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BIG LYCEUM AT THE COZY THEATRE

The members of the Merkel Post American Legion, have contracted with the Dixie Lyceum Bureau for the playing at the Cozy Theatre in this city of four of their best and highest priced attractions during the fall and winter months, and on another page of this paper will be found a large display advertisement announcing that on next Thursday, October 20, the first attraction, "The Biltmore Society Orchestra" will appear at the above named theatre for the evening's engagement.

It is useless for us to say much in commendation of this approaching entertainment, for every one who knows anything about Lyceum's know that the Dixie is absolutely one of the best, traversing the nation. And the glowing press reports all of which praise to the highest, the Biltmore Society Orchestra, very plainly demonstrates that our American Legion boys have been careful and wise in making the selection of their attractions. Hence, we take pleasure in assuring Merkel and surrounding community that, if they do not attend, they will miss one of the finest and highest class entertainments ever coming to our city. And while we should show our appreciation of the American Legion boys' spirit of trying to bring to our city such high class entertainments, by attending each and every attraction, we are assured of getting value received in an educational and recreational way besides.

"The Biltmores" are under the able leadership of Mr. Eugene Schweizer, who has an unusual baritone voice, rich in quality and of big range and power. The vocal efforts with orchestral accompaniment are a delightful feature of the program. In fact the orchestra might well be called a singing orchestra for there is a refreshing novelty in the many combinations. Readings, vocal and instrumental solos, duets, trios, quartets and sextets, in fact all possible arrangements for voice and instruments are used. Selections from "Merry Wives of Windsor," "Pagliacchi," and some of Nevins' Classical efforts are featured, as well as numerous other interesting numbers.

Let's show the boys we appreciate their efforts to give us the best there is in clean, high class entertainment by giving them a double capacity house.

R. A. ELLIS WINS ON FINE CHICKENS

R. A. Ellis, splendid Merkel citizen who takes pride in raising fine, thorough bred Rhode Island chickens, returned first of the week from Lubbock where he placed on exhibition several pens of his famous chickens, and Uncle Bob is happy over the fact that he was winner in many contests. He won first premium on best cockrell, first and third on cockrell, second on pullet, second pen and champion cockrell the entire show, including all birds. And he says he had hard competition, for those plains do raise some fine chickens.

T. Sheppard, the genial efficient manager of the Furniture Company of the city, left first of the week for the state.

7,000 BALES HAVE BEEN WEIGHED HERE

Up to the last of the week, Mr. J. M. Garrett, our splendid Cotton Weigher, will have received about 6,000 bales of cotton this year and there has also been shipped from here 1,000 bureau bales to date. This was about the number of bales that our most optimistic citizens expected we would get for the year some two months ago, but it seems now that we may get 8,000 or more.

Up to this date last year (1920) we had received about 3,000 bales; while for the entire year of 1920, we received more than 16,000. Up to October 15, 1919 there had been received 6,000 bales and for the year more than 22,000 bales were received for the year.

RETURNS FROM ATTENDING FUNERAL OF BRO.

Mr. C. E. Conner, valuable employe of the Star Store, returned last Saturday from Hamilton where he had been called to attend the funeral of his only brother, who at the age of 67 years died on last Thursday. Deceased had been a citizen of the West Point community, near Hamilton for forty years; was a well to do and highly respected citizen who numbered his friends by his acquaintances.

We join the many friends of our fellow townsman in extending to him deepest sympathy during this sad hour.

REMAINS W. L. CLAY ARE BURIED HERE

The remains of W. L. Clay, aged 70 years, who died at the home of his son, Comer Clay, 717 Poplar street, Monday morning were sent to Merkel by the Laughter Undertaking Company Tuesday morning. Bural services were held at ten o'clock.

Mr. Clay is survived by two sons, Comer Clay, who is connected with the Ed. S. Hughes Company of this city, and Guy Clay of Fort Smith, Ark. A sister, Mrs. Southard, of Fort Smith, also survives.

Mr. Clay was formerly a merchant of Merkel, having removed to Arkansas several years ago. He had moved to Abilene from Arkansas only a few months ago. A large party of Abilene friends of the family accompanied the remains to Merkel. —Abilene Reporter.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ENTERTAINS

On last Tuesday after noon at five the Baptist Senior Sunday Class entertained the Methodist Blue Bird Class and the Presbyterian Intermediate classes, in the basement of the Baptist Church.

Several games and contests were played, Mary Cleo Booth and Mary Francis Anderson winning the first prize, which was to give a reading, which were enjoyed by all. Dorothy Sanders won in the Scripture contest then she was asked to quote the 23rd Psalm. Nell Sharp gave us two very enjoyable readings.

About six o'clock, the president of the class invited us into supper, where a delightful punch and cake was served. As the guests departed each was wishing for another such entertainment soon. We were glad to have the other girls with us.

A Guest.

Peace Maker Flour, at G. M. Sharp's

DAVIS BEASLEY IS ACQUITTED

According to the Abilene Daily Reporter and reports generally, Davis Beasley of this city who some time ago was indicted with his brother, Robert Beasley with the murder of John Chadwick, was acquitted of said charge by a jury in district court at Abilene Wednesday afternoon. The case went to trial Monday of this week; was finished and turned over to the jury about noon Wednesday and which body rendered a verdict in a short time of acquittal.

We understand the case against Robert Beasley was continued until the next term of court, on account of material witnesses being absent.

BAPTIST ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday school at 10 a. m. with places for all.

Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Morning subject, "The Unfruitful Fig Tree."

Evening subject, "A Living Sacrifice."

B. Y. P. U. 5 p. m. We have two Unions meetings at this hour with a welcome for every young man or woman especially every Baptist young person.

The religious census workers will meet at the church at 2 p. m.

Our thoughts are made glad at the thought of the blessings of the Lord on our work during the church year that has just closed and we face the future with new courage. During the year the 47 churches in the Sweetwater Baptist Association received approximately 2000 members, 800 of them being received for baptism. There are ten other churches in our association yet to report. When we remember that our association embraces only the churches in Taylor, Nolan and Mitchell counties we will see the wonderful ingathering we had the past year.

With these 2000 new recruits we can do a greater work this year, so let us set ourselves to the task at once. Come and find a place to serve. Ira L. Parrack Pastor.

Only a few days left to get the Merkel Mail for \$1.00.

NEW PASTOR AT M. E. CHURCH

At the North West Texas conference which closed at Amarillo on last Sunday evening, the Rev. C. W. Foote, for the past two years pastor of the church at Clyde, was assigned he pastorate of the Merkel church for the next Conference year and Rev. W. M. Murrell was sent to the work at Crowell. The Methodist people of Merkel as well as the general citizenship, regret very much to lose Rev. Murrell and his good wife as citizens among us, but join each other in commending them to the church membership and citizens of Crowell as worthy of the best fellowship. Brother Murrell's work in the church here has been most successful, and the members of the church at Crowell will find a capable, faithful and untiring minister.

To Rev. Foote and family who come to us most highly recommended from every standpoint, we join the members of the church and all Christian citizens in extending to them a most cordial and hearty welcome to Merkel, and from reports of his able work elsewhere, we feel sure that his noble efforts here will be crowned with success and that our little city and her people will be benefitted by his having come among us.

NAT ANDERSON IN CHARGE OF FILLING STATION

A deal has been made this week whereby the Stucco Filling Station, opposite the Cozy Theatre has come under the management of Nat Anderson, and will here after be known as the Anderson Filling Station.

Mr. Anderson is a splendid young business man, and we join his many friends in wishing for him splendid success in his new undertaking. Read his announcement on another page of this paper.

Mr. L. A. Freeman returned the first of this week from an extended visit with relatives in New Mexico. Mr. Freeman while there purchased a section of that fine state land and will likely take a notion some of these days to become a "settler" on same.

FINE PECAN ARE GROWN NEAR HERE

The Merkel Mail is pleased to acknowledge receipt of some very fine large and thin shelled pecans, grown on the farm of the Misses Garoutte, three miles north east. In fact it is seldom that one finds such splendid and large pecans grown in this part of the country as were these from this fertile and well improved farm.

We learn that these ladies' father planted these pecans possibly in the year 1887, the same year that he settled with his family on this then unimproved farm, located in the unsettled West, and on which he remained for many years, continuing to improve same as the years went by, until it became a model country home, with nearly all the conveniences one could desire.

Certainly the fine samples as shown us demonstrates very plainly that the planting of pecan trees in this country would not only prove to be profitable, but would guarantee splendid shade as well as ornamental trees about one's place.

Plant more shade trees, and make some of them pecans. Try it. You may not live to see and enjoy the comforts thereof, but as in this case, those who dwell here afterwards will; then you will have at least done something that will be appreciated and enjoyed by others.

BAPTIST PROGRESS GREAT IN THE WEST

Sweetwater Baptist Association (Comprising Taylor, Nolan and Mitchell counties) met in regular annual session at Ovalo Oct. 5th, this being the 47th annual meeting. Last year 32 churches were represented, while this year 47 churches made reports. A digest of letters present, among other things, showed 19 woman's Auxiliaries, 21 Sr. and 6 Jr. B. Y. P. U.'s and 39 Sunday school were in operation. 800 baptism and 1200 additions to churches otherwise were reported. Cash contributions to all causes totaled near \$158,000.00. The spirit of fellowship was great and plans were laid for advancement in all departments of their work for this year. A committee was appointed to act in conjunction with denominational forces to foster the erection at the earliest possible moments the West Texas Baptist Hospital to be built at Abilene.

IT'S YOUR GAIN

We wish to remind the public in general that there is yet 15 days only, of the Merkel Mail's Bargain Days, as announced for the past two weeks, during which time you can get the Mail for one year for only one dollar. This applies to renewals and new subscribers alike. So if you are not a reader and expect to become one soon, now is the time to do so, and which will mean a saving of fifty cents. It also means the same thing to those who are already taking the paper if they renew now.

Just remember don't ask us to send you a paper for one year for one dollar. We have in days, as will be \$1.50.

NO BILL FOR THE CARTER

The special grand jury called by District Judge Chatman, Wednesday night at the request of the body discharged Thursday night. Only one bill of indictment charging misdemeanor was turned into court before adjournment: D. Coats and Speights were jointly indicted for the theft of seed cotton for the value of \$50.00.

Primarily, the extraordinary session of the grand jury was called for the purpose of investigating the killing of Thurm Carter at his home three miles west of Noodle, about three weeks ago. Carter was shot in the breast with one or more shotguns. Following the shooting his wife, Mrs. Laura Carter surrendered and was placed under \$5,000 bond to await action of the grand jury.

After a thorough investigation, the grand jury voted "no bill." The following named citizens constituted the grand jury: J. C. Edwards, Ed. Rowell, R. H. Stovall, T. J. Barrett, H. O. Casie, Loyal Lollar, J. C. Williams, R. H. Tidwell, Walter Love, W. O. Womack, W. L. Ely.—Anson Enterprise.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In the Sunday school attendance contest conducted on the percentage basis between the Sunday schools of Abilene, Baird and Merkel, our Sunday school is leading. The contest will continue through this quarter, we need your help to win, and we are counting on every member.

Last Sunday, in the absence of the pastor, the layman of the church conducted the services, and we desire to thank those who helped to make the services so good.

Sunday Oct 16, Sunday school at the usual hour, bring a new scholar, we added six to our roll last Sunday. Preaching at the 11 o'clock hour. No service at the evening hour, as the pastor takes part on the program at the Installation service of Rev. R. B. Twity at Central Presbyterian church at Abilene. All other services of the week will meet at their regular hours. Fred S. Rogers, pastor.

FARM STATISTICS TAYLOR COUNTY

The following is a tabulated report of the agricultural conditions on January 1, 1920 as compared to April 15, 1910. On January 1, 1920 there were 1,892 farms in Taylor county as compared to 2,404 in 1910.

There were 1,887 farms operated by white farmers and five by colored.

No farms operated by owners and managers, 910; by tenants 982 in 1920.

Total number of acres in farms 455,419 in 1920 as compared to 1,377,277 acres in 1910.

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PLANT PECAN TREES

Time does not halt after a tree is planted. If taken care of it will keep right on growing while the person planting it continues to attend to other duties of life. Ten years ago many hesitated to set out a small pecan orchard because of the time it would take before the trees came into bearing. Today they wish they had followed the hunch because if they had they would now own an orchard which would be producing revenue, and one which would continue to produce, with a little attention at the proper time, throughout their lives and the lives of their children.

The planting of trees in Texas has been of a haphazard nature. To most persons a tree is a tree, and they have given no thought to its material value except that in time it would produce shade. Among the hundred of thousands of trees in the city of Dallas and other cities in the Southwest, only here and there is found a pecan tree. Pecans, when not crowded, grow into beautiful trees about as fast as do the ordinary hardwoods commonly planted. If even half of these trees were pecans, the revenue would amount to thousands of dollars.

In planting trees why not select varieties that produce either nuts, fruits or flowers? Farm and Ranch.

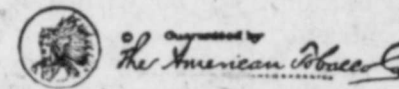
DYING

We use pure "Aniline Dyes" that won't rub off. We positively guarantee the job. Ligon the laundryman. Phone 218.

Postmaster Shirley King, left first of the week for South Texas, where he will spend some ten days vacation. Mr. King has been faithful and efficient in the performance of his duties as Postmaster and his friends are glad of his privilege of a few days vacation from strenuous duties.



Once you've enjoyed the toasted flavor you will always want it



We regret to learn that our young friend and most excellent citizen, Herbert Patterson, and family have this week moved to Abilene, where they will reside in the future. Just what Mr. Patterson's business intentions are after he is located in that city we have not learned, but we feel sure that he will be successful, and we join his host of friends here in commending him and his excellent family to the best people of that city.

HOW IS THIS?

A 5-room house, 2 1/2 lots, east front, one block east of the Post Office; all for \$2,000. Call at the Merkel Mail or address Post office Box 54. 7t4pd.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

(Condensed)

At the close of business Sept. 6th, 1921

As shown below and invite your careful scrutiny. For a more carefully itemized statement we refer you to our statement in this issue made to the controller.

You will note that this statement shows a careful conservative management with plenty of funds to take care of the legitimate needs of the community, and we solicit your business on the showing therein made, together with the Service that we offer every customer.

BRING YOUR COTTON CHECKS FOR DEPOSIT

RESOURCES

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| Loans, Time and Demand | \$267,022.52 |
| Other Bonds and Securities | 18,666.37 |
| U. S. Securities | 11,629.73 |
| Stock in Fed. Reserve Bank | 1,950.00 |
| Stock in Fed. Int. Bkg. Co. | 900.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 4,500.00 |
| Other Real Estate | 3,000.00 |
| Five per cent Red. Fund | 312.50 |
| CASH & SIGHT EX. | 149,270.97 |
| Total | \$457,252.09 |

LIABILITIES

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| Capital Stock | \$50,000.00 |
| Surplus Fund | 15,000.00 |
| Undivided Profits | 8,800.86 |
| Circulation Acct. | 6,250.00 |
| BORROWED MONEY | NONE |
| REDISCOUNTS | NONE |
| BILLS PAYABLE | NONE |
| OTHER LIABILITIES | NONE |
| DEPOSITS | 377,201.23 |
| Total | \$457,252.09 |



THURSDAY CLUB

The members of the Thursday Club were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. L. R. Thompson, 510 Oak street, with Mrs. Mason Pee assistant hostess.

The guests upon arriving were greeted by the hostess and were shown into rooms beautifully decorated in Halloween attire.

Tables were arranged for the ever popular game of forty-two. After several very enthusiastic games, yellow envelopes were passed, containing eight pieces of black card board which, when put together would form the letters T and P, representing the hostess names. This proved quite an interesting task and after much puzzling to complete hers, Mrs. T. L. Grimes was first, and was presented a lovely Salad mixing spoon.

Then came the "nut" contest.

As was laughingly said, this contest proved to be "suitable" for all members and in a cut with several, Mrs. T. L. Grimes proved to be the lucky one, and was given a beautiful set of Table numbers. In a cut for the "Booby", Mrs. Groene was awarded a "Nut" neatly wrapped in tissue paper.

Tables were then made inviting with beautiful handmade covers, and dainty place cards of little pumpkin heads overlooking board fences all in keeping with Halloween.

A delicious ice course was served consisting of vanilla cream, chocolate covered, with and chocolate block cake. These were then passed containing a fortune for each. One was in the midst of opening over their forehead when they discovered the being and bys.



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GLEANERS ORGANIZE

The members of the new class of the Methodist Sunday school met in a very interesting business session, at the home of their teacher, Mrs. L. R. Thompson last Tuesday evening.

The "Gleaners" was unanimously adopted as the name of this class and class dues were fixed at twenty-five cents per month. A business and social meeting will be held the second Tuesday of each month.

The Gleaners organized with twenty two members and the following officers were elected, and committees appointed: Mr. Case, President; Mr. Vaughn, secretary; Mrs. Len Sublett, Treasurer; Mrs. Reece Hail, asst teacher; Mrs. Thompson, class Reporter; Entertainment committee; Mr. W. W. Wood, Mrs. Vaughn, and Mrs. Mason Pee.

New membership committee Mr. Vaughn; Mrs. Gilbreth; Mrs. Len Sublett. Visiting committee; Mrs. W. W. Wood, Mrs. Case; Mrs. Sandusky; Mr. Reece Hail; Mr. Mason Pee.

Shut-in committee; Mrs. Hail Mr. Wood; Mr. Len Sublett; Mrs. Earl Stevens; and Mrs. Vaughn.

Reporter.

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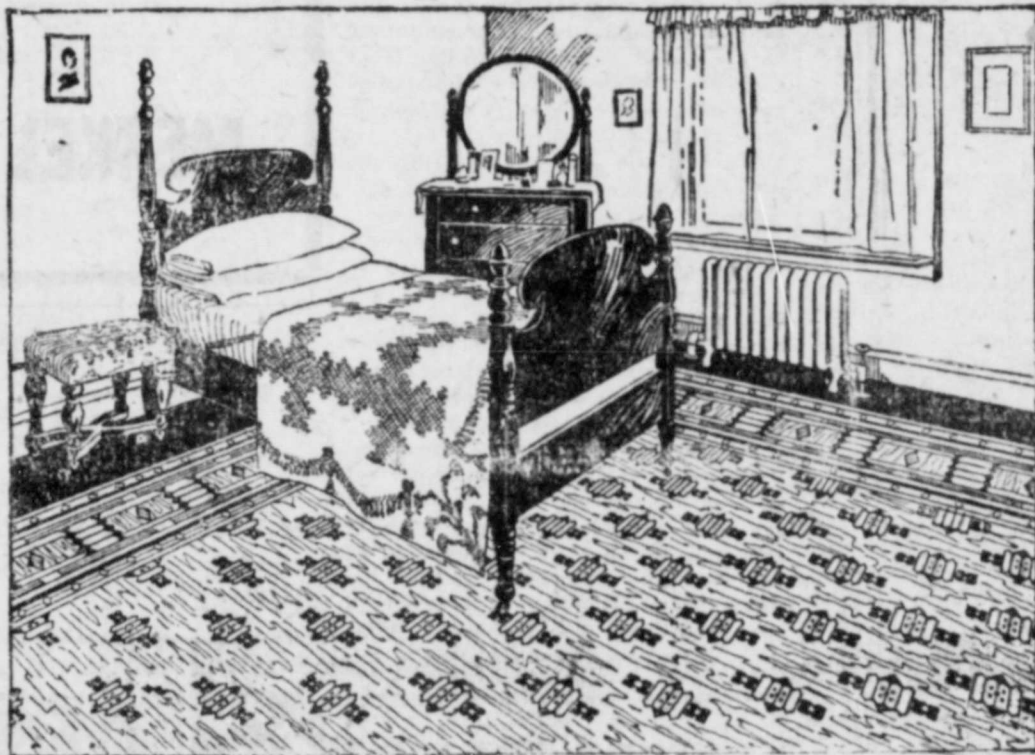
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money that enables the worker to meet the cost of economical living, with a little over, is the wage that inspires to thrift and saving. "The saving wage" is a great slogan for the world of work that America is trying to reconstruct out of the chaos left by war.

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SPECIAL PRICES

Quilts and Blankets—See Ligon, the Laundryman. Phone 218.

Y. P. M. S. NOTES

The young peoples Missionary society met at the home of Miss Murphy Thomas on last Monday night in mission study. As usual we had a very interesting lesson and each one of us enjoyed it very much. Next mission study-lesson we want every member to please come and enjoy these good lessons. We will soon be through our book and want to select another for our study next year. There are also some plans pending for a Halloween Social so be sure to be present next Monday evening to help with these plans. Reporter

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SCARBOROUGH B. Y. P. U.

Subject—Stewardship of Talents.
1. Song service.
2. Prayer, by leader Yates Brown.
3. Introduction by Yates Brown.
4. The Holy Spirit gives each a talent, by Maud Hardy.
5. The Gift is for service, by Clyde Foster.
6. The Ideals of the world, by Mary Cleo Booth.
7. The Christian Ideal, by Ray Adkisson.
8. Reading, by Annie Marie Brown.
9. God's plan in the world, by Bertha Deal.
10. The Source of Rejoicing, by Floyd Dowell.
11. Prayer, by Rev. Parrack.

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Leader—Ola Sharp.
The Holy spirit gives each a talent, by Mr. Hancock.
The gift is for service, by Alva Wheeler.
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The Ideals of the world, by Gylrie Howard.
The Christian Ideal, by Ruth Newberry.
God's place in the world, by Mr. Clarence Keele.
Reading, Mrs. McConnell.
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ALATHEAN CLASS MEET

The Alatheans met on Sept. 30 at the home of Mrs. General Jones, with Mrs. Mary Bearden as assistant hostess.

Class was called to order by the Vice President. All joined in singing the class song. Scripture was read by Mrs. O. R. Bird, followed by a prayer by Mrs. McCandless. The Class voted to change the hour of meeting to two o'clock. Our hostess had given us Bible questions to look up and ask at the class meeting and if no one else could answer them we were to tell them ourselves. In this way we learned quite a number of interesting questions in one afternoon.

When our hostess passed around refreshments, consisting of chicken salad, cake, and punch we all decided that was the most interesting part of the afternoon.

The class will hold the next meeting at Mrs. R. J. Millers on Oct. 28. Let all members come. Reporter.

EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

Subject, "Bridling the Tongue".

- Leader—Alma Barbee.
1. Hymn number 15.
2. Scripture readings, Jas. 3. 1-13.
3. Hints on scripture lesson by Brannic Bailey.
4. Special music—Nell Holloway.
5. Thoughts for development, 1, 2, and 3, by Jewell Burns 4, 5, and 6, by Cyrus Pee.
6. Reading, by Gladys Middle ton.
7. What is the good of our Epworth League?—Joe Riney.
8. Hymn number 84.
9. Benediction.

The league has put on a contest and each leader of the opposing sides urge that every one come and join one of the opposing forces.

Cleaning and pressing.—That you will be proud of. One day service if desired. No gasoline odor. Ligon, the laundryman. Phone 218.

YOUNG PEOPLES BIBLE STUDY

Sunday afternoon at four o'clock the young people of the Church of Christ will study the outline as follows:

1. The call of Abraham, by Herbert Williams.
2. The Journey's of Abraham and Lot, by Ona Fae Rose.
3. Abraham and Isaac, by Hat tie Proctor.
4. Song by six girls.
5. Mrs. Gladys Bankhead, leader for the afternoon. J. O. Adcock.

PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY

The social held at Mrs. Tom Compton's was enjoyed by all. Cake and Chocolate were served.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rogers will be open Friday evening Oct. 14 at 7:30 for every one who enjoys a social, and good eats. The ladies of the auxiliary are working hard to raise money for the necessary means to carry out their plans. From all who wish to help in this, a free will offering will be accepted with many thanks. Come one, come all. Reporter.

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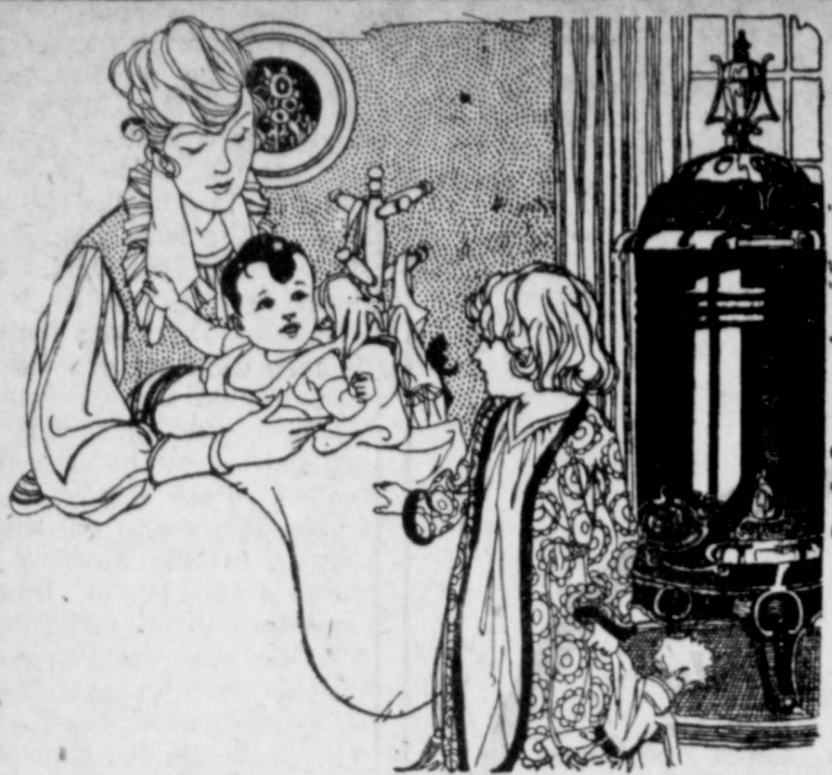
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Its work that counts, since life is a struggle from the beginning for existence, then for maintenance, and then for supremacy, misfortunes, accidents and vicious acts of man must be accepted as an incident of life and evil effect over come by new planning and renewed energy. Hence it all means work after all, to one who expects to accomplish anything worth while in this world.

Your Fur, Plush and velvet trimmed suits will look new when we clean them. Ligon, the Laundryman. Phone 218. Oct.

Miss Ruth Boden came in this week after an extended trip in California. All of her friends are glad to welcome her back to Merkel.

ECZEMA!

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Saturday, October 15th.

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Century Comedy

Monday, October 17th.

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A Paramount

Production

Tuesday, October 18th.

The 14th. Episode

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THE AVENGING ARROW

With

A Pathe Feature

Wednesday, October 19th.

WILLIAM S. HART

in

"Cradle of Courage"

It is a Paramount

Production

Friday, October 21st.

"BLUSHING BRIDE"

A William Fox

Production

Thursday, October 20th.

ANITA STEWART

in

"Yellow Typemoon"

It is a Special Picture

Don't Miss it

HOW TO BE SUCCESSFUL

Have Friend Tell You What Your Most Serious Faults Are and Correct Them.

A million people may read this article. Some have been successes in the battle of life, others haven't. Some will be successes, others won't. It may be too late to save the non-successes; but there is time to rescue a hundred thousand or more of those who, ordinarily, would recruit the army of the unsuccessful.

To them I would say this, speaks a writer in the London Answers: Not one of us is perfect. You may be qualified to do the work which you have to do. You may do it efficiently, but are you even now conscious that there is a something which hinders your progress?

Assuming a reply in the negative, then the chances are a hundred to one that what you need to accelerate your progress and establish your success is a candid friend.

I could set down here the names of three men who are successes in life. It is highly probable that they would have been failures, or but part successes, had it not been for a candid friend. The latter, seeing them day by day, watched their development, and marked the beginning of each fault, each flaw, each idiosyncrasy. These handicap. And the handicap increases as the fault, or whatever it is, develops.

One of the men is a young barrister. He had the brains, the gift of speech, knowledge, and some influence. But he developed a flaw, an idiosyncrasy. How it started he knows not; but in the courts, when pleading, he began to wear a sort of inane smile. His candid friend told him of it, and the smile came off.

A clergyman who to-day is a canon, and will go farther, has several times been rescued by a candid friend. As a curate he developed a trick of sticking his head ludicrously forward and blinking. The candid friend cured him.

Instances could be multiplied, but you see the point?

Select a friend, and invest him with the office of candid friend to yourself. Tell him that you desire him to tell you, with no apologies and no kindly dilution of his criticism, what your faults, developed and developing, are. And then take the medicine and cure yourself.—London Answers.

Japan's Original Name.

The English word "Japan" and the Japanese "Nihon" or "Nippon" are like corruptions of Yip-pen, the Chinese pronunciation of two characters literally meaning "sun origin"; that is, "the place the sun comes from"—a name given to Japan by the Chinese on account of the position of the archipelago to the east of their own country.

From Chinese Yip-pen, says the East and West News, the Japanese derived the present name Nippon, which was officially adopted, according to the history, in A. D. 670. Before that time the usual native designation of the country was Yamato, properly the name of one of the central provinces. Yamato is the name still preferred in poetry and belles-lettres.

The English name Japan seems to have originated with the Portuguese, who spelled the Chinese Yip-pen Japan, the letter J being silent or similar to H according to their language. This is the way the Spanish and the Portuguese still pronounce Japan. From "Japan" came the English Japan.

On His Way.

A professor had promised to deliver a lecture in London, but owing to the poor train service he found he had very little time to spare if he was to get to the hall in time. On arriving in London all he could find was a "growler."

"Drive as fast as you can," he shouted to the cabby as he jumped in. The cabby whipped up his horse and after 10 minutes' furious driving the professor put his head out of the window.

"Do you know where you're driving me?" he asked.

"No," growled the cabby, "but I'm driving as fast as I can."

May Secure Famous Building.

An American educator has been trying to buy, as a Franco-American memorial, a building that few Americans ever heard of, though it has been called the "baptismal font of America." It is the house in Saint Die, on the Meurthe river, about six miles from the old German frontier, in which in 1507 the name America was first put upon the printed page and engraved upon the map. In the same neighborhood soldiers of the first separate American unit wrote the name of their country in their blood.—Youth's Companion.

All Around.

Mary's hair was curly and her mother had allowed it to grow naturally until a few weeks ago, when she sent her to the barber shop to get it cut. She was gone quite a while, and then she came rushing breathlessly home. "Oh, family," she cried in great glee. "Now I have bangs in the back just like them in the front."

Fitting Ornament.

"Lydia has such a nice sense of the appropriate."

"Wear unde you notice it particularly just now?"

"Didn't you see her carried a metal bag with her shot silk?"

—Baltimore Am.

Something to Think About

By F. A. WALKER

OUR WASTEFUL HABITS

IT IS frequently remarked by close-observing Englishmen who visit America, that our people are shamefully wasteful, and fling away money without any apparent thought of the proverbial rainy day.

Whether these alien commenters have penetrated deeply into the subject is not definitely known, but judging from their oft-repeated averments, assuming at times a form of caustic criticism, there is doubtless more truth in the matter than we suspect. It is not without a pang of regret—that we Americans, who are disposed to analyze conditions with unbiased minds, reluctantly admit that our English cousins are right.

We recognize that we have many spendthrifts, constantly setting a bad example to the young, that they are extravagant and decidedly foolish.

Money is poured out like water, as though, like Topsy, "it just grew." There is consolation, however, in the thought that these profligates come mostly from the ranks of the newly rich and thoughtless inheritors. They have no idea of the stern realities of life, nor the long dragging years of incessant labor and self-denial that are necessary for a working or professional man to accumulate even a moderate competency for old age.

These people congregate where the music flows, where the tables are heaped with dainties. They smile and backbite, puff themselves up like frogs and spend recklessly. They fall naturally into a state which is common to their kind.

If we could follow them through their improvident course to the end, we would find them in pitiable plight, repentant and likely as not homeless.

The necessity of conserving time and money ought now to be impressed upon all of us with considerable more stress than it has been in the recent past, and particularly upon the inconsiderate young men and women.

Let high thinking, hard work and thriftiness form the important part of our spiritual bill of fare, so that in the end we may be robust of body and soul, sound of purse, unafraid of landlords and in position in old age to accept all the vagaries of life with supreme confidence and complacency.

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LYRICS OF LIFE

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

WHY NOT TELL HER SO?

OF COURSE you love her just the same

As when at first you wed,

Perhaps with not so hot a flame,

But still the coals are red.

The new-made blaze is bright with heat

And ruddy with desire;

But time shall give you something sweet—

Peace, and the quiet fire.

Of course you love her as of old,

Your love she ought to know,

New loves burn hot, new loves turn cold,

With all the winds that blow,

But time shall bring the steady blaze,

The flame that never dies;

Yea, time shall bring contented days,

The quiet ingleside.

Of course you love her as of yore—

The years that you have shared

Have made you love her even more

Than ever you have cared.

Of course you love her just the same,

Your love she ought to know,

For time has brought the steady flame—

But why not tell her so?

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HOW DO YOU SAY IT?

By C. N. LURIE

Common Errors in English and How to Avoid Them

"SPOONFULS," ETC.

IN CONSIDERING the proper form of the plurals of such words as "spoonful," "cupful," "barrelful," etc., it must be borne in mind that the unit considered is not the spoon, the arm, the cup, etc.; but the material that fills the spoon, etc. Thus, the unit is the spoonful, not the spoon, and as "spoonful" is the name of a thing in itself, the proper form of the plural is found by adding an "s" to the word "spoonful," and not to the part of the word "spoon."

Of course, there are times when the unit is the spoon itself; that is, when two or more spoons are filled. When, for example, you have before you two spoons filled with sugar, you should say "two spoons full," and not "two spoonfuls." But when you take a spoon, fill it, and empty it

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Mrs. Austin, of came in this week to daughter, Mrs. Jack

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A brother news declares the three in human life an age and death. They generally regarded master events in a life. With birth we have to do in our own case. We when we reach a certain age, to find ourselves here, with life's program to live. It is vastly more important us what we do with our lives. The big events are in marriage and overcoming and useful the opportunity marriage, it is much useful to stay married and married As to death, we finally defeat it, but we proper living delay it and from its dread. The big events in life are those in which we mount difficulties and plagues in the hearts of friends and on the tal memory and engrave such our day and time by their service and being of use about us.—Palestine Herald

Lost, last Saturday, in South West part of town, Crank to an Overland Car; will pay for its return, or will exchange one of another make found near my residence of the one I can get it

Why Suffer?

Cardui "Did Wonders for Me," Declares This Lady.

"I suffered for a long time with womanly weakness," says Mrs. J. R. Simpson, of 57 Spruce St., Asheville, N. C. "I finally got to the place where it was an effort for me to go. I would have bearing-down pains in my side and back—especially severe across my back, and down in my side there was a great deal of soreness. I was nervous and easily upset."

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ALL DRUGGISTS

MONEY IN SIGHT

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the cause of the present lack of
respect for our courts and fear
of those officials who draw pay
to protect instead of torturing
people. Privileged crime can and
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POINTS THE WAY

The Statement of this Abi-
lene resident will interest our
readers.

Our neighboring town, Abi-
lene points the way in the words
of one of its most respected resi-
dents:

Mrs. J. F. Ray, 604 Oak St.,
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believe in Doan's Kidney
Pills for they have proven to me
that they are just as represent-
ed. If I did a little heavy work
it weakened my kidneys and I
would have a dull, aching in my
back. I was also annoyed with
headaches and would become so
dizzy I felt as though I would
fall I certainly needed some-
thing, and as I had heard so
much about Doan's Kidney Pills
I decided to try them. I got
Doan's and used them. They en-
tirely cured me and I have been
in fine health since. I don't
know what a pain in the back is
any more."

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N. Y.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Ballenger Ledger; The poor
we have with us always, but the
chances are, we are going to
have more poor than usual dur-
ing the coming winter. There
will be a surplus of unemployed
people who depend on their
daily earnings for their meat
and bread.

It is a bad time for those who
are out of work. But is no worse
than such times have been in
past years. The greatest diffi-
culty now is to dispose of labors
products increasingly, in order
that more labor may be employ-
ed. There will not soon be, how-
ever, a return to the excessive
factory production of the war
years. Too many people left the
country and set up in town be-
tween 1914 and 1920. Industry
absorbed them only temporarily,
and under the new conditions
there not enough places for
them. Always heretofore the
farming country has been able
to absorb all periodic urban over-
plus. It is still able to, but is wil-
ling to only on its own terms.
They have been "selling" men
at public auction on Boston Com-
mon. It is said that in and about
Boston are 300,000 unemployed
men. If they would spread them-
selves out over New England
every one of them could get
work on farms, at board and
keep wages. This thing the ma-
jority won't do. They will stay
in the bread line, disintegrate
in character before they will go
to a farm and work for board
and lodging. A large percentage
of the Boston unfortunates are
of the type who, in days when
jobs were becoming from every
direction, acquired the habit of
telling the boss to go to hell
State Press was in a Boston
barber shop during the good
times and heard one of the jour-
neymen barbers curse the boss
barber roundly for refusing to
pay a whole week's wage for a
half a week's work. That barber
probably is now looking for a
"chair" today, and cursing the
world for not offering him one.
Whether it is agreeable or not,
whether it be nobody's fault or
everybody's fault, the fact is
that agriculture will have to ab-
sorb the overflow from the in-
dustrial and distributive centers
Agriculture will absorb on its
own terms. On the farm the
man gets a fair day's pay for a
fair day's work, in the final sol-
ution of the unemployment prob-
lem. You

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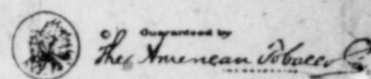
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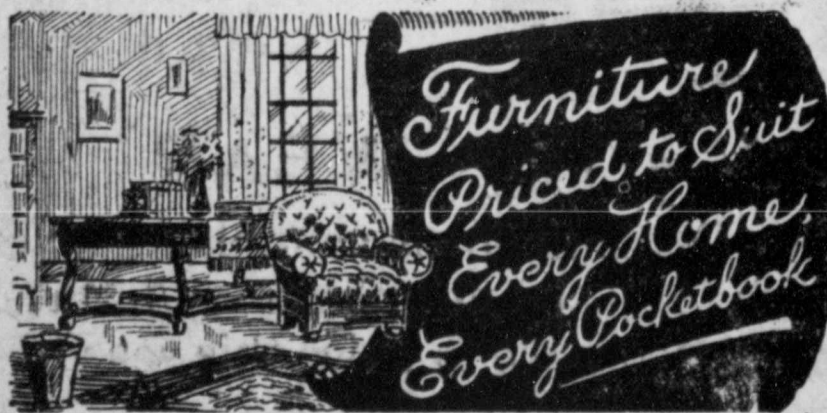
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METHODIST WOMANS MISSIONARY NOTES

According to previous arrangement the Missionary Society had a "White Elephant Sale" last Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. Geo. Brown's. By two o'clock, the appointed hour, a good crowd of (curious) ladies had arrived. A program had been arranged and the Elephant's tail was pinned in every part from the end of his snout to the proper place. Doing the "Elephant Walk" was next indulged in much to the merriment of the on lookers. Next came the drawing of packages containing the "White Elephant". All who were not satisfied with the elephant they received were permitted to return it and draw again. Different indeed were the sizes, color, and shape of the Elephants, but everybody seemed to be content with their elephant and went away happy. This was also a fare well reception for Bro. and Sister Murrell and as a token of our love and in kind remembrance the Missionary Society and Search Light Class presented them with a set of silver spoons. Mrs. Russell in her own impressive way made the presentation speech weaving in the idea that this was our "White Elephant" to them. Bro. Murrell then very graciously thanked us for this little token and said so many good things to us and about us that we shall never forget that afternoon and the "White Elephant sale". The refreshments consisted of tea cakes, coffee, and cocoa. The tea cakes were passed in an abundance and the coffee and cocoa was served in tin cups. This was a delightful sale and one to be remembered. We are very grateful to the "Ways and Means" committee for their untiring efforts in making this sale a success and to our beloved president for her home for the sale. Reporter

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METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

As is pretty well known to all Brother Murrell returned Monday from Conference where he was given an assignment for the next Conference year to the work of the church at Crawell. He and sister Murrell left in their new Buick-four Thursday morning for their new field of labor. We realize our church people were indeed sorry to lose them from among us, but join each other in commending them to the church and christian people of the splendid little city of Crowell, and at the same time wish for them a happy, successful and prosperous year in their new field.

We also wish to call the attention of each member of the Methodist Church in this city that, on next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock hour begin the labors of a new conference year with the Rev. C. W. Foote, as our new pastor in charge, who who has been sent to us by the Conference, from the Clyde station, where for the past two years he has been very successful in building up the church and the cause there. He comes to us highly recommended, and let us remind each other that we have a duty to perform, in that we extend him a royal wel-

come and hearty support in his efforts here to carry on the work of the Master. Therefore, let us urge that on next Sunday morning we greet him with the largest attendance the Methodist have ever had before in this city. Let's let nothing keep us away. The members of this church have been diligent and faithful in the past in extending whole-hearted and unstinted cooperation to their pastor, which assisted him to make his work here a success, and let us further impress upon the minds of each other that it is our Christian duty, to if possible extend even a heartier and more united cooperation to our new pastor, for he is new among us and the responsibility is greater upon us. So, let every member, young and old feel that they have a place and a royal welcome at any and all services, and especially let all be on hand next Sunday and join unitedly in welcoming brother Foote and his estimable family. We also extend a most hearty welcome to the public at large to attend these services. L. W. Cox, Superintendent.

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The particular day of the year reserved for the paying of these vows is the occasion of a religious ceremonial which is known to outsiders as the Fire Walking festival.

Tuesday, July 19, was the festival day this year, and the Hindu temple was crowded. The Tamils present were not those of the coolie class only. There were shopkeepers, traders, merchants, clerks, and the number of cars outside testified to the wealth and position of some of those present.

A little after five o'clock in the afternoon the image of the goddess to whom these vows are paid was brought to the temple in procession, those who had vowed to pay being among the immediate escort. Flac was made for these as the procession entered the temple grounds and approached the "fire." The fire consisted of a bed of live coals about 18 feet long and 6 feet broad. Although it was not glowing—water having been thrown over it from a little trench at one end—still one felt the heat some feet away.

The first man to get over carried a "pagoda" on his head weighing about 20 pounds. He danced over the glow coals in slow, measured steps. This method was followed by the others also. There was no stepping over the coal gingerly. Each foot came down as if the owner trod a carpet floor. The "fire" was not swayed over once, but three times.

As each person left the coals he made a circuit of the temple and then entered it. The first man to get through the ceremony dropped at the temple door as he gave up his "pagoda."—North China Herald.

Original Meaning of "Dunce."

A stupid person is called a "dunce" for a most peculiar reason. "Dunce" comes from "duns," the name of one Duns Scotus, one of the greatest doctors of the ancient church and of the Franciscan order, a man known for his keenness and sharp wit.

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Making a Wife Useful.

The wife of the great botanist beamed at him across the supper table. "But these," she exclaimed, pointing to the dish of mushrooms that had been set before her, "are not all for me, Aristotle, are they?"

"Yes, Mabel," he nodded. "I gathered them especially for you with my own hands."

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At breakfast the next morning he greeted her anxiously. "Sleep all right?" he inquired.

"Splendidly," she smiled.

"Not sick at all—no pains?" he pressed.

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Fair Lady—"Your fortune! I didn't know you had one."

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WEIRD FIRE

Tamil Hindus Have Giving for Paying off During Illness.

When a Tamil Hindu recovers from a serious illness he sometimes makes a vow to do something entailing discomfort and pain to himself as a sort of manifestation of gratitude combined with self-sacrifice and self-abasement. These vows take different forms, such as rolling over and over on a hard metal road, lashing himself or being lashed on the back or wearing a hair shirt, but walking over live coals is the means most commonly chosen by the devotee, this being very often accompanied by other forms of self-torture.

The particular day of the year reserved for the paying of these vows is the occasion of a religious ceremonial which is known to outsiders as the Fire Walking festival.

Tuesday, July 19, was the festival day this year, and the Hindu temple was crowded. The Tamils present were not those of the coolie class only. There were shopkeepers, traders, merchants, clerks, and the number of cars outside testified to the wealth and position of some of those present.

A little after five o'clock in the afternoon the image of the goddess to whom these vows are paid was brought to the temple in procession, those who had vowed to pay being among the immediate escort. Place was made for these as the procession entered the temple grounds and approached the "fire." The fire consisted of a bed of live coals about 18 feet long and 6 feet broad. Although it was not glowing—water having been thrown over it from a little trench at one end—still one felt the heat some feet away.

The first man to get over carried a "pagoda" on his head weighing about 20 pounds. He danced over the glow coals in slow, measured steps. This method was followed by the others also. There was no stepping over the coal gingerly. Each foot came down as if the owner trod a carpet floor. The "fire" was not "walked over" once, but three times.

As each person left the coals he made a circuit of the temple and then entered it. The first man to get through the ceremony dropped at the temple door as he gave up his "pagoda."—North China Herald.

Original Meaning of "Dunce."

A stupid person is called a "dunce" for a most peculiar reason. "Dunce" comes from "duns," the name of one Duns Scotus, one of the greatest doctors of the ancient church and of the Franciscan order, a man known for his keenness and sharp wit.

Back in the Middle Ages theologians who had received their education in the cathedral schools founded by Charlemagne and his successors, were revered for their learning. Later the writings of these "schoolmen" formerly regarded as authoritative, fell into disfavor, mainly because the form in which their thoughts were expressed was unattractive.

Adherents of the teachings of the "schoolmen," particularly of Duns Scotus, one of the leaders, were often scornfully told, "O, you are a Dunse!" when in arguing a point they quoted from the "schoolmen." This is how it happens that "dunce" means dullness.

Making a Wife Useful.

The wife of the great botanist beamed at him across the supper table. "But these," she exclaimed, pointing to the dish of mushrooms that had been set before her, "are not all for me, Aristotle, are they?"

"Yes, Mabel," he nodded. "I gathered them especially for you with my own hands."

She beamed upon him gratefully. What a dear, unselfish old husband he was! In five minutes she had demolished the lot.

At breakfast the next morning he greeted her anxiously. "Sleep all right?" he inquired.

"Splendidly," she smiled.

"Not sick at all—no pains?" he pressed.

"Why, of course not, Aristotle," she responded.

"Hurrah, then!" he exclaimed. "I have discovered another species of mushroom that isn't poisonous!"

Specialized in Sewing.

Mrs. Lafferty—"Tin stitches did th' doctor have to take in me old man after the fight wid them policemen last night?"

Mrs. O'Hara—"Tin, was it, only tin? Sure when th' doctor seen me poor husband carried in this mornin', he sez, sez he, 'Do there be no wan here wid such a ting as a sewin' machine?'"—London Tit-Bits.

A Diplomatic Proposal.

Ardent Suitor—"I lay my fortune at your feet."

Fair Lady—"Your fortune! I didn't know you had one."

Ardent Suitor—"Well, it isn't much of a fortune, but it will look large beside those tiny feet."—Edinburgh Scotsman.

Pure Water on Ships.

By a recent decree of the United States public health service, all water used for cooking or drinking on steamships, on lakes and rivers and plying between ports of the United States and adjacent countries must be obtained on shore from a source approved by the public health service or if not obtained ashore must be treated by a method of service.

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Houston, Oct. 16.—L. Rams of 300 people—heirs of Jacob Baker, American soldier in the war of 1812—to be millionaires, are about to come true, according to the belief of Abner Williamson, Houston tailor shop owner, who is one of the 300.

The story started about the time of the last war between the United States and England, when American Soldiers were being paid for their services during the war. Among many other soldiers Jacob Baker was given a tract of land by the Government. Among the few to do so, Baker leased his land back to the Government for a period of ninety nine years.

Baker's land, seventy-five acres was situated where Philadelphia proper stands. On it now stand many large buildings.

Seek Baker's Heirs.

The lease to the government expired in 1916, when a five-year extension was made and the case turned over to a Philadelphia law concern by the Government to find the heirs of Jacob Baker.

Three hundred heirs were located in the United States and Canada—the original family having branched out, taking in the Williamson side.

Mrs. W. L. Keersher, Salt Lake City, Utah, the eldest of the Williamson side and W. M. Baker, Orange, Texas, the eldest of the Bakers, are handling the problem of identifying the heirs.

Each Gets \$2,000,000

The entire estate now amount to \$8000,000,000 according to informatics in the hands of Abner Williamson. This will be split in 300 ways, he said, making each heir entitled to \$2,000,000, the remains to defray expenses incurred by lawyers is handling the case.

There will be little difficulty in establishing the right of the heirs to the estate, Williamson said, as the government recognizes someone is to be paid for the land. None of the buildings

on the land in Philadelphia has a clear title to their land, according to Williamson.

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Mr. Tyra Sublett returned first of the week from a trip to Carlsbad Sanitarium, where he visited Mr. R. L. Bradshaw, who has been there for several weeks in the interest of his health, and whom he reports as getting along nicely. Mrs. Bradshaw is also visiting Mr. Bradshaw.

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SYBYTERIAN AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary met Monday afternoon at the church and an interesting lesson was had. A prayer was lead by Mrs. Johnson. Mrs. Rogers read the lesson on Missionaries.

The new books have come, and Mrs. Rogers will be the leader of this study.

The social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roges was quite successful. About fifty five were present and a splendid time was had by all. Every one was present and all had their part to play. The evening was a success and went a way feeling good wishes for another such social some time soon. We wish to thank all for their contribution. Reporter.

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B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

Do you know how men are saved? This is Earth's greatest question! This will be discussed in the Lee Scarborough B. Y. P. U. Sunday at five p. m. Oct 23. Leader— Mrs. Dora Roan

Introduction and prayer, Scripture reading, by Delbert Polly.

1. Man would have to live a perfect life, by Nell Swann.

2. All men are sinners and lost, by Viola Brown.

3. All who were saved before Christ's day were saved by faith in Christ, by Alma Barbee.

4. If men could be saved without Christ why should Christ have come?, by George Sharp.

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An' then come around with your words of praise—
Don't Wait

Don't wait 'til he's dead an' can't not hear
Your words of praise, your song of cheer;
Give him your flowers while he can smell,
A bunch of weeds would do just as well—
If you wait
Don't wait 'til his heart is silent in death
An' he ain't receivin' not even his breath,
An' then bring your flowers to place in his hand,
When he can't see a wink and can't understand—
Don't Wait!

If I've done anything that has any merit,
Please preach my funeral while I can hear it;
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