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## Robert Lee Loses An Old-Time Citizen

Enoch Thomas Sparks, a native Texan and a resident of Coke county for the greater part of his life, died in the Shannon Memorial Hospital at San Angelo Thursday night, September 17.

Mr. Sparks was born at Hanes Creek, Johnson County, Texas, on November 28, 1877. While he was yet a small child his parents moved to Coke county. In young manhood he worked with various cattle outfits in West Texas and New Mexico.

He married Miss Annie Cobb, December 15, 1906, in Roswell, N. M. For a while the couple lived at Midland, but in 1903 they came to Coke county which has been the family home since.

Thirteen children were born to this union, nine of whom survive. They are: W. M. Sparks, of Oil Center, N. M., Calvin Sparks of Fort Clark, Curtis and S. B. Robert Lee, Mrs. Curtis Stewart and Mrs. Garvis Swanson, Roswell, N. M., Mrs. Albert Blair, Geraldine and Ruby Jo Sparks, Robert Lee. He is also survived by the widow, one sister, Mrs. Joe Harmon, of Midland, and eight grandchildren.

Aside from his regular occupation of farming and stock raising Mr. Sparks has served the public in several capacities. He owned and operated the first public water-works in Robert Lee, pumping water from the Colorado River. The city bought the water mains when the present system was installed. He was public weigher for a number of years and also served as commissioner.

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. J. D. Coleman and Rev. Lewis Stuckey, were held at the Robert Lee Baptist Church, Saturday afternoon. Pallbearers were: Marvin Stewart, Felix Peays, A. E. Latham, W. E. Newton, Ben Steffey, Willis Smith and McNeil Wylie.

Flower girls were, Bryce Stewart, Nina Gramling, Lorene Fikes and Edna Walker.

Relatives who came from a distance to attend the last rites were, Mrs. Curtis Stewart and children and Mr. and Mrs. Garvis Swanson and children of Roswell N. M., Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sparks and children of Oil Center N. M., Calvin Sparks of Fort Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harmon of Midland. All except Calvin Sparks returned the first of the week.

J. S. Craddock is in Mineral Wells at the bedside of his brother, E. L. (Ed) Craddock. Mrs. Craddock returned from there Monday and reports that he was holding his own at that time but no hope was held for his recovery. He was rational enough Monday to recognize his brother Jess, and asked that he stay with him.

## Lake Dam Safe

A seep which appeared in the dam of the city lake last week and which was the cause of much alarm to the city authorities, is now considered of little importance. Fred O. Green stated Monday that the water issuing from the seep is clear which proves that it is not from a break in the dam as was first feared. Since the dam is built between two hills of rock strata it is thought likely the water trickling down the dam is coming from a crevice in the rock and probably originating some distance away.

The water in the lake had reached a very low depth at the time of the recent rains and in four days was flooded to within three feet, eight inches of the top of the dam, a height not anticipated by the engineer or the city authorities.

The upper six foot of the dam was added last winter and was dry and loose until recent rains gave it a chance to settle and pack.

Mr. Green stated that the lake now contains sufficient water to supply the towns for at least eighteen months.

## Not a Riot...Just a Shivaree

The roar and din in town Tuesday night was not a race riot nor a fire alarm nor even an after-election celebration. If there are any in town or the surrounding country who were not among the participants, then, for your edification we explain that it was a shivaree, the star actors being Mr. and Mrs. Felix Puett, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Skipworth.

A shivaree for one couple is a wow but when it comes to chaining, hand-cuffing and parading three couples—some one will have to coin the word to describe it.

## City Council Deliberates

The city council is deliberating on the rebuilding of the culvert which was washed out last week between the W. M. Simpson home and town, but no definite plans have yet been formulated.

The ditch which the culvert spanned has washed to such a width that the new culvert will of a necessity have more of the proportions of a bridge. The street by Simpson's is the main road leading out of town west. Cars are now crossing the ditch at J. C. Sneed's or routing up by the school building and out around the west end of the athletic field.

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## San Angelo is Digging Out

San Angelo is digging out of the worst flood in its history. The mud and debris is being removed from the flooded areas, merchandise stocks that were damaged by water and mud are, in most cases, being replaced with new goods. Dwellings that were submerged are being thoroughly cleaned, and ere long the city will be back on its feet. Many lost their life's savings in the disaster, and but few of them are able to start anew without assistance. It is estimated that 1500 are homeless, but these unfortunates are being cared for by the city and from outside aid.

Offers of help are coming in from all over the country and stacks of clothing and other necessities are piled high in the city hall to relieve the distressed. The more fortunate of the citizens responded nobly to the cause, many donations of as much as \$1,000 from individuals and business firms were given.

No one thought that such a thing could ever happen to San Angelo, and just what can be done to avoid future catastrophes like this one, no one can say.

It was indeed fortunate that the flood hit the city in daylight for had it been at night many lives would have been lost.

## Skipworth-Williams

Willard (Dick) Skipworth and Miss Willie Bell Williams were married in Robert Lee Monday, with J. A. Clift performing the ceremony.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Mabel Williams of Robert Lee. The groom is a relative of Raymond Jay.

## Sixteen Collegians

From Robert Lee five collegians have gone to Texas Tech, Winford Baze and J. W. Richardson, seniors, J. S. Craddock, Jr. and Freddie Lee Roe, sophomores, and Bud Thetford, freshman. At Abilene Christian College, Chanda Brown is a junior where Geneviva Scoggins and Tommy Williams are enrolled as first year students.

To the University of Texas goes Winston Gardner, a senior, and John Roger Simpson a sophomore.

Pauline Roe has gone to John Tarleton as a freshman. James Newton is a freshman at A. & M.

To Mary-Harden-Baylor, Mary Lou McCutchen has enrolled as a freshman.

At San Angelo Junior College Sylvia Taylor and Howard Milligan are enrolled where LaVelta Taylor is also enrolled.

Opal McCaleb has returned to Chicago where here she is a junior in the Moody Bible Institute.

## F. M. McGallion

Funeral services were held at the Sanco tabernacle Tuesday afternoon for F. M. McGallion who died early Monday morning at his home north of Robert Lee.

Mr. McGallion, who has been a resident of this vicinity for about fifteen years, was born in Mississippi, February 27, 1870. He is survived by the widow, two sons, Sam McGallion of Robert Lee; Rev. Floyd McGallion of Brownwood and two daughters, Mrs. Gilbert Lord, Sanco and Mildred McGallion, Robert Lee. Rev. J. D. Coleman, pastor of the Sanco Baptist church, conducted the service.

Pallbearers were: Wayne McCutchen, Jim Montgomery, Olen Thomason, Earl Adkins, Henry Carwile, J. L. Carwile.

Flower girls: Hilda McCutchen, Nellie Cole, Geneva Martin, Beatrice Wojtek, Merline Brantley, Willie Ruth Gunnels.

## Destructive Floods

Besides the two million dollar property loss in San Angelo last week from the Colorado, the Colorado was playing havoc in many of the lower counties.

At several points the river was two miles wide, spreading over thousands of acres of land, causing untold damage. The river rose 72 feet where the Brownwood-Brady highway bridge crosses the Colorado. This was 14 feet higher than any other record.

Loss of livestock, crops, homes, bridges and highways will total many millions of dollars along the Colorado.

## Election Forms In Ample Time

B. P. Matocha, Secretary of State, reassured county judges Friday that they would receive sample election forms in ample time to have their supplies printed before the general election November 3.

Some judges had expressed concern over their failure to receive anything thus far. Matocha said his department expected to have the sample ballot and the other forms in the hands of the county officials by Oct. 1.

The last candidate to file was Ernest W. Clemens of San Antonio, republican nominee for congress. With his filing, 16 of the 21 democratic nominees for the national house had opponents.

Secretary of State says that with these forms will be included all such information as is needed for the purpose of conducting the election in accordance with the law.

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## District Court to Convene Here Monday October 12

The fall term of court to be held in Robert Lee will begin October 12. Criminal cases on the docket, which of course will not be complete until the grand jury meets, will likely number four--two murder cases, one forgery case and one theft case.

### Criminal Cases

Mrs. Opal Stewart, charged with the murder of Ed Smith, a Rankin bank clerk, is expected to be given trial during this term of court. The case has been postponed several times because of the illness of Judge Cornell who is representing the defendant and it is thought likely Hardeman, partner of Cornell, will be asked to take the defense. The case was transferred to this court following a mistrial at Sherwood last fall. Mrs. Stewart has been in custody here for five months.

Willard Humphries, charged with the murder of Toy Whittaker, whose trial last spring resulted in a hung jury, is expected to be given another trial in the coming term.

Willie Glyatt, brought back ago by Sheriff Percifall, is expected to be tried for forgery. He is now free on \$1,000 bail.

Bill Brown and Pooch Hensley will likely be tried for the theft of a hog last winter. Both were free on bail until Hensley was taken into custody in San Angelo two weeks ago charged with the theft of a car.

### Civil Cases on Docket

Fred Roe vs. J. P. Maddock. Roe Williams vs. Planters Gin Company.

Mrs. Ina Fletcher vs. Martin Glover Company.

Charlie Copeland vs. E. P. Allott.

Eula Hannaford vs. G. R. Robertson.

### Divorce Cases

W. L. Scott vs. Lillie Scott.

Rufus Rawls vs. Lula Rawls.

J. C. Creech vs. Leona Creech.

C. C. Fisher vs. Eugene C. Fisher.

Calla May Walling vs. D. P. Walling.

D. H. Ware vs. Minnie Ware.

Mary Glorio vs. Faustino Glorio.

H. C. Allen and Gerald returned Sunday night from Phoenix, Arizona, where they had been called to attend the burial of Malcolm Mitchell, a nephew of Mr. Allen's who was found dead last week. With Mr. Allen and Gerald were the mother and sister of the young man, Mrs. H. H. Mitchell and Mrs. Bumpus, both living at San Angelo. Some will remember that the deceased made his home at the ranch with Mr. and Mrs. Allen for several months. His father, the late H. H. Mitchell was a former Coke county treasurer.

**BRISBANE THIS WEEK**

For the Pacific States  
A Good Example  
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The Pacific states should interest themselves in air defense, apart from the national government.



Arthur Brisbane

When a committee of rich men from New York called on Abraham Lincoln, told him how much money they had, and urged that he send a good battleship to do nothing but protect New York city, his reply was that if he had as much money as they said they had, he would build a battleship for himself.

The west coast states, California, Oregon, Washington, co-operating perhaps with their vigorous neighbors of Vancouver, and other points above the Canadian border, might well have a few flying ships of their own, a sort of air militia.

San Francisco, where they combine patriotism with plenty of money, and great civic pride and energy, might well start the idea of a Pacific coast flying force. That need not be very expensive. A hundred machines to begin with, a hundred glucky young fliers, practicing the gentle art of flying at night, and dropping bombs, practicing especially mimic warfare against other flying machines, would constitute an admirable object lesson to the rest of the country.

And if California, in San Francisco for instance, should start a little flock of one hundred machines, Los Angeles could be relied upon to hurry in with two hundred, Seattle and other coast cities also.

Such machines need not be a total loss.

In the first place, many young gentlemen with rich fathers, not knowing exactly what to do with themselves, extremely anxious to find work worth while, and preferably dangerous, would delight in each equipping his individual machine, for the service of the Pacific coast and of Uncle Sam, as the nobles in the old days delighted in equipping each his regiment, or his fighting ship, for the service of the king.

Two hundred or three hundred high-powered, swift flying machines, directed by quick and courageous American brains, would be worth more to the safety of the Pacific coast than a hundred battleships. For the fighters that come, if they do come, will fly miles above the battleships.

They would come less gaily, less confidently, if they knew that trained fliers awaited them.

Hideyo Noguchi, who gave his life to fight yellow fever in Africa, will inspire many men. He was born of a proud, warlike race, intensely self-centered, for 2,000 years a hermit people. The loyalty of a Japanese was to family, clan, above all to the emperor representing his race. The rest of the world was nothing to him.

Born one generation after Japan opened her doors to the world, Noguchi felt the new spirit of the times. He was loyal to family, clan, emperor, race; but he was devoted chiefly to all human kind.

From boyhood to the last, through poverty and many perils, he studied how to wipe out disease. He discovered the germ of yellow fever, developed serums to prevent the fever or cure it, led in the work that has driven it out of America and will soon put an end to it throughout the world.

Yellow fever killed countless millions of all peoples. Noguchi's skill and devotion have saved the lives of millions, too many to estimate, most of them foreigners to whom his forefathers would have paid no attention, calling them hei-min, or no-folks.

Noguchi's self-sacrifice to human welfare sets an example that is sure to be followed. Perhaps, in time, most men will see that it is better to help one another than to kill or even rob one another.

Doctors at Kansas City report that birth control information so much discussed does little good to the poor, and has caused an "alarming slump in child bearing among

That is how reform works, usually. But since 90 per cent of human beings worth while come from poor families, providence may be working in its usual mysterious way.

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**Current Events in Review**

By Edward W. Pickard

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**Maine Is Captured by the Republicans**

MAINE, the "barometer" state, is back in the Republican column at least so far as its state ticket is concerned. The G. O. P. captured the United States senatorship, the governorship and three congressional seats. Senator Wallace H. White, Republican, defeated Gov. Louis J. Brann, who sought to unseat him. Lewis O. Barrows, Republican, won the governorship by a substantial majority over F. Harold Dubord, Democrat.

The vote cast broke all records for size and interest in the election was intense. The state had been visited by both President Roosevelt, as he returned from his vacation cruise, and Gov. Alf M. Landon, the Republican Presidential nominee, who made speeches there only a few days ago. Colonel Knox, vice presidential candidate on the Republican ticket, also had canvassed the state. Brann, who was elected governor in 1932 and re-elected two years later, was the first Democrat to hold that office in Maine and was personally popular. White was elected senator in 1930 after ten years in the house of representatives.

**Communism Is Denounced by Pope Pius XI**

POPE PIUS XI may be physically weak, as recent reports say, but age and illness have not lessened the vigor of his opinions and his way of expressing them.

In greeting and blessing some five hundred Spanish refugees who were received at Castel Gandolfo, the holy father, took occasion to denounce strongly the "mad" forces of Communism which, he declared, menaced, in Spain and elsewhere, "the very foundations of all order, all culture and all civilization." He urged the constituted authorities of all nations to oppose "these great evils with every remedy and barrier that is possible" and prophesied that there will be utter chaos if "those who have a duty in the matter do not hasten to repair the breach—if, indeed, it is not already too late."

The pope spoke especially of the situation in Spain, but said the crisis there is "a school in which the most serious lesson is being taught to Europe and to the whole world—to a world now at last wholly steeped, ensnared and threatened by subversive propaganda, and more especially to a Europe battered and shaken to its very foundation."

For forty minutes the pontiff spoke passionately, his voice at times broken with emotion, and his address was transmitted by radio to all the civilized world.

Reichsfuehrer Hitler, too, took another hard whack at the Communists at a ceremonial tribute to the World War dead in Nuremberg. Before 120,000 uniformed Nazis and 50,000 others he boasted of Germany's armed strength and shouted:

"Our old enemy, bolshevism, is vanquished within Germany, but still active around her borders. But let no one be deceived. We are ready at any hour. We all have one wish—to maintain peace—but with it goes one firm decision: Never to surrender Germany to that enemy we have come to know so well."

If Hitler, as some think, tries to lead the coming five-power Locarno conference into forming an anti-Soviet alliance, he will be firmly opposed by France. Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos says so, and declares France will under no circumstances abandon her military pact with Soviet Russia.

According to Pravda, authoritative newspaper of Moscow, Hitler plans to attack and partition Czechoslovakia before he embarks on a war against the Soviet union.

**British Workers Reject Alliance With Reds**

BRITISH organized labor will have no truck with the Communists. The trades union congress at Plymouth, rejected, by overwhelming votes, three resolutions favoring the formation of a "popular front" alliance with the reds, similar to the combinations that captured the governments of France and Spain.

In this action the workers were largely influenced by the fiery words of Sir Walter Citrine, international labor leader, who has just returned from a visit to Russia. Said he:

"After years of derision of the principles of the Socialist movement, after abuse of unions as the pillars of capitalism, we now have the curiously incongruous spectacle of Communist organizations wanting to come into our midst and be a part of the movement they have so derided."

"I do not know whether you are so credulous as really to believe that there is a sincere conversion to the principles of organized labor. However, for myself and the national council of labor I say without hesitation that the single, simple explanation of the tactics of the Communist movement today is the obvious, abject failure that has accompanied attempts to capture the Socialist movement for Communist principles."

**San Sebastian Captured by Spanish Rebels**

THE Spanish rebels scored their greatest victory to date when they captured San Sebastian, capital of Guipuzcoa province and famous Bay of Biscay resort. Santa Barbara fort, dominating the city, was first taken and the city's war council then decided to abandon the place, despite the opposition of the anarchists. The more conservative Basque nationalists prevented the reds from burning the city, only a paper factory and two residences being destroyed, and the defending forces retreated toward Bilbao, accompanied by thousands of civilians and foreigners.

The municipal governor, Antonio Ortega, and his staff boarded a yacht to go to new headquarters at Zumaya, about 15 miles west of San Sebastian. The new line of defense was established at Orrio.

**Farmers Will Meet to Plan Conservation**

SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE WALLACE is arranging a series of community meetings of farmers for the purpose of laying out the "agricultural conservation program" for next year. He said the AAA planned the meetings in the farm areas in order to discuss crop insurance and possible maximum limits of benefit payments to each farm. He explained the program aimed at providing "greater abundance for the average American home," and should "help to check soil erosion, improve fertility, encourage better land use and maintain farm income."

**Fleet Will Maneuver in North Pacific Waters**

BACK at his desk after an illness of six months, Secretary of the Navy Claude A. Swanson immediately made an announcement that will be of deep interest to Japan.

The annual fleet maneuvers, which last May were shifted to the Canal Zone as a conciliatory gesture to Japan, will be held next year in North Pacific and Hawaiian waters, and probably the Tokio press will yelp again.

With the announcement Secretary Swanson asserted Japanese plans to retain overage submarines and destroyers involve a "violation" of the London and Washington naval treaties, which are to expire December 31 by Japanese abrogation. He followed up his charge with the statement that the United States has completed plans for two new battleships and is prepared to begin construction "at a moment's notice."

**Sabotage on American Warship Revealed**

OUR navy's intelligence department has discovered that a recent small fire on the cruiser Indianapolis while she was being overhauled in the New York navy yard was caused by the driving of phonograph needles and nails into an electric cable; and other suspected sabotage on war vessels is being investigated. The work on the cruiser was being done by civilian employees and Capt. Charles A. Dunn, industrial manager of the yard, said the placing of the nails in the cables was "undoubtedly" a deliberate attempt to damage the cruiser.

**STAR DUST**  
Movie • Radio

By VIRGINIA VALE

AT LAST something long predicted has happened. A real battle has been described over the air while it was going on. And never has there been a more exciting broadcast. H. V. Kaltenborn, the news commentator, stood on the roof of a hotel in Hendaye, France, and described the fighting going on just across the bay in Spain; his words and the rumbling of the big guns were clearly heard in this country.

They're building a new movie theater in New York, and equipping it for television, though we're told that television won't really be practical for some time to come.

Would you trade Warner Baxter for Dick Powell, or vice versa?

Twentieth Century-Fox think it's a good deal. The former will get the latter for "On With the Dance," for which elaborate plans are being made. This is only the second time Powell has been allowed to stray from the home lot; the first time it was for "Thanks a Million."



Kay Francis

And in return Warner Brothers will use the very popular Mr. Baxter as co-star with Kay Francis. Warner Baxter still remembers the time when things weren't going too well for him, and as a result of playing the role of a theatrical producer in "Forty-second Street" for Warner Brothers his star rose again.

Funny, isn't it, the way a star's popularity ebbs for a while and then, if he's lucky, the tide turns and he becomes a box-office name once more. There's the case of George Bancroft, who was at the top for so long. Then, apparently, he slipped. If you saw "Mr. Deeds Comes to Town" you'll recall him in a small part which he played superbly. As a result of that Columbia will star him again, this time in "Racketeer in Exile."

When you see "Swing Time" you'll see Victor Moore, once one of the best comedians on the stage. In fact, that's what he was till he worked in "Swing Time." For some years he has had Broadway in the palm of his hand. And he was content to have it that way; had no yearnings for Hollywood. Years ago he made pictures—about fifteen years ago, to be exact. About forty short comedies and several feature length pictures were chalked up to his credit, before he declared that he'd never make another movie unless something revolutionary came along. Apparently the Rogers-Astaire picture was that something, for he has signed a long-term contract with RKO.

Helen Hayes has chosen the story for her series of broadcasts. It is "Bambi," a novel by Marjorie Benton Cooke, which tells of the adventures of a small-town girl who comes to New York to go on the stage. It was published about twenty years ago—if you can remember that far back you may recall it.

Rudy Vallee will go to work in Hollywood again in October—the picture being entitled "Mr. Melody." And gossip folk are renewing the talk about a romance between him and Alice Faye.

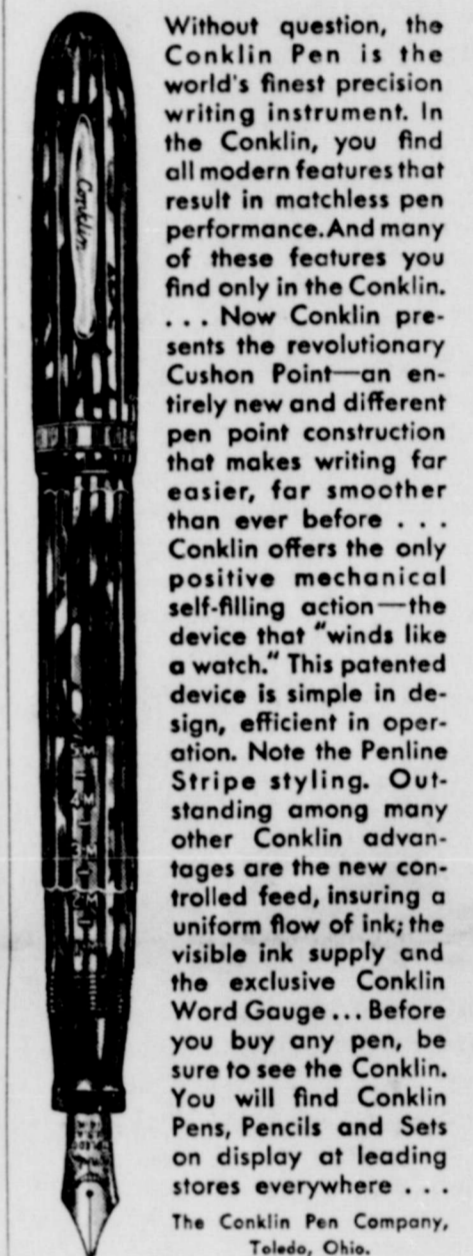
In "Sing, Baby, Sing" Adolphe Menjou gives one of the best performances of his career. Alice Faye, the heroine of the picture, has improved greatly. The story is obviously based on the romance of Elaine Barrie and John Barrymore—there's the pursuit across the country and all the rest of it; no wonder John objected!

If you want to get in touch with Kate Smith, who'll be back on the air waves soon, write to Kated, Incorporated, the address is 1819 Broadway, New York city. That's her business name, and she employs no less than 55 persons. Some attend to charities, some to the professional basketball team which she owns, three give their time to her fan club, others look after her radio and theatrical affairs and there's a special department devoted to helping young artists.

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# GUNLOCK RANCH

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### SYNOPSIS

Sleepy Cat, desert town of the Southwest, is celebrating the Fourth of July. Jane Van Tassel, beautiful daughter of Gus Van Tassel, hated owner of Gunlock ranch, has arrived from the East for the first time. She watches the Frontier Day celebration in company with Dr. Carpy, crusty, tender-hearted friend of the community. Henry Saxdy of the Circle Dot ranch, tricked in a fake horse race the day before by Dave McCrossen, foreman at Gunlock, plans revenge. He enters Bill Denison, a handsome young Texas wrangler, in the rodeo which McCrossen is favored to win, and lays heavy bets on him. Unknown to the crowd, Denison is a champion horseman. McCrossen and the young stranger tie in the various events. Denison then drops a cigarette carelessly. Racing down the track full tilt, he picks up the cigarette. The verdict goes to Denison when McCrossen refuses to attempt the stunt. Entreated by the crowd, Denison agrees to perform another trick. Jane Van Tassel is asked for her bracelet and throws it on the track. Just as Denison rides to pick it up a yell from Barney Redstock, a McCrossen henchman, scares the pony, nearly costing the rider his life. Gun play is prevented by the intervention of Dr. Carpy. Back on Gunlock ranch after two years in Chicago, because of her father's illness, Jane gets lost riding in the hills and meets Denison, now a neighbor, who guides her home. Not knowing her identity, he speaks bitterly of Van Tassel. She tells McCrossen who brought her home and he denounces Denison as a cattle thief. Later she asks Dr. Carpy why her father is unpopular and he tells her it is because of Van Tassel's ruthless and unscrupulous character.

### CHAPTER III—Continued

"Who is that man?" asked Bull as Panama left the shop.

"Why, you ought to know that man, Bull. He's an old-time Sleepy Cat gambler and confidence man—up to every game they ever played from here to Frisco."

"What's his name?"

"They used to call him Big Bill Hayes."

"I heard that name."

"Guess you did—guess everybody's heard it."

"But he made a trip to Panama when the French outfit was runnin' things there. He cleaned up on the Frenchmen, and they run him out of town. He says he got the dysentery down there. Anyway, he got away before they strung him up for a cardsharp. Now everybody calls him Panama."

"What's he doin' here now?"

"Why, the damned critter got religion somehow, and he's the kindest, best preacher that ever talked in Sleepy Cat. He's doin' a world of good."

Oscar spoke up. "Panama's breakin' Jake of swearing, Bull."

"Got a job, ain't he?" snickered Bull.

"Just the same, he's cooled me down a lot—you know that, Oscar," declared Spotts. "Otto!" he yelled to the porter in the back room. "What the hell's a-matter with the hot water this mornin'?"

### CHAPTER IV

Jane made it a practice to visit her father at the Medicine Bend hospital at least every two weeks.

She spent the day at the hospital with her father, ate an early supper with him, and took Number One back to Sleepy Cat. Her father asked a good many questions about McCrossen.

"A good man," Van Tassel said wheezily of him again and again. "His only trouble is gambling—he will gamble."

"I'm sorry, Father," returned Jane with asperity—it was not the first time he had made the same remark—"but I don't quite see how I can watch him, do you?"

"Well, keep track of the shipments this month. The steers will be going out right along now—good deal of money coming in. See that he don't get too much away from you, under one pretext or another. When he wants money to gamble, he won't stop at nothing. And it won't do a bit of hurt to be kind of nice to him yourself."

Hints such as these failed to move Jane. Indeed, they aroused an antagonism.

When the train pulled into Sleepy Cat late that night it was cold; a north wind was spitting rain. McCrossen was on hand with the two-seated buckboard. He met Jane at the Pullman step and hurried her through the sprinkle across the platform to the rig.

"I piled the house supplies in the back," explained McCrossen, "so you'd better ride with me."

"Brought you an extra-heavy coat over," he added. "Thought you might need it. Will you put it on now?"

His voice, never harsh, sounded so-

lacious. Jane thought she would put the coat on. Her foreman, sitting beside her, helped her get into it. His manner was tender. His hands, as he straightened the coat collar, lingered a moment on her shoulders. Jane shook her shoulders slightly to draw them away.

"Your father's a great man, Jane," he said. "No use talkin'."

"I'm glad to hear someone say a good word for him," returned Jane dryly.

"Oh, he's got his enemies, I know. But from the first minute I ever saw you, girl, when you got off the train that mornin' in Sleepy Cat"—McCrossen inclined in friendly fashion toward his tight-sitting little companion to emphasize his words—"from the very first minute I saw you, I said to myself, 'There's a girl with all the grit and sand of her father.'"

"Hadn't you better drive a little faster?" suggested Miss Tight Sitter, casually.

"I'm afraid to push the old buckboard over this part of the road. So I said to myself," he continued, "There's a girl with her father's grit and her mother's beauty." Jane—he lowered his voice, becomingly—"are you warm?"

"Quite."

"And comfortable?"

"Perfectly. But I should like to get on faster."

McCrossen brought the horses to a stop. "What's the matter?" asked his companion rather tartly.

"This is Gunlock Ford. The creek was runnin' kind of high when I drove through after supper, and it's been



The Farther She Rode, the Wilder the Country Grew.

rainin' all evenin'. We don't want to get caught in the water. I'll get out and see how things look. Take the lines a minute.

"It's safe, I reckon," he reported, returning soon to the rig. "But you'd better put your feet in my lap till we get across. The water might come up through the floorboards."

Her response was chilly. "My feet will be all right where they are."

"O. K., Jane! But you're about the sweetest girl I ever saw in the world."

Sulking action to these words, McCrossen put his arm swiftly around the girl and pulled her toward him for a kiss.

He failed to get one. Instead, he got a smart slap from Jane's gloved hand; and she pushed him back with a force he had not thought possible in so delicate a feminine make-up.

"Please mind your business, Dave, and attend to your driving," said Jane collectedly.

The night was an unquiet one for Jane's pillow. The more she thought about her surprise admirer and his crude advances, the angrier she grew. In the morning she breakfasted and ordered her saddle pony. She meant to take a long ride all by herself and rid herself of her annoyance in the morning air of the high hills.

The day was sympathetic to her purpose. She rode under a cloudless sky into the far reaches of Gunlock Ranch. Insensibly, the clouds in her mind cleared and left her free to enjoy the glory of the scene.

On and on, Jane rode. The pony was spirited and seemed, like his mistress, to enjoy the jaunt. The farther she rode, the wilder the country grew, with

only small bunches of cattle here and there to remind her of her domain. At length the hills grew too rough for pleasure riding. With her spirits quieted and feeling invigorated, Jane reined about for the ranch house.

Covering considerably more distance, Jane, having grown weary, was rejoiced at last to see the dusty, serpentine foothills road well below her. Having reached it, she reined into it and jogged along, confident of reaching home soon. Presently she encountered an Indian family traveling toward her in a wagon. She reined up.

"Am I heading right for Gunlock Ranch?" she asked of the man driving. He nodded affirmatively. But a bright-eyed boy in the wagon box made a protest. He jabbered in low tones to his father and, turning to Jane, exclaimed, "Wrong way," and pointed north. The father shook his head, and the dispute grew. Jane, confused by the uncertainty, thanked the party and rode on south.

A few miles farther she met a horseman heading north. As he drew near, Jane thought she recognized him as the man who had directed her back to the ranch a couple of weeks before, at the close of a long day of riding through the Gunlock hills. Jane reined up inquiringly. The horseman responded to the unspoken invitation by doing likewise. Jane saw a slender face, deeply tanned, black hair, mild brown eyes, a large nose, and a small mouth, framed by a not unfriendly chin.

"Good-morning," ventured Jane. "Can you tell me whether I am on the right road to Gunlock Ranch?"

The man listened but made no effort to speak. Instead he looked at the girl silently. His gaze was embarrassing. He ignored her question and instead asked one himself:

"Aren't you the girl who got lost around here a couple of weeks ago?"

"Y-yes," answered Jane. "And aren't you the man who directed me back to Gunlock Ranch?"

"Guess I was," the man replied, in an absent-minded way.

"I realized that it's stupid of me to lose my way again," she said, "but can you tell me whether I am heading right for the ranch?"

He found his tongue and spoke quietly: "Well . . . you'd reach the ranch the way you are going, though probably not today."

"Not today?" she asked in amazement.

"You want to reach the ranch house, I suppose?"

"I do."

"Then you're heading the wrong way."

"Will you please set me right?"

"You'd better take the back trail. You're going away from the ranch house now."

Jane exclaimed in surprise. "Why, how is that? Are you sure?"

"Dead sure." A suspicion of humor crept into the words.

Confused at being caught wrong, Jane flushed. The man, silent, just looked at her. She did not like it; he might be laughing at her. Facing him more sternly, she asked with helpless annoyance in her words, "What am I to do?"

"Back trail."

"What does that mean?" she asked tartly.

"Turn around."

"Where am I?"

"Pretty well out on the Gunlock Indian Reservation."

"I've never felt so stupid in my life," declared Jane, trying to act as ease as she reined about. "I thought I knew this country well enough by this time not to get lost. I'm certainly not a tenderfoot."

The man smiled, but to himself. "There's been men here several years who get lost riding in the hills. It's no disgrace for a two-monthser."

Jane did not relish being termed a

"two-monthser." "Oh, I've been here before," she said airily.

He offered no comment. Tired, waiting for him to say something, Jane was nettled by his continued silence.

"I see you're wearing your bracelet," he remarked of a sudden. The words came, so to speak, out of a clear sky. She looked at him just as suddenly as he had spoken; and in alarm.

He was looking straight ahead—just as if she were not within miles—and with the impassive expression of a man riding quite alone. Could he be, she asked herself in a flash of fear, a bad man? Could he mean to rob her of her bracelet and watch?

For a moment she was too upset to speak. But her silence seemed not to move her companion.

Looking placidly ahead, and after waiting for her to comment, he spoke again:

"I might be wrong. But I thought I saw that bracelet about two years ago, Fourth of July—"

"Oh," exclaimed Jane for want of something better to say.

"Anyway," continued her even-speaking guide, "I know I couldn't be mistaken about the young lady that wore it. Weren't you visiting here around that time?"

"Yes," ventured Jane, stealing a glance at the questioner. His gaze was fixed steadfastly ahead.

"Were you at the Frontier Day celebration in Sleepy Cat that Fourth of July?" he continued.

"Y-yes," repeated Jane. "Where were you?"

"If I hadn't been," he answered dryly, "I shouldn't have seen the bracelet."

They were jogging along pleasantly enough, and as the man didn't actually demand her bracelet or watch, her panic subsided.

"Stopping over at the ranch for a while, are you?"

"For a while, yes."

"Some of the boys over at your ranch were telling in town they had a young lady over at Gunlock that used to ride in a circus. I suppose it was you."

"I'm the only woman, young or old, over there."

"What circus did you work with?"

"Oh, several circuses," said Jane recklessly.

"What were some of them?"

Jane, growing flighty, named one of the big ones whose shows she had attended in Chicago.

"What year were you with that show?"

She was growing desperate. With affected embarrassment she turned full on him. "You mustn't ask me that. Women are sensitive about their age, don't you know?"

For the first time he turned his eyes directly toward hers; there was a slight mutual shock at the encounter. To hide a momentary confusion, she laughed nervously; but a bridge—a little bit of a bridge over a little bit of a brook—had been crossed. And the little bit of a brook was of the kind that sometimes leads to a big river.

His eyes were brown—Jane could see them now—together with some of the lightning that flashed in response to her words. She was even a little scared.

"I've heard some women are that way," he went on, "but I shouldn't call you a woman."

"Oh, my! Why not?"

"Well, I'd call you a girl. The reason I asked was, because I was with that show one season myself."

This was growing terrifying. Jane made an effort to change the line of talk; but her stranger was interested. "Did you ever happen to ride in Madison Square Garden?"

"N-no! Did you?"

"I rode there one winter when we showed there."

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### Man Unchanged in Thirty Thousand Years States Carnegie Institution Professor

Man of 30,000 years ago had the same number of genes as he has today and was, therefore, biologically, the same individual then as now, according to Dr. Oscar Riddle of the Carnegie Institution Station for Experimental Evolution. The difference between man of the early days and man of today is due to the benefits which have accrued to the race from the work of its leaders. Up to about 8,000 years ago, man had not developed the tools which enabled him to live in cities. Today he has developed a vast multiplicity of tools which make highly complex community life possible.

The safety and welfare of any community must be based on sound biological principles, said Doctor Riddle in speaking of the future of the American Institute. All individuals are traceable to the union of the two germ cells. Of these unions 2 1/2 per cent will produce worthless and detrimental stock. Unless this knowledge is made known and steps are taken to eliminate this element it will increase at such a rate as to imperil civilization.

The improvement in the social environment was traced by Doctor Riddle to a few individuals endowed with the ability for creative leadership.—New York Herald-Tribune.

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The Town Where I Live—It's My Town

## Vacant Lots

Not far from our home is a large vacant lot, which seems always to attract junk. In spite of the signs, "Do not dump refuse here," there has been an accumulation of tin cans, old wash boilers and other useless stuff. No one would think for a moment of throwing junk in the front yard of an improved and occupied lot. Vacancy always seems to invite violation.

The owner of several factory buildings in Chicago keeps a few lights in any loft that happens to be temporarily vacant. He does this to give the impression of occupancy, so that the boys and men will not leave brick bats through his windows. It seems well nigh impossible for a boy to pass a vacant house without taking a crack at the window panes with a sling shot.

I find that this desolating of emptiness is not confined to vacancy in land or buildings. The mind is always penalized by vacancy. Our minds, when unemployed, become catch-alls for all kinds of worthless mental junk.

Benjamin Franklin, the philosopher of the colonies, wrote, "An idle brain is the devil's workshop."

The founder of a great religious denomination wrote for his preachers, "Never unemployed, and never be triflingly employed." A noted poet wrote of "The loud laugh that speaks the vacant mind."

When our minds are not doing anything they will soon be put to work at doing something less than nothing. This is the tragedy that attends the enforced idleness of unemployed millions. Unoccupied minds soon breed the spawn of destruction. Our minds are like plow shares: they remain bright by plowing. In our rest we rust. An idle child rich or poor, can hardly remain a good child. Such is the law by which goodness is obtained and retained.

Perhaps the vacant heart is more pathetic than an empty mind. Our souls must be set to moral aims, through prayer and helpful tasks, or they will become inverted and prey upon their own power.

How vividly this fact is pictured for us in one of the stories about Jesus. A man who had an evil spirit came to Jesus about it. The Master, by the power of God cast from him the evil spirit. The healed man did nothing about it and this is what happened:

The evil spirit came back and peeked into the empty heart from which it had been cast. Finding the man's heart empty, it went and got several other evil spirits worse than itself. They all moved into his vacant heart, establishing themselves within him.

The Bible says, "The last state of that man was worse than the first." We may have our hearts covered from evil, but unless we fill them with good, we will tangle into a worse condition.

If we would keep bright, if we would keep right, we must keep moving.

Dr. J. W. Holland

## THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the District Court of Coke County, for the 51st Judicial District of Texas, October Term A. D. 1936.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coke County--GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, that by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the County of Coke, State of Texas, for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, you summon F. P. (Frederic P.) Olcott, James N. Wallace, Dudley Olcott II, F. Van Note, James A. Simpson, Edward W. Stokes and wife, Mrs. Edward W. Stokes, C. A. Parker and wife, Mrs. C. A. Parker, H. A. Bacon and wife, Mrs. H. A. Bacon, J. P. McConnell and wife, Florence McConnell, Frank J. Westgate and wife, Mrs. Frank J. Westgate, and the unknown heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of the unknown heirs of F. P. (Frederic P.) Olcott, James N. Wallace, Dudley Olcott II, F. Van Note, James A. Simpson, Edward W. Stokes and wife, Mrs. Edward W. Stokes, C. A. Parker and wife, Mrs. C. A. Parker, H. A. Bacon and wife, Mrs. H. A. Bacon, J. P. McConnell and wife, Florence McConnell, Frank J. Westgate and wife, Mrs. Frank J. Westgate, whose names and residences or whose residences are unknown to be and appear before the District Court in and for Coke County for the 51st Judicial District, to be holden in and for the County of Coke, at the Court-house thereof, in the City of Robert Lee, on the second Monday in October, A. D. 1936, being the 12th day of said month, file number being 1420, then and there to answer the petition of Charles Copeland filed in said Court, on the 29th day of August A. D. 1936, against F. P. (Frederic P.) Olcott, the Southern Pacific Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the Laws of the State of Kentucky, Texas and New Orleans Railroad Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the Laws of the State of Texas, being the successor to the Houston and Texas Central Railroad Company, a corporation, the Central Hanover Bank and Trust Company of New York, a corporation, being the successor to Central Trust Company, a corporation, James N. Wallace, Dudley Olcott II, F. Van Note, James A. Simpson, Edward W. Stokes and wife, Mrs. Edward W. Stokes, C. A. Parker and wife, Mrs. C. A. Parker, H. A. Bacon and Mrs. H. A. Bacon, J. P. McConnell and wife, Florence McConnell, Frank J. Westgate and wife, Mrs. Frank J. Westgate, and the unknown heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of the unknown heirs of F. P. (Frederic P.) Olcott, James N. Wallace, Dudley Olcott II, F. Van Note, James A. Simpson, Edward W. Stokes and wife, Mrs. Edward W. Stokes, C. A. Parker and wife, Mrs. C. A. Parker and wife, Mrs. C. A. Parker, H. A. Bacon and wife, Mrs. H. A. Bacon and wife, Mrs. H. A.

Bacon, J. P. McConnell and wife, Florence McConnell, Frank J. Westgate and wife, Mrs. Frank J. Westgate and alleging in substance as follows, to-wit:

Plaintiff sues in formal trespass to try title action, to recover title and possession of and from Defendants to all of Section Number Three Hundred Thirty Five (335) in Block Number One (1) A. H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey Coke County, Texas, containing 610 acres of land, said petition alleging the formal requisites of trespass to try title action, also specially alleges Plaintiff's title and alleges the special pleas of three, five and ten years statutory limitation, contains the usual prayer for judgment for title, possession, damages, costs and general relief.

Herein Fail Not, But Have you then and there before said Court this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, Willis Smith, Clerk of the District Court of Coke County, Texas.

Given Under My Hand and Seal of Said Court in Robert Lee, this the 29th day of August A. D. 1936.

(SEAL) Willis Smith, Clerk of the District Court of Coke County, Texas.

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One man, a farmer, said he liked something he could depend on, that's why he was traveling by train.

Another man, a newspaper reporter, said people were in favor of railroad travel because it is by far the safest. He quoted a lot of statistics from a booklet called "Live and Let Live."

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## BANKERS WILL MEET IN ANNUAL COUNCIL

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—Robert V. Fleming, President American Bankers Association, has announced that the organization's annual convention will be held at San Francisco, September 21-24 and its program will call in not only bankers but speakers from various lines of business to present their viewpoints and advice.

The plans for the convention discussions take into consideration the fact, he said, that one of the major problems of banking today is to develop its operations along lines that will create greater public understanding of its methods and services. "It is my earnest conviction that such public understanding of banking is not only an essential defense against attacks from whatever source but is also requisite to reestablishing it upon a firm and satisfactory basis of profitable operations," Mr. Fleming said.

### General Improvement Cited

"The improvement in general conditions which is now taking place should be of material aid to bankers in carrying forward a constructive program for increasingly useful relationship between banking and business, as well as one of more helpful personal business services to all our people. Sound banking conducted in ways the public need and understand must be the aim of successful bank management.

"How can the banker make his operations and policies more understandable to the people of his community? How can better and broader financial services be soundly provided? How can banking improve its operating methods and income? These and many similar questions demand the earnest attention of all bankers. They call for a fresh counselling together and a new interchange of experience and advice among the members of our profession.

"With these thoughts in mind, we have built the convention program with the view of also calling into our councils speakers from various lines of business to give us their viewpoints and advice. I can say without reservation that this is to my mind one of the most crucial years in the evolution of American banking, and that we are passing through a period demanding, as never before, cooperation and mutual exchange of viewpoint among our members and others."

### Radio Commencement Exercises

More than 200 widely separated chapters of the American Institute of Banking, the educational section of the American Bankers Association hold annually in September a simultaneous commencement exercise at which they listen to the speaker of the evening by radio. This is said to be the most extensive graduation ceremony held by any educational institution. The aggregate membership of the chapters, which are located in cities and towns throughout the United States, totals about 35,000 bank employees and officers. The graduates number each year more than 2,500, and total graduates are now over 25,000.

### The Business Outlook

NEW YORK.—The natural forces of recovery have demonstrated their strength and have a momentum which may reasonably be expected to carry the country into new high ground, says "Banking," the publication of the American Bankers Association, in its August issue. The momentary stimulation following the distribution of bonus funds to the veterans has practically died away and is no longer an important business factor. A certain degree of uncertainty arising from the national political campaign is unavoidable, the magazine says.

### Foreign Trade

The Commerce and Marine Commission of the American Bankers Association has made a report which shows that the foreign trade of the world for the year 1935 on the basis of its estimated physical volume was 78.9 per cent of the 1929 level. This was 2.1 per cent above the volume of 1934 and the highest since 1929. The gold values of world trade were much lower due to the lower commodity prices in January, 1936. The combined index of 75 countries showed 35.7 per cent of the 1929 average.

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## Bridge Club

Mrs. Lamont Scott was hostess to the Bluebonnet Bridge Club Wednesday afternoon.

A check on the games of the quarter showed the Blues had won over the Bonnets. Officers chosen for the coming quarter are Mrs. J. S. Craddock, president, Mrs. P. E. Mahon, secretary, Mrs. Fred Roe and Mrs. Chism Brown, captains.

Mrs. Marvin Simpson is to be hostess to the club on Oct. 2.

Members present were, Mesdames J. S. Craddock, F. C. Clark, Cortez Russell, Marvin Simpson, Fred Roe, P. E. Mahon, Josie Woodmansie, Lamont Scott, Chism Brown, Miss Mittie Russell. Guests were Mesdames John Brown, A. E. Laniers, J. C. Snead, Jr., G. C. Allen.

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**Glimpses of the Past**

From the files of The Observer

**Five Years Ago**

June 5. John Robertson of Pampa was here this week on business.

Ford Shropshire is spending a few days with friends in Odessa this week.

Wilma Jean and Verna Key are visiting their aunt, Mrs. C. C. Gobbels, at Odessa this week.

June 19. Miss Eljean Wyatt returned Saturday afternoon after spending a week with her friend, Miss Kathryn Bilbo.

June 26. Miss Mildred Taylor returned Sunday from Stanton where she visited with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Evans.

July 3. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dee Walker on the 29th, a fine 9½ pound boy.

Mrs. J. N. Buchanan and grandson, Lothlan Mahon, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hearrell at Christoval this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jet Madera of Corpus Christi visited her brothers, J. A. and W. B. Clift over the weekend.

**Fifteen Years Ago**

June 17. Mrs. N. C. Brown and daughters, Juanita and Chanda and granddaughter, Joyce Hope Brown, left Wednesday for Longworth, Texas, to visit her sister, Mrs. Frank Perkins.

C. Y. Roberts returned home this week from Ft. Worth where he has been the past few weeks.

**Twenty Years Ago**

Dec. An appropriate Thanksgiving program sponsored by Misses Ethel Snead and Lena Simpson, was rendered at the Methodist church Thanksgiving evening. The "Injun Drill" by the tiny tots was greeted with loud applause as was each of the other drills.

Following the program the audience repaired to the school house where they indulged in a sumptuous box supper. Joe Suggs acted as auctioneer and Misses Alta Bell and Ila Ruth Turney delivered the boxes as they were sold. The total amount realized from thirty-six boxes was \$78.15 which goes into the school library

fund.

On last Wednesday afternoon at 6:00 o'clock at the Presbyterian manse at San Angelo, Mr. Floyd Sturman and Miss Ruby Bell were quietly married in the presence of a few relations and and friends.

The wedding party consisting of the bride and groom, Mrs. W. H. Bell, mother of the bride, Misses Jodie and Willie Bell, sisters of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Craddock and Misses Lena Simpson and Ethel Snead, motored to San Angelo where Rev. A. F. Cunningham spoke the words which united the young couple.

After a visit in Pecos and Roswell, the couple will be at home in Elida, N. M.

**Twenty-five Years Ago**

Mrs. W. K. Simpson and daughter, Mrs. Daisy Hunt, accompanied Miss Lena Simpson to San Angelo Monday where she entered the San Angelo Junior College for the coming session.

Oct. 27. The Robert Lee gin has ginned 920 bales up to Thursday.

J. D. Davis left Saturday for points in Oklahoma on business.

Will Simpson installed a new up-to-date delivery wagon for his grocery this week.

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**National Bank Growth**

Comptroller of the Currency O'Connor announced recently that total deposits of the 5,374 national banks in the United States on June 30, 1936, the date of the last call made for statements of condition, aggregated \$26,200,453,000. The figure is a new high record for national banks, exceeding by \$1,340,998,000, or 5.39%, the amount reported as of March 4, 1936, the previous high record. The current figures show also that deposits increased \$3,682,207,000 or 16.35% over the amount reported as of June 29, 1935, the date of the corresponding call a year ago.

**The Difference Between Doctor and Undertaker**

The income of the Federal government is climbing because the country is registering recovery in unprecedented degree. The country is recovering because Roosevelt had the courage to spend when spending was necessary, knowing that such stimulation would bring the budget to balance.

Hoover went along for tragic two years with successive three-billion dollar deficits, deficits produced by declining revenues, not by recovery spending. Hoover borrowed to meet those panic deficits.

Roosevelt deliberately created deficits to deliberately spend for recovery. His deficits were plan-

ned deficits, part of a long-range program and he borrowed, as did Hoover, to meet them. Except he is paying a far lower interest rate.

So the difference is that Hoover borrowed to pay the undertaker. Roosevelt borrowed to pay the doctor.

Frank Grimes of Bronte is the new proprietor of the Sunnyside Cafe, having purchased it from the Bakers this week. The Bakers, we understand, are moving to Kermit.

Robert Williams has on exhibition one the largest centipedes ever captured in this vicinity. It measures nearly nine inches in length. It was found near the South Side Service Station.

**Comparing Notes**

A number who have lived in Coke County for years have been comparing notes on the uncommon height of the water following the recent rains.

Two lakes near the J. Q. McCabe home on the Divide have been known, during very rainy seasons, to run together, but last week they met, overflowed and poured flood water into the ravines—an occurrence which the McCabes have not witnessed in the fifty-four years they have lived on the spot.

Great flocks of wild ducks are reported in several localities and a few sea gulls have drifted in.

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It's My Town



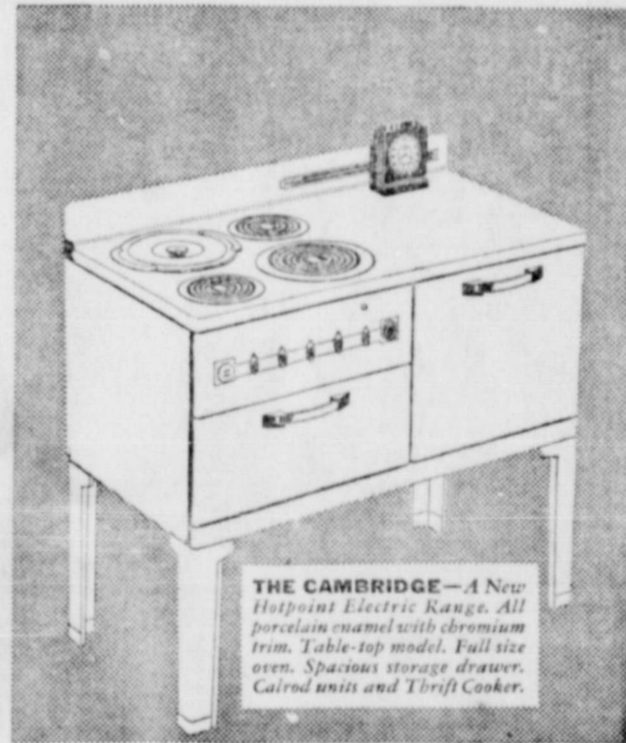
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# OUR COMIC SECTION

## FINNEY OF THE FORCE

By Ted O'Loughlin

## On the Spot



## THE FEATHERHEADS

By Osborne

## Darn It!



**With Music**  
He was a good barber, but his schooling had been neglected. On the walls of his shop was a card bearing the words: "Haircutting, 6d. Singing 3d."  
When young Witting, commercial traveler, drifted in, he spotted the mis-spelt card.  
"Short at the back and round the ears, please," he said, seating himself in the chair, "and you can give me a verse and chorus of 'When I grow too old to dream'."

### OVER AND OVER



She—The era of man's dominion of woman is over.  
He—What? Over before it started?

### WHAT'S THE USE?



Mother—When you're in the house you must learn to be neat and tidy and respectful to others. And you can't begin any too soon.  
Little Bobby—But, Mother, I don't expect to be married for years and years.

### Unsatisfactory

Woman Customer—Do you return the money when an article isn't satisfactory?  
Merchant—That depends on the article.  
Customer—This is a book.  
Merchant—What is wrong with it?  
Customer—I don't like the way it ended.—Pathfinder Magazine.

### Young Quaker

Hauling bricks on the construction job had young Bill down, so when the foreman proposed another load, Bill balked. "Honest, boss," he said, "I don't feel well enough. I'm shaking like a leaf." The boss was agreeable. "Okay," he said. "Then get over on that sifter!"

TEE, HEE!



"I'm dying to see your husband swim."  
"Why?"  
"Somebody said he's a regular crab and crabs swim backwards."

## It Doesn't Pay—

Doing Favors for Others With Thought of Return Disappoints

"THE older I grow the more I am appalled by the ingratitude, the complete lack of a sense of obligation on the part of our fellow human beings.

"With me the people who come first are always those to whom I have any obligation whatsoever. Anything that is done for me is constantly on my mind and I am on the lookout to repay. But look about you and you will observe the most inconceivable indifference on the part of most otherwise decent people to what they owe to others. Indeed the code seems to be to cultivate those from whom some advantage may be forthcoming and neglect those to whom we are indebted. The answer to it all is to put yourself out for nobody; it doesn't pay."

The above lament was received by an international writer of note, who answers as follows:

It must have been an unusually unfortunate chain of experiences that gave this woman such an unhappy slant on human nature. But certain it is that favors done with thought of return are bound to bring disappointment. In this busy, hectic world, people are likely to be rather casual about give and take that does not necessarily mean that they are unappreciative. They are just not punctilious. Frequently a kindness makes its mark but time passes before occasion presents itself to show appreciation, or to reciprocate. After all, if we think

enough of people to put ourselves out for them, as our reader says, there must be a certain amount of faith.

If we do things for others only because we want to do them and find a certain satisfaction in it, we have nothing to lose. But the expected reward is something like the watched pot—very disappointing. In fact, it doesn't pay.

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## Spirited Kittens on Cross Stitch Towels



Pattern 5572

A dull moment's unthinkable with these seven, mischievous kittens about! In fact, they've thought up enough cute tricks to give you decoration for a week's supply of tea towels. Sit right down and send for this pattern, and get started on your set. The seven simple motifs work up very quickly in a combination of cross stitch, single and outline stitches. Use colored floss.

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## Glass Springboard

Among the many odd articles which are now manufactured entirely of glass are razor blades, springboards, fishing lines, book covers, frying pans, phonograph records, bells and violins.—Collier's Weekly.

## Foreign Words and Phrases

- Adscriptus glebae. (L.) Attached by law to the soil; after the manner of serfs.
- Bagatelle. (F.) A trifle.
- Cela saute aux yeux. (F.) That is self-evident.
- Danser sur un volcan. (F.) To dance on a volcano; to be blind to the danger of one's position.
- En regle. (F.) According to rules.
- Fides Punica. (L.) Carthaginian faith; i. e., treachery.
- Gasconnade. (F.) A boastful, bragging speech.
- Hacienda. (Sp.) A country estate.
- Id genus omne. (L.) All that class; all of that sort.

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 -tired  
 -run-down  
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 -out of sorts

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Don't try to get well in a day...this is asking too much of Nature. Remember, she has certain natural processes that just cannot be hurried.

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**IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson**

By REV. HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, Dean of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, © Western Newspaper Union.

**Lesson for September 27**

**REVIEW: THE SPREAD OF CHRISTIANITY IN WESTERN ASIA**

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 13:24-35. GOLDEN TEXT—They rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.—Acts 14:27.

PRIMARY TOPIC—How the Good News Spread. JUNIOR TOPIC—How the Good News Spread.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Christianity Reaching Out. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Spread of Christianity in Western Asia.

Review Sunday provides a needed opportunity to determine not only whether the class members have learned and retained the truth taught, but, what is of equal importance, whether the teacher has accomplished the purpose in mind at the beginning of the series.

What was the aim set before us for the three months? "To lead the student to an understanding of New Testament Christianity, and to beget in him the desire and purpose to live the Christian life and to win others to faith in the Lord Jesus."

The test which we apply as the twelve lessons of the past quarter pass in review is

As a student, have I seen in the spread of Christianity the operation of a gospel of salvation which is the power of God for my salvation? Or, if I am saved, have I been stirred to a more earnest Christian life and a real passion for the salvation of others?

As a teacher, have I really used my opportunity to win the members of my class to faith in the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ? Have I brought to bear on the lives of those in my class who are Christians the Word of God, stirring them to holiness of life and zeal for God's cause on earth?

If we cannot reply in the affirmative, should we not ask whether our efforts to teach have been largely fruitless? But let us not be discouraged, for even as we now review the lessons we have studied together the Holy Spirit is ready to do His work and apply the truth to hearts and lives.

To many teachers the preparation and presentation of the review lesson is the most difficult of any during the quarter. To the student who has given little or nothing to the preparation of weekly lessons it is often a rather disconnected and uninteresting recapitulation of twelve lessons.

A suggested method of gathering up the essential teachings of these lessons is to group them around the following seven points:

The spread of Christianity after our Lord's departure into the glory was distinguished by the fact that

1. It was by the preaching of a faith that began and continued in the power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit. God honors such preaching and teaching in our day.
2. It was a spiritual movement that demonstrated its God-given power by thriving on persecution. One wonders whether much of the activity of the church in our day has not fallen into the doldrums of pious respectability. Perhaps we need a little persecution.
3. It was not the propagation of theological theory or of a religious sect or party. It was a movement of the Spirit of God which saved men, and saved them to win and serve their fellow-men. True Christian service is nobler and more sacrificial than any non-Christian social service.
4. It was a movement in which laymen as well as religious workers had a place. Philip the layman served with Paul the apostle. Lay men and women let us be awake to our responsibilities and privileges.
5. Difference of opinion was not permitted to hinder God's work. Do we know enough to let God work among us, even if he does not work just as we think he should?
6. The missionary spirit of the preacher was carried over to the convert. This is a succession which God has continued to our day. Are we co-operating and helping it forward?
7. The gospel is for all men, Gentile as well as Jew, whether yellow, red, black, or white. The great commission is still our command and our authority to pray, give, and go.

hear the gospel of the grace of God.

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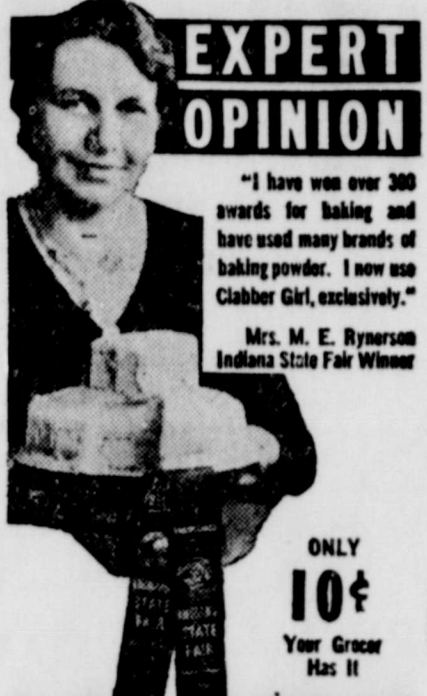
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**Trace Planes in Fog**

Mountains enveloped in fog, ships lurking in darkness, air-planes hiding behind smoke of cloud screens or lost above airports can now be made visible as a ghostly half-tone picture on a ground-glass screen. Reflected high frequency sound waves are the key to this magic, says Popular Mechanics. By a process just patented these sound waves are projected as a beam from a noise generator resembling an anti-aircraft searchlight. As the beam strikes, for example, an unseen ship, the sound vibrations are deflected and modified in varying intensities by the shape of the ship and are picked up by a sound receiver and focused on a light controlling panel.

**Largest Battleship**

The largest English warship is the battle cruiser "Hood," which weighs 42,100 tons and has a main battery of eight 15-inch guns. However, the ship with the greatest armament is the battleship "Rodney," which weighs 33,900 tons and has a main battery of nine 16-inch guns. The largest United States battleship is the "Maryland," which weighs 37,500 tons and has a main battery of eight 16-inch guns.—Detroit News.



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## Locals & Personals

Mrs. Jim Montgomery of Sanco was bitten on the hand by a rattler Monday. She was reported Thursday to be doing very well.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Clift and son Junior, and Mrs. W. K. Simpson left Wednesday for the Centennial. Mrs. Simpson expected to stop over at Milsap for a visit with her sister Mrs. Strain, who has recently undergone a serious operation. Mrs. Simpson spent two days last week with her sister.

Bobbie Lee Davis left an aching void in the Junior class and football team, Sunday, when he left the old home town for Pecos. He expects to work for his brother-in-law, Charley Hurley, and attend school.

### ANNOUNCING

To the public  
I have opened up a Shoe Repairing Shop, and will appreciate a part of your business.

A. D. MILLER.

The recent heavy rains have caused many amusing situations. For instance, two local boys in Valley View passed a neighbor's house in a wagon bearheaded and without any pants, looking the other way visably embarrassed.

A unique and new little newspaper is the Blackwell Booster edited, owned and printed by Miss Vesta Slinger of that town. It is printed on a mimeograph and, besides carrying the usual news features, it enjoys a liberal advertising patronage.

Among the losers in the San Angelo flood, were Paul J. Brown and D. I. Durham. Mr. Brown estimate his loss on household goods at \$1,500, and Judge Durham's loss will probably run about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harmon are great-grandparents to a boy born Tuesday morning. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Marian Griffin of the Grape Creek community west of San Angelo and the baby was born on their first wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Harmon have seventeen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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### Card of Thanks

We wish to take this opportunity to express our deepest heart felt thanks to our neighbors and friends for the beautiful floral offering and the loving words and deeds that were bestowed upon us during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, E. T. Sparks.

May God's richest blessings be showered upon you during your hours of sorrow.

Mrs. E. T. Sparks  
Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Stewart and family

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sparks and family

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Sparks  
Mr. and Mrs. Garland Swanson and family

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blair  
Calvin, S. B., Geraldine and Ruby Joe Sparks

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harmon and family.

## Compliance of Soil-Conservation

By H. E. Smith

The compliance supervisors for Coke county have been working for several weeks now, as the weather will permit. The measuring of the land and answering the numerous questions concerned with the Soil Conservation Program is the biggest task involved in the program and the cooperation and assistance of every producer is needed.

Many letters asking information concerning certain parts of this work have been sent to producers. This information is needed in order to complete the papers for that farm and was not obtained by the supervisor for some reason. To date very few of these letters have been returned to the agent's office filled out correctly. If the producers who are intending to comply for the government grant and expect to receive this grant before next spring, or at all, they will have to cooperate and answer all mail received from the County Agent's office promptly. The agent's office is working short-handed and all delay caused by not answering these letters sent out only delays payment that much.

The Texas Agricultural meeting which was to have been held in San Angelo Saturday, Sept. 19, has been postponed due to the flood. This meeting is to be held and the date will be announced later. As many farm people as possible should plan to attend this meeting when it is held.

On Sept. 7 and 8, H. K. Thornton, Jr., Leather Specialist from the Extension Service, conducted a very interesting and educational demonstration on the farm of Francis Seltz near Robert Lee, in the art of home tanning of hides and making articles of leather. Many of the people who attended this demonstration are planning to do home tanning this fall so that they can save their cow, sheep and goat hides and have a good supply leather on hand when needed.

There will be a great deal more terracing done this year than ever before. A good many producers intend to terrace their fields in order to comply under the government program. All these producers should remember that they must do this terracing before October 31.

Due to the larger amount of terracing to be done, it will be impossible for the county agent to run all the lines. Therefore, if you wish to have any lines run, you should notify your agent or else contact some producer in your community who has a Bostrom farm level and have him run the lines.

### Why Not Renew?

Look at the date on the margin of your Observer. It shows the date your paper is paid to, and if your time is up we would appreciate your renewal. We are striving to give you a good weekly paper, and we thank you for the many nice things you have said about it, and the more renewals and new subscribers we get the better your paper will be. Thank you.

## NEW OWNERSHIP

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from Mr. and Mrs. Baker, and expect to keep up the present high standing of the business. My years of experience in this business will enable me to serve the public efficiently.

Come to see me,

FRANK GRIMES

Its characteristic of West Texas towns that when a disaster strikes them destroying property, etc., that they all build back in a more substantial way. The same will happen to San Angelo. When normalcy returns to the stricken city, rehabilitation will go forward bigger and better than ever.

You would hardly know Coke county since the rains. The range is greening up wonderfully and fat cattle and sheep will soon be roaming the hillsides. Late feed is going to make a wonderful yield, also.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blair moved the first of the week to Roswell, N. M., where he expects to get work.

## THE RED & WHITE STORES

Specials For Friday and Saturday,  
September 25 & 26

LYE, Red & White, 2 13 oz cans	15c
SARDINES, Tomato or Mustard sauce 2 15 oz cans	18c
MILK, Red & White 2 Baby or 1 Tall cans	9c
MUNCE MEAT, R & W, 9 oz pkg.	9c
OATS, Blue & White	9c
OLD MARY'S SYRUP 5 lb pail, Cane 10 lb pail "	32c 59c
Texas SPINACH, 2 No 2 cans	23c
Texas HOMINY, 2 No 300 cans	15c
Sun Spun SAHAD DRESSING, Pint jars Qt. jars	23c 38c
PICKLES, Del Dixi Sour full qu. jars	15c
R & W CLEANSER, 3 large cans	14c
R & W BROOMS, each	93c
Beverly POTTED MEAT, 2 cans	7c
Beverly SAUSAGE, 2 cans	15c
Blue Cross MILK, Tall can 9c, Baby can	4c
R & W Pitted DATES, Hollowe 10 oz pkg.	15c
R & W TOMATO JUICE, 2 12 oz 1/2 oz cans	15c
R & W Laundry SOAP, 6 giant bars	25c
Iowa Club CORN, No 2 cans each	10c
Blue & White TAMALES, No 2 special can	13c
R & W WASHO, large package	21c
CLOROX, Pint bottles	15c
Pen Hur, SALMON, No 1 tall can	10c
R & W RICE, 2 lb packages	23c
R & W COFFEE, 1 lb Vacuum Tin	29c
Pure Cane SUGAR, 10 lb cloth bag	60c
BANANAS, Large Fancy Fruit 2 Doz.	25c
APPLES, 163 Jonathans Doz.	10c
Tokay GRAPES, Fancy Flame 2 lb	15c
LEMONS, 490 Fancy Red Ball Doz	18c
CELERY, 38's Stalk	9c
TURNIPS & TOPS, bunch	5c
MUSTARD GREENS, 2 for	5c
SPUDS, 10 lb for	33c

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