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## Sterling, Neff Criticized For Conservation Stand

(By Associated Press)  
AUSTIN, Mar. 17.—Representative Bob Long, of Wichita Falls, today on the floor of the House of Representatives condemned Governor Ross S. Sterling and Pat M. Neff, member of the state railroad commission, for their stand on oil and gas conservation.

Long charged Sterling with listening to the representatives of the Humble Oil & Refining Company, of which the state's chief executive was a former president, instead of to the people. Long declared Neff is playing "petty politics."

The Wichita Falls man made the charges, speaking on a point of personal privilege, a few minutes after Sterling's bill was introduced by Representatives J. R. McDougald, of Beaumont, Penrose B. Metcalfe, of San Angelo, and A. C. Johnson, of Dalhart, to establish an oil and gas commission, taking the regulation of oil and gas away from the railroad commission.

Long termed the actions of the governor, Neff, and the Humble company were reflections on the legislature. Referring to Sterling's recent statement that the conservation laws were adequate, Long declared C. V. Terrell, chairman of the railroad commission, and Commissioner Lon A. Smith had an opinion from the former attorney general holding that the commission had no authority to prevent the wastage of gas or oil production.

"Despite this fact, Sterling and Neff claim the conservation laws are adequate," Long stated.

## ROTARIANS TO HEAR CAMP FIRE GIRLS

The Ballinger Rotary Club on Wednesday will have the pleasure of hearing the local Camp Fire Girls in their first program during anniversary week. F. M. Pearce is in charge of the club's program for this date and feels fortunate in securing the appearance of the Camp Fire Girls.

No details of the program have been given out for publicity, but a treat is assured. A large number of the lassies in uniforms will take part in the presentation.

Officers of the Rotary Club urge every member possible to be on hand promptly at 12 noon, so that as much time as possible may be devoted to the feature of the program.

## THIRD APPENDICITIS VICTIM IN FAMILY OPERATED ON

On March 16, Oliver Greebon was operated on for appendicitis in the Halley & Love Sanitarium. This was the third appendectomy operation in the Greebon family within a period of three weeks.

The other two members of the family to be operated on were Sydney Greebon, on February 17, and Reesie Mae Greebon, on March 14.

Albert Chellings of this city had a major operation last Saturday.

## Two New Bills are Favored by Senate

(By Associated Press)  
AUSTIN, Mar. 17.—The Senate today passed the resolution introduced by Senator W. A. Williamson, of San Antonio, proposing to amend the constitution to permit retired officers and enlisted men of the army, navy, marine corps, and coast guard to vote and hold office.

The resolution offered by Senator John W. Hornsby, of Austin, asking that the offices of tax assessor and collector be consolidated, also was approved.

## U. S. May Lack Funds to Help Wheat Farmers

By Frank I. Weller  
(Associated Press Farm Editor)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17.—Unless spring wheat planting develops a generous attitude in farmers' cooperation with the farm board's acreage adjustment program, the government may not lift a finger to pull wheat through another year of depression.

In the first place, the board may not have enough money to launch another price stabilization crusade.

It has only about \$115,000,000 in the treasury, and the last \$100,000,000 of the revolving fund will become available July 1. Loan commitments to cooperatives—almost impossible to ascertain in the aggregate—are believed to be in excess of \$115,000,000.

The board has had more cooperation in acreage reduction in the spring wheat region than anywhere else, but whether it can be cut enough, in view of another large winter wheat acreage, to bring the total down to farm board requirements is problematical.

Widespread crop failure in this or other countries might eliminate the necessity for stabilization.

Another contingent feature of stabilization prospects is the ability of the board to liquidate or find a future opportunity to liquidate an accumulation of wheat estimated to reach 200,000,000 by the advent of the new crop year.

If it can be eased into the market there might be enough money to finance another stabilization program if need be.

There is perhaps more of an attitude now more than ever before to let the farmer suffer the consequences if he fails to cooperate in the matter of production, but how strong it would be in face of another emergency is debatable.

As now, the board said it would not renew its 1929 stabilization

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## Poultry Inspection For Local Raisers

E. N. Holmgren, poultry husbandman of the extension service, A. & M. College; T. B. Wood, agent for the third agricultural district of Texas; C. W. Lehmburg, county agent; and J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, will leave here at 8:30 Wednesday morning for a poultry inspection trip in Runnels county. This county has become famous throughout the state for producing fine poultry and poultry products and the visiting officials are anxious to see at first hand the equipment in use and varieties of fowls grown.

Before noon the following poultry farms in the Hatcher community will be visited: W. S. Caudle, Elmer Barnhill, Fred Parker, J. B. Estes, Charles Michaelis and Ernest Graves. Lunch will be eaten at Winters, 12 to 12:45, and the officials will then visit the following places near Winters: A. D. Lee, Earl Rogers, Charles Chapman, Benton Neely, D. B. Thornton, D. A. Dobbins, C. M. Gideon, and Joe Baker.

All operators of poultry farms to be visited Wednesday will have their record books brought up to date for inspection by Mr. Holmgren, who will talk to the poultrymen on breeding, feeding, sanitation, and other phases of the industry. Brief reports will be received from each farm visited and some of these will be compiled for use in poultry journals, giving statewide publicity.

Mr. Lehmburg said Tuesday that anyone interested would be welcome to join the party for the entire trip. A schedule allowing a certain amount of time at each place has been prepared, the farm operator notified when they will arrive and how long they will stay.

A complete report of the trip will be made public. Other farms would be visited if more time had been allotted this county for inspection, but with only one day to spare it is impossible to cover the entire county.

## Cowmen Gather in Colorful Meeting

(By Associated Press)  
CORPUS CHRISTI, Mar. 17.—Two thousand cowmen attended the colorful fifty-fifth annual convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association here today.

El Paso and San Antonio are seeking the next convention.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stroble, of Austin, are here for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stroble and friends.

To Observe Nurse's Birthday  
LONDON, Mar. 10.—(AP)—Florence Nightingale's birthday, May 12, will be observed as Red Cross day in the future throughout the British Empire.

Fees and commissions received by 82 Mississippi sheriffs in 1930 approximated \$1,030,000.

## Ireland Observes St. Patrick's Day

(By Associated Press)  
DUBLIN, Irish Free State, Mar. 17.—Ireland today celebrated St. Patrick's Day with nationwide religious services, civic programs, sporting contests, feasts and dancing which may last until tomorrow morning. President Cosgrave published a message of good will.

Twenty thousand persons participated in the St. Patrick's Day parade along Fifth Avenue, New York city.

Much green grass and green foliage on trees gave Texas a natural coloring for St. Patrick's Day. A belated snowstorm struck New York, Washington, Baltimore and the New England states today where growing green grass usually carpets the ground. Baltimore was white with a five-inch covering of snow.

## Half Holiday Here For County Meet

Ballinger public schools will take half a day holiday Friday so that teachers and pupils may attend the county interscholastic meet at Winters. The meet will begin at 9 a. m. Friday and all contestants from the local schools who must be present in the forenoon will be excused and several teachers will accompany them to Winters. Substitute teachers will be employed until noon when school will be dismissed for the week.

Operation of the county meet requires practically all the teachers, and as soon as school is dismissed Friday the entire faculty will go to Winters, where most of them will assist in some division of the meet Friday and Saturday.

Supt. H. C. Lyon stated that he did not favor a full holiday on Friday because it would fall so near the one week before last when local teachers attended the convention of the Mid-Texas Teachers Association at Brownwood.

Ballinger schools will have contestants in all events at the meet and a large number will have to be present Friday morning as playground ball, tennis, volleyball and other games that require many players, will commence at that time. All track and field events will take place Saturday, preliminaries being scheduled for the morning and finals starting soon after lunch.

Most of the Ballinger students who will compete in the meet have been selected but a few are yet to be chosen by the teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd left Tuesday morning for Dallas for a visit to Mr. Shepherd's sister and where Mr. Shepherd will attend to legal business. They expect to return home about Friday.

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## Membership Drive Set for Thursday

Committees from the Lions and Rotary clubs and the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce met Monday afternoon at the city hall for the purpose of completing preliminary details for the membership drive to be staged for the local commercial organization. The drive was set for Thursday and all members of the committee will gather at 9 o'clock that day and begin an intensive campaign to cover the entire city.

The city will be divided into sections and teams of two will work together. Six men from each luncheon club will comprise the workers in a contest between the clubs. The regular membership committee of the chamber is: M. C. Atkins, J. A. Killough and L. C. Daugherty who will work with the other committees and be in charge of the drive. The Lions Club committee is: J. A. Killough, Tommie Hall, R. E. Bruce, Chas. Coombes, Homer Carsey and F. D. McCoy. The Rotary Club committee is: E. Shepperd, Garland Thomas, Troy Simpson, Floyd Smith, E. W. McLaurin and J. F. Neff.

The teams will be furnished a complete list of those contributing to the budget and those comprising the individual membership. This will speed up the work as no one will be approached who is already affiliated with the chamber. It is planned to completely canvass the city Thursday, reporting that evening.

The drive for individual members is being staged to raise the monthly income to meet a deficit. The budget is short about \$1,700 to date and it is the hope of the officials that this difference can be collected by monthly dues of \$1 each from individuals.

The new members will be given a membership card as soon as they are signed up by the committees, and dues will be collected on the first of each month for the remainder of the year. Those in charge of the flying campaign ask local business men to encourage their clerks and employees to join the organization and contribute to its support.

## Five Injured in Prison Fight

(By Associated Press)  
JOLIET, Ill., Mar. 17.—Five men were injured today in a quarrel among sixteen convicts in the band room in the new penitentiary at Statesville, across the river from the old prison where a riot occurred Saturday.

The cause of today's difficulty is unknown. There were no guards present at the time.

## "BIG BILL'S" CABINET QUILTS

(By Associated Press)  
CHICAGO, Mar. 17.—Mayor William Hale Tompson's whole cabinet resigned today, effective at his pleasure.

## Capt. Dollar, 87, Plans Birthday "Orgy" of Work

(By Associated Press)  
SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—Having worked hard for 74 years, Robert Dollar, ship owner and lumber magnate, expects to devote his birthday, March 20, to "pleasure."

But there's a catch in the definition of the word "pleasure." Although he will be 87 years old that day, and has never had a vacation in the full sense, his synonym for "pleasure" is "work."

The old sea dog's eyes twinkled—as they do on the slightest provocation—when he explained his philosophy.

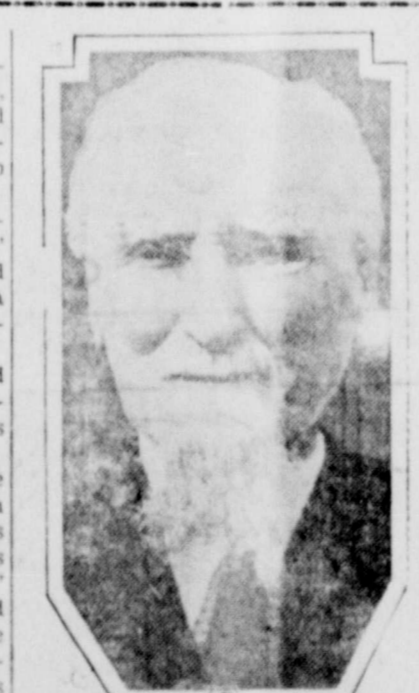
"You know, it's the only recipe for real happiness I've ever been able to find," he said. "There's no pleasure like seeing things grow from one's hand and mind."

They call him the "grand old man of the Pacific" with the preface "Captain" when addressing him personally, for he is a marine captain in his own right and he speaks the language of the sea.

His business associates say he speaks it very expressively at times, but in some other ways he falls short of the standard picture of the rollicking sea farer—he neither smokes nor drinks.

He has made 31 round trips to the Orient, and five journeys completely around the world.

The fortune that Captain Dollar



ROBERT DOLLAR

has accumulated as a shipping magnate never leads him to think of abandoning his daily routine of labor.

"I haven't been getting down to work lately until 9 o'clock, though," he confessed apologetically. "I was sick recently, and haven't got my full strength back yet."

Erect and straight as an arrow,

with the clear eyes of a college youth, only the wrinkles of his ruddy complexion and his becoming gray hair seem to betoken advancing years.

The man who quit school at 11 to begin his business career in a lumber camp is wont to attribute his success to hard work and clean habits of living. Others think his irresistible personality and keen sense of humor had a great deal to do with it.

As he talks he leans over and taps his listener on the shoulder, bubbling jovially as he confesses to a business coup or tells how he surmounted an obstacle.

The Chinese, Captain Dollar declares, are surely, and not so slowly, approaching the day when they will be buying radios, automobiles and other things that will make commerce boom on the Pacific.

"The nation needs to get rid of its army of 3,000,000 men, and it will when Bolshevism has been stamped out," he says.

"Outwardly the Chinese situation looks dark. In truth its prospects were never so bright."

"We are getting ever closer to that day when the development of the Pacific will be such as the world has never seen. The Pacific coast of America has just started to grow—scarcely scratched the surface."

## 100 Armed Men Attack Guards; 4 are Wounded

## Dallas Firemen Save Lancaster

(By Associated Press)  
DALLAS, Mar. 17.—A shifting of the wind and the timely arrival of the Dallas fire department saved Lancaster, Dallas county, from a destructive fire today.

The White Loan & Investment Company warehouse was damaged about \$10,000.

The fire was endangering the Elliott Lumber Company yard across the street, and other buildings when help came and the wind shifted.

## Bolt Association is Ordered Dissolved

(By Associated Press)  
NEW YORK, Mar. 17.—Federal Judge Frank J. Coleman today ordered dissolution of the Bolt, Nut and Screw Manufacturers' Association, which controls about ninety-five per cent of that industry, holding that the association was in restraint of trade and in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Counsel for the association, which does an annual business of approximately \$75,000,000, agreed to the order.

The Bethlehem Steel Corporation, the Republic Steel Company, and the Pittsburgh Screw and Bolt Company are among the fifty members of the association.

## WINANS REARRESTED; MAKES BOND; FREED

Charles Winans was arrested Monday night on charges of transporting intoxicating liquor. He promptly made bond and was released.

Mrs. John Sides, who is held on the double charge of possession and sale of liquor, had not made bond at noon Tuesday.

## World Farm Credit Urged

GENEVA, March 17.—(AP)—Creation of an international bank for agricultural credits has been proposed to the League of Nations. The international institute would borrow on its own credit in international money markets and lend on mortgage security through national agencies.

Gem Paper Clips at Ballinger Printing Co.

## McLaurin is Chapel Program Speaker

At the Tuesday morning high school chapel service, Rev. E. W. McLaurin, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, made an adroit rebuttal to that sweeping generalization "All great poets are atheists," which has recently been prevailing in some literary circles. Choosing as his field the 19th century poets, he briefly sketched the relations of a few of these to their God. William Cullen Bryant and Lord Alfred Tennyson were the speaker's principal figures.

After quoting some of "Thanatopsis," Rev. McLaurin explained that though this poem was a masterpiece of literary skill, especially so when one considers that it was written by an 18-year-old boy, it was, nevertheless, altruistic. Bryant, he said, was too young at the time to have developed any definite theological philosophy, and his poem was a desperate attempt to find himself, rather than a protest against a deity. Rev. McLaurin offered as confirmation of this statement one of the poet's latter works, "To a Water Fowl," in which a most inspiring and refreshing belief in God is plainly expressed.

"Crossing the Bar" was the selection which the speaker took from Tennyson. His justification of this choice was the fact that since the poet was 80 at the time of writing it he certainly should have by then come to some final conclusion in regard to his religious beliefs.

Rev. McLaurin intimated that he realized the fact that many great poets were atheists. He merely desired, he said, to oppose the statement that poetry and atheism were unalterably connected.

(By Associated Press)  
ST. LOUIS, Mar. 17.—A hundred men, armed with shot-guns and revolvers, ambushed six guards of the Phillips Pipe Line Company, who were driving along Hog Haven road escorting laborers to tanks of the company, today, the gun fire wounding four of the guards.

Commenting on the attack, John L. McCarthy, financial secretary and business agent of Ironworkers' Union No. 2, of East St. Louis, said his organization "objected" to the employment of "over a hundred non-union iron workers and boiler makers on the job."

## MINNESOTA VET WINS "ROCK PUSHING" TITLE

(By Associated Press)  
EVELETH, Minn., Mar. 17.—Robert H. Dunbar, sr., of this city, has won his 12th state championship in Minnesota, taking top curling honors at the 1931 bonspiel for the Governor Merriam medal.

Dunbar has been sliding the rocks for 40 years, and has won numerous other tournaments. His son won the 1930 state title when Dunbar senior was unable to compete.

## TRIMMER IMPROVES HOME

County Judge Paul Trimmer has just about completed extensive improvements on his home at 409 Fourth Street. A new roof of asbestos shingles, a modern front porch, 10 by 14 feet, with modern roof, and on the east side a terrace, 10 by 40 feet, have been added. The entire house has been painted and the improvements increase greatly the attractiveness of the residence.

## FORMER RUNNELS COUNTY CITIZEN DIES AT BONHAM

J. R. Hays, 74, died at his home at Bonham on March 14. Mr. Hays lived in this county for four years and was held in high esteem by many in this section. He left here and moved to his farm in Wheeler county, moved to Scurry county where he lived until last February, then moving to Bonham. Decedent is survived by his widow, six daughters and a son.

## ITALY HOPES FLIGHT WILL BOOST TRADE IN SOUTH AMERICA

(By Associated Press)  
ROME, Mar. 17.—The first direct result of the recent flight of Italian seaplanes to South America is expected to be an increase in commerce with Brazil and Argentina.

Italy, faced with an economic crisis in her own right, is seeking to strengthen by every means her affinity with the South American republics.

To this end she grants generous subsidies to shipping firms in the South American trade, the government actually underwriting most of the construction costs of vessels intended for the run to Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires.

Industrialists in Italy look for an increase in South American business this spring. They think the flight was a valuable gesture for Italy, worth in actual sales as much as the visits to Latin America of Herbert Hoover or the Prince of Wales.

## MOTORCYCLE VERSION JOLTS SHAKESPEARE

(By Associated Press)  
STOCKHOLM, Mar. 17.—There's nothing like a motorcycle to put zip into Shakespeare.

In a Swedish company's modern dress version of "The Taming of the Shrew," Petruchio roared onto the stage on a fire-spitting motorcycle, with Catherine in a mud-spattered bridal dress on the back seat.

## WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press)  
East Texas—Increasing cloudiness, warmer in the east and south portions tonight. Wednesday cloudy and colder in the north and west portions.  
West Texas—Partly cloudy and warmer in the south portion tonight. Wednesday partly cloudy and cooler in the north portion.

## Entertainment Plans Ready For Clerks Convention Here

Letters are being mailed from Ballinger to all district and county clerks in this part of the state, inviting them to the convention to be held here April 17 and 18. Two local clerks, Miss Georgia Singletary and Mrs. Clarence West, have mailed detailed programs to members of the association and invitations are being broadcast by the chamber of commerce.

The clerks will be entertained all the time they are in Ballinger and everything possible will be done to make their visit an enjoyable one. The first entertainment will be staged Thursday evening, April 16, when all delegates registered at that time will be tendered a picnic supper by local county officials at the new municipal parkside on Elm Creek. It is expected that a majority of the members of the organization will arrive here the evening before the convention opens and attend the picnic. Following the affair at the park the chamber of commerce will be host to the delegates in a theatre party at the Palace Theatre.

The convention proper will open

Friday morning, April 17, with all business sessions held at the city hall. At noon the delegates will be guests of the Lions and Rotary clubs in a luncheon at the Central Hotel. For this a special program will be arranged to last for about one hour. In the evening a party and barbecue will be served the visitors at the Ballinger Country Club by the local chamber of commerce. The hour set for this is 6 p. m. and following the meal games and other entertainment will be provided unless a night business session is necessary.

Saturday at noon the delegates will be served a banquet at the Masonic Hall by the members of the Eastern Star chapter, with the Dorsey Company, Dallas, as host. This banquet is a regular affair at the clerks' conventions.

The convention will adjourn Saturday afternoon and all delegates will leave for their homes. Indications are that attendance at the Ballinger convention will be the largest of any thus far held. Letters have already been received from many members of the association, stating they would be here for the entire program.

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Veterans' loans are beginning to pour into this county in every mail. A large number were received last week-end and many applications are still pending in the U. S. veterans' bureau office at Dallas. Loans applied for through banks are getting quicker action as the bureau has been swamped with applications.

The Easter bonnet for the women and the new shiny straw for the men will soon be in season. Easter in this section usually marks the season for men to begin wearing light clothing and straw headgear, while women start any time after the beginning of winter. Fact is we are not sure whether they commence wearing furs or lighter apparel at this time.

The American Red Cross has endeared itself to the hearts of many thousands in this section this year. The organization has come through with help in time of real need and many families will be able to remain intact and make a crop in 1931 because of the financial assistance supplied. Runnels county citizens assisted in a small way last fall, and where dollars were sent in hundreds have been received in return. This experience should make future Red Cross roll calls easy in this county, and a chapter with its full quota raised should represent us in the organization. Those who believe that "a friend in need is a friend indeed" love the Red Cross for its wonderful work this year. The final statement to be made at the close of operations here will astonish many.

WATCH THE SEASONS

It would be wise for home and industry owners to inquire from responsible sources exactly what seasons of the year and weather conditions bring, in their localities, the greatest fire hazard.

A strong wind, a decisive drop in humidity, a long dry spell—any may be nature's fire warning. Yet it is an unfortunate fact that most of us, in the matter of fire, make a habit of locking the stable door long after the horse has been stolen.

There is no royal road to fire prevention, nor is there any mystery about it. It is simply a matter of common sense plus application of ordinary knowledge. Little reflection is necessary to show that to accumulate rubbish in corners, to neglect inspection of old wiring or flues, is to court disaster. That such reflection is rarely given the fire problem is shown by the fact that our annual waste reaches the tragic total of five hundred million dollars and ten thousand lives.

During 1930 fire losses were greater than for several preceding years. The least we can do is to do our part, as individuals, to make 1931 as far as possible, a "fireless year."

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PUFFY



Can Puffy sing? Of course he can—he has a tenor voice—And on Saint Patrick's Day this touching ditty is his choice: "Oh, Paddy's pig was Irish, just as Irish as could be—I wear a shamrock since I am a relative, you see!"  
(Copyright, 1930)

SUNDOWN STORIES



JOHN AND COWS

By Mary Graham Bonner

"But you miss a lot of fun," John said to the cows who had told him and Peggy and the Little Black Clock that they were glad they did not have to go to school, learn its lessons and play games.

"Moo, moo," one of the cows answered, "we have seen some of those games, and we think they're very foolish. We've seen the children playing baseball in the yard."

"They have gone to such a lot of trouble to hit and catch balls. We wouldn't be quick enough to catch a ball with our front legs, and, if we tried with all of our legs, we would fall down. Now wouldn't that be absurd?"

Peggy and John were laughing hard and the cows began singing a soft mooing song. It was called a Moo lullaby, and it went like this:

Rest, all you cows, rest,  
Resting is always the best.

Dream a sweet dream,  
Of meadow or cream,  
Rest, all you cows, rest!

Rest, all you cows, rest!  
Resting is always the best,  
Now and then moo,  
Now and then chew, but  
Rest, all you cows, rest!

Rest, all you cows, rest!  
Resting is always the best,  
We will not sing more,  
The effort might bore,—so  
Rest, all you cows, rest!"

The song had certainly sounded unlike any other the children had ever heard and the tune made them feel sleepy.

"I think perhaps you'd like to take the cows' advice," the Clock suggested, and in no time he had them back home and they were dreaming of warm, sunny meadows and lazy cows slowly wandering into a barn for afternoon milking.

And in their dreams they were given some of the delicious warm milk to drink.

(Tomorrow—"Margaret Cary's Birthdays")

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Barr and family, of Concho, are in Junction this week at the bedside of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Earl Barr, who is critically ill. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barr are parents of a baby, born last week.

HOW'S your HEALTH?



Edited by Dr. Lago Galdston, Academy of Medicine

DOOR KNOBS

There is a well known surgeon in New York noted for his abhorrence of door knobs.

He never opens a door without first putting his hand into his coat pocket and using the underlining of his coat front as a sort of glove for the grasping hand.

Long experience as a surgeon has taught him to have respect for germs, and his abhorrence of door knobs is due to the fact that he rightly conceives them to be a source of infection.

Since many persons handle door knobs, each is liable to deposit thereon, as well as take therefrom, germs of many kinds. Door knobs may be the point of dissemination of infectious diseases, among them, notably, the common cold.

Fortunately, most of the dangerous bacteria die in a few moments when left resting on a cold metal or porcelain door knob.

While this extreme caution may be conceived as a sort of monomania, in reasonable degree it would go far in the control of communicable diseases, particularly colds.

To the physician, acquainted as he is with the great harm germs can cause, the relative indifference and carelessness of the average lay persons to infection and infectious material appears like a foolhardy recklessness.

A child with a running nose and all the flaming signs of an infection of the respiratory tract, may not uncommonly be seen playing about with healthy children.

Or, if the mother concedes a point and puts the child to bed, she may still allow the neighbors' children to come in and entertain the little invalid. Toys are passed around, food is shared and infectious material is spread all around.

To develop a phobia on germs is, of course, very easy. But it should be possible to avoid this morbid state and at the same time to have wholesome respect for infection and infectious materials.

(Tomorrow—A Germ Menagerie)

Scratch Pads, 20c per pound, at Ledger office.

OLDFEN FARMERS HEAR BETTER SEED PROGRAM

A large crowd of farmers gathered at Oldfen Monday night to attend the better seed program called in that community. C. W. Lehmburg, county agent, said Tuesday that more than 50 farmers attended the meeting and showed much interest in plans to plant a better grade of cotton in the county this year.

It is estimated now that between two and three carloads of certified seed will be purchased for planting in Runnels county this year. All this seed has been

tested by the state agricultural department, and treated with Cerason, a chemical which will increase germination fifty per cent.

Better seed meetings will be continued until every section of the county has been reached and farmers given a chance to plant at least a part of their acreage in the certified variety.

Metric System for Turkey

ANGORA, Mar. 17.—(AP)—The Grand National Assembly has passed a law adopting the metric system of weights and measures in Turkey.



Don't neglect that SORE THROAT

Authorities are warning the public that sore throat is prevalent, and not to neglect the condition. At the first sign of any soreness, take immediate steps to ease the throat and to reduce the infection. Bayer Aspirin will do both! Use it as a gargle. Three tablets crushed in 1/2 tumblerful of water. Relief is immediate, but repeat until all trace of soreness and inflammation is gone. Take these tablets freely to ward off colds; and for prompt relief of headaches and body aches from colds, exposure, or other causes. Bayer Aspirin can't harm you, and it does prevent all sorts of needless suffering! Get the genuine tablets, stamped thus:

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We are prepared to assist any veteran of the World War in securing loans on their adjusted compensation certificates.

We have blank applications on hand and can get quick action for any veteran.

Ballinger State Bank



Like Tea . . . the best Gasoline is Blended

EVEN the Japanese maiden who laboriously picks the tea leaves knows that before you sip the delicate beverage from your cup, leaves of another type of tea must be added, for the best teas invariably are blended.

When the tea merchant takes a quantity of Japanese tea, a bit of China tea, and a touch of Ceylonese, then blends them according to the dictates of his expert knowledge, he parallels the making of CONOCO Gasoline. For this is a blended gasoline. It is blended because this is the only method which brings together in one fuel the desirable properties of several types of gasoline. No one type of gasoline can contain them all.



CONOCO refiners use: Natural Gasoline, for quick starting; Straight-run Gasoline, for power and long mileage; Cracked Gasoline, for its anti-knock properties.

There is no secret formula covering the elements which compose this triple-test gasoline. The secret is in the knowledge behind the blending. Knowing how makes one tea blend better than all others . . . and knowing how places one gasoline in a distinct quality class. Experience the performance advantages of CONOCO Balanced-Blend Gasoline. You'll find it wherever the CONOCO Red Triangle is displayed.

CONOCO

THE BALANCED - BLEND GASOLINE

DOROTHY DARNIT



By Charles McManus

By Percival Christopher Wren. Author of MYSTERIOUS WAYE BEAU GESTE BEAU IDEAL

SYNOPSIS: How can Dr. Charters rid himself of the mysterious John Waye who has used his knowledge of the physician's art to gain admittance as a patient in his nursing home? Thereby he has obtained an alibi for the murder of "Spider" Schitz, whom Charters, in America, had cheated of his spoils in a diamond "job." Mr. James, Charters' trusted associate, with a pistol on Waye, who knocks him down. Then the evil Dr. MacAdoo, at Waye's urgent demands of Charters a half share of the 10,000 pounds promised him in the case of Marjorie Loundrell, an attractive patient, who is convinced that she is steadily growing worse under treatment in the home. Charters agrees, alarmed when MacAdoo admits Waye says him the hint Marjorie, whom once formerly was Charters' evil genius, secretly writes Waye revealing her fears and asking his help.

Chapter 14 A MEDICAL DIGEST

SIR BERNARD MATTHESON, who had been at Guy's with Mark Studley, hustled into Dr. Studley's consulting room at The Monastery, after his consultation with Doctors Charters and MacAdoo, and carried that old friend to lunch with him.

"Well, Mark, how do you like yourself at The Monastery?" inquired Sir Bernard, as they sat down to lunch in the ancient oak



Dr. Matthieson took Dr. Studley to lunch.

paneled dining room of the Red Lion at Herepath.

"Oh, well enough, Bernard. Very interesting work, and I get enough time for reading. I don't want to stagnate. I'm hoping to come to Harley Street myself, in two or three years.

"Good luck to you, my son. How do you get on with Charters? Don't like him much, eh?"

"Oh, I don't know. He's a very marvelous diagnostician, and a fine surgeon."

"And MacAdoo? What do you make of him?"

"He's a clever chap. Real authority on South American vegetable poisons. Did some good research work up the Amazon and the Philippines generally. The Negritos there have some wonderful drugs, and MacAdoo went after them. They have one poison for their hunting arrows, and another for their war-arrows—the first causing painless, and almost instant death; the other causing terrible agony before certain death. No antidote for either of them."

"And MacAdoo got the secret of them, eh?" asked Sir Bernard.

"I believe so—as well as a stock of each. . . . He was telling me that the hunting-poison is humane to use, quite painless, and neither poison leaves any trace whatever in the body, he tells me, whether injected or swallowed. Yes, MacAdoo's very keen in his subject—doing some real pioneering work in vegetable poisons."

"An American?"

"I don't know. He's certainly not straight from the Highlands. I think he studied at Lisbon and Rio Janeiro. Possibly Scottish extraction, and naturalized in Portugal or South America. He knows Brazil pretty thoroughly."

"Do you like him?"

"Oh, I damn. . . . He's a queer clever chap."

Sir Bernard Matthieson smiled.

"I gather, my dear Mark, that you detest both him, and Charters."

"Had any personal contact with this man Waye—John Waye?"

"No, I don't detest them. Charters is very decent to me, and I get on

all right with MacAdoo. Yes, I've come across Waye. . . . or rather he's sought me out, although he's not my patient."

"Would you say he was mad?"

"No, not from personal observation. By all accounts he says and does some astounding things. You should hear my Miss Skinner's tales about him! But he's been as sane as you or I, whenever I've seen him. I did hear that he'd committed a violent and unprovoked assault upon James—sort of confidential factotum of Charters'. But personally I should consider that strong evidence of complete sanity."

Sir Bernard laughed.

"I gather you detest Mr. James, if not his employers?"

"Well—yes—I do rather dislike Mr. James. He makes my blood run cold."

"Then you don't think Waye's attack on him was a case of homicidal mania?"

"Justifiable homicide, if so," smiled Dr. Studley.

"So I gather you wouldn't certify Waye if you were asked?"

"No, I wouldn't. As I say, by all accounts he has behaved in the maddest way, but on the other hand, speaking from purely personal experience, I found him as sane as a man could possibly be."

"I quite agree. Perfectly normal

reactions. As I told Charters, I couldn't possibly certify a man on hearsay like that. I laughed at him when he came to me in Harley Street and asked me if he were going mad. I told him that any one who is going mad is the last person in the world to know it."

"On what did he base his belief?"

"Oh, he said he was constantly finding that he had done violent things without knowing that he'd done them. Wanted to make out that he wasn't always responsible for his actions. . . . Common enough symptoms with any one who is badly run-down. I agreed with him that he couldn't do better than have an absolute rest in the depths of the country. The next thing I hear is that Charters wants me to come and certify him as a lunatic."

"And you refuse to do it?"

"Absolutely. I couldn't be a party to putting that man, as I find him, into that awful living death of imprisonment for life in a lunatic asylum. It's easier to get into one of those places than to get out again. I won't agree to it."

"No. You said Charters wants you to certify him. . . . literally 'wants, do you mean, Bernard?"

"Well, both Charters and MacAdoo were decidedly keen on it, and they produced a witness. The excellent Sister Weldon, the Matron, a nurse—Jones, I think, was the name—and your friend, Mr. James. Each with a tale of astounding eccentricities. . . . Well, I'm coming down again later on, at Waye's own request, and we will see how he behaves then. . . . And you might keep an eye on him yourself, Mark. I'd almost as soon sign an innocent man's death warrant as to make a mistake over certifying a sane man."

"There's one solution, of course," observed Mark Studley. "He might be shamming."

"Why should he do that?"

"I damn. Form of 'hysteria,' perhaps."

"Well, if that were so, I should say it was the maddest thing he'd done yet," replied Sir Bernard.

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James accents scandal in The Monastery. But the riot he trails into the lady's room tomorrow vanishes strangely.

will be presented to the city of Beaumont. There will be three small high-placed windows on each side and large stained glass windows at front and rear. A "Doughboy Plodding Home" will be depicted on the front. The Temple of the Brave" will be emblazoned over the door and worked out in the floor tile will be the legend: "Think and Thank."

Give Up Lunches for Charity

RALEIGH, N. C., Mar. 17.—(AP)—North Carolina State College students will give up their Sunday night lunches for the rest of the school year to aid suffering in Raleigh and Wake county. A fund of \$1,260 will be available for charity as a result.

IN NEW YORK theaters

By Mark Barron

NEW YORK, March 17.—(AP)—Mary Hay has left behind the lighter evenings when she danced.

and charmingly, in Ziegfeld's more pretentious musical shows. Too, she has abandoned the gestures of light comedy which she once revealed in motion pictures.

The Mary Hay of today is not the bubbling actress who once

was the wife of Richard Barthelmess. She has become a serious playwright, and an even more serious dramatic actress.

In "Greater Love" she has written of that tragic theme woven about the soldier home from the wars, weary and disillusioned. It is a rich idea offering many opportunities, but it is a task too pretentious for Miss Hay's first efforts at playwriting.

Transformation

She tells the story of Oliver Jernish, who returns to his Pennsylvania home. But he is not the handsome, strong Oliver who went marching away to war so gallantly and so idealistic. Shrapnel and gas have horribly disfigured him, and the things he has seen have disfigured his soul even more.

His bitterness and ugliness make his family flee from him in terror—they can't recognize this strange monster who says he belongs in their family. Only his little sister (Miss Hay) stands by him and attempts to lead him through reconstruction.

It is a depressing play, but everything is made all right in the end when the soldier has his face made over, loses some of his cynicism, and they resume life soberer but happier.

Lighter Moments

Douglas Gilmore is excellent as the disfigured soldier, and Miss Hay gives a good account of herself as the heroine. She is better in her lighter moments, indicating that comic facets she once allowed to shine in the movies are still there with all their mirthful glow. Miss Hay should write a comedy or herself.

"Blossom Time," which has been running for years and years, has returned to town for another visit, and a welcome one. Its music is charming and, being Franz Schubert's, it should be. "You Are My Song of Love," so like "The Unfinished Symphony," still is one of the best songs on Broadway.

PECOS SECTION RANGES REPORTED EXCELLENT

(By Associated Press)

FT. STOCKTON, Tex., Mar. 17.—Ranges in Pecos county were never in better condition and sheep and cattle have never gone through a winter in better shape, according to local ranchmen.

Sheep and cattle men, able to hold their stock for better markets, are more optimistic and expect better times ahead. There has been a great deal of demand for ranch land in this section during the last three months. Many central and east Texas landowners have been in Fort Stockton trying to exchange land for ranch property. Demand for leased land is strong, local realty men say.

SOUR STOMACH

Gas Formed, Head Hurt, and Woman Had To Hold To Things When She Walked.

Kaufman, Texas.—"Two years ago, I began suffering with spells of indigestion," says Mrs. Marshall Smith, of this place. "It seemed like everything I ate disagreed with me. I had gas on the stomach, and often my head would hurt so bad I had to lie down."

"Everything would get black before my eyes, and I would be so dizzy when I would get upon my feet that I had to hold on to things, to walk around the room."

"My food soured on my stomach, and I was constipated."

"I had often read about Black-Draught, and my mother told me it was a good medicine to take, and so I began a course of it."

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MOVIES

Thrills Top All in "Derelict," Sea and Shore Story Starring the Virile George Bancroft

Stirring scenes of a rescue at sea, during a terrific tropical storm, furnish a few of the thrills in George Bancroft's new he-man drama, "Derelict," to open a two-day run at the Palace Theatre tomorrow.

But the thrills continue right through the picture, as Bancroft's rivalry with his fellow sea captain, William Boyd, rises to white heat. Rivals in seamanship, rivals in love, they battle each other ashore and afloat from Havana to Rio, first one winning, then the other, until the treacherous tropical elements take a hand in the fateful struggle and decide the issue.

Bancroft's terrific man power was never so handsomely cast as it is in "Derelict." The story fairly breathes the tangy salt of the sea. It is a plot of rough sailor men in strange ports, on that isolated seas, and of a woman cast into a world where men fight for and take what they want.

"Derelict" is combat and conflict every step of the way from the moment Bancroft steps off his ship into the life of beautiful Jessie Royce Landis, until he snatches her to safety from the submerged deck of his rival's cargo carrier.

Rowland V. Lee, who directed "Derelict," previously handled Bancroft in "The Wolf of Wall

Street" and "Ladies Love Brutes." He has made of this picture a spectacular production, which required almost unbelievable preparation to film. Two ships actually crash at sea, while fog and storm actually vie with each other to settle the fate of these three hating and loving individuals.

William Boyd gives another of those thrilling, fighting characterizations which thrilled millions in "The Spoilers," in which he battles Gary Cooper in a breath-taking sequence, is duplicated for thrills in "Derelict," where Boyd and Bancroft lock horns on the docks of a South American port.

"Derelict" was almost entirely filmed at sea, nine vessels, completely equipped with paraphernalia for filming, forming a floating studio of rare and unusual proportions.

Will Rogers Picture Closes at the Palace Tonight

Will Rogers establishes himself as the monarch of screen comedians in "Lightnin'," his third starring vehicle for Fox Movietone which closes a three-day engagement at the Palace Theatre tonight.

Adapted from John Golden's most successful stage play, "Lightnin'" affords Rogers the best role of his career. It is a clean, wholesome, human drama, packed with laughs and whimsical Rogersisms, surpassing both "They Had to See Paris," and "So This Is London."

Playing important roles in sup-

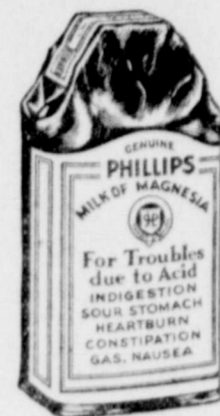
port of the star are Louise Dresser, Helen Cohan, Joel McCrea, J. M. Kerrigan, Sharon Lynn, Joyce Compton, Jason Robards, Luke Cosgrave, Goodee Montgomery, Ruth Warren, Frank Campeau, Charlotte Walker and Rex Bell.

Mrs. B. C. Mann, Mrs. Leonard Mauldin, and little Miss Mary Mauldin, all of San Angelo, spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Walker.

PRISONERS TO WORK ON COURT HOUSE LAWN

Prisoners who are in the local jail for misdemeanors began working out their fines Tuesday morning on the court house lawn. Any who refuse to work will be put on a bread and water ration.

More than \$5,000,000 in tide-water construction work is under way or in prospect in the vicinity of Norfolk, Va.



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TO BUILD MEMORIAL TO WAR HEROES IN BEAUMONT

BEAUMONT, Mar. 17.—(AP)—A memorial to World War heroes of Texas, to house their trophies and perpetuate the memory of their deeds, will be built in Pipkin Park, facing the Neches River, here.

The Col. George Moffet chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution has assumed sponsorship of the memorial, to be called "The Temple of the Brave," and participation in the campaign for funds will be statewide.

The temple will be built of Manitou green stone with a slate roof. At least \$10,000 will be sought. When finished the memorial

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### Program Arranged For Commencement

The complete program for commencement week has been announced by Supt. H. C. Lyon of the Ballinger schools. The first of the series will be held on Sunday, May 10, and the final period for registration will be Tuesday, May 19.

Baccalaureate will be held Sunday, May 10, at the Ballinger Baptist Church with Rev. J. William Stephens, pastor of the Christian Church of San Angelo delivering the sermon. A special choir will furnish vocal music for this service and the graduates will form in the basement and march to their reserved section as the opening procession is rendered. The service will take the place of preaching at this hour, and it is expected that all churches of the city will dismiss so their congregations may attend.

Senior class day will be held at the high school auditorium Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, May 12. Senior speakers were selected at the beginning of school this year and will be ready to fill their places on this program. Senior day is one of the outstanding programs of commencement as it gives the pupil a chance to show what has been accomplished through his education in high school.

The speech arts department will present a recital Wednesday evening, May 13, in the high school auditorium. The varied program under the direction of Miss Nona Diltz will introduce students of all ages in the department, who will render recitations and playlets.

High school graduation has been set this year for Thursday evening, May 14. Heretofore this program has been the closing one of the week but in order to accommodate the principal speaker the date was moved up one day this year. Dr. Paul Horn, president of Texas Technological College, Lubbock, will speak to the class. Presentation of diplomas and a few numbers by seniors will also be included in this program.

Grammar school graduation will be held Friday night, May 15, in the high school auditorium. An unusual program will be offered on this occasion by pupils of this school.

Registrations begin Saturday, May 16, and continue on the following schedule: Freshmen, Saturday morning, May 16; sophomores, Monday morning, May 17; juniors, Monday afternoon, May 18; and seniors, Tuesday morning, May 19. It is hoped that all children from rural districts who expect to attend the Ballinger schools next year will be present to register at the specified time.

#### BENOIT NEWS

We had a good rain Saturday night which was appreciated by the farmers.

The A. N. Hoffman family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moody of Ballinger, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox.

Mrs. L. B. Rampy, Joe Green, Mary Hoffman and Annie Cox visited in the Herman Lienderman home Tuesday.

Mrs. O. C. Riser returned Wednesday after a pleasant visit with her husband in Dallas.

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Ray, visited Mrs. Mabel Elliott Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Rampy and L. B. Jr., were Miles visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Odom, of Cullen, called on Mr. and Mrs. J. Lumpkin Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gibson visited J. A. Odom, of Ballinger, Sunday.

Friends from McGregor visited in the J. L. Green home Saturday of last week.

The summer round-up was held in the Benoit school Monday, March 16. Miss Addie Alexander, county health nurse, was present.

Arnold Werner spent Saturday night with J. D. Kelly.

Ballinger friends called in the Gressett home Monday afternoon.

#### U. S. May

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efforts in 1930—but it did. The reason farm board attaches say, was that of Russian dumping.

If that were sufficient incentive then, some believe it might be again. Russia sold only about 100,000,000 bushels of wheat last year, whereas a slightly veiled threat has been made in trade negotiations with Canada to lay down 250,000,000 bushels of wheat from the new crop. The figure, however, is questioned at the farm board.

Some reliance is placed in better utilization of cooperative marketing in 1931 to prevent glutted markets and necessity for stabilization.

Still trade reports say widespread realization of the board's evident indisposition to reenter stabilization has resulted in tremendous accumulation of stocks in Great Lakes terminals. It is said to be the result of farmers trying to sell their grain at the relatively high prices now forced by stabilization.

Prospects at present are good for an excellent yield of winter wheat, both in this country and abroad. The world price is the lowest in 37 years and without stabilization domestic prices might be expected to seek their normal position of 12 to 15 cents under Liverpool quotations. They have been about 20 cents above.

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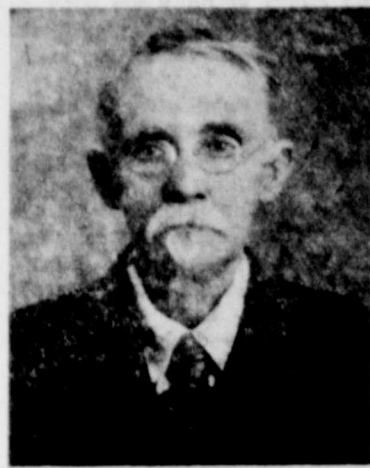
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Sound News - Movietone Act

Starting Wednesday

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### Pioneer Celebrates His 88th Birthday



S. D. Williams

S. D. Williams, ex-Civil War veteran, and for the past forty years a citizen of Runnels county, celebrated his 88th birthday today.

Mr. Williams was born in Brazoria county, has lived in Texas under three flags, and never plans to leave it. He joined the Fifth Infantry, Hood's Texas Brigade, at the age of 17, and served four years in the war as a non-commissioned officer.

After coming to Runnels county he was a school teacher, county surveyor, depot agent, and lumber yard manager. His present occupation is that of recording chattel mortgages.

Mr. Williams says that he lives in the present, rather than the past. He is still working, making a living, and attributes his youthful outlook to the fact that he always associates with younger people.

#### WILD PERFUME ROOT AID FARM INCOME

NEW ORLEANS, Mar. 17.—For the first time, vetiver is to be distilled in this country as the result of the building of a plant here.

Vetiver, necessary as a basis for perfumes, powders, moth repellent and other compounds, has been found growing wild on farms in St. Tammany parish.

The roots will be washed and dried at a plant at Mandeville, and brought to New Orleans to be distilled into extract.

### Shift to Yams From Cotton is Paying Farmer

(By Associated Press)

LEWISVILLE, Tex., Mar. 17.—Because of the failure of his cotton crop in 1920, J. W. Tucker, who lives four miles southwest of Lewisville on Denton creek, became convinced that cotton raising was an unprofitable business. Since that time he has devoted almost his entire attention to sweet potato raising, has been successful and has earned the sobriquet of "Tater" Tucker.

Tucker first began raising Porto Rico yams on a six-acre patch in 1917, and from this small beginning has built up a profitable business in Texas and Oklahoma.

In 1930, he planted 150 acres, and gathered from 50 to 75 bushels per acre which sold from 75 cents to \$1.50 per bushel. He also bedded out 1,000 bushels of seed potatoes. In one day he delivered to a Dallas concern 150,000 slips, requiring two trucks to deliver them. His slips in 1930 brought him an average price of \$2.00.

This year Tucker and his boys are planting 175 acres in yams and are now bedding out 1,800 bushels for slips. He employs 18 to 20 hands for this work and requires about eighty days to bed out the 1,800 bushels. Every bushel is treated to meet government requirements for certified seed before they are bedded out.

In 1919 Tucker bought the 88 acres where he now lives and has it almost paid for out of the proceeds of his potato crop. In 1922 he bought another 40 acres adjoining his home place, and in 1924 added 108 acres to his holdings. In 1929 he bought an additional 78 acres. The proceeds of his crop has paid for most of this land.

In addition to potatoes, Tucker raises feed for his work stock of eight mules, and for four cows. He has 100 Rhode Island Red hens, an orchard and a berry patch. He estimates his potato crop for 1931 will bring \$10,500, if they sell at the average price of 75 cents per bushel.

Tucker is never too busy to fully explain sweet potato culture, how

he raises them and how he cares for them in his underground curing plant.

His family consists of his wife and ten children. Eight of these children are interested with him in potato farming.

#### DAMROSCH SEES PASSING OF JAZZ AS "MODERN MUSIC"

(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Mar. 17.—Modern music is only a phase of composers' effort to write music of their age. Walter Damrosch thinks, and it will pass.

The composer-director to whom Deems Taylor's new American opera, "Peter Ibbetson," is dedicated, sums up ultra-modern composers as seekers for music which excludes emotion from its theme.

"It is," he said in an interview, "a back-alley leading nowhere. A mechanical or scientific combination of sounds gives nothing to the people as a whole."

Despite his feeling about modern music the 69-year-old Damrosch and young George Gershwin, composer of the Rhapsody in Blue and the concerto in F which the New York symphony orchestra performed under Damrosch's direction, are close personal friends.

Damrosch gives a sigh of relief as he talks about what he calls "the passing of jazz."

"Radio was drowning in a sea of jazz a few years ago. Today millions of people are hearing daily music that feeds the finer qualities of man."

#### RADIO TO GET WINDS, THUNDER FROM CANS

(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Mar. 17.—No longer will it be necessary for studio inventors to contrive appliances to simulate sounds of locomotives, chickens, dogs, cats, lions, waterfalls, thunder, wind, or street riots.

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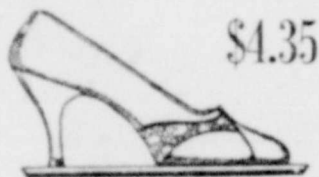
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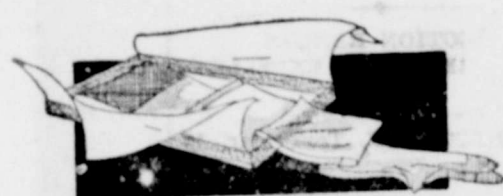


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