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Oil And Gas Lease Trading Active During Week

Oil and gas leases have been assigned from former owners to new buyers this week, according to the records of County Clerk J. R. Pendleton. A large part of the acreage mentioned in the transfer is associated with the partnership drilling of the Freeman No. 1, which was officially completed and tested last week.

Bryan Rogers assigned a 1-2 interest in an oil and gas lease on the west 1-2 and northeast 1-4 of section 3, Block 2 P. S. L. to Sybil Smallwood.

Winston Marks assigned to Jay Taylor a 1-2 interest in an oil and gas lease on the southwest 1-4 of section 276, Block 1-T.

D. D. Harrington assigned to the Magnolia Oil Company a gas and oil lease on section 16, the north 1-2 and southwest 1-4 of section 18, Block 1-C, sections 12, 13, 19, 20, Block 1-C, section 6, Block 2 G. H. & H.; the west 1-2 of section 104, Block 2 G. H. & H. in Hansford county; the south 1-2 of section 187, Block 2 G. H. & H., in Hansford county; section 3, Block 2 G. H. & H.; section 5, Block 2 G. H. & H.; section 44, Block 2 G. H. & H.; the west 1-2 of section 49, Block 2 G. H. & H., Hansford county; the east 1-2 of section 49, Block 2 G. H. & H., Hansford county; the north 1-2 of section 92, and the northwest 1-4 of section 101, Block 2 G. H. & H., Hansford county; section 142, Block 2 G. H. & H., in Hansford county; the northwest 1-4 and the north 1-2 and southeast 1-4 of the southwest 1-4 of section 14, Block 1-C; the east 1-2 of section 14, Block 1-C; section 17, Block 1-C; and section 1, Block 2, G. H. & H.

Mrs. J. W. Haynes Dies At Her Home In Oklahoma City

Mrs. J. W. Haynes, mother of Mrs. Charles Cameron and Pat Haynes of Stratford, died at her home in Oklahoma City at 6:00 P. M. last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron and Pat Haynes left Friday to attend funeral services.

H. J. Du Vall New Manager Of Roxy Theatre

H. J. Du Vall is the new manager of the Roxy Theatre which was purchased the latter part of last week by D. H. Davenport of Lakeview, Texas from G. A. Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Du Vall, former residents of Memphis, Texas, have a 6-year old daughter, Bennie Earle, and an 8-year old son, David Horace, both of whom have entered school.

In an interview this week, Mr. Du Vall stated that at least for the present, the shows which were formerly shown Sunday nights will be shown at 2:00 P. M. Sundays, and the theatre would be closed Sunday nights.

Mr. and Mrs. Davenport left for their home in Lakeview Tuesday morning.

January 31 Is Deadline For Signing AAA Applications

COLLEGE STATION.—Final date for signing applications for 1939 wheat price adjustment payments is January 31, 1940, the state Agricultural Conservation Association committee has announced.

At the same time, the committee named May 31, 1940 as the deadline to apply for 1939 agricultural conservation program payments.

No extension of the deadlines will be made, the committee declared, and all payment applications must be filed in the county offices by the dates set.

More than 200,000 applications for conservation payments have already been certified, B. F. Vance, assistant state AAA administrator, reported, with the state office handling approximately 5,000 applications daily. The total certified to date is \$33,613,207, Vance said. Parity payments in wheat are almost completed with \$27,574,670 having been certified, he said.

Up to late 1939, reciprocal trade agreements had benefited American farmers by an increase of exports over imports equivalent to crops of an estimated 5,000,000 acres.

Within the folded seed God sees the flower, and in the will the deed.—Seekings.

CURRENT PROGRAM AT THE ROXY

Tonight, "Private Detective," with Jane Wyman and Dick Foran.

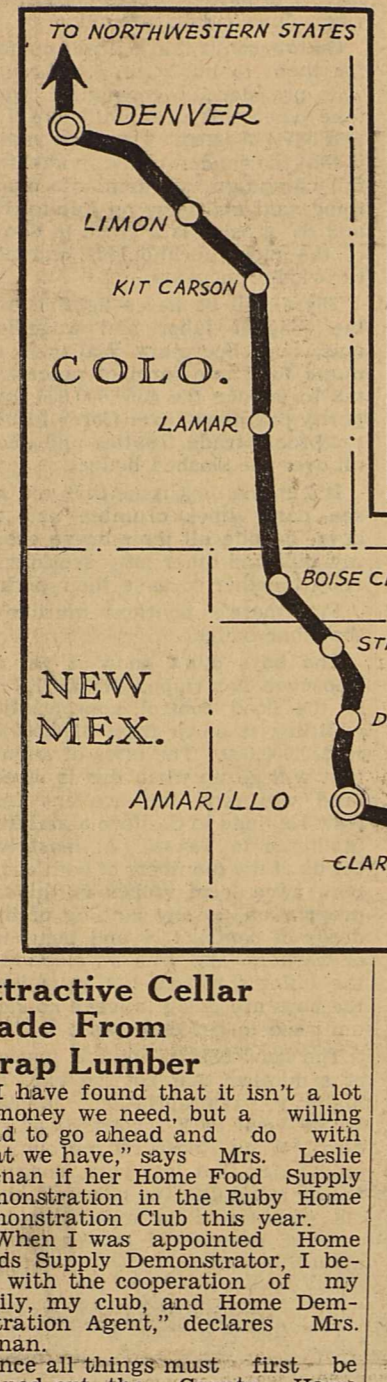
Friday and Saturday, "We Are Not Alone," with Jane Bryan, Flora Robson, Raymond Severn and Una O'Connor.

Sunday Matinee 2:00 P. M. and Monday, "Slightly Honorable," with Pat O'Brien and Ruth Terry.

January 24-25, "Raffles," with David Niven and Olivia de Havilland.

T. O. C. Gets Official Federal Designation

"We give to the traveling public United States Highway 287 for 1940 with the wish that it



will serve the needs of the tourists for many years." So said T. C. Jones, chairman of the highway committee of the Chamber of Commerce, in announcing the route, known as the Texas-Oklahoma-Colorado Highway, had officially become a United States designated highway. Jones pointed out that the tourist from any point along the Gulf Coast can get on to United States 287 at Fort Arthur and travel 1,500 miles without leaving the United States, which reaches to Glacier National Park. The committee chairman emphasized that the route designated was the exact one proposed by the local committee to the executive committee of the American Association of State Highway Officials.

United States designation of an all-paved highway linking Stratford with Glacier National

Park to the Northwest and Port Arthur on the south was the New Year's gift to the traveling public from the highway committee and the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce.

Directly responsible for the action was the chamber's highway committee. The only other agency co-operating was the Texas-Oklahoma-Colorado Highway Association with headquarters in Stratford.

The United States numbering of the road closes a chapter of highway history which began in Fort Worth in 1912. In that year interested citizens from Waco, Wichita Falls, Childress, Amarillo and Denver, Colorado, met and formed a Highway Improvement Association. The main objective was to provide a means for an easy flow of traffic from the Texas Gulf Coast country to Colorado in the summer, and from the Colorado-New Mexico country toward Texas and the Gulf Coast in the winter.

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce became active in its fight for the road in about 1930, and stimulated the organization of the TOC Highway Association.

After many disappointments it was news of the "first order" when the highway committee received word from the executive committee of the American Association of State Highway Officials that the request had been granted.

Attractive Cellar Made From Scrap Lumber

"I have found that it isn't a lot of money we need, but a willing mind to go ahead and do with what we have," says Mrs. Leslie Keenan if her Home Food Supply Demonstration in the Ruby Home Demonstration Club this year.

"When I was appointed Home Foods Supply Demonstrator, I began with the cooperation of my family, my club, and Home Demonstration Agent," declares Mrs. Keenan.

Since all things must first be planned out, the County Home Demonstration Agent, then Miss McNatt, met with Mrs. Keenan and together a plan was made for the production, use, preservation, and storage of an adequate home food supply for the Keenan family for a year. Then plans were carried out very successfully.

To get the benefit of fresh vegetables the Keenans planted a frame garden which was 4x20 feet. The frame of this garden is built higher on the North side to allow more sun light to get to the garden and to give added protection also. Three old gas barrels make the frame. These were cut in two, then straightened out to make three sides of the frame. The other side is of lumber.

The garden was tiled and watered from the kitchen sink through the use of a grease trap furnished water which otherwise was not available because of the distance of the garden from the well.

Foods were also raised in an open garden and were purchased in large quantities to can where none could be raised.

Then came the hardest problem, "Where to store the canned foods?"

"When my husband and I began to improve our cellar, we had a hole in the ground, 8 feet square that we called our cellar. It was covered and had a small closet in it which I kept a few cans of surplus food," explains Mrs. Keenan. "This hole in the ground had no steps going down in it so it was very unhandy to get cans of food out of the cellar."

Now we have walled the sides and ceiling with scrap pieces of lumber and we have put in steps. Then on the east and south sides we put in shelves which are twelve inches wide and seven feet long, and are placed so that they leave an air space of about two feet back of each shelf to give a circulation of air. The cellar was washed to give it a clean, lighter atmosphere.

I have my foods arranged according to class with the meats and non-acid vegetables on the lower shelves and preserves and foods which keep more easily on the top or warmer shelves.

Three hundred and fourteen containers of home canned food from the basis for this well planned cellar. Besides the frame garden and cellar the Keenans have supplied meat, chickens, eggs, milk, and butter at home for their family. Records and accounts have been kept accurately, and groceries which are bought are planned and recorded in the record book.

Planning for the future work has also played a big part in Mrs. Keenan's work. She says, "I have seen what well balanced meals have meant to my family, so I am not going to stop until I have succeeded in getting an irrigated garden that will provide vegetables to fill my cellar. I also plan to provide a vineyard, some fruit trees and a strawberry bed in the near future. My biggest goal has been to try in my planning and work to make the better best."

ITIO Bryan No. 1 Cleaned To 2,525 Feet

The ITIO Bryan No. 1, located 10 miles south of Stratford, has been cleaned to a depth of 2,525 feet this week by Kerr-Lynn Oil Company drillers. Approximately 205 feet of drill stem remains in the well, and drillers as well as Col. C. O. Rison, ITIO production engineer, who has been directing work from his sick bed at the well, seem determined to remove the lost tools before resuming drilling operations.

Col. Rison stated that his pet "Jeep," which he claims locates oil, sticks his tail straight up in warm weather and drags it behind him in cold weather. The Colonel did not interpret the "Jeep's" language, but to a reporter it seemed he was saying, "It might be tough going during cold weather but we would have oil in Sherman County by warm weather."

Pronger Brothers Write From Florida

A card received from Pronger Bros. this week states that they are located in Tampa, Florida, and are enjoying the warm sunshine climatic conditions. They usually return from their annual visit in Florida just in time to attend the Amarillo Fat Stock Show.

Church Of Christ

(L. B. Chaffin, Minister)
Bible School 10:00 A. M., J. R. Pendleton, Superintendent.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Junior Endeavor 6:30 P. M., Mrs. C. B. Bomer, Sponsor.
Intermediate Endeavor 6:30 P. M., Mrs. S. J. Calvird, Sponsor.
Young People's Hour 6:30 P. M., R. C. Buckles, Sponsor.
Evening Worship 7:30
Choir Practice Wednesday 7:30 P. M., Mrs. Frank Judd, Leader.
Booster Choir meets at the parsonage Tuesday 4:00 P. M.

Delegates Attend PWCA Meeting In Amarillo Wednesday

Judge F. B. Mullins, Arthur Ross, E. E. Hamilton and S. E. Wohlford attended the business session of the Panhandle Water Conservation Authority held in Amarillo Wednesday.

BAPTIST CHURCH

(J. H. Dean, Pastor)
Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Dean of Blackwell, Texas arrived Wednesday to assume their duties in accepting the pastorate of the church.
Preaching services, Sunday School and B. T. U. will be held at the usual hours Sunday.

Norvell Green Sailing For Philippine Islands

Norvell Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Green, was transferred to Fort McDowell in San Francisco, California, January 16, and will sail on the U. S. S. Grant for the Philippine Islands Friday, January 19, according to a letter his parents received this week.

Norvell postmarked the greeting: "Tel everyone hello, and best of luck."

Prominent Educators On Program At Teachers Conference

Canyon, Jan. 16.—A growing list of educators who will speak at sessions of the Northwest Texas Conference for Education March 9 and 10 indicates the progress of President E. G. Sanders of Samnorwood in making up the program.

Mr. Sanders announced this week that Dr. Fritz Redl of Vienna, specialist in Guidance and clinical psychology, would be among the speakers. Dr. Redl came to this country in 1936 to do some work with the Rockefeller Foundation in New York, and remained to take a position in the University of Chicago. He is also a lecturer at the University of Michigan and is doing special work in guidance at the Cranbrook Schools for Boys in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

Other speakers will include Supt. Willis A. Sutton of Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. Ray K. Immel, director of the speech department at the University of California at Los Angeles; Mrs. Rebecca Nelson, director of parent education in the Tyler public schools; Charles Tennyson, president of the Texas State Teachers Association; and H. Deskin Wells, editor of the Wellington Leader and past president of the Texas Press Association.

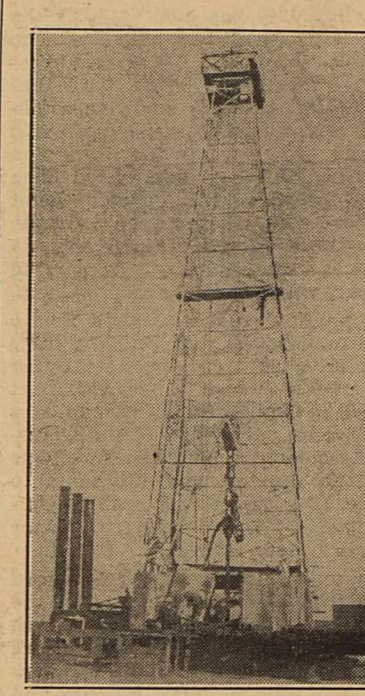
Methodist Church

(J. B. Thompson, Pastor)
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
"Jesus Enlarging Our Spiritual Service," morning Worship 11:00 A. M. subject.
League 6:45 P. M.
At the evening hour we will join in the service at the Baptist Church welcoming the new pastor. The pastor is greatly improved and will be able to preach Sunday.
Rev. E. B. Thompson, the pastor's twin brother who is pastor of the church at Booker, filled the pulpit at both hours last Sunday.

SHAME!

In the first three months of the European war, Britain's total war dead, killed on land, sea and air, were 2,100. In the same three months U. S. automobile accidents killed 10,000 persons.

Freeman No. 1 Completed For 15,400,000 Feet Gas



A total of eight wells were finished in the Panhandle last week of which seven were for oil and one for gas. The new oil potential added to the field amounted to 2,455 barrels daily and the gasser had an open flow of 15,400,000 cubic feet on company test. This gasser opened a new territory for heavy gas production in this area. While it proves the theory held by most geologists there was no well in the immediate area to confirm that theory until production was found. It is in the northeast corner of Sherman County and makes a definite link between the Panhandle proper gas field and the field to the north in the Oklahoma Panhandle and Southwest Kansas.

Magnolia-Hagy, Harrington & Marsh No. 1 Freeman in section 46, block 2, G. H. & H. survey was drilled to a total depth of 3,272 as an oil test. It was plugged back to 2,894 and completed as a gasser. First show of gas was at 2,775 with an increase at 2,840 estimated at 2,000,000 feet; an increase at 2,865 was estimated at 4,500,000 feet; at 2,895 the gas had increased to 8,000,000 feet; another increase at 2,912 pushed the estimate to 15,000,000 feet; water showed up at 2,915 but another gas increase at 2,927 put the estimate to 20,000,000 feet; there was an increase of water at 2,990 and the gas dropped to an estimated 12,000,000 feet; after plugging back to 2,894 it was treated with 250 gallons of acid and final company test was 15,400,000 cubic feet. No rock pressure was given.

J. R. (Bob) Marshall Candidate For County Commissioner Prec. 4

J. R. (Bob) Marshall is announcing his candidacy for election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 4. In making his announcement, he stated that if elected he would endeavor to serve the public to the best of their interests. He will appreciate any help which he may receive during the election and campaign.

Mr. Marshall has been a resident of the county for 11 years, and has served a 4-year term as County Commissioner of Dist. 16, in Boone County, Arkansas, where he lived before moving to the Texas Panhandle.

White Blizzard Blasted Panhandle All Day Saturday

A white blizzard, one of the first to blow across the Texas Panhandle for several years, swept the plains region Saturday. Barren ground caught very little of the wet snow, while stubble and stalk land was piled with drifts in most instances.

Although it was impossible to gauge the exact amount of moisture content in a snow falling as this did, Albert Adams read the government gauge measurement as .11 of an inch.

Snow falling, accompanied by wind from the North Wednesday evening.

Witherspoon Is New District Judge

James W. Witherspoon, Hereford, district attorney of the 60th judicial district since January 1933, has been appointed District Judge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Reese Tatum of Dalhart. Witherspoon is one of the youngest judges in the state.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that we have sold the business known as The Roxy Theater at Stratford, Sherman County, Texas, to D. H. Davenport, who will continue to operate the said theater under the same name, and that the undersigned will not be responsible for any debts created in the name of The Roxy Theater after January 10, 1940.

DATED this 12th day of January, 1940.
G. A. HART,
THOMAS J. HART.

THE DUSTER

Editor: Lewis Higginbottom, Jr.
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Sixth Grade: Peggy Jean Wilson.
American History: Peggy Whetstone.
World History: Claudine McQueen.
Civics: Claude Frederick.

EDITOR SEZ

The weather forecast is very cloudy! (Time for Report Cards)

NOTICES

At the Senior Carnival in the Cake Walk, two cakes were sold which were on plates. One of these is green glassware and the other is pink glassware. Anybody knowing the whereabouts of these plates, please notify Bettie Rhea Lee.

We will appreciate it if more reports would be handed in this semester. Let's resolve to contribute to the school a better Duster and staff!

SOCIETY REPORT

The Junior Reporter meant Backward, turn backward, Oh, time in your flight, Put me back again, Where I was last night, This isn't original either! Not a bad idea though.

Marvin and Eudora enjoyed a lovely evening at the ball game, Tuesday night. (It had to be lovely!)

We wonder why Maxine asked Dickie to move over and sit by her during the ball game.

Cheer! Russell, that's a big load to be carrying across mud. Look what Bob had to carry though.

This is a conversation overheard in the hall:

"This is a heck of a world, ain't it?"

"Yeh, darned if it ain't!"

Ha, Ha, Ha, Jerry wants her English book returned. No reward.

Mr. Tabor, please straighten the picture in the back of the study hall. This will lessen complaints.

We hope Travis likes to make faces. If he doesn't, he sure goes to a lot of trouble.

SPORTS REPORT

One week ago last Tuesday the Stratford Elks contested Texhoma Red Devils in a game of basketball. The Stratford boys lost by a score of 35 to 36. The boy's game is claimed to be a small five-man football game, it was so rough.

In the game with Texline last Friday the boys lost by a score of 20 to 23 and the girls won by a score of 16 to 6. A game with Conlen was played last Tuesday night, but the score is unknown. A game is scheduled with Dalhart tonight and also a game with Hartley tomorrow night.

JUNIOR REPORT

What a relief, they are over, those mid-term tests. So the Juniors gain and lose some.

Exam Day

Backward, turn backward, Oh, time in your flight, And tell me one thing I studied last night, That isn't original, but certainly exposes feelings on "exam day".

The Juniors are looking forward to the tournament which is coming very soon. Then comes the Junior-Senior Banquet, but stop, we must get busy. Such things as a history for the annual must be written. The Seniors say that the annual is going to be a good one.

SEVENTH GRADE REPORT

The seventh grade finished our geography, reader, and health book. Mr. Graves gave us civics, agriculture, and another reader. We hope to like them better than the other books.

SIXTH GRADE REPORT

Mid-term tests are over and now we can have a sigh of relief. We still have half a year to make our home run. We hope all will be safe next May.

There must have been a few who couldn't take it when they got snowballed, from the looks of the empty seats in our room.

FIRST GRADE REPORT

We have passed the half mark and every body can read satisfactorily. But no numbers. We have to devise some other method for a few. We will try again.

The two weeks since Christmas has been our first poor attendance, 80%: the extreme cold weather and flu is the reason.

I'll tell you more next week.

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POLITICAL Announcements

Candidates submitting their application for office subject to the action of the voters at the Democratic Primary July 27, 1940.

For County Treasurer: MRS. EVA ULLOM.

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector: J. W. GAROUTTE.

For County and District Clerk: J. R. PENDLETON.

For County Commissioner—Precinct No. 4: J. R. (Bob) MARSHALL.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS BY JOSEPH W. LaBINE

Higher Liquor Tax Considered To Finance Defense Program; Election-Year Levy Unpopular

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
Released by Western Newspaper Union.

CONGRESS: Budget Blues

What Franklin Roosevelt's budget message tossed into the congressional lap was a choice of following his recommendations and getting a deficit of only \$1,716,000,000, or defying him and making it about \$3,000,000,000. Slashed were most items, but boosted to a peacetime record was national defense. If the President's ideas are followed, and if previous authorizations are appropriated, the cost will run well over \$2,000,000,000.

Very shallow was the hope that an early European peace may obviate the defense program. It appeared, instead, that congress must enter an election year trance and decide which plan the public would swallow the easier: More taxes, to raise \$460,000,000 as the President asked, or a boost in the national debt limit?

Within a few days it was obvious that good Democrats were sparring for time. They gathered in huddles to wonder where tax money might be raised, tentatively settling on new liquor taxes and a slight boost in income levies. Mississippi's Pat Harrison, chairman of the senate finance



PAT HARRISON
Will John Barleycorn pay?

committee, publicly doubted whether the defense program was justified, yet he shied away from criticizing the President. Finally, with White House blessing, he sought more time by asking a joint legislative committee to study the Rooseveltian budget. But congress, apparently refusing, turned instead to that hardy perennial, the anti-lynching bill.

Notes

In an election year, congress and politics are intimately associated. Many G. O. P. comments were forthcoming after the President's budget message. Samples:

- At Topeka, 1936 G. O. P. Candidate Alf Landon thought this about the slash in expenditures: "If the President really is serious in his budget plans, you will hear howls all over the place. He couldn't get the nomination now if he wanted it. He is too smart a politician to try it."
- At Chicago, Ohio's Sen. Robert Taft accepted the President's challenge to submit a plan for balancing the budget. The Taft Plan: (1) determination by the President to balance it; (2) elimination of bureaus, reduction of employees; (3) return of relief to states, and changes in housing, agriculture and loan agencies; (4) elimination of local works grants, reduction of federal public works and reduction of subsidies; (5) elimination of budget "pets," like army and navy items.

NIBLETS

HERE'S WHY—At Moscow the magazine *Communist Internationale* explained, in answer to foreign reports that Russia had ambitions to "Sovietize" Finland: "Russia's only aim is to free Finland from a gang of oppressors and imperialistic warmongers and to safeguard Finnish democratic development."

CASEY AT BAT—At Washington and Canberra it was announced simultaneously that the U. S. and Australia will establish diplomatic relations for the first time. (Previously, Britain represented Australia here.) First Australian minister will be Richard G. Casey. Soon to be named is the U. S. minister to Canberra.

SPENDTHRIFT—Of her \$25,750 personal allowance for 1939, the 16-year-old Heiress Gloria Vanderbilt spent only \$10—for books.

BANQUET—While Democrats wined and dined throughout the U. S. in honor of President Andrew Jackson's birthday anniversary, Republicans at Indianapolis held a 25-cent milk and cracker feast honoring Abe Lincoln.

SECRET—In Hollywood died Flora Finch, co-player with John Bunny in early movie comedies. Her secret was her age, probably about 80. Her chieftains' secret: The fact that Flora Finch's contract with M-G-M was regarded by the bookkeeping department as a pension for an old trouper.

UPSET FEATHER—Federal commu-

BALKANS: Squabbles

Before 1940 has gone its way the brave nation of Rumania may see trouble a-plenty. It started that way. Bucharest heard that Bulgaria, its unfriendly southern neighbor, had signed a trade pact with Russia, which wants the Rumanian province of Bessarabia. Next King Carol heard that Hungary's Count Stefan Csaky, whose nation will seize Rumanian Transylvania if Russia invades Bessarabia, was conferring in Italy with Foreign Minister Ciano.

A political realist, Italy's Benito Mussolini knows the Balkans have a better chance of blocking Russian aggression (which would also hurt Italy) if they settle their squabbles in advance. Purpose of the Ciano-Csaky conversations, therefore, was to urge Hungary and Rumania to settle their revisionist problem immediately. In so doing, Il Duce took a hearty slap at the Soviet.

So did King Carol. Encouraged to defend Bessarabia now that the Finns are doing a remarkable job against Russian aggression, Carol and his retinue crossed into this dangerous province, defied Moscow and smiled while Bessarabian minority leaders shouted: "We pledge our lives for our beloved Rumanian fatherland."

ASIA: Wang's Ready

"The time is now ripe for establishment of a new central government in China. Careful study reveals that the objectives of Wang Ching-wei are consonant with Japan's manifest efforts toward helping in the formation and expansion of the proposed new government."

Thus, after much back-slapping, brow-beating and tutoring, Puppet Wang Ching-wei was announced ready to take over Japan's make-believe "government" in conquered parts of China.

THE WARS: Shakeup

Far bigger than the war on France's western front was the battle of London. Called to a cabinet meeting by Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain was Leslie Hore-Belisha, dynamic, Jewish minister of war who has built the British army from a stodgy and antiquated organization into one of the world's smartest. Minister Hore-Belisha was asked to sign his resignation. Also fired was Lord MacMillan, blundering minister of information.

Announced purpose of the shake-up was to establish national unity.



HORE-BELISHA
Social grounds?

Neville Chamberlain did just that: There was national unity, but it was unity of opposition to the "sacking" of an efficient war minister in favor of Oliver Stanley, the 43-year-old board of trade president whose father (seventeenth earl of Derby) was a war minister in World war days.

By next morning every British paper, regardless of political leanings, was blasting against the government. Typical was the London *Star*: "If it is shown that Mr. Hore-Belisha was thrown overboard to satisfy a clique of generals who disliked him on social grounds, or because he was pressing the pace of democracy in the army too strongly, then public resentment will be wide, deep and lasting."

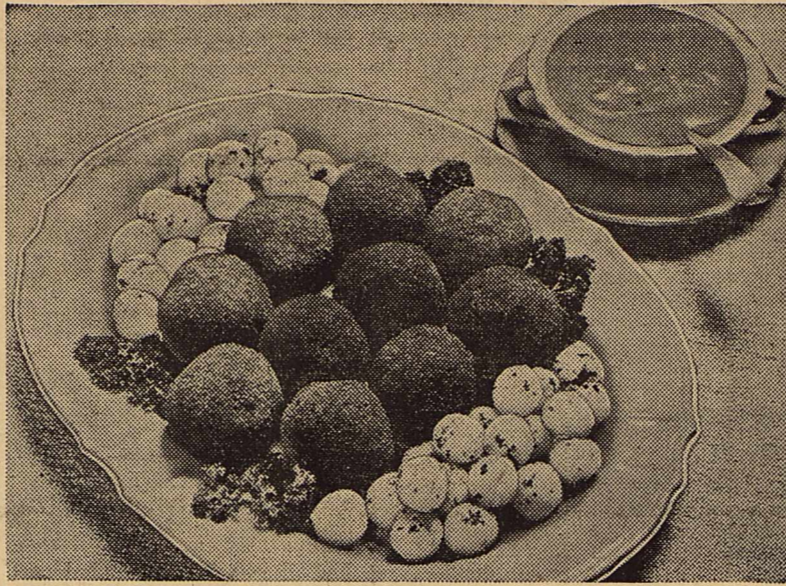
To both Hore-Belisha and the Prime Minister an opportunity for rebuttal was coming, but it would probably take place behind closed doors in the house of commons. Meanwhile it was rumored that Winston Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, would soon follow Stanley as war chief.

Other war news:
Western Front. Minor artillery fire. Entertainment by the fabulous Albert, French airman whose daring antics along the Luxembourg frontier keep natives in stitches.

Northern Front. Finnish destruction of still a third Russian division (the forty-fourth) near Suomussalmi at Finland's waistline. Fighting was stalemated in the far north and on the Karelian isthmus, but in the central part Finnish troops penetrated Russ lines to dynamite the Leningrad-Murmansk railroad, thus isolating the northland.

Household News

By Eleanor Howe



SERVE THESE LIVER CROQUETTES WITH POTATO BALLS AND TOMATO SAUCE

See Recipes Below

Just Good Food

In her own town and in her time, Aunt Edith was considered a good cook. When prizes were awarded for the best cakes at church fairs, Aunt Edith won her share of them. But she had her bad days, too, when this pie crust was soggy or that cake fell flat. Aunt Edith used to say, "Well, I had good luck with my baking today," and sometimes she said, "I don't know why, but my sponge cake isn't near as nice as usual, this time." Luck played quite a part in the success or failure of one's cooking and baking, in those days! There isn't any mystery about cooking and baking today; this "four-point plan" eliminates the element of chance, and insures uniform results, day after day: 1, tested recipes; 2, accurate measurements; 3, proper methods of mixing; 4, correct temperature for cooking and baking.



Reliable recipes and good ingredients are available by the score. When you've found the ones you like, stick to them! Marked measuring cups and spoons have done away with the old time "pinch" of this, and "smidgin" of that, and directions for mixing are a part of every tested recipe. Thermometers of every kind insure the proper temperature for cooking and baking; thermometers for deep fat frying eliminate grease-soaked doughnuts or croquettes; there'll be no sticky, runny frostings or candy that won't "set," when the cooking is done with candy thermometers; meat thermometers mean roasts that are cooked to just the right degree of "doneness"; and oven thermometers are practically indispensable for the countless baking jobs involved in feeding a family. You'll find the recipes below meet the requirements of the four-point plan. You'll want to add them to your file of tested recipes for "Just Good Food."

Silver Cake.

- (Makes 2 9-inch layers)
- 2 3/4 cups cake flour
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- 4 egg whites (stiffly beaten)

Sift together the flour, baking powder, and salt. Cream the butter, and add 1 cup of the sugar gradually, beating until smooth and fluffy. Add the dry ingredients to the creamed mixture, alternately with the milk. Add flavoring. Beat the egg whites until stiff but not dry, and gradually beat in the remaining 1/2 cup of sugar. Fold into the cake batter. Bake in 2 greased 9-inch layer cake pans in a moderately hot oven (375 degrees) for 25 to 30 minutes.

Boiled Icing.

- 2 1/2 cups granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup light corn syrup
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 egg whites
- 1 teaspoon almond extract

Cook sugar, corn syrup, salt and water together to the firm ball stage (250 degrees). Pour the hot syrup slowly into the well-beaten egg whites, beating constantly. Add almond extract and continue beating until the frosting will hold its shape when tossed over the back of a spoon. Should icing become too stiff to manipulate easily, a small amount of hot water may be added.

Lemon Apple Cake Filling.

Pare and grate one large, tart apple. (There should be 1 cup of grated pulp.) Add 2 tablespoons of lemon rind grated, 1 cup sugar, 1 egg, beaten, and 1 tablespoon of quick-cooking tapioca. Cook over

hot water until thick and clear—about 15 minutes. Cool, and spread generously between the layers of a cake. The filling is especially good in white cake.

Liver Croquettes.

- (Makes 10-12 croquettes)
- 1/2 pound beef liver
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- Boiling water
- 2 tablespoons onion (grated)
- 1 cup fine bread crumbs (moistened with 2 tablespoons water)
- 1/2 cup thick white sauce
- 2 eggs (well beaten)
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper

Cover liver with boiling water to which baking powder has been added. Cook a few minutes until liver begins to get tender. Remove from water, cut off tough skin or connective tissue, then grind. Mix with bread crumbs, white sauce, and eggs well beaten. Season to taste and cool. Shape into small ball croquettes. Fry in deep fat (375 degrees) until golden brown. Drain on unglazed paper. Serve at once with hot tomato sauce. If desired, croquettes may be dipped in crumbs, egg, then crumbs again before deep frying.

Lemon Meringue Pie.

- 1 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup cold water
- 3/4 cup boiling water
- 3 egg yolks
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon lemon rind (grated)

Combine sugar, cornstarch and salt. Add cold water; stir until smooth. Add boiling water and cook, stirring constantly, until mixture is clear and thick. Cook 3 minutes longer. Beat egg yolks; stir cooked mixture into them. Add remaining ingredients, return to flame and cook 1 minute. Pour immediately into baked pie shell. Top with meringue.

Meringue.

- 3 egg whites
- 6 tablespoons sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Beat egg whites partially; then add sugar slowly, beating until mixture is stiff. Bake in slow oven (300 degrees) for 18 minutes.

Apple Sauce Doughnuts.

- 2 tablespoons shortening
- 1 1/2 cups brown sugar
- 2 eggs (beaten)
- 1 cup apple sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon soda
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 3/4 cups bread flour
- 4 teaspoons baking powder

Cream shortening and add sugar; blend thoroughly. Add the eggs. Combine apple sauce, salt, soda, and spices, and add to first mixture. Sift together the flour and baking powder, and add. Roll out to 1/4-inch thickness on well-floured board. Cut in circles and fry in deep fat (365 degrees) until brown. Drain and roll in confectioners' sugar.

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Washington Merry-Go-Round

'Pork' Cutting Will Keep Congress In Session Past June . . . F. D. R. Sounding Sentiment on Cordell Hull.

By DREW PEARSON and ROBERT ALLEN

WASHINGTON.—Those optimistic statements about a short session of congress are a lot of wishful thinking. The boys will still be on hand when June 1 rolls around.

One reason is that there is no need for them to hurry to get through. The presidential convention won't take place this year until late July and early August. The other reason is that the shadow of the momentous fall campaign will dominate everything said and done on Capitol Hill and the session is a cinch to be one of the most acrimonious and politics-ridden in years.

There will be fierce fighting over the Wagner labor and wage-hour acts, over Secretary Wallace's demand for some form of processing tax to finance the \$300,000,000 farm parity payments, over Cordell Hull's reciprocal trade treaties and above all over the slashed budget.

It's on this last issue that you will see party lines crumble and the boys, despite all their brave economy talk and other lofty sentiments, rally together to save their pork.

For there's political murder in that thar budget.

The boys don't know it yet but Roosevelt has ripped \$45,000,000 out of the flood control appropriation, whittling it down from \$115,000,000 to \$70,000,000. The cries of anguish that will go up when this is discovered will rend the heavens from New England to California and from Michigan to Texas. At least two-thirds of the members of both chambers have local stakes in this appropriation, to say nothing of hundreds of contractors and thousands of workers, and with an election in the offing you can bet your boots the boys are going to leave no stone unturned to get their pork.

The flood control item is just one of a number that got the axe. The highway appropriation, another prime local pork favorite, was slashed. When Roosevelt merely recommended that last year, congress nearly had a fit. The boys will jump out of their skins when they see what he actually did to the appropriation this time.

No Third Term?

For the first time in two years word has gone out very quietly from the White House that the President has a man definitely in mind as his possible successor.

That man is Cordell Hull. This does not mean that the President is committing himself. However, this is definitely the very first time he has even mentioned the name of a specific candidate.

What the President is doing is throwing out Hull's name to various close advisers and noting their reaction.

The tack which the President is taking is that Hull is the only man who could get the support of both the liberal Democrats and the conservatives, such as Senators Glass, Byrd, and George.

Also significant is the fact that the Inner Circle, while not yet counting Roosevelt out for third term, are by no means so sure of it as they once were. Now they are convinced that Roosevelt really does not want to be a candidate.

Insurance Bombshell.

Insurance company officials who have been raging over insurance disclosures by the anti-monopoly committee don't know the half of it. The worst is yet to come.

The committee will make a voluminous report on the finances and investments of 26 of the largest insurance companies—and it's going to be a bombshell.

One of the sensations will be the revelation that last year a certain nationally known company, with many millions of dollars on deposit in a certain bank, drew not one cent of interest on this money. The report will show, as a possible explanation for this amazing situation, that high officials of the company also are directors of the bank.

Even when published only a limited number of copies will be available, because the report is so voluminous that it cost \$100 a copy to print it in the government printing office.

Capital Chaff.

Assistant Secretary of State A. A. Berle's wife, Beatrice Bend Bishop Berle, is a physician . . . The President is about to have his portrait painted by Cuban Artist Esteban Valderama . . . A peace society has distributed 30,000 copies of the David Lawrence editorial, "Peace Now," which proposes a 10-point program for settlement of the war.

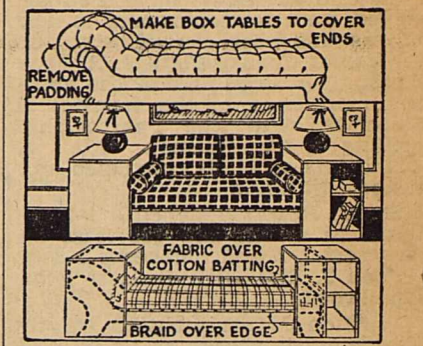
One move in the minds of the Jack Garnerites is that in the last show-down he might withdraw to let Sam Rayburn step into the picture.

Our Old-Time Couch Is Made Streamline

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

WAS there a couch like the picture at the top of this sketch, in the family "sitting room" when you were a child? Let's get it down from the attic, for just see what can be done with it! Properly streamlined it will look like the middle picture.

First paint the front of frame; then cover well up onto the head portion with cotton batting; next use bright cotton upholstery material. Remove stuffing at high



end. Now, make box-like end tables like those illustrated. The dotted lines indicate how the couch fits under these box tables and how a partition and shelves are put in the one at the lower end. Paint tables to harmonize with fabric. The final touch is the back and end cushions covered with the upholstery material.

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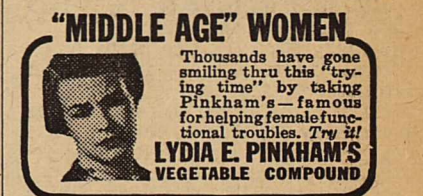
In many large Western mines where alarm bells cannot be heard over the noise of the machinery, the workers are warned of a fire by an odor produced by a few drops of butyl mercaptan put into the air-circulating system. This danger signal has the odor of skunk.

When the shah of Iran travels about his country by motorcar, all roads he uses are cleared a day in advance, all houses he passes are freshly whitewashed and all the dogs in the villages where he stops for the night are killed—as he is a very light sleeper.

The La Trappe monastery in Aiguebelle, France, following the custom of many other religious houses, allows only the head of the institution to walk in the middle of the halls and passageways. All others walk close to the walls, as a gesture of humility.—Collier's.



The Half-Way Fool
The fools and the wise are equally harmless; it is the half-wise and the half-foolish who are the most to be feared.—Goethe.



A Day Lost
The most completely lost of all days is that on which one has not laughed.—Chamfort.

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Grape Juice With Grapefruit.—Two tablespoons of grape juice added to a grapefruit after it has been cut gives a delicious flavor and a pretty color.

Creamy Fudge.—For a smoother and creamier fudge, add a teaspoon of cornstarch to each cup of sugar used in making it.

To remove feathers from ducks, first pick them dry. This leaves a down all over the skin. To remove the down, wring out a large cloth in boiling water and wrap it around the duck for five minutes. Remove the cloth and the down can be wiped off easily with a dry cloth.

Give house plants an occasional feeding of a teaspoonful of bone meal dug into the earth in flower pots.

Value of Order

"Worth more than its weight in gold" is literally true of the golden insignia of the Order of the Garter, according to John L. Dowrick, who reports that in value they are estimated at \$3,500.

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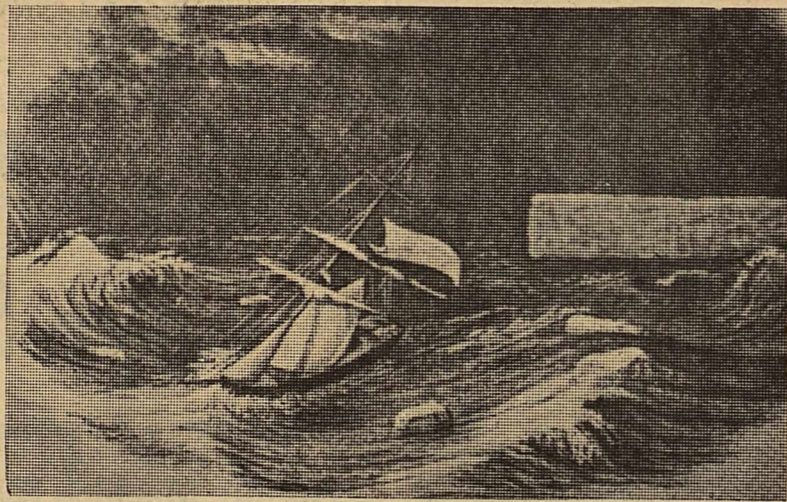
Wilkes' Discovery of New Continent One Hundred Years Ago Gave America Its First Claim to Antarctic Lands

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

THE recent departure of Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd for his third expedition into the Antarctic, an expedition which has three purposes—exploration, scientific investigation and, most important of all, strengthening any future claims of the United States on territory in the region of the South Pole—recalls another intrepid American explorer who gave us our first claim to that country just 100 years ago. He was Lieut. Charles N. Wilkes of the United States navy, who, on January 16, 1840, was the first to discover the existence of a continent in the Antarctic sea.

As has been the case in so many parts of the world, Great Britain was the first nation to assert sovereignty over Antarctica. Her claims go back to January 17, 1773, when Capt. James Cook crossed the Antarctic circle for the first time in history. A year later he reached what was then "farthest south" (even though it was 1,318 miles from the South pole!) and discovered a land which he named the Isle of Georgia, in honor of George III, and Sandwich land, in honor of the fourth earl of Sandwich, first lord of the admiralty during the American Revolution.

In 1823 James Weddell of the British royal navy discovered the sea which now bears his name and set a new "farthest south" record of 1,102 miles from the pole. Soon after that the famous whaling firm of Enderby in London became interested in Antarctic exploration and sent out several expeditions. In one of them in 1830 James Briscoe of the Brit-



The Porpoise in an Antarctic gale—From an illustration in Wilkes' "Narratives."

ish navy discovered and named Kemp land, and in 1839 John Ballely discovered and named the Ballely islands.

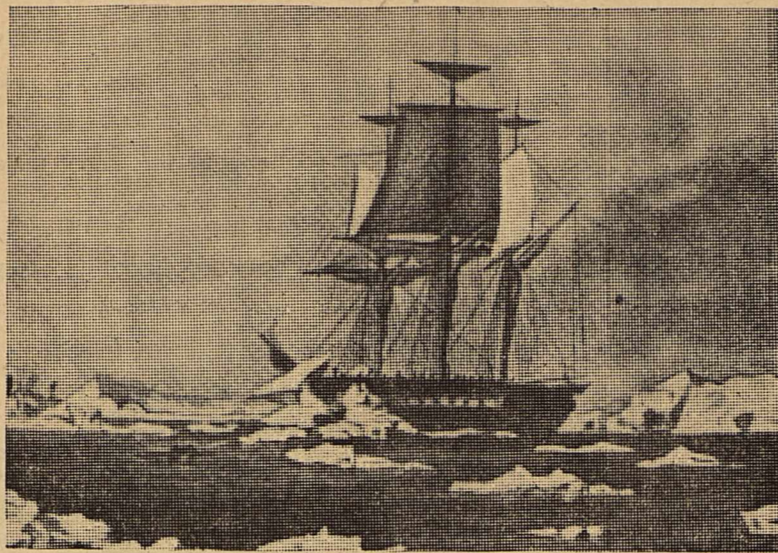
To Aid Whalers.

By this time the United States had become interested in South polar exploration also, and in 1836 congress authorized an expedition which was intended primarily to assist American whaling industries in competing with the British by recharting and routing the South Pacific islands, locating islands, whaling areas and industrial prospects. Antarctic exploration was a secondary purpose.

For this reason the expedition was not fitted out with vessels especially selected to buck ice packs or withstand polar winters; they were ordinary naval vessels of thin walls, weak prows and exposed rudders. The two larger vessels, the Vincennes and the Peacock, had the added disadvantage of a superimposed gun deck and exposed open gun ports in the lower deck. There was poor and inadequate stowage space for food and medical supplies and water and a very small supply of fuel. If Lieut. Charles N. Wilkes of the United States navy, commander of the expedition, had been ice-trapped and forced to winter within the Antarctic circle, he and his entire party would have been frozen or starved to death. The five ships that made the cruise, the sloops Vincennes and Peacock, the storeship Relief, the brig Porpoise and the tenders Sea Gull and Flying Fish, totaled less than 2,000 tons, and yet carried a crew of 440 men. This meant cramped quarters, with foul air and lack of space for isolation in case of sickness. Also, the authorities had failed to stock the squadron with anti-scorbutics to prevent scurvy.

Wilkes Has Troubles.

Further to add to the difficulties, Wilkes began to show condescension and almost open contempt to the group of civilian scientists that had been assigned



The Vincennes in Disappointment bay—From an illustration in Wilkes' "Narratives."

him. Among them was Titian Peale, artist and naturalist, the third of the famous Maryland artist family. Friction and jealousy sprang up among the officers of the command. The commander of the Peacock was senior to Wilkes in the navy, thus requiring a delicacy and tact almost impossible during the cruise and always galling for so down-right and headstrong a man as Wilkes. The crew was insubordinate, and there were 125 desertions during the cruise.

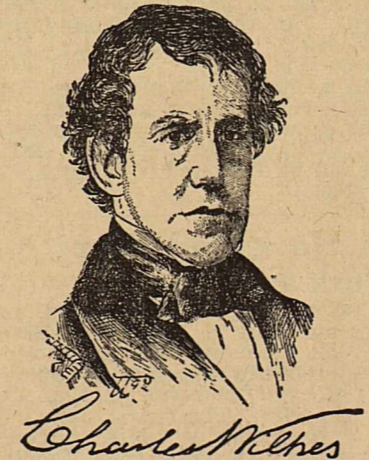
Wilkes set sail from Hampton Roads, Va., on August 18, 1838, and after a goodwill cruise down the coast of eastern South America, he rounded Cape Horn and arrived off Tierra del Fuego February 17, 1839. Winter came on almost immediately. Four months later the vessels scattered east and west for polar explorations. The little Sea Gull and its entire company went down to death in a storm, and this catastrophe increased the depression



Charles Wilkes

of the captain and the fear and discontent of his crew. From May to November the squadron made a great sweep across the South Pacific to Australia.

On December 26 Wilkes led his squadron of four vessels, the Vincennes, which he commanded himself; the Peacock, commanded by Capt. William L. Hudson; the brig Porpoise, commanded by Lieut. Commander Cadwalader Ringgold; and the tender, Flying Fish, out of Sydney harbor and headed for Macquarie island, the first rendezvous. Within a week after leaving Sydney the Flying Fish and the Peacock dropped out of sight in the fog. Then the



Porpoise disappeared but Wilkes pushed on southward in the Vincennes.

Finds a New Continent.

By January 16, 1840, he had reached 66 degrees south latitude and had found the Peacock and the Porpoise. They were now confronted by an ice barrier, but the crews of the remaining ships reported that appearances beyond the barrier seemed to indicate land, and in his report Wilkes sets January 16, 1840, as the date of the discovery of a new continent.

Concerning this Wilkes writes in his five-volume narrative of the expedition that "appearances

believed to be land were visible from all three vessels, and the comparison of the three observations, when taken in connection with the more positive proofs of its existence afterward obtained, has left no doubt that the appearance was not deceptive. From this day, therefore, we date the discovery which is claimed for the squadron." From the Peacock the mountains could be distinctly seen "stretching to the southwest as far as anything could be discerned."

More Discoveries.

On the nineteenth, "land was now certainly visible from the Vincennes, both to the south-southeast and southwest, in the former direction most distinctly." The same day Hudson, in the Peacock, saw what appeared to be an immense land mass, 3,000 feet high and covered with snow. On the twenty-second, twenty-third and twenty-eighth there were more "appearances of land," the proximity of which was further indicated by the discoloration of the water and the character of the bottom shown by soundings.

On the thirtieth the Vincennes entered an indentation of the ice-bound coast, which was named Piner's bay. "We approached," says Wilkes, "within half a mile of the dark volcanic rocks, which appeared on both sides of us, and saw the land gradually rising beyond the ice to the height of 3,000 feet. It could be distinctly seen extending to the east and west of our position fully 60 miles. Now that all were convinced of its existence, I gave the land the name of the Antarctic continent."

On February 13 the record notes: "Land distinctly seen from 18 to 20 miles distant, a lofty mountain range covered with snow." The following day land was again seen. On the fourteenth: "By measurement the extent of coast of the Antarctic continent, which was then in sight, 75 miles and 3,000 feet high."

Land Named for Him.

Wilkes turned north when in about 97 degrees 40 minutes east, 64 degrees 1 minute south, after having skirted the Antarctic coast for fully 1,700 miles. What he had actually discovered was the large segment of Antarctica afterward named Wilkes land in his honor.

On March 11, 1840, Wilkes arrived at Sydney and wrote to the secretary of the navy: "It affords me much gratification to report that we have discovered a large body of land within the Antarctic circle, which I have named the Antarctic continent, and refer you to the report of our cruise and accompanying charts, enclosed herewith, for full information relative thereto." On March 13 the Sydney Herald published a long account of the expedition, in which appeared the first printed notice of the fact that a continent had been discovered in the Antarctic. Before the end of the year a similar announcement was published in London.

Wilkes' expedition, made in unseaworthy sailing ships which lacked the special equipment usually regarded as indispensable by polar explorers, was a daring and splendid venture. Some of the positions he assigned to the coast have since been proved to be inaccurate and some of his "appearances of land" were probably ice, but the fact is undeniable that he found a vast stretch of Antarctic coast where no land of any kind was previously supposed to exist, and that the knowledge we possess today concerning the outlines of the Antarctic continent began to take definite shape with his discoveries. But, most important of all, those discoveries gave the United States a real basis for its claims in Antarctica and some day if we wish to establish airplane bases there that may be a very important fact indeed.

Wilkes, our first Antarctic explorer, was a native of New York city, having been born there April 3, 1798. It is an interesting fact that his name is better known to most Americans in connection with an incident which occurred two decades later than it is for his polar discoveries. That incident was the famous "Trent affair" of 1861.

In 1855 Wilkes was commissioned captain and at the outbreak of the Civil war in 1861 he



was placed in command of the sloop, San Jacinto. On November 8 the San Jacinto encountered the English mail steamer, Trent, which was on its way from Havana to St. Thomas in the West Indies. Aboard the steamer on this voyage were John Slidell of Louisiana and James M. Mason of Virginia, who had been appointed commissioners to enlist the sympathy and aid of France and Great Britain for the Confederate cause.

The San Jacinto easily overtook the Trent, which hoisted the English colors while Wilkes ran up the Stars and Stripes and fired a shot across the Trent's bow as a signal for her to stop. When the British captain paid no attention to this summons the San Jacinto sent a shell screaming across the water in front of her. Then the Briton hove to.

Wilkes ordered Lieutenant Fairfax to man two boats and board the Trent. When the lieutenant did so and asked permission of the captain to see his passenger list, the request was refused. However, Fairfax, seeing Mason and Slidell, and their secretaries, Messrs. Eustis and McFarlane, on the deck informed them that he had orders to take them aboard the San Jacinto. Over the vigorous protest of the British captain this was done, al-



John Slidell

though the families of the four Confederates were allowed to remain on the Trent which continued on its way to England.

Hero of the Hour.

Captain Wilkes took his prisoners to Boston where they were imprisoned in Fort Warren. Their capture created a sensation throughout the country and for a time Wilkes was the hero of the hour. His act was indorsed by the secretary of the navy who wrote the captain a letter of thanks and he received a similar letter from congress. Banquets and receptions were given him in Boston, New York and Washington.

But over in England the affair was viewed in a very different light. The British government made a peremptory demand upon the government of the United States for the restoration of the prisoners and an official apology for Wilkes' insult to the British flag and his violation of international law. For a time it seemed that the United States and England might be embroiled in a war over the incident, for popular feeling in this country was running as high as it was across the Atlantic.

Fortunately, however, President Lincoln and his secretary of State, William H. Seward, were unswayed by public opinion. They ordered the prisoners surrendered on the ground that Captain Wilkes had erred in not carrying the Trent to a neutral port to have the case adjudicated before a prize court. In acting as the judge himself and practically executing his own decree the captain had technically committed a violation of international law for which the only redress was the restoration of the status quo.

Several years later the Royal Geographical society of England presented him with a gold medal in recognition of his work as an explorer. It was also striking evidence of the fact that the English people bore him no ill-will because of his action in the Trent affair. He died in Washington on February 8, 1877.

Where There's a Will Things Usually Get Done!

The teacher was examining the pupils in arithmetic.

"Now," he said, "I'll give you one more sum. If a cat falls down a bottomless well, and for every two feet it climbs up it falls down three, how long will it take to get out?"

One boy took a slate, and after filling both sides with a mass of figures, asked for another.

"Good gracious!" snapped the teacher, "haven't you the sense to see the cat will never get out?"

"Don't be in a hurry, sir," replied the boy. "There's plenty of time and heaps more slates. If you wait long enough, I'll bring the little beggar out in Australia."

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Weaving on Life's Loom

We sleep, but the loom of life never stops; and the pattern which was weaving when the sun went down is weaving when it comes up tomorrow.—Henry Ward Beecher.



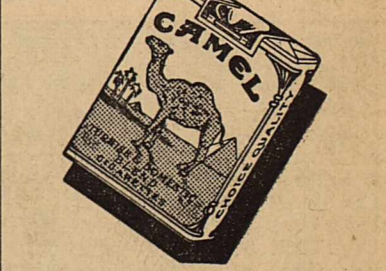
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The Woman's Page - Church, Society, Personal

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PERSONAL

Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Thompson and children of Booker spent the week end with Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Thompson and children. Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Thompson had been called to Lamesa, by the death of her father and were caught in Stratford by the snow storm. He filled the pulpit at the Methodist church during the illness of the local pastor.

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Mrs. P. M. Brown. Joe A. Doby and Eugene Wilson attended an annual business meeting of the Panhandle Power & Light Co., in Borger Tuesday.

Mrs. M. R. Robinson is on the sick list this week. Jody F. Boston spent the week end in Amarillo.

Eugene and Harold Wilson transacted business in Pampa last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Brannan were Amarillo visitors Monday.

Jack Davy has been confined to his home for some time with heart trouble.

Mrs. L. P. Hunter received word from her brother, Nelson Hobbie, who lives in Los Angeles, Calif., of the death of his wife Saturday.

Mr. Hobbie is a brother of Mrs. R. E. Roberts and Mrs. L. P. Hunter.

Louis Higginbottom and John Kelp went to Blackwell, Texas for the household goods of Rev. J. H. Dean and returned Wednesday morning.

D. R. Wilson is on the sick list this week. Mr. and Mrs. Jerrell Cook moved Tuesday to a farm near Floydada to make their home.

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C. R. Foster was a business visitor in Canyon Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. O'Brien entertained Sunday with a turkey dinner in honor of Mrs. O'Brien's birthday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Bill King and daughter, Kerrick, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Pendleton and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Steel, Dalhart, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Doby and daughter, Shela, visited with relatives in Amarillo Sunday.

W. N. Price is sick with the flu this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Foster, Dalhart, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Sallie V. McAdams. Randolph McAdams returned with them after spending the week end with his sister, Mrs. Foster.

Mrs. Roy Allen is sick this week. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Green have returned from a three weeks visit with relatives in Guymon.

Mrs. Floyd Brannan and Mrs. Homer Smith were Dalhart visitors Monday.

Grady Mullican was a business visitor in Amarillo Wednesday afternoon.

Harold and Eugene Wilson assisted in conducting a funeral at Boise City Sunday.

Roy Strother and his mother, Mrs. J. F. Strother, returned last week from a visit with relatives and friends in Missouri.

Pete Reese, Amarillo, transacted business here Wednesday.

C. E. Coombes, Dalhart, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Morris, Wichita, Kansas, visited friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Keener were visitors in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Toomey, Sunray, and Mrs. William Green, Amarillo, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Turner Sunday.

Charlie Thurman and Bonnie Tackel were on the sick list last week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Keener, Mrs. Emmett Turner, Mrs. Bessie Lee and E. B. Turner transacted business in Amarillo Friday.

C. R. Bonar was on the sick list the latter part of last week. Virgil Plunk is leaving Saturday to attend a tractor school in Waterloo, Iowa, which will last for one week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Riffe and William Lee left Monday for a visit in Mineral Wells, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Alexander, Gruver, were visitors in Stratford Tuesday.

G. C. Kugle, Texhoma, transacted business here Tuesday.

Mrs. W. W. Smith is on the sick list this week. Chester A. Berry, Tucumcari, N. M., visited Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor, on his return home from a business trip to Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Yates, Mrs. H. J. Cooper and Evelyn were visitors in Texhoma Sunday afternoon.

Lenville Johnson and son of the Oklahoma Panhandle were visitors here Monday.

Mrs. Wilma Stewart, Amarillo, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Garoutte. Donel Boner and Leonard Crutchfield were business visitors in Amarillo Monday afternoon.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our appreciation to the people of this territory for the support given the Roxey Theatre while it was under our management.
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KERRICK NEWS
(Miss Fannie Sue James, Reporter)
More snow fell in this community Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank James were in Boise City on business Wednesday.
Lvall Murdock and family attended church in Stratford Sunday.

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night. E. R. Crabtree transacted business in Stratford last Tuesday.

Chester Mitts took Mrs. Mitts and children to Spearman last Thursday. Alvin was to receive treatment for his ear.

Andy James has been on the sick list. He had a sore arm. Bill Chenault shipped 17 carloads of cattle Thursday.

Joe Sneed unloaded 13 carloads of cattle here Thursday. These cattle were to go to the Sneed Ranch west of Kerrick.

Mrs. Henry Ingham and Jimmie are visiting her parents in Guymon this week.

Newton James visited in Guymon this week.

Demonstration Club Women Begin New Program In 1940

In 1940 the Home Demonstration Club Women of Sherman County will work on the living room phase of Home Improvement demonstration again. This will be the second year of this phase of work.

During 1939 the backgrounds, such as the wall coverings, floors, and wood work, and the convenient arrangement of the furniture were emphasized.

This year work will continue with 1939 as a foundation for work along the following lines: how to make slip covers for protection of furniture; living room outlook with an exchange of flower seed and plants; native plants which may be used for our home beautifications; how to refinish and reupholster furniture, in other words, how to make new things from the old.

Small accessories and the place of flowers in the home will be followed by the achievement day in the demonstrator homes in the fall of the year.

This year the women are beginning the second year of the home food supply demonstration. They are studying the meat phase of this demonstration. Much interest was shown in planning this part of the 1940 programs.

The demonstrations include, planning the meat supply and other foods the family should have for the year, preparation of roasts and of less tender cuts of beef, salads from meats or meat substitutes, casserole meat dishes and how to serve them.

Knowing what meats to buy and how to cook them is very important. All meat, if properly prepared and cooked should be tender. In February a discussion of cuts of meat, how to know and how to cook them will be given by the agent.

Other programs of general interest during the year will be: Child Entertainment, in February;

A Mother's Day program, in May. Decorative stitches, in July; "Legal Clinics, in August;

The art of being a good hostess, in September; Home-made Christmas gifts, in October.

These programs are given in each community during a home demonstration club meeting. These meetings are open to all who wish to attend either as visitors or members. New members are always welcome to become a part of the club work.

This year each woman is to set her own goals for the year because each individual has problems of her own to solve.

Home demonstration women learn by first doing for themselves and then by teaching others in their own neighborhood how to follow improved methods of better farm living.

Palo Duro 4-H Club Told Sewing Pointers

The Palo Duro 4-H Club met January 3 at the school house. The roll call was answered with New Year's resolutions.

Miss Farley had charge of the meeting and gave instructions on how to make dish towels and scarfs. Each member is to make dish towel or scarf, or both if they wish. At the next meeting we will choose our demonstrator for the coming year.

All members were present except one. The meeting adjourned to meet January 17, with our sponsor, Mrs. R. Baskin, in charge. Roll call will be answered with our sewing box.

Spurlock Club Plans Work For Year

"Let us plan our work, and then work our plan for 1940," Miss Betty Farley, Home Demonstration Agent, told the women of the Spurlock Home Demonstration Club at their meeting Thursday, January 11, at the home of Mrs. Arrell Cummings. Feeding the family for health is in your hands, Miss Farley continued. The correct food keeps the body running more smoothly. The home maker to provide for her family, must know what it takes to make a good diet. By planning your meals from week to week instead of day to day, a home maker will be able to give her family better balanced diet as well as a better variety of foods. Every family needs one serving of meat every day. Miss Farley gave a demonstration on correct methods of roasting beef. Pamphlets No. C-140, B-101, C-131, C-111, C-108, were studied. Each one present took them home to use through the year to help in feeding the family a better diet.

Mrs. L. A. Flyr volunteered to be food demonstrator for 1940. Names were drawn for Polly Anna friends.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames O. Ellison, Elmer Hudson, G. Sweny, L. A. Flyr, F. M. Foreman, H. Polson, M. Sweny, Miss Betty Farley, and the hostess, Mrs. Arrell Cummings.

The next meeting will be January 25 at 2:00 P. M. All members are urged to be present and visitors are always welcome.

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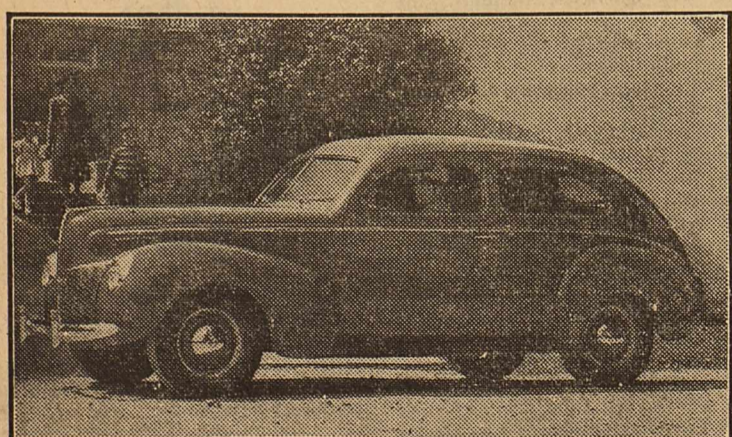
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Principles are rules that people adopt for other people to follow.

If you want people to like what you say, be sure to say what they like.

The strange noises you hear are New Year's resolutions that are blowing up.

An experienced political observer can spot a candidate at least a year before election day.

When a man gets to be a grandfather, it is time for him to realize that life is on the way.

Just remember that what you don't know will not hurt anybody as much as it hurts you.

Hint to adults: Never disappoint a child. They have memories that outlast an elephant's.

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people," as Lew Lehr asserts, but the statement is open to argument. Russia's bark seems to be worse than her bite, but it will take more than sympathy to save Finland.

Now that the football season has ended, the nation might put a little time on more serious problems.

Many a matrimonial combination is based upon the legal adage that possession is nine points of the law.

Speeding will kill thousands of people in 1940 but the chances are it won't affect you if you do not speed.

One trouble with the world is that it is encumbered with too many pompous proclamations of personal probity.

What has become of the old-fashioned editor who thought everybody who disagreed with him was a so-and-so?

The meek may inherit the earth but not while Hitler, Mussolini, Stalin and the Emperor of Japan are around.

Nearly one million Americans will receive old-age pensions from the government in 1940 and in money not plans.

Business in 1940 is expected to be better than last year but the fate of your business depends largely upon what you do.

The merchant who saves money by not advertising also saves money by not wrapping up goods that he doesn't sell.

If you want an idea about the farm situation, just read the figures that show national income and the portion that farmers get.

It is surprising what people sometimes think of a man but, if you want a surprise, find out what the man thinks of himself.

Merchants in agricultural centers can tell you that when farmers have no money to spend, they have no money to buy goods from manufacturers.

If the government got out of business altogether, you would have no postoffice, no tariff, no airways and no regulations to protect the public from anything.

The theory of the American system of government is that a majority of the voters will be influenced by the general welfare even if a minority is actuated by self-interest.

There are always people who believe in hard work and low pay for other people.

Business will be better when merchandising methods are better.

One trouble with the world is the fact that the average citizen takes religion for granted.

Most of the quarrels that create bitterness among men (and women) occur over trivial affairs.

Education, it seems, is making progress; we remember when legs were practically unknown.

Interesting Fact: There were 43,030 patents issued last year to about 32,547,000 inventors.

An individual interested in any cause will support it with cash; have you any interest in any cause?

Facts seldom support dispute; it is the interpretation of facts that develops differences of opinion.

The establishment of peace will present the world with some new problems; peace will not last long.

There are politicians who make an issue out of any public question if it promises more votes than it will lose.

Men who oppose women's rights might as well understand that the women have just begun to acquire their rights.

The European war may be slowly starting but it will not be ended without a decision which will cost blood and money.

If President Roosevelt fails to run for another term he will disappoint a lot of people who have been sure that he would run.

Santa Claus may have ended his work on the night of Dec. 24th, but from what we have seen old Dan Cupid has remained on the job.

Noted Harp-Maker Visits Garst Family

Former Guymon residents who have made themselves widely known through developing their talents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Laughton and daughter, Mrs. Melvin Tinsley, the former Charlotte Laughton, all outstanding musicians.

Residing in Guymon community as early as 1912 Mr. Laughton was the first music instructor in the Goodwell college which at the time was old P. I. Mr. Laughton also taught in the Guymon schools. At the present time he owns an Italian harp factory in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Laughton, known in Guy-

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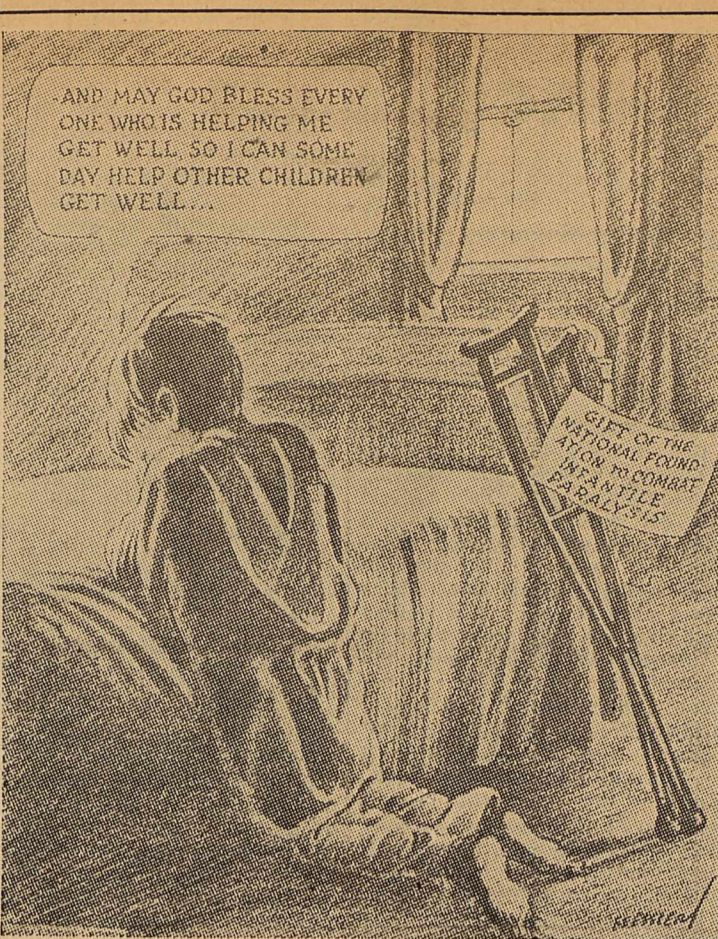
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Healing Dimes and Dollars



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mon as Edna Garst, sister of B. F. Garst, taught music in the Guymon schools, is now a music instructor in the City.

Charloue was born in Guymon, 1912, Dr. R. B. Hayes attending physician. She was given a miniature violin, made by her father, at an early age, and she with her three brothers and musical parents presented many musical programs.

A picture belonging to Mr. Garst show Gail Laughton at the age of four years with a violin just his size. That gives some idea of the early age at which the Laughtons started training their children.

Charlotte Laughton was the first musician to give a program over an Oklahoma Broadcast station.

She is now harpist with the Oklahoma Symphony Orchestra. Her husband, Melvin Tinsley, is arranger for the same orchestra arranging the musical compositions for the 32 different types of instruments which comprise the 100-piece organization.

Well-known as a harp maker Mr. Laughton remembers making three violins for Mr. N. E. Nance and sons while living in Guymon. Henry Ford met Mr. Laughton and liking his harps asked that he make some especially for his Ford cars.

While in Guymon the family had one of the smaller Italian harps with them. It is an example of the skill necessary for its construction. There are many parts necessary to the completed harp which has a golden base and crown, a hollow stand and elaborately decorated sounding board. Three pedals are arranged on either side of the base, which determine the flats and sharps necessary in changing the tones of the strings. The musicians also brought with them one of the violins which Mr. Laughton made.

Mrs. Tinsley came to Guymon following an operation in the Liberal hospital, which was performed by Dr. C. O. Mays, Liberal, and Dr. D. S. Lee, Guymon. Her condition was reported much improved and she will resume her duties as harpist on her return to Oklahoma City.—Texas County News.

THE FAITH THAT IS AMERICA

By Wendell L. Wilkie, President, Commonwealth and Southern Corporation As condensed by The Reader's Digest from a copyright article in the North American Review.

For centuries my ancestors lived in Central Europe. Some of them were peasants, some artisans, others were landed proprietors; but all of them through those centuries had been restricted in their opportunities to the group in which they were born, and no one of them had ever known the true meaning of liberty. Those who did not observe the restrictions under which they were forced to live got into trouble; one had to flee his native land because he adopted the religion of his choice; another was ostracized because he believed in the principles of the French Revolution; and still another was jailed for expressing his own opinions. In 1848, my father and my grandparents came to America to escape this repression of individual liberties.

They were led to these shores, as were millions before and after them, by a special reputation that the United States has had among nations. This reputation is founded upon one simple fact: in the United States the plain man has always had a chance.

My father and mother were the first generation in their families to grow up in America. My mother became a lawyer. My father was also a lawyer. Of course, in Europe my mother would have found it impossible to practice a profession; and my father would have found it difficult to get out of the groove worn by his ancestors. Furthermore, it would have been utterly impossible for them

to have given their six children the education which we received in America. We went to high school and college.

And with schooling finished, there were no doors closed to their children just because they came from a plain family in a small town. No class distinction, no law interfered with their effort to earn a living in the occupation of their choice, or to express their opinions as they pleased.

In all the long history of their family, these six children were the first to know, from the time they were born, the blessings of freedom. I don't want them to be the last.

This family record is the record of any number of American families. For us the value of freedom has had a practical demonstration. Freedom means, for example, that if you run a store, you can sell your products to anybody without a government official telling you what the prices must be; if you are a professor in a university, you don't have to alter science or delete history as a bureaucrat prescribes. If you own a newspaper you don't limit your editorial opinions to what an official censor approves. If you are a laborer, you can leave your job when you feel like it for any other job you prefer; you and your fellow workers can bargain collectively concerning the conditions of your work. If you think taxes are too high, you can vote against those officials you think responsible. There is no limitation upon your inherent American right to criticize anybody, anywhere, at any time.

These are practical applications of this thing called freedom. In this country we take them for granted; perhaps too much for granted. But in more than half the world freedom does not exist. The present conflict in Europe is perilous to this freedom because in a modern war people destroy the very things they say they are fighting for. It is because we wish to preserve our free democratic system that we must remain at peace. But we cannot remain carelessly at peace. If the price of democracy in ordinary times is eternal vigilance, in a war period that vigilance must be doubled.

We must be careful that, under the guise of "emergency," the powers of government are not so extended as to impair the vitality of free enterprise and choke off free expression of thought. Already we hear of the need for the government to control prices, to license American business, to regiment American employees and employers to censor the radio. In a critical time there is always a temptation to surrender the responsibilities of a free citizen, to say to the government: "During this emergency, you take charge. You tell us what to do, what to think."

If we should yield to this temptation, the end of our free democratic system might come as readily in peace as in war. Once these responsibilities of citizenship are given up, they are not readily regained. Government, in its practical working, consists only of aggregations of men; and men, having tasted power, do not easily surrender power. We must not be misled because suggested restrictions are for humanitarian purposes, for, as Justice Louis D. Brandeis recently said:

"Experience should teach us to be more on our guard to protect our liberties when the government's purposes are beneficent. The greatest dangers to liberty lurk in insidious encroachment by men of zeal, well-meaning but without understanding."

The war has not changed the grave domestic questions confronting America; it has just temporarily diverted our minds from them. For ten years we have been haunted by our unemployment problem. Yet its solution has been in our hands for some time. During the depression decade, American industry accumulated an enormous deficiency in plants and modern machinery. To remedy this, industry will need even more than the present number of unemployed.

Industry will also need a great deal of additional capital, and there should be no difficulty in getting this, as soon as the millions of American investors are reassured as to the future of free private enterprise.

The lack of confidence within industry is partly a result of industry's own defects in the period of over-expansion which ended in 1929. But since then we have had several years of reform; and some of these reforms have gone so far as to impair the efficiency and morale of business. In promoting recovery, the chief emphasis has been placed upon what the government should do: we have had colossal expenditures for "priming the pump," and a colossal tax program to pay for these expenditures. Here is just the point where our free democracy is threatened. We are not in immediate danger of losing our freedom of speech, or of press, or of worship. The greatest threat to the American system today comes from the effort to restrict free competitive enterprises. And such enterprise alone can make economic recovery possible.

We have been told that the frontiers are gone, that our established industries are slowing down, and that there is little to be expected in the way of new inventions. We have even been informed that the very basis of the American dream is no longer true: that the plain man no longer has much of a chance. But such a philosophy is as false as it is cowardly. Our people, comprising only seven per cent of the world's population, still control more than 45 per cent of the world's wealth. And we enjoy the highest real wages, the shortest working hours, and the greatest percentage of home ownership on earth.

The great days of America are by no means done. We have only touched the border of our achievement. If I did not believe this, I would not believe in America. Because that faith is America. So my creed, if I were asked to

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define it, would run something like this:

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Because we hate no people and covet no people's land;

Because we are blessed with a natural and varied abundance;

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THE STORY THUS FAR

Left orphans by a tragic automobile accident which claimed the lives of their mother and father, three sisters, Helen, Adele and "Limpy" are visited by their Aunt Olympia, politically minded wife of Senator Alencor Delaporte Slopschire. She insists that the girls return with her to Washington, to make their home with them. In addition to loving the girls, Aunt Olympia knows they will be a terrific political asset. Senator Slopschire has as his political opponent one Brother Wilkie, a minister, whose political campaign is furthered by seven "unspeakable brats" who sit on the rostrum with him while he makes speeches. Senator Slopschire, a pleasantly foggy individual who depends on the astuteness of his wife, prepares for their coming. Though Limpy, the youngest, is 16, and Helen, the oldest, is 21, the Senator buys them all the toys and gifts he can find. When they first meet their "Uncle Lancy," as he is to be known, the girls take him to their united bosom. Soon Adele, most beautiful of the sisters, meets Len Hardesty, publicity man for Brother Wilkie. Though it is Len's job to help defeat the Senator, he promptly falls in love with Adele. Olympia buys an automobile house-trailer which will accommodate the five of them, and from which the Senator will campaign. Then she decides to hire a publicity agent for the Senator, securing the services of Dave Cooper, and as his assistant, young Cecil Dodd. At a Washington tea Helen meets Gabriel d'Alloiti. Gabriel then searches out Olympia, and asks if he might call. Olympia acquiesces, thinking it might make Helen forget her suitor back in Iowa. Brick Landis, Brick, owner of a grocery store, is also running for Congress.

CHAPTER VI—Continued

The girls gasped. Cecil made fast notes with the Senate pencil. Aunt Olympia descended then from the plane of an interview to practical counsel.

"At first, Cece, you'd better let Dave read your stuff and make suggestions if he wants to. You see, he knows our constituency. You can use the same ideas for different constituencies—not always, though; and frequently they must be couched in different words. For instance, some words will delight a Scandinavian or Irish settlement which would grossly offend a Ladies' Aid. Dave has the state mapped out and knows every prejudice in it. You can work that out with him."

"I've memorized the map," said Cecil. "That is, the regular map. I know the counties, towns and rivers, but there's nothing to indicate the prejudices."

"Dave'll indicate 'em," said Olympia drily. "Now, in writing about the girls, Cece, remember to use only what we call innocent adjectives—'young, simple, girlish, ingenuous'—not 'innocuous'; be careful about that. 'Quiet dignity' is good, and 'innocent youth' and 'childish candor' are effective. If you absolutely have to mention beauty, qualify it; call it 'youthful beauty,' or 'girlish beauty.' But avoid beauty if possible. To the average mind, beauty goes with bathing contests and rich husbands. In mentioning their clothes always call them 'simple,' 'girlish' and 'inexpensive.'"

"They do not look inexpensive, though," he remarked, being one who knew clothes.

"Considering the effect they are going to have at the polls, they are cheap as dirt," said Aunt Olympia. "Never under any circumstances refer to elegance or luxury; these belong to royalists. Never say lavish or costly or luxurious. Say 'homey comfort,' or 'companionable hominess.'"

"By the way," he inquired suddenly, "have you cautioned the girls about mentioning our plans to—well, Len Hardesty? You know what he can do with the most casual remark."

She winked cheerfully at the spell-bound girls. "We haven't mentioned the campaign to them. Be sure to get this in, Cece. Being entirely domestic and housewifely, as I am, I accompany the Senator to take care of him, to see that he eats properly cooked food at regular hours and gets sufficient rest. We go only to look after his health, his food and his comfort. I take care of his clothes. . . . Make a note of that, will you, Limpy? Remind me to buy a needle and some darning cotton. . . . But we play no politics. The voters of our state are not constituents to me, they are dear old friends and neighbors. . . . You'd better get that word for word, Cece. You can't improve on it. . . . Friends and neighbors! And when they know these precious children as we know them, they will be their friends and neighbors, too."

"Am I sprouting a halo, Adele?" put in Limpy neatly. "I seem to be going angelic by the minute."

"Cece, remind me to add a motorcycle escort to the cavalcade," said Aunt Olympia, reverting again to the practical. "We'll need him to carry the socks back and forth to Hilda to rip out what I put in."

"Do you make speeches, Auntie?" asked Adele. "I'd love to hear you make a speech."

"No indeed," declared Mrs. Slopschire laughingly. "I do not make speeches. . . . Except perhaps, privately to the Senator. No indeed! No speeches. All I do is put a little ginger in Del's. . . . Don't put that in, Cece."

Although Adele had heard Cecil's hint about Len Hardesty without change of expression, without flicker of long eyelash, she did not forget it. That night when they were all together at dinner he said cheerfully and yet with gravity:

"Darlings, would it be better—better politics, I mean—for us to see no more of one Len Hardesty until after the election? I can get along without him, you know. And if it would be less dangerous it is quite all right with me."

Aunt Olympia, spokesman for the Senator as well as herself, offered a prompt disclaimer.

"Not at all, Adele. It's nice of you to make the offer, but it is not necessary. Of course, we may accidentally let something drop that he can pick up—and if he can, he will. But Len's quite a dropper him-

self and I'm no slouch at pickings-up. And if it wasn't Len hanging around it would be somebody else and probably someone a good deal less interesting."

She frowned thoughtfully for a moment. "In fact, the closer you keep him to your finger tips, the less good he's doing Brother Wilkie—and the less harm to us. I'm not sure but you should marry him and put him into the discard once and for all. And good riddance."

The Senator was so touched at the generous thoughtfulness of Adele's offer that he wiped his glasses, one pair after the other, for a solid hour, and discontinued only when Helen came in from the library to ask his help.

"Uncle Lancy," she said, "I find I'm terribly vulnerable in my national defenses. You'll have to straighten me out. Just look at this map."

She spread a relief map of North America on his knees and dropped on a stool beside him.

"Heavens, Helen, have you gone back to geography?" said Adele. "I'll go back with you," offered Limpy quickly. "I'll swap my trig for your geog. I'm very good at geography. What do you have to do—fill in rivers and mountains?"

"No," said Helen. "I just have to build forts and guns and establish submarine bases and scrape up a few aerial bombers. . . . Now, look, Uncle Lancy! . . . This is the Canadian border. Not a fortification for miles! Think of that!"

"Have the Canadians declared war?" asked Limpy.

"No, and we say they never will. And probably they won't. . . . But that's not the half of it. Suppose Great Britain got messed up in Europe—say with Russia. That would keep her busy. Then suppose Germany and Italy got together and decided to colonize Canada. They could come galloping right over and England couldn't do a thing. And there they'd be, right next to us, and no defenses."

"What's come over you, Helen? I thought you were a pacifist."

"So I am. But I have been talking to re-armamenters. They say you can't be peaceful without preparedness. And just look at that Canadian border!"

"All right, look at the Canadian border. You're right. It's vulnerable," agreed the Senator, smiling.

"Then take the Mexican border."

"A Mexican invasion would start us all eating tamales and beans, wouldn't it?" asked Limpy.

"Mexico herself wouldn't invade," said Helen, patly. "Ah, but suppose she had alliances; strong alliances. Say with Japan. . . . Very vulnerable!"

"The Mexican border is better defended than you realize," said the Senator. "We haven't got all those forts and flying fields and military camps down there just for the sake of the climate. Big cities are the vulnerable points for an enemy. There are no very large cities down there and we have a scattering of defenses from the border northward," said the Senator, becoming interested, almost defensive.

"And just look at our Atlantic coast!" Helen was full of her subject. "Disgraceful! Just look, from way up here at the tip of Maine clear down to Panama! And how much of a fleet have we got? How many airplane bombers? How many subs and dreadnaughts and what else should one have?—Why, it's an open temptation to the covetous, like leaving pennies around in sight of children who love lollipops."

"You can join the Red Cross, Helen. That'll help," said Adele.

"You can be a Girl Scout, and coax Uncle Lancy to buy you a bow and arrow," said Limpy.

"The trouble with people who go around talking about national defenses," said Uncle Lancy pleasantly, liking his attentive audience, "is that for the most part they don't know what they are talking about. Personally, as you know, Helen, I, while an ardent and consistent pacifist, am in favor of a full defense program from bombs to bandages. But that Atlantic seaboard is better defended than you think it is! We've got a lot of very impressive works spread out along there. They look like mere show places to the visiting tourist, but there's more under the surface than shows on top. You don't suppose the shipyards up in Maine and New Hampshire are undefended, do you? And in Maryland and Virginia? You don't suppose Boston is standing wide open, do you? The most doubting of Thom-

ases must realize that New York harbor has a gun or two tucked away somewhere. And come on down the coast! Here's Washington! I doubt if even Gerald Nye would vote to destroy the defenses of Washington.

"But we're not what some people call plain suckers, at that," said Uncle Lancy. "We've got strategic points fairly well taken care of, and we've got second and third—and fourth-line—defenses spread clear across the country. We haven't enough, Helen, I admit that. We're working at it though. The trouble is, it's not such hard work building up defenses as talking down the fanatics."

"Well, I'm relieved," said Helen. "I wasn't sure I could sleep tonight. Of course, I'm for peace myself. . . . Not quite at any price, perhaps, but at any reasonable price."

Helen was having almost as busy a time as Aunt Olympia herself, for she continued her pursuit of political enlightenment so avidly that Limpy's logarithms were overlooked for days at a time. Dull teas, deadly receptions, boresome luncheons, congressional clubs, she attended them assiduously; she had to, in order to help Brick when the time came.

"And how about this garden party at the British Embassy?" Aunt Olympia demanded one day. "We've got to answer it. Do you want to go?"

"I'd love to," said Helen promptly.

"Wasn't I invited?" asked Adele jealously.

"Yes, we're all invited. . . . All right. I'll accept for you girls and



"Len Hardesty taught me that trick."

us, if you really want to go, and decline for Limpy."

"Aw, Uncle Lancy!" wailed Limpy. "I've never seen a lord!"

"You haven't!" he ejaculated. "Well, well, think of that now. They're no great shakes, in my opinion, but if you want to see one, go and take a good look."

"Del!" protested Aunt Olympia. "Why, she's a mere child!"

"Well, she's a nice child," he insisted. "If a cat can look at a king, I reckon a child—a nice child—can have a squint at a lord in the making. There's nothing worldly about garden parties. In my opinion, it's children they're given for."

"Garden parties," said Aunt Olympia severely, "are worth the wages of a gardener for the cigarette ashes they keep off the rugs alone!"

"It was very nice," Helen wrote to Brick Landis. "They served champagne punch under a marquee at one end of the garden and the refreshments a long way off at the other end under another. Aunt Olympia said that was to make it harder and take longer for guests to go dashing back and forth, consuming liquor and refreshments. They served exquisite big strawberries and an American substitute for Devonshire cream. You know how Limpy loves strawberries. Uncle Lancy braved that formidable line of butlers three times to get extra portions for her. He said she was entitled to still more under her quota because she doesn't drink champagne. Limpy said she didn't think the Ambassador was half as lordly-looking as Uncle Lancy and he wiped his glasses for ten minutes and the top of his head turned so pink that somebody asked if he was unburned. He stopped the car on the way home and bought her six big boxes of strawberries and I dare say she'll break out in a rash."

"The invitation said from five to seven and exactly at seven o'clock the orchestra came out from behind the bushes and played God Save the King and everybody stood up, and the chairs just seemed to melt away out of sight and everybody went home."

Limpy told Aunt Olympia she ought to try that way of getting rid of people at her parties when she invites them from five till seven,

for a dozen or more stick around till nine or ten and Len Hardesty doesn't go till he is put out. But Aunt Olympia said it wouldn't work with Americans; said somebody would slip the orchestra leader a dollar to 'swing it,' and they'd all start dancing and she'd have them on her hands and for breakfast.

"Adele complained that they did not serve nearly so much as at most of the Embassy things, the South African Union, for instance, where it was a banquet as it always is at the Siamese Legation. Aunt Olympia says it's the law of compensation; the smaller the nation, the bigger the feed."

"I finally put Gabriel d'Alloiti to shame on the pacifist question by proving that we are not as vulnerable as we look and sound. Uncle Lancy pointed out all the hidden defenses to me and I made a lovely map of them. I'm keeping it for you, in case you go on National defense."

"And, oh, Brick, weren't you surprised at Ed Eicher retiring from the race for Congress after he had won renomination in the primary? And what a break for us Iowa Republicans! Aunt Olympia was furious. She said in her opinion it was a congressman's Christian duty to hang onto a good seat instead of chucking it to the wolves. By wolves she means us, R., Iowa. She wanted Uncle Lancy to call him up and give him a piece of her mind!"

On a morning in June, the girls were amused to find Aunt Olympia sitting at her desk, very red of face, frowning intently at a thick pad of paper and chewing the rubber of a pencil with a sharp point. As they watched, she bent forward, smiling broadly, and wrote a few lines, very fast. When she had finished with a big black period, she looked up at the girls with a slight smirk.

"It can't be her expense account," said Limpy. "For even in a dumb thing like trig they figure things out in numbers."

"It's my speech," said Aunt Olympia, obviously well pleased with what she had written.

"Your speech!"

"For the campaign," she explained.

"You know, Helen," said Limpy reproachfully, "that trigonometry of yours has got me clear off the English language. That's what cosines and tangents do to a brilliant mind. I understood her—trigonometrically speaking—to say she doesn't make speeches."

"You understood me all right," said Aunt Olympia. "But there always comes a time, quite late in the campaign—I select the time—when the Senator is delayed in an important conference—perhaps with Farley, or maybe just a long-distance call from the White House—and just to fill in the gap till he comes I arise and make a few extemporaneous remarks. And I always like to be prepared. Len Hardesty taught me that trick and it's a good one. He helped write my last speech and it was the hit of the campaign. But now I can do all right alone."

"You know, Brick," Helen wrote, quite anxiously, "there's no getting around the fact that this is the crookedest racket you ever heard of. Not exactly crooked perhaps, but definitely bent. Maybe you'd better stick to groceries. I think I can get you an appropriation from Congress. Brick, you can't believe a word anybody says. Aunt Olympia looks so honest, so open-hearted and frank, and here she is, even before Congress has adjourned, writing and practicing her extemporaneous speech to fill in a strategic moment that she selects herself."

"Brick, when we do get around to getting married, if you stick to politics, I warn you that if you rise at the wedding to make a few extemporaneous remarks, I shall arise myself and publicly denounce you. I've learned that there is nothing extemporaneous in politics."

The next time Len flew down to Washington, Adele, who had what was virtually a unique quality for a beauty, straightforward frankness, looked him gravely in the face.

"I told the folks that if it is at all dangerous, or if it embarrasses them in any way, I would not see you again until after the election."

"Figuring me, I suppose, as some sort of electrical current that can be turned off or on at will."

"I meant it, Len."

"Yes, dear adorable little devil, I'll bet you did. What did they say?"

"They said it was not necessary; that you do not embarrass them at all."

"Well, they embarrass me no end," he said bitterly. "Sitting around making me talk politics when I could relax and gaze into your eyes. . . . Not that there's anything very relaxing about your eyes."

They embarrass me by making me fight them when I'm on their side. They're crooked, beautiful! I hate to see you messed up with them. If I could just tell the constituents what they roped me into, they'd elect the brats in a minute."

"Len," she said hesitantly, "they are so friendly to you and treat you so nicely; you wouldn't use anything you hear here against them, would you?"

"Sure I would, if I had a chance. That's my job. And they'd use me, too, in a minute they would, and no doubt do. They ruined this campaign for me, pinning me down to the other side and then springing you on me!"

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for January 21

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A NEW STANDARD OF GREATNESS

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 20:17-28.
GOLDEN TEXT—While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.—Romans 5:8.

The nations of the earth and their leaders are engaged in a struggle to determine which land and which leader is to be the greatest. They may attempt to conceal their real motive under a cloak of high-minded and well-sounding objectives, but essentially the reason for their struggle is the desire to be great. To them greatness means size, strength, wealth, and position. It means that also to the average man on the street. What a pity it is that such is the case and that such a vicious and erroneous philosophy of life has been permitted to make its way even into the Church.

The world's ideas of greatness are entirely opposite to God's standards. God's people ought to learn what His ideals of life are and to live in accordance with them even in an unbelieving world. Both they and the world would be astonished at the result.

I. Dying for Others (vv. 17-19).
With surprising clarity and detail the Lord Jesus once more revealed to His disciples that He was on His way to Jerusalem to die and to arise again. It is well worthwhile to note that apart from divine foreknowledge and inspiration it would have been utterly impossible for Him to give these facts in such exact detail.

The point we wish to stress is that the Son of God was steadfastly approaching the death of Calvary. He had no desire to live for self, to gratify His own wishes, to prolong His life, or to improve His position in the world. He had come to do but one thing, the will of God, even to the shameful death of the cross, there to bear our sins and mine. Let us give ourselves in loyal devotion to our dying and risen Lord.

II. Living for Self (vv. 20-24).
Were it not written for us to read, we could hardly believe that the two disciples, James and John, who were so very near to our Lord, and their mother, who was a woman of earnest faith and sacrificial service to God, would be guilty of such an expression of selfishness, especially in that sacred hour when He had spoken of His approaching death. Disregarding what Jesus had said about His sufferings, they apparently could think only of His coming glory, and in thinking of that they could only covet for themselves the chief places. What a strange mixture of faith in Christ and an overwhelming desire for self-glory!

Perchance some of us have served Christ with a selfish desire for personal glory and position putting it self forward to influence our thinking and acting. Perhaps we do not see it in ourselves, but are like the other disciples who, seeing this hateful thing in John and James, were repelled by it, even as we despise it in others. It may be that the disciples were only angry because they had not thought to make the request for themselves.

III. Finding True Greatness (vv. 25-28).
"Rulers," "greatness," "exercise authority"—how modern these words from verse 25 sound! They epitomize the ambitions of the great majority of mankind today. Few indeed are those in the world who see the way to true greatness as that of the lowly Jesus. In every instance where they do rightly apprehend and live out this truth, one is satisfied that somewhere in their experience they have come to know His principles of life even though they do not know Him. Only in Him is such an attitude toward life to be found.

To be great one is to serve in the spirit of humility and self-sacrifice. This is the command of Christ. Even in the Church there are not too many who have heeded that word. If there were more of this spirit we would have less church quarrels, for essentially they root back to the desire for greatness. We may not admit that fact, but it is none the less true.

One wonders how great some of the pillars of the Church would look measured against the standard of verses 26 to 28. One wonders too how many of the humble workers of the Church realize their true greatness. Such greatness of heart is great simply because it does not so regard itself.

For Thy Name's Sake
But do thou for me, O God the Lord, for thy name's sake; because thy mercy is good, deliver thou me. For I am poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me.—Psalm 109, 21:22.

Jesus Asks Evidence
That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, but they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.—John 17, 21.

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Metaphorical Flight

A Vermont lawyer who got his metaphors mixed up, closed his argument in a trover case as follows:

"And now gentlemen of the jury, comes the defendant with lying footsteps, with the cloak of hypocrisy in his mouth, and puts his hands into the pockets of my poor defenseless client and took therefrom two oxen and a pig."—Boston Globe.

Pull the Trigger on Lazy Bowels, and Also Pepsin-ize Stomach!

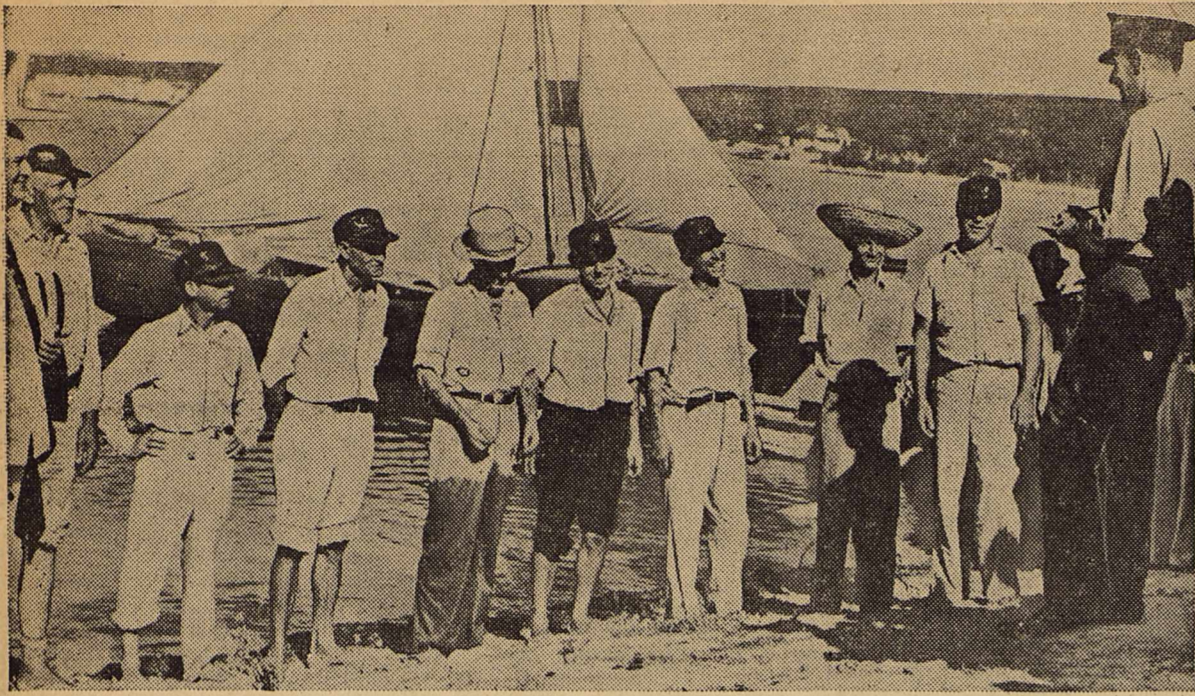
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Helping Hand Extended to Devil's Island Fugitives



Eight men who are fleeing from the dread French penal colony at Devil's island are shown lined up at the beach at Ensenada Playa, Puerto Rico, as they listened to instructions read by an immigration inspector before setting sail in their small boat, in which they hope to reach Mexico. The fugitives first sailed to Venezuela, to Trinidad, then to Puerto Rico, securing help at each port. They hope to obtain a pardon, and if successful will join the French army.

Australian Farmers Strive to Maintain Production



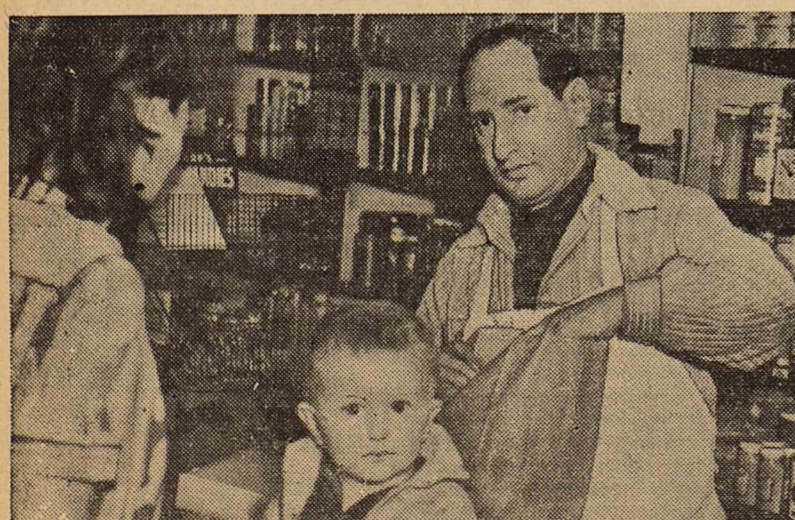
"This is our land—and to keep it so we must maintain our primary industries." That's the rallying cry of young Australia during war time. The picture is symbolic of the commonwealth's part in preparation. A farmer continues harvesting his crop as an armored car section holds maneuvers on a nearby road. Following their initial maneuvers, many of the armored car regiment members returned to their fields to complete harvesting.

Like Father, Like Son? Definitely Not!



George Young, ace marathon swimmer of years ago, waited 12 years to get the \$25,000 cash prize he earned by winning the 36-mile Catalina island swim in 1926. He was a lad of 17 at the time, and was given the money when he reached 30. George and his wife, residents of Canada, turn "thumbs down" on a swimming career for George Jr., who practices his strokes on the piano stool. The \$25,000 is all he and his wife have left from swimming careers which won them \$125,000.

Brother of Soviet Chief Hits Red Tactics



While his brother, Gen. G. M. Stern, leads Soviet army forces against Finland, Morris Stern, above, waits on customers in his modest Los Angeles grocery store. Morris Stern's sympathies are with Finland. A naturalized citizen, he stated: "I don't like it, why don't they let them alone."

Freckle Proof



Latest wrinkle in beach fashion notes from Miami, Fla., this winter is a "freckle proof" sun mask, complete with dark glasses and "breather." The new style note prevents sunburn of delicate faces. Its popularity depends on beach beauties, who may not care to remain hidden.

Would Deny Vote



Aged persons, "in their second childhood," should be denied the right to vote, according to Dr. Raymond Pearl of Johns Hopkins university. His reason: Too many votes for old age pension plans.



GENERAL JOHNSON Says:
After Winter's Breathing Spell Look for Terrific Air Fighting . . . We Need National Defense Inquiry.

By HUGH S. JOHNSON

WASHINGTON.—The experience of winter war in Finland does not indicate a likelihood of any immediate change from the present strange standstill war anywhere. Few great offensives have ever been begun in winter and few great battles fought.

The world is almost sure to have a breathing spell, but the coming of spring threatens terrible things. I don't believe that Goering was bluffing in his New Year message. Nobody ought to prophesy, but how can the spring of 1940 be anything other than now-or-never for the little handful of scoundrels at the head of the Nazi party and government?

In a war purely of economic strangulation, they cannot possibly win. Furthermore, their gradual relative weakening and their constant inaction makes less and less likely any kind of negotiated peace that, politically, they could afford to sign.

The only thing that I can think of that will avert a terrible ordeal in the air no later than April is something that could happen within Germany to change its government. That there may be a popular uprising against the Hitler-Goering gang I am told is most unlikely. But the life of no tyrant or even group of tyrants is ever secure.

Assassination is not in the books as part of modern war methods. But when one single warped individual holds over the head of the whole world so much misery, danger and death, who would question divine providence if something like that should happen to Adolf?

WASHINGTON.—I frequently do not agree with Oswald Garrison Villard. I emphatically do not agree with many of the things said in his latest book, "Our Military Chaos."

I can't support many of his conclusions, but I have long supported his principal one—which is that we need an impartial non-partisan, extra-governmental commission to look into the question of national defense.

In summing up his own book, he says—in the main, truly: "It has shown (1) that we have no defense policy whatever; (2) that all our expenditures bear no relation whatever (?) to an established military program; (3) that we are asking the impossible of the army and navy since we do not tell what to defend or how or where to defend it; (4) that there can be no adequate defense policy set up until there is a decision as to what our foreign policy is to be, until our objectives are defined; (5) that the primary defense problem for the United States is as to whether we are only to defend our shores or prepare again to fight abroad; (6) that, because of the failure to define what we shall defend, our policies, notably in the Pacific, vary from year to year, almost from hour to hour; (7) that until that is settled we are adding to our vast expenditures without the slightest guarantee that those outlays make for a saner or better defense . . . ; (8) that there are grave faults in the organization of the war and navy departments and (9) that they fail to co-operate with each other; (10) that although no less than seven billions have been spent for defense since the fiscal year 1934-35 the war department admits amazing shortage in supplies of fundamental importance; (11) that there is no hope of balancing a normal budget without putting a definite limit to the increase of army and navy expenditures now fast approximating two billions of dollars, etc."

There is no room here to point out some of the inaccuracies, over-emphasis and conclusions, but in a general way, I strongly feel that the book does bring ample documentation and authority to establishing what he here says it proves.

A commission inquiry is imperative. If it finds that this column and Mr. Villard's book are wrong, it will be a splendid vindication—which I, for one, would welcome. If it finds that we are only partly right, the country ought to know it.

General Marshall, chief of staff, has just said that in spite of these billions, our defense is not 25 per cent effective. He charges it to the historians and he is right in his reasons, but there are other culprits. I would shudder to see a careful compilation of comparative unit costs—per soldier or per ton of shipping—as between our own and the armies and navies of all other nations. It would shock the country.

It is no fault of army and navy officers. It is true that congress has not recently been niggardly, but there are plenty of reasons in congress and politics for this cock-eyed extravagance.

It didn't make so much difference in former years that we paid more than was necessary for defense. We had the money and the need was less. That is no longer true. The worst disposition of this administration is to do things without computing their cost. We are getting to the end of that rope.



WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

NEW YORK.—If death is taking only a brief holiday on the west wall, the opposition is making the most of it. The life brigades press forward in medicine, research science, philanthropy, social inquiries and studies, and all that has to do with the two healing virtues of compassion and understanding.

Even the sedate American Philosophical association feels a touch of the new elan vital and is moved thereby to a spirited teleological free-for-all as it tries to understand John Dewey. The occasion was a special meeting to honor Professor Dewey on having become 80 years old last October. Never before has this courier seen a year wind up with less arthritis and more punch, in the field of science.

Young blood is helping a lot. Dr. Albert B. Sabin, of the University of Cincinnati college of medicine, who scores against infantile paralysis and viruses attacking the nervous system, is 33 years old. His paper, read before the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science at Ohio university, reveals unsuspected tissue defenses against the entrance of the viruses into the nervous system. It is regarded as an epochal advance toward understanding of the disease and later conquest.

Dr. Sabin was born in Poland, and acquired his academic and medical education at New York university, from 1923 to 1931, later studying at Lister institute, London. In 1932, he became associate research scientist at Rockefeller institute, New York city. During his tenure with this institution he discovered a new disease, caused by an agent which he calls the B virus.

His new discovery of the anti-virus goalkeepers in human tissue was announced in connection with his receipt of the Theobald Smith award in medical sciences.

DR. ALEXANDER LESSER of Brooklyn college finds there isn't any such thing as social evolution—at least not in the old sense. "In the form given it by the 'classical evolutionists,' it is dead as a door-nail," says Dr. Lesser. But, tossing aside "subjective judgment," he finds ample hope of new understanding as he assails the old rationalization of haunch, paunch and jowl darwinism, as rationalizations of force.

Dr. Wesley C. Mitchell, as above, sees our ultimate hope in "understanding human behavior," and urges the scientists to keep on swinging. Dr. Mitchell, it will be recalled, is the widely known Columbia university economist who headed President Hoover's research committee on social trends.

MATTHEW W. STIRLING, anthropologist of the Smithsonian institution, who delves into exciting origins and inducements of what is loosely called civilization, is off for the Maya country of Mexico, leading an expedition which will hunt new clues to early Indian cultures. It is a renewal of Mr. Stirling's explorations of last January, in which he found a stone bearing the earliest recorded date of the Americas—equivalent to November 4, 291 B. C.

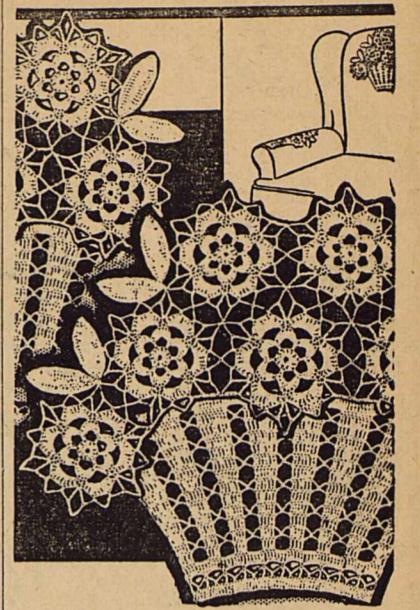
A Princeton scientist traced the honey highball back 5,000 years and thereby gained knowledge of great historic Indo-European shifts in population. Mr. Stirling also has found man's early day elbow-bending a light source. He discovered that the drinking of primitive man was premeditated and indulged in to induce visions. At Ostia, Mr. Stirling found a bar, several thousands of years old, lacking only the brass rail and the free lunch to match ours.

In British Guiana, in 1927, he found pygmies who, for full dress, wore artificial tails; whose babies in arms smoked big cigars and whose dogs were barkless. In Florida, he found the lost Calooshas, the earliest Americans. In the Jivaro, he was clubby with head-hunters and learned much, not only of their recipe for shrinking heads, but of their visions, legends and customs.

He was reared in the Salinas cow country of California and attended the University of California. His explorations have been in North, Central and South America, Europe and the East Indies. He is 43 years old, and, as usual, having the time of his life.

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Wise and Otherwise

WISE words: Those you don't say when you want to tell the boss what you think of him.

"Husbands," declares a woman writer, "should all wear a ring on their hand." This will come as a welcome change to many who wear one through the nose!

Some people stick to the truth so closely that nobody can get it out of them.

"What would you do if you won \$30,000?" asks a correspondent. Nothing, for one year.

We always thought exercise reduced flesh—until we saw a woman with a double chin.

Playing the Fool

People are never so near playing the fool as when they think themselves wise.—Lady Mary Wortley Montagu.

The Better Way to Correct Constipation

One way to treat constipation is to endure it first and "cure" it afterward. The other way is to avoid having it by getting at its cause. So why not save yourself those dull headachy days, plus the inevitable trips to the medicine chest, if you can do it by a simple common-sense "ounce of prevention"?

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Within Walls

The noblest deeds of heroism are done within walls, not before the public gaze.—J. P. F. Richter.

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Conserved Moisture Improves Grass Sod

Several things can happen on cold January days that will increase grass growth during the dry, hot days of July and August and among the most important is the retention of winter moisture on grass land, according to Jody F. Boston, Agronomist of the Soil Conservation Service Demonstration Project near Stratford.

By the use of contour furrows, many farmers of this area have learned within recent years that they can increase grass growth to a considerable extent, Boston points out. The furrows catch snowflakes and raindrops and hold them where the moisture can be stored in the soil for use by grass in periods of drouth. These fur-

rows also help to reduce erosion on areas where grass stands may have been thinned out by grazing or drouth.

Several farmers report that practically all moisture from rains as heavy as two inches have been held on their grass land by contour pasture furrows, while on similar unfurrowed areas the same amount of rain resulted in heavy run-off.

Contour furrows, in addition to holding moisture on fields where it can be used for grass production, also help in a limited way to solve other problems, Boston says. They keep some water out of streams, thus reducing flood dangers; in some cases they keep run-off water off cultivated fields, thus preventing water erosion; and on many pastures adjacent to highways contour pasture furrows have been found effective in preventing the blocking of roads by snowdrifts. The furrows catch the snowflakes and hold them on the grass land rather than permitting them to be swept by high winds to some nearby road cut.

Winter moisture held where it falls on grass land is excellent insurance for summer pasture. Boston points out. Usually there is sufficient rainfall during the year to produce a good crop of grass, the only difficulty being the distribution. Contour furrows help to distribute the rainfall in such a way that a maximum effectiveness can be obtained from it, Boston declares.

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TEXAS CITRUS DRIVE



J. Frank Grimes, IGA president, and Betty Roberts, housewife, meet the twin citrus-surplus problem with smiles. The former explains that his organization plans a nationwide campaign between Jan. 19 and Feb. 15 to move 1,000 cars of oranges and grapefruit, packed in cotton bags, into consumption, reducing both the state's citrus surplus and the South's cotton over-supply in the same drive. The millions of bags to be used are cotton products.

ant matter, or the changed conditions that now make erroneous such important matter, or the changed conditions that now make erroneous such arguments."

The WTCC and FREF offered to contribute an article to the publication giving the viewpoint of the South and Southwest on the freight rate question and presenting arguments and illustrations to show that the freight rates in these sections are discriminatory when compared with Eastern and Northern rates.

In stating that the "truth-in-fabric" bill, which would require labeling of clothing to show whether pure wool and mohair were used in its manufacture, the USCC said this matter could be handled by the Federal Trade Commission.

D. A. Bandeen, WTCC manager, pointed out that the West Texas Chamber of Commerce has sponsored and advocated the "truth-in-fabric" legislation to protect West Texas sheep and goat raisers, West Texas being the greatest wool and mohair producing area in the world.

February 1 Is National Social Hygiene Day

National Social Hygiene Day on February 1 suggests the timeliness of a review of recent gains against syphilis, the Nation's leading public health problem. "Although it is too early in the present campaign to state accurately what reductions in prevalence have been realized, it is not too early for an estimate regarding future success," says Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer.

He considers that most of the task remains ahead despite remarkable gains. The incidence and prevalence of venereal disease in Texas is still far too high. True it is that great forward strides have been made, but truer still is the fact that only sustained interest and public support can assure the eventual routing of the pale spiral of syphilis, the next great plague to go."

Golden Gleams

The cause, not the jail, makes the martyr.— Augustine.

Give thou of life and love, Meet thou the test, Bid them that love and serve To join the quest.— Harris.

The heart that is fullest of good works hath in it least room for Satan's temptations.— Bunyan.

When all the things Thou callest things—goods, pleasure, honors—fall Try in thy virtue shall survive them all.— Whittier.

The word must be sown in the heart like seed; Men's hands just tend it and lives defend it; Till it bursts into flower as a deathless deed.— O'Reilly.

THE DUSTER

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FOR THE NEW YEAR
Let us go back to the old days, Before we were grown so blind, Let us go back to the old ways, And love, and hope, and be kind.

For when this Horror is over, And all has been understood, We'll find that our Race is kindly, And the heart of it sound and good.

So let us be through with passion, And bury the knives of hate, For Right is an old, old fashion, Though Justice seems long to wait.

And all of this reading sorrow, This tempest of blood and tears, Will be a song for tomorrow,

And lost in a thousand years. Seek as we will for answer, There is only this truth to find— The years will take care of our heartaches If we love, and hope, and are kind. —Katherine Atherton Grimes.

No. THE STATE OF TEXAS, Vs.

Laura Forsyth, et al. IN COUNTY COURT in and for Sherman County, Texas.

On this the 29th day of December, A. D., 1939, G. L. TAYLOR, B. A. DONELSON and ARTHUR ROSS, Special Commissioners appointed by the County Judge to assess damages of Laura Forsyth, W. C. Forsyth, Theodore Forsyth, F. R. Forsyth, Edith Forsyth, Clara Wheelock, Robert C. Forsyth, Mary Forsyth, Donald W. Forsyth, R. J. Forsyth, Dougald R. Forsyth, Roy Coop, Robert Coop, Betsy Coop Lee and husband, W. J. Lee, Isabelle Coop Taylor and husband, Fred Taylor, Robert Glendinning, Grace Glendinning, Bessie Foreman, Anna B. Honeysette and Mary E. Pommerville, Blanche Diehl and husband, George W. Diehl, and the unknown heirs of R. C. Forsyth and D. B. Forsyth, their heirs and legal representatives, by reason of the construction, reconstruction and opening of State Highway No. 56 upon, across and through certain real estate situated in Sherman County, Texas, described as follows:

A tract of land 204 feet wide out of Section 227, Block 1T, T. & N. O. Ry. Co., BEGINNING at a point on the south line of said Section 227, a distance of 466.3 feet west of the southeast corner THENCE WEST along said section line 347.9 feet to a point; THENCE NORTH 54 degrees 6 minutes EAST 1,005.1 feet to a point on the east line of said section; THENCE SOUTH along said section line 251.8 feet to a point 337.6 feet north of the southeast corner of said section; THENCE SOUTH 54 degrees 6 minutes WEST 575.6 feet, TO PLACE OF BEGINNING, containing 3.70 acres of land, more or less.

And also to assess damages of the above named defendants by reason of the occupation and use of the State of Texas, for the purpose of obtaining earth, gravel and material for the purpose of constructing the above mentioned highway, of the following described real estate situated in Sherman County, Texas, to-wit:

A tract of land out of Section 227, Block 1T, T. & N. O. Ry. Co., BEGINNING at a point on the east line of said Section 227, a distance of 836.3 feet north of the southeast corner, said point being also on the north right-of-way line of the C. R. I. & G. Ry.; THENCE SOUTH 54 degrees 6 minutes WEST 745.7 feet along the north right-of-way line of said railroad, to a point THENCE NORTH 35 degrees 54' WEST 150 feet to a point; THENCE NORTH 54 degrees 6 minutes EAST 854.3 feet to a point on the east line of said section; THENCE SOUTH along said section line 185.2 feet, TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, containing 2.75 acres of land, more or less.

To all of which above described real estate fee simple title of record is in the above named defendants, all of which is more fully set out in the petition of the State of Texas, acting through the Commissioners' Court of Sherman County, Texas, against the above named defendants, filed with the Honorable County Judge of Sherman County, Texas, on the 27th day of December, A. D., 1939; said Special Commissioners having been sworn to assess said damages fairly and impartially, and in accordance with law, do hereby appoint as the time and place for hearing said parties on the matter, Monday, the 5th day of February, A. D., 1940, at ten o'clock A. M., at the Courthouse of Sherman County in Stratford, Texas.

A copy of this order shall be served upon each, Blanche Diehl and husband, George W. Diehl, who are alleged to reside at Harlingen in Cameron County, Texas, in person; and shall be served upon all of the other above named defendants, who are alleged to be non-residents of Texas, and upon the unknown heirs of R. C. Forsyth and D. B. Forsyth, their heirs and legal representatives, by publishing a copy of this order in The Stratford Star, a newspaper published in Sherman County, Texas, once a week for four consecutive weeks previous to the day of hearing, above set forth; and service thereof, as above mentioned, shall be

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notice to said defendants, and each of them, to appear at said time and place, for the purpose of offering any evidence they may desire as to the amount of damages to be assessed against the State of Texas, and to be paid to said above mentioned defendants, and to each of them respectively, for the use and occupation of the above described land for the purposes of constructing and reconstructing said highway, as above set forth. WITNESS our hands this 29th day of December, 1939. ARTHUR ROSS, G. L. TAYLOR, B. A. DONELSON, Special Commissioners. Jan. 4-11-18-25

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