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Thirteenth Day of June Dead Line for Candidates

The following information was handed out by J. S. Gardner, county chairman, regarding the coming election:

"Candidates for county and precinct offices shall file with the county chairman, not later than Saturday, the 13th day of June, 1936, his written application for his name to appear on the official ballot. These applications may be had at the office of the county chairman, if desired.

The county executive committee will meet in Robert Lee on the 15th day of June, 1936, and attend to the following business.

Decide whether the nomination of county or precinct officers shall be by majority or plurality vote.

By lot determine the order in which the names of the various candidates for State, District, County and precinct officers shall appear on the ballot.

Estimate the cost of holding the election, and apportion such cost among the various candidates, and at once notify each candidate the amount of such expense apportioned to him, with the request that he pay the same to the county chairman on or before June 22, 1936.

The chairman, with the approval of the committee, shall appoint a subcommittee of five members to be known as the primary committee. This subcommittee shall meet on the 22nd day of June, 1936, and make up such official ballot in accordance with the certificates of the State and District chairmen, and the request filed with the county chairman, and place the names of such candidates thereon in the order determined by the county executive committee.

No person's name shall be placed on the ballot who has not paid to the county chairman, the amount of the estimated expense apportioned to him by the executive committee.

July 25th is first primary election day. August 22nd is second primary election day.

Members of the Democratic Executive Committee

F. C. Clark, Robert Lee; W. J. Gideon, Bronte; J. J. Morrow, Ft. Chadbourne; R. A. Howell, Tennyson; A. N. Counts, Divide; Lem Cowley, Valley View; D. R. Campbell, Sanco; O. E. Allen, Silver; W. H. Millican, Edith; H. A. Williams, Wild Cat; R. V. Copeland, Olga; Ainslie Turner, Walnut; Eugene Brooks, Mayes; J. A. Waldrop, Hayrick; W. H. Parish, Juniper.

Stage Play Tonight

Silver Peak high school girls and boys are staging a play at Silver Peak school auditorium tonight, May 15. Come on, folks, why not see "Plain Jane" in three wild woolly western acts. Admission: 5 cents to all. Don't fail to see this wild woolly play.

Entertains Tri-Mesa Club

Miss Myvan Morris entertained the Tri-Mesa Club Monday evening at the Griffith home. This being Miss Morris' last meeting with the club for several months, Lois Lambert of Bronte was voted in to fill her place.

Decorations and refreshments carried out the Centennial theme. A unique refreshment plate of ice cream and Texas-shaped cookies centered with a Texas flag, was served to: Christine Glenn, Charline Morrow, Virginia Griffith, Dorothy Clift, Lois Vowell, Mrs. T. F. Sims and Mrs. D. K. Glenn of Bronte, Eunice McLure, Mrs. S. E. Adams, Mrs. Paul Good, Mrs. Rex Keeling and Blanche Percifull were guests.

The club will meet next with Charline Morrow.

Attend Shower

Those attending the shower from here given for Miss Della Higginbotham of Bronte, whose marriage to Mr. Fitzhugh was announced last week, were: Mesdames Fred Roe, Gerald Allen, F. C. Clark, W. J. Cumbie, Marvin Simpson, Lamont Scott, W. B. Clift, W. M. Simpson, J. A. Clift, Geo. Taylor, Edward Adams, J. S. Gardner, Joe Arledge, and Miss Ella Arledge.

W. M. S. Society

The Womans Missionary Society met with Mrs. W. B. Clift Monday afternoon. Mrs. Gardner had charge of program on "Negro Settlement Work."

Those present: Mesdames W. K. Simpson, L. H. McDorman, T. S. Wylie, J. K. Griffith, J. S. Gardner, E. B. Creech, J. S. Graddock, F. C. Clark, J. A. Clift, W. E. Wilbanks, W. B. Clift, C. S. Brown, W. C. McDonald.

Lectures

Rev. G. B. Shelburne of Oplin, Texas, will deliver a series of lectures from the New Testament for the Church of Christ, beginning on Sunday, May 24, and will continue through the week till the next Sunday.

We are sure you will find Bro. Shelburne very interesting on this subject as he is an able teacher and well versed in the Scriptures.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

"Flames In the Forest," the serial story that has been running in the Observer for several weeks, ends with this issue and a new story, "Unconfessed," starts next week. Many have told us how they enjoyed reading "Flames In the Forest" and we are sure they will enjoy the new one equally as well.

This Author Has Explored Africa, Hunted Gorillas

A biography of Mary Hastings Bradley, whose latest novel, "Unconfessed," this paper now brings you in serial form, might easily prove as fascinating as many of the eminently thrilling novels and short stories she has produced.

Born and brought up in Chicago, she began to write when only fourteen. Receiving her degree at Smith college, she studied in England, with some travel in Europe and Egypt, and then returned to Chicago where she married Herbert Edwin Bradley, Chicago attorney. Meanwhile her contributions were appearing regularly in Cosmopolitan, Munsey's, and the Woman's Home Companion. Her first novel, "Favor of Kings," appeared in 1912, and since then she has written fiction steadily. Among her more recent successes were "Murder in Room 700" and "Road of Desperation."

But Mrs. Bradley is not alone a successful novelist; she is noted as an African explorer and as a writer about Africa and its wild life. She accompanied her husband on Carl E.keley's famous expedition which was sent by the American Museum of Natural History into the Belgian Congo to obtain gorillas. She made a second expedition into Belgian Congo in 1921, and was a member of the first party to traverse the region west of Lake Edward. She went after tigers in Sumatra and Indo China in 1925 and returned again to Africa in 1931 to study the Pygmy and Mangbetou tribes.

Her travels have resulted in such well-known books as "Caravans and Cannibals," "On the Gorilla Trail," and "Trailing the Tiger," and in such books for younger readers as "Alice in Jungland" and "Alice in Elephant Land." She is a fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and a member of the Society of Women Geographers.

Seven Mistakes

"There are seven mistakes of life that many of us make," said a famous writer; and then he gave the following list:

1. The delusion that individual advancement is made by crushing others down.
2. The tendency to worry about things that cannot be changed or corrected.
3. Insisting that a thing is impossible because we ourselves cannot accomplish it.
4. Attempting to compel other persons to believe and live as we do.
5. Neglecting development and refinement of the mind by not acquiring the habit of reading.
6. Refusing to set aside trivial preferences, in order that important things may be accomplished.
7. The failure to establish the habit of saving money.

The Texas Centennial that opens in Dallas June 6, is going to have some keen competition. Ft. Worth is planning a big Frontier Day celebration that will probably run as long as the Centennial. Dallas and Ft. Worth have always been jealous of each other and if one town starts something the other is sure to try one better. Anyway, there should be plenty of entertainment going on.

Pre-Commencement Activities

The High School Seniors are in a whirl of activities this week which will likely continue without a let up until diplomas are delivered on May 29.

Wednesday was the annual Kid Day. Thursday night the senior play was staged and today is just Senior Day, the day when they are free from all class work, usually beginning with a service breakfast and ends with a tired, happy bunch dragging in from an all day jaunt all over the country.

As usual, the seniors put on a round of Kid Day foolishness for entertainment at the chapel hour. Mrs. J. D. Coleman conducting the devotional.

The curtain rose on a school-room scene, with J. D. Coleman, an overly dignified professor, seated at the desk. The pupils filed in garbed in kid clothing, drawing little red wagons, carrying dolls, riding stick horses and eating all-day suckers. After much admiration and persuasion the professor presented his star pupils in several numbers for the entertainment of visitors. Interspersed with many pranks which served to modify and embarrass the pedagogue, several musical numbers, readings and a tap dance were given. The audience enjoyed the entertainment so much they ask for more and the tap dance was repeated.

At the close of the chapel hour Supt. Taylor mentioned that this would be the last chapel program for this class. There's always a bit of sadness about doing anything the last time and several of this class have appeared on chapel day programs in the same school for eleven years.

Paint Creek News

The school has turned out for the summer. The children gave their closing school program Monday night.

Mr. Geo. Barnett of Houston visited in the home of his sister, Mrs. Joe Field, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Jones entertained with a party Saturday night. Everyone reported a grand time.

Miss Helen Johnson spent last week-end with Miss Beth Gilmore at Wickett.

Those who attended the Mothers Day program at Edith Sunday report a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Johnson and son, Bobby Ray, of Edith, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. M. W. Johnson.

Miss L. C. Fisher, who has taught the past term here, returned to her home at Christoval Wednesday.

Mr. J. Q. McCabe expected to leave the Shannon hospital Sunday, but because house help at the ranch was not immediately available, he remained until Wednesday.

What the Pension Amendment Provides

The first point to keep in mind is that the amendment does not of itself provide for the payment of pensions.

The legislature shall have the power by general laws to provide under such limitations and restrictions as may be deemed by the legislature expedient, for old age assistance and for the payment of same not to exceed \$15 per month to actual bona fide citizens who are over the age of 65 years.

Those who try to make it appear that it is unconstitutional for the legislature to impose any restrictions, or make any rules, as to the payments, are ignoring the plain language of the amendment. The legislature has very broad powers. It has the power, so far as that goes, to refuse to pass any restrictions it sees fit. If the legislature passed a law to limit eligibility for pensions to one-legged men over the age of 90, it would be entirely within its constitutional rights.

There are some other points to be noted in the amendment. It provides certain restrictions of its own. Nobody shall receive over \$15 monthly from the state. Habitual drunkards, habitual criminals, inmates of state supported institutions, are not eligible. No one is eligible who has not lived in Texas at least five years out of the nine years preceding his application. But the business of making other restrictions is left to the legislature's discretion.

Those who voted for the amendment in the belief that it provided for \$15 monthly pensions to all over 65-year olds, regardless of their earning power, regardless of their property ownership, regardless of the ability of relatives to provide for them--and regardless of the state's ability to raise the money--did not read their ballots when they voted.

The purpose of the state amendment and of the law passed in accordance with it, the purpose of the federal legislation on the same subject, is to provide old age assistance for those who really need it. It is not easy to draw the line, but the effort must be made to draw it as clearly and as straight as the amendment provides. And when the language of the constitution clashes with the ambitions of politicians, the latter must give a way to the former.

Scattered Rains

Scattered rains covered part of the county Wednesday afternoon. Robert Lee section had only a shower, but the McCabe section reports three inches, filling the lakes. Sheriff Percifull said the Lometa community had a two-inch rain. Other sections report from heavy to light showers.

Current Events in Review

By Edward W. Pickard

Italy Takes Addis Ababa; the Emperor Flees

EMPEROR HAILE SELASSIE of Ethiopia gave up the hopeless fight against the Italian invaders and fled from Addis Ababa with his family.



Haile Selassie

Mussolini's victorious troops soon after marched into the capital, the first to enter being a picked regiment representing all units of the Italian army, the Askari, infantry, artillery, air force, engineers, grenadiers, bersaglieri, Alpine, cavalry, marines and Fascist militiamen.

Their coming was welcomed by the foreigners who remained in the city, for as soon as the news left, the natives began to pillage, plunder and burn. The business center of the town was speedily wrecked and the government buildings were stormed and ravaged, these including the treasury from which the state's store of gold was stolen, and the armory. The streets were strewn with corpses and the Ethiopians, crazed by liquor, rushed about shooting at random and gathering up their loot to carry it to the hills.

Only one foreigner was reported killed. That was Mrs. N. A. Stadin, American wife of an Adventist missionary, who was struck by a stray bullet. Nearly all other foreigners were gathered in the well fortified British legation, but American Minister Cornelius Van H. Eggert with his wife and the male members of the staff remained in the American compound. They were armed only with rifles and pistols and were under orders from Secretary of State Hull not to risk their lives uselessly; but they were determined to hold the legation and radio station as long as possible. This plucky little group was attacked repeatedly by marauders but repulsed all onslaughts. Mr. Eggert was in wireless communication with Washington. The British legation offered to send a detachment of Sikhs to escort the Americans to the British compound, but Mr. Eggert declined to leave his legation at that time. Next day he and his staff evacuated the compound.

Haile Selassie went by train to Djibouti, French Somaliland, and was received with all honors at the governor's palace. He and his family boarded the British cruiser Enterprise and sailed for Palestine.

So ends the military part of Mussolini's African adventure, a success despite the opposition of the League of Nations and the imposition of economic and financial penalties. The duke announced the victory to his country from the chamber of deputies and there was wild rejoicing throughout Italy. It is taken for granted Mussolini will set up an Amharic state in part of Ethiopia under a puppet emperor.

Vandenberg's Name Is to Be Presented

SENATOR ARTHUR H. VANDENBERG of Michigan has asked Gov. Frank D. Fitzgerald of that state to present his name to the Republican convention in Cleveland for the Presidential nomination, but the senator insists this does not make him an active candidate.

"The Michigan state convention generously instructed the Michigan delegation in Cleveland to present my name," the senator said. "But the delegation is unpledged—at my request. It is free to vote as it pleases. I have not sought a delegation here or elsewhere and I shall not do so. I have not sought the nomination and shall not do so. My situation is not changed in the slightest."

Friends of Senator Borah in Utah tried unsuccessfully for a Borah pledged delegation from that state. The Republican state convention in Ogden voted to send an uninstructed group to Cleveland, following the recommendation of the resolutions committee.

The Arkansas delegation also will be uninstructed, though the state convention approved an "expression of good will" toward Gov. Alf Landon.

Col. Henry Breckenridge, who offered himself to the Democrats as a Presidential nominee aspirant merely so that disaffected members of the party might have some place to go, received

about one-seventh of the votes in the Maryland preference primary. The rest, of course, went to Mr. Roosevelt. Breckenridge made no campaign.

Radicals Control French Chamber of Deputies

FINAL elections in France put complete control of the chamber of deputies in the hands of the revolutionary "Popular Front," a coalition of Communists, Socialists, Radical Socialists and minor left wing groups. The new chamber does not meet until June, and the confusion is so great that there are fears of chaos and financial panic in the interim. Many believe the Popular Front will be unable to form a stable government to succeed that of Premier Sarraut. The lead must be taken by the Socialists, for they now form the largest group in the chamber with 146 seats. The Radical Socialists have 115, the Communists 72 and minor left parties 44. The National bloc, including center and right parties opposed to the leftists, have 236 seats.

Senator Hastings Will Not Seek Re-election

DANIEL O. HASTINGS, senator from Delaware, chairman of the Republican senatorial campaign committee and outspoken opponent of the New Deal, will not seek re-election when his present term expires. He so announced in a letter to the party leaders of his state, giving as his reason the necessity to devote himself to his law practice. This may have influenced his decision, but it is more than suspected that the real reason was the fact that the du Pont family, all-powerful in Delaware Republican politics, had decided that the senatorial seat should go to Gov. C. Douglas Buck, who is related to the du Ponts by marriage. Senator Hastings has always been ready and eloquent in defense of the du Ponts against attacks by the New Dealers.

Sen. Hastings

Navy Expansion Measure Passed by the House

SINCE international naval disarmament efforts have failed, those who advocate adequate national defense rejoice in the passage by the house of the bill appropriating approximately \$331,000,000 to build our navy up to treaty strength. Representative Marcantonio of New York and a few others put up loud opposition, but a record vote was not necessary. The objectors dwelt especially on a clause authorizing the laying of keels for two 35,000 ton battleships after January 1, 1937, should any foreign signatory to the London naval treaty start a battleship replacement program. Two days later they might have read dispatches from London saying rumors had reached there that Japan was considering laying down a 55,000 ton battleship armed with 21-inch guns.

Business Men Differ With Mr. Roper

DANIEL C. ROOPER, secretary of commerce, appeared before the Chamber of Commerce of the United States at its annual meeting in Washington and warned its members, most of whom are persistent critics, of New Deal policies, that unless private enterprise takes up the slack in employment, business must pay the relief bill out of earnings.

"It is the responsibility of all business and industrial enterprises," said Roper, "and not of one particular segment of the government to increase its efforts for greater employment. If a substantial measure of increased re-employment does not take place the taxation for relief purposes will come largely from business earnings. There must be re-employment or a longer period of increased taxation."

Various members of the chamber replied spiritedly. Roy C. Osgood, vice president of the First National bank of Chicago, predicted that if the administration embarked on a sound fiscal program that would inspire confidence, business would make rapid strides toward recovery. He criticized the pending tax on corporate earnings as impracticable and a brake on business expansion and stability.

Huge New Tax Measure Rushed Through House

WITH extraordinary speed which the opposition considered indecent, the administration's new \$803,000,000 revenue bill was pushed through the house. The vote, 267 to 93, was almost strictly along party lines. The roll call showed 82 Republicans and only 11 Democrats voted against the measure, while four Republicans deserted the minority to cast their lot with the administration.



Sen. Harrison

The bill was handed to the senate whose finance committee, headed by Pat Harrison, had been studying it in secret sessions in order to be prepared for the public hearings that opened two days after the house had acted. There had been predictions that this committee would modify the measure radically, but the opposition to it in Democratic ranks seemed to have faded away and its passage by the senate without material change was deemed probable.

As passed by the house the bill provides:

1. A graduated tax on corporation income which, it is estimated, will force distribution of \$3,390,000,000 more in dividends and yield the government an additional \$620,000,000 annually.
2. A "windfall" tax on unpaid or refunded processing taxes imposed under the invalidated AAA, which is expected to yield \$100,000,000.
3. Continuation of the capital stocks and excess profits taxes for six months to yield \$35,000,000.
4. A refund of \$35,000,000 to processors who suffered financial losses under the old AAA.

Hagood Holds New Command One Day, Then Retires

MAJ. GEN. JOHNSON HAGOOD, assigned to the command of the Sixth corps area with headquarters at Chicago, held the command only one day, as a matter of form, and then at his own request was relieved of the assignment and retired from active service. He said he would remain in Chicago several months to do some special work for a mail order house and then would select a permanent residence and write a book telling "how the United States can get a very much better national defense at very much less cost to the taxpayer."

Young Farouk Succeeds to Egyptian Throne

FUAD I, king of Egypt, died of a gangrenous throat infection at his country place near Cairo at the age of sixty-eight. The crown prince, Farouk, a sixteen-year-old pupil in the royal military academy at Woolwich, England, was immediately proclaimed king and started for Egypt, sailing from Marseilles on a British liner escorted by a British warship in order to avoid going by way of Italy.

King Farouk

Before his death King Farouk named a regency council of three to govern the country until Farouk comes of age. The young king, who is six feet tall and well educated, hopes to return to England to complete his studies at Woolwich.

Egypt elected a new parliament, and though returns are not in at this writing it is believed the Wafd or Nationalist party won a clear majority of the seats. The Wafdists demand a free Egypt, completely rid of British influence and control. The negotiations for the new Anglo-Egyptian treaty were deferred until after the election.

Bringing Back CCC to Its Authorized Strength

DIRECTOR ROBERT FECHNER of the Civilian Conservation Corps moved to bring the corps up to its authorized strength of 350,000 by ordering state enrollment officers to disregard previous quotas and accept any qualified boy from a relief family.

At the same time, Fechner authorized enrollments in eight southern states omitted from the original schedule, while the War department ordered corps area commanders to report on the number of recruits needed in each state.

Estimating that between 30,000 and 35,000 new members would be required, Fechner attributed slowness of enrollments to improving business conditions. Vacancies also exist for 4,000 war veterans.

Pioneer Champion of Inland Waterway is Dead

JAMES ELLWOOD SMITH of St. Louis, who died the other day at the age of eighty-five, had devoted much of his life and fortune to the cause of inland waterways transportation. He was one of the founders and the president emeritus of the Mississippi Valley association.

Washington Digest

National Topics Interpreted
By WILLIAM BRUCKART
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Washington.—Business, as represented by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, again has clashed with the New Deal, and again the clash is a struggle.

Nonading by business added nothing. Its attacks apparently bothered the New Deal not at all, for the New Deal has proceeded after the manner of the mastiff trotting along without concern while a poodle barked and snarled.

Business made no overtures for compromise with the New Deal and New Deal spokesmen were not hastening to make peace with business leaders. Altogether, there was not the slightest indication given that there will ever be peace between the two elements of economic thought.

The one thing that impressed me about the recent annual meeting here of the chamber of commerce was the solidarity of business in its opposition to general New Deal principles. That was to be expected but it has not always been the case. In days past, there were many business groups and individuals who adhered to the New Deal and vainly tried to work out an understanding with the administration. At this annual meeting, however, there was not the slightest effort made on the part of business to accomplish any arrangement whereby business and the administration would work together.

This can mean only one thing: President Roosevelt is going into his campaign for re-election without the support of business interests except where, in particular lines, benefit has accrued incidentally to specific businesses.

One would think that such a condition would constitute a threat against the President's re-election. Such appears not to be the case, however, because of the particular type of campaign which Mr. Roosevelt and his political commander in chief, Postmaster General Farley, are making. The President's recent political speeches have made it quite clear that he is seeking support wholly from the agricultural and labor segments of our voters. His appeals are quite open and frank and they are drawing considerable criticism because it is held they constitute the initiation of class struggle in this country. Whatever the reason for the President's course, it remains as a fact that he is very busy cultivating voters who have suffered most in the depression.

When I reported above that business came off second best in its fresh assault on the New Deal, I did not mean to imply that it had not made a vigorous fight. It probably gained some ground in getting before the country its side of the story, a phase of our national situation which has not been as fully advertised to the country as have the activities and accomplishments of the New Deal. The story of the losses suffered by business actually is not a great deal different from that of the individual, and many businesses are existing on a hand-to-mouth basis just as in the case with thousands of individuals. Because business, in our mind's eye, at least, is larger than an individual, political demagogues regard it as fair game and for that reason, I am inclined to believe, business has not had a fair chance on the part of most of us when considering national problems.

On the other hand, business has many units within the whole that have not played fair. There are a great many corporations that are guilty of plain oppression, even to the extent of fraud and corruption of business methods. For the crookedness of this segment, all business has been blamed by the New Deal. This is not equity. The unhappy part of it all is that unless all business stands together, good, bad and in-between, it can get nowhere at all in defense of its legitimate rights.

There is, therefore, a wholly natural and yet quite unfair result emanating from this condition. New Deal planners, in their efforts to catch the crooks, have punished legitimate business far too much if one is to accept even partially the public statements and the private expressions of the business men who attended the annual meeting of the chamber of commerce. This ought not to be and I think that legitimate business has just ground for complaint on this score.

So, as the situation now stands, I believe it can be said in all fairness that neither side in this battle between the New Deal and business comes into court with entirely clean hands. Business has its cancerous sores. The New Deal has its nitwits and theorists who know nothing about practical economics. The result of this is plainly seen, and it becomes more and more apparent that Mr. Roosevelt cannot accomplish his objective of complete recovery until he directs some of his subordinates to put their feet on the ground. Indeed, there are some of the New Deal subordinates who ought to be tossed bodily into the street, just as there are some business men who ought to be thrown into jail.

The chamber of commerce meeting brought forth the information that business, as a whole, had kept hundreds of thousands of workers on its collective pay rolls during the depression when conditions did not justify their retention. The claim was advanced that business had expended something like twenty billions in wages paid from stored-up reserves. It was further asserted that business was alone responsible for such gains toward recovery as have been made.

New Deal spokesmen, from President Roosevelt on down, have consistently accused business of failure to take on workers and help solve the unemployment problem. At the same time, the banking structure of the country has been accused chiefly by the President of refusal to extend credit to business, and business as a whole has been classified by the President as greedy.

It seems safe to say that as regards these charges, business does have an answer, for throughout all history capital has refused to work unless there was a reasonable promise of return. Now, in addition to the lack of that promised return, business is and has been constantly confronted with uncertainties on the part of the New Deal. The present pending tax legislation is typical.

If the business claim is true that it has paid out twenty billions more than its operations justified for wages during the depression, it causes one to ponder over the future. One is inclined to ask what strength business will have to do even as much for the working classes during the next depression as it has done in this one.

With reference to the New Deal policies toward business, a statement by the Rural Electrification administration has just come to my desk. It touches on that very delicate question of how far the government can enter into business in competition with private enterprise without destroying or driving out private initiative. The complaint on the part of private business that the government is continually wedging its way into private fields is well known but the REA statement puts something of a new slant on the view. In fact, it brings to the front one of the elements of government in business not generally recognized.

The REA statement consists of a letter from REA Administrator Morris Cooke to the State Corporation Commission of Virginia. The Virginia commission was urged to consider the situation in which the REA and one of its loans will be placed in event of a certain ruling by the Virginia officials. In effect, Administrator Cooke asked the Virginia commission to rule against private business in order that a \$366,000 loan made by REA to a co-operative organization in Virginia can be protected.

To review the facts briefly, let me explain that a private electric company applied to the Virginia commission for authority to extend its lines for transmission of energy into a farming section adjacent to cities served by the electric company. It happened that the REA had sent agents into this same territory and had obtained promises from many farmers to buy electricity from a co-operative concern to be organized and financed by REA. The private company apparently horned in to what Mr. Cooke thought was the territory of REA by right of discovery or some other such reason, and so he is now engaged in attempting at least to prevent the private company from entering that field.

The point of this circumstance is that here is a federal agency, steeped in bureaucracy and with the usual bureaucratic thirst for power, which actually is attempting to drive private industry out of its way. It is doing it under the thin disguise of reason of protecting a government loan.

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FLAME IN THE FOREST

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CHAPTER XVI—Continued

Jim and the others did draw back. It would not do to get too close to those clicking teeth, those blazing eyes.

"Why, he's hurt! Look at that leg! Here, Tip..." Again Jim tried to get near but a shrill raging and the flashing of those strong, white teeth set him again in retreat.

"Mad, I tell you!"

"Here, Tip! Let's see."—Ezra Adams trying, now, but the dog drove him back, too.

Advice, warnings, speculation; confusion. And then Nan Downer pushed through the circle.

"What's wrong?... Oh! Tip! Why, Tip..." The tail flopped heavily, the dirt smeared tongue lolled; the dog panting and whined. The girl dropped to her knees beside him and he put his nose in her lap...

"Now he could be touched; now the hurt could be examined."

"Broken!" gasped Ezra. "And... Good Lord, sergeant, this dog's been shot!"

The words echoed from a dozen throats. "Shot!"

"He was with Kerry!" Nan cried. "He was with Kerry, I am sure... Ezra! Where is Kerry? Where is..."

"That," snapped the policeman, "is what we've got to find out! Come on, you trailers! Look! You can see every step he took in this road!"

Mid-afternoon, now, and his head rolled drunkenly as Young fought off that cloud of darkness. He could not hold it much longer. The cabin was beyond his range of vision...

He had one cartridge left. He remembered that. For weeks, it seemed, his intermittent firing had kept West within that cabin. He had only one more shot to fire, and he could not see the head of his sight.

His face drooped heavily against the stock. He was so weary. He wanted to sleep... just a moment... just a second... One little wink of respite...

And then he knew that for ever so long voices had been in his ears. Voices, saying over and over: "Here he went..."

And Jim was standing there in the road, bent over, with a group around him... And Nan with her hand on Jim's shoulder, and the sound of glass breaking...

Glass breaking! Window glass breaking before the thrust of a rifle barrel through the pane; tinkling as it spilled over the sill... And a man with his shoulder slammed tight against the window casing sighting that rifle, and...

Tod West, that, taking his final toll. One, two, three... They'd drop there in the road before the crash of his repeating weapon. One, two, three... West in sight, exposed to Young!

Oh, how well Kerry could see now. He could see the head of his front sight, could see it flash true against that bulky breast and the recoil did not hurt, that time. He did not even think of it... He saw that other rifle barrel fly upward, saw Tod West spin

about, back to the window... Saw him stand there a moment and then, in the terrible silence, saw him disappear with the crash which loosed torrents of cries and words and sounds of running feet...

Then Kerry Young put his cheek down on the cool, moist earth and drew a long breath...

They had him back at Nan's in an hour. Ezra had the bullet out before sundown. It was midnight when he opened his eyes.

At first, he thought he was alone in the room and then realized that he could not be alone; a man alone cannot have that sweet sense of peace and permanence and well being which spread over him like a mantle...

He moved his head slightly and saw her sitting there, straight and stiff and



Her Lips Were Living Warmth on His Cheek.

expectant, her face gentler than ever beneath the shaded light.

"Nan," he breathed and she came quickly close.

"Oh, Kerry!" The words were a sob. "And you're... all right?"

"Right! Every thing's right!" He closed his eyes.

"Ezra says he's done the best job of bone setting he's ever done for man or beast."

Pause. "Holt?"

"Here,"—in a whisper, "Waiting to thank you... before he goes."

He cleared his throat feebly. "And... West?"

"Already gone,"—gravely, "And forever."

He stared hard at the ceiling through a long moment.

"Nan... I guess... I guess I'm all right, but a hand never can... just tell. There's something I've... got to say... Put it off for the... right time... right place... Excuse... little groggy..."

"Sh!" Gently she placed small fingers against his lips. "You mustn't talk. You'll be all right. Ezra swears it. But now... And I'll say it for you, dear, dear Kerry! I'll say the thing you want to say... I love you... Is that it? I knew, you see. And I love you, Kerry... Love you, love you, love you..."

Her lips were living warmth on his cheek.

[THE END]

HOW ARE YOU TODAY

DR. JAMES W. BARTON
Talks About

Reducing Versus Age

A MIDDLE-AGED overweight woman, a member of a bridge club, secretly began to reduce her food intake in the worthy effort to get rid of her surplus weight and acquire once more the figure of which she formerly had been so proud.

She ate a "little" of everything that was served at the club, avoiding sugar.

It was about eight weeks before any of the other members noticed that her face and body had lost some fat; that she looked unusually well also.

By the end of another six weeks the change was so great that other fat members asked her secret. Her only reply was that she didn't eat as much as formerly.

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TALL TALES

As Told to:
FRANK E. HAGAN and
ELMO SCOTT WATSON

Blondy by a Tongue!

WAY back in 1892—said the Old turfman—I owned as beautiful a racing mare as ever was foaled. Her name was Blondy because of her color.

My other possession was a farm in the Blue Grass country on which was hung a "plaster" of \$15,000.

Bad luck cut between me and the purses although Nigger Jim, my trainer, would get her cream-colored body in the pink before every race.

We taught Blondy a lot of tricks, between losing races. One was to make a face. Nigger Jim or I would hold an apple or carrot so she had to stretch her neck and put out her tongue for it. And she got so she would do this whenever we told her "make a face."

We entered the mare in a claiming race at Churchill Downs the spring of '92. It was May 15, to be exact. The mortgage on the farm was due May 16. Nigger Jim had Blondy in great form for the 1 1/4 mile race. But the bookies were laying 20 to 1 against our nag. I managed to scare up exactly one thousand berries and placed the whole roll at 20 to 1. It was win the race or lose the farm.

The horses were away evenly but 100 yards from the start Blondy stumbled and lost stride. We groaned but heartened as she winged away, regaining lost ground at every jump. Then a horse cut in front of her. It was Dixie Dude, and she had to be pulled.

Down the back stretch and around the turn they came. Blondy was moving up on the outside. When they hit the stretch she and Dixie Dude were running head and head.

It looked like a certain dead heat but at the last jump or two Nigger Jim, hanging on the rail, yelled "Make a face, Yo' Blondy! Make a face!" Thank God! Blondy heard, straightened her neck, shot out her tongue across the finish line and won the race.

Man-Made Mesas

AFTER Paul Bunyan finished his work logging off the Pacific Northwest he decided he'd become an oil-driller. First thing he did was to go down into New Mexico and begin drilling a well on top of a mountain.

Paul's well was sunk to a depth of 14,000 feet without a sign of oil. Funny thing about that mountain—it was made up of alternate layers of thin rock and dry sand.

One night a windstorm came up. And how she did blow! The next morning when Paul woke up he looked out of the window of his shack and such a sight as met his eyes! There was his hole, standing straight up in the air as high as he could see. The wind had blown all the sandy layers away from it but the layers of rock were hanging around it like washers pushed around a drill stem.

Paul was pretty mad about it but he didn't waste any time standing around cussing. He just took a sledge and climbed up to the top of the hole. When he got there, he began pounding the hole down into the ground again. As he did so the layers of rock began to come together and in less than no time they made a mesa.

That sort of thing happened time after time and that's why New Mexico is so full of mesas. They're perpetual monuments to Paul Bunyan's unsuccessful oil-drilling operations there.

The Squalling Squonk

SOME cold, winter night, as you sit before a roaring fire in a hunting lodge or in the bunkhouse of a lumber camp in the North Woods, you're certain to hear outside a long-drawn-out moaning. But if you think it's the wind in the bare branches of the trees, you're mistaken! Your lumberjack friend will tell you it's a squonk, moaning because it has a warty, ill-fitting skin.

That's all a squonk ever does—just goes wandering among the hemlock trees, weeping and sobbing bitterly because its skin doesn't fit. When the thermometer is down to nine degrees above zero, you can follow it by the little globules of ice it leaves behind—the squonk's trail of frozen tears.

Because it is such a shy, nocturnal animal few men have ever seen a squonk. But once a lumberjack, by imitating its cries, urel one into his cabin. The little beast seemed perfectly satisfied until he shut it up in a wicker basket. Then it began to sob and moan.

This went on for hours, then died down. The lumberjack peeked into the basket to see if the squonk had cried itself to sleep. But all he found was salt water and a few bubbles. The squonk had dissolved itself in its own tears. "I mighta known better," said the lumberjack, as he added one of his own tears to the collection, "than to have shut up a squonk in a basket made from branches of the weeping willow tree."

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Soot on wall paper may be removed with corn meal. Brush off as much of the soot as possible, then rub on corn meal until it becomes soiled, and brush off.

Equal parts of alcohol and glycerin applied to the windshield of your automobile in rainy weather will keep shield clean.

When making iced tea double the amount of tea leaves used. When ice melts it weakens tea.

Bread used in making sandwiches should be bought the day before sandwiches are made. Cut bread thin and remove all crusts. Crusts may be used for croutons, bread puddings, dressings, etc.

Moth balls tied in mosquito netting and hung on rose bushes and grapevines, will drive away rose bugs.

If water seeps through the wells of your garden pool, paint with waterproof paint.

Dilute canned soup with water in which vegetables have been boiled instead of with pure water. The flavor is much better.

Hard Work

THERE is no real success in any pursuit in life without hard work. "I find," said Livingstone, the great missionary explorer, when addressing the spinners of Glasgow, "that all eminent men work hard. Eminent geologists, mineralogists, men of science, work hard, and that both early and late." It matters not what position a man may occupy, as a general thing, his labor will constitute the measure of his success. Eminence in any profession or calling is only attained by toll. There is hard, earnest, persistent work somewhere before this end is reached.

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UNCONFESSED

By Mary Hastings Bradley

While the houseparty proceeds gaily, the alluringly beautiful Nara Harriden disappears. She is found lying dead in the shrubbery beneath the window of her room. The insidious killer, loose among the guests, strikes again—slaying the only person able to throw light upon the mystery. Suspicion centers strongly upon a lovely young woman, a young woman who has just fallen desperately in love. But the sinister criminal has not reckoned how bravely this girl will fight her way out of the enclosing net of false clues.

With bated breath and a shudder of thrilled anticipation, we announce the beginning of Mary Hastings Bradley's newest mystery-romance

IN THE NEXT ISSUE

The Robert Lee Observer

Entered the postoffice at Robert Lee, Coke County, Texas, as second class mail matter.

FELIX W. PUETT and ROBERT L. HALL
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What is Man?

Centuries ago human beings believed that the earth was the center of the universe, that the sun, moon, stars, and planets revolved around the world and that the sphere upon which we live was the sole end of creation.

Gradually, light came through the darkness and great astronomers revealed the truth. Far from being the center of the universe, our tiny world was but a fragmentary part of a solar system which, in itself, was but a speck in cosmic space.

Subsequently, modern instruments revealed the amazing galaxy of a hundred billion giant suns, which we call the Milky Way. Our little solar system was 30,000 light years from its center and it may interest you to know that a light year measures six thousand billion miles.

Recent discoveries reported to the American Philosophical Society by Dr. Harlow Shapley, director of the Harvard College Observatory, discloses that for the first time astronomers have been able to gaze beyond the clouds of cosmic dust that have concealed what lay beyond the confines of the Milky Way.

What was revealed? Harvard astronomers have already seen 147 new variable stars, disclosing a distribution of outer galaxies far beyond the confines of the rim of the Milky Way. Moreover, as a side remark, the astronomers report the discovery of a new globular or star system composed of 50,000 stars much larger on the average than our puny sun.

Facing such facts as these, the average individual is apt to exclaim with the Psalmist, "What is man that Thou art mindful of him," and to reveal in the face of doubt in the promising and encouraging declarations, "a little lower than the angels," and "in the image of God."

A DUTY

I see a mother, old and gray,
Her shoulders are stooped
And her steps unsteady are slow.
I see again as she starts across
the street,

A lad young and strong,
Offers her a hand across the
way,

For he, once had a mother, old
and gray.

And he would loved for a lad
To helped his mother one day
Across life's rugged path way.
He took her thin and work worn
arm,

In his strong hands
And protected her across the
traffic street.

The young lad stopped and
watched her go
This some body's mother, that
I know,

For her heart is tender and full
of care.

As the lad walked on his way
He felt he had a duty every day
Just helping some body's mother
across the way.

By Chastine Walker.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce the following Candidates for the office next-above their names, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 25, 1936.

All Announcements strictly Cash.

For District Judge,
51st Judicial District.

JOHN F. SUTTON
(re-election)

GLENN R. LEWIS

For District Attorney,
51st Judicial District.

O. C. FISHER
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For Representative 92nd Dist.

HORACE B. SESSIONS
(re-election)

COKE COUNTY, TEXAS

For County Judge,

McNEIL WYLIE
(re-election)

For County and District Clerk

WILLIS SMITH
(re-election)

For Sheriff & Tax Collector.

FRANK PERCIFULL
(re-election)

PERCY MYERS

For County Treasurer.

Mrs. DAISY McCUTCHEN
(re-election)

IRVAN H. BRUNSON

For Commissioner Pct. No. 1.

H. C. VARNADORE
(re-election)

For Commissioner Pct. No. 3.

T. R. HARMON

For Public Cotton Weigher

Pecinct No. 1.

WALTER McDORMAN
(re-election)

Strangling the Little Fellow

There is a good deal said about the desirability of the little shop and store owner in a community, but most people when they go out to buy an article, hunt up the big store, thus making the big fellow bigger and the little fellow littler. The strange part of it is that the same person, after having helped with his patronage to make the big fellow bigger, will sit down and howl his head off about big business in this country is strangling the little fellow. It isn't big business that strangled the little fellow it is the customer who gives all of his trade to the big fellow who is responsible for the strangling of the little fellow.--Miles Messenger.

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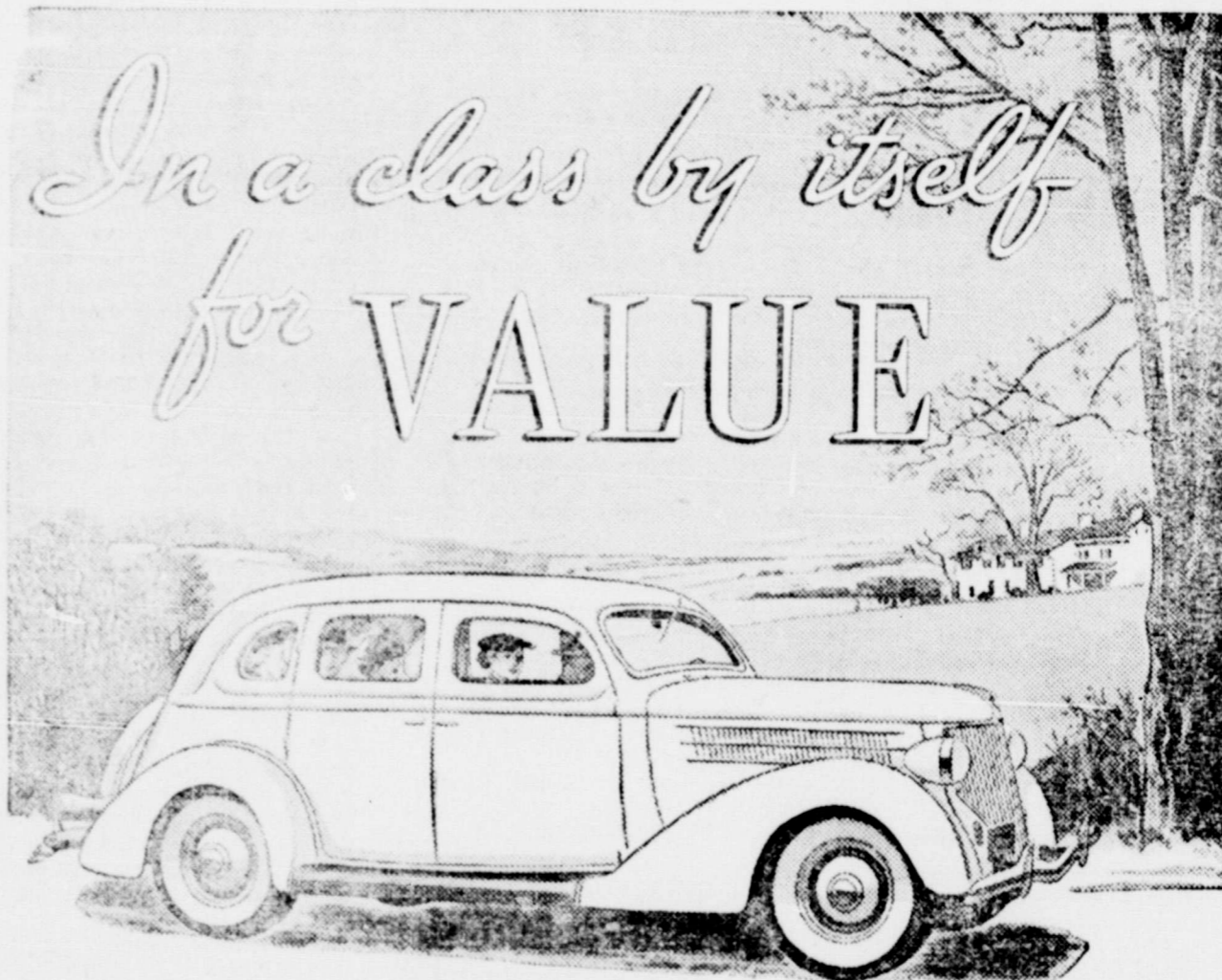
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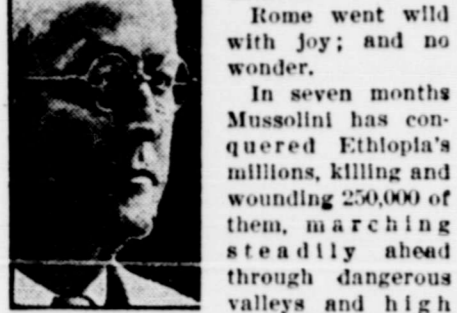
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BRISBANE

THIS WEEK

Mussolini Goes Through Practical Selassie Snake Killed One Which End of the Gun?

Mussolini's men entered Addis Ababa, driving out the Ethiopian looters, bringing safety to various foreigners, including our own minister.



Arthur Brisbane

Rome went wild with joy; and no wonder.

In seven months Mussolini has conquered Ethiopia's millions, killing and wounding 250,000 of them, marching steadily ahead through dangerous valleys and high mountains, driving out the Ethiopian armies, that were directed by skilled soldiers from Turkey, Scandinavia and elsewhere.

Those impressed by the high qualities of Ethiopia's Arab slave-trading ruler will note that in the great crisis his presence of mind remained. The Associated Press says he took with him on the British boat "the imperial family jewels, many cases of gold bullion and gold coins." On his way from Addis Ababa to the British ship he stopped to take all the cash from the treasury and customs house at Dire-dawa.

In Florida, a well-meaning preacher, who thought it his duty to let rattlesnakes bite him to show the power of God, actually did let the snakes bite him without first removing their fangs. He is dead, the jury said, "by the bite of a rattlesnake through his own carelessness."

The poor fanatic succeeded only in proving the power of rattlesnake poison. The laws of the universe could hardly be suspended to justify the whim of one well-meaning fanatic.

It makes a difference, even to the No. 1 Public Enemy, "I'll-never-be-taken-alive" bandit, which way the gun is pointed. Mr. Karpis is taken, much alive, with no struggle, beyond holding a straw hat over his face to baffle photographers.

Much efficiency in cash rewards; Dillinger defied all the "G-men"; a reward was offered, and a red-haired lady delivered him to the "G-men" bullets, and got \$5,000.

Whether the \$7,000 reward offered for Karpis tempted some friend of that courageous one remains to be seen.

The criminal is in business for money, and when he can sell a friend for \$5,000, that seems preferable to risking his own life. The reward system should be extended.

The Carnegie Institute announces a "new law of matter" having to do with the "cohesion of infinitesimal particles of matter within the atom."

If it were not for that law, according to scientists, "the universe would consist of nothing but light hydrogen gas." That should interest politicians, who, after the big conventions, will live, until November, in a universe consisting of something lighter than "light hydrogen gas."

England's new king, Edward the Eighth, is said to be engaged to marry the Princess Alexandrine Louise of Denmark, twenty-one years old, the English king's third cousin.

The uncle of the young lady says he and her father know nothing of it. Nevertheless, it is difficult to believe that King Edward will remain a bachelor, whether he marries this charming young princess or some other, possibly a good healthy young Scotch girl, if one available could be found.

Dr. Walter Emerson Briggs, who teaches dentistry in Tufts college, says "women can take any kind of pain without a whimper."

Women endure pain more courageously than men. Childbirth has taught them to suffer and endure in isolation. Man shows his heroism preferably in crowds, in squadrons, platoons; often he would not do that if it did not take more courage to stay behind alone than to go ahead with the others.

Women's is the courageous sex, man is the other kind and might as well admit it.

The only certain immortality is represented by our children left behind to work on this earth. It must be of great interest to provide a child to fill a throne and rule the world's greatest empire—whether or not it lasts.

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for May 17

JESUS INSPIRES HONESTY

LESSON TEXT—Luke 19:1-10; 45-48. GOLDEN TEXT—Thou shalt not steal. —Exodus 20:15. PRIMARY TOPIC — A Visit From Jesus. JUNIOR TOPIC—Why Jesus Visited Zacchaeus. INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—What It Means to Be Honest. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Taking Religion Into My Business.

"Jesus entered and was passing through Jericho" (v. 1), one of the most noted cities of Bible history. It had been the stronghold of the Canaanites, standing squarely across the Jordan, taken by the marching pitcher-bearers of Joshua (Josh. 6), the city where Rahab experienced salvation through her faith (Heb. 11:31). It was fitting that Jesus should pass through the Jericho of his own day, for a new victory was to be experienced through faith—the conversion of Zacchaeus.

1. Zacchaeus Seeking Jesus (vv. 2-4). This man, a tax-collector for the Roman power, had heard that Jesus was kind to publicans; for had he not had mercy on Matthew? Curiosity seized him; he must see what manner of man Jesus was. Who can know how many have been led to find Christ through the exercise of curiosity. The citizens of a city are drawn to a church or a tabernacle through the growing interest of a revival campaign. Curiosity widens, becoming the initial motive in many who later have faith in Christ to the saving of their souls.

1. His difficulties (vv. 2, 3). His infamous business was a handicap, at least in the eyes of the populace. The very fact that a Jew should hold office under the hated Roman power would make him extremely unpopular. His riches condemned him. The fact that he had acquired much wealth in this calling pointed to extortion in the collection of taxes. He was unpopular; he was pushed aside.

The shortness of his stature (v. 3) was a handicap, but not so great a one as his spiritual state. He doubtless had been pushed about much of his life and had built up an attitude of mind that now manifested itself.

2. His persistence (v. 4) stood him in good stead. If too short to see, he was not too timid to climb. He had been obliged to climb all his life. Always obstacles placed before him he had brushed aside, or had climbed over them, if a desired goal lay beyond. Now, the goal was a sight of Jesus, and he climbed. Though the rich man of town, he would not let pride keep him from the undignified act of getting up among the branches of yonder tree, for Jesus was to pass by.

II. Jesus Finding Zacchaeus (vv. 5, 6).

While Zacchaeus was trying to see Jesus, Jesus was looking for him, as always he is looking for the seeking soul. With no word that would embarrass or humiliate him, Jesus bade him come down from the tree, and declared his intention to go with him to his home. How wonderful is grace, that regardless of one's past life Jesus will receive the seeker as a friend and enter into fellowship with him. Zacchaeus did not hesitate, but made haste to come down, and with joy opened his door to the new-found friend.

III. Zacchaeus' Conversion (vv. 7-10).

His conversion was sudden and thorough. He was converted before he reached the ground. 1. What the crowd said (v. 7) was characteristic; they murmured and said that Jesus had gone to be guest of a man who is a sinner. They could not think of his sin in the past tense, but said in the present of was. Jesus forgives and forgets. He "came to seek and save that which was lost," and he "remembers our sins against us no more forever."

2. The proof of conversion (v. 8) was immediate and satisfying. His new life was begun with resolution and restitution. He dedicated half his goods to the poor. If he before had been a grafter, he was now a generous giver. He was ready to untangle the skein of tax irregularities. While God forgets the past, he nevertheless expects the forgiven sinner to make restitution where possible.

IV. Honesty in God's House (vv. 45-48).

If honesty must be exacted from publicans and sinners, much more should it be required of those who have to do with the worship of God. It is easy to condemn those who made capital out of the requirements of temple worship in Jesus' day; it is not so easy to condemn those who use the Church of Christ as a stepping stone to personal profit and political preferment. "Judgment must begin at the house of God" (1 Pet. 4:17).

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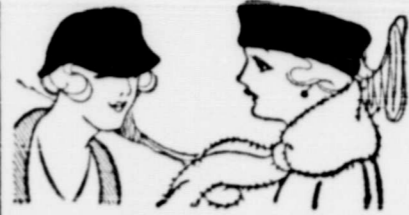


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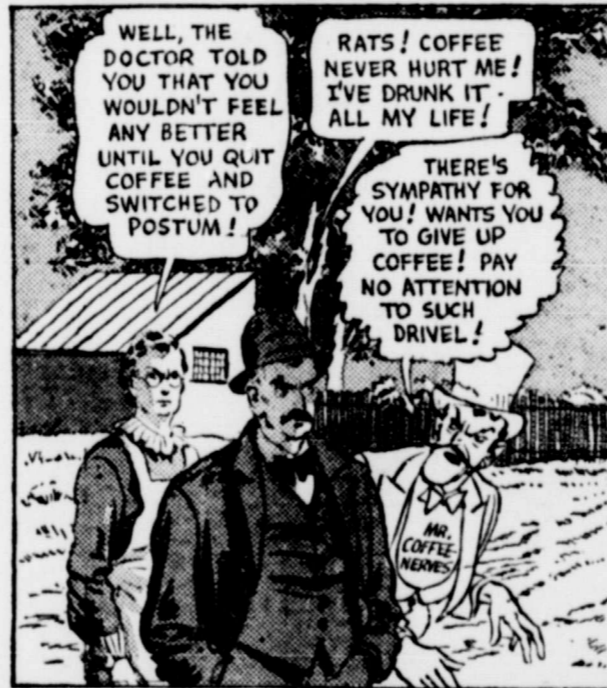
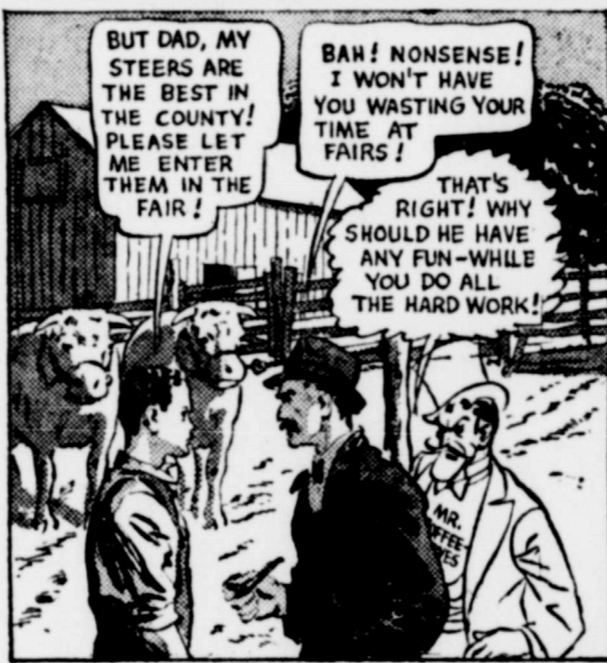
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Victor Arnold, son of Judge and Mrs. Arnold of Robert Lee, arrived Saturday with his family for a visit with relatives and friends here. Mr. Arnold and family expect to be here about ten days before returning to their home in Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Snead and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Snead left here Saturday night for a days fishing on the Devils river. At Sonora they ran into a severe rain and hail storm and sought refuge in a tourist camp for the remaining hours of the night. They returned the next day to Christoval where they spent the day.

A Mr. Patterson of Merkel is here in the interest of the old age pensions; to assist those eligible for the pension to make out their applications and otherwise help them in various ways. He expects to be here two weeks or longer.

Mrs. F. P. Brashier of Ranger sister of Frank Percifull, visited relatives here last week. With her was an aunt, Mrs. Fannie Bailey of Morley, Missouri.

Mrs. C. D. Stewart had as her guests on Mother's Day, her daughter, Mrs. Virgil Duncan and children of Big Lake.

Miss Dorothy Clift was in Water Valley Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Mathews and Mr. and Mrs. Howard.

Mrs. Delbert Harmon and son James, are visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Clift and son, James Wallace Clift and Helen Gramling were over from San Angelo Sunday.

The recent change in the train schedule of the Santa Fe now puts the mail in Robert Lee at 9 a. m. Sanco, Silver, and Edith mail carriers now cover their runs and get back by 12. San Angelo schedule has not been changed. Beginning Monday, the mail for Bronte will leave here at 3 p. m.

Miss Mary Mae Craddock attended Visitors Day at Shannon Hospital at San Angelo Tuesday.

Those attending the District W. M. S. Conference of the Methodist church in San Angelo Tuesday were: Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Moreland, Mesdames J. S. Craddock, F. C. Clark, Marvin Simpson, A. Baze, J. S. Gardner, E. B. Creech, C. S. Brown, W. B. Clift.

Mrs. A. F. Landers, who has been recuperating at Carlsbad for several weeks, has returned home much improved.

Many truck loads of wool leave this section every day on their way to market. The present price is going to put the sheep men back on their feet again.

Special low prices on tires and tubes at Smith's Service Station.

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T. J. Rankin, who was once a resident of this county, moving from here to Georgia, is here greeting old friends. Mr. Rankin at one time owned the Observer. He now lives in Florida.

John Roger Simpson's last week-end at home from Hardin-Simmons in Abilene, wasn't so pleasant as he might have wished. A picnic Saturday night was followed by a day of illness.

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Troy Casey visited his father, Hosey Casey, at Goose Creek, Texas, the past week, returning Monday.

Bill Brown, arrested in San Angelo Monday and Walter Lee (Poochy) Hensley, arrested Tuesday, are being held here on charge of the theft of a hog belonging to Charlie Conner. The hog has been recovered. Both Brown and Hensley are from Bronte.

Albert Baze with a fellow student, Larry Messersmith, was in town the last weekend from Lubbock.

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SOAP, R & W Laundry, 5 Giant bars	19c
NILE SALMON, No 1 tall choice pink, each	12c
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PICKLES, Del Dixi, Qt. jar Sour or Dill	15c
APPLES, Washington Delicious, 216's, doz.	15c
ORNGES, California, 392's, ea.	1c
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