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## FREE!

If two or more candidates tie for the Capital prize in this trade Campaign, same will be diverted into cash and equally divided among tying candidates. In case of a tie for minor prizes an additional prize identically the same, will be awarded to the tying candidates.

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## RULES

- 1 Every candidate gets 5,000 votes when nominated.
- 2 Every candidate will be known by number no names published.
- 3 Votes must be recorded every Wednesday. Tie in package and write amount of votes and number of candidate thereon.
- 4 Color of votes change monthly.
- 5 Votes are transferrable before recording only.
- 6 No church, Society, School or Lodge can candidate become directly or indirectly.
- 7 Candidates are not allowed to solicit votes in our place of business.
- 8 Number and standing of candidates will appear on window every 1st and 3rd Friday.
- 9 No member of the firm, employee, or relative of either can become a contestant. Neither are employees or members of the firm issued votes on any purchases.

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#### Third Prize

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Ladies Fancy Lavalliere and Chain

#### Fifth Prize

Ladies Fancy Locket and Chain.



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November 15, 1916

FOR SALE: Best cash offer if satisfactory gets my 560 acres of land, S W 1-4 and S 1-2 of S E 1/4 Sec. 140. blk. 42 cert no. 35-37 and S 1-2 sec. 212 blk 42. J. D. Hammett. Huntsville, Mo.

A sharp windstorm Tuesday evening through our city, blew over I. N. Autens auto shed and a few other small buildings around town. The Kuhn residence lost the top of its back flue.

#### A Booster Meeting

While I have not been a resident of your little town but a short while, I have been here long enough to love her people and have at heart her best interest. I am a believer in progressiveness, not only in religious matters but in everything worth while. I am a thorough believer in everybody being a booster for his town. Now it occurs to me, that although we have a splendid town and splendid citizenship, we need to become more acquainted with her needs. that in every way we may have an ideal town. We want our town to be attractive to the best people, those that count in every way and are indeed valuable assets to the town. To do this we must study out our needs and try in every way possible to keep our town in a condition that will draw them. So I here ventured these few lines with the sole purpose of contributing my efforts to help our little town to always be a desirable place to live.

I think a wise thing would be to have a booster meeting, and say, give a day for it. Have speaking on topics of interest to all as citizens, along this line. The things that make a model town — from an educational standpoint, from a business standpoint, from a sanitary standpoint, from a fraternal standpoint, from a social standpoint, and from a religious standpoint. Getting speakers out of our own town if possible, and give the day to a social gathering and speaking. I believe this will help us all, and go far to boost

#### B. Y. P. U.

Apr 23 8:30 p.m.

Subject: What kind of work may I expect the Holy spirit to help me in.

Scripture reading, Psalm 51 10-17, leader, Miss Myrtle Matthews

Prayer  
Song, 91  
The Holy spirit a helper paper Mrs. Jones.

The Holy spirit helps us in all our work, talk Bro. Whatley.

Song 39  
The Holy Spirit helps us when we are doing those things that are recognized as distinctly God works, paper Mr Holland

God spirit helps us in witnessing for Christ, talk Bro. Wilsford.

Solo, Miss George. Business, Benediction.

our town, and to stir every citizen to a greater sympathy in interest of our town to make it the pride of the Panhandle.

H. P. Wilsford

EDITOR'S NOTE:

We heartily endorse the above from Bro. Wilsford. Such a meeting as this, we believe would be one of the best ways of co-operating and getting closer together. Let us set a date in the very near future for a business meeting of the men in our town and arrange a program. How would Friday evening Apr. 28 suit you, and at this time make definite arrangements on a program and date.

We are very glad to have Bro Wilsford take the lead in such an undertaking as this Someone has to lead. Lets not let this opportunity slip to have a good home program with say a basket dinner, or banquet of some kind

#### Don't Forget

### The Bazaar

Saturday, 22nd.

We will have Bonnets, Caps, aprons, fancy-work, etc. to sell. Plenty of cooked food also.

Will serve lunch at noon Open at 9:00, A. M.

Proceeds go to put Home Science in our Public school.

Home Science Club

#### Green Lake Items

Mr. Montgomery and wife went to Miami Wednesday.

Mrs. Dave Stribling spent Wednesday with her mother Mrs. Graham.

Johnnie McClellan and David Stribling took Wednesday dinner with Erve Black.

Willie Christopher and family went to Pampa Monday.

Chas. Christopher was out to Green Lake Tuesday.

J. E. Seitz and family went to Pampa Tuesday.

J. B. Graham went to Miami Thursday.

Mrs. Perry Brown went to Miami Wednesday.

Mrs. Pursley and Erve Black spent Sunday at the Wiley home

R. D. Duniven gave singing Sunday night

Windom Allen, Tom Pursley, S. E. and "Toots" Fitzgerald were out to Green Lake Sunday evening.

A box supper will be given at the Green Lake school house on Saturday night, Apr. 22. All are invited.

#### Easter Services

There will be a special Easter Service at the Methodist church Sunday. A nice program has been prepared which is very appropriate to the occasion. A special program of Easter music will be rendered and everybody is invited to attend.



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**Get the Habit of Drinking Hot Water Before Breakfast**

Says we can't look or feel right with the system full of poisons.

Millions of folks bathe internally now instead of loading their system with drugs. "What's an inside bath?" you say. Well, it is guaranteed to perform miracles if you could believe these hot water enthusiasts.

There are vast numbers of men and women who, immediately upon arising in the morning, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it. This is a very excellent health measure. It is intended to flush the stomach, liver, kidneys and the thirty feet of intestines of the previous day's waste, sour bile and indigestible material left over in the body which, if not eliminated every day, become food for the millions of bacteria which infest the bowels, the quick result is poisons and toxins which are then absorbed into the blood causing headache, bilious attacks, foul breath, bad taste, colds, stomach trouble, kidney misery, sleeplessness, impure blood and all sorts of ailments.

People who feel good one day and badly the next, but who simply can not get feeling right are urged to obtain a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from any druggist or storekeeper. This will cost very little but is sufficient to make anyone a real crank on the subject of internal sanitation.

Just as soap and hot water act on the skin, cleansing, sweetening and freshening, so limestone phosphate and hot water act on the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. It is vastly more important to bathe on the inside than on the outside, because the skin pores do not absorb impurities into the blood, while the bowel pores do.

**Save Meteorites.**

The South African Journal of Science records the steps that have been thus far taken, at the suggestion of the South African Association for the Advancement of Science, to secure legislation in various countries in the interests of science. The committees of sections A and C of the British association adopted the following resolution at the Australia meeting: "That in view of the fact that meteorites which convey information of world-wide importance are sometimes disposed of privately in such a way as to deprive the public of this information, the council be requested to take such steps as may initiate international legislation on the matter." Since the Australian meeting this resolution has been accepted by the council of the British association and transmitted to the International Association of Academics.

**Keep Away.**

"Wot kind of a town is Hicksburg?" asked the first occupant of the box car. "Don't you never go there, Budy," said the other. "The sheriff is a bug on gardenin', an' 'bout this time of the year he makes all the prisoners git out an' spade up his back yard."

**Limited.**

Mrs. Mayer—I suppose you trust your husband implicitly?  
Mrs. Gyer—Yes—to a certain extent.

**GOOD REPORT Doctor Proved Value of Postum.**

Physicians know that good food and drink, properly selected, are of the utmost importance, not only for the relief of disease but to maintain health even when one is well.

A doctor writes, "I count it a pleasure to say a good word for Postum with which I have been enabled to relieve so many sufferers, and which I count, with its valued companion Grape-Nuts, one of the daily blessings."

"Coffee was banished from my own table some time ago and Postum used regularly in its place." (Coffee is injurious to many persons, because it contains the subtle, poisonous drug, caffeine.)

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The above letter, received over ten years ago, is fully confirmed by a recent letter from the doctor, in which he says:

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By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.

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On the average-size farm it is often not advisable to make separate buildings for all the various activities of the well-arranged and well-managed farm. Various combinations are made to cut down the cost of constructing necessary buildings, and at the same time sufficient room is provided so that each part of the combination can readily handle the work that it is intended to do.

The accompanying floor plan and perspective view show a combination that can be made with considerable success and satisfaction. Half of this barn is devoted to a horse stable and the other half is intended as an implement shed. There are several reasons why such a combination can be built cheaply so as to provide the best conditions for either part.

The floor can be made level over

be of good size to readily handle the work that is being repaired. This can be placed along the wall under the windows, where good light will be available. All the tools necessary for repair work of all kinds can be kept in cabinets or in racks that can be built along the walls near the bench. Supplies of paints and oils can be kept under the bench.

Broad doors are provided in the plan, so that the various farm implements can be taken through them easily. Many of these are of good size, so that plenty of door room should be furnished. Three sets of double doors occupy the entire front of the shed part of the barn, which makes it possible to get out any piece of equipment that is wanted without disturbing the other machinery that may be stored in the shed at the time.

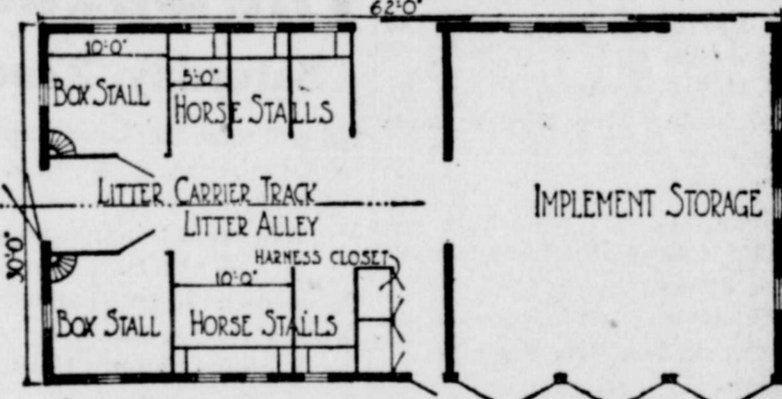
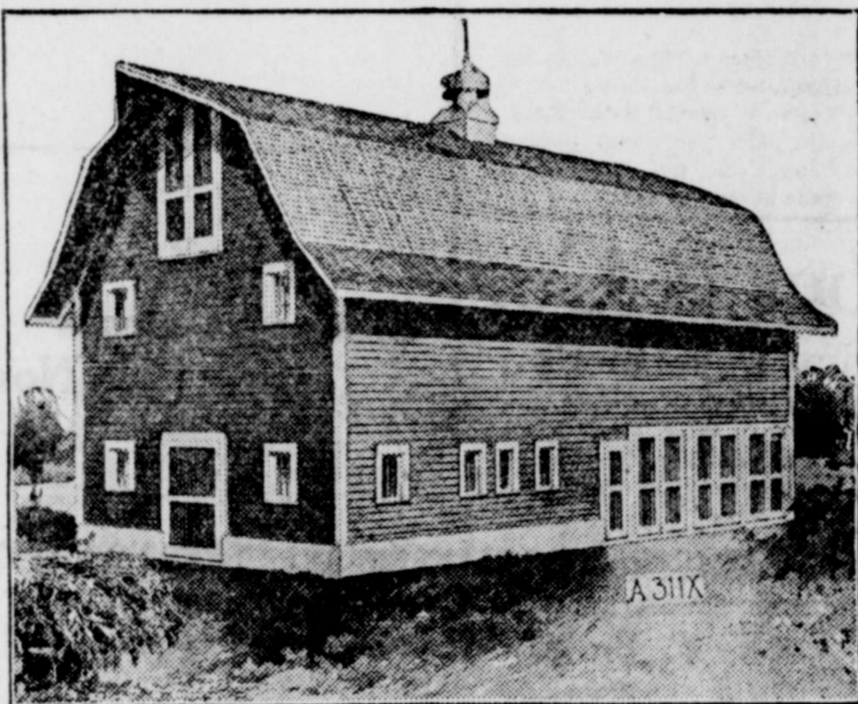
In the horse stable end there are standing stalls for six horses and also two box stalls, each ten feet in width, that can be used for any purpose. A small space is provided with a well-built cupboard, where the harness can be kept.

There is at least one window provided for each stall, and the double stall and the box stall each have two windows. A wide passageway is provided through the stable so that equipment of various kinds can pass through the barn to the equipment shed at the end.

The foundation walls, which are of concrete, are carried above grade about 18 inches, which is a good feature, as it protects the frame from coming in contact with the wet ground. A concrete wall of this kind also forms an effective barrier against vermin.

A very large storage space for hay and straw is provided in the large mow over the stable and shed. The roof is of the framed gambrel type, and is self-supporting, so that no columns or pillars are needed to block up the space in the upper part of the building. The trussed barn roof is almost universally used now because of this feature.

This particular plan shows a building such as would be most practical



Ground Floor Plan of 62 by 30 Barn.

the entire building. The floors in the stalls can be made of some material over the concrete, but a concrete floor is very successful in the implement shed. The treated wood block floor is also used very often in buildings of this kind. Many farmers feel that a floor in an implement shed is an extravagance, but its presence makes it possible to keep the tools in the best possible condition, as well as the machines. More care will be taken in keeping all the farm machinery in good condition if a floor is built so that the building can be kept clean.

Nine feet of headroom is generally provided in horse stables, and this same height is about right for a shed, where the farm implements are to be stored. The floor under the mow can therefore be made level.

Good, tight doors and windows are absolutely necessary in a shed in which machinery is kept. In addition to the rain and snow that must be kept out, there are also small animals of all kinds, and especially chickens, that invariably think the implement shed was put up as a special home for them, but they must be excluded if the machinery is to be kept in the proper condition. Good construction and doors that will not be torn off their hinges are the best methods of preventing trouble from this source.

If windows should accidentally become broken they should be repaired immediately, as they would be in the case of any of the other farm buildings. The implement shed is most often neglected, but such should not be the case, for no one will keep machinery in good condition in a ramshackle building.

The implement shed can be finished up in any way that is desired by the owner. It is very necessary that a work bench be provided and it should

for the average-sized farm. The cost of construction would not be very high, and the arrangement would be very satisfactory to the man on the farm.

**Use of Barbed Wire.**

Some idea of the extensive use of barbed wire for trench entanglements may be gained from the fact that the shipments of wire from the United States to the allies now average more than a million pounds a month, and the total exports of barbed wire since last July amount to more than seven million pounds. The barbed wire is shipped direct to England, and from there transhipped to France and Italy. This wire is woven in complicated masses in front of the trenches, and has to be replaced when it is destroyed by artillery fire, which frequently happens. Of late the allies have been ordering considerable quantities of an extra heavy wire, with especially large barbed prongs. The Germans, too, are well provided with barbed wire entanglements, but very little of it is of American manufacture, although an occasional shipment is said to find its way into Germany through Denmark or Sweden.—Springfield Union.

**In Doubt.**

Doubleyew—What would you think if I should tell you that I had eaten four dozen hard-boiled eggs at a sitting?

Ecks—It would be a question of your veracity against your voracity.

**Cherchez L'Homme.**

"Why won't she marry you?" "I'm afraid so."

"Do you know who he is?" "Yes, her father."

**NEGRO SOLDIERS AND TEXAS OFFICERS CLASH**

MEMBER OF TWENTY-FOURTH INFANTRY KILLED BY RANGER BARLER.

**DEL RIO MAKES A PROTEST**

Request is Made for Removal of Soldiers Sent About Three Weeks Ago at Del Rio's Request.

Del Rio, Texas—Private John Wade of Company C, Twenty-fourth infantry, a negro regiment, was killed here by State Ranger Barler, when two rangers and Sheriff Almond attempted to arrest 16 negro soldiers who had created a disturbance in a house in the restricted district.

Three negroes attacked the officers while the latter were taking them to the jail, according to evidence at the inquest. Wade jumped on Ranger Barler, pressing him to the ground and clubbing him on the head with the butt of his revolver. Lying on his back, Barler drew his pistol and fired over his shoulder at Wade, killing him instantly.

**Protests By Citizens.**

Protests against the presence of and requests for the immediate removal of the negro soldiers who have been stationed here for the last three weeks were prepared and sent to the war department. A high state of indignation existed in Del Rio as a result of the shooting.

At 9 o'clock Saturday night 16 negroes attempted to enter a house in the restricted district, on the outskirts of town. Admission was refused and officers were immediately telephoned for. Sheriff John Almond and State Rangers Timberlake and Barler answered the call, but the negroes had left before the officers arrived.

**Negroes Raided House.**

At 11 o'clock the negroes raided the house, shooting out the windows and creating a general disturbance. Cries of the women gave a general alarm and officers rushed to the scene. The women took refuge in the court house.

The officers arrested three negroes. One of these was Wade. While they were taking the soldiers back to the camp, Wade is said to have attacked Ranger Barler from behind and as both went down to the ground the ranger drew his pistol, taking a chance shot over his shoulder. The bullet struck Wade in the neck, killing him almost instantly.

The soldiers were taken back to the camp after the episode, where they were held under guard, pending an investigation. It was said that the 16 soldiers were under no superior officer at the time and, as far as known, had been given leave of absence from the camp.

The negro soldiers were sent here about three weeks ago in response to appeals of citizens for protection of this section of the border, following the Columbus raid.

A coroner's jury returned a verdict that Wade was killed by Ranger Barler, who acted in self-defense and in the discharge of his duties.

**TEXAS ITEMS IN WATER BILLS.**

Trinity and Brazos Rivers Are Severely Criticized.

Washington—All Texas items in the river and harbor bill, amounting to \$2,683,000, were retained by the committee in the house after a running debate of five hours, during which some of the items were severely assaulted. The principal targets were the intracostal canal, the Brazos and the Trinity rivers. So severe was the attack that Minority Leader Mann of Illinois, closing the debate against the Trinity, declared that there was no use trying to disguise the fact that at least some of the streams sought to be improved were under suspicion, and he urged that the government ought to make a re-examination of the Trinity and Brazos before additional money was expended.

**Flood Situation at La Crosse Serious.**

La Crosse, Wis.—With the Mississippi river higher than during the record flood of 1903 and still rising, flood conditions here were becoming serious Thursday night. While no loss of life has been reported, property damage becomes greater each day with the increase of water. The river was then three miles wide here. In the middle of La Crosse a lake one mile wide, three miles long and from five to 15 feet deep has formed. Part of the factory district and residence section on the north side is under water.

**Offer Pershing Use of Mexican Wires.**

San Antonio, Texas.—Co-operation to a limited extent by the Mexican military authorities in the work of the American punitive forces in Mexico was indicated by their offer to General Pershing of the use of the telegraph and telephone lines. The offer was made to the aviators who landed in Chihuahua last week. The drivers of the airplanes that visited Chihuahua said they had been treated courteously by General Gutierrez, commanding officer at Chihuahua.

**MAJORITY TO RULE IN SENATORIAL CONTEST**

SECOND PRIMARY WILL BE HELD SHOULD FIRST RESULT IN NO NOMINATION.

Hillsboro, Tex.—Through the adoption of a resolution the Democratic state executive committee has declared for the nomination of a candidate for the United States senate by a majority vote. These candidates are to be voted upon in the regular general primary election to be held on the fourth Saturday in July and if no candidate shall receive a majority in this primary then a run-off primary shall be held on the fourth Saturday in August. This was in lieu of a proposition that the committee should decline to call for nominations under the senatorial primary law. In order that this law might be tested in the courts, no opposition to the majority rule being voiced. Some of those who had favored this plan voted for the resolution, declaring that they did not yield their belief that the law is unconstitutional, but they thought that a declaration of intention to hold the double primary would constitute a predicate for a judicial test should any citizen desire this. The committee as a body did not go on record as desiring such a test to be made. Rather, the majority seemed to assume that no test was necessary. Only three committeemen voted against the resolution, which was offered by Alvin C. Owsley of Denton, and A. R. Edison of Hamilton. Twenty-five votes were cast for the resolution.

**Governor Ferguson's Views.**

Governor Ferguson laid before the committee his view of what course should be pursued, with the statement that he regarded the senatorial primary law very clear, and that it was as much his duty to see this law enforced as to see that any other law upon the statute books of Texas is enforced. Although, he said, "I take it that this law will be enforced and that broad principles of construction will be observed, and no one will search for technicalities."

**KILLING FROST IN NORTH TEXAS**

Fruit and Early Truck Crops Have Suffered Considerable Damage.

Dallas, Texas.—Heavy frosts, with freezing temperatures, were reported over Oklahoma and much of Northern and Eastern Texas for Saturday night. While the frost was long as far south as Waco and Longview, and freezing temperatures prevailed over much of East and North Texas, it is not believed that the fruit crop is badly damaged. Some reports indicate that the Elberta peach crop has been damaged, and one estimate fixes damage to the pear crop at 25 per cent. All tender vegetation was killed, and in many sections corn will have to be replanted. Early gardens were also nipped, the East Texas tomato crop about Longview and that section suffering most. No estimates of the amount of damage done can be placed at this time.

**Negro Soldiers to Be Sent to Mexico.**

San Antonio, Texas.—The two companies of the Twenty-fourth infantry, a negro organization, stationed at Del Rio, will be withdrawn by General Funston and sent into Mexico for service along the line of communication. The decision to remove them was reached after receipt of a request from the mayor of Del Rio, made after the rioting Saturday night that was preceded by the killing of one of the soldiers by a Texas ranger. Three companies of the Nineteenth infantry will remain in the vicinity of Del Rio, where those arrested for participation in the rioting also will be held for trial.

**Senate Extends Sugar Duty Till 1920.**

Washington.—The senate passed its substitute for the house free sugar repeal resolution, extending the present duty of one per cent a pound on sugar until May, 1920. The vote was 40 to 32. Four Democrats joined the Republicans in voting against the substitute. They favor the flat repeal passed by the house. Unless a conference agreement is reached and approved before May 1 sugar will go on the free list until such time as the repeal or extension of the duty can be made effective.

**Denton Dormitory Will Cost \$112,000.**

Dallas, Texas.—Contracts for the construction of Brackenridge hall, a dormitory at the College of Industrial Arts at Denton, have been awarded by the building committee of the board of regents, which met in Dallas. The total cost will be approximately \$112,000.

**One Killed, 8 Hurt in Zeppelin Raid.**

London.—One person was killed and eight injured in Wednesday night's Zeppelin raid, it was officially announced. The air raid apparently was carried out by three Zeppelins. The first one was driven off by anti-aircraft guns after dropping five bombs which caused no damage or casualties. The total number of bombs dropped was 24 explosive and 24 incendiary. The casualties at present are: Killed, one child; injured, eight. No military damage was done.

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Mary—Aw, sure, ma'am, you needn't worry. I won't tell a soul, and it looks as good as new, anyway.—Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

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**Sociability.**

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**Of Course.**

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**A Secret.**

"Does anybody know how Van G made his money?"

"Evidently not. Otherwise he would probably be in jail."

**Meat Makes Bad Kidneys**

Too much meat is just as bad as too little. Such a diet is apt to load the blood with uric acid and to injure the kidneys. Bad backs, blue, nervous spells, dizziness, rheumatic pains, bladder troubles indicate weak kidneys. Foretell danger of gravel and Bright's disease. Don't neglect this condition. Use Doan's Kidney Pills.

**A Kansas Case**

"Every Picture Tells a Story" Dodge, Kan., says he was troubled on for several years by kidney complaint. It had been down about a month when in a awful state he had a too frequent urge to pass the kidneys. The doctor told me I was bad shape. I tried everything, but I didn't get any relief until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. It wasn't long before they cured me."

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# IS CONGRESS SLOW?

LAWMAKERS SEEM TO BE KEEPING LEISURELY PACE SET IN PAST.

## HOW LOWER HOUSE DAWDLES

Hearings in the Naval Committee Have Consumed Much Time—Unlimited Senate Debate Generally Considered Greatest Cause of Delay.

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.—Speaker Champ Clark has denied with something like indignation that the house of representatives is "dawdling" along with legislation. Some time ago another member of congress, a Democrat, but one holding membership in the upper branch, said publicly that congress was far behind in its work. It is this statement, which was sent broadcast through the country, which perhaps is responsible for the letters which congressmen of all parties are said to be receiving asking why they do not "speed up."

To an outsider who can separate himself from the politics in the case it seems that congress is just about keeping the pace which was set for it in the past. When the Republicans were in power they were charged with dawdling, and now that the other party has control the same charge is laid at its door. The truth is that congressmen, being like other folk, are moved by all kinds of elements either to linger over their work or in some special cases to push it perhaps too rapidly.

It is somewhat interesting to learn, however, that most of the criticism of the slowness of congress which has come from the country, not only recently but for many years past, directs itself to the house of representatives. It is true enough that the house does go remarkably slow on legislation occasionally, but taking it as a rule the representatives are racers on the legislative track as compared to the tortoise-paced senators.

The reason is very simple. When the majority in the house makes up its mind to put a bit of legislation through it adopts a rule limiting debate and fixing the hour for a vote. In the upper house senatorial courtesy and a belief, or at any rate an alleged belief, in the beauty of free and long discussions keeps the senators from establishing a rule to shut off discussion. They can talk for a whole session on one bill if they want.

Long Hearings on Navy.

Probably a considerable part of the complaint which has been made concerning laggardly action in the house of representatives this year is due to the long-drawn-out hearings in the naval committee on the subject of naval preparedness. Weeks and weeks have been spent in hearings. It is said that all kinds of inconsequential matters have been discussed in the committee, and that if the real object of the hearings alone had been given consideration the bill might have been reported to the house long ago.

Ever since congress was a congress the party in power has prepared in advance of each session a program of the greater legislation which it was intended to sanction. The house of representatives has little or no difficulty in putting through the measures which the majority party leaders have determined upon as part of the program. When one of these measures gets into the house it goes through rapidly. The trouble, as has been said before, comes in the senate where free discussion and no rule to bring it to a close enable the opponents of any measure to "talk against it at great length."

In the house in one way there is such a thing as dawdling. It has marked pretty nearly every session for the years that one correspondent at least has been in this city. It is a peculiar kind of dawdling. Its manifestation is to be found in the attempts of the majority leaders, or of cliques in the house which may be composed of members of both parties, to prevent the passage of some species of legislation which has not been sanctioned in advance by the party leaders, but for which there seems to be an insistent demand from many people throughout the country.

Lesson in Dredge's Ride.

Army officers in Washington maintain that the ride of Colonel Dredge and his troopers proves one preparedness point. It may be the feeling of the officers on this matter and some things which officials of the government say concerning it will have its effect on proposed future legislation when the whole subject of preparation for military defense is under consideration.

A sixty-four-year-old cavalry colonel with 400 troopers made fifty-five miles through the night in seventeen hours and at the ride's end fought for five hours against a numerically superior force of men hardened to service in the field. The American regulars won a marked victory.

The contention of military men here from the first has been that real preparedness consists in having a mobile army strong enough to strike at an enemy on the instant of his appearance. It is urged that regulars so far as stamina is concerned always are prepared. The argument therefore is that preparedness need not concern itself with the personnel of a regular army trained as our army always has been trained.

While civilians, and this includes the

legislators of course, admit that absolute preparedness would mean the possession by Uncle Sam of a regular army big enough to do things on the instant, they urge the rooted objection of the American people to a large standing army.

Men Must Be Prepared.

The main point, as army men view it, is that this ride of Colonel Dredge and his 400 troopers shows what real preparedness means for the individual, and it is further urged by the men of the service that this physical condition which is necessary to make men endure under all conditions cannot be attained by National Guardsmen or by volunteer forces until they have been given months of daily training after the same manner that it is given to the men who follow the flag as regulars.

Apparently the effect will be hereafter to impress upon the country that real preparedness consists in preparedness of men. It takes continued service to keep men hard and fit for work which may come unexpectedly. The sixty-four-year-old colonel who made his fifty-five miles in seventeen hours and then fought for five hours has been an active soldier for forty-four years, this time including his service as a cadet at West Point. Dredge is one of the few officers of high rank in the American army who never has had "swivel chair" service except for a period of time which is negligible.

Regular is Always Fit.

It is learned from officers who have made a study of the whole preparedness situation that it is their belief that if congress should authorize a regular army of 250,000 men, which would mean an army all told of about 350,000 men, the people could rest content that this country would be safe from foreign invasion. It is not at all likely, judging from what one hears from congress, that such a force will be authorized for a good many years to come, but admission is made by the lawmakers that the maintenance of an army of this size would cost less than to support a more elaborate soldier-raising scheme which involves simply a partial preparation for service of men whose main pursuits are found in civil life.

The army men say, and they point to Dredge's achievement to sustain it, that the regular of all branches is fit for instant service in the field. He is trained daily in all military branches and the physical exercise which he gets, the regularity of his hours and his substantial and good food keeps him ready for emergencies. This naturally enough is not true of the civilian soldier who gets a month or so of training every year and has the rest of the time to do what he likes with himself.

Brave Army Post Women.

An army post after the troops have been ordered into the field is perhaps one of the best places in the world at which to find a text for a peace propaganda. The chances are, however, that the women and children of an army post would object to having their manifest anxieties made the subject of discourses.

Army women and children say "good-by" to husbands and fathers with cheerful faces, and if there are tears afterward it is more than possible that resentment would come if any use were made of them in what might seem to be an attempt to turn the militant ones from their duty.

The cavalry the other day was ordered from Fort Myer, which is just across the Potomac from Washington, to the Mexican border with the possibility, perhaps even the probability, that the service tour might be extended into the field where other cavalrymen already had taken up the chase of the Mexican bandits. The quarters at Fort Myer still are occupied by the families of the fighters.

When women of an army post thus are left behind with all the anxieties and uncertainties connected with the case they make a great showing of courage. Bridge parties, teas and kind of social affairs still are the order, but many a wrong card is played and many a possible trick overlooked by some ordinarily expert woman bridge player when she sits at table with her thoughts on the border instead of on the game.

The condition of things at Fort Myer today is duplicated at many other posts in the United States. The men have gone and the women and children have stayed. The newspapers are read eagerly enough by the ordinary civilian in order to get news from Funston, or Pershing, or Dredge, but the army women take the morning and the evening paper the instant that they can get it and read the headlines with something that is not far removed from dread.

In Washington and at Fort Myer there is not evident in army circles the dreadful anxiety that was so manifest during the Spanish war. The casualties in '98 on the battlefield were not very great, although a considerable number of officers were killed or wounded. The gripping anxieties of the Spanish war itself were due in large part to the exposure to dread disease which was the lot of the army man. Men came back from that service who had never heard a bullet whistle, and yet had met a worse foe, fever. Many an army officer was compelled to retire from the service because of disease which had fixed itself upon him in the insanitary camps of one section of the United States and of Cuba.

There is little worry among the women of the army today because of the danger from disease. Typhoid and yellow fever, the chief disease foes of armies fighting in a southern climate, have been routed by the scientists of the medical corps. The doctor, however, cannot turn aside a bullet nor a saber stroke.

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A very angry client entered a New York lawyer's office. He had called upon a debtor and asked him politely to pay a bill of \$2.50, and had been abused for his pains. Now he wanted the lawyer to collect it.

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No matter, said the angry one. I don't care if I don't get a cent as long as that fellow has to pay it.

So the lawyer wrote the debtor a letter, and in a day or two the latter appeared in high dudgeon. He did not owe any \$2.50, and he would not pay.

"Very well," said the lawyer; "then my instructions are to sue. But I should hardly think it would pay you to stand suit for so small a sum."

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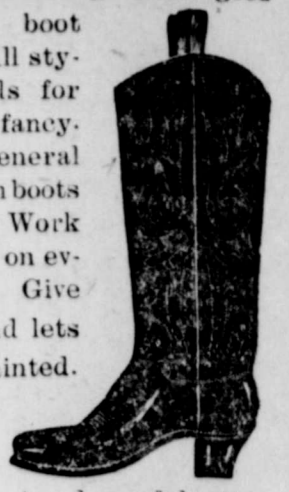
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We are very glad to report that Mrs. O. C. Elliott is much better this week.

P. Roberts from New Orleans is here this week visiting his sister, Mrs. P. G. Huffman.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Osborne came first of week from Green Lake.

O. C. Elliott and J. R. Webster made a trip to the Elliott Ranch Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hogan were in from their farm first of the week. Mr. Hogan orders the Chief sent to his address.

Dr. Ghast and Weimer Tolbert purchased 75 head of cattle while here last week and shipped them to Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Locke returned Saturday from a weeks visit at the Lard ranch on the river. They rented the Mrs. Joiner house near the Presbyterian church and are now at home to their many friends.

A singing school was started at the Reed school house Monday night and will continue ten days.

Walter Cook made a business visit to Canadian Monday afternoon.

Rev. J. H. Mays will preach on Monday night of next week at the Presbyterian church and all are invited. 8:30 sharp.

Mrs. I. N. Auten will give a student piano recital at the auditorium Thursday night of next week. A nice program has been arranged and all are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Killian of Arnette, Okla. visited at the C. L. Broadus home last week, returning Monday.

Mrs. Dixon and son Drew of Canyon came in Monday and are visiting the former's daughter, Mrs. Emmett Coble.

W. H. and Jessie Dial, Misses Wilmyrth and Ruth Dial, Ruby Rathjean and Miss Lizzie Dial left Sunday for Greenville and Loan Oak by auto. They intend being back by the last of this week.

You can sell your old rags and papers at a good price. There is several dollars worth of paper and rags burned in our town every day that if someone would gather, they could readily sell. Anyone interested in selling old papers may get the names of several buyers by calling at the Chief office.

# WE

Have several accounts run over from last year. We would respectfully ask all parties owing us on last years account to come in and settle up as we are going to turn all old accounts over to an attorney for collection.

**J. R. Webster.**

D. H. Thompson was brought to town Monday and taken to the John Kubu home. He seems to be very much improved and on the road to recovery.

### JUNIOR CLASS

April 23, 2:30 p.m.  
Subject: Jesus and Peter, Scripture reading 1 Peter 3:3-12, leader Adah Humphrey.

Prayer  
Song,  
Peter goes fishing, John 21:1-4, Maydell Shelton.

It is the Lord, John 21:5-6 Lois Wells, Leo Coffee.

Lowest thou me, John 21:15, by Nella Graham.

Song,  
Peter preaches, Acts 2:19-21 by Ruth Martin.

Peter heals, Acts 3:1-6 Aline George.

Peter raises Dorcas Acts 9:40-41 Flora Philpott.

Paper on lesson Lillian Trowbridge.

Song,  
Business.  
Benediction.

The Girls Glee Club of the Friends University gave a splendid entertainment to a large crowd at the auditorium last night.

The editor is spending latter part of this week in Amarillo attending Panhandle Press Association.

Our local ball team lost 8 to 6 to Canadian there Sunday.

### Lecture

On Friday night of this week Hon. Joe G. Camp, of Atlanta, Georgia, will lecture at the Baptist church. The subject of his lecture will be The Temperance question, and he being one of the most finished orators of the South, you will miss a rare treat should you fail to hear him. He lectures under auspices of Texas Anti-Saloon-League and his lecture is FREE to all. And everybody is invited.

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The town "Sevenoaks" derived its name from seven huge oaks that were left standing on a western plateau. The town is practically ruled and owned by a rich man who made a fortune by robbing an inventor of his patents. The inventor was driven to insanity and was sent to the alms house, where his little boy was also kept. By the aid of a woodsman friend, father and son escape from the alms house and are taken to former's home in the woods. The woodsman's wedding takes place, which is both interesting and ludicrous. The inventor is cured of his insanity and with the aid of his friends, secures his patents and becomes the proprietor of "Sevenoaks." The book presents many unusual and humorous situations.

Admission 15 and 35c 8:30 p.m.

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## Lilies for the Holy Easter Day



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**O** EARTH, upon thy breast,  
By the soft winds caress't,  
Bring all thy blossoms forth in bright array,  
From dusky wood and dell  
Sweet herb and lily bell  
To ornament his holy Easter Day.

## OBSERVANCE OF EASTER SUNDAY

**T**HE observance of Easter Sunday dates back to the founding of the early Christian church, in commemoration of the resurrection of Jesus. It is generally believed by all Christians that Jesus was crucified on Friday and buried. The following Sunday certain women of Judea went to the tomb early in the morning to anoint his body.

Saturday was the Sabbath day of the Jews. That accounts for the delayed visit to the tomb. Jesus was buried so late Friday the women did not have time to anoint his body. As soon as day dawned that Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, and, according to sacred accounts, found Christ had gone.

The stone which sealed the mouth of the tomb was rolled away. At first they were filled with grief, believing his body was stolen. Then they remembered the words of their Master, that he would rise from the tomb the third day. His reappearance and assurance that all could conquer the grave was the cause of great rejoicing.

From the time of the flight of the children of Israel from Egypt, the Jews had observed the Passover to commemorate the night when the angel of death passed over the houses of the Hebrews and slew the first-born in the houses of the Egyptians. The feast of the Passover was being observed by the citizens of Jerusalem at the time of the crucifixion. The followers of Christ continued to observe the feast of the Passover, but the observance took on a new meaning.

The exact time of the feast was not settled until the council of Nice, called by Emperor Constantine of Rome in the year 325. It was then decided that the feast should be observed the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox. The only great astronomical observatory in the world at that time was at Alexandria, Egypt. It was left to the astronomers there to determine when Easter should come.

The early Christians did not know the feast by the name of Easter. The name is of Saxon origin and came from the feast of the paschal lamb of the early Christian church with the feast of the coming of spring of the Saxons.

Ostara, the goddess of spring of the Saxons, was worshipped in England and Germany before the first missionaries to the north of Europe brought the story of Christ. The Saxons, in accepting Christianity, continued to observe their old feasts just as the Jewish Christians continued to observe the feast of the Passover. The mis-

sionaries persuaded the Saxons to accept the feast of the paschal lamb and simply change the name to that of the feast of Ostara, which later was anglicized to Easter.

The Easter egg also had its origin among non-Christians. The people of northern Europe hunted eggs in the springtime, believing that it was good luck to find them and eat them. Of course wild birds laid eggs only in the spring of the year. The Christian missionaries to our ancestors saw an opportunity to win men to a belief in Christianity by adopting the egg-hunting day and combining it with Easter. The egg was shown to typify life. As the chick lies imprisoned in the egg only to burst forth, so will our bodies lie in the tomb only to be resurrected at the call of God.

The hunting and eating of eggs is observed today in Persia and in other Asiatic lands where there is no Christianity, showing that the custom does not come with Christianity.

### EASTER IN HEARTS OF MEN

Chain of Witnesses to the Resurrection Has Been Added to Throughout the Centuries.

**C**HRISt is risen." The choirs sing about it. The preachers proclaim it. The multitudes believe it. Does it seem strange that because a small group of sad-eyed, discouraged men and women, almost two thousand years ago, suddenly came to believe that a man they had loved had returned to life after being executed on the cross, people should still believe it today? Nineteen centuries is a long time, and Palestine is far away. How is it that the belief of the first Christians has laid hold upon us?

It is not enough to explain it as an old tradition, handed down from generation to generation. If the experience of the apostles and the three Marys and the five hundred brethren to whom he made himself known were the only reason for keeping Easter, it is not probable that Easter would still be kept. Faith that is only handed on does not survive as this faith has survived. There must be another reason.

The other reason is that there never has been an age since the first Christian age until now when there were not among the people of the earth those to whom Christ had become a living person. The healing of the seaman's dress has been by beds of pain. In the midst of the storm and the stress of life, despairing men and women have reached out to touch him, and they have touched him and been made whole again. Martyrs, stretched on the agonizing rack, have heard him. Other martyrs, bound among the burning fagots, have seen him in the fire.

Tempted men have sought him in the hour of their temptation, and his arm has sustained them. Such as they do not need to be told that long ago, on a Sunday morning in the spring, the grave released him. They know that he is released, for he has become the living power of their lives.

When the eleven, after the tragic death of Judas, chose a twelfth apostle, they did so that he might become a witness with them of the resurrection. Since then, from all nations and tribes, a great company whom God alone can number has been added to the chain of witnesses. Daily their number is increased. Easter is Easter, not because Jesus rose long ago, but because Jesus still lives, and because there are among us those who know that he lives.—Youth's Companion.

## The Little French Girl By Dorothy Blackmore

**R**AYMONDE ROUSSEAU was a frail, pretty little French artist, who lived in a tiny studio in a great building. She made her living by painting wonderful water-color dance orders, dinner cards, holiday greetings and fanciful conceits for social entertainments of all sorts. Also, she added to her income by singing in the choir of a big church.

Until the European war had broken out Raymonde's brother, Jacques, had lived with her, but when his country entered the conflict he was called to join his colors. Raymonde cried for days after her brother sailed for France, but she knew she would have been ashamed of Jacques had he been unwilling to go.

The approach of Easter brought much work to Raymonde, and the lights in her studio burned late every night as she sat over her desk making water colors. She looked very much like a French print herself in the quaint costumes she always designed for her own wear. Her straight, black



Easter Brought Much Work.

hair and her ivory skin and scarlet lips made her a conspicuous beauty anywhere. Added to this, her unique taste in dress made her more than attractive.

Perhaps it was her continental manner, perhaps merely her natural diffidence, that made her difficult of approach. But she was admired by everyone who came in contact with her, and in the choir where she sang she had many friends even though she did not perhaps realize it.

Choir rehearsals for Easter music made her attendance necessary, and she found herself hurrying from her studio to the church without taking proper time to eat nourishing meals. Raymonde was very conscientious and she did not want to neglect either her painting or her choir work.

It was the week before Palm Sunday and Easter day that found the little French girl nearly exhausted. A boat had arrived bringing her letters and papers from her home in the suburbs of Paris. She picked up her mail and went to church for a rehearsal without so much as getting a bite of dinner. She feared being late and conspicuous in entering the choir stalls.

Instead of being late, Raymonde found herself there before any of the others, and she was glad of a few quiet moments in which to read her mail. She looked at her home letters, and then opened up a newspaper from the suburb in which she lived. Her face suddenly became as set as the face of an ivory image—she had seen her brother's name among the list of soldiers who had failed to return with their regiments.

"Jacques! Jacques!" she breathed, just as a merry group of choristers came upon her in the dimly lighted church.

"Why—It's little Miss Rousseau!" "She's fainted!"

One of the girls bent over her and, as they laid her on the broad church seat and administered restoratives, a man, who had taken more than a pas-

sage interest in the little French girl and knew something of her life, picked up the paper she had dropped from her hand.

"It's her brother—he's among those reported dead in battle. Poor little girl!" Trenton Knox had always felt a sort of indefinable sympathy for the little soprano.

Raymonde opened her eyes. "It—it can't be true—can it?" she asked, searching the faces of those about her, pitifully.

Trenton Knox bent over her. "This paper is two weeks old—it should never have reached you," he said, kindly.

"But why?" she asked, in agonized tones and pushing back the straight wisps of hair.

"The reports haven't been confirmed, or you would have heard," he said.

The girls helped her to become calm and comfortable again, and though she sat through the rehearsal she was unable to bring a note from her throat, for the lump that seemed to be choking her.

"You'll let me walk home with you tonight, please?" asked Trenton Knox gently.

Raymonde smiled a wan little smile, and there was none of the usual sparkle in her brown eyes. "It would be so good of you—I—I have been foolish and weak to faint, but I—"

"You have been overdoing it and you look as if you hadn't taken time to rest and eat," the big tenor said, as he guided her from the church.

On the way home they stopped and had a bite of supper in a quiet restaurant near Raymonde's studio, and there, out of sheer weariness, she permitted her veil of reserve to drop before the man who had always been so kind to her.

As they walked around the corner to the studio building she leaned on his arm and he felt as if he could never leave her alone again.

The elevator boy handed her a message. She took it with trembling hands. Gently but firmly Trenton took it from her. He saw that it was a transatlantic cable. "When we get upstairs we'll open it," he said.

And it was he, not Raymonde, who tore it open and read the words:

"Jacques wounded, but safe at home. Love." It was unsigned, but Raymonde knew it was from her family, and she knew, too, that they realized that she might have received the paper with the awful mistake printed in it.

"I—I felt as if I could not open it," she said to Trenton as she sank into a studio chair by the small hard-coal fire she always kept burning. "You—are so good to me."

"Good? Good?" he said. And then after a minute in which he seemed to be pondering his subject, "Raymonde, won't you let me take care of you? I see tonight how much you need someone, and I—love you? I have loved you for long, but you never let me tell you so till now."

Tears streamed down the little French girl's pale cheeks. The night's gamut of emotions had been too much

## EASTERTIDE

By Jean Erickson

*Nature voices all her gladness,  
Lays aside her gloom and sadness,  
All is peace and joy and gladness,  
At Eastertide.*

*So let every heart of sorrow  
Neither trouble keep nor borrow;  
All is peace upon the morrow,  
At Eastertide.*

*Tell the resurrection story,  
Tell of him, the King of Glory,  
Every tongue repeat the story  
At Eastertide.*

*Ring, ye, Easter lilies, ring,  
In the breezes gently swing;  
Every heart for joy shall sing,  
At Eastertide.*

for her overwrought nerves. "I've felt so—so different from you all," she managed to say. "So—so alone!"

Trenton leaned over her. "Don't say alone again, Raymonde—if you love me."

"Oh," she breathed, "I do—I do."

"And you'll marry me after Easter and we'll have the whole blessed choir



Tore It Open and Read the Words.

here in your studio to wish us joy after we come back from the Little Church Around the Corner, won't you dear?"

And Raymonde nodded even while she sobbed. (Copyright by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

## Now Spring Is Here



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*T*HE winter's ice and snow are gone,  
Flowers bloom, soft breezes blow;  
The waking earth laughs in the sun  
And all the world's aglow.

## Easter

**G**OT me flowers to strew thy way,  
I got me boughs off many a tree;  
But thou wast up by break of day,  
And brought'st thy sweets along with thee.

Yet though my flowers be lost, they say  
A heart can never come too late;  
Teach it to sing thy praise this day,  
And then this day my life shall date.

—Author Unknown.



# The Ball of Fire

By GEORGE RANDOLPH CHESTER and LILLIAN CHESTER

ILLUSTRATED BY C. D. RHODES

SYNOPSIS.

At a vestry meeting of the Market Square church, Gail Barge tells Rev. Smith Boyd that Market Square church is apparently a lucrative business enterprise. Allison takes Gail riding in his motor car. She finds cold disapproval in the eyes of Rev. Smith Boyd. Allison starts a campaign for consolidation and control of the entire transportation system of the world. Gail becomes popular. Allison gains control of transcontinental traffic and arranges to absorb the Vedder court tenement property of Market Square church. Gail tells Boyd that the cathedral Market Square church proposes to build will be out of profits wrung from equities. At a meeting of the seven financial magnates of the country, Allison unconsciously gives Allison a hint that solves the Vedder court problem for him. On an inspection trip in Allison's new subway the tunnel caves in. Gail goes back to her home in the West. Her friends lure her and Arly back to New York. In the midst of a struggle with the dress of humanity in Vedder court, Rev. Smith Boyd suddenly finds that he is a real living and loving man. He proposes to Gail but, on the verge of acceptance, she remembers their religious differences, and refuses. Through Allison's connivance with the political boss Vedder court is condemned by the city as unsanitary. Rev. Smith Boyd proposes to Allison to replace the old Vedder court buildings with model tenements. Allison makes arrangements with foreign representatives for the consolidation of the transportation interests of the world.

gave his globe a contemptuous whirl. The balance of them were but matters of detail. With a certain prideful arrogance, of which he himself was aware, he reflected that now he could almost leave these minor powers and potentates and dignitaries to a secretary.

Intoxicated with a sense of his own power, he went back into his study, and drew from a drawer the photograph of a young and beautiful girl, who seemed to look up at him, out of an oval face wreathed with waving brown hair, and set with beautifully curved lips which twitched at the corners in a half sarcastic smile, from two brown eyes, deep and glowing and fraught with an intense attractiveness. Every morning he had looked at this photograph, the priceless crown of his achievement, the glittering jewel to set in the head of his scepter, the beautiful medallion of his valor!

"Only a little longer, Gail," he told her with a smile, and then he saluted the photograph. "Gail, the maker of maps!" he said.

CHAPTER XX.

The World at Gail's Feet.

Callers for Mrs. Helen Davies, and a huge bouquet of American beauties for Gail. Into the Louis XIV room, where Nicholas Van Ploon and Miss Van Ploon sat with unusual impressiveness. Mrs. Davies came arrayed in the black velvet afternoon gown which gave her more staidness and more impressive dignity than anything in her wardrobe. Miss Van Ploon, who was a true member of the family, in that she considered the Van Ploon property before any individual, quite approved of Mrs. Davies, and was in no wise jealous of being so distinctly outshone in personal appearance. Nicholas Van Ploon also surveyed Mrs. Davies with a calculating eye, and bobbed his round head slightly to himself. He had canvassed Mrs. Helen Davies before, and had discussed her in family council, but this was a final view, a dress parade as it were.

Half an hour later Mrs. Helen Davies, leaving her guests in the Louis XIV room, paused at the head of the stairs to calm herself. The Mrs. Waverly-Gaites herself faded into dim obscurity. Mrs. Waverly-Gaites would



When the Visitor Was Gone Allison Gave the Globe a Contemptuous Whirl.

beg Gail on her bended knees to attend the annual, and Mrs. Helen Davies could attend if she liked. She went into her own room, and took a drink of water, and sat down for thirty or forty seconds; then she went into Gail's suite, where she found that young lady, all unconscious of the honor which was about to befall her, reading a six-hundred-page critique of Chopin's music, and calmly munching chocolates out of a basket decorated with eight shades of silk roses.

"Sit down and have a chocolate, Aunt Helen," hospitably offered Gail, slipping a marker in her book.

Mrs. Davies consumed a great deal of time in selecting a chocolate, but she did not sit down.

"Shall you be at liberty this evening, Gail?" she inquired, with much carelessness.

"Why?" and Gail, whose feet were stretched out and crossed, in lazy ease, looked up at her aunt sideways from under her curving lashes.

Mrs. Davies hesitated a moment.

"Houston Van Ploon would like to call."

"Are they still downstairs?" Gail suddenly unveiled her eyes, and brought her slippers squarely in front of her divan. Also she sat bolt upright.

"Yes," and Mrs. Davies betrayed signs of nervousness.

"Are they making the appointment for Houston?"

"Yes." The word drew.

"Why?" and Gail's brown eyes began to crackle.

Mrs. Davies thought it better to sit down.

"My dear, a great honor has come to you."

Gail leaned forward towards her aunt, and tilted her chin.

"Houston wants to propose, and he's sent his father and sister to find out if he may!" she charged.

"Yes," acknowledged Mrs. Davies, driven past the possibility of delay or preparation, and feeling herself unjustly on the defensive.

"I shall not be at home this evening," announced Gail decisively, and stretched out her feet again, and crossed her little gray slippers, and took a chocolate. "Or any other evening," she added.

Mrs. Davies lost her flutter immediately. This was too stupendously serious a matter to be weakly treated.

"My dear, you don't understand!" she protested, not in anger, but in patient reason. "Houston Van Ploon has been the unattainable match of New York. He is a gentleman in every particular, a desirable young man in every respect, and gifted with everything a young girl would want. He has so much money that you could buy a kingdom and be a queen, if you chose to amuse yourself that way. He has a dignified old family, which makes mere social position seem like an ignominious scramble for cotillion favors; and it is universally admitted that he is the most perfect of all the Van Ploons for many generations. Not exceptionally clever; but that is one of the reasons the Van Ploons are so particular to find a suitable matrimonial alliance for him."

Gail, nibbling daintily at her chocolate, closed her eyelids for a second the long, brown lashes curved down on her cheeks, and from beneath them there escaped a sparkle like the snap of live coals, while the corners of her lips twitched in that little smile which she kept for her own enjoyment.

"You cannot appreciate the compliment which has been paid you, Gail. Every debutante for the past five years has been most carefully considered by the Van Ploons, and I sincerely believe this to be the first time they have unanimously agreed on a choice. It is a matter of eugenics, Gail, but in addition to that, Mr. Van Ploon assures me that Houston is most fervently interested."

"How careless of them," criticized Gail. "They have neither asked for my measurements nor examined my teeth."

"Gail!" Her chaperon and sponsor was both shocked and stern.

"I positively decline to even discuss the Van Ploon eugenics," stated Gail, pushing aside her chocolates, while a red spot began to appear on her cheeks. "I shall not, as I stated before, be at home to Houston Van Ploon this evening—or any other evening."

"I shall not deliver that message," announced Mrs. Davies, setting her lips. "As your present sponsor, I shall insist that you take more time to consider a matter so important."

"I shall insist on refusing to consider it for one second," returned Gail quietly. "I am very fond of Houston Van Ploon, and I hope to remain so, but I wouldn't marry him under any circumstances. This is firm, flat, and final."

Mrs. Helen Davies dropped patient reason instantly. She was aware of an impulsive wish that Gail were in pinafores, and her own child, so she could box her ears.

"Gail, you compel me to lose my patience!" she declared. "When you came, I strained every influence I possessed to have you meet the most desirable eligibles this big city could offer, just as if you were my own daughter! I have succeeded in working miracles! I have given you an opportunity to interest the very best! You have interested them, but I have never seen such extravagance in the waste of opportunities! You have refused men whom thousands in the highest circles have sought; and now you refuse the very choice of them all! What or whom do you want?"

Gail's red spots were deepening, but she only clasped her knees in her interlocked fingers, her brown hair waving about her face, and her chin uptilted.

"You can't always expect to retain your youth, and beauty and charm!" went on her Aunt Helen. "You can't expect to come to New York every year and look over the eligibles until you find one to suit your fastidious taste! You're capricious, you're ungrateful, and you're unsatisfactory!"

Gail's eyes turned suddenly moist, and the red flashed out of her cheeks.

"Oh, Aunt Helen!" she exclaimed in instant contrition. "I'm so very, very sorry that I am such a disappointment to you! But if I just can't marry Mr. Van Ploon, I can't, can I? Don't you see?" She was up now and down again, sitting on a hassock in front of Mrs. Davies, and the face which she had upturned had in it so much of beautiful appeal that even her chaperon and sponsor was softened. "I was nasty a while ago, and I had no excuse for it, for you have been loving and sincere in your desire to make my future happy. I'm so very, very sorry! I'll tell you what I'll do! You may go down and tell Mr. Van Ploon and his daughter that I will see Houston this evening," and then she smiled; "but you mustn't say, 'with pleasure.'"

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The soft air which blew upon Gail's cheek was like the first breath of spring, and there was the far-off prophecy of awakening in the very sunshine, as she sped out the river road with Allison in his powerful runabout.

"It's glorious!" exclaimed Gail, her cheeks answering to the caress of the air with a flush of blossom-like delicacy. She was particularly contented

today. Allison had been so busy of late, and she had missed him. With all his strength, he was restful.

"I feel like a new man at this time of the year," returned Allison, glancing at Gail with cool appreciation. A car full of men passed them, and the looks they cast in his runabout pleased him. "Gail, do you remember the first time we drove out here?"

"Indeed yes," she laughed. "With the snow in our eyes, and the roads all white, with the lights gleaming through the flakes like arctic will-o'-the-wisps. We rose away that night, and dined at Roney's Inn, and worried the folks to death, for fear we had had an accident."

"I had more than an accident that night," said Allison. "I had a total wreck."

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Calmly Munching Chocolates.

about it. I even remarked that I had achieved the dream of my life, and intended to rest a while. All you said was, 'Why?' and his laugh pealed out.

"I used to be conspicuous for impertinence," smiled Gail. "I'm trying to reform."

"I'm glad you hadn't started when I met you," returned Allison, steering around a sharp stone with the firm accuracy which Gail had so often admired. "I never had so stinging a reproof as that little why. It did me more good than any sermon I ever heard."

Gail looked at him in questioning perplexity. She could not gather what he meant, but she had a sense of something big, and once more she was impressed with the tremendous reserve force in the man. His clear gray eyes were fixed on the road ahead, and the very symbol of him seemed to be this driving; top speed, a long road, a steady hand, a cool determination, a sublime disregard of hills and valleys which made them all a level road.

"Why? That word set me out on a new principle that never, while I had strength in me, would I consider my work finished, no matter how great an achievement I had made. I am still at work."

Something within her leaped up in answer to the thrill of exultation in his voice. To have been the inspiration of great deeds, even by so simple an agency as the accidental use of a word, was in itself an exalting thing, though a humbling one, too. And there were great deeds. She was sure of that as she looked at him.

"When I was a boy I lived on ancient history," he went on, with a smile for the bygone dreamer he had been. "I wanted to be a soldier, a great general, a warrior, in the sturdy old sense, and my one hero was Alexander the Great, because he conquered the world! That's what I wanted to do. When I grew older, and found how small was the world which Alexander had conquered, not much bigger than the original thirteen states, I grew rather disillusioned, particularly as I was working at about that time for a dollar and a quarter a day. I spent a few busy years, and had forgotten the dream; then you said 'why' and it all came back."

"Hurry!" commanded Gail. "Curiosity is bad for me."

"Let me build it up, step by step, for you, incidentally, I'll give you some confidential news which you will be reading in months to come. I hope," and he laughed, "that you will not let your friends the reporters about it."

"Cross my heart, I won't," she gaily replied. The sting of her one newspaper experience had begun to die away.

"When you asked me why I was trying to secure Vedder court for a terminal station for my city traction lines, Vedder court quickly became

in my imagination, the terminal point not only of the city traction lines, but of the world's transportation. From that I would run a railroad tube to the mainland, so that I could land passengers, not only in the heart of New York, but at the platforms of every street car and L and subway train."

"How wonderful!" exclaimed Gail, in enthusiasm. This was an idea she could grasp. "And have you secured Vedder court?"

"It's a matter of days," he returned carelessly. "The next step was the transcontinental line. I built it up, piece by piece, and today, under my own personal control, with sufficient stock to elect my own directors, who will jump when I crack the whip, I possess a railroad line from the Atlantic to the Pacific so direct, so straight, and so allied with ninety-five per cent of the freight interests of the United States that, within two years, there will not be a car wheel turning in America which does not do so at the command of the A-P. railroad. That is the first step leading out of Vedder court. The news of that consolidation will be in tomorrow morning's papers, and from that minute on, the water will begin to drip from railroad stocks."

"How about Uncle Jim's road?" Gail suddenly interrupted.

"I am taking care of him," he told her easily. "From Vedder court run subways along the docks."

"I see!" interrupted Gail. "You have secured control of the steamship companies, of the foreign railroads, of everything which hauls and carries!"

"Airships excepted," he laughingly informed her.

She was silent now, and he left her silent, brooding, himself, upon the vast scope of his dreaming, and planning still to center more and more the fruits of that dreaming within his own eager hand.

Roseleaf Inn. Gail recognized it with a smile as they turned in at the drive. She was glad that they had come here. For it was linked in her mind with the beginnings of that great project of which she had had the impulse, and in which the thing in her that had been denied opportunity because she was a woman, claimed a hungry share. At his suggestion—it was more like a command, but she scarcely noticed—she telephoned that she was going to remain to dinner with Allison; and then they enjoyed a two-hour chat of many things, trivial in themselves, but fraught now with delightful meaning, because they had to think on so many unexpressed things, larger than these idle people about them could conceive, or grasp if they knew.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

**IS CALLED DUTCH THACKERAY**

Work of Maarten Maartens, Says Eastern Journal, Will Live as Long as 'Pendennis.'

Holland lost in the death of Joost Marius Willem Van der Poorten Schwartz, known to the world of letters as Maarten Maartens, the one great novelist of whom it had a right to be proud, a writer in the Brooklyn Eagle declares. In some respect he was the leader of the world in novel making. His breadth of sympathy, his keenness of observation, his hatred of sham, his gentle humor, made "God's Fool," "The Sin of Joost Avelingh," "Dorothea," "The Healers" and a dozen other works familiar to readers in every land, and there was a grave loss to the world of letters as well as to his native country in his passing.

"Maarten Maartens" lived much in Paris. He loved to be in the world and of the world. But his work was mostly done in the old castle of Zonnebeul, near Doorn. With Maurice Maeterlinck, the Belgian, he kept the literary art of the "low countries" in the world's van. To Americans his skill was a delight, losing little in translation. He might be called the Dutch Thackeray without much stretching of the imagination. He had much in common with the author of "Vanity Fair," and his works are bound to live as long as "Pendennis" or "Henry Esmond."

**Eclipses Come in Series.**

All eclipses occur in series, the first one of which takes place at one of the poles and the last at the opposite pole. The whole number in the series of lunar eclipses is completed in a period of about 870 years while the entire series of solar eclipses covers a period of 1,200 years. Yet the time of the beginning of any of these eclipses, and the path of totality or partial obscuration can be calculated to the moment or the mile. This is a matter difficult to explain to the amateur in language to be easily understood. The statement of the fact is sufficient. To ordinary students or observers the reasons for totality or partial obscuration are much more interesting, simply with the passing of each year.

**How to Tell a Train's Speed.**

Count the clicks of the wheels on one rail (because joints alternate) for 20 seconds, and the result will be the miles per hour the train is running. There are 176 30-foot rails in 5,280 feet. The train, say, is traveling at 45 miles per hour. It covers 125.5 rails in one minute, or 2.25 rails in one second, which, multiplied by 20, equals 45 rails in 20 seconds, or 45 miles per hour. If 32-foot rails are used the result would be 40 rails in 20 seconds, or 45 miles per hour, but it is fairly accurate and can be done easily with a little practice.

**Remove Brown Stains.**

From earthenware dishes and plates caused by putting them in the oven, soak in strong borax and hot water.

**WORKING A DRY FARM.**

**Certain Fundamental Considerations to Bear in Mind.**

Domestic Water Supply is Absolutely Essential—Make Provision for Garden to Insure Family Living—Silos Saves Feed.

(By ALVIN KEZER, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins, Colo.)

Dry farming at its best is serious business. As a consequence, there are certain fundamental considerations which the settler should bear in mind. A well for domestic water supply is absolutely essential. If such domestic water supply cannot be obtained upon the land or immediately adjacent to it, other features would have to be extremely desirable to make it advisable to locate a home. The production of crops is more or less uncertain and the prospective settler should by all means bring sufficient capital in money, or in money and materials, to carry him through at least one year until production can be started.

For the most part the plains are treeless. In the building of a home, one of the first things, after the house and sheds for live stock are provided, should be the making of some provisions for trees. Where land is properly prepared and properly cultivated, trees can be grown almost anywhere on the plains, provided they are given sufficient space.

The dry farmer should make provision for a garden somewhere near his well. If a good well is present for domestic water supply it can be used, especially if a little storage is possible, to insure a good small garden, if the water is properly applied at the right time.

The dry farmer should by all means plan his cropping system so as to grow feed for at least a few chickens and pigs, so that the family living will be insured. The type of other live stock which he chooses to grow will depend a great deal upon his location, as either dairy or meat animals can be made profitable. There will be seasons when an abundance of feed will be produced. There will be other seasons when the amount of feed produced must be very carefully husbanded in order to permit existence; consequently, sooner or later the dry farmer should come to the proposition of saving all of his feed, and in extra good crop years to store up excess feed to tide him over the lean years or which are bound to follow one season or another.

The wide use of the silo is bound to come as a part of this development, because it permits all, or practically all, the feed grown to be stored in available succulent condition for future feeding.

No method of dry curing of the crop is so efficient that it does not waste at least as much as 30 per cent. In the dry windy conditions which prevail as much as 80 per cent of the feed value may be lost. If put in the silo at least 90 per cent should be saved under normal conditions. In other words, the loss need not be over ten per cent and often will be less than five per cent. The silo making possible this great saving in feed is bound to have a much greater use upon the dry farms.

In many places dry farmers are making use of open range available to carry their stock in the summer. During some seasons this open range will be cut short by extreme drought so that the animals lose flesh or fall off in milk production according to the kind of animals kept. If the dry farmer had a silo at this time he could open the silo and feed some silage during the period of short pasture and keep up his gains on beef animals and his milk production on dairy animals.

The entire system can be summarized then, briefly as follows: Forage crops are best adapted to the soil and climatic conditions. In the best management they should be grown and placed in the silo to be fed later to live stock. Grain farming should be entirely supplementary to the general system. Of the grain cash crops which may be grown, we have winter wheat, flax and Mexican beans. With winter wheat and flax especially, the farmer should look upon the proposition as a chance for getting something extra, his living and his main returns to be obtained from live stock which are fed upon forage crops.

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