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QUOTES FROM AN AMATEUR PUBLISHER-EDITOR - Gene

Off again, on again, gone again . . . operator. Lou Evans, genial operator decided Gorman was too small and opportunities of learning too limited so he moved to the big city of Stephenville to work for the Empire-Tribune. Freddie Lee is working hard to take Lou's place and Joe is going to step into Freddie's job. As far as I am concerned there will be no more outsiders going to work for the Progress . . . about the time you get to where you can depend on them they up and leave.

Who is doing what to who? That is the question which enters my mind over all this ballyhoo on lower prices we have been hearing over the radio the past several days. What makes me curious is the fact that two large chain stores are being quoted. Is the bear and the wolf at each others throat and must the small merchant suffer as an innocent bystander. As a consumer, I am just as anxious as anybody to see the price of groceries and other merchandise drop, but not at the whim of some of the big boys because they are trying to cut each others throat. When the big boys squeeze the small fellows out we pay in the long run. Most of our merchants are well-stocked with merchandise which they bought at high prices and must realize a fair profit to stay in business. As this merchandise is moved from the shelves and wholesale prices drop they can reduce their cost accordingly. These big boys care very little about what happens in our community as long as they can keep their pockets full. It is your home town merchants that are interested in you and the development of your community and they return a big portion of their profits into civic enterprises for us to enjoy.

Little Miss LaJoyce Hamilton told me she had lost a scarf which her father had brought her from the stock show. The scarf wasn't very expensive but she valued it because her Dad gave it to her. If you hear of anybody that found it please ask them to return it to Joyce.

Peanuts being the major crop in this community for the past several years, we have been prone to forget a crop that at one time topped them all. In talking with Mr. T. H. Key the other night, he said he ginned 177 bales of cotton here this year and paid out \$4,492.55 for seed and \$28,088.64 for cotton. Mr. Key stated further that there are a number of farmers around this community that could make good money on cotton on acreage that has not produced a good yield on other crops. He showed an article which told of a Georgia farmer who netted \$2,280.74 on five acres of cotton. New methods of fertilizing, dusting and picking cotton have eliminated a lot of the expense of growing and marketing. I understand there is a possibility of our having airplane service here in the near future for dusting crops. If you have acreage that is not paying off, it might be worth while investigating this cotton business. Mr. Cooper, our county agent could probably give us lots of information along this line.



This was me at the age of two. Since there has been several hundred new members join the Progress family the past year, I thought they might like to see what the guy looks like that edits their paper and too, February 15th will end my third year in the news paper business . . . three short years filled with all the experi-

Eastland County Girls' Tournament At Gorman High Gymnasium

Eastland County Girls Basketball tournament will be held in the Gorman High School Gymnasium February 12, 13, and 14. This is a single round robin tournament in which each team plays each other team one time. The winner and county champion will be determined on percentage of games won. The county champion and second place team will be eligible to participate in the district tournament to be held the week end of February 28th in De Leon.

The eligible girls teams of the county are Gorman, Carbon, Desdemona, Morton Valley and Rising Star. The schedule of games is as follows:

THURSDAY NIGHT
7 P. M. Desdemona vs M. Valley
8 P. M. Gorman vs Carbon

FRIDAY AFTERNOON
1:30 P. M. Carbon vs Rising Star
2:30 P. M. Gorman vs M. Valley

FRIDAY NIGHT
7 P. M. Gorman vs Desdemona
8 P. M. Valley vs Rising Star

SATURDAY AFTERNOON
1:30 P. M. Valley vs Carbon
2:30 P. M. R. Star vs Desdemona

SATURDAY NIGHT
7 P. M. Gorman vs Rising Star
8 P. M. Desdemona vs Carbon

Referee -- Kenneth Tate

This is the third year the county girls basketball tournament has been held in Gorman. In 1947 the Gorman team won and went to the District tournament for the first time only to be eliminated in the second game by Eula.

The five teams in this 1948 tournament are evenly matched and any one of them may win the championship.

The Invitation Tournament which was postponed will be held at Gorman February 20, 21, and 22nd. Schedule of games will be announced later.

Contest Nearing Crucial Point

By OLA TAINTOR, Campaign Manager

The question asked many times this week is, "Who is going to win the contest?" The question which should be asked is, "Who will do the most work during these two very important weeks?" It is far too early in the contest to even attempt such a thing as a prediction. However, by Friday, February 13th we would know who the real workers are and after that date we should be in a better position to give you a little more desired information.

It is the work to be done from now until Friday February 13th which will have considerable bearing on the outcome of the campaign. And after the close of the campaign you may be the one to say that it was the extra effort that you put forth during the heavy vote period that made you the winner of \$500 or that made you lose that grand prize which you would so easily have had if you would have done what you are capable of doing.

Not one of these grand prizes has yet been won. It is very possible that some big surprises may be in store after the close of the first period as not one of these candidates is going to let that fortune slip through your fingers.

Don't be a wisher, but be a worker and you will be handsomely awarded at the close of the campaign. So go after those promises today; tomorrow may be too late. And again let me say that the winner will be the one who devotes every minute that she possibly can from now until tomorrow night.

THE VOTE STANDING

NELL DOLBERRY, Gorman	8,200,000
VIRGIE DENNIS, Gorman	8,195,000
Mrs. J. A. BAZE, Gorman	8,100,000
Mrs. BIL TUCKER, Ranger Route One	7,970,000
Mrs. VELMA COLLINS, Carbon	7,969,000
Mrs. ESSIE ROBERTS, Desdemona	2,350,000

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Jones spent from Thursday to Sunday in Fort Worth attending the stock show and other attractions.

NEWS FROM THE COLLEGES

Miss Charlene Cook has completed her B S Degree at Hardin-Simmons and has accepted a position teaching in the Haskell Public Schools. Charlene is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Cook.

Miss Runce Gregg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Y. Gregg, has enrolled for the 1948 Spring Semester at Abilene Christian College.

Jessie Elwin Atchison, graduate of the '43 class of Gorman High has enrolled at North Texas State Teachers College at Denton. Her major is in Industrial Arts.

Neil B. Eaves was a mid-term graduate of Texas A and M.

ences it takes to make life worth living . . . sharing with you your happy days and days of sorrow . . . happy when some papa comes in to announce the arrival of a new baby, or some couple sets sail upon the sea of matrimony . . . feeling proud when some of you or your youngsters receive honors for meritorious efforts along the path of life . . . swelling with pride as I watch our town expand with civic improvements . . . then, sad days . . . when we pause a moment to pay our respects to one who has departed this life for a better world . . . to try in my humble way to bring a word of cheer or give a bit of comfort . . . sharing your problems and if possible helping to solve them . . . and if it be so willed that I finish out my span of years at this task, may it be said, "He served to the best of his ability, a people he loved."

T. O. SHELLEY HAS BIG SALE ON 16TH ANNIVERSARY



T. O. SHELLEY

Mr. T. O. Shelley, who is celebrating his sixteenth anniversary in business stated today that he is holding a big store-wide sale in appreciation of the friendship and patronage shown him by the people in this community.

Baptist Church To Hold Meeting On Preparation Campaign



Dr. W. L. Howse

Dr. W. L. Howse of Fort Worth will lead the First Baptist Church in a Weekend Preparation Campaign February 20-23.

Dr. Howse is a Professor of Religious Education in Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and is a well known speaker filling frequent engagements all over the Southern States.

Particular emphasis will be placed in this series of services on Preparation for the Spring Revival which will be held March 21-28.

The sessions will begin at 7 PM on Friday, Saturday and Monday nights. Dr. Howse will also speak at the regular 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. services at the Church on Sunday.

All members of the Church and friends are urged to attend these important meetings.

Carbon Youth Enlists In Army

Herrell D. Vaughan, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Vaughan, Rt. 1, Carbon, was enlisted recently in the US Regular Army, according to S-Sgt. James Hendrick of the Eastland Recruiting Station.

Herrell attended high school at Carbon and at the time of his enlistment, was employed by his father.

After completing basic training with the famed 4th Infantry Division at Ft. Ord, California, Herrell will be promoted to private first class and join a unit for duty, either in the continental United States or one of 5 divisions currently doing duty in Japan.

BABY BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Duggan are happy over the arrival of a son on February 7th. He has been given the name of Michael Stuart and weighed 8 1/2 pounds. The maternal grandmother is expected to arrive from her home in England this week for a visit with her daughter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Jones of Ft. Worth were recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Jones.

DESDEMONA AND BAIRD TO PLAY FOR DISTRICT 15-B CHAMPIONSHIP

Frank Dean To Be Honored

On Sunday, February 15th, the First Baptist Sunday School and Church Service at the morning at Baird, Tuesday night, February 17th for the championship of District B-15. Wednesday night the years Superintendent of the local Sunday school.

The public is invited to this service, particularly those who have worked with Mr. Dean during his days as Superintendent.

There will be a special program in connection with the morning service in keeping with the occasion.

T. L. Acrea To Be Candidate For Mayor

T. L. Acrea, well known in this community announced today that he had entered his name as a candidate for the Mayor of Gorman.

Mr. Acrea stated that he would have a formal announcement to make at a later date.

H. H. Williams To Run For Road Commissioner

H. H. (Howard) Williams of Desdemona announced today that he would be a candidate for Road Commissioner of Precinct Two.

Mr. Williams has been active in business and farming in this community for the past 44 years and has had six years experience doing road work. He will make a formal announcement at a later date.

B'wood Team To Play At Gorman

Monday night, February 16th, at 7 P. M. the Brownwood Basketball Team (colored) will play the Gorman High School Basketball team.

These boys have a good, fast team and the Gorman boys are going to have to be on their toes to win.

This game is being sponsored by the Senior Class. Admission will be 35 and 50 cents.

BLIND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST RECEIVES DEGREE



After four years of taking notes in Braille, learning weaving, pottery making, and art design, Genevieve Powell, Wichita Falls, finished the first step in becoming the first registered blind occupational therapist in the nation Feb. 1 when she received her degree from Texas State College for Women and congratulations from President L. H. Hubbard (left), and Registrar Francis W. Emerson. Her faithful seeing-eye dog Blackie will accompany her to Detroit, Michigan, for the first of her nine months clinical training.

LEANDER BENNETT DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Just before going to press word was received that Mr. Leander Bennett passed away this morning about 9 o'clock. Mr. Bennett was one of Gorman's oldest settlers having lived here for fifty years or longer.

Obituary will be carried in next week's Progress.

Vol. Firemen Change Meeting Night

At a meeting of the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department Monday, February 2nd, it was voted to change meeting nights to the second and fourth Friday nights of each month. This will give members who are attending school and opportunity to be present at all meetings.

Steve Potts of Eastland, Boy Scout Field Executive, met with the Firemen and asked that they sponsor a Scout Troop in Gorman. Steve showed motion pictures of boys at Camp Billy Gibbons. He explained the advantages of scouting for a boy not only in outdoor life but in daily living as well.

Records show that active scouts are never found in court rooms or jails.

The Firemen voted to sponsor a troop as soon as the new Fire Hall is moved in so the boys will have a place to meet.

The Fire Hall is all ready to be moved to Gorman as soon as the weather permits.

BABY BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Smith announce the arrival of Michael David at the Blackwell Sanitarium on February 8th. Both mother and son are doing fine. The maternal grandmother is Mrs. Vera Hamrick of Gorman. Mrs. Smith was the former Vera Nell Hamrick.

KOKOMO NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Treadway spent Thursday shopping in Ranger and Eastland.

Mrs. Corra Sessum spent most of last week with her daughter, Mrs. John Kiker of near Carbon.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks were in Eastland Thursday.

Raymond Hattox of Alameda has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Richberg.

Miss Fanny Bell O'Neal and Mary Nell Parker spent Saturday in Ft. Worth to attend the Stock Show.

Lewis Treadway and Truman Bryant were in Eastland Thursday.

Little Sharon Lou Kiker of Carbon visited her grandmother Miss Corra Sessum Saturday.

Bill Eaves is now employed at Hoobs, New Mexico.

Mrs. George Bennett states her son Elbert Bennett and family have moved to New Mexico.

Sunday evening at 7 o'clock there will be a community singing. Everyone is invited to be present at the Kokomo School House.

Noland Lee Treadway of Stephenville is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Parker.

HOME EC GIRLS ENJOY TRIP TO FAT STOCK SHOW

A trip to the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show was enjoyed by the Gorman Homemaking girls.

Besides the carnival, there were educational exhibits which will be of value to the girls, and will help create an interest in a greater variety of homemaking activities.

There were several new pieces of kitchen equipment on display. One of the most interesting was a gas stove that had a glass door. A demonstration was given on salad making, preparation of potatoes quickly for the different type of cookery, and the making of roses from beets. This especially attracted several of the girls' attention because it was different from the usual method, and the finished product was attractive.

Everyone enjoyed the trip and hopes to go again.

Ed. note: Do they really make 'roses from beets' or is that a typographical error.

KING THEATRE

Thursday and Friday
Phil Regan - Elyse Knox
In
"SWEETHEART OF SIGMA CHI"
also
Two Cartoons - Novelty

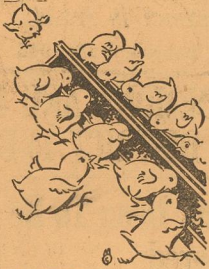
Saturday
JOHN WAYNE
In
BLUE STEEL
And
THE TEEN AGERS
In
VACATION DAYS
Also
Son of Zorro No. 6

Sunday and Monday
Betty Grable - Dan Dailey
In
MOTHER WORE TIGHTS
Also
Three Stogie Comedy

Tuesday and Wednesday
Eddie Albert - Faye Marlowe
In
RENDEZVOUS WITH ANNIE
Also
ADDED ATTRACTION FOR TUESDAY ONLY
Dixie Harper and her Hillbilly Gang In Person, On Stage
Regular Admission

Thursday and Friday
Pat O'Brien - Anne Jeffreys
In
RIFF RAFF
Also
Comedy - Novelty

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Boyd Hilly, Manager

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Gorman, Texas

SHELLERS SEED PEANUTS PABAK FERTILIZER

The Fighting Fish

Nick Eaker (Freshman Reporter)

Bang!! Say Joy, some girls are wondering when you and a certain Senior is going to bust up. How about it?

Crash!! A certain Senior said a certain red headed Freshman was a good date but we haven't seen them together. Tough luck kids.

Boom!! Mrs. Davenport: "Nick do you have any younger brothers or sisters?" Nick: "No"

Mrs. Davenport: "Thank goodness" Flip!! James who is that certain Sophomore that you have been walking to town with and carrying her books? What a load! (Books that is)

Flop!! Wanted: Twins that are good looking boys, about 6 ft. tall, 13 years of age or older. If you know them please introduce them to our twins, Hazel Fae and Ruby Rae.

SOPH SUDS

The Sophomore Class held its first meeting this semester. The object was to elect new officers.

They are: Peggy Bell, President; Billy Check Smith, Vice President; Jo Greer, Secy. - Treasurer; Janette Isbell, Reporter; Merle Snyder Parliamentarian; Roy Rawls, entertainment chairman.

The Sophomores have come to the conclusion that the old proverb Blessed are those who expect nothing because they will not be disappointed, is justly so after seeing their report cards.

The Gorman basketball boys won home a first place trophy and the girls a consolation trophy. We are proud of them.

Last Friday night, our Soph., Roy Rawls, won the Gorman-Proprietor game for the boys with two long shots from about the center line. After the game we treated him as if he were a king.

After the girls game Saturday night one of the referees came around and told Janette that he would give Janette a 'Purple Heart' if he had a purple heart, for her two great falls.

The trip to the Fat Stock Show seemed successful. Lucille, Georgia and Adele, the little goody-goody girls, seemed to make out all right. Ask anyone who knows.

JUNIOR JOTS

Carolyn Harrell (Junior Reporter) Well, it's after mid-term so we elected new officers. We are sorry that you were not here to vote for them, Mackey. After all you would have been another girl. The names of the new elected officers are as follows:

President- Betty Sue Mason
Vice Pres. Patsy Ogle
Secretary Joye Echols
Treasurer Maydell Stewart
Parliamentarian Doyle Jobe
Business Manager James Wilkins
Reporter Carolyn Harrell

As you can tell the girls had the majority. Here's the scoop of the week. What girl was in the library with what boy who was dictating a letter to her. (Business manager and the secretary of Junior Class.) Willie Burl and Betty Sue are trading compliments on their black and white coats by saying I thought that you were Raymond Hattox. Here's hoping that all you people help the juniors and seniors by buying cold drinks and other things they have to sell at the county tournament.

PEANUT SHELLERS KEEP BUSY ON GOV'T CONTRACTS

Peanut shelling plants of the Southwest continued working on government contracts during the past week, according to the Production and Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture, southwest area office.

Shellers showed no disposition to push sales to commercial outlets, where very little interest appeared. Meanwhile, the government asked bids on an additional fifteen thousand tons to be shelled by March 15.

Farmers' stock marketed late in the season showed rather high damage which may lower supplies below anticipated levels. Most of these peanuts are moving into export. Some shellers prefer to hold present stocks for seed purposes rather than offer them for current sale. Occasional sales of No. 1 Spanish brought 17 cents per pound.

Exports of peanuts during the calendar year 1947 totaled 230 million pounds compared to 68 million pounds for 1946. Both seasons set new all-time high export records.

Peanut oil and meal weakened in light trade. Prime crude oil of 5 per cent refining loss was quoted nominally at 22 to 23 1/2 cents a pound. Peanut meal with 41 per cent protein ranged from \$85 to \$90 per ton for prompt shipment.

SENIOR SEZ'

Faye Hunter, (Senior Reporter)

The Seniors set off in high spirits this last semester by electing officers. The newly elected officials are as follows: Bob Brodgon President, Wilber Mehaffey, Vice President, Billie Jo Reed, Secretary, James Kinser, Treasurer, Dewayne Clement, Parliamentary, and Faye Hunter, Reporter. I hope we are as successful in our undertaking as last semesters officers.

We have some very pretty cards for sale and they are a dollar a box so if you need any cards please see some member of the senior class We'll appreciate your business.

It looks like the Seniors were well represented at the ball game Thursday night. They tell me Imo Jean was accompanied by a certain red head, could it be D. P.? Maxine has been going around with a long face, could it be because a certain senior boy has been absent, namely, (R. D.). I also hear by the grapevine that Billie Jo Reed went all overboard for a certain Redwine boy. Say just what did you girls do Saturday night you didn't want me to know about? Gay Nell, have you regained your composure since Saturday night? I heard you were in a tight situation.

Attention all junior girls! Here is a situation worth looking into. Wilbur said he would be willing to pay someones way to the games when the seniors have the concessions, to get out of working. A strictly business proposition.

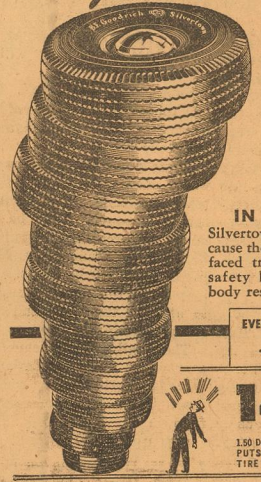
My hat is off to the girls and boys who won the De Leon tournament for Gorman. The boys won first place and the girls consolation.

Hurry up Roy and get well as we all miss you.

So long pals until next week with more news.

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OLEO, pound41
LEMONS, doz.25
Pure LARD, 3 lbs. . . . 1.09

California Large Sweet Dried Prunes 2 Lb. Ctn. 39¢

Tender, Early June Variety Glendale Peas No. 2 Can 14¢

Extra Quality—Tender Cut Pods Glendale Beans No. 2 Can 14¢

Clover Farm—Fancy Country Gentleman Cream Style Corn No. 2 Can 23¢

Plain—No Beans—Ready to Heat-Serve Ireland's Chili No. 2 Can 49¢

Ask Us for Contest Entry Blanks RINSO Large 37¢

Ask Us for Contest Entry Blanks SWAN SOAP Med. 11¢

Ask Us for Contest Entry Blanks Lux Toilet Soap 2 Bars 19¢

New Post War—Activated Seismotite Old Dutch Cleanser 2 Cans 17¢

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ARMOUR'S White Label SLICED BACON Lb. 61¢

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Fresh Ground—Pure Lean Beef GROUND BEEF Lb. 45¢

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PORK SAUSAGE Lb. 51¢

Fine for Seasoning All Vegetables DRY SALT JOWLS Lb. 29¢

FOODS **CLOVER FARM STORES** MEATS

KING AND QUEEN CROWNED AT YOUNG PEOPLES PARTY

The W. M. U. was hostess to the young people of the Baptist Church and their teacher, Mrs. Taylor Henley, Tuesday night, February 10th. The banquet was held

in the church parlor. The room was beautifully decorated and carried out the Valentine Theme. The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the King and Queen of Hearts. The King was Joe Mauney and his Queen was Miss Betty Sue Harrison.

TEXAS A & M OFFERS BOYS OPPORTUNITY FOR COLLEGE EDUCATION

Any boy graduating from Gorman or Desdemona High Schools this year with a good scholastic record and need of financial assistance will have a chance to win his own college education in a competition being conducted by Texas A and M College. Notice of the 1948 competition, with entry blanks for Gorman and Desdemona boys who want to compete, were mailed to the principals of those schools today by R. G. Perryman, secretary of the Texas A and M College scholarships committee.

Feeling the need of giving every outstanding Texas boy a chance to earn his own college education, in spite of possible financial handicaps, the "Texas A and M Opportunity Awards" program is now in its third year. It offers boys graduating from Texas High schools each year a chance to compete for four-year college scholarships paying \$200 to \$300 per year, plus an assurance of student jobs sufficient to earn other necessary expenses.

Sixteen Texas boys who would not have been able to enter any college were given their chance in 1946, thirty more in 1947. Their records in college have been excellent. This year's announcement folder lists twenty-eight separate scholarships, with the probability of more being made available before the close of the contest.

Scholarship, character, evidence of leadership and need of assistance are the points on which final winners are selected by a college committee. Application blanks, must be filled out by the boys and returned to the college committee by March 15. From these applications, finalists will be selected to enter a competitive examination to be held at the college May 1 and 2. Winners will be named on the basis of this examination.

Provided by gifts of thousands of former students of A&M, with additional individual scholarship donated by leading Texas citizens and institutions, the Opportunity Awards give outstanding boys the chance in life which the sponsors believe they deserve. With the cash scholarship, an outstanding boy can earn enough money to complete his college expenses, and still be able to do excellent college work. The winner is required to maintain a personal and scholastic record satisfactory to the scholarships committee in order to hold his scholarship from year to year.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Gorman Progress is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public office, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

FOR COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

(Unexpired term) H. C. (Carl) Elliott

POULTRY FEEDS

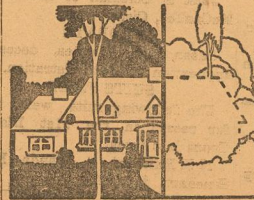


Dr. Salisbury's

Poultry Remedies

JAY'S

Grocery and Market



Why Only Half?

MANY property owners carelessly gamble on an amount of fire insurance which may hardly cover half the value of their property. Wiser persons gladly pay a few dollars more for complete insurance. Isn't it worth while to know you are fully protected?

Gorman Insurance Agency

GLYNN KIRK, Agent Phone 6 Gorman Gorman Progress Building

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

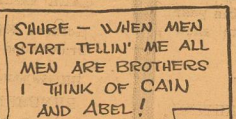
MOST of the tourists are back now. The snapshots have been handed around until they are getting a bit dirty already. The romances that the staid old fellows had on the ships have begun to look kinda phoney, even to them.

But they still keep on telling about their adventures in foreign fields to anybody that will listen. There was a good-for-nothing guy from Michigan that was telling how much he enjoyed Italy on such a little bit of money. He was traveling with some friends of his family, he said, and it was awful easy to get along.



"Well, so you saw a lot of Rome?" says another returned tourist at the Country Club to him. "And did you get anything out of Florence?"

"No, I can't say that I did. But her sister, Fannie, the blonde one, came across with a hundred bucks when I told her I'd have to leave the party and go to work in a restaurant."



SAURE - WHEN MEN START TELLIN' ME ALL MEN ARE BROTHERS I THINK OF CAIN AND ABEL!



A New Alcoholic Rub For Rheumatic Pain!

Sufferers from torturing pains due to Rheumatism, Arthritis or Lumbago are praising Rhuma-Rub, the new, pleasant-to-use Alcoholic Rub. Rhuma-Rub is highly medicated—does not blister—and gives pleasant relief for muscular aches, painful swollen joint areas and minor sprains. To help new customers try Rhuma-Rub, druggist below will sell you a regular \$2.00 bottle for only \$1.25 if you show him this ad. Every bottle guaranteed. Take ad to

CORNER DRUG STORE

SHORT STORY

Miss Letty Retires

By JANET M. HINZ

LETTY HOWARD paused hesitantly before the warped oak door. When it closed, it would be for the last time—putting fins to the best years of her life. Yet she hadn't grieved too much. When one was the last of the family, and when one's income had ceased to exist, the inevitable had to be accepted. But it had been unbearably hard to say farewell to the old rosewood piano.

The piano had been the last of her things to go. The sale of the piano had removed her sole means of livelihood—music teaching. However, it had brought a small measure of comfort, too. The money added to her small, painfully accumulated savings, would enable her to enter "Sunset Home-Haven for the Aged," with her head up—beholden to no one.

Old Sam Warner, waiting patiently at the curb with his rig, climbed down. "Better let me handle that, Miss Letty," he smiled. "Pretty big bag for a little lady."

LETTY relinquished the bag gratefully. "Time was," she answered, "when I could carry twice that weight." She paused, recalling. "Why, I moved my piano around without any trouble. Nobody ever touched it. Not even at house-cleaning time."

"Set great store by that pianny, eh, Miss Letty? Long's I can remember, you were playing it every time I went by."

"Sam, I loved that piano more than I should love an inanimate thing," she answered. "It was everything I wanted. It was a wonderful friend."

Sam helped her into the rig, climbed in himself, lifted the reins and clucked gently to his horse.

"Bet there ain't a grown-up in Millport but what don't remember that pianny," he chuckled. "How many young-uns do you fnger you taught music to, Miss Letty?"

"Oh, dozens, Sam, I guess. And, you know, I don't think there was one who didn't like music, deep down."

The two rode silently for a while. Occasionally Sam pointed out a clump of flowers, or a familiar tree, lifting its shy, green buds to the spring sun.

"I like flowers," he confided presently. "Anything that grows. I like earth. Seems like just feeling soil strengthens me. I can make anything grow."

She smiled. "Before the new folks move in the old place, why don't you go and get some slips from Lucy's roses."

"Why, thanks, Miss Letty. I'll do that." "Well," he said, looking ahead, "seems like there's a party at the home!"

MISS LETTY'S hand flew to her quivering mouth. "Oh, Sam," she breathed, "take me around to the back! I can't face people. I just can't go in the front..."

"Now, Miss Letty," Sam said kindly, "it's not like you're going in



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free. Your way's paid... everyone knows that! You got a right to go in the front door!"

She hesitated, then opened the door. Moving timidly, she crossed the threshold.

Immediately, delighted voices greeted her as she paused, blinking and bewildered. Friendly faces swam before her blurred vision; kindly voices spoke affectionately.

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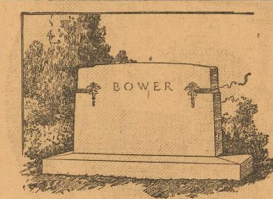
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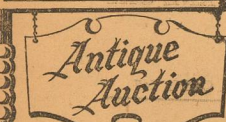
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The following instruments were filed for record in the County Clerk's office last week:

Reece Allday to Higginbotham Bros. and Co., MLC.
Chester Galford to William Scott Adams, warranty deed.
V I Agnew to Ola Agnew Huestis, MD.

Roy A Adams to State of Texas, right of way.
Roy A Adams to State of Texas, right of way deed.

J V Anglin to State of Texas, right of way.
A L Brin to Ralph W Pease, Sr., special deed.

J J Bice to V W Bradford, warranty deed.
V W Bradford to Preston Frazier, warranty deed.

Effie Bell Belcher to W H Basikin, warranty deed.
Royce L Boyd to State of Texas, right of way.

C T Barton to West Texas Utilities Co., right of way.
Linton S Bengte to J C Young, warranty deed.

Elmer Berry to Tom B Stark, oil and gas lease.
Aaron Cohen to Woodley Petroleum Company, oil and gas lease.

M. M. Chancellor to State of Texas, right of way.
J. V. Cline to ThePublic, affidavit.

G. G. Crowell to State Reserve Life Insurance Company, deed of trust.
Roy G. Chapman to J. E. Foster & Son, deed of trust.

Roy Leroy Choate to G. A. West, extension of lien.
Roy Leroy Choate to J. D. Darr, extension of lien.

M. M. Cooper to J. P. Production Company, oil and gas lease.
Jasper Daniels to John M. Mills, warranty deed.

W. C. Dorsey to A. A. Alexander, bill of sale.
Maybelle Davids to Lee Bishop, warranty deed.

J. M. Dunn to State of Texas, right of way.
Connie Davis to Joe W. Bachus, warranty deed.

Connie Davis to Joe W. Bachus, release of vendor's lien.
Eastland National Bank to John Little, release of vendor's lien.

W. E. Fussell to R. J. Fussle, warranty deed.
First National Bank, Wichita Falls to Luther H. McCrea, Jr., special warranty deed.

Homer Fullerton to Elmer Berry, warranty deed.
Gulf Oil Corporation to Tom Loveless, release of abstract of judgement.

C. L. Guinn to James A. Carpenter, warranty deed.
Minerva Greer to Tom L. Fox, release of deed of trust.

C. E. Goodwin to Higginbotham Bros. and Company, MLC.
J. B. Glidewell to John T. Toombs, warranty deed.

Samuel Greer to H. A. Thornton, release of vendor's lien.
Charles W. Graham to Roy G. Graham, quit claim deed.

Mrs. Hazel Hickman to M. T. Valliant, release of vendor's lien.
R. G. Hollingsworth to B. T. Stovall, extension of lien.

W. M. Haynes to Margaret Harder, deed.
Frank E. Isett to Barbara A. Isett, mineral deed.

T. B. Kiper to J. H. Taylor, release deed of trust.
Kerr-McGee Oil Ind. to Hugo Anderson, Trustee, deed of trust.

John E. Little to J. E. Louis, warranty deed.
John M. Mills to G. W. Chancellor, warranty deed.

Virgil Murphy to E. E. Daniels, warranty deed.
R. L. Murphy to E.E. Daniels, guardians deed.

Joseph Merkt to The Public, rev. proof of attorney.
J. S. Minstead to C. D. Erwin, warranty deed.

Eula Meador to O. D. Bibby, transfer of vendor's lien.
Bobby Lee Mosley to Hudson Collins, warranty deed.

Luther McCrea, Jr. to A. D. Anderson, warranty deed.
R. A. McMillan to The Public, proof of heirship.

S. D. Nelson to West Texas Utilities Company, right of way.
J. T. Poe to J. F. Stratton, agreement.

Tom B. Stark to David B. Trammell, assignment of oil and gas lease.
Stewart Oil Company to W. D. Brecheen, release of oil and gas lease.

J. H. Taylor to J. V. Anglin, warranty deed.
Water Tonne to Edwin Grenmelge, warranty deed.

H. H. Tompkins to National Life & Accident Insurance Company, sub. agreement.
O. F. Umphrey to H. W. Kinsey, warranty deed.

Hall Walker to Lorene Garza, extension of lien.
Hall Walker to Alice Odom, transfer of vendor's lien.

C. M. Williams to H. R. Garrett, warranty deed.
Joe A. Weise to Eastland National Bank, deed of trust.

Herman L. Walter to W. D. Smith, warranty deed.
E. N. Wolcott to E. R. Wolcott, deed.

Beulah Wood to Elmer Berry, quit claim deed.
C. E. Wheat to Walter Jacoby, warranty deed.

G. A. West to O.D. Bibby, transfer of lien.
Edward E. Williams to John Davis, warranty deed.

MARRIAGE LICENSES
The following couples were licensed to wed last week:

E L Martin, Jr. to Mary Elizabeth Richards, Ranger
Edwin Martin Gilbean to Evelyn Mary Stecker, Cisco.

Garland O Lewis to Alina Baldwin, Eliasville.
Jack E Coleman to Bettie Sue McCanlies, Cisco.

PROBATE
Susan Alice Haynes, deceased, application for administration.

SUITS FILED
The following suits were filed for record in the 91st District Court last week.

N K Rinehart v Wanda Faye, Rinehart, divorce.
ORDERS and JUDGMENTS

The following orders and judgments were rendered from the 91st District Court last week:
Mrs. M J McMillan, et al v R E McMillan, order of dismissal.

Euinice Vick v Charlie B Vick, judgment.

Eastland County Livestock Show To Be Tops

"The annual Eastland County Livestock Show to be held at Cisco on February 27, 28 promises to be the best livestock show ever held in the county under present plans," N. E. Fry, Cisco president of the Eastland County Livestock Raisers Association said today.

Fry, prominent Polled Hereford breeder of Eastland, Callahan and Brown Counties, was re-elected as President of the Livestock organization last October to serve for a second term.

The organization headed by Fry and the Cisco Junior Chamber of Commerce annually sponsor the county show held on the show grounds on the outskirts of Cisco. A large barn was erected for that purpose by the Cisco Livestock Show Association in 1946.

More FFA and 4H Club calves, pigs, lambs and dairy cattle are expected to be shown this year for the \$500.00 in cash prizes. Adults will compete for ribbons only except in the championship awards.

There are no entry fees to the show. Animals from Eastland and all adjoining counties are eligible to compete. Only Eastland County boys animals can participate in the auction to be held on Saturday afternoon, February 28, it was pointed out.

The show animals must be in their places by 10 o'clock AM on February 27, and remain until 5 PM on February 28, Sutton Croft, Supt. of show, said.

Plans are also under way for a much bigger horse show this year than in 1947, according to show officials.

REBEKAH'S HAVE INTERESTING MEETING

The Rebekah Lodge held a very interesting meeting Tuesday evening, February 10th. The contest was running even with each side having six vote points. Each member should attend in order to help their side win the contest. Several work projects are being considered. Members are urged to attend.

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Personals

Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Smith, and Mmes. Dallas Jobe, Walter Davis, and Barton Eppler recently attended the Cisco District Officers Training Day at the Ranger Methodist Church.

Bill Parr returned from Henderson, N. C. Friday evening. Mrs. Parr stayed in Henderson at the bedside of her father who is critically ill.

R. C. Mehaffey underwent surgery at the Blackwell Sanitarium Saturday and is reported doing fine.

P. M. Montgomery returned to the bedside of his brother in Fort Worth Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rankin spent Friday and Saturday in Dallas.

The brother was injured while on duty as a patrolman in Fort Worth several weeks ago and will undergo surgery Tuesday.

Jack Bennett was in Ft. Worth on business Tuesday.

Chief Boatwain, Sidney Awalt, USN arrived Monday for a visit with Mrs. Barbara Woods. At the expiration of his leave he will be stationed at Houston.

Mrs. Henry McCroan spent the week end in Dallas with her family.

Dr. and Mrs. Edward Blackwell and Bill Brogdon spent part of this week in Houston. Bill is making preparation to enter medical school there.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Williams of Walnut Springs visited her sister Mrs. Marcella Brogdon over the week end.

Mrs. E. E. Ferguson of Hoxie,

Arkansas is visiting her sister Mrs. Clyde Barbee of Route 3, Gorman. Mrs. Ferguson, who is the former Anna Lou Finley of Gorman, says that she enjoys getting news from the old home town and stopped by to renew her subscription to the Progress. She returned to her home in Hoxie Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Woods had in their home, their grandson Joe Henry Stanfield from Minden, La. Friday, he returned home Saturday.

Sally Frances Reeves, daughter of Mrs. Etta Reeves, is in the Hospital with pneumonia.

Rayneal Baze of Lubbock and grandmother, Mrs. J. B. Carter of Throckmorton visited in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baze.

Neal Sutton returned to school at Austin Monday.

Mrs. E. C. Sutton and Mrs. F. Dean spent Monday in Stephenville.

SHORT STORY

Wonderful Woman

By RUTH K. KENT

ANN STANTON watched her husband's newspaper for signs of annoyance after she told him. Yes, he was lowering it slowly... his handsome face frowning. "What did you do that for?"

Ann buttered her toast. "Why not? I always took Elsie Olson to lunch when she was your secretary."

Harry gulped his coffee. "But Elsie was... well..."

Ann leaned back in her chair. Yes, Elsie was 38 and wore cotton stockings. Tess Barclay, the new secretary, was 20 and Harry could tuck her in his pocket. Ann remembered when Elsie Olson resigned and the boss hired Tess for Harry. "Sunny little girl taking Elsie's place," he'd announced. "No bigger than a minute."

"Pretty?" she'd asked. He'd shrugged. "Didn't notice," and that was when Ann took warning.

Harry was 30, and after seven years of marriage maybe he was getting a little tired... maybe of her. Ann had seen the little new girl one day when she stopped in the office to see Harry.

It was a few days later when she announced at breakfast, "I'm taking Miss Barclay to lunch today."

ANN walked into the Mayfair ahead of time. She sat studying the wall paper. Yes... things were working out right. That young lady would have to answer some questions. Nice subtle questions, of course.

Tess came right on time. Ann held out her hand. "Sit down, Tess," she smiled. "Everyone calls you that, don't they?"

Tess sat primly. "Yes, Mrs. Stanton."

"It was good of you to come," Ann said. "I'm sure you had something more interesting to do."

Tess picked up a fork and turned it over and over. "I... was supposed to do something else," she said. "But... I'm glad you asked me. I've... been wondering how I could talk to you."

Ann's senses pricked up. "You did? Was there something special you wanted to say?"

Tess twisted her napkin. "I... don't know how to begin. Mrs. Stanton, I... I want to talk about Mr. Stanton. But... maybe you won't understand."

Ann braced herself. "I'll try to understand."

The big blue eyes looked into Ann's... begged. "Is... does Mr. Stanton have good health?"

WELL! So now Ann knew. And this innocent-looking youngster had figured all the angles. Even to Harry's health. No doubt Harry seemed pretty old to her and she



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wanted to be sure he wouldn't turn senile the minute she caught him. Ann's voice was cold. "He's perfectly healthy."

"I... I thought maybe he was sick. That would excuse him. I mean... Mr. Stanton's a nice man but... Tess looked almost frightened. "He's so impatient. I simply can't work for him any more. I make... mistakes, and he... really Mrs. Stanton he makes me work at noon to fix them. Oh dear, I hope you aren't hurt."

"Hurt?" All the buds on the wall paper seemed to burst into bloom for Ann. She could almost smell their fragrance. Impulsively she put her hand over the small one drumming nervously on the table. "Of course I'm not hurt, my dear. You mustn't be either. Harry's been accustomed to Miss Olson... she was there years and years and was sort of a machine. Don't quit, Tess." Ann found herself begging. "You can take it. And you'll have a good position. I'll walk back to the office with you when we finish."

Harry was puzzling over some invoices when Ann and Tess came into the office, arm in arm. "Here's your secretary to do that," Ann smiled.

She slipped out and smiled at the girls in the outer office, but was almost ashamed to face them. Ann knew they would say, "That Mrs. Stanton is such a wonderful woman. Not the least bit jealous of Mr. Stanton's secretaries."

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While driving out through the Ft. Stockton country, I got drowsy. — I had been counting sheep.

A spring at Ft. Stockton, known as the Comanche Chief, pours out 35,000,000 gallons a day, Clyde Smith, insurance man, said. A smaller spring was the water supply of the old fort. The one-time ammunition building still stands; in fact, it is in use by the Boy Scouts. It is a rock structure. A building which was used as quarters by the officers is now a residence and I was told that the interior had been modernized until it is the most beautiful of any home in the city.

Another very attractive home was built from rocks that were gathered from the grounds of the abandoned fort.

This business of browbeating sovereign American citizens by some man who is a member of Congress and therefore is supposed to be our servant ought to be changed at least to the extent that the citizen shall have the right to hit back.

A Congressman can bulldoze a business man, for example, and then refuse him the right to introduce witnesses to support his position and to uphold his good name. He isn't even allowed to cross-examine some irresponsible individual who may have it in for him and gets before the committee and makes untrue, unsupported accusations.

The idea that Howard Hughes had to write out the questions he wanted to ask and submit those questions to the committee chairman for his approval or rejection is repugnant to the American spirit of fair play.

That's one reason why this country rocked with applause for the tall Texan who refused to be browbeaten but stood his ground and slugged in true Texan style until that durnyankee Senator tucked his tail and ran.

SHORT STORY

The Other Woman

By MARION BOUCHER

WHEN the alarm rang at seven in the grey morning, Henry reached out quickly and shut it off before it awakened Isabel. Quietly, Henry got up and groped his way to the bathroom.

It was the usual beginning of his day but on this particular morning he felt a little rebellious. He thought of Isabel, still lying asleep, her dark hair spread out on the pillow, her red mouth curved in a half smile. When they were first married she used to get up and prepare breakfast for him. Now that the children were old enough to fend for themselves he had to make his own coffee and toast as best he could before hurrying down to the store.

He couldn't say just when it had happened but sometime during the 10 years of their married life, Isabel had changed from a devoted young bride to a spoiled wife who took her husband very much for granted. It was probably just as much his fault as hers; he was so mild and easy-going that it seemed natural for people to impose on him. Even at his own table, the children seemed in league with Isabel against him.

Look at Morley Campbell and his wife now! Morley was a salesman in the department store where Henry worked as a window dresser. He had been married a good many years but his wife always was fussing over him. Henry thought of Morley a little enviously and wondered if he dared ask him the secret of his marital bliss.

The opportunity presented itself that very day when they happened to be lunching together. A little timidly, Henry broached the subject:

"Er . . . uh . . . I've noticed how your wife always makes a fuss over you, Morley. How do you do it—hold her interest, I mean?"

"Oh, I keep her guessing. You know, let her feel that you still find other women attractive. That's the way to treat 'em, Henry old man."

AT SUPPER that night he started his campaign. Isabel was talking about a new way she wanted to have her hair done.

"I think that's the way Linda wears her hair and it certainly looks smart," Henry commented.

Isabel looked up in surprise. "Linda? Who is she?"

"One of the girls at the store—very attractive. She always wears the smartest clothes."

"Really, Henry, I didn't know you were so observant." Isabel was a little piqued but she looked at her husband with new interest.

After that hardly a day went by that Henry did not mention Linda and his casual remarks were not lost on Isabel. Though she would not have admitted it, she was a little jealous and more than a little curious. Never before had her husband appeared interested in another woman.

So she sat up and took notice of her meek husband as she hadn't done for years. She put herself out to be amusing and helpful. When he



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came home at night there was always a good dinner, with his favorite dishes carefully prepared.

WHEN he had to work late one evening, he made it a point to let his wife know that Linda had been there too. The next morning Isabel actually hopped out of bed when the alarm rang, got his breakfast ready and kissed him goodbye.

He was busy changing a display that afternoon when he looked up to see Isabel coming down the aisle.

Isabel chattered away for a while and finally asked, "By the way, is that girl, Linda, around? You've been talking so much about her lately that I'd like to meet my glamorous rival."

Henry flushed guiltily. "Matter of fact she isn't here today," he stammered. "She has a cold and couldn't come to work."

"Oh . . . that's too bad," Isabel sounded genuinely disappointed. "Will you be home early, Henry? I was able to get a steak for dinner."

Henry looked after her departing figure and breathed a sigh of relief. He had got out of that situation neatly, he congratulated himself, but he hoped Isabel wouldn't come and ask for Linda again.

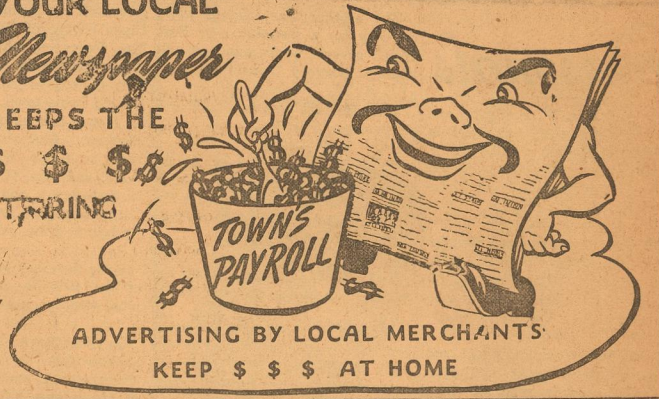
It would never do, he thought, for Isabel to discover that Linda, the "other woman," was a very beautiful but very lifeless mannequin in the store window.

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