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This Week



By Arthur Brisbane
GASOLINE AND RUBBER.
CANCER NOT CONTAGIOUS.
VANISHING BOB.

The Rev. Dr. Shailer Mathews, Dean of the Divinity School in Chicago University, says philosophy is of no use in religion, because we cannot analyze our religion, the greatest moments are felt, you cannot define them in words. There is not a philosophical term in the language or the intellectual processes by which we seek to grasp the meaning of religion.

Philosophy has nothing to do with religion, and religion has nothing to do with philosophy. Philosophy deals with problems that can be solved, or may be solved, by proof, argument, thought. Religion deals with questions entirely beyond our reach, that can be answered only by faith.

Two kinds of good news for automobile owners:

First, you are told that if and when the natural supply of gasoline gives out, synthetic gasoline will be made to take its place.

Second, scientists have discovered a system of bud grafting on rubber trees which should increase the yield of a tree 400 per cent.

It is predicted that the cost of rubber delivered in this country will drop from twenty-five cents to less than ten cents a pound.

Scientists say they can make synthetic rubber as well as synthetic gasoline, but that probably will be postponed, like artificial gasoline making, until natural supplies diminish.

A French scientist proves by careful observation that cancer is NOT contagious. To do away with the false, persistent suspicion is a great blessing. Married couples, living together, one the victim of cancer, do not contract the disease from each other, and cannot contract it. That is proved by reliable statistics.

Paris dressers, realizing that long hair is "coming in," are buying stocks of "transformations," long hair arrangements for women to wear while waiting for bobbed hair to grow.

Short hair is common sense, of course, and, in time, long hair will be as obsolete as a veil over the face.

Long after men had cut their hair, primitive women let their hair grow long, because, matted with grease, it was a good thing in cold weather.

Long hair seems "feminine" to men. Women do what men want, and the long hair comes back. It will go away again.

At San Toy, mining town in Ohio, Ray Wiggins, annoyed, but off the car of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Amanda Taylor.

A mob around the courtroom wanted the man lashed, and the Mayor of San Toy told Wiggins he would quash the charge of "maiming and disfiguring" if he would take the lashing.

Wiggins said "Yes." His back was stripped, he was lashed twenty-one times and everybody apparently was happy, including the mother-in-law. What is the difference between a man that bites off his mother-in-law's ear and a mob that insists on a public lashing?

There is some mild government supervision of the radio. Do the supervisors consider it necessary or desirable that the details, bloody, or otherwise, of prize fights should be sent into homes and listened to by twenty millions of Americans, including children? Would you describe that as making an intellectual, "Christian" and elevated use of a great scientific discovery?

We must have the prize ring, the bloody fights, of course, for those that can afford to pay \$125 a ringside seat, just as we must have "speak-easies" for those that can pay \$25 a bottle for champagne. But why carry the prize fighting into so many homes?

Don't prize fight promoters realize that radio broadcasting will stop their prize fighting eventually? Clergymen here and there will be aroused as they listen to the interesting fight news coming in over the radio and then there will be trouble. Many clergymen, fortunately, are interested in things more important to human salvation than Darwin's monkey theory—which, by the way, was never taught by Darwin.

OZONA LOSES 2ND GAME TO ROCKSPRINGS

Locals Play Airtight Game After Score In 1st Period

LINE TIGHTENS UP

Rocksprings Held Four Downs On Ozona's One-Foot Line

Playing an airtight game after the first few minutes of the fray, and showing remarkable improvement over their performance in the first scramble of the season with Eldorado here two weeks ago, Ozona High's 1927 grid squad held Rocksprings to one lone touchdown made in the first few minutes of play, and were defeated by the narrow margin of 6 to 0 in the second game of the season at Rocksprings Saturday.

Although the locals were unable to push the ball over for a score, the Rocksprings coach admitted that his proteges were out played in the last three quarters and but for the fact that the locals were still a bit raw, they likely would have carried the ball across for a win in those periods.

The Ozona aggregation showed the greatest improvement in their defense game. Time after time in the early period of the game and again toward the end of the game, the locals held their opponents for downs in the shadow of the goal posts. One of the most exciting moments of the game was when Ozona had been backed to within one foot of her own goal and Rocksprings had gained first down. It appeared to Ozona rooters that nothing could stave off another counter, but Ozona's line stiffened and furnished the equivalent of the brick wall and three plunges failed to budge them an inch and on the fourth, an Ozona tackle broke through and threw the Rocksprings runner for a six-yard loss. Ozona kicked out of danger and the game went to the end without further threat.

After the more or less loose playing of the locals in their practice game with Eldorado, fans were enthusiastic over the brilliant team work, the airtight defensive game and the improvement in tackling, especially the work of Carlton and Dean Phillips, Walter Kyle and Cal Word.

Coach Floyd's gang went into the fray with the following lineup:

Dock Lee, left end; Carlton Phillips, left tackle; Smith Campbell, left guard; Cam Longley, center; Roger Dudley, right guard; Dean Phillips, right tackle; George Bunker, right end; Cal Word, left half; Walter Kyle, right half; P. C. Coates, quarter; Arthur Kyle, full back. The only substitution was Carl North for Roger Dudley.

Criner Resigns As Manager Of Hotel; No Successor Yet

J. H. Criner has resigned as manager of the Hotel Ozona and left Sunday for Fort Worth where he will make his home in the future.

Another hotel man with whom officials of the hotel had been in correspondence came here to look over the situation but decided not to accept the position and to date no successor has been appointed to Mr. Criner. The hotel management is in the hands of a committee from the board of directors and its business is moving along smoothly, according to officials.

Rev. Stanley Haver has been selected as one of the official checkers of the Sunday Schools of the San Angelo District, having been assigned the Sunday Schools at Big Lake, Eldorado and Sonora. In turn, this Sunday School will be checked by Rev. M. F. Hill of Miles Texas.

Wesley Hawkins has returned from a business trip to Abilene.

Ozona Women To Missionary Meet

Zone Organization Of Three Towns Planned At Eldorado

Approximately fifteen members of the Ozona Methodist church are expected to attend a meeting of representatives of Missionary Societies in three towns at Eldorado Thursday for the purpose of forming a zone organization which will include the towns of Ozona, Sonora and Eldorado.

Formation of the zone organizations among the Missionary Societies is a new venture in the organization, suggested by church officials as a means of stimulating interest in the work of the societies through co-operation and friendly competition.

The Eldorado meeting will be the first under the zone plan and plans for future meetings, which will be held quarterly, will be worked out after organization is perfected. The meeting is scheduled to open at 11 o'clock. Members of the Eldorado Missionary Society will serve lunch to the visitors at the noon hour. Mrs. N. W. Graham, president of the local organization, will head a delegation of around fifteen members to attend the meeting.

Enlargement Of Scout Band Plan

Promotion Committee To Meet Friday To Discuss Project

The Boys' band has been enrolling new members with the beginning of the school year. Several pieces were played by the boys at the Parent-Teachers' meeting last week and although a number of the boys were absent, they did well for their first real public performance.

The boys have improved so well under the direction of Mrs. W. E. Smith that the Scout Promotion Committee which group has maintained this work with the donations made by interested citizens, feel that the work should be enlarged to include all persons who want to play some instrument. This will include boys and girls and older people.

Ozona has sufficient musically inclined people to compose a splendid band and the Committee wishes to enlarge it to take in everybody who wishes to play. No work undertaken in the community has developed so well, the boys have practiced consistently under the splendid direction of Mrs. Smith and many of them are proficient.

The Boy Scout Promotion Committee will meet Friday afternoon at the school building to make arrangements for this enlarged work. Every one wishing to play in the band will please see Mrs. W. E. Smith. A public concert will be given soon.

P.-T. A. Announces Its Advance Program For Next Three Meetings

The Parent-Teachers' Association, Mrs. Max Schneeman, Chairman, has worked out the following three advance programs for the dates indicated.

Monday, October 24. Leader—Mrs. Bert Kincaid. Theme—Child Health.

Exercises by Miss Fussell's Kindergarten.

Business Session. Music. Discussion of Test Papers.

The School Child's diet and Its Relation to Health—Miss Emma Louise Garrett.

Reading—Mrs. A. W. Jones. The Health of the Pre-School Child—Mrs. J. A. Fussell.

Social half-hour.

Monday, November 8. Leader—Mrs. Nan Grimmer. Theme—The Discipline of Children.

Exercises—Third and Fourth Grades.

"Play Golf, Old Man, Play Golf"

By The Golfing Preacher

The advice of Horace Greeley to the youth of America was, "Go West, young man, Go West." The physicians of the country have taken on a prescription as brief and quite as upsetting. It is, "Play golf, old man, play golf." Now old Horace's advice when followed caused the youth of that day to hike it for the Western wilds, where he soon found himself in a scrap for his life with wild beasts, Indians and swamp fever. If he overcame these slight hazards, it made a man out of him and he was ready to go back to New York and make his fortune in Wall Street.

Now this advice the medicos give us today seems tame compared to that of Horace Greeley. You take a bag of clubs and some balls, and some little wooden pegs in your car, and put on some short pants and old shoes and sally blithely forth to the links. The links is a stretch of open country where nine or more tomato cans are buried at intervals and "linked" together by what is called a fairway. A fairway is a cleared space about fifty feet wide between the buried cans. It is cleared so that the golfer can knock his ball from one buried tomato can to another. Now that's the best description of a links I ever saw.

The unsuspecting victim of the medicos' advice puts his little golf ball on top of a red wooden peg and tries to hit it with a long club. And then he keeps on hitting it until he rolls it into the upturned tomato can. Now there are ways of doing this, and thereby hangs the whole tale. The different events that take place between those upturned tomato cans, in the telling of them, makes the old Indian fighters feats pale into insignificance. The greatest feats in the world are started on their prevaricating way between those cans. The most profane ejaculations ever spent upon the air are vented forth, headwork that would administer a vast railroad are brought into play, and volumes of disgust that would tax the vocabulary of a Shakespeare waste their bitterness on the desert air.

One will escape if he tumbles the little ball along he course in an awkward fashion. But just let him hit it a good sound whack so that it rises like a bird and floats away over the terrain, then he is a goner. His goose is cooked, his hash settled, his Hellespont is crossed, he is a gone gosling and all the rest of it. His yard will grow up in weeds, his wife will be neglected, his home will know him but seldom, his one ambition in life will be to knock that little ball into all those separated tomato cans in a shorter length of time.

There is a fine golf course four miles east of Ozona. Some of our fellow-citizens frequent this place. Our advice to all honest citizens is to observe these victims. Trust them in all things else, but on no account believe what they tell you about this game. In the first place, unless you are one of them you won't appreciate it, and in the second place it probably ain't so.

Business Session. Music. The Formation of Social Habits of Children—Mrs. Paul Perner. Reading—Miss Marie Doty. Discipline of the Pre-School Children—Mrs. Nan Grimmer. Music—Boy Scout Band. Social half-hour. Monday, December 19. Christmas Program. Christmas Exercises—Sixth and Seventh Grades. Business Session. Reading—Miss Lula Mae Evans. Address—How We Should Spend our Christmas Holidays—Elder Cook. Music. Social half-hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Odum, who ranch near Sheffield, spent several days this week with Mrs. Odum's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey.

New Barber Shop Being Installed

A. J. Sorrels Leases Bunker Building On South Side Park

A second barber shop for Ozona will soon be a reality with work under way this week of renovating the Bunker building on the south side of the park, which will be occupied by a barber shop to be installed by A. J. Sorrels, formerly in the barber business in Ozona and lately of Junction.

The Bunker building, which was recently occupied by the L. B. Cox Co. branch feed house, is undergoing a thorough reconditioning in preparation for the new business. The walls are being covered with sheet rock to minimize the fire hazard and to improve the appearance of the interior and a partition is being placed down the center of the building. The barber shop and beauty parlor, the latter to be operated by Mrs. Sorrels, will occupy one half of the building and it is possible that the other side will be rented to some other business concern in the future.

As soon as carpenters have completed the renovation work on the interior of the building, Mr. Sorrels will move his fixtures in and the new shop will open for business.

Truck Caravan To Visit Ozona

Train Of 22 Chevrolet Latest Truck Will Stop Here

A caravan of twenty-two Chevrolet Commercial cars, including the full Chevrolet line from Fire Truck to School Buses, Grain and Stock Bodies, trailers, panel bodies, as well as open express beds, will visit Ozona on Friday, Oct. 7 at 4 o'clock p. m.

This Caravan, headed by Sales and Service Officials of the Chevrolet Factory will visit approximately two hundred Chevrolet dealers' towns during the three months they will spend in Texas, covering approximately 10,000 miles. This trip is not designed as a speed or endurance test, but as a means to acquaint the public with the wide adaptability and completeness of the Chevrolet commercial line. Chevrolet has achieved the reputation of being the world's largest manufacturer of gear shift trucks, having made a gain of 58 per cent in 1926 sales of commercial cars over the figures for 1924.

Demonstrations of the different trucks will be possible while the caravan is in Ozona, and the Ozona Garage, local Chevrolet dealer, invites all those interested in trucks to accept this opportunity to make a close inspection of these models.

Improvements At The Church Of Christ To Be Ready For Meeting

The many improvements on the building and fixtures of the Ozona Church of Christ are nearing completion and will be finished in time for the opening of the gospel meeting scheduled to begin October 19, it was announced this week by the pastor, Elder Walter Cook.

Work of enlarging the building by extending it back several feet has already been completed. This additional will bring the total seating capacity of the church to 350. The old seats are being removed this week and the floor is being covered with cork linoleum preparatory to installing new pews, which are scheduled to arrive this week. It is expected that the improvements will all be completed by next Sunday and everything will be in readiness for the meeting.

Attends Stewart-Short Wedding

Miss Katherine Durham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Durham, has returned home from Ozona, where she visited relatives and friends. She attended Thursday

RENDITIONS IN CROCKETT HIKE NEARLY MILLION

Total Values Of Rendered Property Is \$4,558,830

558 POLLS PAID

Unrendered Property Estimated At Approximately \$150,000

Property valuations rendered for taxes in Crockett County for the year 1927 represent a total of \$4,558,830, an increase of nearly a million dollars over the total for last year, according to a compilation of figures just completed in the office of O. W. Smith, county tax assessor.

Besides the property rendered for taxes, it is estimated that more than \$150,000 worth has not been rendered. Included in this amount are oil royalties held on various tracts of land away from actual and prospective production, land owned by non-residents who neglected to render this property and other bits of property that for one reason or another is not listed with the assessor.

Oil development in the county, the influx of new residents and new enterprises, together with the natural increase in land values, is given as the reason for the increase in values.

Next year's valuations will see another and even larger hike in the opinion of county officials. Two pipe lines passing through the county in addition to new oil wells that have come in and additional development that is under way are expected to materially increase the total valuations.

The total county, state and school tax rate this year is seven cents higher than it was last year, Mr. Smith said. This increase came about through a hike of two cents in the state rate and five cents in the district school tax rate. The total tax rate for all purposes in Crockett County is \$2.17.

STEWART—SHORT

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Henderson was the scene of a beautiful early morning wedding on Thursday, September 29, when Miss Floy Clare Stewart of Ozona became the bride of Mr. Jake L. Short of Bandera, Texas.

The living rooms were attractively decorated with autumn flowers and foliage. An archway between two rooms was made of ivy and tall baskets of gladioli, where the impressive ring ceremony was read by the Rev. Stanley Haver of the First Methodist Church.

Mrs. John W. Henderson, Jr., sang "Oh, Promise Me," accompanied by Mrs. Lee Henderson at the piano. Mendelssohn's wedding march was played by Mrs. Lee Henderson. Billy Gus Hemphill of San Angelo was the ring bearer. After the ceremony a delicious breakfast was served and the bride cut the wedding cake.

The bride was lovely in a traveling gown of midnight blue with gold accessories, and carried an arm bouquet of bride's roses and white tube roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Short motored to San Antonio and after a visit there will be at home on their ranch at Bandera, Texas.

The out-of-town guests at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Short, parents of the groom, of Bandera; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Short, Jr., and small daughter, Margaret, and Mr. Leslie Short of Bandera; Mrs. Lee Henderson, Mrs. John B. Hemphill and son, Billy Gus Hemphill, of San Angelo; Mrs. J. Eldred Newton and J. Eldred Newton, Jr., of Columbus, Ohio.

morning the wedding of Miss Floy Clare Stewart of Ozona and Jake Short of Kerrville. The ceremony was performed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Henderson. Mrs. Short is a sister of Mrs. Henderson and a cousin of Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Clayton of San Angelo. The couple will reside on a ranch in Kerr county. —S. A. Standard.

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"The country as a whole is in better condition now than I have seen it in many years," declared a Crockett County ranchman recently. Abundant rains have fallen in the last few days, and coming at exactly the right time they will be worth hundreds of thousands of dollars to West Texas ranchmen in producing better pasturage through the winter.

Heavy rains falling at this time, followed by warm sunshine will produce luxuriant grass and weeds and stock in this area will enter the cold weather months in better condition, perhaps, than they have been in several years.

The rains alone are enough to make Crockett County ranchmen, and everybody else for that matter, jubilant over the conditions at present, but better still is the fact that the usual big lamb crop was produced this year and went on the whole at better prices. Furthermore, the 1927 lambs were on the

average about three pounds heavier than was last year's crop, which means a lot where the total shipments reach into the hundreds of thousands of head of animals.

In fact, ranchmen declare, Crockett County lambs have been getting heavier and finer every year, accountable, no doubt, to the fact that ranchmen in this section have stocked their ranges with the best blooded animals obtainable and good stock on good range country is bound to produce first class offspring. Studying the situation, one can not but be certain of the continued prosperity of this territory and can not but be glad to call this home.

Junction suffered her second fire loss in the space of a few months last week when flames, starting in a picture show, destroyed three business houses with a loss estimated at more than \$25,000.

Disasters like these when vis-

ited upon a town are costly to its whole population. It sometimes takes years for a town to recover from damage that can be done by fire within the space of a few hours. The people of Ozona, of course, know how to sympathize with their neighboring town in its loss, for it was only a short time ago that residents of this town came down one morning to find a whole block in charred, smouldering ruins, businesses that had taken men years to build up, wiped out over night.

The thought of fire sends a chill of horror up and down the spine of those who have seen its ravages and who have felt the weight of despair that follows in its wake. With its business houses for the most part fireproof construction, Ozona is now better protected from fire than it was a few years ago. But still the menace of fire is at hand and until we are prepared to combat flames should they by chance break out, we can not feel entirely at ease. The residence sections, of course, are still as helpless as in former days, though residence houses have a better chance of escaping because they are more widely separated.

Ozona has a fire engine and fire plugs in the downtown section and at a few points in the residence sections. In case of small fires discovered before the flames have se-

cured a hold this equipment might be fairly effective, but it would be little more than a garden hose in case of a disastrous fire. Until Ozona incorporates, provides a municipal fire fighting equipment and provides water enough to combat flames, the shadow of a disastrous fire will always hang over the city.

A Paper's Problems

A mistaken idea with some people is that the newspaper is an individual proposition. If they don't like the editor, they feel they must knock the paper and stand in the way of its success whenever possible. They do not realize that the local paper is just as much a part of the community as the schools, churches or anything else. The newspaper is different from any other business, it is a community affair. It is for service to the people and not for an individual.

You may not like the editor and the editor may not like you any too well—but the paper he is responsible for does just as much for you as the service rendered others. There is nothing personal with it, it is here for a purpose and that purpose is to do what good it can in every way it can and the greater the support of those it undertakes to serve the better service it can render. It takes the people to make a good newspaper and without the help of the peo-

ple no one can run a successful newspaper. It requires money to operate any kind of business—even the churches and the papers are no exception and for this reason they must have the financial support of the business interests as well as the good will.

Few newspaper publishers make more than a comfortable living and scarcely one is reported wealthy from the money made in the newspaper business. They deserve to be trusted and to be understood by the people—it is the editor and not the plant that makes a newspaper useful in a community, though a liberal patronage is necessary if the paper is to be a credit to the town.—New Bern (N. C.) Sun-Journal.

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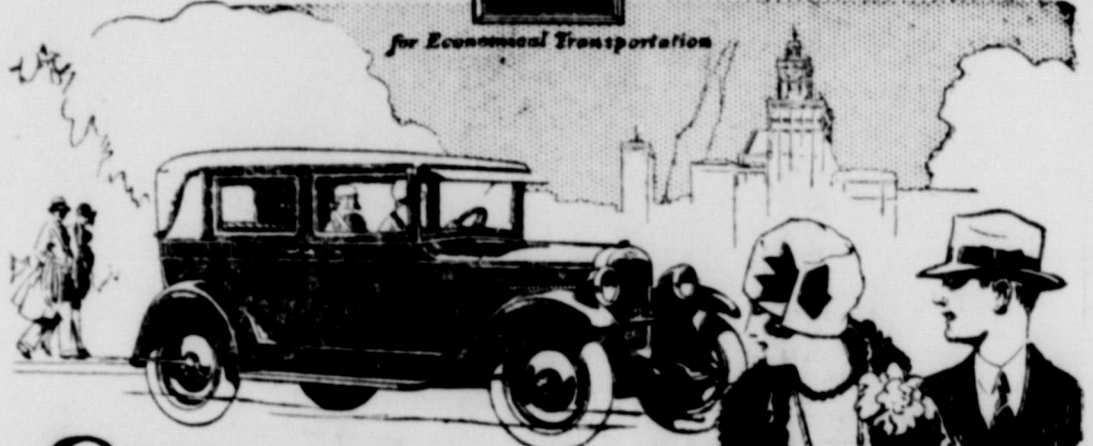
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by C. M. Payne



Dr. Frank Crane Says

This the Age of Romance

It is quite common to hear people regret that they live in this prosaic age, this age given up to dollar worship and so void of anything heroic. They wish they had lived in former times when men were more occupied in glorious deeds than they were in making money.

This illustrates the fact that you have to have a perspective in order to judge anything properly. The trouble with our impression of this age is that we are too close to it.

Putting our mind in the position of fifty years from now and looking back upon this time we would see that we are living in the most romantic age of the world.

We have progressed more in the last twenty-five years than the world had previously progressed in twenty-five centuries.

For the first time in history men such as Byrd and Amundsen, have flown over the North Pole.

This is the day when Lindbergh flew alone from New York to Paris and amazed mankind.

It is really an age when men

care more for great deeds than for dollars or life.

It is an age when the League of Nations was forming and the sentiment of world consciousness was gradually taking shape. It is an age when women were given the rights of citizenship and for the first time in history were released from their bondage.

It is the first time when any nation was able to shake itself loose from the liquor habit and the foremost republic of the world adopted prohibition.

It is an age when more men have given themselves up to scientific and medical research than ever before.

Altogether one ought to be proud to be living during the first quarter of the twentieth century.

We are still in bondage, owing to the force of inertia.

We still vote at a voting place instead of by mail, which is the only rational and sensible plan of voting and the only practical way to secure a universal plebiscite.

What we need is not another age of flivving, but eyes to see the present one in which we live.

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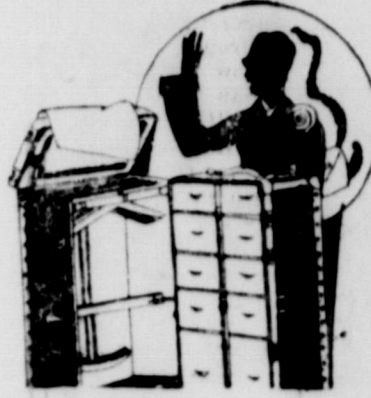
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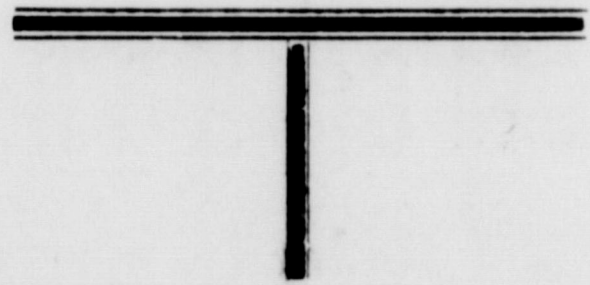
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Mrs. John Robert Bailey and her daughter, Mrs. Louise Mack of Balinger, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey here for several days, have gone to Fort Worth before returning to their home. Mr. Bailey took his mother and sister in his car to Ft. Worth. Mrs. S. B. Phillips is having her house remodeled.

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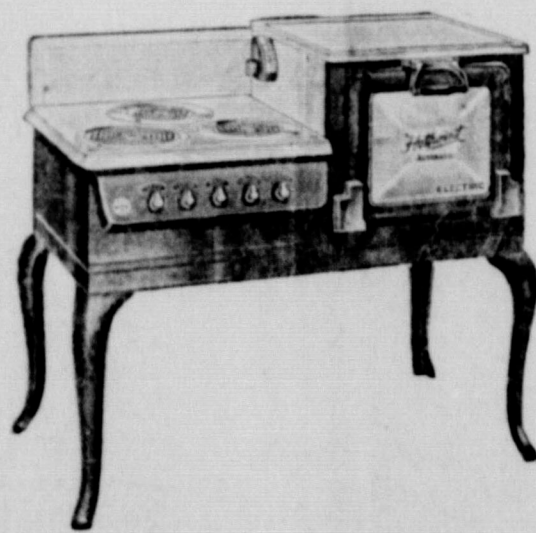
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 I am very much in love with a boy who has always lead me to believe that he loves me, too. It has always been understood by our family and friends that we would marry, although we were not engaged. At a party recently I introduced one of my girl friends to him who is very good looking and popular. She made a decided play for him, and he, much to my disgust, made a fool of himself over her. I was neglected the rest of the evening, and needless to say I was furious about it. Perhaps I foolishly showed too plainly how I felt about it, for since that time he has

been very indifferent and disinterested, and I don't know what to do. My friends tell me he goes to see the other girl sometimes. I love him so much I hate to give him up. Please tell me what to do. C. L.
 There are people in the world who contend that if you make up your mind to accomplish a certain thing nothing can prevent you from earning the rewards. Even regaining lost love is included in the possibilities. But somehow I have not much enthusiasm in capturing a man on this principle. I have seen it too often work out unsatisfactorily for the wife. She may succeed in inveigling him into

marriage, but often she does not win his love.
 It was rather unprincipled of your girl friend to try to vamp your sweetheart, but if she succeeded in such a large measure it would be wiser for you to step aside, for he will eventually cease his attentions to you anyway. You cannot fan dead ashes into flame. Some other man you may make love you, but not the old one for whom you have lost the charm you once held for him.
 It's sad, of course—but that's life, and love, and romance. Illusions shattered, readjustments made with them. Head resolutions that the heart will not stand for—sirens threatening at the moment you feel most secure. And then the sun breaks out again and all discomforts and heartaches are forgotten in the new joy.
 Cheer up, C. L., one unrequited love needn't kill all hopes of romance and happiness. It will all come out right in time—and who knows but that the boy friend's indifference is not assumed merely to teach you the lesson that it does not do to pull too hard on the engagement string. If such is the case, he will soon change his course of action when he sees that you are taking him seriously enough to release him without a struggle. And even if the pose is not assumed—it will pique his interest to believe that you are taking his transfer of affections so lightly. Men are contrary crea-

tures, you know. If they are pursued, they flee. But let them alone indicate that you are unconcerned and they come running.
 Dear Miss Flo:
 I would like to ask a certain girl to go to a dance with me. Is it proper for me to phone her or write to her to invite her? G. W.
 Either method would be quite proper, G. W. I should think, however, that you would prefer to phone her, if it is convenient.

Mother Of Ozona Man Dies In San Angelo
 Mrs. Lela Jones, mother of A. W. Jones, proprietor of the Jones Saddlery of Ozona, died at her home in San Angelo sometime Wednesday morning, according to word received here by friends.
 Mrs. Jones had been critically ill for several days following a stroke of paralysis. Hope for her recovery was abandoned early in the week. Mr. Jones left with his family for her bedside early in the week and was with her when the end came.
 Mrs. Jones was about 75 years of age and had been a resident of San Angelo for many years. Funeral services were conducted in San Angelo Wednesday afternoon by Rev. Fulmer of Ozona.
 There's good news for you in Stockman ads this week.

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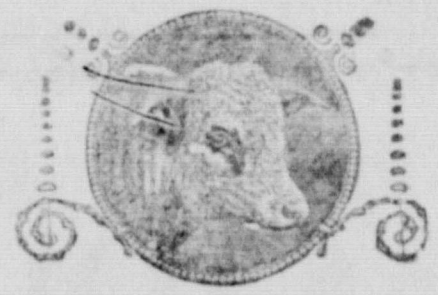
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Missourians are to erect a monument, through popular subscriptions, to the memory of Jesse James. Here is a chance for Tex Rickard, World series magnates and landlords to contribute to inspiration."

The Post Office Department has decided to curtail mail-order houses from shipping unsolicited merchandise, in their effort to foust undesirable goods on the public. We like the selection and use of that word—"Cur-tail."

The Department of Commerce announces that marriages in Illinois increased during 1926. Evidently the citizens are going on the theory that, "in union their is strength"—and safety. Organizing to gang gangsters, eh?

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The regular meeting of the Ozona chapter of the Eastern Star will take place on the 3rd Tuesday night of each month.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith left the fits of the week for Seep Springs to be at the bedside of Mr. Smith's mother, who suffered a broken hip in a fall at her home recently.

Richard Flowers was confined to his home the first of the week on account of illness.

Miss Eva Davis has been appointed financial secretary of the Ozona Baptist Church succeeding Mrs. Harold Baker, who has moved to a ranch near Killeen which Mr. Baker leased.

METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

The recent protracted meeting of the Methodist church resulted in added interest in all departments. There were a number of members added among the children and young people, but the chief good has resulted in the added spiritual life among the members. The messages of Evangelist Bridgers has made a permanent impression among the people.

On next Saturday night the official Board will hold the final monthly meeting before Confer-

ence meets in Corpus Christi. This board has administered a budget of over six thousand dollars this year coming from generous offerings of the people. Fifteen hundred dollars of new equipment has been added to the church, including three pianos, causing this to be second only to San Angelo First Church in equipment for educational work.

Next week the Sunday School will be checked by Rev. M. F. Hill pastor at Miles. This check-up will reveal the progress made by the

school during the past year and will give the rating by the Sunday School Board. It is expected to have a good attendance at this check-up meeting.

On next Sunday morning the offerings of self-denial week will be

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received for the Methodist orphanage. It is expected that many will deny themselves some pleasure this week for the good of the orphans at the Home at Waco. Over a thousand children have been

turned away from this home this year. 380 are now being cared for. The women of this church are clothing a child in the Home, and the Sunday School has been giving the fifth Sunday offering.

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CEDAR SWAMP

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SYNOPSIS

Edison Forbes, a young resident of Scottsdale, has an inherent crave for liquor. He and a companion are on a spree one night when they come upon a liquor truck that has smashed a small car and killed a woman. His companion leaves him, also the drunken driver of the truck escapes. He is arrested and convicted for the killing, but is later pardoned by the governor.

Forbes and his young wife, Patsy Jane, then leave Scottsdale and go to Long Portage, where they have a worthless farm. Their neighbor, Sealman, tries to buy the farm, offering twice as much as it is worth, but the Forbes refuse to sell.

Eddie helps to get a liquor truck out of the mud and is rewarded with a bottle of fire-water. He later gets drunk, and Patsy tells him that if he gets drunk again she will leave him.

Eddie gets drunk again and wakes up in Chicago. He returns but finds his wife gone and in her place a tramp with whom he has a fight and knocks cold.

Summer reached its crest, and the little, sheltered valleys about Long Portage and out through the wilderness were alive with huckleberries. It was a good fruit season, for the rains had been plentiful, and had come at the right time. The rich purple berries, each as large as the end of one's little finger, grew in pridal profusion. The sturdy vines were bending beneath their weight.

Fortunately for Long Portage, the crop was a failure elsewhere, and the berries brought a good price in Detroit and Chicago. The village was depopulated, for all those who could, left for the harvest. Skilled pickers made big money.

Many went out a dozen miles to camp in the more extensive patches. Others drove forth and back, morning and evening in their cars, the tonneau laden with the spoils when they returned with the setting sun. Even horses and wagons were not despised, for some of the best berry patches were found on bumpy side roads, trapped with deep sand, where four-footed motive power was safest and surest.

The huckleberries gave Eddie a chance to earn extra money. He grasped it eagerly. Davenant was an enlightened rancher. He demanded except in cases of seasonal emergency, only eight hours daily. Eddie and some of the other hands rose at five and before, to get in a good two hours picking before breakfast. Then there were two hours in the evening, after which Eddie drove through the beautiful reluctant northern twilight to the buyer at the railroad express office, with his pick. The fast night train delivered the berries, the dew of secluded valleys still on them, at the city markets next day.

There was a good patch of berries on Eddie's own quarter-section, near the mound. This he saved until the last. When everything on the other side of the creek was exhausted he drove, early one morning, over to his own property.

The sand of the road was damp. He noticed with surprise the clear-cut impression of motor-tires which, turning from the highway, also entered the southern field of his land. He followed the track to the mound, and around the base.

CHAPTER XIX
Just Dessert

A light truck was standing near the scar on the side of the mound—the scar which he and Pat had noted on the first day of their journey of exploration. Two men were busily at work, scraping and shoveling the sour-smelling earth into sacks which they loaded onto the truck. One of them was the Long Portage expressman. Eddie's face hardened at sight of the other. It was his companion of the night of the accident, the youth who had so cravenly deserted to avoid the possible consequences of discovery.

As Eddie came upon the workers the youth started. Then he leaned on his shovel. He smiled insolently. "Gee, you're an early riser," was

his first comment. "Have to be to keep my farm from being carried away. What's the big idea?"

"You mean—this?" The youth nodded at the truck. "Well, they say this stuff is good for stock, salt in it, you know. So I was getting some for the cattle at Encell's."

"At Encell's?"

"Yes. I'm visiting over there, you know."

Eddie regarded him speculatively. "Well, of course I'd like to see Encell's stock do well," he said mildly. "But wouldn't it be courteous to ask me first about this stuff?"

The sneer in the young man's smile became more pronounced. "Why should I ask you? You lose this place on tax-title the first of next month. I'm already the owner. I bought the title from the Brower estate by telegraph two days ago."

"The Brower estate?" echoed Eddie, puzzled.

"Sure. You don't know what's going on under your own nose," was the contemptuous retort. "Old Brower died suddenly, and the family doesn't care about this northern Michigan estate idea of his. All his tax-titles were put on the market. I got this. So, really, I have more right here than you."

"Listen kid," commanded Eddie quietly. "You're off—away off. You haven't any right here until after the first day of next month. Then you only have the right if I fail to redeem the property. Well, it'll be redeemed. So right now you're a trespasser and a thief. You're stealing my property."

The lean-jawed expressman rubbed his bristles nervously. "Don't blame me, Mr. Forbes," he pleaded. "He said he owned this when he hired me."

Eddie waved absolution.

"You're using pretty rough language, Forbes," commented the youth, coolly. "Thief, eh? I'll show you the first of the month. Where would you get three hundred and fifty dollars to take care of that tax-title—" he laughed ironically. "Everyone knows you're broke, that your wife has left you and you're just stalling here because you dare not show your face in Scottsdale. Why you escaped being a jail-bird because that old crook of a governor pardoned you. So don't get fresh with me."

"So that's it, huh?" was Eddie's comment. "Well, I don't think the few sacks are worth much. But you'll leave them, just the same. Unload."

The youth's reply was to drop his shovel and rush, a scowl on his weak, dark face. Eddie met him with a straight right-hander that puffed the loose lips. As a fight it did not compare with the fierce battle against the motor-tramp. This adversary had neither the courage, the strength nor the resolution of the wanderer. His eyes were blackened and his nose bleeding, though he had scarcely left a mark on Eddie, when he turned his back and clambered onto the truck.

"All right, you bully!" he complained. "I'll have the laugh when the sheriff throws you out. You put your foot on here and I'll shoot you like a dog. Yes, I will!" he raved, as the expressman started the truck. "And you keep away from Nance Encell, or I'll drill you anyway."

"So that's it," mused Eddie. "I remember he always did like her. Of course he wouldn't have been so nasty if it hadn't been for booze. His breath was like a distillery. He got away with that dirt, after all. Oh, well, I guess he paid for it." He grinned.

Absentmindedly he picked up an empty sack, one which had been left and which had been overlooked. A name and address were printed on the sack in black letters. He whistled when their significance came to him with the others. He was, the slick one, a director of the bank, Eddie recalled.

When he drove back to the big ranch, Davenant himself, black with passion, met him at the door of the bunkhouse.

"Get your dirty traps together, Forbes, and make tracks," snarled the big man.

"Why, Mr. Davenant, what's the matter?" asked Eddie in surprise. "Matter?" echoed Davenant, doubling his fists, and Eddie noted that the formidable knuckles were barked, matter? You've been giving Millig liquor, that's all."

Millig, another farmhand, had managed before to keep his potatoes from the notice of the owner. But he had, seemingly, been careless, had been thrashed when he grew impudent, and discharged. "But I didn't give him liquor," protested Eddie.

"You did. Don't lie to me." "I tell you I didn't," returned Eddie sharply.

"Well, he got it from you. You had it."

"He didn't. I—" he began, and stopped. He recalled the bottle in his suitcase.

"Hah!" growled Davenant at his hesitancy. "You'd better admit it." Eddie entered the bunkhouse. His suitcase open, lay in the middle of the floor. The bottle was gone. He returned to the outside. "You're right, Mr. Davenant," he acknowledged.

"There was some liquor in my bag, and it's gone. I didn't give it to him, or tell him—"

"But you had it." The owner's voice rose to a shout. "You know how I hate booze, but you brought it here. I suppose you figured on a spree yourself. I've a notion to give you what I gave him." He advanced, his arms swinging.

"Well, maybe you can, but you'll get something in return," snapped Eddie. "You won't be beating up a drunken squarehead if you try any fanny business with me. I'll leave you a few marks, anyway."

"Get off my place," shouted Davenant, more furiously than before. But his advance had ceased. Eddie came out to load his possessions in the car, the owner was nowhere to be seen. Bull, the foreman, was

and he was regretful and sympathetic.

"Sorry to lose you, Forbes," he glanced over his shoulder as he spoke, toward the main ranch house, a commodious two-story log house, as though fearful of being overheard. "But you know how it is. The old man's crazy on the subject of liquor. They say his son drank himself to death a year ago. What in thunder did you want to

keep that bottle around for? You might have known that nut Millig would smell it out."

"Oh, I don't know, I'd forgotten it more or less," replied Eddie. I'm sorry to have to go, Bull. I like working for you. Well, if you'll give me what's coming—"

The foreman went to the ranch house and returned presently with

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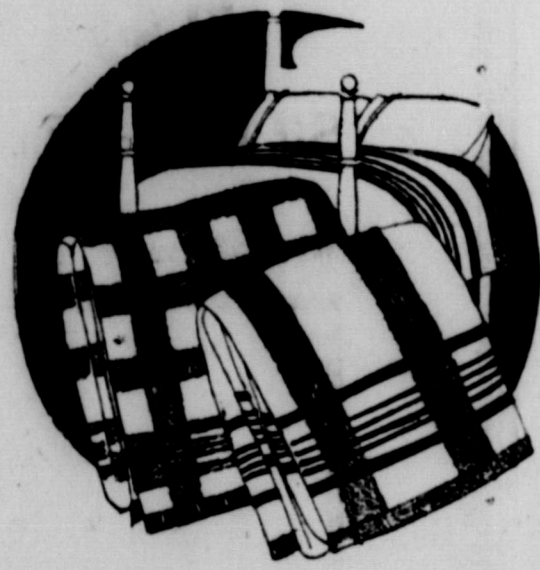
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Eddie's pay check for wages to the end of the month. He bought Eddie's pig, which had thrived wonderfully, for eighteen dollars. As the discharged farmhand drove homeward, and later as he was disposing his goods about the cabin to make it cosily livable, he had time to ponder on two things which had been crowded to the back of his mind by more stirring events. "The address on that sack means something," he thought. "It's up to me to squander a little something on telegrams to find out exactly what his story about carting the stuff away as salt for she stock is all bosh. The pure salt is on top."

"What about the other remark of his? What did he mean by talking about three hundred and fifty dollars for the first tax-title? Didn't I get the dope straight from the county treasurer? Guess I'll get downtown right away and find out where I'm at."

CHAPTER XX
Wiped Out

He drove to the railroad station and sent away two telegrams. He went to the county building and stated his errand to Peter Wimble. That official nodded, as though confirming something that had long been a matter of doubt.

"You know, Forbes," he explained, puffing on his pipe, "I've thought a good many times that maybe you didn't understand me. I suppose you knew that a tax-title issues for each year of back taxes but that you have two years from the date of issue of each to redeem them."

"There are two plasters out against your property. To settle them both would be eight hundred and thirty odd dollars. But if you'll pay the two-year old one the first of the month, you'll still have a year for the other one."

Eddie swallowed jerkily. "How much is the first one?"

Peter consulted his canvas-jacketed book. "Three forty-eight, seventy-two," he reported. "Seems pretty heavy taxes on poor land, but they built two roads and widened and deepened Portage Creek, all in the same year. Then the penalties are heavy. It makes it pretty binding, even though the improvement costs were spread over three years."

Eddie went out with his nose in the air. He had given the tough old world an under hold and panned its shoulders to the mat, first flop. He had licked booze and he had saved his home. Now to find Patsy Jane and tell her what pride had forbade his telling before. The identity of his companion the night of the accident, and also, take her home.

For he needed but three hundred and fifty dollars, and he had more than that sum in the Long Portage bank. He consulted his check-book stub. He had about four hundred dollars—a young fortune! And more in his pocket.

Of course he had no job. But he could get one. Of that he felt certain. And he would begin building up his land against the day when he would crop it and stock it and make it pay good dividends.

He went into the bank to deposit the Davenant check and the loose cash he was carrying. There was three persons behind the partition of white pine stained to look like hickory, and iron grills stained to look like bronze. Gray little Gilman, the cashier; Harold Faunce, the bookkeeper; and Sealman, slick and rotund, combing his beard with his fingers as he talked earnestly.

"We were just about to get in touch with you, Mr. Forbes," began Gilman nervously, as he swept the currency forward and checked the deposit slip.

"Why?" asked Eddie. He felt Sealman's bright bold eyes upon him.

"I wanted to notify you of your overdraft—Mr. Forbes." The latter exclamation was a flustered remonstrance. For Eddie, thrusting an arm through the wicket, seized his deposit and pulled his bankbook from the cashier's fingers, so that the uneasy pen left a long, black mark down the page.

"Now say that again," commanded Eddie.

"Your account is eighty-four dollars overdrawn," returned Gilman. He glanced over his shoulder in hunted fashion as if to make sure that Sealman was there in support. "You're crazy," was the brief report.

"Here are your vouchers. See for yourself," invited the cashier, defensively.

Eddie leafed them over. They were all in order—Hold on, the check to Sealman for the pig had been raised from five dollars to five hundred.

"Looks to me as though the bank is out four hundred and ninety-five dollars," he announced. "This check has been raised. Of course

you know that Gilman. This man has told you that it was written for five dollars."

"I haven't told him anything of the kind," returned Sealman.

Eddie turned the check over. It was endorsed "I. Sealman," but just below was another signature

in a smooth and flowing script. "Henry W. Robbins." He reverted to the face of the check again. The forgery had been cleverly done, but close scrutiny revealed how the "hundred had been cramped because of limited space.

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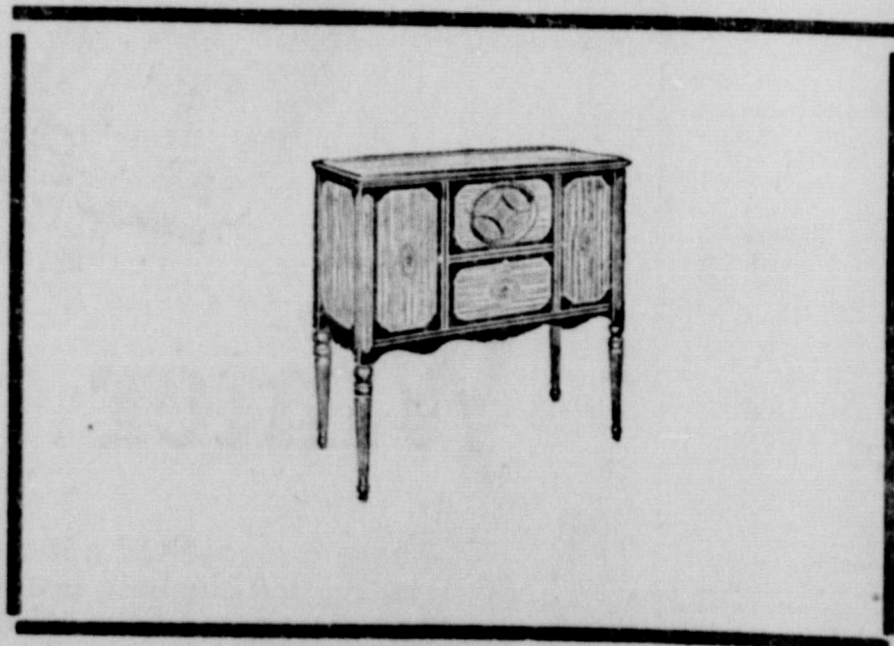
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