

WILLIAM BECK GETS DEATH VERDICT
Chinese and Japanese Resume Chapei Battle

PEEPING THRU THE KNOTHOLE
with BILL MAYES

If there are any philatelists who read this column they might be interested in this paragraph. And if there are any who do not know what a philatelist is, this bureau of information is ready to explain that he is somewhat similar to a numismatist, only different. The philatelist is a collector of postage stamps while the holder of the other jaw-breaking title is a collector of coins—preferably rare stamps and coins. Anyway, we got a letter today that contained a new United States postage stamp of the two-cent variety. Across the top is printed "United States Postage." On the next line is "All Olympic Winter Games." Then across the bottom in red on a lighter red background is printed "Lake Placid, New York, February 4-13, 1932." (The punctuation is Uncle Sam's, not ours). Then follows the regular "2 Cents" which appears on most stamps. In between the top two lines and the bottom three is a picture of a man on a pair of those elongated barrel staves that some people use to ride down a snow covered chute-the-chute and see how far they can jump. Mr. Webster says that the word for the barrel staves in ski-pronounced ski, with the "e" long, and that the plural is either ski or skis, the latter pronounces skez also with a long "e". Anyway it is a pretty stamp and might be worth saving, if one takes to that kind of a hobby.

And speaking of being a bureau of information reminds us that yesterday afternoon Floyd Killingsworth called up to ask for some information and the buck was passed to us. Floyd wanted to know if the United States plan signed the Kellogg Peace Pact if it meant the United States would not get into war. We were stumped for a moment, but we collected out hits—notice the plural please, printer, and do not make us read half-wit—and thought up an answer. Our answer was all in bunches and did not mean anything as far as we could tell. Mr. Floyd seemed to understand us better than we did and seemed to be satisfied with the answer. Or maybe he was in the position we were in when we heard Mr. Ingersoll talk on Tuesday night—we couldn't understand it so we just sat there and pretended we did.

And while looking up the pronunciation of the word "skis," which we did for fear someone would ask us how to pronounce it today, we found that skittles are ninepins and that a sking is a kind of board and that sking is to pass over rapidly, which, being more or less useless information, we skirred it, if that is the way to use the word.

According to information we have at hand, it seems that the eight-semester rule and the one-year transfer rule have both been adopted by the Oil Belt. The voting has been reported as follows:

Eight-Semester Rule—FOR—Ranger, Brownwood and Eastland. AGAINST—Abilene, Breckenridge. **One-Year Transfer Rule**—FOR—Abilene, Brownwood and Eastland. AGAINST—Ranger, Breckenridge.

It seems that Cisco did not vote because she is not mentioned in either ballot.

One editor has said just exactly what we have been trying to say for the past few days, so we will just quote the paragraph he wrote. It follows:

"This is the time of the year when an editor's mail is choked with long business appearing envelopes, the contents of which are statements made by candidates for every public office from the smallest state office to the largest national one. In every instance the prices agents advise the editor that, 'If it is submitted to you because Mr. Blah Blah's opinion it will be of interest to the public. It is pleased to you FREE of charge.' In case one cares to read the dozens we receive each day our wastebasket is to be found to the left of our desk."

ROAD BONDS VOTED.

DALHART, Texas, Feb. 12.—Dalhart county voters yesterday approved a \$200,000 road bond issue for the paving of highways 504 and 41, by a majority of 4 to 1, the count today revealed.

ARTILLERY IS USED FRIDAY IN FIGHTING

Japanese Are Planning Final Drive With 20,000 Troops.

(Copyright by United Press) SHANGHAI, SATURDAY, Feb. 12.—The Chinese and Japanese armies fought to a standstill in Chapei Friday night. A terrific bombardment of heavy artillery and severe rifle and machine gun fighting resulted in a gain for neither side. The embattled Chinese, not only holding their own, made a desperate foray but the Japanese stood their ground. At 1 a. m. Saturday the bombardment subsided and the wearied armies sought a rest before renewal of hostilities. The Japanese were landing heavy re-enforcement, estimated in some quarters at 20,000 troops and were expected as soon as organized to begin a final drive to sweep the Chinese back from the city along a 20-mile front from Wooning to the city itself. The Japanese were landing heavy re-enforcement, estimated in some quarters at 20,000 troops and were expected as soon as organized to begin a final drive to sweep the Chinese back from the city along a 20-mile front from Wooning to the city itself.

Mrs. Rockne III



Mrs. Enute Rockne, above, widow of the late great Notre Dame football coach, is reported critically ill following a major operation at Rochester, Minn. Her chances for recovery still are good, however, the surgeon reported.

WISENHUNT IS ON TRIAL IN MURDER CASE

By United Press. BIG SPRING, Texas, Feb. 12.—Evidence continued today in the trial of Louis Wisenhunt on charges of murder in connection with the slaying of Policeman H. F. Howie, with Wisenhunt testifying that he shot the policeman accidentally while shooting at Louis York in self-defense. York's widow was formerly Wisenhunt's fiancée. She testified Wisenhunt continued his attentions on her after marriage and urged her to divorce her husband and marry him. She was a witness for the state. Howie was shot last Aug. 23 while attempting to quiet a disturbance at a tourist camp.

Funeral Services For Mrs. Cloud Are Held Today

Funeral services for Mrs. Lydia E. Cloud, 80, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. T. Matthews, Ranger, on Thursday afternoon at 3:25 o'clock, are to be held at the First Christian church, Ranger, this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. H. R. Johnson, pastor of the church, will officiate at the services and interment will be in the Evergreen cemetery immediately following the church services. Mrs. Cloud was born in Mississippi but had lived in Texas for a number of years and had lived in Ranger for the past 11 years, making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Teasdale. Austin, Willie Cloud of Austin, Ruth Cloud of San Diego, Calif., Misses Willie, Ruth Naomi, Mildred and Sammy Gus Matheis of Ranger, The deceased was the last of her family, all her brothers and sisters being dead. Active pallbearers are H. C. Anderson, E. M. Glazner, J. A. Wilson, Roy Wilson, E. L. Nelson, C. Carrothers, and E. F. Holway.

STERLING TO LEAVE TROOPS IN OIL FIELD

By United Press. AUSTIN, Feb. 12.—Governor Sterling denied today that he intends to reduce the martial law force in East Texas. "I intend to keep the men there as long as they are needed," he said. How long that would be he did not say. His attorneys have been instructed to take an appeal to the United States supreme court should the three-federal judge court at Houston hold martial law invalid.

Car Is Stolen From Showroom Of Everett Co.

Making their entrance through a skylight, burglars broke into the Everett Motor company in Eastland Thursday night and opened the door and drove away with an automobile. This is the second time this place has been robbed in six months. The other robbery was apparently committed by an expert safe cracker. The knobs were knocked off every safe in the office and the cash drawers were rifled.

Aged Eastland Woman Is Dead

"Grandma" Knight, resident of Eastland for more than 25 years, passed away this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. G. Brunett on the Breckenridge highway. "Grandma" Knight was well known by all the pioneers of the city. Funeral arrangements have not been completed. Besides Mrs. Brunett, Mrs. Knight leaves a son, Lee Knight, of Tahoka, who was formerly in business in Eastland.

Abraham Lincoln Lauded In House

By United Press. WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The principles and courage of Abraham Lincoln were held up today as a model for the nation in the midst of a great national crisis" in observance of his birthday by the House where he once sat as a member. Representative Burnett M. Chipperfield, republican, Illinois, chosen as the orator for the day, praised Lincoln for "his unflinching determination to stand steady before the nations of the world for the rights of America," a lesson which, he said, "may be helpful at the present time."

MUNDAY—First National bank, new institution granted charter for operations with capital stock of \$250,000.

Fights Hoarding



Colonel Frank Knock, Chicago newspaper publisher, and chairman of President Hoover's committee which is seeking ways to "smoke out" the \$1,300,000,000 of hoarded money in the United States, is shown here as he left the capitol at Washington, D. C., after conferring with national leaders.

Ranger Legion Post Has Good Meet Thursday

An unusually interesting meeting of the Carl Barnes post of the American Legion was held at the Legion hall, Ranger, Thursday night, at which a large number of Legionnaires were present. A short business session was held at which plans and reports from committees were made in connection with the seventh annual American Legion-George Washington banquet. Following the business meeting a boxing bout between two negro boys furnished entertainment for the evening. Refreshments were served to the post members and to several members of the Dulin-Dankle post of Eastland, who were visitors at the meeting.

Credit Bill Is Ordered Reported Favorably Today

By United Press. WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—President Hoover's latest credit relief bill to ease federal reserve district regulations and authorize the issue of more than two billion dollars in new currency, was ordered reported favorably today by the senate banking and currency committee.

Junior Rifle Club To Meet Saturday

George Armstrong, instructor for the American Legion-Boy Scout Junior Rifle club of Ranger, announced today that he had received Junior National Rifle association pins and would distribute them at the regular meeting of the club, which will be held at 9:30 Saturday morning at the armory of the national guard. The members of the club will be given instructions on firing and handling a rifle and will hold a rifle shoot during the morning. All members of the club, urged to be present and take part in the shoot.

Garner Is Called Idol of Democracy Will Rogers Ready To Be Commissioner

By United Press. WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Representative Canfield, democrat, Indiana, issued a statement today saying Speaker Garner would become "the idol of democracy" if nominated for the presidency. Garner, Canfield said, "would sweep the pyrric states and this common-sense, practical man, has a high degree of popularity in the eastern states."

Rogers was appointed when he visited Mr. Hoover yesterday. "I am the only member so far to know it will be fun," the humorist said. "I intend to appoint a lot of sub-committees. I am to go out and fix up some jokes that will make the people laugh so much they will put their money back in banks."

Cummings Says Roosevelt Will Be Party's Nominee

By United Press. WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Justice J. M. Preyer in District of Columbia court today sustained demurrers of Bishop James Cannon Jr. and Miss Add Burroughs to indictments charging them with violation of the federal corrupt practices act. United States Attorney Rover in charge of prosecution, said he would appeal to the District of Columbia court of appeals.

PROMINENT TEXAS LAWYER DIES TODAY

By United Press. AUSTIN, Feb. 12.—J. W. Hill, 76, prominent West Texas attorney from San Angelo, died of heart trouble here today. He was formerly a member of the Texas senate. He was in Austin as an attorney for Ira G. Yates interests in the state suit to settle title to valuable land in Pecos county. His son, J. P. Hill, was with him at the time of his death and will return with the body to San Angelo today. Judge Hill played a prominent part in shaping the policy of the state toward West Texas school land and was regarded the leading attorney of the Concho country. He was a member of the twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth legislatures. Besides his son, a former district judge of San Angelo, he is survived by a daughter at Itasca.

Big Rum Ring Reported To Be Unearthed Today

By United Press. NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12.—Federal District Attorney Edmond Palout made public today indictments against 104 persons which he claimed exposed an international rum syndicate that operated a fleet of rum schooners and a distribution system in which airplanes and wireless played a part. He said members of the Capone gang in Chicago are involved in the case. The southern terminus of the alleged ring was in Honduras and its ramifications extended to Canada, involving four distilleries, he said.

State To Vote On "Blue Law"

By United Press. MADISON, Wis.,—Wisconsin's "blue law" will be subjected to the crucial vote of its 83-year-old career in a referendum April 5. The statute provides a maximum \$10 fine for any person attending or participating in any form of entertainment, or sport, or performing any other than necessary, or charitable work on Sundays. During the last quarter century a repeal has been sought 11 times, approved by the assembly, but refused by the more conservative senate.

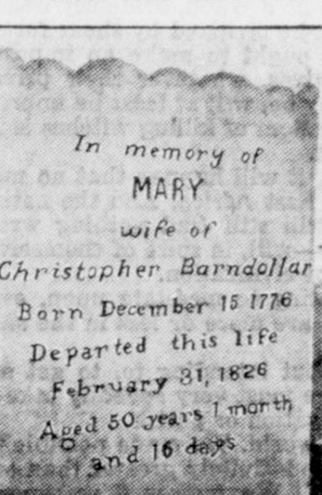
Texan Is Editor Of English Paper of Shanghai, China

By United Press. PECOS,—Tillman Durdin, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Durdin here, is city editor of the China Press, an English language newspaper published in the International Settlement of embattled Shanghai. Durdin, formerly employed by the Pecos Enterprise, called his parents and he was unhurt in the initial fighting following the landing of the Japanese. The referendum resolution drew a one-sided favorable majority in the assembly and survived the senate roll call by seven votes.

W. K. Wilson Trial Is Set For March 7

By United Press. BARTSTOW, Texas.—Trial of W. K. Wilson, Winkler county commissioner, on charges of murder in connection with the fatal shooting of W. M. (Blackie) Laughlin, Winkler, has been set here from Reeves county and is set for March. Judge J. A. Drane sent the case here from Pecos on his own motion. AEP—London Petroleum corporation ready to pay cement at their well three and one-half miles from here.

Find the Errors



THIS marble tombstone in a Philadelphia cemetery perpetuates a "grave" error—in fact two errors. The inscription, which the marble has preserved for more than a century, reads: "In Memory of Mary wife of Christopher Bardollar, born December 15, 1776. Departed this life February 31, 1826. Aged 50 years 1 month and 16 days."

SOUTH AFRICA FIGHTS TO KEEP GOLD STANDARD

By United Press. CAPETOWN, South Africa.—Far from the world's financial storm centers, the Union of South Africa is engaged in a lone struggle to maintain the gold standard against internal opposition and external pressure. Twelve centuries, including the union's neighbors, Southern and Northern Rhodesia, have quit the gold standard since Great Britain suspended it Sept. 21. The minister of finance, N. C. Havenga, in his speech in parliament on Nov. 20 defending his currency policy, declared that "South Africa is on a gold basis and will remain on a gold basis, and obtains the passage of an emergency powers act in order to maintain that policy."

Returning Mexicans Will Boost Trade With United States

By United Press. LOS ANGELES.—Mexicans who have been sent back to their native land after spending nearly \$3,000, are United States will furnish increased demand for American-made products in Mexico. That is the opinion of Stephen E. Aguirre, United States vice consul at Mexico, who was a recent visitor here. Thousands of Mexicans, who came to the United States during boom times, have voluntarily returned, or been sent back to Mexico during the past two years. "Being particularly assigned to the commercial end of my country's consulate, I am in a position to know that commerce between the United States and Mexico will be greatly enhanced by Mexicans returning to their native land," Aguirre said. "These Mexicans have lived in the United States sufficiently long enough to become accustomed to the more modern conveniences and inventions. As they return to Mexico, they take with them the desire for these things and they seek them out at points in Mexico where they locate. The inevitable result is that fellow natives in Mexico become educated to the labor-saving devices and home manufacturing machines and they, too, want them. The Mexicans returning to Mexico take with them stories of the radio, the sewing machine, the washing machine, the automobile, and phonograph, and other items of merchandise which they will demand sooner or later. The returning Mexicans are colonizing and their community spirit is a great deal like that learned from the Americans."

YOUTH SHOWS NO EMOTION BEFORE JURY

By United Press. WACO, Texas, Feb. 12.—A district court jury today sentenced William Beck, 19, former university student, to death in the electric chair for slaying O. L. Jones, automobile salesman, last Sept. 3. The defense gave notice of appeal. Beck confessed the crime following his arrest in Wichita Falls, and said he shot the salesman, who had given him a ride, to obtain money and obtained \$2. Efforts were made to show him insane as the result of a baseball striking him in the head in 1929. In contrast to the tears of members of his family, Beck heard the verdict without a show of emotion. The stillness of the courtroom that followed reading of the death sentence was broken by the sobbing moans from Mrs. J. J. Beck of Willis Point, whose husband, the father of the condemned youth, had heard the verdict and then burst into tears.

Six-Month Bath Brings Invention

By United Press. LONDON.—Nathan Maissell, a retired diamond merchant, has just spent six months in a bath. Maissell was worried because a newspaper had stated that there had been 100,000 accidents to people in baths. He was more worried when soon after he had one himself. So he decided to do something about it. Every day, except for meals, he has spent in his bath. The result of his experiments, after spending nearly \$3,000, are a non-slip rubber bath base, a soft rubber seat and back rest, and a spongy rubber pillow. An adaptable chin rest is fixed to the pillow for bathers subject to fainting fits.

Weather

By United Press. West Texas—Partly cloudy to night and Saturday.

U. S. MAILS
(Mail for Fort Worth or beyond 10:00 a. m.)
Daily West—12:00 p. m.
Daily East—4:15 p. m.
Airmail—Night planes, 4:00 p. m. Day planes, 8:30 p. m.

WEATHER

By United Press. WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Festus Hefferman, 24, step-son of W. P. Edward, Fort Worth ranchman, was injured fatally today while repairing a windmill on the D-I ranch today. Hefferman was under the windmill when a rod broke, striking him behind the left ear, severing arteries.

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GET CIVILIZED OR PERISH!
The authorities in British East Africa, who have ordered
the execution of 60 natives for the murder of an old
woman who was supposed to be a witch, evidently believe
that untutored tribesmen can be civilized by sheer force.

So, in the course of time, it will happen that no more
witches are killed in British East Africa. And the natives
—whose mental processes will still find nothing wrong
in the idea of killing witches—will, in spite of themselves,
take on one more attribute of civilization.

This is all rather interesting to meditate upon, especially
since all the rest of us are more or less in the same boat.

We have managed, without intending to, to get our-
selves into a spot in which we must very speedily take on
the customs of a higher civilization or perish.

First we mechanized the world. We made possible the
production of goods on a scale infinitely greater than any-
thing previously dreamed of. We improved transportation,
so that all distances shrank to a fiftieth of their old
length. We improved communication systems, so that every
man had the world for a neighbor. We erected an
enormously intricate and complicated financial-industrial
system, so that the whole world has to stand or fall to-
gether.

Having done this, we failed to understand that a civil-
ization of that sort could not be conducted by men and
women whose mental outlook was just about what the
mental outlook of their great-grandparents had been.

Our troubles today come chiefly from the fact that we
have not yet been able to live up to this glittering new
civilization. Our minds, for instance, still accept such
things as ignorance, poverty, prejudice, international
rivalry and war as natural features of human society—al-
though our new civilization must inevitably go to pot un-
less such things are eliminated.

We stand pretty much where the African natives stand.
We must get civilized or perish.

THE NATIONAL TRAFFIC SAFETY CONTEST
The National Safety Council has announced that on
January 1 the number of cities to enter its Traffic Safety
Contest had passed the 125 mark.

Six of the 13 major cities—those with more than 500,000.
Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles, Baltimore and Pitts-
burgh are among the competing metropolises, and at the
last report local parties were working to obtain the entries
of New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco and Cleveland.

When all entries are in about one-fourth of the entire popu-
lation will be directly affected by the safety drive.

The contest is of inestimable benefit to the communi-
ties participating. It demands an accurate check of fatal
accidents, and stresses the importance of adequate traffic
law enforcement. It does an immense amount of good by
making the public generally conscious of the responsibility
every motorist should feel and live up to.

Last year 35,000 people lost their lives because of care-
lessness, incompetence or recklessness at the wheels of au-
tomobiles. This mounting record of death and accident has
just forced an increase of automobile liability insurance
rates in 14 states, based on the average loss cost per car
from 1927 to 1930, inclusive. Now responsible motorists
are promising themselves to do their part to lower the rate
in 1932—and the National Traffic Safety Contest will do
much to keep this pledge fresh in their minds.

BEAUTIFYING WEST TEXAS
Fair-hearted West Texans used to think that it was
impossible to grow beautiful trees in this climate. That
theory has been pretty well exploded; even a pessimist
can't doubt the evidence of his own eyes. Certain varieties
of trees—and the choice is rather wide, all things con-
sidered—do exceedingly well in West Texas.

R. C. Morrison, city forester of Fort Worth, has been
"loaned" to the West Texas chamber of commerce for a
series of illustrated lectures on this very topic. Already he
has spoken at a number of places. Another series will get
under way as soon as his present itinerary is completed.
The talks are particularly valuable at this time, which
happens to be planting time for trees and shrubs.

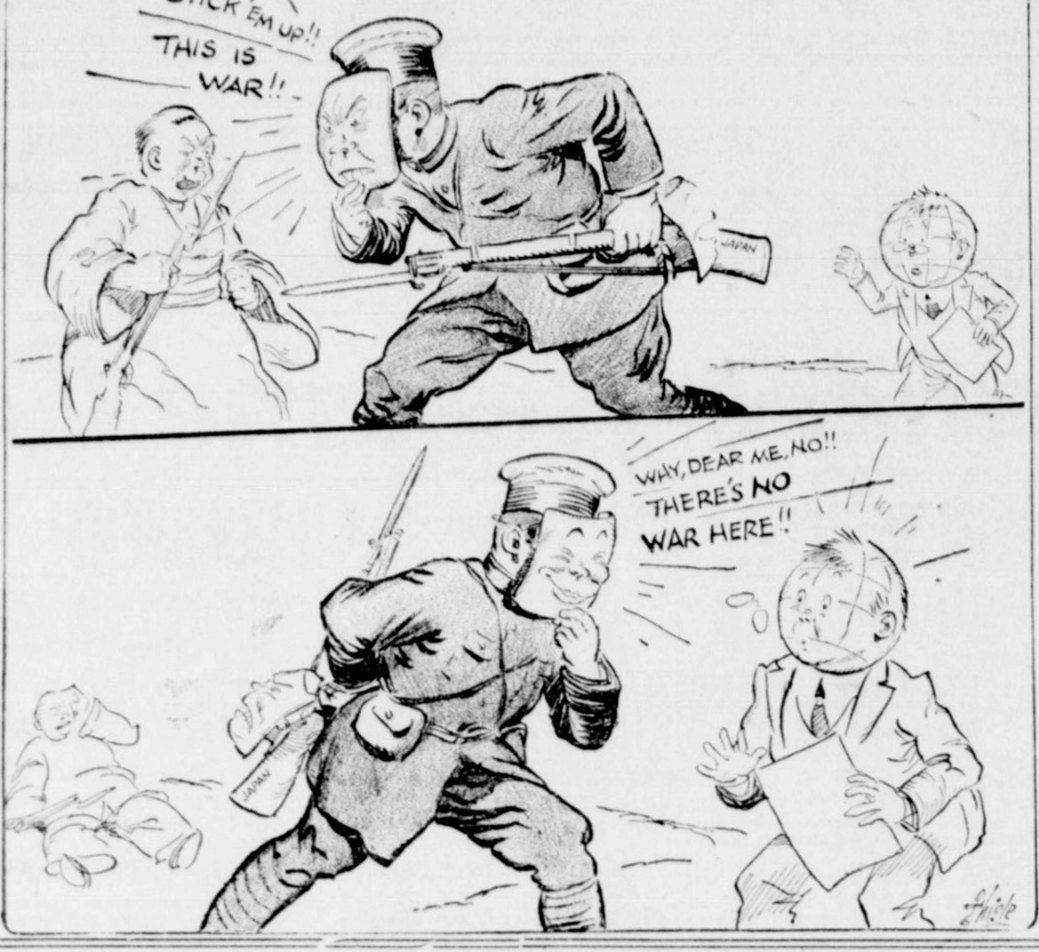
West Texas is sorely in need of the sort of beauty pro-
duced by trees. The region is not naturally blessed in that
respect. But what Nature has overlooked, man can remedy.
The five-year beautification program sponsored by Presi-
dent Harte of the W. T. C. C. and his co-workers is one
of the most important movements of its kind ever started
in Texas. It should meet with the hearty cooperation of
every community.—Abilene Reporter.

WHERE GOOD ROADS ARE NEEDED
Good roads are as essential to farm prosperity as good
facilities for transport are to industrial prosperity. They
are agriculture's arteries of progress.

The farmer who is able to take his goods to market, at
any time of year and over weatherproof surfaced high-
ways, will always be far ahead of the farmer who is cut
off from communication with the outside world by unim-
proved, often impassable roads. Modern use of asphalt and
road oil has made the low cost farm-to-market road dream
possible. The lack of roads, of course, is not alone respon-
sible for bad farm conditions. But it is an important con-
tributory cause, as is demonstrated by increasing agita-
tion for good farm-to-market roads in all parts of the coun-
try since economical construction methods have been de-
veloped.

EASTLAND TELEGRAM

Two Faces East!



Lincoln's City Plans To Honor Its Famous Son

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 11.—
Programs sponsored by local civic
organizations, to which the gen-
eral public has been invited to at-
tend, will mark Springfield's an-
nual tribute to its most famous
son—Abraham Lincoln—on the
occasion of the 123rd anniversary
of his birth tomorrow.

The Springfield Mid-Day Lun-
cheon Club has invited residents
from all parts of the nation to at-
tend a special program to be held
at the state arsenal tonight, at
which Governor Gifford Pinchot
of Pennsylvania, and Doctor Jose
Manuel Ruiz Casarane, ambasador
of Mexico to the United States
will be the principal speakers.

Two Programs
Tomorrow, the Abraham Lin-
coln Memorial Association will
sponsor two programs. One will
be held in the afternoon in the
historical circuit court room of
the Sangamon County court-
house, where Lincoln was a fre-
quent visitor. The other will be
in the state centennial building in
the evening.

At the afternoon meeting John
M. Zane, Chicago attorney, will
be the principal speaker, while in
the evening Louis A. Warren,
Fort Wayne, Ind., a director of
the Lincoln Historical Research
System—officially referred to as "a
refuge of the timid." In other
words, postal savings is considered
the hoarder's haven. There is al-
ways a rush to it in times of dis-
tress and doubt, which is why
in the last 30 months the number
of postal savings depositors has in-
creased from 417,000 to 1,177,000
and deposits have jumped from
\$154,000,000 to \$595,000,000.

The faith of the United States
of America is solemnly pledged to
the payment of deposits with ac-
crued interest. The handsome
postal savings deposit certificates,
which one receives in lieu of a
bankbook and come in denomina-
tions from \$1 to \$500, give the
depositor that iron-clad assurance.

Life of Lincoln
Zane and Warren are expected
to talk on subjects relating to the
life of Lincoln. Both men have
spent years in studying the life
of the Emancipator and are ex-
pected to reveal numerous inci-
dents unknown heretofore by local
people.

A feature of the visit of Pin-
chot and Dr. Casarane will be
a pilgrimage to the tomb of Lin-
coln which was recently remodel-
ed at a cost of several hundred
thousand dollars by the state of
Illinois. The remodeled tomb was
re-dedicated by President Hoover
last summer.

The tomb annual attracts
thousands of visitors from all
parts of the world. Last year
nearly a half million visitors from
as far as the Easter Islands and
as close as the immediate vicinity
of Oak Ridge cemetery visited it.

Road Colors Puzzle British

LONDON.—Roadways of bright
yellow, pale pink, or emerald
green may crisscross England.
Time was when the automobile
sprayed all with dust and gasoline
fumes as it moved over the white
highways.

But the increase in automobile
travel has necessitated better
roads. The hard glossy surface
was evolved.

Then came the problem of dar-
kness. Dark roads reflected the au-
tomobile headlights. White paint
was tried, but it was not practical.
The trouble was keeping the paint
clean.

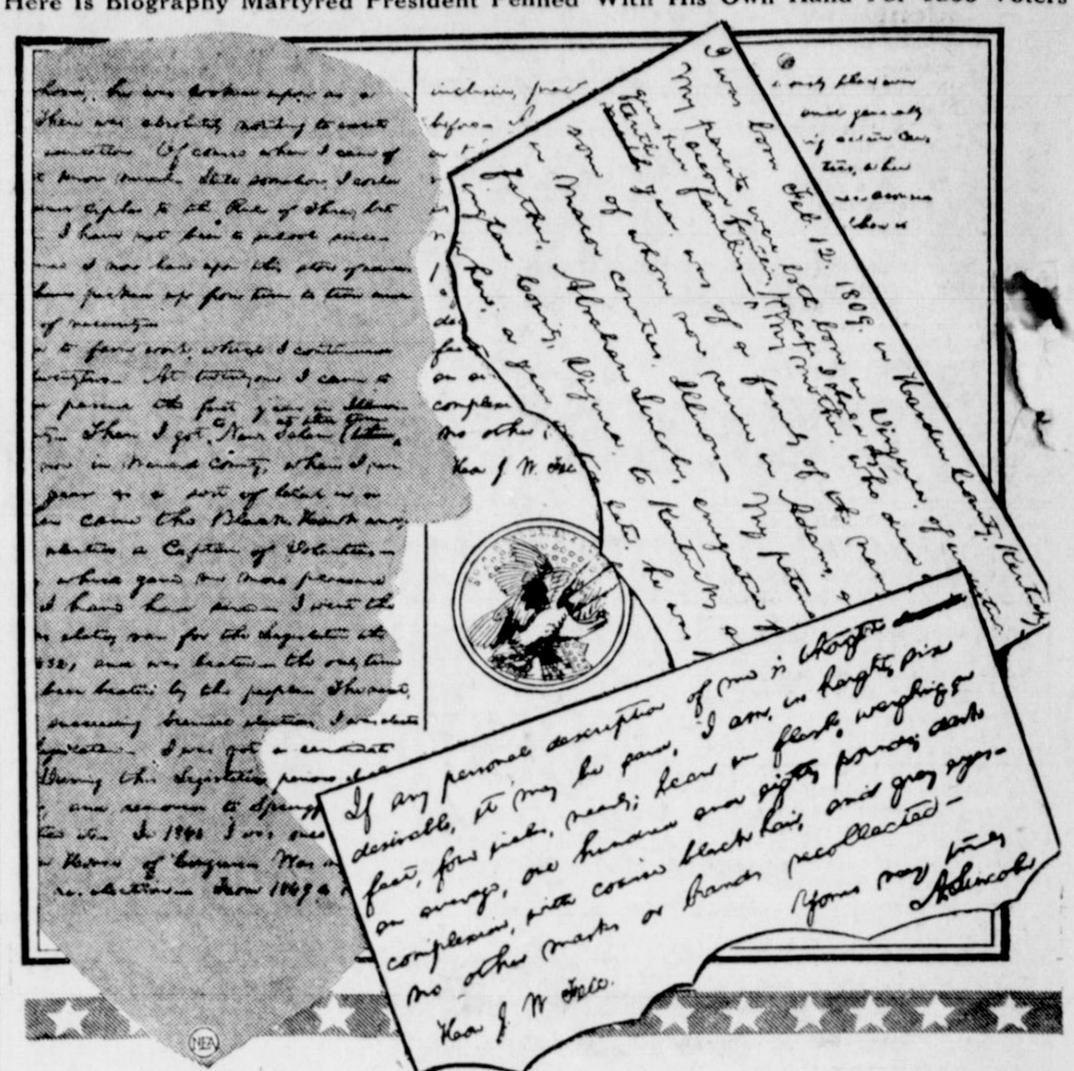
Other colors were tried, and are
still being tried. Many country
roads have safety lines down the
center, painted in yellow, while
in the south of France, primrose
has been found suitable, since it
throws the roadway into relief
but does not reflect headlights.

The main difficulty appears to
be to find a paint which will not
wear off.

Time may come when an air-
plane flying over England will see
a checker-board of green fields,
outlined in all the colors of the
rainbow, resembling nothing so
much as some gaily-patterned
patchwork quilt.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S OWN STORY OF HIS LIFE

Here Is Biography Martyred President Penned With His Own Hand For 1860 Voters

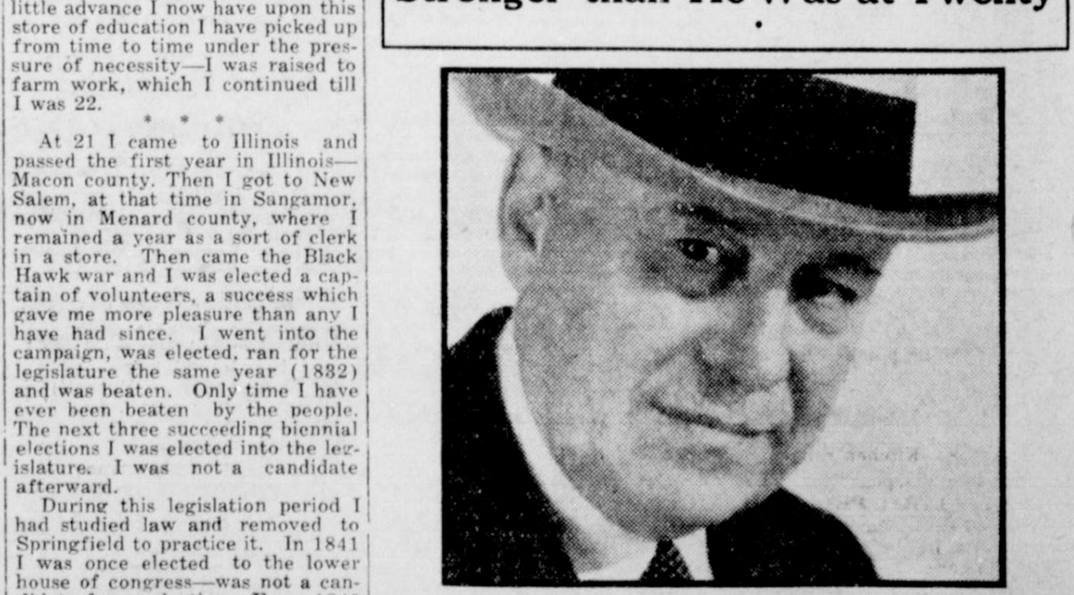


Here is Abraham Lincoln's own story of his life, as penned by his own hand, which may soon find a place
in the archives of the nation in the Library of Congress at Washington. It is now in a bank vault at
Normal, Ill. It was bequeathed to the public recently upon the death of Miss Fannie Fell, of Los Gatos,
Calif., whose father, Judge Jesse W. Fell, once shared Mr. Lincoln's law office at Springfield, Ill. Mr.
Lincoln, at Judge Fell's request, wrote this autobiography in December, 1859, for the guidance of his
friends in preparing material for his presidential candidacy in 1860. The illustration reproduces parts of
the document in Mr. Lincoln's handwriting.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

Advertisement for Lincoln's Address at Gettysburg, featuring a portrait of Lincoln and text: 'LINCOLN'S ADDRESS AT GETTYSBURG, PROBABLY THE BEST KNOWN OF ALL HIS IMMORTAL UTTERANCES, WAS SO SHORT THAT NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPHERS WERE UNABLE TO CATCH THE PRESIDENT AS HE SPEKE. ONLY A RIPPLE OF APPLAUSE FOLLOWED THE MESSAGE AND LINCOLN THOUGHT IT HAD BEEN A FAILURE.'

Stronger than He Was at Twenty



FIFTY-FIVE years old, and still
going strong!
Do you want the secret of such
vitality? It isn't what you eat, or
any tonic you take. It's something
you can start today and see results in
a week! All you do is give your vital
organs the right stimulant.

A famous doctor discovered the
way to stimulate a sluggish system
to new energy. It brings fresh vigor
to every organ. Being a physician's
prescription, it's quite harmless.
Tell your druggist you want a bottle
of Dr. Caldwell's syrup pepsin. Get
the benefit of his fresh laxative
herbs, active senna, and that pure
pepsin. Get that lazy liver to work,
those stagnant bowels into action.
Get rid of waste matter that is slow
poison so long as it is permitted to
remain in the system.

Yours very truly,
A. LINCOLN.

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Keeping Up With Eastland County Students at C.I.A.

DENTON, Texas, Feb. 12.—Miss Maydell Sikes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sikes, Eastland, read a paper on the "Draft Convention of Disarmament Conference..."

At a regular meeting of the F. H. Bralley Scholarship society yesterday, Miss Sikes was elected delegate to the convention of Scholarship Societies of the South...

Miss Sikes was a guest of Miss Eunice Akers, Denton, at a bridge party Tuesday night.

Miss Frances Glazner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Glazner, 409 Sue street, Ranger, and Miss Kenneth Wier, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Wier, of Ranger, were guests of the Women's club of Fort Worth Sunday.

LEAP YEAR BOOMS MARRIAGE LICENSES KEISO, Wash.—Leap year is making an excellent showing in Cowlitz county, a survey of marriage license records reveals.

BABE RIDES PLANE. PORTLAND, Ore.—Scorning such old-fashioned methods of transportation as cradles and perambulators, two-week-old Shirley Louise Smith recently took an airplane ride above Portland.

VICKS COUGH DROP ... All you've hoped for in a Cough Drop—medicated with ingredients of VICKS VAPORUB

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS This paper is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the Democratic primary election July 23, 1932:

For Judge 88th District Court: J. D. BARKER. For Sheriff: VIRGE FOSTER (re-election). For District Clerk: P. L. (Lewis) CROSSLEY. For County Clerk: W. C. BEDFORD.

WANTED—Couple for farm work; give reference. Box 517 Cisco, Texas. RINGLETTE OIL WAVE, \$1.00; guaranteed. Miss Johnnie Moore, 321 Walnut st., Ranger.

Next Door to Post Office WOLF'S For the Woman Who Cares! Eastland Frigidire and Electrical Appliances Texas Electric Service Co.

The Newfangles (Mom 'n' Pop) By Cowan



The dime-a-dance girl. BY JOHN CLETON

BEGIN HERE TODAY Beautiful ELLEN ROSSITER, a salesgirl in Barclay's Department Store, lives with her extravagant mother, Molly Rossiter, her elder sister, Myra, and her young brother, Mike. The two girls support the family. Molly foolishly spends money lavishly to pay the rent. Ellen decides to work at night at Dreamland as a dance hall hostess until the sum is made up. The hostesses must wear evening dresses and Ellen owns none.

Stevie Garry, a man of 57 and Ellen's employer, sees the girl crying and discovers the situation. Obviously interested, he loans Ellen a lovely white tulle frock when she refuses to accept it as a gift. Ellen forgets her wealthy employer's kindness when at Dreamland she meets handsome Larry Harrowgate, an artist. She accepts Larry's invitation to tea. In the morning, however, she finds that Ellen forgets her wealthy employer's kindness when at Dreamland she meets handsome Larry Harrowgate, an artist. She accepts Larry's invitation to tea.

Now go on with the story CHAPTER IX "You were perfectly right. You should have been angry. I didn't realize, and I know mother isn't, how selfish we were being."

Ellen paused in the act of putting on a shoe. "It's Larry," she said shyly. Myra wailed. "But I have sworn, listless and disinterested. I always thought of society people as having lots of money. That shows just how ignorant I am!" Myra said, exaggerating her self-deprecation in an attempt to make it amusing.

Ellen saw that the older girl was fumbling among the newspaper clippings that she kept in her drawer of the old-fashioned, marble-top dresser. They were mostly pictures. Pictures of men playing polo and girls on the sands of the Lido, pictures from gay Florida, masquerade parties, skiing parties at Lake Placid and in the Alps—Myra clipped and filed them away. Ellen had always been a little contemptuous of Myra's collection.

Ellen's heart twisted sickeningly. She did not speak and only stood staring, staring at the picture. "I remembered him," Myra said painfully, closing the dresser's open drawer and turning around again, "because I only cut it out on Tuesday. It's an odd name, isn't it?" Ellen roused, mechanically folded the clipping and handed it back to her sister. Myra did not return it to her collection. Instead she tore it to bits and flung the scraps in the wastebasket, her frightened, apologetic eyes fixed on Ellen's colorless face.

Ellen, honey, don't look like that," she begged, "I'm sorry I ever cut the darn thing out." Again Ellen did not speak. "You don't know," Myra went on timidly, "perhaps the engagement is broken." "That's unlikely," Ellen said dully, "when it was announced last Tuesday." "But she's gone to Europe. It was in the morning paper. Wait, I'll get it for you." "Don't bother." "Oh Ellen, darling—" "Let's not have any more melodramatics, please. I've been a darling. But Ellen, you don't know a grand name?" "Larry Harrowgate?" "Do you know him, Myra?" Ellen exclaimed, delighted. "Wasn't I right? Isn't he a darling? Where'd you meet him?" The dress dropped over Myra's head. It hardly displaced a hair of the smooth coiffure but Ellen thought her sister looked pale and tired. Older than usual. "I've never met Larry Harrowgate," she answered in an odd voice. "Then why were you so surprised?" Ellen asked casually. She was not apprehensive. Myra sometimes had a way of being

Road Bonus To Be An Issue In Governor Race

AUSTIN.—A state road bond issue, one of the chief planks of Gov. Ross S. Sterling, will be eliminated from the coming state campaign, in the opinion of W. R. Ely of Abilene, chairman of the state highway commission. "I do not think it will be an issue in the next campaign," said Chairman Ely while here this week.

A pamphlet outlining the bond plan of financing state highways was issued by Sterling when he was chairman of the state highway commission. It was titled "The Solution of the Texas Highway Problem" and sub-headed "A state-wide bond issue with reimbursement of counties for money they have spent on state roads."

The state legislature, after one of its hardest battles, refused to submit the proposal to a popular vote, which is required. Opposition to the bond issue was made a chief plank by former Gov. "Ma" Ferguson when she ran with Sterling as an opponent. In the first primary she led State Senator Clint Small, who also opposed the bond, ran third. In the run-off Sterling was elected.

Although the bond issue was practically ignored by Sterling in the run-off campaign, it was launched again before the last legislature. Instead of submitting the bond issue, the legislature passed a bill to relieve the county and road district burdens by transferring a part of the state gasoline tax from the state highway fund to retire the county and district bonds.

Declaring it would cripple highway funds and not take effect in time to bring early tax relief to the counties, Governor Sterling vetoed this alternate plan.

Chairman Ely was a co-member of the state highway commission with Sterling, becoming chairman as Governor Sterling's appointee. His declaration against pushing the bond issue in another campaign therefore carries the strength of a semi-official statement of policy.

SCHOOL REGISTRATIONS INCREASE IN KANSAS By United Press. EMPORIA, Kan.—F. T. Owen, registrar of the College of Emporia, sees a sign of economic recovery in the fact there are more registered in the school for the second term than there were for the first semester.

HONOR SYSTEM CLEARS ISLAND NEAR PRISON

LANSING, Kan.—Laughing and singing, 104 men go about their work of felling huge cottonwood trees and clearing away the brush from a river island near here. To the casual observer they are much the same as any group of laborers, satisfied with their work and apparently happy. But they are convicts serving time.

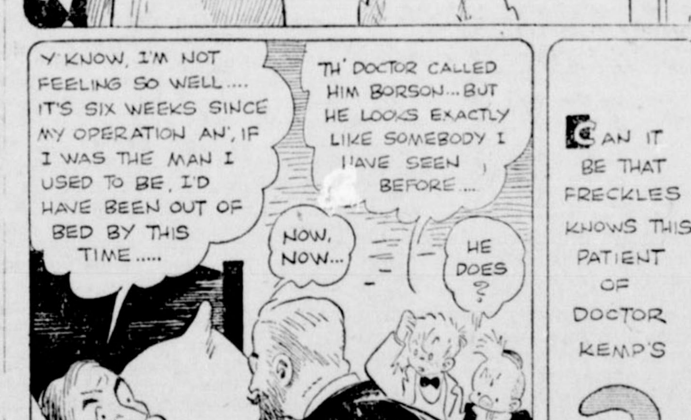
Within a few months the men have justified the faith of Penitentiary Warden Kirk Prather in the "honor system." The system has passed beyond the experimental stage. Briefly, the warden's plan calls for placing younger men and first offenders on their honor whereby they work under nominal guard.

The state owns 1,500 acres on the island adjacent to the penitentiary grounds. Densely wooded, it offered opportunity for carrying out the warden's plan. He is clearing it. His model prison camp occupants are preparing the land for cultivation. From the center of operations a railroad spur runs to a nearby sawmill, to which the logs are hauled. Sixty convicts man the mill.

Already the convicts have constructed two dormitories, a dining room, bath houses and other out-buildings. The cost has been virtually negligible. The warden expects to have 400 additional acres ready for spring planting. He plans to raise more than \$20,000 worth of vegetables next season, thereby effecting considerable saving for the state.

One Guard. Among the lumberjacks dressed uniformly in blue denim wo guards are seen. As a matter of fact, only one guard occupies the island. His sole duty is to check the men and see that they are in bed by 10 p. m. So far not a man has tried to escape. Apparently they are satisfied to receive their four cents a day for the work, with which they may purchase tobacco and candy. The "reform" system permits the non-habitual and minor offenders to escape in a large measure the odium of prison life. The camp has a physician and post office. Thus a man may serve his entire term without being inside the wall in contact with hardened criminals.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS By Blosser



British Show A Small Increase In Business Failures

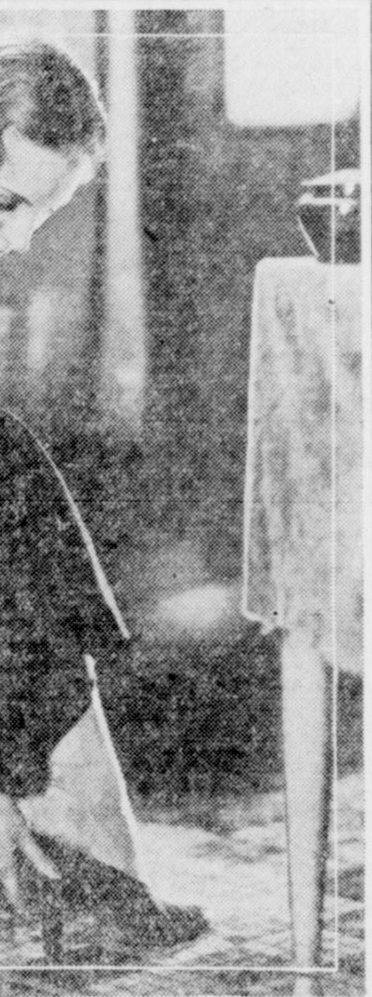
LONDON.—The average British business man, an outstanding example of the nation's traditional conservatism, is weathering the financial storms with remarkable strength. Despite the tremendous slump in business activity, bankruptcies have been only slightly more numerous in eras of comparative prosperity.

During 1931 only 4,655 business firms in Great Britain and Ireland went into the hands of receivers. The preceding year, which was far more favorable for business, saw 4,568 enterprises bankrupt. In Scotland and Ireland there were actually fewer such failures last year than in 1930. British conservatism in business has come in for much criticism in recent years, yet it has saved hundreds or thousands of enterprises from going to the wall in the present crisis. The severity of the test to which this conservatism is being put is revealed by the fact that bank clearings dropped 30.8 per cent during the last quarter of 1931 and 16.8 per cent for 1931 as a whole, reflecting a serious decline in business activity. The

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clearings have slumped from 44,896,677,000 pounds in 1929 to 36,235,869,000 pounds in 1931. Of all the businesses which found it impossible to continue last year the grocers were most numerous. The drapery silk and woolen trades ranked second, the building and timber trades third and agricultural trades fourth. The motor trade, which occupied fifth place on 1930's list, was supplanted last year by the merchants, brokers and agents.

Stocks Firmer. Stocks on the London exchange have not suffered from the sharp decline recently that has characterized the New York list. While the general trend on the two exchanges is nearly always similar, British securities do not experience such severe fluctuations. Toward the latter part of the year they began a recovery while the New York issues were still plunging to new lows. Britain's worst year for bankruptcies was 1923, when 5,032 firms went into receivers' hands. Largely they represented the dwindling of fortunes made in the post-war boom and the weeding out of new business built on an insecure foundation. They passing left the long-established



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RESTFUL SLEEP for FRETFUL, FEVERISH CHILD —With Castoria's regulator When your child tosses and cries out in his sleep, it means he is not comfortable. Very often the trouble is that poisonous waste matter is not being carried off as it should be. Bowels need help—mild, gentle help—but effective. Just the kind Castoria gives. Castoria is a pure vegetable preparation made specially for children's ailments. It contains no harsh, harmful child's rest—and your child will be comfortable. A prompt cure of Castoria will urge stubborn little bowels to act. Then relaxed comfort and restful sleep! Genuine Castoria always has the name: Dr. J. C. Fletcher CASTORIA CHILDREN CRY FOR IT

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ARE YOU THIN, PALE AND PIMPLY? Wichita Falls, Texas.—"My son was in poor health when he was about twenty years of age. His blood became thin and he was pale. He was also troubled with his stomach and his face broke out with pimples," said Mrs. Beulah Singleton of 1101 18th St. "Finally, I decided to have him try Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. By the time he had taken a few bottles he was completely relieved of all these troubles, his blood became healthy, and he had no more stomach trouble. Ask your druggist for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery

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SOCIAL AFFAIRS and CLUB NEWS

MARY ELIZABETH HARRIS Editor Office Phone 500 Eastland

Thursday Afternoon Club Meet At Clubhouse. The Thursday Afternoon club met at the clubhouse, Feb. 11, at 3 o'clock...

Miss Drago and Octette To Go To Gordon Tonight. Miss Wilda Drago and her violin octette will go to Gordon this evening and present a program...

Program for Methodist Church, Sunday, Feb. 14, 11 A. M. Prelude, Mrs. Gibson. Call to Worship, choir.

Rev. Jenkins to Preach Sunday at Baptist Church. Rev. Edward B. Jenkins of Rutherfordton, N. C., will preach at the 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. services at the Baptist church, Sunday, Feb. 14...

Warner Play to Be Presented Tonight. Tonight at 7:45 in the auditorium of Warner Memorial university, the Thelma Riddle dramatic club of W. M. U. presents the three-act play by Lillian Mortimer, "A Wild Flower of the Hills."

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WASHINGTON HIS LIFE STORY IN PICTURES, COMMEMORATING THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS BIRTH! No. 5 The Soldier



The French defeated Washington's troops at Great Meadows Fort, but permitted them to return to Virginia.



Two horses were shot from under him and his clothing was ripped by bullets while fighting for Braddock.



At 23, he was named commander of all Virginia troops.



In 1757, his health failed and he was ordered home, but recovered.

By NEA Service Washington played a brave, but certainly not a brilliant part in his first real war experience. Sent with 350 men to attack the French on the Ohio, Washington pushed on to within 40 miles of the enemy position and erected a weak fort near what is now Pittsburg, Pa.

when General Edward Braddock and his army arrived in Virginia in February, 1755, Washington accepted Braddock's offer to become his aide-de-camp with the courtesy title of colonel. As a soldier, Washington showed coolness, poise, determination and energy. He had two horses shot from under him and his clothing was torn by four bullets when Braddock's army was ambushed and bloodily defeated while marching on Fort Duquesne.

Gorman Will Be Scene of Methodist Rally Tuesday

The first quarter of the Church year for the Methodists of the Central Texas Conference ends Monday, February 15. On Tuesday, February 16, in the Methodist Church at Gorman, a great district-wide rally of pastors and laymen will be held.

The major emphasis of the meeting will be placed upon the Spiritual Life Movement. Mrs. W. E. Barron, district secretary of the W. M. S., will speak for the women of the district; R. E. McGlamery, district lay leader, will speak for the men and Guy Bruce district young peoples secretary, will speak for the young people.

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DESEMONA

Special Correspondent. Mrs. Joe Thompson and baby of Ranger were guests of her sister Mrs. A. C. Robert, Monday. Hugh Abel and family drove to Alexander Monday to visit relatives.

Cecil Williams accompanied by Rev. R. A. Walker drove down to Dallas on business Wednesday. Mrs. J. E. Derrick and daughter, Judge P. F. White attended the taxpayers meeting at Eastland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ashburn drove up to No. 10 on Sunday. Cecil Williams returned from the Blackwell sanitarium Sunday after having been there a few days on account of having lost the middle finger of his right hand in an accident at the Starold Gasoline plant.

W. E. Walton and family and Rev. R. A. Walker and family attended the quarterly conference at the Methodist church at Olden, Sunday. The new preaching elder, Rev. C. L. Tom Beech, preached at the morning service after which dinner was served by the ladies of the Olden church and the business session was held in the afternoon.

ALAMEDA NEWS Special Correspondent. The weather is like spring, and we're glad to see the sunshine. Several have colds in this community and some of the pupils are absent from school.

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Jesus and the Man Born Blind



As Jesus passed he saw a blind man. The man followed him and cried, 'Have mercy on me, Lord.' Jesus said, 'Stand up, take your cloak and go home; your faith has made you well.' So he went and he saw and he followed Jesus.

blinded was not so impossible. It is a sad and tragic physical fact that much blindness has been, and is, occasioned by physical diseases of the loathsome sort associated for the most part with ignorance and immoral conduct. It is doubtful, however, whether the disciples had reference to any such physical cause. Their minds were full of the idea that misfortune was somehow associated with sin.

The story is one of the most colorful and interesting in the new Testament. In narrative interest it is striking, but it has also a deeper significance in the reality with which it portrays what has again and again happened in the treatment of its spiritual leaders.

The disciples were interested in the blind man not from the standpoint of sympathy, nor from the point of view of a religious curiosity, but from the standpoint of speculation as to what part sin had to do with his blindness. Like all speculations of this kind, they were questioningly indicated its foolishness.

It was quite attractive with its lighted red candles in white holders and white Valentine place cards and plates favor of Keweenaw dolls with red ribbon bows. Valentine colors also appeared in the score pads and tallies. The menu was as follows: baked chicken and dressing, potato souffle, green bean casserole, mince pie, coffee and mints.

Mrs. Plummer Ashburn and Mrs. Earl Lane were at Gorman on business Tuesday. The meeting of the '21' Study Club was held Tuesday afternoon at the attractive home of Mrs. A. B. Henslee who was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Hugh Roe and Mrs. Claude Lee.

Murdered At Cisco! Mr. Al Cash and Mr. Low Price are charged with killing Old Man Depression. Dr. W. I. Gormley, Optometrist, 1503 Ave. D, Cisco, Texas, is charged with being accessory to the crime.

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