

Evasions are the common shelter of the hard-hearted, the false, and impotent when called upon to assist; the real great alone plan instantaneous help even when their looks or words presage difficulties.—Lavater.

# RANGER DAILY TIMES

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# FERGUSON QUARRELS WITH SATTERWHITE

## RANGER HIGH LIBRARY FUND KEEPS GAINING

### Cash and Pledges Total Above \$815 With Other Committees To Hear From

Members of the Ranger High school improvement Association gathered at the schoolhouse Monday evening to tabulate returns of the drive for the high school library. Reports of money and pledges turned in totalled \$815.46 in cash and pledges, with several hundred more probable from interested citizens. All of the committees at work on the drive have not yet been heard from and the various rooms in the school contributing have not reported. The general feeling is that the drive will be a success and that the much needed books will be on hand as soon as possible to get them here.

Several other questions of importance, principally the great need of a new building for the Central Ward school, were discussed, but no action taken and the meeting adjourned subject to call from the chairman at any time when important business necessitates.

Following is the list of contributors to date:

- Mrs. Duffer ..... \$5.00
- J. J. Rummell ..... 25.00
- Mrs. Ray Newman ..... 4.00
- Mrs. Grady Wilson ..... .50
- Mrs. Lacy ..... 1.00
- Mr. Pastor ..... 1.00
- Mrs. C. H. Phillips ..... 2.50
- Mrs. G. H. Bohning ..... 5.00
- Mrs. Yonkers ..... 2.00
- C & B Filling Station ..... 3.00
- G. D. Younce ..... .50
- E. H. & A. Davis ..... 25.00
- O. C. Westfall ..... 1.00
- Mrs. Laella Effert ..... 5.00
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- Mrs. W. M. Dyer ..... 1.00
- Mrs. M. L. Emberlin ..... 1.00
- Mrs. Standard ..... 1.00
- L. L. Golden ..... 1.00
- W. D. Conway ..... 10.00
- Mrs. Emma Turner ..... 1.00
- Mrs. J. E. Pratt ..... 1.06
- Mrs. Starn ..... 1.00
- Mrs. Ratcliff ..... 1.00
- Ranger Distilled Water Co. ..... 2.50
- Mrs. Disney ..... 1.00
- Mrs. Atwood ..... 1.00
- Mrs. Fullerwood ..... .50
- O. K. Market ..... 5.00
- Mr. Bourbon ..... 2.50
- Staudens Gregg ..... 25.00
- Mrs. Cator ..... 2.00
- Mrs. Jones ..... 2.00
- Ad Libitum club ..... 13.00
- Mrs. Gregg ..... 5.00
- John M. Ghoslon ..... 20.00
- B. Bronstein ..... 1.00
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- J. F. Dill ..... 1.00
- Wm. N. McDonald ..... 5.00
- J. F. Smith ..... 3.00
- Thorpe Furniture Co. ..... 5.00
- Southern Loan Co. ..... 5.00
- R. M. Coyle ..... 5.00
- Joseph Dry Goods Co. ..... 20.00
- J. C. Smith ..... 20.00
- Ranger Dry Cleaning Co. ..... 5.00
- W. E. Davis ..... 5.00
- E & S Dry Goods Co. ..... 10.00
- Gholson Hotel ..... 5.00
- Hicks Drug Store ..... 5.00
- Dr. L. C. G. Buchanan ..... 25.00
- C. H. Dunlap ..... 5.00
- Mrs. O. A. Ward ..... 1.00
- Mrs. Earl Gorker ..... 1.00
- Mrs. R. E. Barker ..... 1.00
- Powells ..... .50
- Mrs. N. C. Moore ..... .50
- Mrs. U. P. Pearson ..... .50
- Mrs. Choate ..... .50
- Mr. and Mrs. Ab-Pillock ..... 5.00
- Mr. and Mrs. W. Dykenma ..... 2.50
- Mrs. G. D. Chastain ..... 2.00
- Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Norton ..... 5.00
- W. H. Burden ..... 10.00
- E. A. Ringold ..... 5.00
- S. J. Dean ..... 1.00
- Kev. G. D. Robison ..... 1.00
- A. E. Duncan ..... 1.00
- Mr. Clements ..... 5.00
- Mr. Cash ..... 1.00
- J. L. Thompson ..... 25.00
- Mrs. Alworth ..... 15.00
- Mr. Barner Cator ..... 5.00
- Mrs. J. A. Shackelford ..... 1.00
- Mrs. Earl T. Walton ..... 1.00
- C. E. Morris ..... 1.00
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- Mrs. J. N. Roush ..... 1.00
- Mrs. W. T. Reeves ..... 1.00
- Mrs. W. E. Mitchell ..... 1.00
- Mrs. Dudley ..... 1.00
- Mrs. Mellon ..... 1.00
- Ku Klux Klan ..... \$75.00

### WANT AD GETS ACTION.

"Times want ads get results," says Wade Swift, city sanitary officer. Mr. Swift advertised two impounded cows Tuesday and both owners showed up and proved their claims while the paper was still warm from the press.

### RURAL SCHOOLS OPEN

The following rural schools of Eastland county began their terms for the season yesterday: Griggsby, Mangum, Kokomo, Bedford, Flatwoods.

## Cisco-Eastland Football Game Will Attract Big Crowd

Preparations are being made for entertaining one of the largest crowds that ever assembled at Connelley park next Friday afternoon on the occasion of the Eastland-Cisco football game. Additional seats to the number of several hundred are being added and other steps are being taken to accommodate the crowd.

At a meeting of the Eastland Retail Merchants' association yesterday it was decided that all business houses in Eastland would close at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon for the game and remain closed until after it is over.

## RANGER WATER TESTS SAFE FOR USE IN HOMES

### State Health Officer Says Samples Submitted Suitable for Drinking

That the purification methods in vogue at the Ranger water plant are being tested with absolute thoroughness is evidenced by the fact that the state board of health is making weekly analyses of samples sent in for that purpose. That these methods are efficient and the water all that is claimed for it, is evidenced by the two facts that sickness and death in Ranger are rare events, notwithstanding a large proportion of the people drink city water and that these weekly reports are uniformly favorable.

In the last report, dated Oct. 23, and signed by H. O. Sappington, state health officer, these words are used:

"The sources from which the samples were taken may therefore be considered as reasonably safe for drinking purposes." However, the warning against trusting too far to the limited number of reports, is issued and it is suggested that additional specimens be forwarded from time to time. This is being done, according to the city engineer.

The samples submitted were taken from a Ranger heights residence and a hydrant in the business district.

### Corporations Seek Lower Taxes Just Like Individuals

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—A demand that corporations be granted the same 20 per cent tax reduction as given to individuals was made today by William Compton, manager of the National Lumberman's association before the house ways and means committee.

Compton urged that the present capital stock tax be abolished and the corporation income tax be reduced from 12½ to 10 per cent. The treasury is now getting one billion dollars from corporations. The corporation taxes are coming more and more to be paid by hundreds and thousands of individual owners of corporation stock, Compton stated.

## LOST CHILD SPEEDILY RETURNED TO MOTHER

Lineman W. K. Campbell saw a lost child about 2 years old on the streets near the Oil Cities Electric company's offices this morning. When later he saw the same child, who had followed him, near the Leville-Maher Motor company's place, he took it up and turned it over to Ed Maher, who reported it to the police and also asked his wife to come and look after it.

Before Mrs. Maher, who seems destined to act as good Samaritan to last babies of late, could get down to the office, the child's mother, Mrs. G. B. McClellan of North Commerce street, missed it and after a frantic search notified the police, who soon had the tot back in its mother's arms.

## GREEKS ORDER TROOPS TO EVACUATE BULGARIA

By United Press.

ATHENS, Greece, Oct. 27.—Greece has definitely ordered her troops to evacuate Bulgaria in accordance with the ruling of the League of Nations council.

Greece arranged yesterday that one officer of the Greek general staff and one officer of the Bulgarian general staff should proceed to re-establish the frontier post of Demirkapou. With this accomplished, nothing now stands in the way of the retirement of the Greeks.

## JUDGE A. L. GREEN OF BRECKENRIDGE DIES

BRECKENRIDGE, Oct. 27.—Funeral services for Judge A. L. Green, 56, who died here early yesterday, were held at 10 o'clock this morning and were conducted by Rev. A. A. Kerchville of the Church of Christ. The deceased is survived by his widow and two sons, J. R. Green of Stanton and T. D. Green of Breckenridge.

## College Queen



"Queen of American Colleges" was the title conferred on Miss Mary Ella Pace, above, of Haskell, Texas, at a beauty contest between co-eds of 38 colleges and universities in Dallas, Texas, recently.

## C. I. A. REGENTS ACTING JUST LIKE PILATE

See No Fault in College's President, But Willing For Mob To Crucify Him

By United Press.

FORT WORTH, Oct. 27.—Resignation or eviction of Dr. Lindsey Blayney as president of the College of Industrial Arts was expected this afternoon, members of the board of regents in session here announced at the noon recess.

"I will fight until they put me out," said Dr. Blayney. "My conscience is clear."

Hugh Nugent Fitzgerald, chairman of the board, stated that Blayney had not been asked to resign but had been advised to do so.

Mrs. E. P. Turner seems to be the only member of the board opposing Blayney's eviction, according to reports.

## Twenty Persons Are Killed In Wreck of Fast Passenger Train

MEMPHIS, Oct. 27.—"The Sunnyland," a fast train from Kansas City to Florida, on the Frisco railroad, was wrecked this morning, near Victoria, Miss. First reports said that about 20 persons were killed and many others injured.

By United Press.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Oct. 27.—Hurting from the rails while traveling at high speed along a straight stretch of track near Victoria, Miss., today, the "Sunnyland" Frisco flyer plunged under an embankment and was wrecked. Only 15 were known to be dead at 2:30 p. m. today but a revised estimate by the railroad company put the possible dead at a slightly higher figure. A score were injured, some seriously.

## ALBERT DUNCAN MOVING HOUSE TO PINE STREET

Albert Duncan has purchased a six-room modern cottage at the Sun oil camp, which he is moving onto his lot on Pine street, where he expects to remodel it and make it one of Ranger's most attractive cottages, it is announced.

## DR. NIXON'S BODY MOVED TO NEW EVERGREEN CEMETERY

The remains of Dr. J. M. Nixon, who was buried Feb. 12, 1916, were removed from the old city cemetery to the new Evergreen cemetery, Monday, by request of his widow, who now lives in McKinney, Texas. Dr. Nixon died Feb. 11, 1916, in Ranger, where he was well known, at the age of 66.

## EASTLAND COUNTY FARMERS COMPLAIN THAT COTTON CROP FORECASTS ARE DECEPTIVE

W. M. Sneed, owner of two cotton farms in Eastland county says the farmers of this vicinity are practically of one mind that the forecasts sent out by the department of agriculture from Washington every fifteen days are entirely too large. In Mr. Sneed's opinion, the ultimate crop this year will fall far below that forecast and he gives it as his observation that this has been true in nearly all instances. Furthermore, he believes (and interviews with some twenty-five farmers throughout the county seem to bear him out in this) the farmers have long since lost faith in these reports entirely.

Asked what they thought of the forecast sent out Monday of this week, estimating the crop at 15,225,000 bales, several farmers were of one accord in calling it ridiculous, though they did not use the same word to express it in all instances. One farmer said:

"It may not be the department's fault. They take what figures are given to them. And these are nearly always padded. Our crops in Eastland county are just like other crops. There have been rains and cool weather in nearly all sections and everybody knows the crop is cut short on account of the boll weevil which die off in hot, dry weather and increase in cool rainy weather. Yet the last report is larger than the one fifteen days ago."

The damaging effect of these reports, as concerns the farmers, is, to bring down the price of cotton until speculators buy it up and then, when the truth is known and the crop falls short of the estimates, it goes up again and speculators get what is justly coming to the farmers.

## FRANCE MUST RECONSTRUCT HER CABINET

### Premier Painleve and Associates Resign To Get Caillaux Out

By United Press.

PARIS, Oct. 27.—The French cabinet resigned this afternoon. Thus Premier Painleve and his associates brought to a climax a fight of several days, which centered in removing Finance Minister Caillaux from power. Painleve went alone to President Dumerou and presented the resignations.

Caillaux yesterday had refused to be forced out alone. Instead, he told Painleve and Foreign Minister Briand that if he was to fall the whole cabinet must go, too. Rumors current this morning suggested that Painleve would seek to reform the cabinet and propitiate the socialists by taking in Edouard Herriot, the former premier.

Resignation of the cabinet was caused primarily by two factors, first the dissatisfaction with French finances arising from the failure of the French international loans to come up to expectations and for fear of new inflation, and second, much displeasure with Caillaux for failing to achieve at Washington a settlement of France's debt to the United States, although, Sunday, Caillaux suggested that it would not be many months before a real agreement would be forthcoming.

## Garner Has Plan To Do Away With War Excise Taxes

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—A plan to sweep away the war excise taxes was advanced today by Representative Garner, Texas, ranking minority member of the house ways and means committee. Following appeals by auto manufacturers, jewelry, firearms and photo supplies manufacturers, and others, Garner announced a scheme in opposition to the Mellon plan whereby these taxes might be eliminated. Garner would use the money which Mellon proposes to retire the national debt quickly and, instead of paying off the debt in 25 years, Garner would wait for 62 years.

"This is the only way to bring this country back to taxes of pre-war proportions," he said. "If Mellon's plan for only \$300,000,000 tax reduction prevails, taxes on automobiles and other commodities cannot be repealed."

## RADIO PROGRAM

Radio programs are announced for tonight as follows:

Fort Worth, WBAP, 475.9 Meters. 6 to 6:30 p. m.—Dinner music by Fred Cahoon's Texas hotel orchestra.

7:30 to 8:30 p. m.—Concert arranged by Carolyn Bell McFarland, teacher of voice. Address, Navy day, Clarence Ousley. (W. E. B.) 9:30 to 10:45 p. m.—Vocal and instrumental recital given by Anne Strathdee and Mrs. Helen Phifer Barnes, classical and popular. (C. B. L.)

Dallas, WFAA, 475.9 Meters. 6:30 to 7:30 p. m.—Miss Louise Strong, pianist; Miss Marian Crute, Houston, Texas, singing. 8:30 to 9:30 p. m.—Brief address for the Dallas Advertising league, President Alfonso Johnson in charge of the program. Musical recital by faculty of the school of music, the Southern Methodist university, Paul Van Katwijk, pianist, and dean; Harold Hart Todd, pianist; Mrs. J. Roscoe Gordon, voice; Walter Paul Romberg, violin; Mrs. Paul Van Katwijk, pianist.

11 to 12 (midnight)—Seger Ellis, pianist, Houston, Texas. 12 to 1 a. m.—The Palace theatre special program, free to the public visiting the theatre and a courtesy program for the radio audience.

## Senators Charges Crop Reports Aid In Robbing the Farmers

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 27.—Agitation for adoption by congress of a measure to put an end to "gambling in cotton and grain," on the exchanges, was begun here today by Senator Caraway, democrat from Arkansas, who charged that the government crop estimate was being unfairly used by speculators.

Caraway charged that the farmers of the south has lost over two million dollars by cotton reports. Cotton dropped \$6 a bale after the report yesterday.

## SLAUGHTER AT DAMASCUS MAY BE FRIGHTFUL

### One Report Says Thousands of Women and Children Perish In Ruins

By United Press.

LONDON, Oct. 27.—The Daily Express today prints, without confirmation from the foreign office or elsewhere, a wireless message from the secretary of the Palestine parliament at Jerusalem, claiming, according to the word of refugees, that 25,000 women and children had perished in the ruins of Damascus.

The message followed one to the political league here that claims the greater part of the city had been demolished in 50 hours of French bombardment recently. Thousands were reported homeless and the British consulate was said to have been destroyed. Inhabitants had fled, it was said.

General Sarrail, French commissioner for Syria, is said to have telegraphed Lord Bloomer, high commissioner for Palestine, that order had been restored at Damascus and no foreigners had been injured. Some claim that 300 foreigners were killed.

## MONTANA BANKER AND HIS WIFE SLAIN BY AXE FIEND

By United Press.

ROUGE, Mont., Oct. 27.—This village is confronted with a double mystery murder. The axe-chopped bodies of Charles Bernard 58, and his wife, Sarah, 51, were found in their home, which was strewn with the evidence of a terrific struggle. A bloody path leading from the house across the fields to a small stream was lost there.

Bernard was manager of the local bank and lived on the floor above the bank. The bank safe was not disturbed. The theory is that the murderers became frightened and left before robbing the bank.

## RADIO SINGER VISITS HIS UNCLE IN RANGER

Francis Lee Woodward, formerly of Memphis, Tenn., a singer of national reputation, who has sung for Ranger people over the radio a number of times and had his solos broadcast from Memphis, was in Ranger over Sunday. Mr. Woodward is a nephew of Eugene Baker, advertising manager of the Boston store, Ranger, whose guest he was during his stay in the city. He has been spending some time in El Paso recently and returned to that city Monday morning.

## IRISH OFFICER FOLLOWS TWO WOMEN INTO BEYOND

By United Press.

LONDON, Oct. 27.—Darell Figgis, Irish author and leading member of the Free State parliament, was found dead today in his room at Bloomsbury, a residential section of London. The Evening Star says the room was filled with gas from an open jet.

Figgis' death followed by eight days that of Rita North, a young dancing teacher, who said before she died in the maternity ward of the hospital that the Irish statesman was her husband. It also recalled the suicide of his wife who shot herself in a taxicab a year ago.

## NEW PUBLIC ROAD IN PRECINCT 3 IS SOUGHT

A petition, bearing the signatures of a number of citizens of that portion of the county, has been presented to the county commissioners court asking for a new public road to be opened in precinct No. 3. The proposed road would run from the southeast corner of the M. M. Cooper farm and terminate at the corner of the H. J. Hill farm near Okra, also at the northwest corner of the Bill Carter farm.

## CHICAGO THREATENED WITH EPIDEMIC OF PNEUMONIA

By United Press.

CHICAGO, Oct. 27.—Chicago was on the defensive today against a threatened epidemic of pneumonia. Death from this disease is 23 per cent above normal for this season of the year, the health commissioner said in a special health bulletin. There were 35 deaths and 142 cases in the week ending October 24, the health commissioner said.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lacy were week-end visitors at the Fair and also the guests of Mr. Lacy's parents, who reside in Dallas.

## BREAK OCCURS IN OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### "Ma's" Husband and Speaker of House Disagree. Grand Jury Continues Work

By United Press.

AUSTIN, Oct. 27.—Former Gov. James E. Ferguson today declined to make a statement with reference to the break with Speaker Lee Satterwhite of the Texas house of representatives when the latter called Monday at the governor's office to discuss with her the calling of a special session in the event an extra session should be found necessary.

Ferguson said today that as Satterwhite had not issued a formal statement concerning the visit of the speaker to the governor's office he had nothing to say.

Satterwhite Talks.

Satterwhite today confirmed the report that he and Jim Ferguson had broken, and further stated that he told Ferguson he would be ready to hold a special session if satisfactory results were not obtained by Attorney General Dan Moody in the investigation he is now conducting.

Moody was again sent for by the Travis county grand jury at 11:30 o'clock today. There are rumors that some of the higher-ups would soon come before the grand jury.

No statement was issued by Attorney General Moody in answer to the refusal of the state highway commission to cancel 31 of the 33 road maintenance contracts requested by the attorney general. It was said the attorney general's answer would be made at the courthouse.

## Two Contracts Canceled

The state highway commission, Monday, agreed to the cancellation of the contract in Camp county held by Cooke & Turner, who bid \$24,000, while the lowest bid, as shown by the attorney general's letter of Oct. 15, was offered by R. B. Shoek & Co., who bid \$6,500, and agreed to the cancellation of the contract in Limestone county held by Parton-Herring Road company, who bid \$52,340, while the lowest bidder for the contract were L. H. Pritchett, \$32,500, and Huse Popejoy, \$47,500.

The commission advised the attorney general the other 31 contracts would not be canceled; that they had been entered into in good faith and awards made with due regard to proper standard as to prices, skill, capacity, experience and reliability of the contractors, and directed that the attorney general bring suit for cancellation as soon as possible in order that the contractors might determine their status.

## LETTER WRITTEN IN BLOOD SHOCKS CHINESE TO DEATH

By United Press.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 27.—Stunned by the receipt of a letter supposed to have been written in the blood of his son, held captive for two months, John Sing, former magistrate of the Shanghai military court, collapsed and died here today. The letter was a purported plea from the boy to effect a release. When he was captured the bandits demanded one million dollars for his release. Father at the advice of his relatives "The father agreed to pay \$2,000 but they wanted \$40,000, which he refused to pay."

## PRESIDENT HOPEFUL OVER SITUATION IN EUROPE

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—President Coolidge let it be known today that he viewed as hopeful the European situation which he has been following with interest. Resignations of the French cabinet today should not affect ratification of the five-year agreement with France for payment of the French debt to the United States, the spokesman said.

The president is optimistic that the Italian debt commission will be able to reach an agreement with the American commission to bond Italy's \$2,000,000,000 war debt.

## EASTLAND COUNTY GRAND JURY MEETING TODAY

The Eastland county grand jury for the Eighty-eighth district court, which recessed a week or more ago to meet again on the twenty-eighth, was called to meet today by Judge Elizo Beem, and were re-convened this morning.

## SLEEPER IS DISCONTINUED

According to an announcement made by officials of the Texas & Pacific Railroad company this morning, the Eastland, Fort Worth, Dallas and Breckenridge sleeper, which has been set off here, is being discontinued effective today. A decrease in business for this particular service is given as the reason for discontinuing it.

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BIBLE THOUGHT. BIBLE THOUGHT. The God of Peace: Now the God of Peace make you perfect in every good work to do His will.—Hebrews 13:20, 21.

SUITS FILED County Court-At-Law. Earl E. Howrey et al vs C. B. Hedrick et al, trespass to try title, transferred from county court-at-law of Dallas county.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY SEEKING ARREST OF PARDONED MAN. By United Press. DEL RIO, Oct. 27.—District Attorney Julian Lacrosse today issued a warrant for the arrest of J. Patrick Holmes on charges of sodomy, on the basis of litigation pending in Kinney county on charge of venue.

AMUSEMENT SEEKERS TURNED AWAY WHEN TENT SHOW FILLS. A band that drew a large street crowd and an orchestra, too, drew a crowd a bit too large to the "top" of a tent show setting up in Ranger for the week.

PROHIBITION HAS REDUCED SAYS PENITENTIARY WARDEN. "The person who says that prohibition has not reduced crime, either wilfully or ignorantly mis-states facts. From an experience of twelve years as warden of this penitentiary I unhesitatingly state that the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment was the greatest progressive step taken by the United States since the abolition of human slavery."

Mexico, for the first time in its history, celebrated its Independence Day, September 16, with saloons and drinking places closed. Formerly the day resulted in a large list of murders and fights as the result of drinking.

Mother's Friend recommended for expectant mothers. "I can not praise in words the good Mother's Friend did me. I am now the mother of three children and had always suffered terribly during expectancy. This time I used Mother's Friend and was sick only 10 minutes when my 9 pound girl arrived. I am ready to recommend it to every expectant mother." (Signed) Mrs. Ted Jaramilla, Albuquerque, N. Mex.

Mother's Friend is applied externally. It is sold by all druggists.

Society AND THE ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN IN RANGER Mrs. R. B. Campbell, Editor Telephone 224

TONIGHT. Glee club meets at 8 p. m. at the Gholsen. WEDNESDAY. New Era club meets at 2:30 at the Gholsen.

COOPER P. T. A. PLANS HALLOWEEN PARTY. The Cooper school is planning a very elaborate program and a general good time Friday night, at which time Halloween will be the keynote for decorations, entertainment and refreshments.

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER TOMORROW NIGHT. The Auxiliary Society of the Presbyterian church met yesterday afternoon and after a program on missions, planned for their Fellowship Supper, which they will hold Wednesday night for their church members and friends.

M. O. G. CLUB GIVES DANCE. The Green room of the Gholsen hotel was the scene of a most delightful dance last night, given by the members of the M. O. G. club. This is the first social event of the season that this club has sponsored and it was considered highly successful in every way.

REPORT OF CIRCLES. The following report of the various circles of the Central Baptist church are interesting: Circle No. 1 met with Mrs. Carville on Young street, with 11 old members present and one new member.

Circle No. 2 met with Mrs. T. B. Tharpe, with 19 members present and five new members. The Bible study class was led by Mrs. A. L. Leake. Circle No. 3 met with Mrs. Gassner, with 21 old members and five new members present.

35000 bargains that mean money saved to you! SEND TODAY for this wonderful book of savings. Its 800 pages are literally bursting with bargain prices on the world's best merchandise.

by Mrs. R. E. Barker. GUILD ANNOUNCES DATES FOR BAZAAR. St. Mary's guild met yesterday afternoon with Miss Sue Dean, at her home on South Hodges street, at which time they decided to hold their annual fall bazaar on Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving, which will be Nov. 27 and 28.

CISCO CLUB WOMEN TO HAVE FLOWER SHOW. The City Federation of Women's Clubs of Cisco announce a flower show and art exhibit which they will have on Friday and Saturday of this week beginning at noon on Friday.

VISITORS FROM ABILENE. Misses Margaret and Elizabeth Dillingham of Abilene have been weekend guests of Misses Marguerite Adamson and Claude Roberson, while the youngest Miss Dillingham, Pauline, has been the guest of Betty Jean Burden.

PERSONALS. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Pitcock, who has been visiting their son and daughter in Fort Worth, returned home today.

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day and Monday in Fort Worth the guest of her sister, Mrs. R. P. Craft. Mrs. A. N. Hankendor has been in Chicago for the last few days and writes home that she had the pleasure of being with Miss Gilliar Buchanan and Miss Laura Schmuck while there.

MASONS TO HAVE WORK IN MASTER'S DECREE TONIGHT. Work in the master's degree and a little feast for members and visitors is planned by the Ranger blue lodge Masons for tonight, according to Frank Green, worshipful master.

Business in Ranger is good, according to J. S. Echols of the Echols Self-Serving store on Rusk street, who some time ago, left Ranger hunting better fields, returned about three months ago and has now found his business such as to demand new fixtures valued at considerably more than \$2,000, which he is having installed.

The principal item in these additions to equipment is a mammoth Frigidaire cooling plant costing around \$2,000 itself, and being decorated with hand-paintings, a thing of beauty as well as utility. The paintings, two pastoral scenes on the pure white background, are especially attractive.

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# MAY SEYMOUR FOOTLOOSE

by BEATRICE BURTON

### THE STORY SO FAR:

May Seymour, whose husband killed himself because of her love affair with Jim Carewe, returns to her home town after a year's absence. She disposes of her inherited property, leaves the sale of her house in the hands of Ulysses X. Forgan, and with \$8,000 in her handbag, sets out to find and marry a man with money.

At Atlantic City she meets a divorcee, Carlotta Frolking, and her friends, Herbert Waterbury and Dan Sprague. Both men pay court to May, greatly to the distress of Carlotta, who has been in love with Dan for many years.

May, however, sets her cap for Waterbury, having made up her mind that he is the millionaire husband she is looking for. She spends almost all of her ready money on jewels, a fur coat, and expensive clothes to create the impression that she is a wealthy widow. Finally Waterbury proposes, and May accepts him.

She plans to marry him within a week before he has a chance to slip through her fingers, and when the \$12,000 from the sale of her house arrives she turns it over to him to invest for her in Dan Sprague's oil well. But immediately she regrets it, when Carlotta, on the eve of her departure for her California home, warns May not to trust Waterbury too far. She hints that he and Dan Sprague, and a mysterious third man named "Oliver M. Brunell" work together to put over shady stock deals.

**NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY:** With troubled eyes, May watched the train as it slid out of the station carrying Carlotta with it. If only she could have just a minute or two more to talk with her!

What had the frivolous little butterfly-woman been trying to tell her? That Dan and Waterbury and the mysterious "Oliver M. Brunell" were a triumvirate that worked together to put over shady stock deals? That they were out-and-out crooks?

Carefully May went over Carlotta's words in her mind, as she walked slowly back to the hotel, hardly realizing where she was going. "If I were you I shouldn't trust Herbert Waterbury too far," Carlotta had said.

Good heavens, thought May, this was a fine time to tell her a thing like that—when she had just turned over to Herbie every sou she had in the wide, green earth! She groaned aloud as she thought of what she had done.

The fur coat she wore, the diamond-studded watch on her wrist, the black pearl ring—these represented her whole fortune—these, and the \$14,000 she had signed over to Waterbury.

More over she owed a large bill at the hotel. She hadn't even paid for the orchids that were pinned to the soft, scented fur of her coat. Nor for the dinner she had given last night in honor of her engagement to Herbie!

"Oh, what a fool I was to part with that money!" she thought wildly. "Women are such simps—they ought never to be allowed to handle their own money. Some lawyer or other ought to do it for them—or a guardian!"

She stopped suddenly. Where had she heard someone say that before? Then she remembered. Waterbury, himself, had said it the night she had dropped her bag with its roll of \$500 bills!

It was not the kind of thing a dishonest man would have said, was it? "Oh, I don't know—I'm so mixed up I can't think straight," May finally decided.

Only one thing was clear in her mind. She would have to go straight to Herbie and ask him to give her money back to her!

"But, if I do that, the chances are he'll get sore because I don't trust him, and refuse to marry me," she thought. She could see that Herbie wasn't half so anxious to marry her as she was to marry him—

Wasn't that why he had told her that his young daughter was opposed to the idea of his giving her a step-

mother? And yet Carlotta had said that he had no daughter—that he was a bachelor like Dan!

Of course, Carlotta might have been mistaken. That was highly possible; she had a way of only half-listening to what was said to her.

Certainly Herbie looked like anything but a crook. His blue eyes had a frank, open way of looking at you. He had the air, always, of a man who had nothing to conceal—and yet, wasn't there a slack, cruel droop to his lips? Sometimes, they laughed unpleasantly, too.

Yes, it would be better to get the money, if possible. And the way to do it, May decided, was to pick out the largest, most expensive diamond engagement ring in Atlantic City at once, and to see to it that Herbie paid cash for it! She could do that without hurting his feelings.

She glanced at the little watch on her wrist—10 minutes after 7. It was Saturday night and the stores were still open.

She hurried on to a drug store on the next corner and telephoned Herbie to meet her on the Boardwalk in five minutes.

"I'll fix him!" she thought grimly. But when he came up to her, her eyes were soft and her lips were tilted in the sweetest and gentlest of smiles. She dimpled at him.

"You'll never guess what I called you for," she said, as she tucked her hand into his and fell into step beside him. "Never in a million years. I want you to go shopping with me!"

Herbie laughed, but a worried look came into his eyes.

"Women have said that to me before, and it's always meant trouble," he said nervously. "What do you want to shop for, at this late hour on Saturday night?"

"Best time of the whole week for bargains!" said May with great cheerfulness. "Why, we're going shopping for my engagement ring, of course, dear. It's bad luck not to have one."

"It is?" asked Waterbury. "I never heard that before. Look here, May, can't we let this go until Monday morning? I have a business engagement tonight with Dan—"

"Oo-oo, what a fibber you are!" May broke in. "Dan Sprague isn't even in Atlantic City. Carlotta says he followed Francie Lee up to New York—so you'll have to think up a better excuse than that, old timer!"

Suddenly Waterbury stopped, and shook her hand from his arm. He faced her with angry eyes. "I don't get all this engagement ring stuff," he said. "I should think you'd wait until I bought one and presented it to you, as a lover should, instead of trying to black-jack me into buying one for you! You act just like the cheapest little gold-digger alive!"

"Well, that's a sweet thing to say to me—when you have thousands of dollars of mine!" May exclaimed. "If there's any gold digging going on around here, you're doing it with your own little shovel."

Waterbury threw back his head and laughed. "What a little spit-fire it is!" he said, drawing her arm through his, and pulling her close to him. "We mustn't quarrel like this, sweetheart."

He bent his head to hers, and lowered his voice to a whisper.

"I'm having a ring made for you—from the ring that was my mother's and my grandmother's, when they were brides," he told her. "It was to have been finished today. Let's go back to the hotel, and see if they've sent it from Tiffany's."

The magic name "Tiffany" swept all doubts of Waterbury from May's mind, for the moment. She knew that people of wealth and substance patronized that famous house.

She sat waiting on a marble bench in the lobby while Herbie went over to the desk to inquire about his package. Her eyes followed his tall, well-clothed body. Yes, he was good looking in a mature way—

Not the man of her dreams, exactly, but a very good imitation! And what was the man of her dreams like, anyway? May wondered.

Once upon a time he had been the boy who sat behind her in school; and later on he had been a movie actor she had seen only on the screen. Then there had been a reckless love affair with Jim Carewe.

"I suppose there isn't any outstanding love affair in anybody's life," May thought dreamily, as she watched Herbie come back across the lobby toward her. "We have a little flirtation here and a little thrill there, and first thing we know we're old and cold and gray. And that's about all there is to it!"

But, while she was saying it to herself, she knew it wasn't true.

She remembered her own widowed mother who had loved the memory of the father whom May had never seen; as May, herself, had never loved any man in the flesh! She remembered Sunday afternoons of her childhood, when she had gone with her mother had cried on those dismally to tend the flowers on her father's grave. She remembered how her mother had cried on those distant Sunday afternoons, and how she had cried, too, not knowing why.

Yes, it must be given to some women to really care for a man.

"But not to me," May told herself with a kind of triumph. "I must be hard as nails!"

Waterbury shook his head as he came up to her. "No, my package hasn't arrived," he said, with a mock tragic air. "Nothing for me but a letter. Do you think you can wait for your engagement ring until Monday without cracking under the strain?"

"Well, I'll do my best," May promised him, and as he sat down beside her, he slipped her hand into his. "Herbie, tell me something: Why didn't you ever give your first wife that ring of your mother's for her engagement ring?"

Herbie was silent for a minute or two. "Well, you see," he began at last. "My mother was still living 16 years ago when my wife and I were married. And naturally she wanted to keep the ring so long as she lived."

"I see," May nodded her head musingly. "The reason I asked you was because Carlotta says you never had a wife. She says you haven't a daughter either—and she also says that you have no farm up near Pittsfield! Now, what have you got to say to that?"

Waterbury opened his mouth to speak, ran his tongue over his dry lips and then leaned back suddenly, as if someone had given him a push. "Why?—what?" he stammered. "Why—what else did Carlotta have to say about me?"

"Nothing much," May answered calmly, "except that you were a bachelor, like Dan. And that you and he were in on a lot of shady deals with a man named 'Oliver M. Brunell.'"

"Oliver M. Brunell—never heard of such a man," said Waterbury. May laughed. "I thought you said he was the man who gave that came to your father," she said. "You see, those are his initials—'O. M. B.'"

At that instant her eye fell upon the letter he was holding in his hand. It was a pale, blue official-looking letter, and upon it was typewritten "Oliver M. Brunell, Esq.," and below that Waterbury's own address, here, in Atlantic City!

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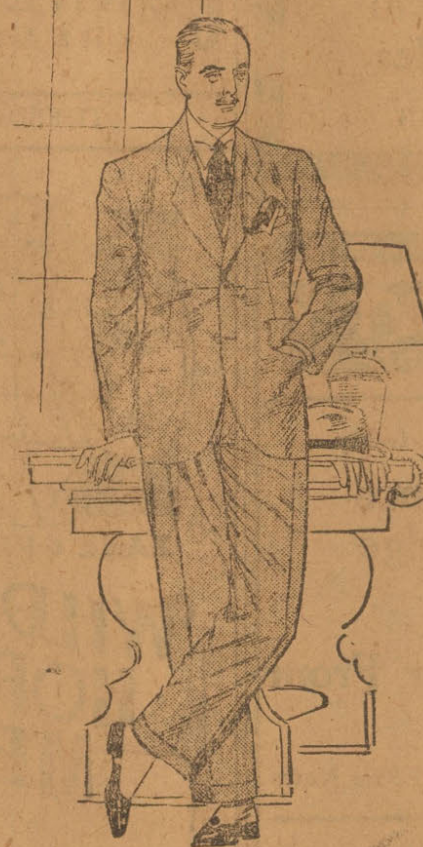
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