800 acres of land. During all its history, it has been non-sectarian in its ministrations, and children have been admitted regardless of creed, though it is under the control of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

### A City Within Itself.

A visitor to the Buckner Orphans Home is impressed with the man-

a large number of inmates. With this in view, architects were called in, and work is now going forward in remodeling the old buildings, and in the planning of new ones, which will take care of the children in groups of thirty each instead of caring for them as a single unit of six hundred. The present buildings are now being remodeled so that each unit of thirty children will have its own apartment, with private bath and toilet. Each child will have a wardrobe where he may keep his own personal effects. Each unit will have a cozy little sitting room, tastefully furnished, and with artistic pictures and decorations. The units will each have a junior matron, who will be under the direction of the senior matron. By departmentizing and caring for the children in small groups, a long step will be taken in getting away from the institutional idea, which always exists where a large number are cared for under one management.

In further carrying out this idea, the new buildings that are to be erected out of funds provided in the Baptist 75 Million Drive, will not be large dormitories caring for several hundred, but will be cottages with a capacity of about fifty children. The management plans the erection of ten of these cottages during the next few years.

### Planning to Take Care of More Children.

During the next five years the capacity of the Home will probably be doubled.

The cottages which are soon to be erected, will enable the Home to take care of an increasing number. The new policy of the Home will also favor the admittance of more half-orphaned children who have lost but one parent, but who, in the majority of cases, are in as desperate need of the Home as are the orphans.

### A Big Business Enterprise.

The cost of providing the living and educational expenses of a large family of 600 is enormous. These children have to have shoes and stockings and clothes the same as other children. The increased cost of living has run the daily expense of the Home up to the figure of about \$500 per day. Eighty to ninety per cent of these expenses are cared for by free will offerings of the people of Texas. The industries and farm of the Home provides ten to twenty per cent of the expenses. The expenses of the Home for the next fiscal year will call for contributions to the amount of \$175,000.

### Daily Life of Children.

A child's life at this Home is regular, and so arranged as to give it practical experience, combining the elements of play, work and education. In the morning the children go to school. In the afternoon they can be found out on the expansive grounds playing and frolicking—happy like other children. For the older boys and girls there is work to do—not burdensome and



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fold activities that go on within its own bounds. The Home has its own farm; a fine dairy, stocked with good milk cows; a power plant for heating and lighting; a laundry, a bakery; and a grammar school, and the first two years of high school; a regularly organized church with its own pastor; a Sunday School; a library of 3,000 volumes, and a museum, composed of two famous collections with many thousands of geological, faunal and zoological specimens and foreign curios from all over the world.

### War-chest from Battlefield of Waterloo in Museum.

Among the many interesting relics in this museum which is at all times accessible to the children, is an old steel-bound war-chest, which came from the battlefield of Waterloo. Tradition has it that this old chest belonged to the Duke of Wellington. A handsome helmet, said to have been worn at one time by Napoleon, is also in the historical collection. The museum is also the final abiding place of a crude old log cabin, which was the first residence ever built in Dallas county. For a time it served as the first post office for Dallas, and was also the first court house.

### A Real Home.

Buckner Orphans Home is more than a charitable institution. It seeks to be a real home. Dr. Buckner, who died last year, was loved by all the children, and the visitor who happened in at the home would in all likelihood see the old white-haired man entirely surrounded by children of all ages, who clambered up on his knees with the same freedom and familiarity as does Johnny when "daddy" comes home from the office. Dr. Buckner was affectionately known as "Father Buckner" by all the children.

### Missionary from China Takes Up Father's Work.

When Dr. Buckner died, his two sons took up his work. One of them, Rev. Hal Buckner, was a missionary in South China, but upon his father's death, he returned and became general secretary. Mr. Joe D. Buckner, who had been associated with his father in the administration of the home for several years, became general manager.

### A New Departure in Orphanage Management.

It has always been the object of this orphanage to make it as much a home, and less an institution, as is possible in taking care of such



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### Get-together Meeting At Singleton Hotel

A rousing get-together meeting and banquet was held at the Singleton Hotel Thursday night, April 8, at 8 o'clock. About seventy-five plates were served and practically every business institution and industry of every kind in the city was represented.

The purpose of the meeting was to boost and boosters were there in a large majority. Progressiveness and a determination to make Slaton a better town was much in evidence during the evening.

Hon. R. A. Baldwin acted as toastmaster and the following responded with appropriate toasts:

"The Hammer," Rev. A. V. Hendricks.

"The Future of Slaton," Mayor A. J. Payne.

"Civic Pride," Councilman B. M. Holland.

"Railway and Town Co-operation," Supt. J. F. MacKie.

"The South Plains Country," Col. A. B. Robertson.

"Municipal Publicity," R. J. Murray.

"Things Worth While," T. H. Sears of Amarillo, General Superintendent Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway.

"Our Absent Citizens—the Ladies," Rev. J. H. McCauley.

"The Housing Problem," Joe Kuykendall.

"Civic Hygiene," Dr. S. H. Adams.

"The City's Milk Supply," W. P. Florence.

"The City's Schools," W. H. McKirahan.

"Flies and Mosquitoes," Dr. W. A. Tucker.

"Municipal Cleanliness," J. V. Hollingsworth.

"The High Places," L. B. Parker.

"The City's Finances," J. H. Brewer.

"Sidewalks and Street Improvements," J. S. Edwards.

"Recreations," George Marriott.

"Official Cotton Grader for Slaton," W. R. Wilson.

"The City's Parks," T. J. Abel.

"Why Was Our Depot Placed So Far From Town," W. H. Smith.

"Needed Industries, and How to Get Them," H. A. Rutter.

"Slaton's Climate," J. W. Short.

"Our Cemetery," A. E. Harrison.

"Lairs I Have Known," Paul P. Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Witt, in charge of this popular hostelry, had prepared and served a dinner that would do credit to an institution of more metropolitan airs. High grade cigars were plentiful, bearing a card with the following inscription: "Compliments of the Singleton—a booster for Slaton." The menu follows:

Menu.

Stuffed Olives Radishes and Celery

Chicken Celery Soup

With Noodles

Vegetable Salad

Roast Chicken With Oyster Dressing

Mashed Potatoes Candied Yams

Green Peas

Boiled Ham Fruit Salad

Vanilla Ice Cream

Cake Coffee

Cigars

**SOCIETY**

**Hunter-Baxter Nuptials.**

The Brownwood Bulletin in a recent issue gave a lengthy account of the marriage of Miss Elsaye Mae Baxter to Harold Frank Hunter in that city. Miss Baxter is well known in Slaton, where she taught music.

Miss Frances Hoffman was present at the marriage and is still visiting friends in Brownwood. The Bulletin speaks of her as follows:

As a wedding prelude, "O, Lovely Night," Barcarolle, was given by Miss Frances Hoffman of Slaton, who also sounded the soft notes of Lohengrin's "Bridal March" to herald the approach of the bridal cortege. During the impressive service the Flower Song was softly sounded and in recessional Mendelssohn's Wedding March was beautifully rendered. Miss Hoffman wore a beautiful costume of pink georgette and satin combination. Her hat was of maline with blue forget-me-nots and roses with a large maline bow of pink. She wore a corsage bouquet of sweet peas.

**Honoring Miss Virginia Egbert.**

Bruce Gentry entertained a number of young people at the home of his parents Monday evening, honoring Miss Virginia Egbert and other members of the Victory Orchestra. Forty-two and other games were enjoyed. Refreshments of fruit jello and chocolate were served. Those present were Virginia Egbert, Ethel Owens, Margaret Egbert, Dota Mae Davidson, Ethel Spooner, Marion McHugh, Edith Smith, Josephine McHugh; Herbert Tait, Sug Robertson, Joe Burton, June Cannon, Robert McGar, Edwin McCann, John Able, Wilson McKirahan, Clarence Harry.

**Civic and Culture Club.**

The Civic and Culture Club met Saturday at the home of Mrs. Eddie Johnston with Mrs. J. M. McCann assistant hostess. The members discussed the plan of study for next year; also formed a resolve to build a ladies' rest room on the city's public square during the next six months. A liberal amount was subscribed. The program for the afternoon was well discussed.

The next meeting will be held on April 24th at the home of Mrs. C. V. Hall, with Mrs. W. Donald assistant hostess. Following is the program: The Inter-Church Movement, Mrs. Irvin M. Brewer. Prohibition, Its Present Status, Mrs. W. E. Smart. The Age of Awakening in Japan, Mrs. B. M. Holland. General discussion: Why do Baptists not enter into the Inter-Church Movement? State the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution. Does U. S. want war with Japan? What are the women of Japan doing?

**Baptist Ladies.**

The B. W. M. W. met at the Baptist church Tuesday afternoon in a Bible Study led by Mrs. E. M. Lott. The lesson was very inspirational and was made unusually interesting by the instructive talks of those on the program.

The society continues to increase

both in interest and number. They were happy to have join them some good workers who have recently moved to Slaton.

On next Tuesday the society will meet at the church at 2:30 o'clock in their Mission Study, led by Mrs. J. H. McCauley.

Subject, "Victory."

Paeons from our leaders, Mrs. J. J. Daniel.

Intercession victories, Mrs. E. S. Brooks.

Enlistment victories, Mrs. J. D. Harris.

Stewardship victories, Mrs. J. W. Hood.

Follow-up victories, Mrs. E. F. Easteridge.

**Missionary Society.**

The following program will be rendered by the Methodist ladies next Monday afternoon, with Mrs. Gus Robertson as leader:

Topic, "Life Service."

Hymn 350.

Bible lesson: "In Christ Men Become Possessors of New Inner Power"

Prayer.

Business.

Missionary News, Mrs. Shankle.

Contest: "Our Work in China," conducted by Mrs. Robert Murray.

Topic: "Christian Homes as Recruiting Stations," Mrs. Joplin.

Prayer.

Hymn 349.

Story: "Legend of Service," Miss Shepard.

Note: The ladies are requested to refer to an article elsewhere in The Slatonite on China, which will be a part of the program.

**High School Notes.**

Mr. Rives, superintendent of the Snyder schools, was here Monday looking over the school and getting the number of pupils. He made several short talks in the different rooms, and we are sure that every one will be well pleased with him as superintendent here next year.

Last Friday Supt. Hall visited Canyon where he acted as judge in a debate between teams of the Canyon and Denton State Normals. Canyon won the contest.

The girls' basketball team played a match game with Southland Wednesday at the latter place.

**REPORTER.**

**Entertained at Country Home.**

Mr. and Mrs. M. Chesser, who live on the Cade old homestead between Wilson and Southland, entertained a number of young people at their home last Saturday evening. Music and games were enjoyed. All reported a delightful time.

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**Methodist Missionary  
 Study for Monday**

The following suggestive questions will be used at the meeting of the Methodist Missionary Society on next Monday afternoon. Every member is requested to prepare these for the Monday meeting. Following the questions a lengthy article is published which will give you the facts about China.

1. For how many of China's millions is our Church responsible?
2. When did our Woman's Board begin work in China?
3. Who was our first representative?
4. What was our first school, and where was it located?
5. What interesting story is associated with its founding?
6. What three great missionaries have each had a part in the work of McTyeire?
7. Tell three facts about Davidson's Girls' School. Where is it? For whom named?
8. What is the Anglo-Chinese Academy?
9. Where and by whom founded?
10. By whom was the Laura Haygood Memorial established?
11. What recent change has been made in the type of work done by this school?
12. Name two important schools located at Sungkiang.
13. For whom are these schools named?
14. What is the approximate enrollment of our day schools?
15. What two-fold purpose is carried out by the Moka Garden Mission?
16. What four women have led in our medical work in China?
17. How has the work of Mary Black Hospital been extended and enlarged by Drs. Polk and Love?
18. In what three ways has evangelistic work been carried on by our Woman's Council?
19. What distinct advance was made in this line of work in 1910?

**FACTS READY FOR USE ABOUT CHINA.**

**The Country.**  
 China comprises more than four millions of square miles. It would

spread all over the United States and cover nearly two-thirds of North America. The four divisions are Mongolia, Manchuria, Tibet, and the 18 provinces, which latter is the portion commonly known as China proper.

**Natural Resources.**  
 China's mineral deposits are almost unlimited. There is enough coal in the one province of Shansi to last the entire world for several hundred years. Her copper mines are very rich. She may possibly be one day the greatest copper-producing country in the entire world. There are also immense agricultural possibilities in China. The land, after five thousand years of farming, still yields an average of from two to four crops a year.

**The People.**  
 It is the most populous land in the world, its inhabitants being more than those of the United States, Great Britain, France, Germany, Spain, Brazil, Portugal, Italy, Austria, Norway, Sweden, Mexico, Canada, Central America, and Australia. The population of the whole empire is estimated at 400,000,000.

China claims the oldest authentic history of any nation, going back to 2800 B.C. A thousand years before Romulus dreamed of building the seven-hilled city, the Chinese were a peaceful and prosperous people. China was seven hundred years old when the Israelites crossed the Red Sea. She had existed fifteen centuries when Isaiah prophesied of her future conversion. (Isa. xlix, 12.)

When Moses led the Israelites through the wilderness, Chinese laws and literature rivaled and Chinese knowledge excelled that of Egypt. Her literature was fully developed before England was invaded by the Norman conquerors. The Chinese invented fire arms as early as the reign of England's first Edward, and the art of printing 500 years before Caxton was born.

**Needs.**  
 Intellectual: Nearly sixty-five million children are waiting for schools. From ninety to ninety-six per cent of China's population is illiterate.

Physical: The infant mortality rate is between sixty-five and seventy per cent. There is one hospital to every three million people, a few hundred doctors to four hundred million.

Industrial: China is still in the Middle Ages industrially. Wages are unbelievably low. The women silk reeliners in Shanghai, for example, get from eight to eleven cents a day for eleven hours' work. Of thousands of women and children employed, thirty-five per cent are children under fourteen years of age.

Spiritual: Out of China's millions, 300,000 to 400,000 only are Protestant Christians.

**Hopeful Advance.**  
 The New Language: China has recently come into possession of a method of writing the spoken language of the Mandarin-speaking portion of the population, which includes all but the three southeastern provinces. It is a

phonetic script consisting of thirty-nine symbols. Adults of average ability can learn the system in three or four weeks.

The Union Medical College: This college at Peking, backed by the Rockefeller Foundation, will be the equal of any medical college in the world.

Economic and Industrial Awakening: China's farmers are intelligent and industrious. So thoroughly have they mastered the art of fertilization and rotation of crops, that it is little short of miraculous what one of these small plots can be made to yield. The first cotton-growing association in China was organized in 1917. In 1918 the first agricultural campaign was inaugurated in Peking, and the first demonstration train carrying its message of up-to-date agriculture started from the capital on its way to Hankow. Mission schools are adding courses in agriculture to the curricula. China is beginning to welcome labor-saving devices; and cotton mills, silk and flour mills, paper, soap, match, canning, and other factories are rapidly multiplying. There has been remarkable development in shipbuilding. The Premier Iron and Steel Corporation at Hanyang employs about 5,000 workmen, turning out annually 120,000 tons of pig iron and 60,000 tons of steel. In the coast cities are several department stores. A regular air service between Shanghai and Hongkong is under contemplation, also an elaborate photographic survey by airplanes of large areas to assist the work of irrigation. Lately an order was placed by the Chinese government with the Marconi Company for two hundred sets of wireless telephones.

The Student Movement: The students of China are awake and alert. They realize the desperate situation of their country and feel that Christianity must be given an opportunity for her redemption.

Christian Centers: Over nine hundred and fifty Christian centers in over six hundred cities and towns are demonstrating through schools, hospitals, churches, and homes the value of a Christian civilization; and China is watching the experiment, drawing her own conclusions as to the power of Christianity.

The Work of the Woman's Missionary Council.

Our Church is allotted twenty of China's millions. The Mission Board began work in Shanghai in 1848. The Woman's Board entered thirty years later.

The First Missionary: Miss Lochie Rankin went to China in 1878 as a representative of the women.

The First School: The Clopton Boarding School for Girls, the building a gift of Mrs. McGavock through the sale of her wedding diamonds. This school is now a part of the preparatory department of McTyeire.

McTyeire: Planned by Dr. Allen, successfully launched by Miss Haygood in 1893, and carried on by Miss

Helen Richardson until her death. It is beautifully serving the high-class girls of China. It is located at Shanghai. The present enrollment is 293.

The Davidson Girls' School: Established as a memorial to Mrs. A. B. Davidson, of the Baltimore Conference, was opened in 1897. The school was at first located in East Soochow, but was later moved to West Soochow and conducted in connection with the Industrial School and Girls' School. It has been several times enlarged. The present enrollment is 122.

Laura Haygood Memorial: A school for boys in West Soochow, begun by Miss Atkinson in 1896. It was opened in 1902 under the direction of Miss Martha Pyle. Its borders were extended to embrace two promising day schools reaching the little children of the neighborhood. In 1916 Laura Haygood was changed to a high-grade normal. The present enrollment is 101, including the demonstration school.

Hayes-Wilkins Bible School: Located at Sungkiang and named in honor of Mrs. Juliana Hayes, the first President of the Woman's Missionary Society, and of Mrs. Achsah Wilkins, of Baltimore. It was dedicated by Bishop Wilson in October, 1898.

Susan B. Wilson School: Commemorating the life and work of Mrs. Wilson, the wife of Bishop Wilson. It was opened by Miss Alice Waters at Sungkiang and was ready for occupancy in 1907. The present enrollment is 293.

The Virginia School: Established at Huchow through the generosity of the Virginia Conference. It was able to begin its work in 1901. Its success was marked from the first. The present enrollment is 101.

Day Schools: Nineteen day schools have an approximate aggregate enrollment of 881. (This does not include the Anglo-Chinese Academy.)

The Moka Garden Mission: Founded at Soochow in 1899 by Misses Atkinson and Williams to meet the demand for employment among the embroidery women of that city. The entire force is divided into small classes, and each woman has a daily Bible lesson. They are paid for their work, which is later sold by the missionaries. The present enrollment is 98.

Mary Black Hospital: Begun in 1903 under the supervision of Dr. Anne Walters. It was developed by Dr. Margaret Polk, the medical students and nurses receiving the same instruction as the boys in Soochow University. Later, under the supervision of Drs. Polk and Love, the scope of the work was enlarged, clinics established in several country places, talks given in hygiene, sanitation, prevention, child welfare, and general care of health in homes and schools.

Evangelistic Work: From the beginning of the work in 1878, the schools have been evangelistic centers. Bible women, also, have gone from house to house carrying the gospel

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"Decidedly," I remarked dryly. "Oul. And now I beg you to appreciate zis evidence of my esteem for yourself—I wish to spare you all possible humiliation, and yet to retain your co-operation wis me.

"Madame, if zoze diamonds are not in my possession in two hours from now, Monsieur Eugene will be arrested and go to prison, and his stay zere will not be short, for I ask to have ball—as ze crime is a great one—fixed at one hundred sousand dollars and his muzzer is unable to give it. Madame, if you are her friend, you can save her now. I give you two hours in which to bring me zoze diamonds."

And the diamonds lay on my table beside him! I had only to reach out my hand and say, "Here," and the matter was settled. Yet something in me kept saying, "No—no—no—you mustn't!"

I said nothing and monsieur repeated, "If in two hours zoze diamonds are not in my hands I will have her son arrested," and I sat there looking at the box and thinking that in two seconds—if I so willed it—the diamonds would be in his hands!

No—I dared not do it without at least exacting some proviso that should prevent their use in the treaty with Mexico—if would be treachery to my country, cowardice. We had two hours—we could do something in that time—we'd not, the three of us, give up without a struggle.

"Well?" he asked. "But just what do you wish me to do?" I asked, finding my tongue again. "I don't seem to be clear on it."

"I have been telling you," he showed signs of impatience. "I wish you to call upon her immediately—she is at home, for my daughter is wis her—" he smiled at that, remembering how he'd used Claire to checkmate Billy and me the night before. "Repeat zis interview zat you have wis me—convince her zat I am ready to have her son put under arrest"—he drew forward to the edge of his chair and continued in the tone of one addressing a partner—"I assure you zat when you have communicate zis wis her, she does one of two sings: If she have already confess to you she have ze diamonds, she release you instantly from ze obligation to keep her secret; and if she have not already confessed all to you, she does so—she is obliged to do so to protect herself—to ask advice of a friend who comes to warn her."

By this time I had perceived that my one feasible line of action lay in pretending to fall in with his plans, thus gaining time in which to consult Billy as well as Mrs. Delario, and I said smoothly:

"I appreciate the delicacy with which you have put the case to me and relieved me of the necessity of talking to you about my friend—I can't tell you how I appreciate it—" and there I stuck!

What did I mean to do?—tell him I'd go? And if I did, was I to take the diamonds or leave them behind in the house? At that instant of indecision and perplexity my eye lighted upon the note sent up by my recent mysterious caller—the supposed detective. My counter-move! I drew it from the envelope and with it I made a fresh start in conversation.

"I appreciate it so much that I treat you with a corresponding confidence

and I ask you to explain one or two little matters so that I may avoid any difficulties that may arise while I'm discussing the matter with Mrs. Delario."

"Wis pleasure—anyasing—" "Well, this—I should like an explanation of this note."

I put it in his hand. He read it, frowned, turned it over to see if there were anything on the other side and still frowning said, "Zis note? I know nosing of zis note." And he read aloud—"Madenoiselle Claire de Ravenol has disappeared! My daughter has not disappeared—except so far she has disappeared zis morning to Madame Delario's house."

His words and manner to my mind at once disposed of the hypothesis that the new man was monsieur's accomplice; but I went on: "The man who sent this up—and whom I saw—claimed to be a detective in your employ."

Monsieur gave a start. "A detective in my employ—looks for my daughter! Impossible! When do you receive zis note?"

"About two hours ago!"

"A detective—two hours ago tells you I employ him to seek for my daughter! What does it mean? I have employ no one to seek for my



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daughter—no one. He tells you an untruth. What have you sought is his object to tell you zat he seeks my daughter?"

"I thought it was a plot against her."

"A plot against Claire! Mon Dieu! Zis I am not prepare for."

He was too genuinely shocked and astonished for me to doubt his word and I went on, "Yes—and Mrs. Delario thought so, too—and Mr. Rivers, they both saw the note and thought it was a plot against Claire. The same man was at her house last night looking for Claire just after you had left to go to the hotel for her. Perhaps her fainting here actually saved her from him," I added, quite keen on the dramatic side of it all and feeling that it was an excellent counter-irritant to diamonds.

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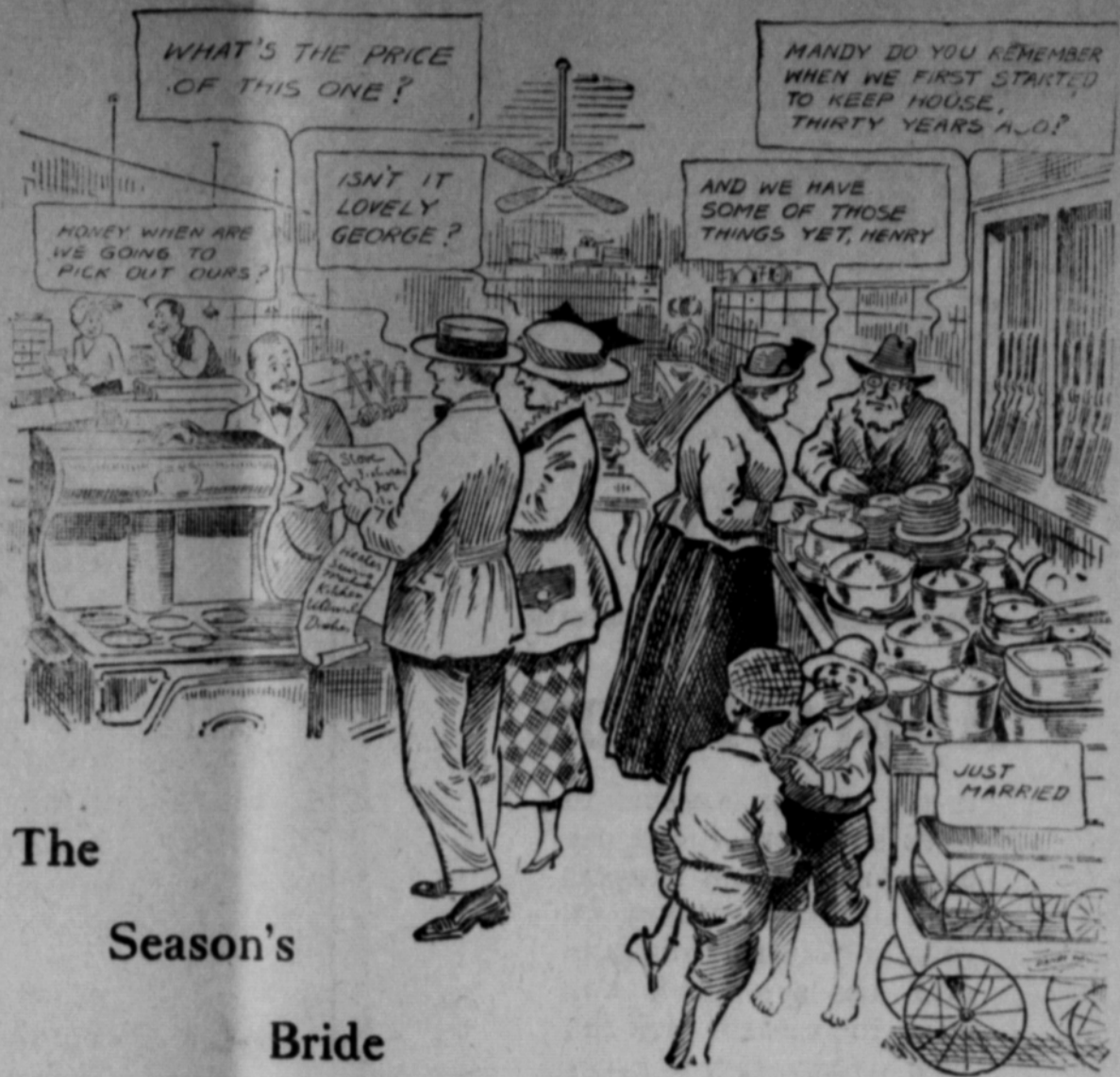
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## BAPTISTS ENLARGE WORK

Mission Secretary Will Recommend  
How Evangelistic, Educational and  
Benevolent Program Can  
Be Carried Out.

Americans should keep out of Europe, unless they have important business there, until Europeans have had an opportunity to get on their feet again, declares Dr. J. F. Love, secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Love, as chairman of a commission named by the Baptist 75 Million Campaign to visit Europe and make a survey of the mission fields there, has just returned from a five months' tour of the continent. He says Americans have distributed cash with such a lavish hand in many places on the continent that the people have become convinced that every American has money to throw away and as soon as they spot a citizen from this country they proceed to overcharge him for everything he buys and every service rendered. Unless Americans forego sight-seeing in Europe for a few years a lot of the natives there will become professional beggars, in Dr. Love's opinion.

### Baptists Suffered Heavily.

Along with the other religious denominations Baptists suffered heavy losses of property in Europe during the war, Dr. Love reports, but he found that such Baptists as survived the war remained loyal to their convictions and they are now ready to welcome the aid and co-operation of American Baptists in the rehabilitation of their countries and the propagation of the gospel.

From the contact formed with the Baptists of the chief countries of Europe by these representatives of the Southern Baptist Convention Dr. Love believes there will ultimately be formed a co-operative alignment of the Baptists of the world that will make them larger factors in world evangelization than they have ever been before.

### Carry on Relief Work.

While the program which Southern Baptists will carry on in the European countries which they have not occupied before will not be determined until after the commission has reported to the Foreign Mission Board, members of the commission found crying need for money with which to meet cases demanding immediate relief and cabled home for funds to be employed in this connection in northern France and Belgium. This money was promptly forwarded and has been distributed through an agency set up in Paris in conjunction with the Foreign Missionary Society of the Northern Baptist Convention. Prior to the visit of this commission, missionary work by Southern Baptists in Europe has been confined to Italy and Bohemia. However, the commission visited England, Scotland, France, Belgium, Holland and Italy, but found it impossible to get into Czechoslovakia, the Balkans and Russia at this time.

### Palestine and Egypt Visited.

After the tour of Europe had been completed, the commission, which included Dr. Z. T. Cody, editor of the Baptist Courier, of Greenville, S. C., and Dr. Everett Gill, formerly missionary to Italy, but now a pastor in Kansas City, went to Palestine to look into the missionary work there formerly done by the Baptists of Southern Illinois, but recently taken over by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. A trip into Egypt for the purpose of studying the Mohammedan situation was made by the party while awaiting a ship on which to return to Italy. So far, Christianity has made very little inroad on Mohammedanism anywhere Dr. Love found, though some of the missionary agencies in Palestine have been established for more than a half century. He anticipates a better chance for the Christian religion there, following British occupation of that country.

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