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Grab It Quick! The Old Boy's a Light Sleeper



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IT was a warm evening. In the near distance we could see the lights of the fair and the Ferris wheel going round and round. Music from the band in the big tent and from the merry-go-round came to us pleasantly. We talked of this and that.

Finally Amy said slyly: "I don't want you to burst. You can ask me anything you like."

I said: "Amy, why did you do it?"

"You mean why did I run away from my handsome home and my rich husband and my beautiful children to this?" She waved toward the midway.

"Yes."

"Well, it's hard to explain so that you can understand. But do you remember that long ago you once told me about a drive you took with Nelson Forbes? You said you drove for two hours and couldn't think of a single thing to say to him. I spent years and years with him, and at the beginning and at the end I hadn't a thing to say to him either. Does that strike you as a good reason?"

"Yes and no. I don't see. . . Nelson is so good and kind."

"He is. One of the best and kindest men in the world. . . and probably the dullest."

"You knew he was dull when you married him."

"I did, but not how dull. You have to live with a man 24 hours a day, watching him wake up in the morning and brush his teeth. . . but that isn't why I left. It was because the twins never laughed."

"But, Amy, that's incredible. They're charming boys, a little serious, perhaps, but so well-mannered and very popular. They were adorable babies."

"I used to try to make them laugh," Amy said almost fiercely. "I used to romp with

and used to ride around the ring, with little Amy, dressed in a minute tulle skirt, perched on her shoulder and throwing kisses.

"And then what happened?" I asked.

"Oh, the twins happened, and a year later Hubert and Papa got fed up with domesticity and began staying out nights. All in all it was too much for Mama, and she had a sudden change of heart and reverted once more to the clergyman's daughter."

Amy explained that her mother packed up her brood and took them back to the parsonage in New Jersey. There she brought them up as conventionally as was possible for a brood with the blood of their father and their father's people coursing through their veins. For Mr. Tolliver came from a long line of circus people.

Back in the parsonage, only Amy remembered the glamorous circus days. Only Amy kept in touch with her father. For a long time Amy could not bear to leave her mother and her enchanting twin sisters. She tried to lead the respectable life, tried to be a good wife and mother. But always underneath was the call of the circus, the longing for the smell of sawdust. The time inevitably came when Amy told herself that her mother and sisters no longer needed her. Nelson and the twins were Forbeses; they never really needed her. She could resist the call no longer.

That, I believe, is the real reason why Amy left home, not because Nelson was dull, not because she could not induce her sons to laugh, not because Otsego was a stodgy provincial town.

"Tell you about the Tollivers?"

It's a long story, but I might sum it up in a few words.

The Tollivers are show folks, brought up in a manse and struggling to break free from an environment in which they were forever ill at ease.

No wonder they set Otsego by the ears for 30 years. No wonder they rode the whirlwind.

And if there was no whirlwind they huffed and they puffed and blew down the house of Forbes.

THE END

Mechanical Store Designed To Sell Groceries Faster

By William J. Fox
United Press Staff Correspondent
MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UP)—Sam Egro, Memphis inventor, has come up with the latest in sales ideas—the mechanical grocery store.

Another Memphis inventor, Clarence Saunders developed the "keedoodle"—an electrically-operated grocery store. Before that, someone invented the nickel-in-the-slot automat.

Now Egro has topped them all with his patented plan to eliminate clerks, checkers and cash registers at the grocer's.

Egro, a slight, graying Italian, spent several years developing his idea. He tried and discarded vari-

ous electrical and mechanical models before experimenting successfully with the present device which he said will "revolutionize" the food store business.

The key to the plan is a hand-sized "register," which is in effect, a miniature adding machine. The customer picks it up at the door and carries it around with him. Food in cans and packages lines the store shelves, with prices set in a mechanical attachment. When he buys an article, the customer inserts his register into the attachment. That releases a single

article and automatically records the price on the register.

As each purchase is made, the price is added and the total listed immediately. When the shopping tour is completed, the cashier fits the hand-sized machine into a master register. There it is recorded on a master list and the customer pays his bill.

Egro, who formerly operated grocery stores in Clarksdale, Byhalia and Greenwood, Miss, got to work on the new device after he lost his business and fortune through illness.

The pilot model has worked successfully, he said, and he is now set to go into production. He said he was negotiating with a large engineering concern for the manufacture of the device.

The inventor said his brainchild should make it possible for grocers and other storekeepers to operate on a five per cent profit margin and still make more money than on present price mark-ups. The result should be an added 10 to 15 per cent saving for the customers.

Egro said he based his estimates on the fact that increased speed and the elimination of checking and sacking would result in added sales volume.

The device, he said is fool proof. The customer won't be overcharged and the store owner won't

Airliner's Hostess Doubles As Pilot

PITTSBURGH (UP)—Passengers on the AAICO Airlines here are startled when they see an attractive hostess climb into the co-pilot seat on their ship and take off.

She is 26-year-old Mary Morrison, a Bryn Mawr graduate, one of the few women in the country to qualify as pilot on a giant commercial airliner.

Miss Morrison has some 1,800 flying hours to her credit and recently was assigned to the regular Caribbean run for American Air Export and Import Lines.

Her big ambition is to fly one of the race-type planes in the Bendix Air Trophy race in Cleveland.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

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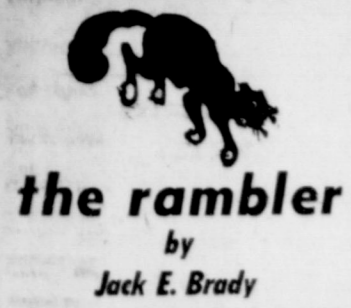
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the rambler
by
Jack E. Brady

The annual Boxing Tournament that was enjoyed by Eastland County citizens, last Friday and Saturday night, has been held in Taylor County, at Abilene, for the past twelve years. Neil Day deserves much credit for getting this event for our County-Seat town. . . . The people of Eastland and Eastland County have made it evident that they are "amusement-hungry" . . . The patronage of the boxing tournament was great enough to exemplify that the people of this section of the country will support clean sports competition . . . Our county-seat town has been greatly hampered by "local dead-heads" who aren't in favor of anything. Fortunately, in this 1947 age, the "non-progressive dead-heads" have had their way the show of every-day life is no longer governed by their sanction or scorn. . . . Eastland is coming to life. . . . The clear-thinking citizens are "on-their-toes" . . . they are not, and will not let their actions of progress be stopped by an individual or some petty group. . . . By their actions, you shall know them. Progressive and nonprogressive, the sincere and the hypocrite.

Fireman's Field was packed with sports-loving individuals, Saturday night, who "turned out" to witness the boxing matches that determined which of the young pugilistic lads would go to Fort Worth as members of the Eastland Boxing Team, on August 14th, 15th, and 16th, to further test their ability as contenders for National Amateur Boxing recognition. The "curtain-raiser" bout of Saturday evening's event, was given by two little boys gave the crowd much pleasure. . . . Buddy Deen, weighing 65 pounds, and Benny Tabor, weighing 72 pounds both of Cisco, boxed a three round draw. Other bouts were as follows: Jim Smith of Eastland, suffered a technical knock-out by Bill Tabor, of Cisco, in the second round, of their scheduled three round bout.

Oscar Jones of Abilene, defeated Ray Townsley of Breckenridge; Bill Henderson of Eastland, boxed a three round no decision affair, with Bill Dickerson of Stephenville, Wayne Hayes of Cisco, and John Willingham of Stephenville, demonstrated their ability in a three round bout; Robert Crudgington of Breckenridge, knocked out his opponent, Eugene Parker of Abilene, in the second round; W. D. Cannon of Eastland, boxed a three round draw with Don Johnson of Cisco. The highly-touted Negro boys, Greyhound Kid of El Paso, and Texas Coachwhip of Eastland, proved interesting to the fans, the Eastland boy was given the decision. Howard McCranie of Abilene, won a decision over Bill Tabor of Cisco; it was Tabor's second fight of the evening; McCranie had Tabor on the canvas for a count of seven, in the first round. David Griffith of Breckenridge, was defeated by Oscar Jones of Abilene. Those certified as members of the Eastland Boxing team, to compete at Fort Worth were: Jackie Turner, Abilene, Flyweight division, Robert Crudgington, Breckenridge, Bantamweight division, Bill Henderson, Eastland, Featherweight, Howard McCranie, Abilene, Lightweight, Oscar Jones Abilene, Welterweight, Wayne Hayes, Cisco, Middleweight, John Willingham, Stephenville, light-heavyweight, and Jack Cox, Mineral Wells, as the heavyweight representative.

Sergeant Wright of the Abilene Army Recruiting Service, was the official referee, "Fats" Moser was the announcer, and Bill Brasher and Lewis Crossley, Jr., were the official "glovers".

Earl Parks, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Parks of Kermit was an Eastland visitor Sunday; Earl Parks is a graduate of the Desdemona High School; on March 6, 1943 he entered the Army, served in the European Theatre of Operations; he was discharged on November 22, 1945, and is employed by the Magnolia Petroleum Company at Kermit.

Dr. R. A. Collins, Dean of Hardin-Simmons College at Abilene, through the extension service of the College, took his Eastland class to Fort Worth, last week, to visit the schools of that city; those making the tour were: Dr. R. A. Collins, Mrs. Floy Bailey, Mr. Schoonover, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Weaver, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Winnie Leich, Mrs. Leech, Mrs. Garrett, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Ferrell, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Hook, Miss Stewart, Mrs. Hood, Mrs. H. H. Durham, Eastland's member of the State Textbook Committee, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Cates, Mrs.

Heartsease
by Elsie Glenn

SHUT UP!

"Give'n the ups as they were palace doors, the king within, tranquil and fair and courteous be all words which from that presence win" . . . Sir Edwin Arnold.

I wonder if Sir Arnold kept his mouth shut? I sorta wonder if the old boy didn't get pretty badly scooped himself on more than one occasion and learned the hard way to govern his lips as they were palace doors! I never heard much of Sir Arnold, but if he had any spark of humanity in him, I'll bet my last dollar he said things he wished to high Heaven he hadn't said.

How many times I've wanted to butt my head against the wall and scream and rant in a good old fashioned childish bawling fit because I was dumb enough and idiot enough to pop off and say a lot of things I shouldn't have said.

And don't tell me you haven't done the same thing. I know you have.

A lot of regretting could be avoided if we had presence of mind enough to shut up on the right occasions and to open our mouths and say the right thing at the right time instead of opening our lips, saying the wrong thing at the right time!

People have got a lot of the devil in them, deep down inside and they like to talk and gab and to gossip much of the time. Rare is the man or the woman who knows how to keep his mouth shut.

If we had any thinking powers instead of grabbing pcyers, we would put ourselves in the place of others; avoid the horror of forcing others into positions from which we ourselves would recoil. So many instances where we do such terrible harm by talking.

Haven't you known people you wanted to slap across the face to shut their mouths?

I have and you have, too.

Think about it.

Clacking, gabbling tongues.

Ever hear chickens clucking and clacking?

Did you ever wring a chicken's neck?

Slayton, Mrs. Simpson, Mrs. Shannon, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Guthrey, Mrs. Lee, Superintendent Womack Mrs. Hardeman, Mrs. Coursey, Miss Opal Hearn, Mrs. Jess Carter, Mrs. Lola Black, Mrs. H. C. Elliott, Mrs. Ed Layton, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Woods, Mrs. Thompson, and Mrs. Reed.

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A population of 10,000 by 1950 is Eastland's goal. Put forth your every effort to boost your county seat town.

Barbara Franklin, the Morton Valley Correspondent for your Eastland DAILY Telegram, was an Eastland visitor, Sunday.

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Did you say something?
SOCIETY

Reunion Held In Abilene State Park

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde C. Street and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Burkett and children, Kaye and Brenda, of Eastland attended the family reunion of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Street, pioneer residents of the Abilene area. The reunion took place in the Abilene State Park, Saturday and Sunday, August 2nd and 3rd. Plans were made for a 1948 reunion.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Street, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Billingsley and children, Johnny and Mike, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Parro and children, Gail and Otis, all of O'Donnell; Mrs. J. L. Lewis of Sweetwater; Mrs. Alie Comer of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Street, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Street and children, Larry and David, and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ensminger and children, Jakey and Ronnie, all of Abilene; Mrs. Lula Street of Tye; and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dukes and son, Jimmy Mack, of McLean.

Stitch and Chatter Club Met Wednesday

The Stitch and Chatter Club met in the home of Mrs. Bob Burkett Wednesday, August 6th. Frosted cakes and assorted cookies were served to the following: Mrs. C. Penn, Mrs. A. G. Garrett, Mrs. W. H. Kuykendall, Mrs. Guy Craig, Mrs. Wayne Jackson, Mrs. Guy Robinson, Mrs. Howard Upchurch, and the hostess, Mrs. Bob Burkett.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin F. Agnew of Abilene, were week-end visitors in the home of Miss Helen Lucas and other friends.

Mrs. Bob Burkett returned this week from Odessa where she spent a week visiting her husband who is a city policeman there. She and family will return there soon to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Messer and son, Kelly spent Thursday and Friday with Mrs. Bob Burkett and family. They are from Taft, Texas and are on their way to Colorado for a vacation trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wilson and son Carl Lynn of Dallas, are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stephens. Mr. Wilson is Purchasing Agent for Sears Roebuck & Co. Mrs. Wilson is the sister of Mrs. Stephens. They all plan a few days at Possum Kingdom Lake, boating and fishing.

Mrs. D. E. Allen left this morning to enter the Hendricks Hospital at Abilene for treatment.

Miss Dawn Hendricks, Miss Doll Davis and Mr. Earl Haven of Dallas, Texas, spent Sunday in the home of Misses Peggy and Jerry McFarland. Miss Davis and Mr. Haven returned to Dallas and Miss Hendricks is spending a few days here.

Firemen Feel Shortage
QUINCY, Mass. (UP)—Even the fire department is suffering from the housing shortage. Officials can't find a home for two pieces of apparatus while a new Houghs Neck station is being built.

Wants Color For Schoolrooms

CHICAGO (UP)—It is the color of the schoolroom that puts the student in the mood for studying.

That is what O. H. Breidert, Chicago architect, told the delegates of the 16th annual conference of administrative officers of public and private schools meeting at the University of Chicago.

For example, says Breidert, in the boys' athletic dressing room, where the boys lounge and relax, a soft, restful blue should be used. In the room where the "red hot" pep talks take place, the walls should be painted a dashing red color.

A typical elementary classroom should have a landscape-type center window with two side windows. The entrance to the room should

have a glass paneled door with glass side lights. The use of landscape windows brings the outdoors into the classroom with its light greens, yellows and blues.

Adequate lighting is another important factor. Adequate natural lighting should be obtained by use of large window areas, according to the architect. This may be obtained by long strip windows or vision panels, extending from the sill to a height not to exceed six and a half feet above the floor. Above this height directional glass block extending to the ceiling should be installed.

As for artificial illumination, Mr. Breidert recommended fluorescent, low glare fixtures either suspended from or attached to the ceiling.

EYE-BANK APPEALS FOR MORE CORNEAS

NEW YORK (UP)—The Eye-bank for Sight Restoration, Inc., is seeking healthy, sound corneas which will make it possible for persons now blind to regain their sight.

The shortage of corneas was so great at the time of the appeal no less than 35 persons were waiting in the metropolitan area for the operation that for many would lift a curtain of darkness.

ridge, founder and executive director of the bank, said many persons have signed forms authorizing the organization to use their eyes after death, but that the number was not sufficient. The bank has no reserve of corneas.

Mrs. Breckinridge expressed the hope that the public will become so conscious of the need for eyes that the project will be supported just as blood banks have been supported.

A cornea is a tiny piece of tissue, about the size of a dime, which curves in front of the pupil of the eye. Light necessary for vision passes through it. A damaged or cloudy cornea means blindness. It was estimated that out of a total blind population of 250,000 in this country, some 15,000 can hope to have their sight restored by the delicate operation through which a bad cornea is removed and a

new one implanted. The eye bank is located at 210 East 64th Street, New York.

Claims 4th Set Of Natural Teeth

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (UP)—A 61-year-old Springfield woman says she is growing her fourth set of natural teeth.

New teeth grow in as fast as old ones were extracted, she said, until she had a complete third set. They wore better than the previous teeth, she said, until a few years ago when a dentist extracted four of them.

Now, she reported, four new teeth are growing to take their places.

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"- BUT I WAS RIGHT DEAD RIGHT!"

"I was going into that intersection first. I had the right of way—that truck driver should have stopped when he saw me—I was right, dead right!"

"Yes, dear—you always were right—the other fellow always wrong. That's why we're here."

You know the kind, you've met him on the road—and ducked. He always barges through traffic when it's a question of split-second judgment. Never anticipates other drivers' actions—just assumes that traffic will give way. Owns the road. Drives with his horn.

He may get away with it for a time, plus a few tickets, because other drivers are more careful, more conscientious. But his kind eventually steps on the gas once too often—and for the last time he is "right—dead right!"

4,000 people died last year because "know-it-all" drivers violated rules of the road and the courtesies of driving. Good drivers never need to hold cemetery post-mortems. They drive carefully and live longer.



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