

## Chrysler Car Sets Double Transcontinental Trip Record

**Coast-to-Coast and back again!**  
A round trip transcontinental automobile record was hung up Tuesday, June 7, when a Chrysler Imperial '80' phaeton driven by its owner, L. B. Miller, arrived in Los Angeles at 9:59 A. M., 167 hours and 59 minutes out of San Francisco—by way of New York.

The time for the double transcontinental trip was just one minute less than seven days.

Miller started from San Francisco Tuesday, May 31, at 10 a. m. His primary purpose was to establish a round trip American record, but in doing so, he also broke the one-way cross country automobile record, which he himself had made last August. He arrived in New York Friday, June 3, having driven the 3385 miles of the Lincoln Highway in 79 hours and 55 minutes. This was three hours and 17 minutes faster than he covered the same route last year.

Not content with thus breaking all one-way transcontinental records, Miller waited in New York only one minute, no longer than was needed to have his time card officially stamped to verify his arrival at 8:55 p. m. and his departure at 8:56, and then he was on his way back to the Pacific Coast. On the return trip he took a southerly route by way of the National Old Trails, and over a distance of 3336 miles he reached Los Angeles in 86 hours 20 minutes.

The entire distance covered on this unprecedented trip was 6721 miles. The elapsed time between the departure from San Francisco and the arrival in Los Angeles was one minute less than seven days.

"I made a one-way transcontinental record two years ago by driving from New York to San Francisco in 110 hours," said Miller, after arriving in Los Angeles. "This record was broken, but last August I got it back again. Now I've broken my own record, and the other fellows have something to shoot at. The new mark we made going east this time will stay put for the one-way trip. I guess, and this round trip record is going to tax the abilities of any one to better."

"Mighty few drivers can sit seven days and nights at the wheel without a wink of sleep, and there are even fewer cars rugged enough to stand the terrific punishment of the 6700 mile grind involved in this sort of a trip. It's one thing to make long distance records over smooth race tracks or indoor treadmills, but it's altogether a different thing to drive the same great distance in all kinds of weather and over all kinds of roads—city streets congested with traffic, mountain roads, concrete, gravel, brick, dirt, mud and gumbo roads such as you get in the different sections we have gone through with this Chrysler car."

Miller was accompanied in his grueling ordeal by J. E. Wieber, of Portland, Ore., who was his companion on the one-way record trip last August.

Neither man was able to sleep more than a few minutes at a time during the week and their only nourishment was black coffee and orange juice carried in thermos bottles, supplemented by an occasional brick of ice cream picked up at filling stations under orders wired ahead. In spite of lack of sleep and in adequate food, both Miller and Wieber were in excellent physical condition on their arrival in Los Angeles, apart from the loss of a few pounds of weight, a fact all the more remarkable in Miller's case, as he is in his 54th year. This absence of exhaustion, in his opinion, is striking proof of the unusual riding ease of the Chrysler car.

As the time was officially clocked by the Western Union Telegraph Company and verified by officials of the Lincoln Highway and National Old Trails Roads Associations, the two-way record made by Miller and Wieber will stand as official.

The double transcontinental trip was arranged by the Stover Signal Engineering Company, of Racine, Wis., for the purpose of demonstrating the value in night driving of the newly perfected Ilico-Ryan non-glare headlight. According to Miller, the light proved itself a complete success, and he attributes his accomplishment of his remarkable feat to a combination of its assistance in illuminating the highways at night and the speed and stamina of the Im-



ERIS LEE ASH

Eris Lee Ash, of Merkel, Texas, has probably hung up a new record for school attendance, or at least has a good start toward one. He was graduated from the Merkel Grammar School with the record of not having been tardy nor absent from school a single time during the seven years of attendance. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ash of this city. He was highly commended for his attendance record by his school principal, Mrs. Len C. Sublett, upon graduation.

perial "80" phaeton. "I was offered cars by several automobile companies when they heard I was planning a new trip but I was set on making an owner-driver record and I bought one to suit my own ideas of what I needed," he said.

"I knew by experience just what speed and stamina I must have to cross the continent in record time. I felt confidence I was getting them, but never did I dream there was such a car as the Chrysler. I have never seen its equal.

"My maximum speed on the trip was 85 miles an hour. From San Francisco to New York we averaged better than 42 miles an hour. Across Iowa and Nebraska, in hail, sleet and driving rain, we kept up our steady pace. From Kimball to Central City, Neb., we drove 315 miles at night in a hard rain and hail storm, over gumbo roads. The 200 miles east of Fort Wayne, Ind., we made in 209 minutes, and the first 100 of them were over wet pavements in a light rain.

"Just before we reached Kansas and while we were in the state, that section had the worst rainstorm known for years. The weather bureau reports show there was two and one-half inches precipitation in three days. The roads were atrocious, of course, and at times it seemed more like driving through swamps than on highways.

"Our worst trouble came on the last leg of our trip between Albuquerque and Gallup, New Mexico, where the going was tougher than anything I ever experienced before. Bridges were down. Roads were impassable. We were forced to make detours of 89 miles through the Petrified Forest, and there were times when nothing but the marvelous performance abilities of this Chrysler car stood between us and quitting. We were in the wildest imaginable country and both of us were on the point of exhaustion after the terrific strain.

"The trip is a wonderful testimonial to the sturdiness of the materials Chrysler builds into his cars and the unequalled quality of Chrysler manufacturing methods. For speed, performance, durability, ease of handling and comfort of riding I don't believe Chrysler has its equal on earth. Our phaeton had absolutely no mechanical trouble throughout the whole trip and in the face of the terrific punishment, it needed no adjustments of any kind when it was inspected after we reached Los Angeles."

The route followed was the Lincoln Highway on the eastern leg of the trip, via Carson City, Salt Lake City, Cheyenne, Clinton, Ia., Fort Wayne, Ind., Pittsburgh and Trenton into New York. On the western run the Old Trails route took the drivers through Wheeling, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Kansas City, Trinidad, Colo., and Flagstaff, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson were in Dallas this week, combining pleasure with a business trip. On their return they were accompanied by their daughter, Miss Flora Frances, who had been visiting friends in that city for the past two weeks.

## Big Gasser 40 Miles Southeast of Abilene May Become Oil Producer

Possibility that the Empire Gas & Fuel Company's Will Johnson No. 1, forty miles southeast of Abilene in Callahan county, would blow into a full gasser with an oil production of about 400 barrels daily were stronger last night. The gas flow, which jumped from 10,000,000 cubic feet Saturday to 20,000,000 feet Monday, was estimated at 40,000,000 feet last night. The well has been spraying oil into the derrick since last Saturday and is making from 200 to 400 barrels daily. The News was advised last night from a reliable source. The shrubbery and surrounding country for one and one-half miles has been sprayed with oil. The whistling of the gasser can be heard for four miles and members of the crew are forced to stuff their ears with cotton for protection of the ear drums against the deafening sound. —Abilene News.

## Baptist Church Will Observe Fathers Day

All regular services Sunday. Come find a welcome and a place to work and worship. Good services last Sunday with fine attendance at all the different hours.

Merkel Baptists will join with other churches over the land in observing Fathers' Day. We had a day in May following Mothers' Day when we remembered father, but we will not overdo it by joining with other churches now in honoring the fathers of the community. Too long we have thought of the first of the month (when he pays the bills as fathers day. Now we will show our appreciation of these faithful bread winners who are keeping the wolf away from the door while the children get their education and are prepared to go out into the world to bless humanity.

There will be special features in keeping with the day and the pastor will speak at both hours on appropriate subjects.

Sunday morning subject: "The First Command with a promise."

Evening subject: "Responsibility of Fatherhood."

All B.Y.P.U.'s meet at 7:45 p. m. Evening worship at 8:30.

Help honor Father by bringing him to the services Sunday. If father does not live near enough for you to bring him to the service or if he has gone to his eternal home, then honor him by attending the services.

Let's have a hundred men in the service Sunday morning. Come yourself and ask others to come.

Ira L. Parrack, pastor.

## Presbyterian Church

Sunday School 10 a. m., Wm. Elliott, Superintendent.

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.

We are always glad to have you with us. R. A. Walker, pastor.

## DR. HENDRICKS PREACH AT NAZERINE CHURCH

We are requested to announce that on next Sunday at both the morning and evening hours, Dr. J. F. Hendricks, of Stith, will preach. A cordial invitation is extended to every one to hear him at either or both services.

## Married Last Saturday

On last Saturday evening Mr. R. C. Turner and Miss Lola Mae Riddle were married at the residence of Eld. W. G. Cyfert, who officiated. Mrs. Turner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Riddle of this city. For some time Mr. Turner was in the employ of the Cash Tailor Shop here. They will make their home in Merkel.

Mr. Quay Hamblet, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hamblet of this city, and Miss May Free, of Abilene, were happily united in marriage at nine o'clock Wednesday morning. After a short visit with relatives in this city the young couple left for Breckenridge, where they will make their home. This paper joins the many friends of this fine young couple in extending congratulations and good wishes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson and daughter Geraldine, of Los Angeles California, returned to their home last week after a few weeks visit here with Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wills, and many friends. Mr. Wilson's parents of Abilene returned with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fugat are happy to have as their guest this week, the former's mother, Mrs. Anna Fugat, of Dallas.

Mrs. L. D. Gaither of San Antonio is the guest of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. V. Cranford.

## DADDY

Maybe he is an unpretentious kind of critter about the place, maybe no one ever consults him as to the latest styles, maybe he has been driven from the parlor to the living room and from the living room to the barn with his old pipe. But, nevertheless, daddy is just as much an essential piece of furniture around the home as a washstand, a cupboard or hat rack.

Of course, he will occasionally bring mud into the house on his boots or leave his night cap hanging on the talking machine, or even so careless as to mistake a jardiniere for his cuspidor. Yet for each of these sins against the housekeeping he makes atonement by way of performing some needed service. Now and then the stove has to be polished and a carpet taken out and "thrashed" in the back yard and the ashes removed from the fireplace. This he does without raising the slightest objection although he at some times raises a lot of dust and is told it would have been less trouble to have gone ahead and done the thing to begin with than to clean up his mess.

When company comes every one on the place dreads daddy; they are afraid he is going to "spill the beans" by picking his raisins out of the pudding with his fingers or pouring the coffee into his saucer when he drinks it. Ma and the girls take time about admonishing him not to be a heathen. But it is daddy who has to slip over to the neighbors at the last minute to get another chair or go back to town for a loaf of bread and some pickles.

Daddy gets in the way so that it is impossible to get anything done until he has gone. He insists on reading his paper when the dishes are all stacked up and dirty and the canary bird hasn't been fed. He leaves everything down and it is altogether a nuisance. Still it is daddy who must crawl out of a warm bed on a stormy night and see if the windows are all down; it is daddy who must go through the cold and darkness after the doctor when anyone of the family is sick. It is daddy who must get out on the icy ground and thaw out the hydrant in the wee small hours to get a drink for a fretting baby when a norther comes up suddenly and the water has not been cut off.

They can say what they please about daddy, but they need him. He may be slow to start something, yet you can count on him going his full length. Maybe he isn't always smiling or always in the sweetest of humor maybe there are troubles pressing against his heart that no one knows, but himself. Still he has a love for each member of his family that could not be measured within the bounds of the universe. And while he is slow to shed a tear and slow to make an outward manifestation of sympathy, his heart aches for each disappointment that comes to one of his own. He feels to the depth of his bosom the faintest sigh, he is wounded by the thorn that wounds the foot of his child.

Daddy—not as demonstrative, not as adaptable as mother, the crown gift of the Almighty to earth—daddy, a swift messenger in trouble—a Gunda Din when parched lips call, a crown prince in the hour of distress—for all that you are, accept the blessings of an humble writer.—Austin Callan.

It costs about eighty-five dollars per voter to prosecute and care for those who violate the law. If each voter would suddenly become wise enough to contribute ten cents towards furthering the boy scout movement, crime would be greatly lessened in this generation, and, in a few decades, would cease to be a very great menace.

Miss Edna Watts of the Mellinger Dry Goods Store, while taking her annual vacation, is this week spending a few days with friends in Sweetwater.

## NATURAL GAS FOR WINTER HOPEFUL

Mr. L. R. Thompson returned Wednesday from attending a meeting of Gas and Oil Men at Breckenridge and Cisco, going there with the view of interesting the Lone Star Gas Company recently engaged in contracting with other Central West Texas towns for furnishing them gas. He stated that while he was unable to obtain an opportunity to go into the matter with them at that time, he is still very optimistic over the prospects of Merkel getting natural gas before the coming winter. Merkel now has a very fine system of pure water, with additional facilities in the making; a good sewer system, a new lighting system to be installed, and soon to have paved streets throughout the business section, all brilliantly and beautifully lighted. And good churches and schools. Hence, with the bringing to this city of natural gas for heating purposes, the people of this town can enjoy every modern convenience to be found in the larger cities of the country.

Then, some day, the bankhead highway will be paved through the county, and we will be connected up with the great cities of the state by a paved road, just five or six hours drive to the city. It will be fine to live in a small town, with its fine moral conditions as compared to those found in the larger cities, and yet enjoy every convenience of the city folks. Yes, live in the country and enjoy city conveniences.

## REV. AND MRS. W. R. McCARTER ARE SPENDING TWO WEEKS IN DALLAS

Rev. W. R. McCarter, the energetic pastor of the First Methodist church of this city, accompanied by Mrs. McCarter, left Monday for Dallas, where the former will attend the summer session of the Pastors Theological Institute at Southern Methodist University.

## MRS. T. F. HARVELL PASSES TO REWARD

Mrs. Harvell, 44 years of age, wife of T. F. Harvell, of the Salt Branch community, died at the family home on last Sunday at 12:30 o'clock.

She leaves besides her husband, two sons, Sewell and Nowell; also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Turner, and a brother, Mr. Hayden Turner, of Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Deceased had been a member of the Christian church since early childhood, remaining faithful and loyal to the principles of same throughout all her life.

This paper joins the bereaved relatives' many friends in extending deepest sympathy in the loss of one so near and dear.

## FREE RIDE FOR CHILDREN ON MERRY-GO-ROUND

The Merkel Fire Department, under whose auspices the carnival is playing in Merkel, announces that on this afternoon, Friday, between the hours of three and four o'clock, the Hames Shows will give Free a ride on the Merry-Go-Round to every child in Merkel who will be present between those hours.

## Popular Traveling Man Weds Abilene Young Lady

This paper is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of the announcement of the marriage of Mr. Clyde D. Echols, one of the most popular and most universally liked traveling men of Abilene, who makes this territory regularly, to Miss Bess Glyn Hays, also of Abilene, on Tuesday, June 14th. According to press reports from that city, Miss Hays was one of Abilene's most charming and accomplished young ladies, and this paper joins the many friends of Mr. Echols in extending to him and his bride congratulations and best wishes for a long, happy and successful married career.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Rainbolt and daughter, of Amarillo, were here over the past week-end for a visit in the home of their former parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt. Mr. Rainbolt returned to Amarillo Wednesday, while Mrs. Rainbolt and the daughter will remain for a more extended visit.

Mr. J. B. Blair, of Belton, spent several days here this week visiting his daughter, Mrs. Emmette Grimes. Also Mrs. Grimes was pleased to have as her guest her sister, Mrs. Jim Parks and her husband from San Antonio.

## Motor Bus Law Now Effective

AUSTIN, Texas, June 15.—Under orders issued Tuesday by the Railroad Commission, motor bus companies are authorized and directed to continue temporarily their operations over the routes, on the schedules and at the passenger fares that were in effect at the close of business June 14. The act of the regular session of the Fortieth Legislature placing motor bus companies under jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission became effective midnight, June 14.

In its orders of Tuesday the Railroad Commission said it will require some time for the filing of applications, issuance of certificates or permits of public convenience and necessity, perfect an organization and generally to perform the necessary administrative acts required to put the new law in full force effect. It desired to accomplish this with the least interruption to the public service and the least inconvenience to the operators, the commission announced, and it is for that purpose that motor bus companies are to temporarily follow their present system of operation.

The companies are directed to file as speedily as possible and within a reasonable time, on blanks furnished by the commission, applications for certificates of convenience and necessity, and to in all respects comply with the law regulating passenger motor buses for hire.

## GREAT RAINS FALL OVER WEST TEXAS

Almost all of West Texas has been greatly blessed with fine rains during the first part of the week, which will add much to the prospects of big crop harvests this fall. On the plains, where but little rain had fallen during the entire year, the heaviest down pours fell, amounting to from one to four inches. But little planting in those sections had been done and the crops will be late, but with continued seasons fair crops may be expected there.

In Central West Texas good rains have fallen, amounting in the Merkel territory from a half inch to two inches. It is stated that the fall north of Merkel to the river was lighter than that which came to the south, but all crops surrounding the town in all of its territory are doing fine, and with other rains at the proper time, it is possible that this section will enjoy one of the largest yields ever experienced. And as the outlook is good for higher prices, prosperous times may be in store for the farmers and citizens of this locality.

## GENTLENESS as a PRACTICE

(By Arthur Staples)  
I reckon that we would all be more gentle if we would but say to ourselves amid our noise, our bluster, our profane anger, "How would I like this, if it were said to me?"

I reckon that we would be gentle if we knew the stings our harshness left behind. I reckon we would stop nagging and nagging if we only knew the smart it left; the tears on the pillows at night; the heavy hearts; the clouds that darken lives—when all might be so cheerful and sweet if we were but gentle.

What is it to be gentle, to bring it right down to the home? It is to have a soft voice. That will be the easiest thing. Not a mean, oily, nasty softness, full of sarcasm; but an honest, lovable soft voice. Anybody may get that as an acquisition. Then a capacity to think a bit before speaking—that old rule of "count three before you cut loose."

There are many people who seem to think that when they admonish a boy or girl for some misdemeanor, they have to shout so that their words may be heard all over the neighborhood; bellow like an old bull with the colic; and it loses force at that. I remember that I did not like my mother to "scold me" as I called it—she did it in such a loving, sweet way that it made me cry, as a child. THAT sank in.—Exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Holloway and daughters, Mrs. Grover Gilbert and Mrs. Velma Wilcox, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. George Groene, Cameron, Texas. Mrs. Groene is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holloway.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barbee are spending several days in Mineral Wells. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barclay of Wichita Falls, Texas.

## BRING A FRIEND

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Mrs. E. M. Campbell and daughter, Miss Ruby, of Tuscon, Arizona, spent last Sunday in Merkel guests of friends. They formerly lived here, the young lady teaching in the public schools here in 1920.

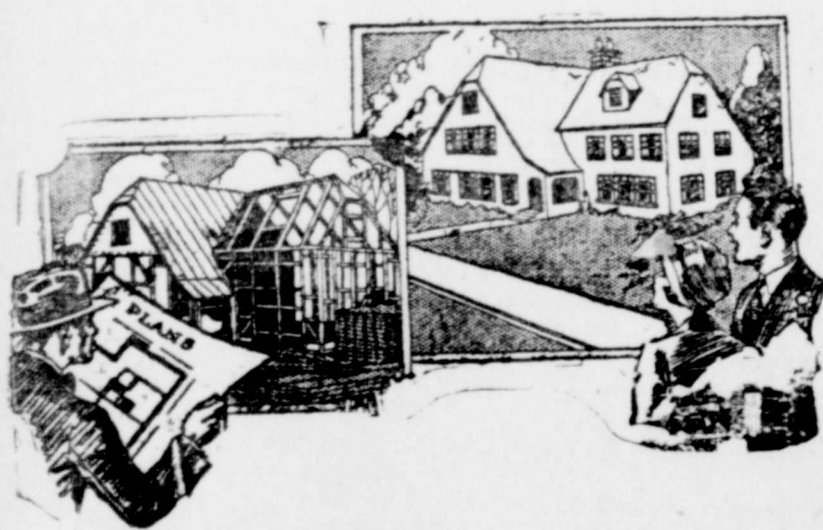
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Messrs Willard Reeves and Fred Giles left Monday for Cincinnati, O., where they will be employed during the summer months.

Mrs. A. M. Jones returned Saturday from an extended visit with friends and relatives in McLean, Wellington and Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon B. Sublett returned first of the week from a very pleasant visit with friends and relatives at Copperas Cove, Texas.



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## A CASE WHERE YOU LOSE IF YOU WIN

By W. R. MOREHOUSE

Public Relations Commission, American Bankers Association

(This is one of a series of articles exposing the wiles of sharpers who are after your money.)

EVERY person who takes part in one of the many fake real estate raffles that are going on wins because there are no losers, regardless of the numbers they hold. The numbers, in fact, are only the bait to entice people into the scheme. The raffles are what might be termed "come-on" traps to catch investors. If you have ever tried your luck with a real estate raffle you doubtless felt like giving three cheers when advised that you had won, not knowing that in winning you had taken your first step toward being caught in the trap. You were momentarily overcome with joy over your success which looked to you like the "luck of a lifetime."



W. R. MOREHOUSE

Puffed over your good fortune, you hastened out to inspect your newly acquired piece of property. A high-pressure salesman representing the syndicate that was "giving" you the lot walked by your side. After a tiresome trip through an undesirable district the salesman pointed out your new real estate holdings,—a narrow, shallow lot, unimproved, uneven, and with no conveniences such as water, sewer, gas and electricity. Not even graded streets or sidewalks. Not worth its taxes!

Before you were fully awake to the fact that you had been tricked your attention was directed away from the unattractive landscape before you to another picture. You were shown another lot, ideal in its location with all modern conveniences soon to be installed, and told that if the lot you drew in the raffle was not entirely satisfactory you would be allowed a credit of \$250 for it on one of the more desirable lots being sold "to a few selected people as a special inducement and for a short time only," at the bed-rock price of \$950. You were urged to take advantage of your further good fortune at being thus selected and to seize the chance to buy one of these specially priced lots.

ing statements of the high-pressure salesman as to the value of the \$950 lot and his assurance that it must double and treble in value, and would pay over the additional \$700—to secure lots worth less than half the price they paid for them! The few who would insist on receiving title to the lot won in the fake raffle would soon be silenced by the statement that it would be delivered to them upon payment of



"I've won a building lot."

"Think of it!" exclaimed the high-pressure salesman. "It will take only \$700 cash as we are willing to allow you a credit of \$250."

#### Where You Begin to Lose

Perhaps, as you stood there, you began to suspect that other "winners" had come to view the same lot you had won. If you reached the conclusion that it was being repeatedly used as "bait" you were right. You realized that after all there is nothing free about so-called free things. But others, unfortunately less suspicious than you, would be impressed by the glow-

certain expenses in connection with the transfer, which, however, would exceed the actual value of the prize lot.

There is nothing to be gained in participating in fake real estate raffles. There are plenty of legitimate sales. Raffles usually are only bait used to trap you. Of course, you win, but in winning you lose if you go through with it. Before drawing your money out of your savings account to go into a real estate scheme consult your banker or a Better Business Bureau to find out whether it is a bona fide plan. Spend time to save money!

#### Odd Power Attributed to Wearing of Rings

The ring is an article of jewelry round which clusters innumerable legends and superstitions, belief in some of which still survives. From the very earliest times rings have been linked with good and bad luck. King Solomon believed that a certain ring aided him in forming judgments, and he would never give a decision in matters of law unless he was wearing it. Pliny records that jet rings were supposed to have the power of driving away serpents, a belief that persisted in the East until recent times. Rings of gold, ornamented with certain stones, were thought capable of warding off death by poisoning. That rings have curative powers in certain illness is still fairly widely believed. In the London Medical Journal for 1815 it is noted that a silver ring worn constantly by a victim of epilepsy effected a cure. There are still large numbers of women who regard it as a portent of a broken engagement to lose or even misplace the rings given them by their fiancés. Sailors, again, often wear a ring ornamented with an elephant's head as a charm against sea perils.

#### Cat and Nine Lives

The origin of the saying that "a cat has nine lives" is obscure, but it is generally supposed to have originated in ancient Egypt where cats were objects of worship. Pasht was the cat-headed goddess of the Egyptians. According to one writer on mythology, this goddess was supposed to have nine lives and probably gave rise to the common expression about cats having nine lives.

#### Will Delve Into Past

The Ural mountains, across which prehistoric men pushed their way in crossing between Russia and Siberia, are to be searched for traces of these old migrations. An expedition planned by the Russian Academy of Sciences will undertake a systematic investigation of the region. It is known that the Ural mountains were extensively mined by Bronze age workmen, and traces of life in that age and in the earlier Stone age have been found, so that the mountain region is regarded as likely to yield valuable relics of prehistory.

#### Bad Bargain

Little Willie's sister had been very naughty, and her mother declared that instead of punishing the child she would just get a good little girl in her place.

But the daughter was not in the least upset.

"You couldn't," she laughed. Her mother was surprised and asked the reason.

"Because," explained the little girl wisely, "nobody would be silly enough to give you a good girl in exchange for a bad one."

#### Putting It Low

Some one in a London suburb is advertising a "rather nice flat."

Modest, isn't it? and clever, for a good many people who want nice flats are attracted more by understatement than by exaggeration. If the example were to be followed we should see advertisements of houses "fairly convenient," motor cars "moderately well built," opera cloaks "not too bad," and cigarettes with "a pretty good flavor."—London Daily Chronicle.

## VACATION TIME

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### HARMONY CLUB

Friday afternoon, June 10th, Miss Mary Pence was hostess to members and guests of her Harmony Club. In a business meeting Orpah Patterson was elected president; Alice Church, secretary-treasurer; and Ruby Blackburn, reporter. After the business meeting the following program was rendered:  
Life of Beethoven — Lois Whiteley  
Silvery Waves — Orpah Patterson  
Beautiful Evening Star, Mary Click and teacher.

Four Leaf Clover Waltz, Alice Church and Lois Whiteley.  
Echo Waltz — Alice Church  
Cinderella — Lois Whiteley  
Death of Floyd Collins Ruby Blackburn.  
Im Mai — Gladys Watts  
Festival March, Lois Whiteley and Orpah Patterson.  
Moonlight Reverie, Alice Church

and teacher.  
Pocahuntas, — Aileen Childress  
Minuet in G — Mary Click  
Sonata Pathetique, Miss Mary Pence, teacher.  
Robin's Return, Orpah Patterson and teacher.  
Visitors present were Misses Bernice Lasater, Francis Marie Church, Bessie Lee Church, June Rose Owens and Mesdames E. M. Blackburn, Dewey Pence and W. H. Pence.  
Refreshments of banana ice cream and cakes were enjoyed.

Miss Addie Holler, stenographer at Farmers State Bank, returned Tuesday night from her home at Gail, Texas, where she spent her vacation.

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### Famous Author's Greatest Work To Be Seen on Screen

The best is the last! This phrase came weirdly true in the case of Gene Stratton-Porter, the noted novelist who met her death in a tragic automobile accident in Los Angeles some two years ago.

Early in 1924, the famous writer planned a novel that would outstrip all her previous well-loved books, such as "Laddie," "The Girl of the Limberlost," "The Harvester," "Freckles," and "Michael O'Halloran," the combined sales of which had mounted into an impressive number of millions. This new effort was to be an ethereal romance, of a different type from her former works, with a basic theme of a childhood love-affair persisting through the years.

Slowly it grew and developed; the first draft was finished early in the fall, and the final version was completed and the last page typed on December first. Her comment was that this was her best novel.

And then, five days later, while motoring through town, a street-car crashed into her machine—and she was instantly killed.

But her story lived on. Appearing in McCall's Magazine in serial form last winter, and with the publication of the book by Doubleday, Page and Company, "The Magic Garden" made an instantaneous hit with her immense public, and attracted more widespread attention than any of her previous works. FBO's magnificent screen version of the book directed by the late writer's son-in-law, J. Leo Meehan, is responsible for much of the interest in the new story, as it is a remarkably faithful reproduction of the atmosphere and characters of the book. The picture will appear at the Queen Theatre next Wednesday and Thursday, June 22 and 23.

### T.E.L. CLASS NOTES

At an early hour Wednesday morning the members of the T. E. L. Class of the Baptist church met at the church to make preparations for a "home coming breakfast" they had planned for its former members who had moved to other places.

The auditorium in the basement had been given an artistic decoration of roses and other cut flowers and places arranged for forty-six guests, where a tempting menu had been planned.

Guests found places at the tables and as the breakfast progressed an interesting program was given as follows:

Greetings and introduction; Mrs. Andy Brown.

Greetings from all former Presidents.  
Piano numbers, Mrs. Yates Brown.  
Reading, Modyne Sheppard.  
Group of Songs, Mrs. L. B. Howard.  
Violin solo, D. O. Huddleston.

Every one expressed themselves as being happy to be here among members and former members on such a delightful occasion.

Those present were: Mesdames L. B. Howard, Hamlin, Texas; L. L. Huddleston, Roy Miller, T. C. Gardner, S. D. Gamble, Magness, Ross Wheeler, John Slater, Ira L. Parrack, Sidney Coats, Yates Brown, Andy Brown, Clark, Bill Sheppard, Doyle Pogue, A. R. Booth, Earl Lassiter, Bob Conder, McFarland, Geo. McDonald, Abilene, J. L. Winter, Hamlin, Thos. Bearden, M. D. Angus, John Toombs, Abbott, Blair, E. E. King, Geo. Bullock, I. L. Jackson, N. Hancock, Sam Swann, and Miss Willie Toombs.

### FIRST BAPTIST BARACA CLASS ENJOYS FISH FRY

Members of the Baraca Class of the First Baptist Sunday School were guests of their teacher, Mr. Byers Petty, at a fish fry on the evening of Thursday, June 9. The young men met at the church building and mo-



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tored out to Clear Fork, where they spent the night. Fishing was the main diversion for several hours and then a delightful picnic supper was spread for the guests. Class members enjoying this occasion with their teacher were Messrs. Lewis, Fred and Roy Giles, Orien Tittle, Theodore McGehee, Joe Ben Ashby, Andy Jones, and Clyde Mayfield.

### MRS. LIGE GAMBILL HOSTESS TO THURSDAY CLUB

The entertaining rooms in the home of Mrs. Lige Gamble in South Merkel provided the setting for a very lovely party at which members of the Thursday Club were guests during the late afternoon hours of Thursday, June 9. Tables were very attractively laid for forty-two, which holds ever increasing interest for the members of this very popular club. Games progressed merrily until a late hour, when Misses Dorothy and Thelma Magness, and Mary Comegys assisted the hostess in serving a most delectable salad plate to Mesdames H. S. Magness of Dallas, house guest of Mrs. Gamble, and Mesdames R. O. Anderson, John West, Jim West, Booth Warren, Chas. Jones, H. F. Groene, George White, R. I. Grimes, F. C. McFarland, Bill Sheppard, W. J. Largent, Ross Ferrier and Tom Largent.

If it is a house you want built, see a carpenter, but if it is Meats, see Baker & Wheeler Market.

Mr. Hugh Blair of Centre, Alabama, is here for a visit with Mrs. J. S. Blair and family, and other relatives.

Mrs. J. L. Banner is spending the week with relatives in San Angelo.

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A good stock of most anything in the hardware line.

See our window announcing a special sale on an article that every family should have. You will miss a bargain if you fail to get one.

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Our Store Closed Thursday  
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**STORE CLOSED**

We will be closed Thursday so  
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Saturday Morning

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Beautiful selection of 35c  
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Limit 3 yards to a customer.  
Be on time and get a beauti-  
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36-in. 25c Percale, English  
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100 Ladies' and Children's  
Summer Hats \$1.00

50 "Happy Home" house  
dresses, each 89c

81x90 torn and hemmed  
Sheets, no limit 89c

42x36-in Pillow Cases 39c  
36-in. bleached Domestic,  
per yard 11½c

All 20c and 25c Cretonnes  
go for 16c

36-in. Brown Domestic,  
per yard 81-3c

All Silk Jersey Bloomers  
go at 98c

Ladies \$1.25 and \$1.50  
hand embroidered night  
gowns for 98c

Ladies' and children's  
muslin night gowns, val-  
ues to \$1.25 49c

Children's 35c to 50c Sox,  
4 pairs for \$1.00  
All 35c English Prints 19c



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est and the little tiny baby who  
needs something cute and ser-  
viceable, in fact folks we have  
"fits" in our shoes.

You will always find our prices  
are low whether on Sale or not,  
but during this sale we intend to  
sell shoes fast and furious. Come  
in and see for yourself.



### About Our Many Bargains

Bargains to be long remember-  
ed are promised you here—it's a  
sale for every one on everything.  
Plans carefully made have been  
carried out and now we are ready  
for this epochal event. Care has  
been taken to have every bargain  
unbeatable—to have only clean  
merchandise of best quality and  
to "give" wherever possible.

### ATTENTION

The word "sale" has been abus-  
ed—but this one is going to be  
different. We are putting it on  
ourselves, giving the price of a  
"special sale" man to our custo-  
mers in merchandise bargains  
never before offered to the buy-  
ing public in Merkel's history.  
This sale is to be a real bargain  
carnival, so don't wait too long  
and be sorry—come the first day  
and come every day.

### REASON FOR THIS SALE

We have too much merchandise—must raise a certain amount of  
Cash—therefore we must turn our big stock of Clean, New Merchandise  
into cash at a big loss to us. But our loss is your gain, so come to this  
Sale expecting great things—expect the most unusual in Bargain giving  
and best in value. Make a list of your needs—appared for all the family;  
things for the home; anything—for whatever you need and want will be  
offered at savings worth while.

We know what it takes to sell goods quickly—it takes prices—and  
price and quality are what we depend upon to make this sale eclipse all pre-  
vious efforts to raise money. Make your list and be here Friday morning  
at nine o'clock.

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It is a real Sacrifice Sale in all that the name implies. Not a "Hurry  
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event and plan their buying so that they save money not only on present  
needs, but on future needs as well. All over the store wide-awake buyers  
will find opportunities to sweep savings of dimes and dollars into their  
pocket books. Wherever we find waifs or strays or possible overstocks  
we price-mark them in a way that should lead you to think that we some-  
times do business as a pastime.

We've got to have money and consequently a loss to take. So here  
goes. It's one grand clean sweep of profits—and a total disregard for  
former prices. What we've got to do is get Cash no matter how much we  
have to reduce prices.

### 30 MINUTE SPECIALS

FOR EACH DAY

FRIDAY, JUNE 17th, 1:30 to 2:00 P.M.

75 Ladies and Childrens Gingham Dresses, each 29c

MONDAY, JUNE 20th, 1:30 to 2:00 P.M.

We will sell 36-in Percale for 1c per yard—You buy two  
yards at sale price and we sell you another yard for 1c  
Limit—Three Yards to a Customer.

TUESDAY, JUNE 21st, 1:30 to 2 P.M.

9-4 Bleached and unbleached Sheeting, 2-2-3 yds for 75c  
Limit—5 1-3 Yards to a Customer

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22nd, 1:30 to 2:00 P.M.

15c Curtain Scrim, per yard 7½c  
No Limit While it Lasts

THURSDAY, JUNE 23rd,

200 pairs Ladies and Childrens Silk Hose, all the good  
light shades, per pair 39c

FRIDAY, JUNE 24th.

Will be "Silk Day" in this big sale. You can buy a lot  
of brand new silks at about **HALF PRICE**

SATURDAY, JUNE 25th.

Will be general bargain day—all odds and ends will be  
cleaned up at prices to suit the purchasers.

### UNLIKE OTHER SALES IN EVERY RESPECT

Come see our methods of turn-  
ing merchandise into cash. New  
ideas crowding out old. Prices so  
low, value so great, that it would  
be difficult to tell them in cold  
type; without seeming to exag-  
gerate. We are coming boldly to  
the front with prices so low that  
no man or woman in justice to  
themselves or family can pass  
these items by. Never before in  
the history of our business have  
we ever thrown open to the peo-  
ple a sale of such magnitude. But  
there is a reason. We must clear  
the decks and turn merchandise  
into cash. This sale is an unusual  
event coming at the beginning of  
the summer season.



### ATTENTION LADIES

We realize the futility of an at-  
tempt to put in words a descrip-  
tion of our stock of Ready-to-  
wear and millinery and shall de-  
sist from laying unnecessary  
stress upon you by attempting to  
itemize these values. We want  
everybody who wants to be well  
dressed and who has the slightest  
intention to economize to visit our  
store during this sale. These are  
potent arguments to use to bring  
you to our store, aren't they? But  
we can't be too emphatic. Come  
here expecting to find Real Bar-  
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### \$75.00 FREE FRIDAY MORNING

On opening of our doors  
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chandise and some money.  
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Mens good 75c Unionsuits  
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Mens pin stripe work  
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One lot of Ladies Shoes  
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T. F. Harvell, Sewell Harvell, Noel Harvell, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Turner, Hayden Turner, Mrs. J. B. Foster, Mrs. W. T. Walker. 1tp

E. M. Heeter returned first of the week from a trip to Eastland and Callahan counties, where he had been to look after oil interests there.

It's a nine and a half pound boy, says our good friend W. L. Fugat, born on Thursday, June 16, mother and baby are reported doing nicely, and the father is a happy man. Mrs. Fugat was formerly Miss Levy Tittle.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Barbee of Shawnee, Oklahoma, were guests of the former's brother, W. L. Barbee and family, last week.

The many friends of Miss Christine Collins will be glad to learn that she is recovering very rapidly from a tonsil operation on Tuesday morning of this week.

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**LINDBERGH CARRIES PICTURE OF MOVIE STAR ON PARIS HOP**

On June 29-30 the Palace will play "Resurrection," a late film now playing in New York. In this connection it is interesting to note that Lindbergh carried a picture of the star in this film, who is Dolores del Rio, to Mary Garden, who was singing "Resurrection" in Paris opera.

Mrs. W. R. Walker of Abilene, who formerly lived in Merkel, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hall on Friday of last week.

Mrs. Virgil Touchstone and little daughter, Mollie Frank, returned Wednesday from a visit with friends and relatives in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Sears, who have recently moved back to our city for the summer from their ranch near Menard, are happy over the arrival of a bouncing baby daughter.

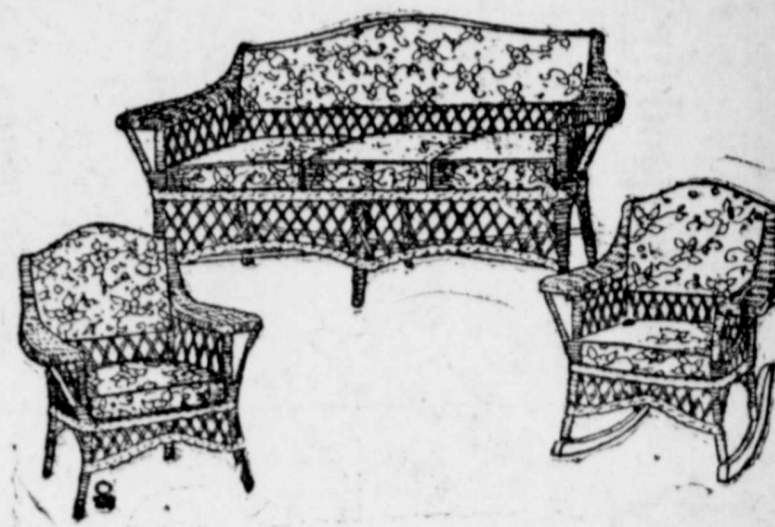
Misses Zoe Scott of Abilene and Aylene Fisher of Wichita Falls, are the guest of Dixie Blair this week.

**Special, Monday Special**

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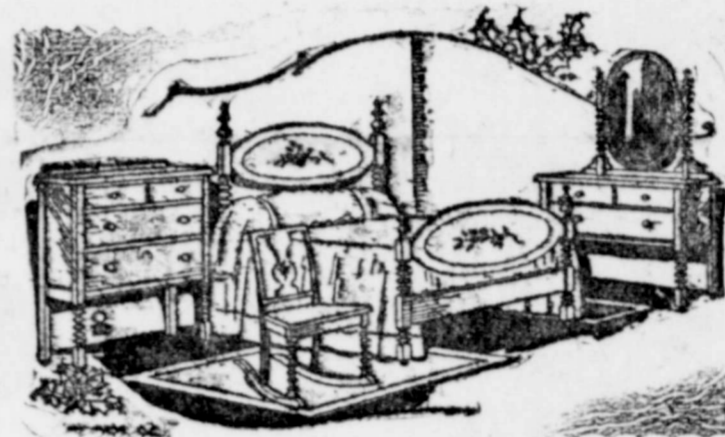
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**KINDNESS.**

Life is made up not of great sacri-  
fices or duties, but of little things, in  
which smiles, kindness and small obli-  
gations given habitually are what  
win and preserve the heart and secure  
comfort.

The drying of a single tear has  
more of honest fame than shedding  
seas of gore.

Kindness is a language the dumb  
can speak, and the deaf can hear and  
understand.

A kind heart is a fountain of glad-  
ness, making everything in its vicini-  
ty fresh into smiles.

Kind looks, kind words, kind acts,  
and warm hand-shakes—they are  
secondary means of grace when men  
are in trouble and are fighting their  
unseen battles.

"I expect to pass through life but  
once. If, therefore, there be any  
kindness I can show, or any good  
thing I can do any fellow-being, let  
me do it now and not defer or neg-  
lect it, as I shall not pass this way  
again."

Kind words produce their own im-  
age in men's souls and a beautiful  
image it is. They soothe and quiet  
and comfort the hearer. They shame  
him out of his sour, morose, unkindly  
feeling. We have not yet begun to  
use kind words in such abundance as  
they ought to be used.

Each one of us is bound to make  
the little circle in which we live bet-  
ter and happier. Bound to see that  
out of that small circle the tides may  
flow. Each may have fixed in their  
mind the thought that out of a single  
household may flow influences that  
shall stimulate the whole civilized  
world.—Ex.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS.**  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of  
Taylor County Greetings:  
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMAND-  
ED to summon Charlie Neatherlin by  
making publication of this Citation  
once in each week for four successive  
weeks previous to the return day  
hereof, in some newspaper published  
in your County, to appear at the next  
regular term of the 42nd District  
Court of Taylor County, to be holden  
at the Court House thereof, in Abi-  
lene, Texas, on the third Monday in  
July A. D. 1927, the same being the  
18th day of July A. D. 1927, then and  
there to answer a petition filed in  
said Court on the 10th day of June  
A. D. 1927, in a suit, numbered on  
the docket of said Court as No. 6522-  
A, wherein Opal Neatherlin is Plain-  
tiff, and Charlie Neatherlin is Defen-  
dant, and said petition alleging  
That Plaintiff and defendant were  
married about July 18th, 1925, and  
separated about September 16th, 1925.  
Plaintiff sues for a divorce on the  
grounds of cruel treatment, all of  
which is fully alleged in her original  
petition.

Herein Fail Not, and have you be-  
fore said Court, at its aforesaid next  
regular term, this writ with your re-  
turn thereon, showing how you have  
executed the same.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND** and  
the Seal of Said Office, at office in  
Abilene, Texas, this the 10th day of  
June A. D. 1927.

**BELLE WELLBORN, Clerk,**  
District Court, Taylor County. By  
Birdie Wilson, Deputy. 174

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**Northwest Life**  
**Vividly Filmed**

One man and one woman, ma-  
rried, cut off from the world, fight-  
ing their way to wealth. She, with  
nothing but hate and fear in her  
heart; he, strong, stoical, wonder-  
ing whether or not he really loves  
her. How do two such people come  
from the ends of the earth to meet  
and marry?

Nora Marsh, up to the age of 20,  
had lived all her sheltered life with-  
in the confines of a London home.  
Suddenly, walls, seemingly secure,  
had crashed. Where before, she had  
been rich, she is destitute. So, Nora  
sets out for the only haven she  
knows, her brother's farm in far  
Canada.

There, she meets Frank Taylor, a  
horny-handed tiller of the soil, tem-  
porarily working for Ed in an effort  
to recoup the momentary loss sus-  
tained the preceding winter. At  
first, Nora repulses him. Then, after  
quarreling with her brother's wife,  
she asks Taylor to take her away.

And now, they were leading a living  
death. To her, it was merely exist-  
ing. But bit by bit, Taylor starts gain-  
ing her respect. The things he does  
and says, all for her happiness and  
comfort, gradually eat into her un-  
founded hate. Soon, he is actually  
looking forward to his homecoming  
each night.

Then, to disturb their happiness,  
comes tragedy, sweeping down with-  
out warning. Overnight, everything is  
wiped out. Failure opens the door  
and stalks in. What happens?

See "The Canadian" at the Palace on  
Friday and Saturday, Thomas Meighan's  
latest Paramount starring ve-  
hicle is a real picture, one that  
shouldn't be missed by movie lovers.  
William Beaudine, director of "Hold  
that Lion," and "Sparrows," directed.

**BLAIR ITEMS**

The nice rains that we have had re-  
cently with our late showers have  
caused the moisture to meet, so the  
farmers will continue to plant their  
cotton.

Mr. Sam Mashburn, who has been  
seriously sick, is on the convalescent  
list now.

Mrs. Reed Cox of El Paso, Texas  
came in response to a telegram, to  
the bedside of her father, Mr. Sam  
Provine, Friday.

Mrs. Inez Mayfield left Monday  
for Mexico, to visit her parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. Oscar Walker. Mrs. May-  
field will be gone for an indefinite  
time.

Mrs. S. L. Scroggins has gone into  
the garage business on South Side.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton of  
White Church visited Mr. and Mrs.  
Hugh Campbell last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Reagan  
and family visited Mr. and Mrs.  
Adrin Farmer Sunday.

Mrs. Julia Doan and children spent  
several days last week with her pa-  
rents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Horton of  
Trent.

Little Pauline Farmer, who was  
kicked by a mule Sunday night is re-  
covering nicely.

**Palace Theatre**

**Monday & Tuesday**  
June 20 and 21

**Raymond Griffith**

—in—

**"YOU'D BE SURPRISED"**

A Paramount Picture  
NEWS and COMEDY

**Wednesday & Thursday**  
June 22 and 23

**William Desmond**

—in—

**"RED CLAY"**  
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**FRIDAY & SATURDAY**  
June 17-18

**THOMAS MEIGHAN**  
IN  
a Paramount Picture  
**"The Canadian"**  
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NEWS and COMEDY

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holden at the Court House thereof, in  
Abilene, Texas, on the Third Monday  
in July A. D. 1927, the same being  
the 18th day of July A. D. 1927, then  
and there to answer a petition filed in  
said Court on the 28th day of May  
A. D. 1927, in a suit, numbered on  
the docket of said Court as No. 6507-A  
wherein Elizabeth M. Taylor, is Plain-  
tiff, and Frank Taylor, is Defendant,  
and said petition alleging that Plain-  
tiff and Defendant were married ab-  
out May 31st, 1890 and separated  
about March 1st 1925. Plaintiff sues  
for a divorce on the ground of cruel

treatment, all of which is fully alleg-  
ed in her Original Petition.

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regular term, this writ with your re-  
turn thereon, showing how you have  
executed the same.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND** and  
the Seal of said Court, at office in  
Abilene, Texas this 28th day of May  
A. D. 1927.

**Belle Wellborn Clerk,**  
District Court, Taylor County,  
By Birdie Wilson, Deputy. 3t4

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**PREACHING AT NOODLE**  
Elder W. G. Cypert will preach at Noodle next Sunday at eleven o'clock. Everybody is invited to hear him.

**Methodist Church**

A splendid day last Sunday at the Methodist Church, all the services being well attended.

We hope to keep both interest and attendance up to a high level during the summer months.

Bible lesson for next Sunday in the school is one of special interest and we hope to have full classes in each department.

Visitors will be welcomed to sit in classes and hear the lesson discussion. We have a place for all of every age.

Rev. Riggs of McMurry College will preach at the 11 o'clock hour, and every one is invited to hear him.

No preaching services at the Methodist church Sunday night, giving to all our people an opportunity to hear the new pastor of the Presbyterian Church. W. R. McCarter.

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**3-ACT COMEDY DRAMA "DEACON DUBBS" AT QUEEN FRIDAY NITE**

A three-act comedy drama by Walter Ben Hare, the picture play of the season. A play of clean-cut rural comedy, local color, and a touch of sensation. Twelve different types of characters carrying good parts, all true to life, not exaggerated caricatures, but all highly drawn heroes and heroines. A real, genuine, kind-hearted, wise old deacon (played by a professional trouper) is the star role and very appealing. Rose Raleigh, the brave little school ma'am, is a strong, emotional part, and a widow of Rawdon Crawley, a felon, been almost loses her property, having been crooked by the Empire State Trust Company, but for the kind-hearted old deacon, who enables Amos Coleman (her affinity) to retain the property. A country boy and a Swede hired girl will be a source of real amusement. Emily Dale, the richest girl in town, Major Moses McNutt, the auctioneer, and Philipina Popover, the country old maid, are all very good parts.

**Arctic Tern Holds Record as Traveler**

Some water birds have developed an extraordinary migratory course, we are told in "Birds and Their Attributes." In this book the flight of the golden plover is pictured as a typical flight of this nature.

This bird leaves its Arctic breeding haunts and upon reaching Labrador's eastern coast takes a course apparently directly overseas to Venezuela.

What is perhaps the longest route of them all is taken by the Arctic tern. A distance of 11,000 miles is traveled annually by this bird, which wants to live always in an equable climate.

The Arctic tern nests and breeds in the Arctic circle, but in the winter it returns to the south as far as the Antarctic circle. To accomplish this almost incredible flight the bird needs must travel at the extraordinary rate of speed of 75 miles in one day. At the rate it takes only 10 months to change from winter to summer residence.

**Honor Not His Due**

Australia's one great waterway, which carries to the sea the drainage of nearly 500,000 square miles of territory, bears the name of an obscure English politician who had virtually nothing to do with the colonization of the country. Alexander Hume in 1824 discovered the Upper Murray river and named it Hume river; but when Sturt six years later explored its lower reaches, he named it after Sir George Murray, a member of Wellington's cabinet who had had thrust on him for a few months the position of British secretary of war and the colonies, and of whom it was written that he "displayed no qualifications in administering a civil office." Not many years ago an atlas used in Australian schools listed the stream as "Hume or Murray river," but during recent years Murray has come into general usage.—Sydney Bulletin.

**Heroism Not Shared**

During a campaign in Egypt: a certain colonel drove up to an outpost in the desert, relates Maj. Gen. Sir C. E. Callwell in "Stray Recollections," and after complimenting the officer in command, declared:

"But understand this! You are in a position of grave responsibility here. I have every confidence in you and your men. But remember this, all of you. You have got to stop here and die, if necessary."

Saying which he whisked his horse around and was off in a cloud of sand.

The little party was still recovering from the shock of the visit, when the effect of the trade was destroyed by a gunner, who inquired:

"But ain't the old blighter going to stop and die with us?"

**Spread of Education**

Compulsory education in the United States occurred first in Massachusetts. As far back as 1642 the selectmen were enjoined to compel parents to teach their children themselves or procure teaching for them. The following list shows the dates at which the several states enacted compulsory education: Massachusetts, 1852; District of Columbia, 1864; Vermont, 1867; New Hampshire, Michigan, Washington, 1871; Connecticut, New Mexico, 1872; Nevada, 1873; New York, Kansas, California, 1874; Maine, New Jersey, 1875; Wyoming, 1876; Ohio, 1877; Wisconsin, 1879; Rhode Island, Illinois, Dakotas, Montana, 1883; Minnesota, Nebraska, Idaho, Colorado, Oregon, Utah, 1885-1890; by 1908 almost all states.

**Hearty Eating**

At the midday repast in the Louvre, Henry IV, of France, had served to him dishes of a variety limited only by his imagination. These meals, always heavy and rich, included four kinds of soup. Four entrees, a course of boiled meat, a ten-pound joint of beef, a side of mutton, a capon, and three other chickens, is a fair summary of the main dishes usually served, while on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays these were augmented by a capon pastry. On days of fast, lighter dishes were helped out with a roasted pike or carp. The evening meals were not much lighter than those of midday and vegetables never appeared on the menu.—Detroit News.

**Easily Satisfied**

Thomas did not like mathematics. He had been absent when long division in algebra had been developed, and on his return to school had been unable to grasp the subject.

The day for the test came, and sure enough, there was a problem in long division. Thomas copied it, studied it thoughtfully for a few minutes and without the least attempt to solve it wrote underneath it the following note: "Dear Teacher—If you will give me five on this problem, I'll be satisfied—Thomas."

**Explained**

A lady was ill and insisted upon being operated on for appendicitis. When she was better again she asked the doctor what he had found in her appendix. "Well," he replied, looking puzzled, "it was extraordinary. I never found anything like it in an appendix before; there were several small hard peas in it." "Oh," said the lady, "that accounts for our having no sweet peas this year. I must have sown the pills."—London Passing Show.

**Kale-Hebron News**

The party at Mr. C. A. Marcum's was attended and enjoyed by a large crowd Saturday night.

Mr. Horace Mullins returned home Thursday from a two weeks tour of South Texas.

Mr. Sam Miller and family of ig Spring spent Saturday night with his sister, Mrs. Lige Harris. Mr. Miller is enroute to Miperal Wells, where he is to receive medical treatment.

Mr. Paul Pannell and Miss Margaret Dean visited Barnard and Bernice Clark Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Douglas and Mrs. M. A. Douglas spent Sunday with Ernest Douglas of the Shiloh community.

Mrs. Thomas Harris is visiting her parents at Vincent this week.

Mr. Rupert C. Rhines and wife visited Mrs. H. C. Barnett Sunday.

Little Chester Williams returned to his home at Big Spring after having spent several days with his aunt, Mrs. Willie Douglas.

Misses Gladys and Alberta Mullins and brother, Horace, spent Sunday afternoon with Misses Dorothy and Rubyjo Higgins.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Harris and family visited Mrs. Ollie Skidmore Sunday.

Hebron B. Y. P. U. will give a program next Sunday night at the Shiloh church. Cordial invitation to be present is extended to every one as we believe it will be well worth hearing.

Mr. Melvin Gunner visited Mr. Wayne Knotts Sunday afternoon. The elder Mr. Gunner and family visited H. A. Mullin and family.

Mr. Thomas Harris spent Saturday night with Mr. John Horton.

Messrs. Leo Harris, Paul Pannell, Palmer Skidmore and Bernard Clark visited Willie, Davis and Charlie Blackwell Sunday afternoon.

Little Miss Ruby Lee Williamson has been on the sick list for a few days. Also has Miss Nina McAninch.

Mr. Floyd Newberry and wife visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blackwell Saturday night.

**Senior B. Y. P. U. Program**

Doctrinal Meeting: The Christian Life; How to grow.

Leader, Mildred Swafford.

Introduction by Leader.

A Bible background, Mary Parrack.

Jesus, our example, Helen Booth.

Some Secrets of soul growth, Bessie Westenhover.

How Mr. Moody Grew, Bill Haynes.

If we would be strong Christians, Yates Brown.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We take this method of thanking each and every one who so kindly assisted us in any way during the illness and death of our son and brother. May God bless you.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Harris and children. 1t

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