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## DEFENSE DAY

Brackettville and Fort Clark observed Defense Day and the Fourth of July in appropriate style, the chief feature of which was a big military parade thru town.

At 8:30 the troops were assembled near the High School building, and, preceded by buglers marched down the street, thru the business section of town, to Las Moras Park. In the parade were two troops of the First Machine Gun Squadron, all of the Fifth Cavalry with the exception of one squadron and the band, Brigade Headquarters Troop of the First Cavalry, escort wagons, and the R. O. T. C. group of officers, Major O'Conner leading the parade. A number of spectators lined the downtown streets during the parade.

At Las Moras Park, the assembly gathered around the speaker's stand, and Major O'Conner made the first talk. The major delivered an able and very effective address on the meaning and purpose of Defense Day, calling upon the people for support of the defense test and to demonstrate their loyalty.

He was followed by Hon. Frank Lane who spoke on the subject of "The Fourth of July, and the value of preparedness". It was a simple statement of the lessons learned from past experiences, and a strong plea for preparedness.

These two addresses, taking only about fifteen minutes each, being over, a big Field Meet and Horse Show was staged by Fort Clark organizations on the Drill grounds back of the Post.

The events on the program included a Roman race, 300 yard saddling, mounted wrestling battle royal, Machine Gun Squad race, 220 yard flat race, individual jumping, ladies jumping.

It was a very good program all the way, and those attending enjoyed it very much.

The registration committee reported 450 persons registered in the county, being more than

## A \$500 ANGORA RAM



The above photo is of "Shirland's Favourite", one of the fine Angora rams which was purchased on June 18th by W. W. Nipper, of this community, at the auction sale of South African Angora rams held at Camp Wood. The purchase price paid for the animal was \$500.00. The following is the history of the goat: It was born on September 21st, 1923, shorn March, 1924, being bred by Robert Hobson, "Shirlands", Kendrew, C. P. South Africa. The inspector's report was "a dense and even fleeced goat, fine and of good length."

"Shirland's Favourite" has been placed on the Nipper Pinto ranch where he is the head of a flock of fine Angoras which he purchased some time ago from J. M. Slator, Jr., which flock represent some of the best breed in this section, giving Dr. Nipper a flock of unusual fine quality and strain, and representative of the best stock.

It is always a pleasure to us to note the worthy efforts of our ranchmen to improve the quality of their stock, the more so as this industry is becoming a very important one in this county, and this is one instance of where the idea of improvement is being well developed.

double that secured last year. The colored people of this community registered nearly 100 per cent.

### Get Spanish Credits

Some time ago the Brackettville High School presented to the State Department of Education material necessary for obtaining two credits in Spanish, sought to replace two credits in Latin which we already had, and the credits were granted by the Department on the basis of work

presented and former reports of inspections of the school.

The work of securing the two credits in Spanish is due chiefly to the efforts of Mrs. Myrtle Hunt, Spanish teacher in the high school, who for the past two years had worked hard with the class, and finally secured the credits that were sought. Mrs. Hunt is to be congratulated on the success, the more so as her work in Spanish was the result of her own application and learning of the language in a corres-

pondence course with the State University.

For some time it has been desired to replace Latin with the more useful Spanish, and we are all pleased that it has finally been accomplished.

### Honor Local Boy

In the recently issued volume which carried the term's copies of the Granger Hi Life, a school paper published by the student body of the High School pupils at Granger, Texas, the dedication of the year's work was made in the following manner to Glenn Willbern, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willbern of this county:

"To one who is distinctly democratic in his relations with the student body; who is firm and fair in his decisions; who sees the broader scope of life, yet does not ignore the smaller issues; who has planted in our minds traditions so deeply rooted that they can never pass away; who has won the sincere admiration and regard of the entire student body, to such a man, Mr. Glenn DeWitt Willbern, the Class of '25 wishes to pay him the highest honor in its power; to him we dedicate the first volume of the Granger Hi Life."

That in itself is proof of the high esteem in which Glenn Willbern is held by the student body, besides being a certain sign that he is succeeding in his work and is a capable and efficient teacher. He is at the present time in Mexico City, where he will remain during the summer time taking a course in Spanish.

We are all glad to congratulate Glenn on his success.

### LOST

Any one having half-pint bottles in which Mr. Moore delivered milk or cream to them are requested to please return same to the Stadler and Clamp Market. These bottles are the property of the Kinney County Chapter of the Red Cross.

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## There Is Always Use

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### Border Situation

According to Ranger Captain W. M. Ryan, stationed now at Laredo there's a feeling of uneasiness along the Mexican border growing as a result of the tension existing between our Government and Mexico.

The ranger captain says that Bolshevism is in power in Mexico, and that in the event of a break they would probably cause some trouble along the border, and that the ranger force is not sufficiently strong to afford much protection.

No uneasiness is apparent in this section, and it is expected that most of the trouble between the two nations will be smoothed over before long. No trouble is anticipated or expected along our section of the border, where there is ample protection.

### New Library Hours

During months of June, July and August St. Andrews Library will be open from 9-11 A. M. on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

There are some good books in the Library. Patronize them.

### Stray Dogs

The State Health Officer, Dr. H. O. Sappington, issues a warning against the stray dog, which, he states, is a menace to the health of community.

According to the statement, during June the heads of 325 supposedly rabid animals were sent to the Pasteur Institute for examination. Of this number 17 per cent were found to be infected. Six cases of human rabies were reported to the State Institute during the first six months of the year, and hundreds took the Pasteur treatment.

The stray dog which is the most liable to get the rabies, or be bitten by one that has it, is the real menace in that he is the more liable to bite humans. The precautions to be taken are: Not to get familiar with stray dogs. Not to allow one's dog to roam over the neighborhood and probably get bitten by another dog. Chain surly dogs. Help the community get rid of stray dogs.

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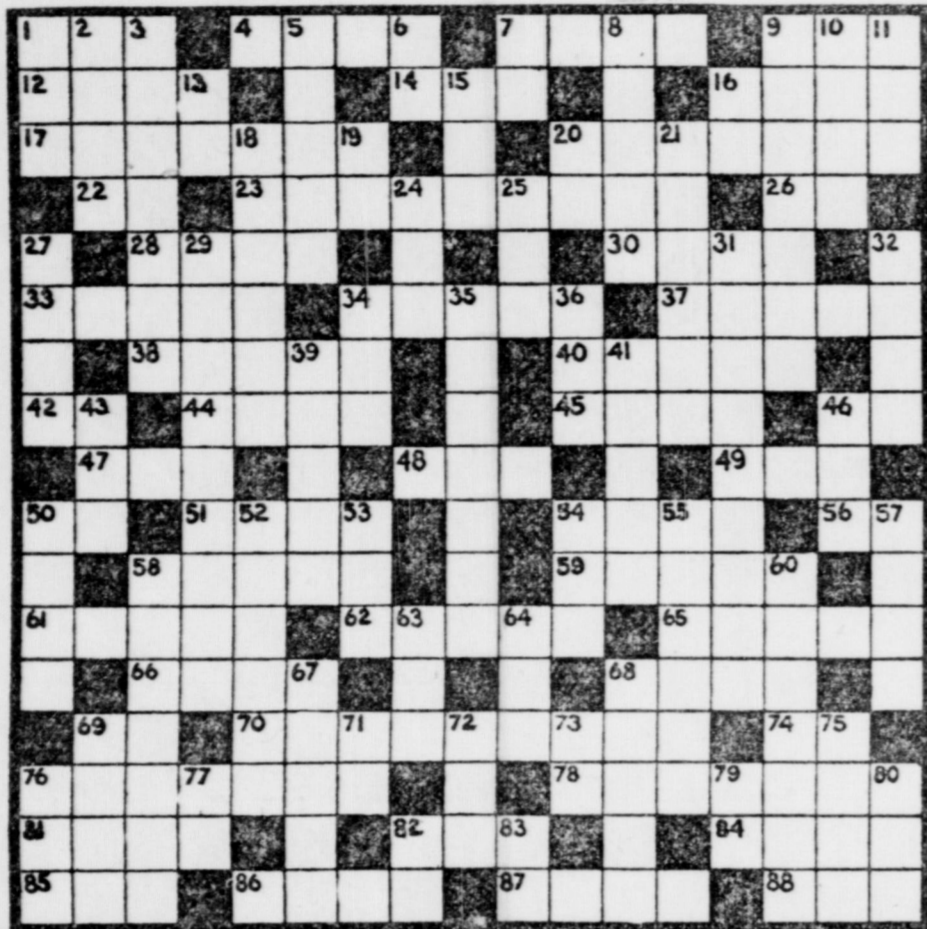
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# CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



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- Horizontal.**
- 1—To decay
  - 4—A continent
  - 9—An individual of the genus homo
  - 12—A village in the Samoan islands
  - 14—Timid
  - 16—Something performed alone
  - 17—An associate
  - 20—Transcribed from cipher
  - 22—Abbreviation for a gulf state
  - 23—Disliked by the public
  - 26—Part of the verb "to be"
  - 28—To venture
  - 30—Ladies of water
  - 33—Game played on a board
  - 34—Relieves
  - 37—Place of sacrifice
  - 38—Incanation
  - 40—Plastic mixture for uniting substances
  - 42—Verb denoting action
  - 44—Variety of yellow cheese
  - 45—On the sheltered side (nautical)
  - 46—Part of the verb "to be"
  - 47—Conjunction
  - 48—The whole
  - 49—To free
  - 50—Pronoun
  - 51—To agitate
  - 54—To merit
  - 56—Abbreviation for medical man
  - 58—A city of Tuscany, Italy
  - 59—A bundle
  - 61—A kind of meat
  - 62—To welcome
  - 65—Took illegally
  - 66—Burden
  - 68—Combustible matter
  - 69—A Chinese river
  - 70—Indignantly displeased
  - 74—Pronoun
  - 76—Hands to bind or support
  - 78—Those who wage
  - 81—Prefix referring to oil
  - 82—Hostelry
  - 84—New Zealand bird
  - 85—An article of furniture
  - 86—A sign of prognostication
  - 87—Kills for drying hops
  - 88—Secret agent
- Vertical.**
- 1—To knock
  - 3—Violent denunciations
  - 5—Division of a play
  - 7—Possessive pronoun
  - 8—Action or cause in court (pl.)
  - 9—Dressmaker or milliner
  - 10—Fermented liquor (pl.)
  - 11—To bow slightly
  - 13—Preposition
  - 15—Part of the body
  - 18—Fostered
  - 19—Regius professor
  - 20—Five hundred and fifty
  - 21—Mark made by folding
  - 2—A gem
  - 6—Like

### HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white spaces up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.

### Solution of Last Week's Puzzle.



## GIBBONS HAS TITLES HE CANNOT DEFEND

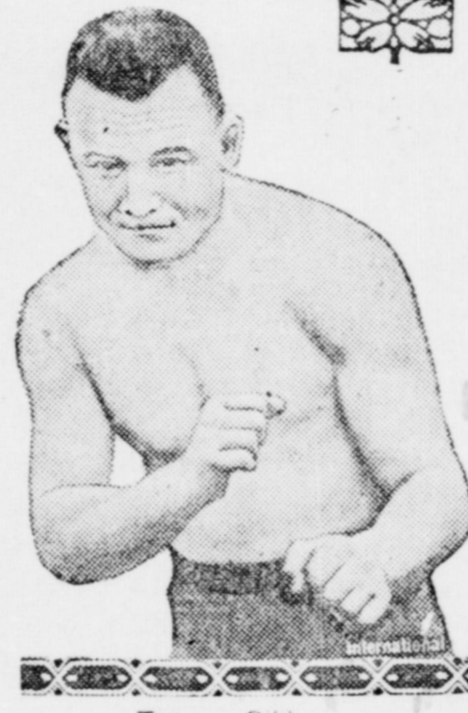
### Series of Circumstances Makes It Impossible for Him to Fight.

Tom Gibbons, who recently fought Gene Tunney at the Polo grounds, holds four boxing titles that he can't defend. A peculiar series of circumstances brought this about, but nevertheless it is true, according to Eddie Kane, who guides the destinies of the St. Paul battler.

"You see, it is this way," said Kane. "Tom knocked out Chuck Wiggins, who won the light heavyweight championship of Australia. This victory naturally dropped the crown upon Gibbons' head. But Tom is not a citizen of Australia, so he cannot defend the title.

"Then he took on Georges Carpentier and defeated the Frenchman, which, strictly speaking, made him light heavyweight champion of France, but as Tom has yet to take out citizenship papers in that country he cannot risk the title.

"A journey to England, where he knocked out Jack Bloomfield, gained him the heavyweight championship of England, but once more Tom found himself in possession of a crown which



Tommy Gibbons.

he cannot defend. Following his bout with Bloomfield he returned to New York and disposed of Kid Norfolk in Madison Square garden. Norfolk held the colored light heavyweight championship and so Gibbons annexed this crown, but unless he wants to go out and don the burnt cork and do a black-face act, I don't see how he can defend the honors he won from Norfolk.

"So Gibbons is one champion who wants to defend his titles but can't."

## "Iron Man" Is Still Going Strong



None other than "Iron Joe" McGinnity, who donned a baseball uniform at the close of the last century and, practically speaking, has not taken it off since. The great pitcher, who is fifty-four years old, claims his arm is as good as ever. He is now manager, part owner and pitcher of the Dubuque (Iowa) Mississippi Valley league team.

## Pitcher Walter Johnson Is "Slave" to Ice Cream

They say that Walter Johnson is wearing a rubber sweat shirt to reduce weight, but just as a sort of penance to punish himself for his one "disgrace." The Senators' great pitcher, now in his nineteenth major league season, has never been a heavy eater, but still he deems the dinner table his enemy. This is because he has a great love for desserts. Johnson could make a meal just on the fancy dishes at the end of the menu card. His main "disgrace" is ice cream. He cannot take his ice cream or leave it alone. He has to take it all the time. Frequently a thin sandwich or a dainty salad topped by several brimming tureens of ice cream is Johnson's dinner. He fears this constant addiction to ice cream is "getting him" and putting an extra inch or two on his belt line. Hence the rubber shirt.

## Indians Sign Tech Star



Joe Palmisano, star backstop of Georgia Tech, has been signed by the Cleveland American League baseball team following the report of a scout.

## Son of Jake Daubert



George Jacob Daubert of Schuykill Haven, Pa., son of the late Jake Daubert, who at the time of his death was captain and first baseman of the Cincinnati Reds, is attempting to follow in the footsteps of his famous dad. He is a member of the Penn State freshman baseball squad, and he, too, is a first baseman, showing that his dad probably instructed him.

## Diamond Notes

Five no-hit games have been played in the American league.

The major league record for stolen bases is 337, held by William Hamilton.

Billy Christy of Danville, a youngster, is being given a tryout by Waterloo.

Quincy has obtained Pitcher Gaylord Reppy from Syracuse of the International league.

Hartford has purchased Southpaw Duley from Reading of the International league.

Mexia has sold Outfielder Red Jarrett to the Chicago Cubs for a reported price of \$1,500.

Andy Cohen, sensational shortstop of the University of Alabama, has joined the Waco team.

Bay City landed a good player in Fielder, who is doing some nice third-basing for Dick Breen.

Stuffy McInnis has signed a contract with the Pittsburgh Nationals. The terms of the contract were not made public.

Otto L. Meyers has been added to the international umpiring staff. He has worked in the Western, Texas and Virginia leagues.

Joe Wood, former Red Sox and Cleveland pitcher, has been re-engaged under a three-year contract to coach baseball at Yale.

Two former Orioles, Lena Styles, now with Providence, and Jimmy Walsh, at Buffalo, are up in the first flight of the league's hitters.

Joe Harris hasn't done anything to change Clark Griffith's opinion as to the benefit the Senators got out of the swap which got him from the Red Sox.

According to baseball records, only one man with one arm played in the big leagues. "One-Armed Day" pitched in the old National league about thirty years ago.

Jack Dunn of Baltimore has signed Outfielder William (Goldie) Moore, a Baltimore sand-lotter, who has been knocking the cover off the ball for the Bethlehem Steel semi-pros.

Herb Thormahlen of Rochester and George Smith, young Toronto pitcher, engaged in the greatest pitching battle of the season at Toronto, the game going 18 innings to a 1-to-1 tie.

## Sporting Squibs

Equipment for a business trip (modern style): Fountain pen and mashie.

Helen Hurley of Ponce, Neb., is the only woman in the United States who owns, trains and drives her own trotters.

Dave Harris, twenty-two years, outfielder with the Boston Braves, is a deputy sheriff of Guilford county, North Carolina.

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A great many devotees of sport will regard any Hall of Fame as sadly regrettable if it does not include a conspicuous memorial of John L. Sullivan.

Peer, or association football, is a major sport in Great Britain, Germany, France, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Belgium, Denmark, Argentina and Brazil.

Cocher Harry Gill of the University of Illinois has introduced a new style removable spike shoe for use of athletes. It is being tried out by various colleges.

The Philippine Islands team won the 1925 Near East Olympic games at Manila, with Japan second and China third. The champion team won the baseball, track, field, basket ball and volley ball events.

## Elect McMillan Captain

Hugh R. McMillan of Kansas City, for two years a forward on the University of Missouri basket-ball team, was elected captain of the 1926 Tiger five at a dinner given in honor of the Missouri varsity and freshman cagers. McMillan succeeds Frank Wheat, also of Kansas City, who is the only member of the Missouri squad to retire through graduation this year.

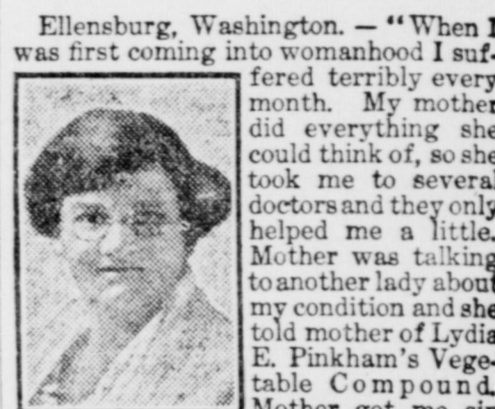
## Jim Torpe Is Brilliant



Jim Dominick Torpe, brilliant pitcher of New York university baseball team, is one of the outstanding twirlers of the present season in intercollegiate ranks. Three major league ball clubs have offered him contracts.

## TWICE IN THIS WOMAN'S LIFE

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## COLORFUL BATHING COSTUMES; SUMMER MILLINERY TURNS BACK

HOW would the puzzled fashion reporter be able to tell about the latest things in bathing suits if it were not for the resourcefulness of silk manufacturers? Some keen-minded maker of silks has hit upon the word "modernistic" to describe the new patterns in printed silks—it refers to the bold, unusual, vividly colored and glowing designs which are liked for bathing and beach suits and negligees. Nothing in the sky above, the earth beneath, or the waters under the earth is just like them—hence "modernistic" is a very adequate word, especially in the company of a picture to show what it stands for.



A Dazzling Bathing Costume.

A modernistic pattern in silk appears in the over-garment worn with black satin knickers in the picture. Although the photograph does not reveal its intricate colorings it is fairly safe to guess that they include rich purple, gold, soft greens, vivid blues and reds in artful shadings and combinations on a black ground. A banding at the neck, a binding at the bottom and a girle would be in black with this suit, but in any case will match the background of the printed pattern. There is no question of the attractiveness of these new beach suits. Flourishing right along

cept for the much increased proportion of all-white hats and hats in which white predominates, millinery displays continue to be made up of the beautiful headwear launched in spring and early summer. The small felt hat in pastel colors continues to sell like ice cream cones, with the white felt a close second. Large felt hats in light colors, hair braids and other light straws are demanded, showing that the minds of women are centered on mid-summer headwear and that they are not so "uncertain, coy and hard to please" as they have sometimes been.

Among things that have forged ahead are hats of canton crepe, straw or hair braid with velvet crowns, bangs and ballbuntings with trimmings of velvet ribbon, small turbans of belting ribbon that are comfortably soft and collapsible, hats made of white kid and trimmings of gilded kid. New developments in sports hats appear in soft, white silk hats, stitched with braid to give them firmness, or corded or machine stitched for the same purpose, in silk in a color, as blue, yellow, red or black. A group of representative hats pictured here includes a small soft turban of black and colored ribbon, a felt hat



Some of the Summer Hats.

with them are black suits having only a little color introduced in bindings of gold, copenhagen blue or white. Real swimming suits also divide their allegiance between dark and light colors. Tights fastening on the shoulder and having skirts looped on are made of pure worsted in purple, orange, royal blue, tan, bright green and in navy and black. Capes and coats to be worn over suits are shown in terry cloth in Roman and other stripes and in rubberized cloth. The latter are often lined with terry cloth. The aspect of the beaches is bright and gay—and no one looks bedraggled in modernistic bathing clothes. For once in her career restless woman seems to be satisfied with things as they are, in millinery. Ex-

with crepe facing and drapery, finished with a rhinestone ornament—at the upper right—a tagal straw below it with applique trimming of silk and braid. Opposite this is a hat of canton crepe and hair braid with flowers and fruit about the crown and below it a hair braid shape with drapery of figured chiffon. It is noticeable that the shapes are medium or small, conservative in lines and becoming.

Summer millinery is singing its swan song. These conservative models and the sheer, wide brimmed, picturesque hats of hair braid, lace or crepe, signify that the song is finished. White and light colored felt or fabric hats for sport or street wear provide the very last word.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.  
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## DADDY'S EVENING FAIRY TALE

By Mary Graham Bonner  
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### GEORGIE GREEN FROG

Tommy had come to call on George Green Frog who lived in the pond near the cave where the mysterious and wonderful Old Man lived.

Tommy was going to see the Old Man and he was going to see if the talk about the treasure was true. He was naturally very much excited about it all. But he had enjoyed stopping and seeing others on his way.

George Green Frog had been entertaining him.

Then Tommy, who had brought food with him, and had a feast, and all the little creatures from about had come.

When they had all eaten all they could possibly eat Tommy had fixed a number of little packages filled with crumbs and told all the parents to take these home to their children.

"It's always only right," Tommy said, "to send home something from every party to the children."

The birds were so delighted that they sang a glorious song of thanks and told Tommy that the Old Man had said Tommy was a friend of theirs, as he would no more think of taking eggs out of the nests of birds than he would, even if he were much bigger, go around and take little boys and girls from their home nests.

"All those things made the Old Man so happy when you started adventuring," they said, "You were just the one he hoped would come."

"Am I to go to the cave now?" Tommy asked.

"George is going to sing for you," little Mr. Robin whispered in Tommy's ear. "He would feel dreadful if you didn't listen to him."

"He makes up his own tunes and he makes up the words to his songs."

"That's clever of him," Tommy said. "Don't speak before you hear," said Mr. Robin. "But it doesn't make any difference anyway. George is such a good company."

George was clearing his throat now, his eyes were bulging from his head and he was looking around at his audience to see if all were ready to listen to him.

"I shall sing a song entitled 'A Frog's Fancy'. I wrote it myself and some day I hope it will be put in all the school books so that boys and girls will be able to know that poetry need not always be poetry in order to call itself poetry. And I hope they will put my picture in the books, too. This is my song."

Once again, George cleared his throat, and then he sang:

I'm George Green Frog,  
I live on a log,  
I eat bug or fly  
Whichever comes nigh  
And alights on my nose—  
In my mouth then it goes.

I'm George Green Frog,  
I love the home hog,  
I croak and I sing  
Just any old thing,  
I fancy you know  
I'm quite the whole show.

But just at that moment George stopped suddenly and shouted:

"Goog-a-room, goog-a-room, the Old Man has sent me a message on this leaf which just flew down in front of me that he is ready to receive visitors in the cave."

The pond people all began to point the way, and Tommy hurried off.

He had scarcely dared hope that all would turn out so splendidly.

Maybe there would be the treasure after all. Oh yes, surely there would be the treasure! Surely, surely there would be the treasure. Now he would know! And he would win!

### What Harold Wanted

Harold's mother took him with her when she went to call on a neighbor; but soon he became fretful and she started to take him home.

"Don't go yet," said the neighbor; "I will get him a glass of milk. May be that will pacify him."

"Oh!" said his mother, "that will be too much bother."

"No, it won't," plied Harold. "That'll make me stop crying."

### Hen Had Wrong Recipe

Lucie was visiting auntie in the country. It was the joy of the four-year-old to hunt for eggs in the barn. One day she brought in a very small one, presumably laid by a bantam. "Auntie," said the little maid, showing it, "the hen that laid this egg didn't have the right recipe."—Popular Poultry.

## CONDENSED AUSTIN NEWS

Dr. H. J. Mueller, professor of zoology in the University of Texas, has gone to Chicago, where he will teach in the University of Chicago during both terms of the summer session.

The Railroad Commission set the date July 14 to hear the proposition to require an interlocking device to protect the Texas & Pacific and Texas short line crossing at Grand Saline.

The Texon Oil Company recently paid to the State Land Commission \$96,000 royalties on oil produced on University of Texas lands in Reagan County during May, bringing the total royalty collections for May up to \$219,958.

Governor Miriam A. Ferguson has honored the requisition of the Governor of Indiana for rendition of Cyril E. Fletcher, wanted at Anderson County, Ind., to answer a charge of failing to support his children. Fletcher was reported to be in San Antonio.

Requisition has been issued by Governor Ferguson on the Governor of Missouri for the return to Grayson County of Glenwood Stone, wanted to answer an indictment charging burglary, the offense alleged to have been committed April 12, 1922. Stone is said to be in Jackson County, Missouri.

Gross receipts tax collections on the production of crude oil in Texas for the quarter just closed amounted to \$1,714,024, said by State Comptroller S. H. Terrell to be the largest amount to be collected since the tax was imposed, exceeding that of any previous quarter by approximately \$250,000. Gasoline tax collections for April totaled \$364,336.

Registration of motor vehicles increased 5,960 during the last week, bringing the total up to 768,596, according to the State Highway Department. Commercial motor vehicles increased 576, with a total of 71,929. Motor busses number 3,654, trailers 3,242, tractors 222, motorcycles 2,167 chauffeurs 9,511, dealers 2,167, and transfers 146,110.

Reclamation of some 20,000 acres of land in Delta and Hopkins Counties, now subject to overflow, will be accomplished in the material enlargement of the levee protected areas on the North and South Sulphur, according to State Reclamation Engineer, B. F. Williams, who will soon make a personal inspection of the project. Approximately \$185,000 will be spent in enlarging and extending the present levee system.

Frank Collier, former Mayor of Wichita Falls, convicted of manslaughter in connection with the slaying of his son-in-law, Elzie (Buster) Robertson, and sentenced to three years, has filed appeal in the Court of Criminal Appeals. The case will not be submitted until the next term of court, which opens on the first Monday in October.

Many strange requests have been received at the Governor's office and scores of peculiar exhibits submitted, but one of the strangest came in recently. An East Texas writer sent a letter inclosing a small envelope with three ticks sealed in it. The man asked Ferguson to inform him if they are fever ticks and also to supply him with a copy of the tick-eradication law. Gov. Miriam Ferguson not being a "bugologist" could not classify the ticks.

United States Senator Earle B. Mayfield has accepted an invitation to deliver the Fourth of July oration at Paris at the celebration to be given under the auspices of the Northeast Texas Good Roads Association. Senator Mayfield also announced that he has accepted invitations to deliver addresses at a Woodmen of the World picnic at Celina, July 18; district short course institute of A. & M. College at Henderson, July 13, and Old Settlers annual reunion at Hico, Aug. 14.

Once more the State committee on classified and accredited high schools put off action on the all-absorbing question of Bible study in public schools, which becomes the more a delicate and controversial subject because of the agitation in Tennessee over the teaching of evolution in the schools of that State. The Texas committee steered clear of it this year. At its session in Superintendent Marr's office last week the committee decided to postpone action on the matter for a year.

A research station in Texas in epidemiology is the goal of Dr. H. O. Sappington, State health officer, who has just returned from the East and inspected the research station at Andalusia, Ala. Texas presents a field as good as the best for research work," said Dr. Sappington. "And this State should have a station devoted to epidemiology. In Alabama the Andalusia station has done wonderful work in hookworm investigation, malaria and typhoid research and even in making serum against snake bite.

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Whether the botanist missed it by one bath or the fraction of a tea cup does not much matter. We know that trees have a mighty thirst and that there is an enormous amount of water in the leaves, branches, trunks and roots of full-grown trees. This water is constantly circulating. A tree may be compared to a fountain.—R. D. Forbes in American Forests and Forest Life.

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### Decorations Too Costly

Brass work, with which the front doors of most British homes have been adorned for centuries and which contributes to the furnishings of numerous offices, is going out of fashion because of the expense involved in keeping the fixtures shiny. Many new buildings in Liverpool and elsewhere in England are going up without brass or copper decorations.

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### Male and Female

"Pa, what's an alligator pear?"  
"Two alligators, my son."—Boston Transcript.

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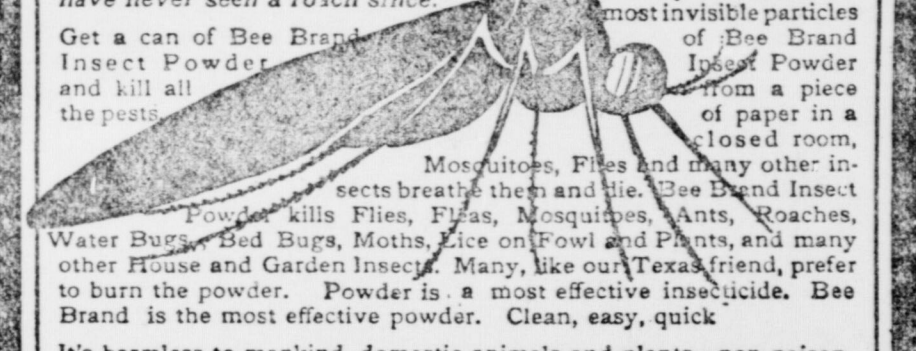
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### Local News

L. Rust of Del Rio was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Clyde Mills of Sanderson was in Brackett Monday on business.

J. M. Slaton, Jr., of San Antonio, was here the latter part of last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Stallknecht spent last week end visiting relatives in Del Rio.

Fresh typewriter ribbons just received at the News-Mail office and are for sale. Ribbons for all typewriters.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Benton and children left Wednesday morning for Hereford where they will make an extended visit with relatives.

Satisfactory optical service will be offered you this week, at the Brackett News Office, by W. R. Howard, Optometrist of Cleburne Texas.

Mrs. Dudley and daughter, Miss Jessie, returned Monday from Mexia where they had made an extended visit with their daughter and sister, Miss Charlotte Dudley.

## STAR THEATRE

PROGRAM FOR WEEK BEGINNING July 10

**Friday**  
Straight Thru--Wm. Desmond  
A Universal Western

**Saturday**  
Salome of Tenements--Jetta Goudal  
A Paramount Picture

**Sunday**  
OLD HOME WEEK--Thomas Meighan  
A Paramount Picture

**Monday**  
Tracked In Snow Country--Rin Tin Tin  
Warner Bros. Classic

**Tuesday**  
EVE'S SECRET--Betty Compson  
A Paramount Picture

**Wednesday**  
Looped For Life--J. B. Warner

**Thursday**  
The Scuttlers--Wm. Farnum

Mrs. Mollie Anderson, of San Antonio, was here this week the guest of the Petersen families.

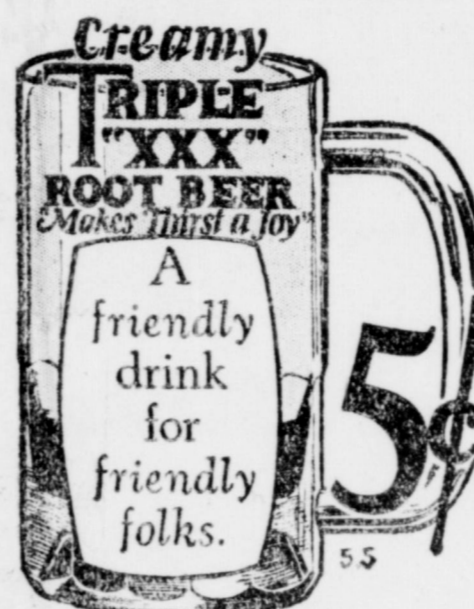
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Whipkey and family, and John Blakely, of San Angelo were in Brackett last week end visiting with Mrs. Pauline Whipkey.

Mrs. John H. Stadler and Mrs. Harry Stadler returned Monday evening from Marfa where they had gone to see the Fifth and First Cavalry play ball.

Dr. and Mrs. Howard and children of Cleburne are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coopwood at Macie.

Hemstitching and picoting, accordion, box and side plaiting; covered buttons and buttonholes made. Mrs. H. B. Huston, Uvalde

Mrs. Hazel Harrison of Chicago Ill., arrived here last week end and will make an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Salmon.



AT E. N. Oxtan

Mrs. O. W. Stadler and daughter, Ethel Mae, returned Sunday morning from El Paso where they had been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Margaret Fritter returned Sunday afternoon from a visit with relatives in Sinton and San Antonio.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Meyers and children, who had been here visiting at the Nolan ranch, returned Wednesday morning to their home in San Antonio. They were accompanied by Mrs. Otto Postell.

Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Ezell and children yesterday returned from their trip overland to Tennessee, having been gone six weeks on a leave granted by the Church. The usual services will be resumed again Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Deason were in Sabinal last Sunday where they had gone to attend the wedding of Mr. Deason's sister. Mr. Deason returned Sunday night, while Mrs. Deason and children remained over to visit relatives in Uvalde.

Mrs. Burns Ballantyne gave a delightful breakfast Tuesday morning honoring Mrs. Matt E. Noble, a bride of recent date. The breakfast room was beautifully decorated with bride roses, while the centerpiece of a low mound of the roses made the table attractive. Mrs. Noble, who has just returned from her wedding trip to Colorado, told many interesting incidents about the places visited and was presented with a cook book containing favorite receipts of the guests: Mesdames Pat Veltmann, Hill, Cowley, Mason, Oxtan, Nolan, and Miss Blanche Wilson.

### Dr. Howard Here

Brackettville and vicinity is fortunate in having the services this week of one of Texas' oldest and best Optometrists. We are informed that Dr. Howard is one of the first men in Texas to spend time and money for the purpose of securing a state law requiring an examination and a license to practice optometry in the State. He has been serving the optical needs of Texans for 25 years—10 years at Houston and the last 15 at Cleburne.

Dr. Howard and family are visiting Mrs. Howard's brother, T. J. Coopwood. It was they who persuaded the Doctor to stay a week longer that some of their friends might enjoy the class of work he is able to give them.

### Notice To Garages

Under the provisions of House Bill No. 23, the Commissioners Court is authorized to designate places and persons for the inspection of automobile headlights, as required under said law. Therefore this Court asks the submission of applications by competent, qualified persons or firms in the county who desire to act in the capacity of such headlight inspector, such applications to be made to the Hon. Commissioners Court of Kinney County not later than July 13th, at which time appointment will be made.

By Carl Kartes, Clerk.

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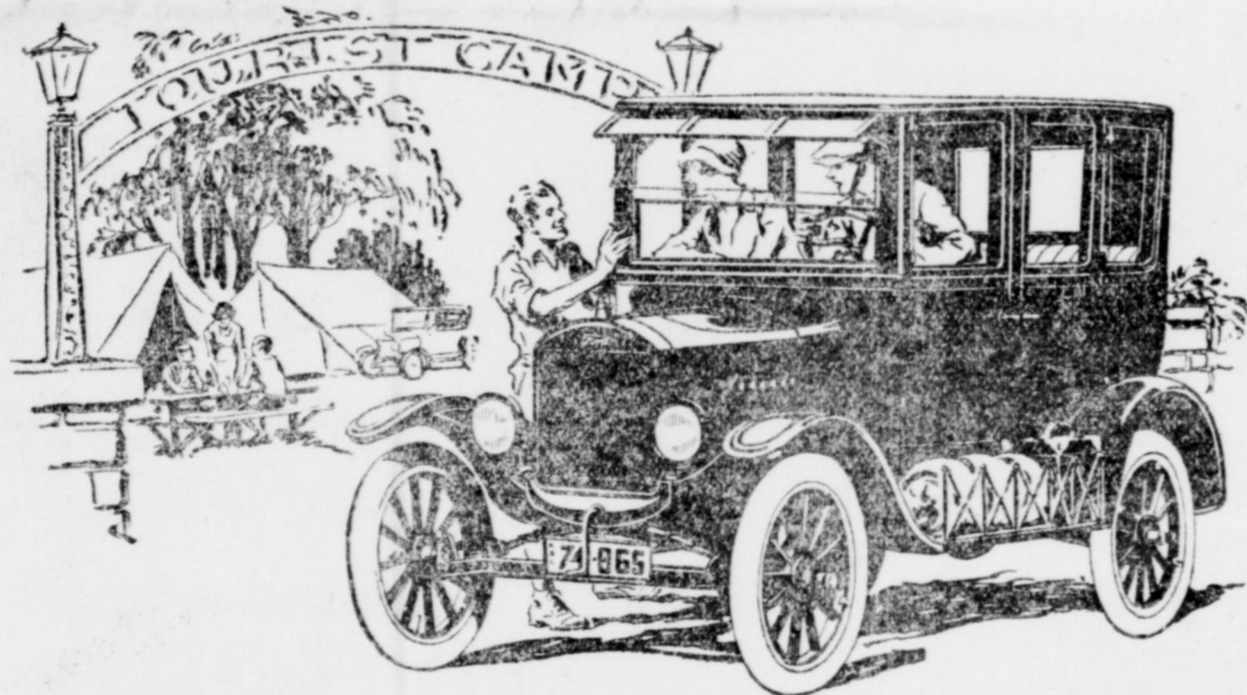
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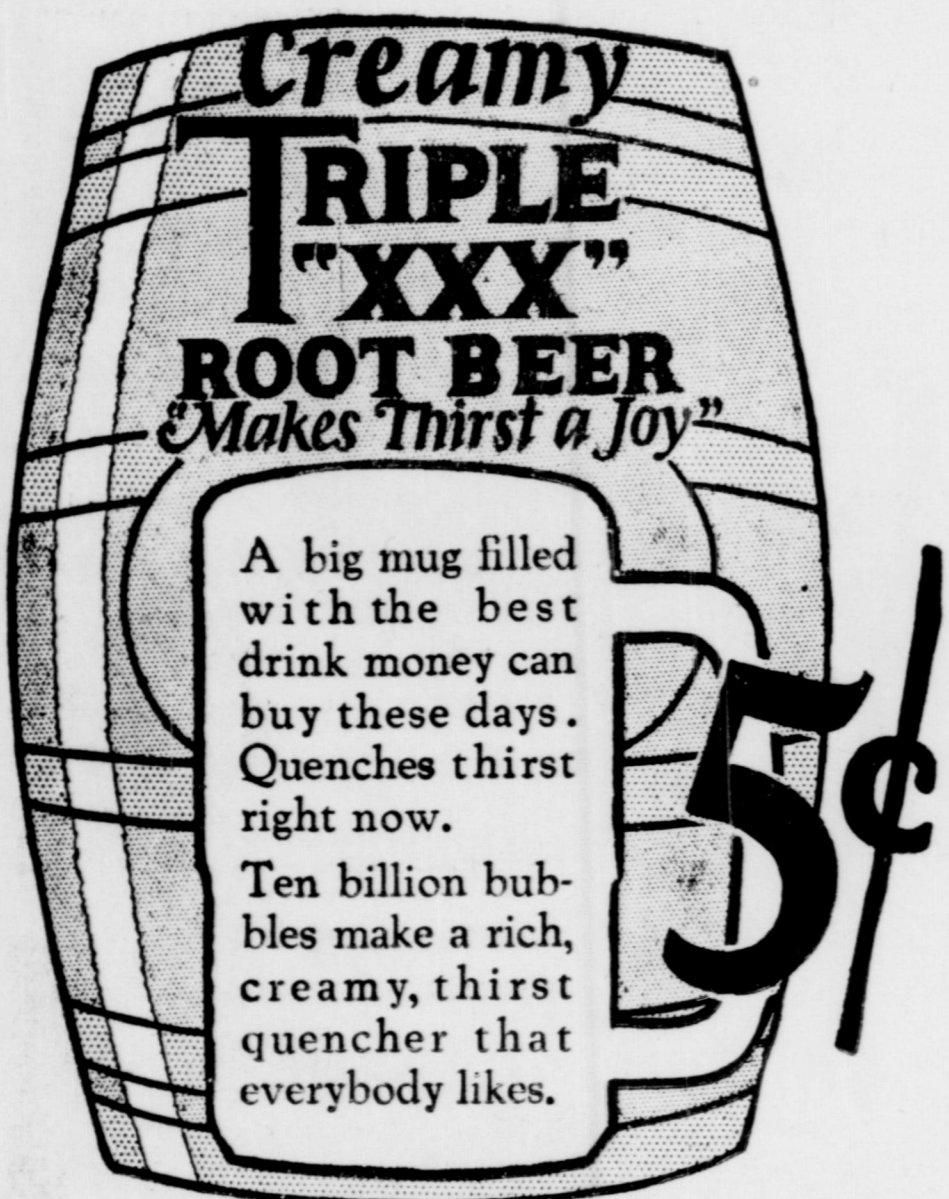
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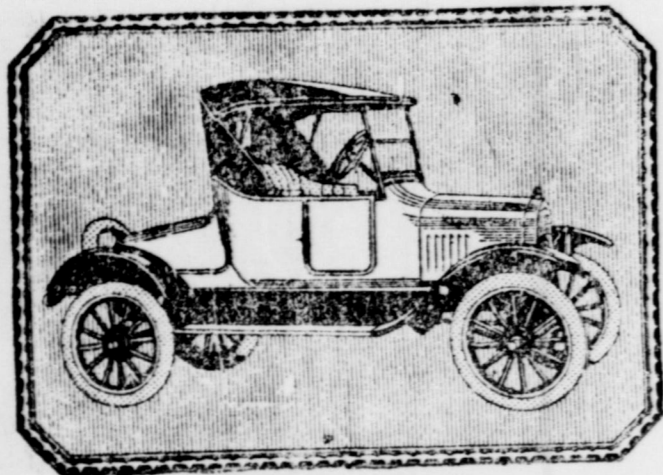
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### Local Wool Notes

Petersen & Co. report a total of 135,000 pounds of wool holdings in storage belonging to Kinney County ranchmen. Although no mention of a sale was made, it was reported that the entire lot has been disposed off at prices ranging according to grade, from 40 to 50 cents.

The sale of wool here marks one of the last holdings in the section now to be disposed off, other and larger sales having been made throughout the entire section, and most of the crop sold. Prices received were about the same as reported received here.

The prices for wool this year have not been so bad after all, although the market could have been better. Still it means considerable to the ranchmen who have holdings, adding to the general prosperity of the county.

### Ball Game Sunday

Baseball fans here will be glad to know that the Fifth Cavalry ball team is again back on the old stamping grounds, and will give us a treat Sunday when they play Sabinal on the Brackettville diamond.

This is certain to be a good game as each of the teams have won two games, and this is the rubber. Somebody is going to win, and we are all rooting for the Fifth. We have missed the good ball games we attended when the Fifth was at home, and good news brings rejoicing.

Sabinal has a good team, and so has the Fifth. The fans are sure to support the Fifth, which has given us considerable sport this summer.

### Fifth Team Returns

The Fifth Cavalry ball team was in Marfa the past week end to play a series of three games with the First Cavalry, these games being in line for the Division championship title.

The First Cavalry took the first game 6-3, Sibley pitching for the Fifth.

The Fifth, with Day on the mound, shut out the First in the second game, 2-0.

The Fifth lost the third game 3-1, with Tolosky and Sibley hurling for them.

The Fifth has now won three out of five games with the First, and the next games for title are with the 7th or 8th Cavalry at Fort Bliss.

### Auto Accidents

Three auto accidents were among the events occurring the first week in July, disturbing the town's serenity.

On the 1st O. B. Castro's light truck turned over on the Spofford road resulting in a Mexican boy receiving a broken leg, and the driver of the car bad bruises.

The same day at Fort Clark a large car crashed into a tree, resulting in the lady driver, her husband and baby being taken to the Post Hospital suffering from injuries.

Louis Moscatelli ran his Ford into a concrete sentry doing but little damage to the sentry and considerable to the car.

The death of Cruz Garcia, cut by a saw, was a sad occurrence.

Disturbing the peace was the diversion of a few, resulting in the number of guests at the Bastile jumping from 0 to 9 with a couple more in toils. Charges included disputes, peace disturbances, and carrying firewater.

The past few days peace and quiet reign again. County Court meets Monday, July 13th.

### Take Passengers

Nimrod James Walton, the carrier on the star mail route between Brackettville and Rock-springs announces that he leaves Brackettville at 1 p. m. Wednesdays and Saturdays. He will take passengers to Rocksprings for a fare of \$3.00 each, on any of his trips.

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### OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION Of the First State Bank of Brackettville, Texas.

At Brackettville, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of June 1925, published in the Brackett News-Mail, a newspaper printed and published at Brackettville, State of Texas, on the 10th day of July 1925.

Resources.	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	393 882 39
Loans, Real Estate	1 000 00
Overdrafts	719 58
Bonds and Stocks	
School Warrants	1 822 50
Real Estate (Banking House)	000
Other Real Estate	000
Furniture and Fixtures	1 00
Due from other Banks and Bankers	
Cash on hand	10 237 49
Due from approved Reserve Agents	54 077 33
Interest in Dep. Guaranty Fund	4 962 09
Assessment Dep. Guaranty Fund	5 032 56
Other Resources as follows:	000
Due from Collections in Transit	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>387 425 85</b>

Liabilities.	
Capital Stock paid in	30,000.00
Surplus Fund (Certified)	50,000.00
Undivided Profits, Net	3 578 22
Unearned Interest	
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check	001
Individual Deposits, subject to check	234 740 21
Individual Deposits, interest paid	715 11
Time Certificates of Deposit	21 855 22
Demand Certificates of Deposit	000
Public Funds on Deposit: (Total)	45 533 94
(County \$36 604 27. School \$8 929 77)	
Cashier's Checks	1 204 05
Bills Payable and Re-discounts	
Certificates of Deposit issued for money borrowed	000
Other Liabilities as follows:	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>387 425 85</b>

STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of Kinney } ss.  
We, N. P. Petersen, as president, and J. A. Rogers, as cashier of said bank, each of us, solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
N. P. PETERSEN, President  
J. A. ROGERS, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of July A. D. 1925.  
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County Judge, Kinney County, Texas.  
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HANS PETERSEN  
JIM CLAMP,  
Directors

### Real Writer Here

Formerly with Cecil B. DeMille of Motion Picture fame and now an Epigrammatist for a Syndicate of newspapers, the subject of this article is of interest to our readers:

That a person with real talent should refuse attractive offers from New York City, Philadelphia and Hollywood, California, to remain in Southwest Texas, on the Mexican Border, is hard at first to understand.

But Ray M. Cahow, now living in Brackettville, Texas, has this to say for his refusal to leave this community:

"Cecil B. DeMille paid my expenses from Akron, Ohio, to write sub-titles for his pictures in Hollywood, California. If anyone has an idea that the strain on one in pictures is not terrific, let them try it and they are welcome to my share of the big money to be made in pictures: as for me, I am thru. I am again in good health from shattered nerves, and this climate is more wonderful than California, Florida, or any other place that I have ever lived in. Again, I have found a great deal of inspiration here and like the quiet, restful life. At the present time, my work is again appearing in Newspapers like this:"

Ray Cahow Says

HEY LISTEN:

To allow yourself to become bored is the severest measure of self-consciousness.

Some people are like race horses: just fast enough to lose. Snoring is an untidy manner of being a nuisance to others.

Love is a feeling of being miserably happy.

Prove to anyone that you are his equal by being better.

Look out that your acting doesn't become real.

Being one of The Boys may lose your identity as a Man.

Stubbornness is often inability to know just how to act.

Never back up a situation that you can't face.

The cream is always spilled with the milk.

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**WASHINGTON NEWS**

Negotiations for the funding of Italy's war debt to the United States came to a sudden, although temporary halt after two conferences Tuesday at Washington, and no further conversations on the subject are expected until after Aug. 1. The delay, it was announced, arose from a desire of the Italian commissioners to obtain additional data from Rome relating to Italy's capacity to pay.

**STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS**

Alvin S. Moody of Houston, president of the Texas Abstract Company, was elected president of the Texas Abstractors' Association at the closing session of its eighteenth convention which adjourned Tuesday at Houston. J. Grover Wells of San Antonio was elected vice president.

William Darling Shepherd, acquitted recently of the murder by typhoid in oculation of his millionaire ward, William Nelson McClintock, Wednesday, at Chicago, Ill., was freed of all criminal charges. The grand jury voted a "no bill" on the charge that he had also slain Mrs. Emma Nelson McClintock, young McClintock's mother.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., shivered Wednesday with a heavy sleet storm.

President Coolidge arrived at the summer White House at Swampscott, Mass., Wednesday, from Plymouth, Vt., where he had been called by the illness of his father, Colonel John C. Coolidge.

A series of earthquakes, described by survivors as rocking and swaying the business center of Santa Barbara as if it were on a turbulent ocean, Monday left the principal structures of the channel city a mass of debris and ruins. The loss of life was not large, due to the tremor occurring at 6:44 a. m.

Gasoline tax collections for the last three months, March, April and May, under the 1-cent gallon tax, amounted to \$1,124,077, which means that 112,497,778 gallons were sold during that period, according to a report released Saturday at Austin, Texas, by Comptroller S. H. Terrell.

The natural wonders of Yellowstone National Park were left undisturbed by the quake which shook most of Montana Sunday night.

Plans for carrying out text books contracts involving approximately \$1,500,000, is being made by S. M. N. Marrs, state superintendent of public instruction, following the action of the Texas Supreme Court in overruling motion for rehearing in the eight text book cases. The supreme court at a former sitting had held the contracts valid and enforceable.

Henry F. Bruckenhoefer, chief United States customs inspector at Galveston, Texas, died Friday.

An issue of \$12,000 Ben Bolt (Jim Wells county) independent school district bonds, bearing 5 1/2 per cent and maturing serially, has been approved by the attorney general's department of Texas.

Preparations for an attendance of 3000 which is expected at Central Texas convention of the Texas Farm Bureau federation to be held at Hillsboro July 9 and 10 were completed by the committee in charge, it is announced. The meeting is the second of a series of five being held over Texas, the first having been held at Beeville recently. Colonel Clarence Ousley, former director of extension service at Texas A. and M. College and now president of the National Bell Weevil Control association, is scheduled as one of the principal speakers on the program.

**FOREIGN NEWS**

Reports to the British ministry of health show smallpox in 132 towns, many of them industrial centers.

A discovery rivaling the magnificence of Arabian nights tales was made at Moscow, Russia, when watchmen employed in the ancient palace of former Prince Yousouppoff encountered a secret vault containing the ancestral jewels of the Yousouppoff family valued at \$2,500,000.

Germany is storming in protest against further allied restrictions of German aeronautics, as defined in a note just received at the Wilhelmstrasse. Popular indignation Sunday was increased by the attitude of newspapers which urged reprisals against the allies.

General Pangalos, former war minister, Friday definitely assumed the Greek premiership, following Thursday's "kid glove" revolution, by which he overthrew the Michalakopoulos cabinet without bloodshed.

M. Briand, the French foreign minister, has signed the Franco-Spanish agreement for the blockade of Morocco by sea.

Nicaraguan forces have been sent to the frontier to guard against incursions by Honduran revolutionists. It is reported that the revolutionists are gaining strength.

**Texas Items**

Resurfacing many of the graveled streets in Lockhart has been begun by the city commission.

The Mills Bennett Production Company, a Delaware corporation for \$2,000,000, has been issued a permit to operate in Texas.

All funds for erection of the Ellis County women's building, to be constructed on Davis Memorial square at Waxahachie, have been subscribed.

The crop condition around Angleton has improved from 25 to 50 per cent within the last ten days. Good rains have fallen and all crops are looking better.

An issue of \$75,000 Archer City independent school district bonds, bearing 6 per cent and maturing serially, has been proved by the attorney general's department.

Contracts for construction of the new University of Texas recitation hall on the campus of the main university have been disapproved by the attorney general's department.

Total of the valuations placed on taxable property in Nueces County this year show an increase of over \$3,000,000 over the valuation of 1924, according to the announcement of the county assessor. The valuation of the county is \$23,300,000.

Operation of electric cars over the streets of Marshall has ceased after a thorough test of a 22-passenger bus. It was decided to do away with the heavy steel cars and substitute buses. Street car service was established in Marshall in 1909.

Though the final date on which 16 Texas counties, given aid under the drouth relief act of 1913, may extend their loans as provided by the Thirtieth legislature, is July 1, no applications for extensions have been received, State Treasurer W. G. Hatcher says.

A contract has been let by the Weslaco Independent School District for the erection of a Junior high and ward school buildings at Weslaco. Work is to start immediately. The Junior high school building is to cost \$48,000, and the ward school, which is for Mexican children, will cost \$16,000.

Beaumont and Port Arthur are promised a wide boulevard connecting the two cities which will be some sixty miles shorter than the present route, leaving the old road for heavy hauling. While the proposition has been talked for some time, it was not until this week that a committee of five men was appointed to work up plans. It is planned to have the boulevard consist of a double system of roadways which will eliminate the danger of collisions.

Notice has been given by the state fire insurance commission that it will take up and consider on July 7 the adjustment of fire insurance rates on moving picture shows and several other propositions, including classification of concrete tile rates, broom factories, broom corn storage, bark charge and exposure from barns and outhouses; credit for fire extinguishing devices, rates on petroleum properties, peanut mill and storage, and incubator and brooder charges.

"Old Ironsides," the ancient locomotive which, in former years, pulled the trains between Point Isabel and Brownsville, over the Rio Grande rail road, has been offered to Cameron County to be placed in the new state park at Barreda as a permanent exhibit. This particular locomotive is believed to be the oldest in existence. It was brought to Point Isabel by boat in the early 70s, and for over half a century carried the commerce between Point Isabel and Brownsville.

Smithville won a step in its long Katy shop removal fight last week at Austin, when the third civil appeals court upheld the decision of the Travis County district court, holding that the reorganized Katy railroad is bound by the former company's permit to maintain its division shops at Smithville, rather than to remove them to a point near Waco. Attorneys in the case are quoted to the effect that the case will be carried to United States supreme court for final adjudication.

Four railroads operating in Texas have been notified by the interstate commerce commission that it would institute an investigation to determine whether the railroad commission of Texas had prescribed reasonable rates for freight transportation in a ruling issued July 6, 1923. The Southern Pacific, El Paso and Southwestern, Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio and El Paso Northwestern roads, in a petition to the commission declared that the Texas order had required them to institute freight rates which constituted undue prejudice against shippers outside of Texas.

An all-concrete highway from Houston to Galveston, with all concrete bridges and culverts and no grade crossings between Harrisburg and the Galveston Bay causeway is looked up on as a possibility of the next two years. Good roads advocates declare this to be one of the greatest highway needs of Southwest Texas and say that its accomplishment is almost in sight for a 20-foot concrete highway from Galveston to the Galveston-Harrisburg county line is provided for in a bond issue voted Saturday.

**FARM ITEMS**

(By S. C. Hoyle, Editor of Extension Service Publications, A. and M. College of Texas.)

**Why Show Hogs at Fairs.**

There are several objects to be attained by showing hogs at community, county and state fairs, advises A. L. Ward, swine husbandman.

For one who is growing registered hogs, the value of exhibiting the herd at fairs cannot be over-estimated. In fact, under modern conditions, it is practically impossible to build a reputation as a breeder without this method of advertising. Discriminating buyers like to visit the fairs and inspect, not only animals being considered for purchase, but also, the sires and dams of such animals. The prospective buyer has the opportunity to compare various strains of breeding, and see them passed on by expert judges. The breeder who wants to grow welcomes the chance to measure his herd with other herds; for he knows that, by comparison, he can discover the weak points, as well as the good qualities, in his own herd. It serves to keep all breeders enthused and up on their toes for fear that some others may get more publicity and popularity for their respective breeds. Exhibiting develops a spirit of friendly rivalry that is a great stimulus for the breeder to put forth his best efforts, not only in growing the correct type of his breed, but in showing farmers, as well as breeders, how to properly develop hogs and, then, how to fit them to make them show to the best advantage.

One feature of advantageous advertising is overlooked by breeders in the South. This is the exhibiting of market classes at the shows; for it is well to remember that the end of all pigs is the pork barrel; and a man should not only demonstrate that he has the correct type of hog to please the judge in a breeding show, but that he has a herd that can produce the kind of hog that the packer wants. When I say packer, this means the ultimate consumer, for the packer wants that which he can sell to the best advantage as a finished product.

I know that some farmers will be saying it is too dry and that there is too little feed in Texas to think about showing hogs or any other livestock this year. It is dry and feed is scarce, but the scarcer the feed, the more necessary for the farmer to exercise the utmost care and economy in the feeding of farm animals. Therefore, emphasize the need of better hogs to displace the large number of scrubs and cold bloods that are now consuming more feed than they will pay for. Farmers in the Texas Ton Litter Club have found that purebred hogs can make money on a pork basis, when feed is as high as it is today. The purebred hog is a necessity for Texas farmers, and the breeders in Texas should seize this opportunity, and exhibit their herds to the farmers throughout the state this coming fall.

The State Fair of Texas is to be congratulated on adding to the classes of hogs a class for junior market pigs in each of the following breeds: Poland China, Duroc Jersey, Berkshire, Tamworth, Hampshire, Chester White. These classes admit either barrows or gilts farrowed between March 1st and June 1st. This market class should be a most attractive exhibit of swine, and farmers should avail themselves of this opportunity of showing the ability of their respective breeds to meet market demands as to finish and quality of product.

**Poultry in Jasper County.**

The club women reports show that egg records have been good during May. Many are keeping the grocery bill with the sales of eggs.

Most trouble has been with mites, lice and fleas. Three cases of roup have been reported. No great loss.

Mr. B. Bishop's record shows that he had one hundred adults with a daily egg production of eighty to ninety. He has purchased two hundred baby chicks and incubated fifty baby chicks. The total 850 birds are growing rapidly. Several cases of roup were reported in this flock. Mr. Bishop is planning to trap nest this flock and arrange to take care of one thousand to two thousand birds.

Four demonstrations were given in poultry judging and many girls are showing greater interest in poultry in this country than ever before.

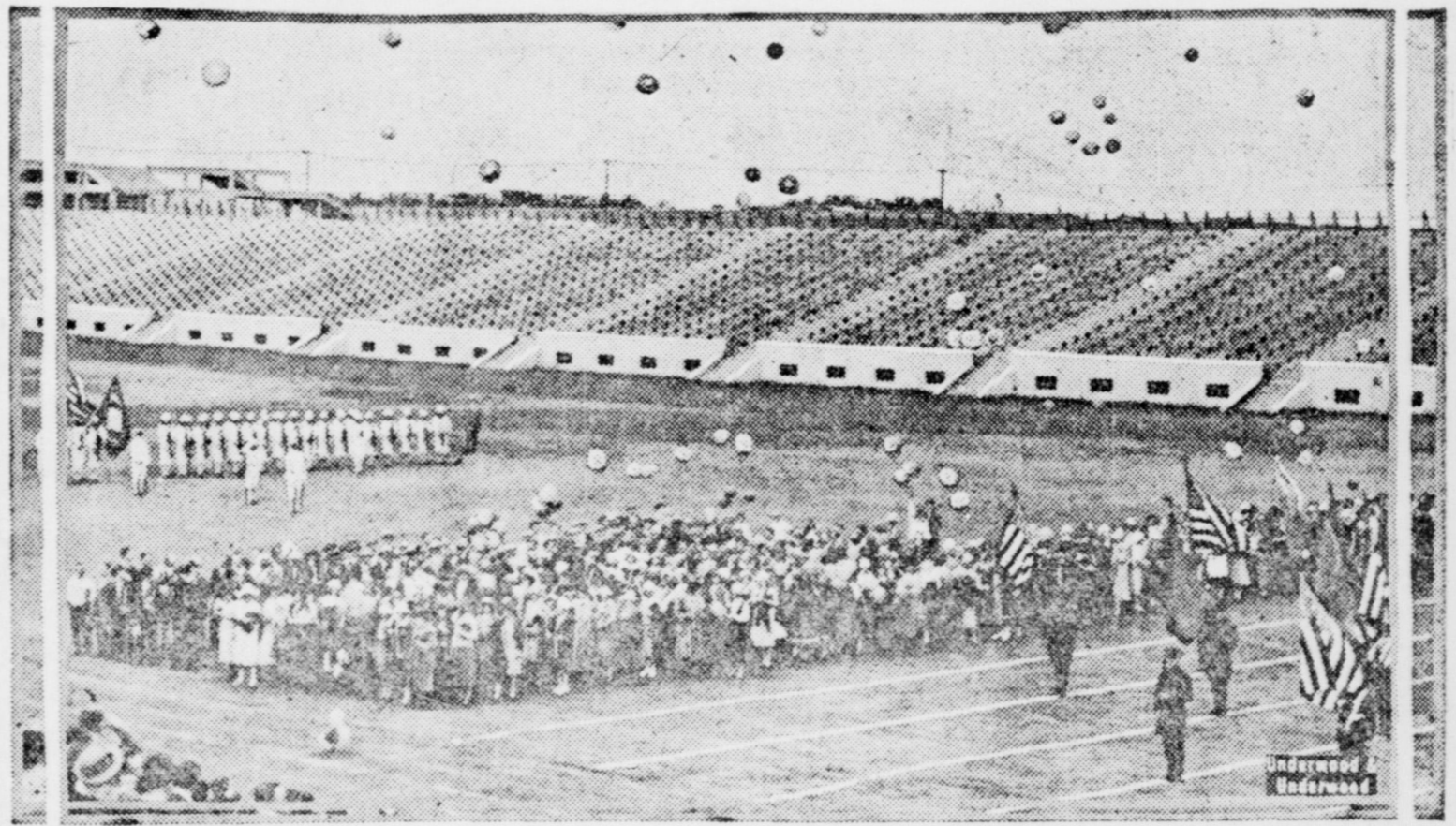
It is planned to have a county wide poultry judging demonstration contest in July. The winners in the county will be sent to college to compete in the state contest.

More than two thousand white leghorn baby chicks have been placed in Trinity County this spring, and they are doing nicely. It is planned to form an egg marketing organization this fall, and to have a hundred hens on every farm in the county within the next two years. Many people are becoming interested in poultry now.

**Greek Government Overthrown.**

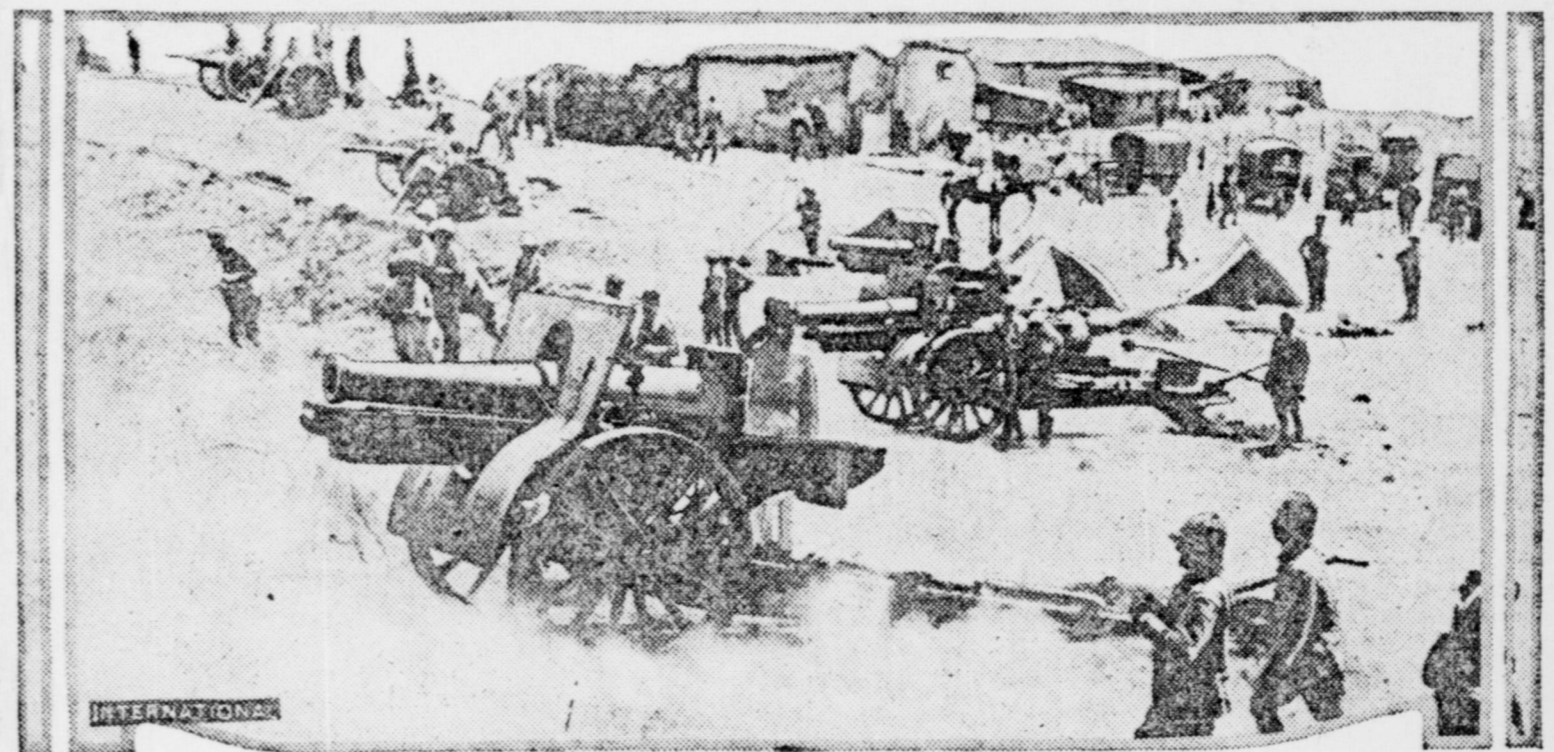
Athens.—The Greek government under the premiership of Michalakopoulos has been deposed and a new government under military control is installed at Athens. The revolutionary movement started at dawn, simultaneously at Athens and Saloniki, when anti-government forces after a brief and harmless fusillade, seized the telegraph offices and cut communications. The army and navy co-operated in the successful coup.

**Graduated as Citizens in Chicago Stadium**



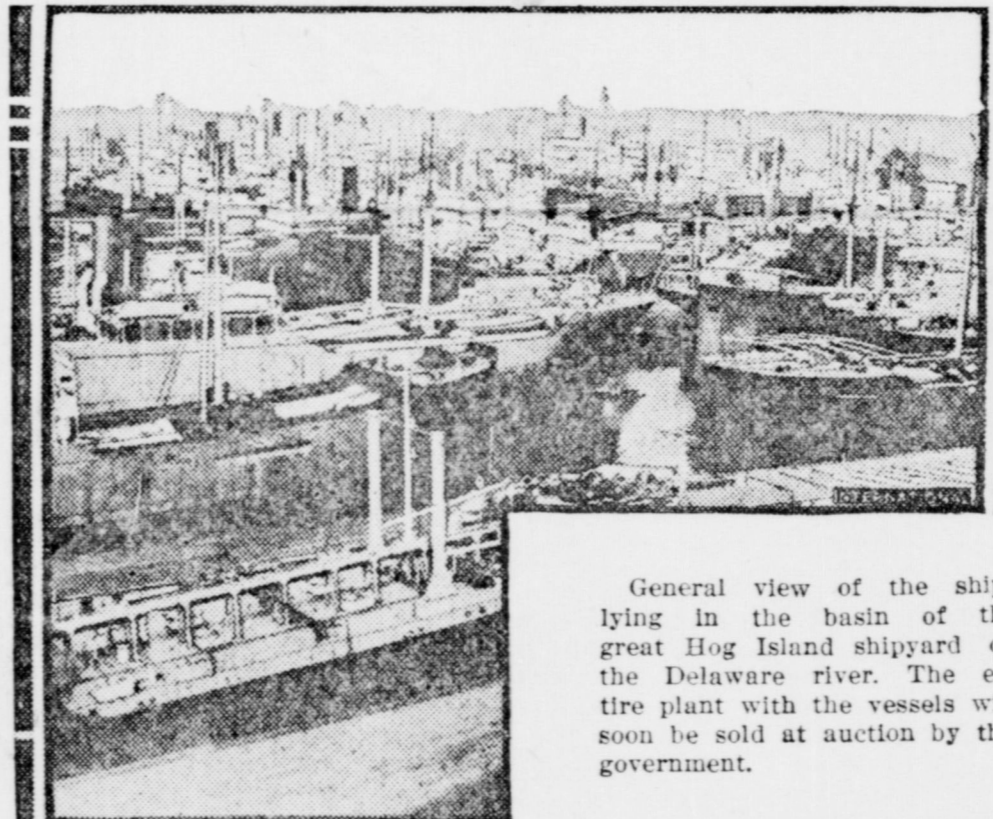
Picturesque scene in the Grant Park stadium of Chicago when 1,500 members of 62 citizenship clubs were graduated, under the auspices of the American Citizenship foundation. Part of the crowd is seen loosing balloons.

**Actual Battle Scene in the French-Riff War**



This picture of French howitzers in action was taken during the battle of Astar, when Colonel Freydenberg's troops fought continuously for two days against the Rifians.

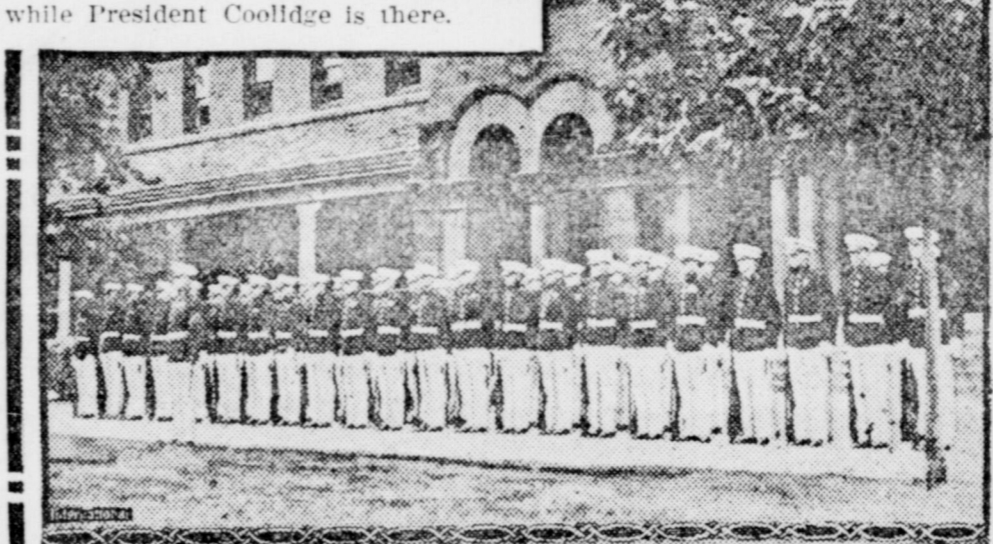
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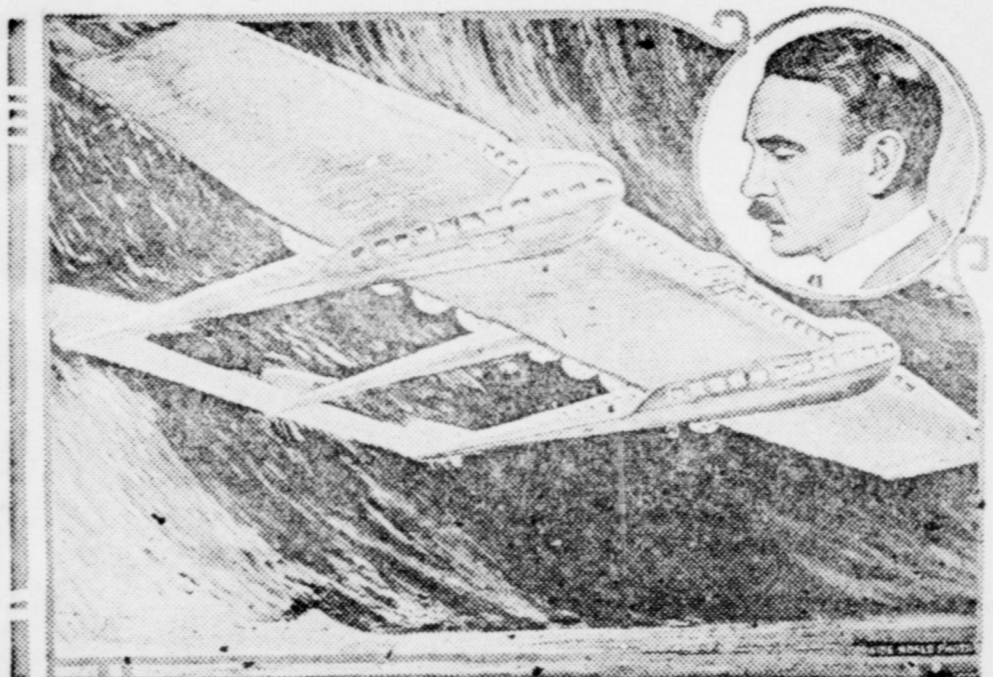
General view of the ships lying in the basin of the great Hog Island shipyard on the Delaware river. The entire plant with the vessels will soon be sold at auction by the government.

**MARINES ON GUARD AT WHITE COURT**

This is the detachment of United States marines that has been sent to Swampscott, Mass., to guard White Court, the summer White House, while President Coolidge is there.



**Plane That May Fly Over the Ocean**



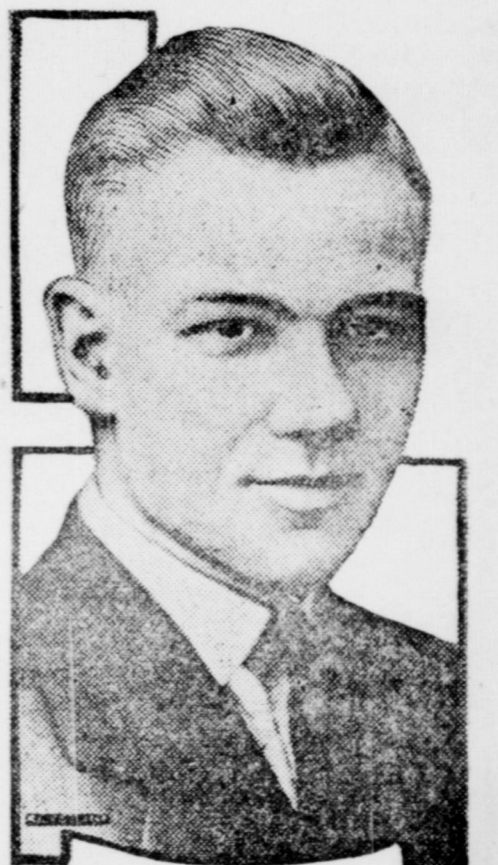
Design of the gigantic airplane which Louis Breguet of France, shown in inset, plans to build for the transatlantic passenger service.

**"MISS CALIFORNIA"**



Miss Faye Lamphier of Alameda, "Miss California" of 1924, retained her title in the annual beauty contest of 1925 held at Santa Cruz, and she will represent the state again at the national beauty contest in Atlantic City in September.

**RADIO GRADUATE**



Clifford Lideen, an invalid of Burlington, Iowa, who has received his A. B. degree from the University of Iowa for work completed through the radio correspondence courses.

# The Vanishing Men

—By—

Richard Washburn Child

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**SYNOPSIS**

Out of uniform, at the end of the World war, with the rank of major, Peter DeWolfe, young American of wealth and family, is urged by an English comrade in arms, Eversby Benham, to visit the Benham home and meet the Englishman's mother and sister, and, incidentally, Brena Selcoss, young woman about whom there is an air of mystery. Muriel Benham, Eversby's sister, becomes infatuated with Peter, but he is interested only in the mysterious Brena Selcoss, of whom he has had only a glimpse. Muriel urges him to forget her, warning him that if she (Brena) should like him he is in danger of "vanishing—like the others." Peter gets a phone message from Brena to meet her. Peter meets Brena in a tea room and the meeting results in the formation of a strong bond of friendship. After a few days' companionship the feeling between Peter and Brena ripens into love. He asks her to marry him, and she confesses that she is married and that her husband has "vanished."

**CHAPTER V—Continued**

The first time he ever saw Brena Selcoss was one morning when he had come back from a vacation of several weeks at some ranch among the pecan trees in Coleman. His vacations had become a mystery to other young men who were employed; all that appeared necessary was for Jim to go to Compton Parmalee and tell him when he would be back. It was ascribed to his magic quality of persuasion. Some said that if Hennepin smiled and asked in his inviting, breathless manner there would be no surprise to find that the President of the United States had allowed him to take the whole of Alaska under the Homestead act. And yet, though no one in Dallas then knew it, this was the man of un-checked wild youth, who had beaten a train conductor almost lifeless in the Baltimore station and had killed his riding horse with a stone held in his strong young hand.

Brena was sitting at an early breakfast when he came in. He did not speak to her; he merely stared. After a while, without taking his eyes away from her, he put his gun, his coat and his bag into a chair behind him. He still gazed at her and she, astonished, gazed back. He suggested Apollo; he suggested vaguely the sudden appearance of the fairy prince. He was giving an exhibition of his supreme rudeness—his almost majestic and memorable insolence; but it was also a supreme compliment, the best he knew how to bestow.

"Well," said he at last. "It's spring-time."

He spoke as if he had been a messenger from Destiny, as if spring were Brena's time and that time had come. It was like a sentence of a court.

With a quirk about the corners of his mouth, he walked boldly toward her and looked down into the dish of cereal on the table beneath her eyes.

"Nothing but milk," said he. "No, by G—d, you shan't have milk on your rice! It's an outrage. You are the young queen and I am the captain of the palace guards. And I'm off in a borrowed motorcar to get you the richest, thickest pint of cream in the city, and the speed laws can't stop me."

This absurd young man, with his infant smile, his athlete's body and his elementary hunger, leaped out down the steps, into a new touring car in which he had come, cut out the muffler and was gone.

He came back with cream. His aunt said, "Jim, you are crazy." But he was not crazy. He had an instinct for creating romance; he made the illusion when he wished because he had learned that adventures, particularly those with women, failed or succeeded according to the distance from the humdrum world he could lead on as a guide into the tropical and gaudy-flowered jungle of Change.

He became Brena's knight. He said so himself. He told her that for her to contemplate going to work was absurd—it was an impropriety like feeding American Beauty roses to army mules. Brena laughed and went to work on Monday morning; but Jim Hennepin had struck the right note when he had told her he would be her knight. She said, "I do like knights—not for myself, because I am so healthy."

"Yes, you burst with it," he said, looking at her forehead, her throat, her wrists. "It is my distraction."

"Nevertheless I like knights because they are knights."

"I am the originator of the knight idea," he said. "Somebody has told you it was King Arthur or some one else. Mere plagiarism! Come with me this evening on a ride to Waco."

He took her everywhere and his aunt scowled.

"Jim, she is only seventeen," Mrs. Wilkie said, panting.

"She looks twenty-five," he answered.

"But it leads nowhere," said the aunt. "Nowhere except to scandal."

"Scandal?" replied Hennepin yawning. "Nonsense! Also piffle! A man takes a beautiful girl around for the same reason that you'd wear a diamond ring if you had one, especially if it had been given you by some broke. It's just a symbol of one's ability to have the right things. It's ego."

"Is that all, Jim?"

"Yes," he said, lying glibly.

"Because you haven't the money to be married, Jim," she said, moving her mouth over so that it looked like a newly punctured pink opening. She liked to live near immorality; it gave her vicarious pleasure. She had a magazine picture of a certain French actress tacked up beside her looking-glass. She would have been sorry if Brena had suffered misfortune from Jim, but also she would have been glad just as one, though sorry to hear of a distant acquaintance dying, has a thrill of interest in finding a familiar name in the obituary notices.

Hennepin was whimsical enough to repeat to Brena, word for word, this conversation.

They were sitting in the motorcar looking out over the undulating Texas prairie. In the hollows the red bud was in bloom and the air of dusk was like the light, velvety.

"It never occurred to her that I might love you," he said.

Brena said nothing.

"Don't you love me a little?" he asked.

"I don't know, Jim—really. I don't know. I don't know what love is. I've only read about it, and it is just like reading about some place you've never been. I wouldn't know when I had arrived, there and stood on the very spot."

"My G—d, you're like a new flower, opened up for the first time and wet with dew!"

As if he could not conceal haste, he seized her hand and squeezed it until she said, "Oh, Jim!"

"Well, you're fond of me?"

"Yes, I am, Jim. I'm fond of you."

"Perhaps it's because you have no one else to be fond of," he suggested.

"I don't know," she told him. "I don't know yet."

He looked around at the yellow horizon in the west and shivered.

"We aren't by ourselves," he exclaimed with irritation. "Not here in Dallas. We ought to take a trip."

"A trip?" said Brena. "How could we take a trip?"

"You mean because of money? Well, I'm going to fix that." He smiled craftily. "I've a strange hold on some money, Brena. I suppose that when I turn up with some real money people will say that I dipped into the till or had a rich uncle die. It will be such a novelty to have a roll. But they'll be wrong. I'll get it my own way. And it's coming."

"Oh, Jim!"

"Money or no money, I want you," he said. "Some day I'll make you say you love me."

Brena lay awake under a hot roof wondering whether she loved Jim Hennepin. There was no one to tell her that she did not.

As the weeks went on she found herself asking where the end would be of day after day of showing perfumed wives of Dallas business men embroidered linens at the Porto Rican store, of walking home, sometimes with men staring at her, of trying to find interest in the chocolate fudge minds of girls who did not like to have her around because she talked like a professor and wore the beauty they wished was theirs. It was not clear that Jim was not the one man of all, the prince who stepped out of nothing and held out his hands to her in some kind of miraculous tableau. No one reminded her that she was only seventeen; she felt that she was as old

burning upon them as if it were some great wrath.

"Look here!" said Jim, with a kind of ferocity in his voice and eyes. "I'm going away. Compton Parmalee won't be in Dallas, and I've an errand to do."

"You're so excited, Jim."

"Yes, I know. But the time has come. I want to know if you love me."

He did not appear to care much what her answer would be.

"I think I do, Jim."

"You're willing to take a trip? Brave enough to go to St. Louis alone? To meet me?"

"You mean you want to marry me, Jim?"

"Why yes, if it turns out all right."

"I'll go."

"Brave enough?"

"I'm not much of a coward, Jim—that least of all."

"Well, then—listen. Here's a hotel. The name is written on that card. Be there on Friday, the twelfth of the month. I'll be there at four o'clock. You better come the day before. Get a room and don't be frightened."

"No, Jim."

"Why do you look at me so?"

"Because I have no money now."

"That's all right. Here, take this. It's plenty, eh? Don't let any one see it. And you won't say—"

"Of course not, Jim—not anything."

"Your hand on that."

She put her hand in his.

"Why are you going away, Jim?"

He looked into her eyes, and if Brena had known the world better, she would have seen something of the brutality of Jim Hennepin at that moment.

"Tell me, Jim."

"I've had a call," he said craftily. "If I can tell you when I come for you in St. Louis you'll say that it is all the strangest—Well, I've had a call."

Brena went to St. Louis. She had not marked the date on her little calendar on the bureau; it was not necessary because she was not ready to forget, and besides some one might ask her a question. Some one might have asked why she went. And she could not have told.

**CHAPTER VI**

Brena Selcoss returned from St. Louis on the sixteenth of the month. The train arrived in Dallas in the early morning when the night prairie wind was still cool, but she spent the last dollar in her purse to be driven to Mrs. Wilkie's in one of the old city station hacks.

"Well," said the round landlady, exploding the breath from her little mouth to express astonishment, inquiry and disapproval all at once.

"Yes, I came back," Brena replied, lifting her suitcase up the steps wearily.

"I thought I was going to lose all my nice young people," Mrs. Wilkie said, turning on the disk record of her false good nature. "Jim Hennepin went with hardly a thank you. There's been no end of mail for him. I didn't know where he'd gone; he made such a mystery about it, so I sent the letters to his office. They probably know about him—more than I do. He didn't tell you where he went?"

"No," said Brena, "he didn't tell me."

"And not a word from him. Not so much as a picture post card."

Brena was trying to pass around the bulk of the older woman.

"And you went off yourself without much explanation," Mrs. Wilkie complained, putting herself in the way, "and without knowing whether or not you was coming back."

She looked all over the girl from head to foot with an expression in her beady eyes indicating that it would have been better if a legal guardian had been appointed for Brena.

"Well, I'm here."

"So I see. Have you had breakfast?"

"I don't want any," replied Brena.

She went up to her room under the roof where, upon the bedspread were the dust marks made by her suitcase when she had thrown it up to pack six days before. She put it back on those marks as if a refund of life had been completed. Then she got up to cross the room to the picture of the Acropolis—her father's picture, the last possession of the family. For a long time, too, she looked at this engraving in its travel-battered frame—a relic of Demetrius Selcoss.

"He said not to be afraid," she told herself. "He said something would come if I were in danger."

Downstairs at about that same moment Mrs. Wilkie was writing in her diary. At one time in her life she had acquired the fancy that the memoirs of women often were important—the original sources of historical facts and the mirror of society of a period—and the diary habit kept its grip upon her long after she had ceased to say to herself, "Think what it would have meant if Madame de Maintenon had kept a diary." Now she wrote in the same hasty, out-of-breath style with which she conducted all life—leaving out pronouns and writing sentences.

"Went shopping. Saw Bertha. Said her husband's teeth kept her awake getting hot water bottle."

She poised her fountain pen and

wrote: "Brena Selcoss returned today from St. Louis. Said she had errand there. There is a frightened look in her eyes." A drop of ink fell and splattered out. She blotted it and left the outline of a little black fiend which danced upon the page.

It may have been true that Brena had in her great dark eyes a frightened look, but there was nothing to show panic in her conduct. For a girl who was not yet eighteen she exhibited a great deal of common sense. She went to the Porto Rican shop and asked for her old position. It was given to her and life was renewed again in a pulsing monotony of that slightly soiled middle-class respectable vulgarity which appeared to Brena as infinitely more sordid than the squalor of slums or the crises of passionate crimes. That she was a part of this dull brown cheapness, surrounded by virtuous and smug persons who lived contentedly without ideas or taste in a round of interest in such things as strawberry festivals, new hats, pink celluloid hair receivers, Sunday newspapers, half pounds of chocolates, card

persons who said, "What beautiful flowers! They're like wax!"

Brena at the piano that evening felt as she always felt, that she was alone in the world—the friend of certain dogs and cats which lived in houses along the way home from work. She had grown accustomed to this loneliness and was nearly convinced subconsciously that it would go on forever. Within sight there was nothing which might break into it and she had no pang because of that. She set her face toward tomorrow. She might have been expected, therefore, to be startled when the past broke in upon her.

It came in the form of Compton Parmalee.

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games, etiquette, napkin-rings, the domestic lives of actresses and royalty, souvenir spoons, picture postal cards, talking machines, baseball scores, spiritualism, and decorated sentiments or vulgarities framed for the wall, was an anomaly like planting a peony among the cabbages.

But Brena, conscious of this, found herself wondering whether every human being did not have the feeling that he or she was a gem in an inferior setting. Her mother's sense of humor was in her and she saw her escape not by fluttering at the walls but by climbing over them. Even at seventeen, no doubt her face had begun to take on that calm of centuries with its tenderness and patience and wistfulness and understanding as if she carried eternal hopes and bore the sufferings of all mankind; it was only her mother's sense of humor that thrust its light through this mountainous and heroic expression. Later the punctuation of fear, expressed only through her eyes, had become a characteristic interruption.

Mrs. Wilkie often mentioned the journey to St. Louis. She would have given Brena a week's board to know why the girl had gone, but even Mrs. Wilkie sensed some quality in this beautiful child which made her a creature of a different species and filled others with a sense of awe from which only Jim Hennepin had been exempt; she never pressed her questions beyond a point where she found herself looking into the wondering, dark Selcoss eyes. Brena kept her own knowledge without an effort; it was done with a magnificent restraint and with the suggestion that she who until that year had navigated life not at all time without another's hand upon the tiller.

Brena even asked twice whether Hennepin had written. She chose moments when the two other women boarders and the accountant of the Southern Pacific were at the table.

"Written!" said Mrs. Wilkie, puckering her little mouth as if she were going to whistle her sentence. "Written? Not he! But I might expect that; I have never found that I could expect gratitude—from anybody."

She looked at each face at the table severely.

"But that's nothing," she added. "His own father, who is dying of Bright's, hasn't heard from him—not for three months."

"Oh," said Brena as if reflecting and weighing the matter. She left the table, and going into the front room, she played in lively time upon the piano there—a piano with a sheeny red case and with a tone intended to be the startling opposite of the tin-pan attributes of old pianos. This one had tones extravagantly round like the softness of an elocutionist reading poetry. Brena had remembered this piano and described its affection. It was nothing to her that those who heard her play on it said, "Oh!—one makes it talk," for they were the same

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Compton Parmalee did not appear at all anxious to say what he wanted. He was a small, wiry man, careful of his dress, who above everything else was self-contained. He thrust his glances. As Brena Selcoss came in the door he thrust a glance at her and then looked up at the ceiling as if his mind was digesting that which his gray eyes had photographed. As she came toward him inquiringly, he rose, thrust another glance at her and looked out the window considering. When she stopped he thrust once more and sat down looking at the carpet. Everyone who ever knew Compton Parmalee will remember the characteristic inspection of that daring speculator.

"Are you Miss Selcoss?" he asked, as if now that he was able to fasten his gaze upon her, he found it improbable that the girl he saw in all her freshness of youth was the girl he had come to see.

"Yes," he said.

Parmalee had come to Texas from the desert country of southern California when he was twenty-six. He knew that country well. In his years in Dallas, acting as a cotton commission man and commodity gambler, he had collected a large and valuable library about the whole historic Southwest, its Indian tribes, the Pueblos, the strange customs and secrets of savage men carrying some of the traits and traditions of prehistoric Aztecs, and the Jesuit missionaries. It was said by some persons that his quiet ways were a veneer put on by some studious years in Berkeley at the university, but rumor had it that Parmalee with his rather pale, young face that made him look thirty instead of forty-three, his small, well-shaped hands, his immaculate linen, his soft voice, had once shot a man across a roulette table which he himself owned and operated.

That he was ever a man of violence is very doubtful. He was an unquenching gambler, but not with his personal safety; his personal safety was his principal concern. He wore gloves on all occasions—to keep the germs off his hands; he had his massive mahogany desk, in the office building across from the new hotel, wiped down every morning with an antiseptic; long years before the practice had become a worthy fashion he had himself examined periodically by specialists. He was always fearing contagion. He gargled. He snuffed. He sprayed. He read medical journals. He feared cancer above all other things. He loved his life so much that he had loved no woman for many years; the monopoly of this devotion excluded competition. He loved his life with an unspending passion; he ruined it by fearing to lose it.

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as the pyramids, for her reading had made her appear as related to the past. More than anything else some fundamental part of her declared that she was as nothing, that whatever she might do or become there could be no disaster, no loss; that she was created to be given away.

One day Jim came home at the noon hour. He did not usually come then, and evidently he had not come to have lunch there, for he stood outside the door where his aunt's piggish eyes could not see him, and beckoned to Brena mysteriously.

When she had come out onto the porch, he took her hand and led her around the corner of the house. She could always remember the heat of the blazing sun of noon which flattened its

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**METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.  
 Preaching Service, 10:45 A. M.  
 Epworth League, 7:30 P. M.  
 Preaching Service, 8:00 P. M.  
 Mid-week Service, Wednesday  
 7:30 P. M.

Let everyone feel welcome to worship with us. We shall expect you to be at home in our church.

We want to especially urge the soldier boys to attend the Sunday School and Epworth League.  
 W. S. Ezell, Pastor.

### CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Sunday services will be as follows:

A Mass will be held at 8:45 a. m. at the Fort Clark Service Club.

A Mass, will held at 10:30 a. m. at the Church.

At every Mass preaching in English and Spanish.

Sunday School for the American and the Mexican children at 9 a. m.

Every second Sunday the first Mass at Spofford.

In the week.

Mass at 7 a. m.

Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:00.

E. Marco, Rector.

### BAPTIST SERVICES

Preaching at Spofford 2d and 4th Sunday mornings 11 A. M. at Court House in Brackettville second and fourth at 7:30 and every Sunday night. B Y P U service at 7:00. Cordial welcome to all services.

### No Trespassing

The Kemper ranch is posted. No fishing, hunting, or otherwise trespassing will be allowed. No permits issued.

A. L. Wickham

### Episcopal Church

9:45 a. m., Sunday School.  
 Evening Prayer and sermon on the second and fourth Sunday evenings in each month by the Missioner. Come, and worship with us.

F. H. Stellknecht, Missioner.

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W. A. M. Slator.

### NEW R. R. SCHEDULE

#### Rail Road Time Table

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 WEST BOUND

No. 7.....3:00 P M

No 101.....8:00 A M

No 109.....11:25 P M

#### EAST BOUND

No 8.....3:00 P M

No 102.....11:52 P M

No 110.....9:05 A M

#### EAGLE PASS BRANCH

NORTH BOUND

No 226.....2:40 P M

No 228.....10:30 P M

#### SOUTH BOUND

No 225.....3:05 P M

No 227.....6:00 A M

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Eight million men and women go hunting every year in the United States. And yet, some persons can't see the idea of a game commission.

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So it is in all walks of life, and that calls for individual economic inde- pendence. It calls for man to first provide for his own security, but not selfishly. Individual economic inde- pendence creates good citizens, and upon good citizenship government de- pends for its existence.

If typical of its title, this organiza- tion's membership relies upon sales- manship as a means of maintenance. There are many kinds of salesmen: hardware, grocery, dry goods, lumber, steel, oil stock, cigars and cigarettes, pen and paper, peanut and pop-corn vendors, but how frequently do we ever see or hear of a real "farmer salesman." And so I have chosen FARM MARKETING SALESMAN- SHIP as a theme kindred to this or- ganization and occasion.

No class of people throughout this broad land enjoy less economic inde- pendence than the farmer—the biggest business of all businesses—producing annually more new wealth than any other single business. It provides, generally speaking, poorer standards of living, less opportunity to enjoy the luxuries of life than any other single industry, and yet is the very heart, soul and backbone of the nation's pro- sperity.

The farmers' method of production may be unscientific and wasteful, but cost is variable—up or down, by effi- cient methods on the one hand, or in- efficient on the other—to only a small degree. One single item of Texas farm products—cotton—within a period of less than five years, has ranged up and down in price more than 300%. I distinctly recall in one swift fluctua- tion it dropped from 36c per pound at high point down to 11c per pound at low point. Make the cost of produc- tion what you will, no business on earth can withstand such violent fluc- tuations and downward deprecations on its income. The law of supply and demand is ever present and active. Its influence may be minimized by co- ordinated efficient salesmanship. By the same token, speculative raids upon the farmers' income can be averted.

So long as the individual farmer, with sample in his hands, peddles his crops from door to door, his individual economic independence will be de- structively violated and ruination wrought to his business—the greatest business of all—the business of farm- ing.

Salesmanship has become a science. In its most modern and advanced form it is a science of co-operation through corporations. The stockholder buys stock in a corporation—banking, manu- facturing or otherwise—and immedi- ately becomes a co-operative unit deal- ing in some particular product and represented by scientific salesman- ship. The agricultural producer is the fundamental basis upon which the suc- cess of all such enterprise depends and upon whom your success likewise depends. We are so much concerned with establishing our own economic in- dependence that we are apt at some point to exchange success for selfish- ness and forget the very basis of our prosperity—the farmer.

But economic laws work unerringly, and will destroy the basis of all pros- perity—the farmer—if we continue to forget. In his own mad fight for a footing in life, the business man neg- lects to shower the farmer's thirty field with drops of his business ex- perience. Farm marketing salesman- ship is the silver lining to the cloud. Farm co-operative marketing organiza- tions are fighting their feeble way to the front. They are a nucleus around which efficient scientific salesmanship may be established for the farmer. He is fundamental to our success and we should contribute to his.

He can succeed by controlling 50% of the flow of his production, and by the same means control the sale of his output. Financing is the first essen- tial to such control. Create control through co-operation in financing and production. Control farm production and sales control of output will follow. Legislation can aid, but not cure the farmers' ills.

Co-operation of the farmer and the business man, whose interests are one and indivisible, will make the farmer salesman a familiar figure in the marts and markets of the world, and bring to the farmer much needed economic in- dependence. The world's welfare lies in being your brother's keeper in this needed evolution in the marketing of the nation's agricultural products.

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