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## Entered Race For Representative

A. M. (Fred) King of Ballinger was in our city Friday of last week, letting the folks know that he was in the race for Representative of the 92nd District. He is making no rash promises, plainly stating that if elected he will do his very best to use good judgment when any issue comes up for action. He has lived in District 35 years, a native of Coleman County, received his high school education in Killean, a business course in Houston, taught school 10 years, attended summer school at Simmons University, has farmed in Concho County, never run for public office before, that old age pension should be paid and that he will cooperate with Legislature on economy and business matters as if they were his own business affairs.

## Notice to CCC

We are informed, by the State Department of Public Welfare, that unemployed young men between the ages of seventeen and twenty-three, may be accepted for CCC enrollment, regardless of the relief status of their families. Selected youths, whose families are not financially dependent, will have their money deposited by the Corps to be turned over to them at the termination of their enrollment.

Applicants will be selected on the basis of their ability to profit by and contribute to the work of the Corps.

Applications are being taken by the County Welfare office for the next enrollment, which will be in July.

## Public School Work

Public schools in Coke county have been granted \$13,416 in equalization aid for the 1939-40 school year, L. A. Woods state superintendent of Schools, reported.

The full amount for salary aid, amounting to \$5,814, has been paid, while schools in the county have received 75 per cent of the \$7,602 granted for transportation. Figures on high school tuition will not be available until applications have been received, Woods declared.

One of Mr. Woods promises in his first campaign was to fight for an equalization fund sufficient to meet the needs of the poor school districts of the state. Since that time equality of educational opportunity has been extended through an equalization fund increased 172 per cent, administered at a cost of one per cent for supervision and one per cent for equalization.

Mrs. Floyd Sturman and children, Jack, Bill, Frank, Floydene, and Janie Beth left for their home in Elida New Mexico after a two weeks visit with Mrs. Sturman's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bell.

## Gift Shower

Honoring Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Patterson, whose marriage occurred June 1st, a gift party was given at the Robert Lee Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon of last week. Mr. Patterson is the former Miss Mary Brooks. Both the bride and groom are residents of Robert Lee.

Hostesses were Mmes. Robert Keys, J. K. Griffith, S. E. Adams and H. E. Smith. Mrs. Aubry Lackey, assisted by Miss Aleene Smith, served refreshments. Mrs. S. E. Adams presided at the register and her son, Stanley presented the gifts which were piled high in a white wagon. The church was decorated in white with roses in cut glass vases. Misses Katie Sue Gooch and Nina Gramling furnished music for the occasion.

Gifts were received from Messrs. and Mmes. L. C. Miller, Lowell Roane, Earnest Burns, Boyd Yarbrough, R. M. Lackey, Glenn Cox, R. E. Jay, S. E. Adams, W. J. Cumbie, Eugene Brooks, Bob Patterson, J. O. Greer, O. M. Ratliff, R. L. Keys, Benjamin Keys, W. T. Sanders, A. Z. Denman, D. P. Walling, J. S. Craddock, H. E. Smith, C. Varnadore, Joe Dodson, Delmer Sheppard, Lamont Scott, J. I. Murtishaw, Crowley Harmon and son, Jerald Clint, Otto Wojtek, Andrew Johnson, J. K. Griffith, Fred McDonald, Opal McCabe, Gerald Allen, Johnnie Williams, H. A. Williams, W. A. Staylock and Philip Page.

Mmes. Jannie Skinner, B. M. Gramling, Carrol Russel, A. G. Lackey, J. C. Harwell, W. H. Paterson, Henry Escue, Floyd Modgling, L. E. Smith, Willis Smith and J. H. Gullede.

Misses Myrtle Hurley, Carrie Williams, Nina Gramling, Aleene Smith, Laura Martin, Margurite Garvin and Emmagene Brooks.

More than half of the livestock are transported to market by truck.

A record of 60 cents a day for room and board, was made by 444 State University boys the last session. The girls even do better.

Mrs. J. C. Cobb has been visiting with her daughter Mrs. D. C. Harmon at Odessa.

Billie and Jean Morrow of New Mexico, visited Bryce and Louise Stewart last week.

Boyd Yarbrough has started the ground work on a rock home in northwest part of town.

Mrs. R. L. Nail and son and grand daughter of Wichita Falls, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. G. A. Harmon, and brothers, George, Willie and Denton Powers.

## FOR SALE

Plenty of peaches and plums at Silver. Reasonable price. R. B. Allen, Phone 1242



## Judge John F. Sutton, Judge Of The 51st District Court Asks For Re-election.

Judge John F. Sutton, who was the first candidate in 1940 to file his name with the Tom Green County Democratic Chairman, to have his name placed on the July ballot, today placed his name in the announcement column of the Robert Lee Observer as a candidate to succeed himself as Judge of the 51st District Court. In submitting his name to the voters, Judge Sutton points to the record he has made during his time in office. Those who are not familiar with that record are referred to the hundreds of men who have rendered service as jurors.

Friends of Judge Sutton urge that it is economically important and essential to the welfare of government and to the people generally, that a District Judge be well trained and experienced in both civil and criminal law. They point to his eleven years of experience in the practice of civil and criminal law, followed by thirteen years as District Judge, and urge that but few men at the age of fifty, his present age, are in position to give the important duties of District Judge the benefit of so much judicial experience.

Judge Sutton and Mrs. Sutton have two children, each of whom began their school work in the San Angelo Public School, and graduated from the San Angelo High School. Their son, John Sutton, Jr., is now a student in the Law department of the University of Texas, and their daughter will enter Junior College next September.

In his announcement Judge Sutton says:

On two occasions the people of this District have placed their stamp of approval upon my official record by giving me a substantial majority over outstanding opponents. The people of Tom Green, Irion, Schleicher,

## Robert Lee Folks Goes To Funeral At Miles. FEDERATED CLUB MEET IN ROBERT LEE

Hugh Smith, Allene Smith, Boyd Smith and Eli Smith attended the funeral of Jim Edwards at Miles Sunday.

Mr. Edwards died at Yuma Arizona, Thursday June 20th. Rev. Cecil Strickland, pastor of the Whon Baptist Church in Coleman County officiated. He is a relative of those going from Robert Lee.

## BAPTIST W. M. S.

The Missionary Society met with Mrs. Paul Good Monday 4 p. m. in their mission program on "Africa"

Mrs. Boyd Yarbrough give the devotional with Mmes. Cumbie, Snead, Young, Allen and Miss Naoma Brown taking part on program. A short business session was conducted by the president, after which the hostess served delicious punch and cake to 12 members present.

Mrs. Nell McDaniel and her daughter Gertrude, from San Antonio were guests in the W. H. Bell home over the week end; Mrs. McDaniel is a sister of Mrs. Bell and R. A. Hall.

Coke County had a fine rain Sunday night and crops are doing their stuff. The Colorado River was on a 7-foot rise Tuesday and the Highway work was delayed again by the rains of Sunday night.

Yum Yum how good those Coke County peaches and plums are.

Eat at Ratliff and note the difference. A different air prevails there and the chuck is O. K. Doky too.

Coke and Sterling Counties have been indeed very kind to me, not only by casting their vote for me but by willingly cooperating with the Court and court officials in the handling of court business. For this vote and cooperation I am very grateful, and likewise happy to again submit myself for re-election upon my official record. It is upon my record of judicial service that I again solicit the vote and active support of every Democratic voter in this district, and in return offer a continuation of that character and kind of service I have heretofore rendered, with the added efficiency that comes only from judicial experience.

## Public Notice

It is ordered by the City Commission that City Lakes be opened for fishing purposes to the General Public, upon Compliance with the rules and regulations set forth by order of City Commission on the 25th day of June 1940.

Signed City Commission,  
Robert Lee, Texas.

Members of the Officers Club of the Woodmen Circle Grove 134 of San Angelo met Thursday for an all day session in the home of the president, Miss Naomi Brown in Robert Lee.

Business being dispensed with for the day the meeting was turned into a social affair and a no hostess lunch was served.

The Club is a member of the City Federation of Woman's Clubs of San Angelo. The next meeting will be with Mrs. R. A. Lindeman 19 N. Irving, San Angelo. Present were: Mmes. Ross Harp, Mary Rodgers, R. A. Lindemann Alvin Huggens, Ben Williams, Penny Owensby, Ben Mays, Hugh Myers, Ben Williams, Marvir Hounshell, Lola Rutledge, J. O. Talbot, Misses Viola Brown, Betty Lou Harp, Mark Williams and Naomi Brown.

Mrs. W. R. Eranklin and children of Irran, has returned home after a few days visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Wojtek.

Mrs. Claud Carter and daughter Kathleen, of Harlingen are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Adams.

Miss Aberdeen Perry and Lester Jeschke of Miles, visited Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek Sunday.

## NOTICE

A group of young people from Sanco will hold a meeting at Devide Sunday 11 a. m. and at Edith 3 p. m. June 30th.

I. M. Bird will bring a message. Every body invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dean Bryan, Mrs. Annie McCabe and Glenn Simpson of Robert Lee and Miss Sibyl Simpson of Monahan were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Simpson of Miles Sunday.



## Col. Ernest O. Thompson In Race For Governor's Chair

It appears that Thompson did not care to bring in war records but O'Daniel accused him of being a "Mouth Patriot" and he challenges O'Daniel to compare war records to see who had the best record as a patriot.



**Bruckart's Washington Digest**

**U. S. National Defense Program Needs Careful Study by Public**

President Roosevelt's 'Stab-in-the-Back' Speech Causes Nation to Consider Carefully Any Preparedness Suggestions or Military Policies.

By WILLIAM BRUCKART  
WNU Service, National Press Bldg.,  
Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON.—There are many persons throughout the country who are growing more and more disturbed—not to say alarmed—at the dangers inherent in the administration's so-called defense program. More and more persons are asking aloud for something in the way of an explanation, and more and more one meets with situations and conditions in the defense program that cause doubts to arise.

The climax to this circumstance appears to have developed with the speech which President Roosevelt made at the University of Virginia—the pronouncement that has come to be known as the Charlottesville speech—early in June. From the words uttered there by the President of the United States has come a wide division of opinion on the course our nation is being guided. Unless I am incapable of reading signs, we will hear reverberations of that speech for weeks to come.

And it is not strange that people everywhere should talk about that speech! It was remarkable. Some folks said it was "amazing." But however you wish to characterize it,



SENATOR VANDENBERG  
From neutrals to non-belligerents.

there can be no doubt that Mr. Roosevelt spoke with great depth of feeling when he described Dictator Mussolini almost personally as a man who stabbed his neighbor—France—in the back. Nor can anyone doubt that the President spoke the mind of a vast majority of the American people. They feel that way about Mussolini's cowardly decision to join with his bloodthirsty axis partner, Hitler.

But it is not a question of how you feel or how I feel, as individuals. Mr. Roosevelt is President of the United States. As such, it is difficult, if not utterly impossible, to separate himself as an individual from the presidency of a great nation. And if it were possible, millions of persons throughout the world still would regard whatever he says as the statement of the President, and therefore the statement of the United States, as a nation. There is a difference.

**President's Official Statement Carries Much Importance**

So, regard it as an official view. There can be no distinction. Thus, it becomes a matter of grave importance. The head of a nation that is officially neutral, as between the allies and the dictators, has uttered words that place the United States formally on the side of the allies and he did it without approval of congress. The congress, it is to be remembered, is the body authorized by the Constitution to declare war and congress has taken no such decision. The President's Charlottesville declarations, therefore, can be termed unwise at the best, and probably will be subjected to much more virulent descriptions before the year is out.

Now, another phase of the defense preparations that is causing concern. I refer to the policy of supplying government-owned war stocks for use of the allies.

It happens that the United States signed, and the senate of the United States ratified, what is called the Hague convention. This is an agreement among nations of all the world which sets down certain terms and rights and obligations called international law. Article 6 of the Hague convention states:

"The supply, in any manner, directly or indirectly, by a neutral

power to a belligerent power, of warships, ammunition or war materials of any kind whatever is forbidden."

**Policy 'Short of War' Has 'Official' Approval**

It is to be recalled, moreover, that the President has consistently stated that the United States must do "everything short of war" to aid the allies in their struggle. That policy has been put forward officially so many times that it seems to occasion no surprise any more. It ought to cause surprise, however, because it is not the pronouncement of a neutral nation.

Senator Vandenberg of Michigan accurately described the picture when he said the other day that President Roosevelt's policies had taken us out of the role of neutrals and have made of us "a non-belligerent nation on the allied side." The Michigan senator had no quarrel with building up a real defense program and he wanted to see that done. But Senator Vandenberg, like many others, fears there are things being done that may sooner or later be held to be an act of war. And when that happens, in we go whether we are ready or not—and the United States has very little at this stage of the game with which to fight!

My own feeling is that the national government can give freedom to its citizens to help the allies in any direction that they see fit or are able to help. But the United States, as a nation, and Mr. Roosevelt, as President, must be careful of where the whole people are led. These things that I have mentioned and countless others, each constitutes a half step. Many half steps, even taken slowly, will take us to the brink, and then it is ever so easy to topple off.

**'Stop Hitler' Movement Is Another Serious Problem**

Another situation ought to be discussed, because it is part and parcel of the whole problem. Every day and almost in every way, we hear or read statements by persons of official position as well as thousands of self-appointed saviors of the nation that all of this defense preparation, all of these vast expenditures, all of the emergency actions, are necessary and warranted because "Hitler must be stopped before he gets over here."

I believe there is something like 99 per cent of the citizens of this country who look upon Hitler as the greatest criminal of the ages. They hope that his power can somehow be wrested from him and that his physical body can be made to stand the tortures of the damned. On the other hand, and while still holding that hatred of the man mainly responsible for the deluge of blood, is it not better to use common sense in making preparations for the eventualities that some of the leaders now profess to see? It strikes me that common sense, if allowed to rule over the hysteria that has been promoted in this country, would produce vastly better results in the way of a national defense structure which all agree we require.

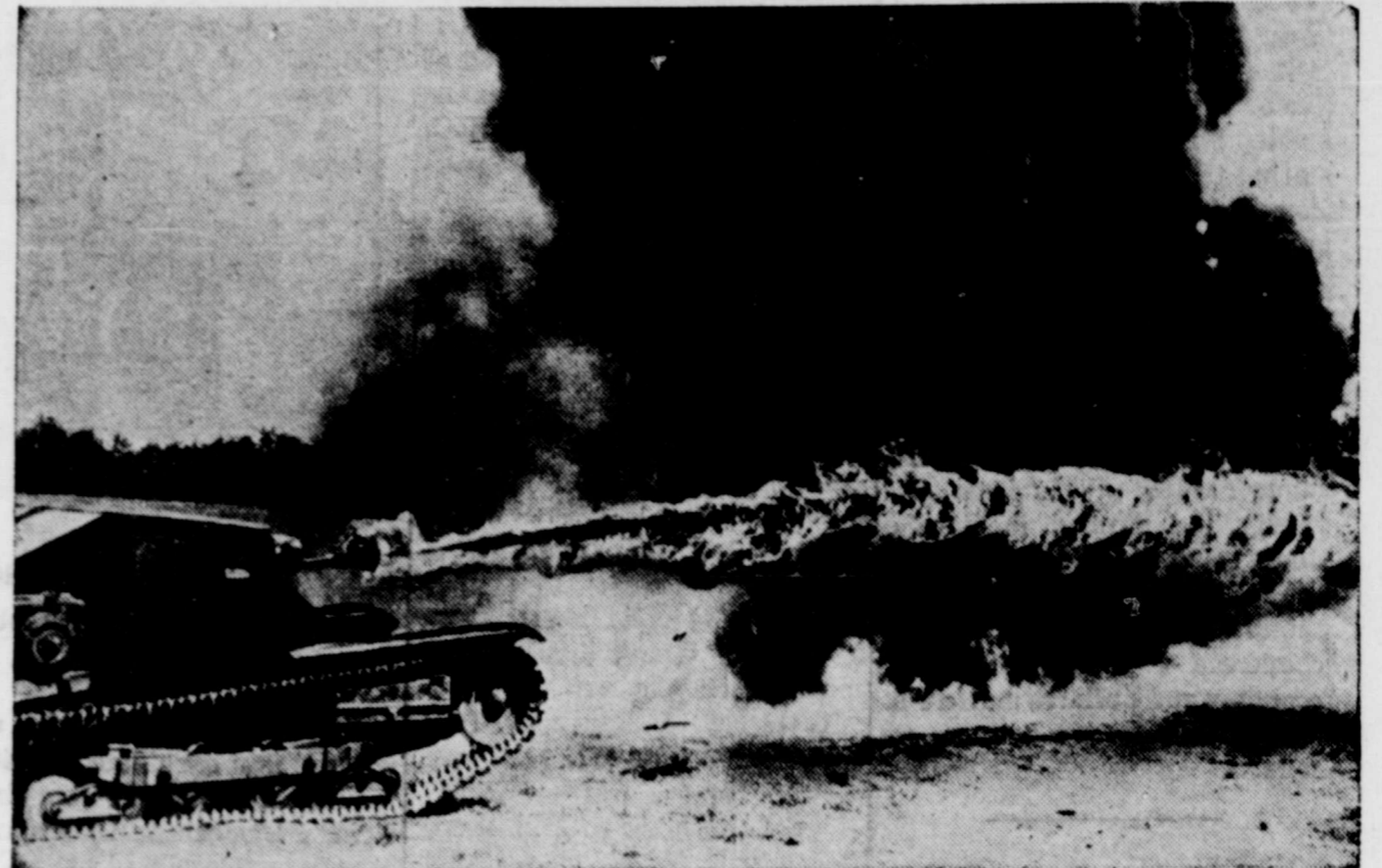
From many persons who have seen the carnage of the current war and from many others who are familiar with the lives and living conditions of Europeans, I have become convinced that whether Hitler wins or loses or whether there is a stalemate, the insane leader of the German reich will face a far greater problem than any he has met in battle. It will be the condition of stark and real famine and pestilence. It will come after the war just as surely as night follows day. All of Europe will be involved, and the price of war will be paid.

My information is that this year of untended crops, this year of destruction of men, is leaving Germany, especially, and most of the others as well, without a semblance of a storehouse of food. The fighting men were withdrawn from production early. Moreover, food rationing started in this war in its first weeks, whereas it was not used in the first World war until late in the second year and then to a less degree than now. There is the "machine" that will stop Hitler from coming over here, and it will be effective.

I repeat, therefore, that we can prepare to defend ourselves, but we need not be hysterical about it.

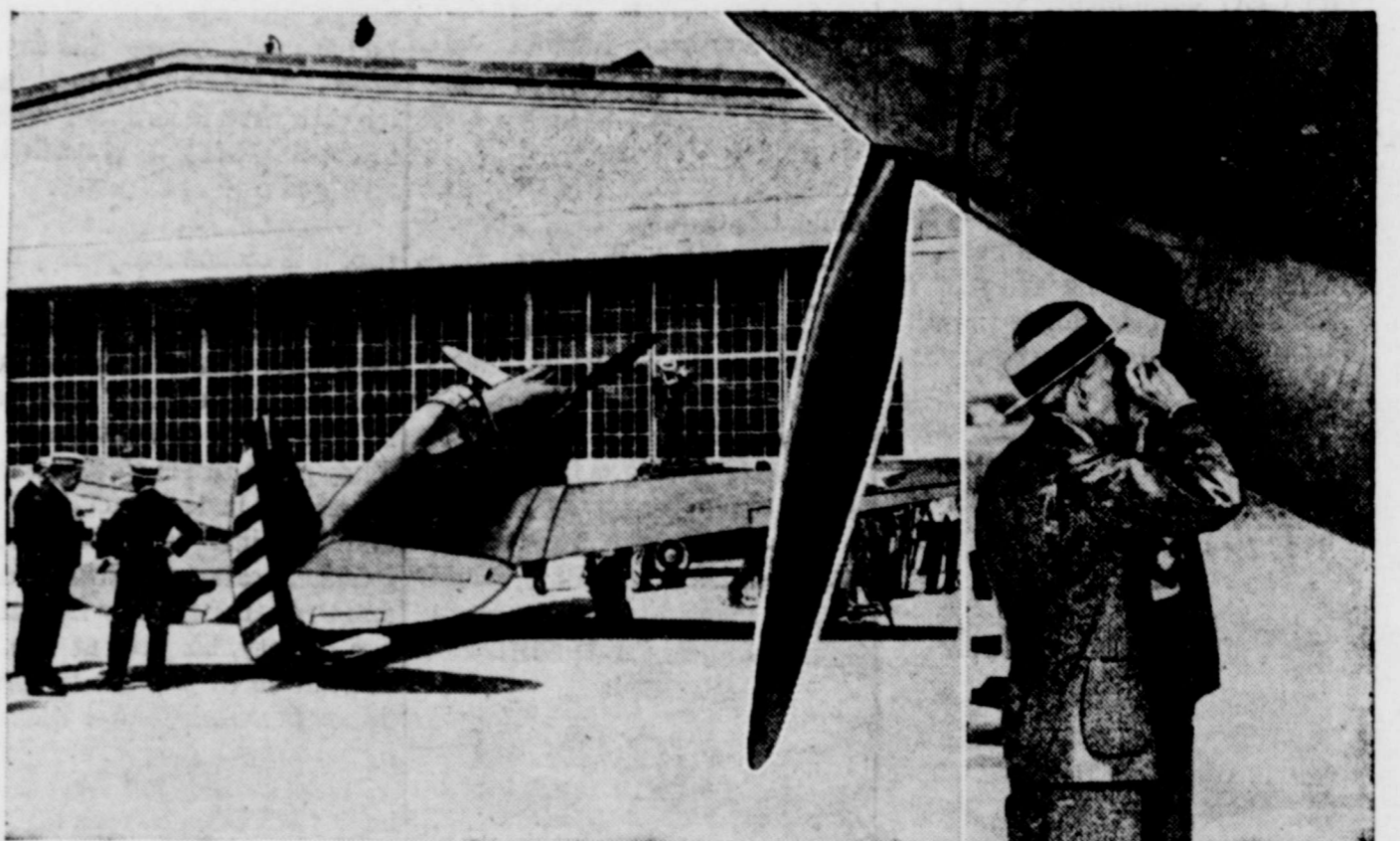


**An Italian Flame-Throwing Tank in Action**



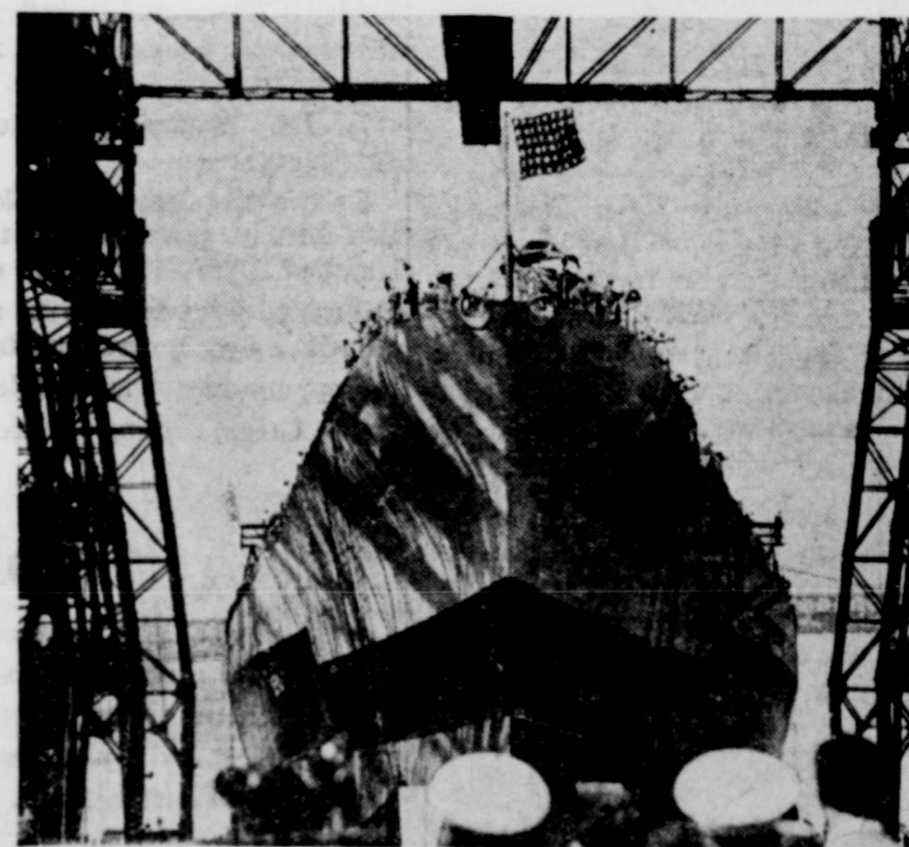
This is an Italian flame-projecting tank, perhaps one of the most effective shots in the locker of the Italian war machine. In addition to the flame-thrower, the tanks carry heavy machine guns and a 37-mm. cannon. German forces used flame-throwing tanks during the blitzkrieg into the Lowlands and in northern France.

**U. S. Sends Newest Army Planes to Ford Plant**



View of one of the two newest U. S. army planes sent to the Ford company plant at Dearborn, Mich., for inspection by Ford and the Ford company engineers, to determine if the plant can be changed to manufacture a thousand of these planes daily. (Inset) Henry Ford peering into the front of one of the planes.

**U. S. Navy's Latest Fighting Giant**



While 40,000 spectators cheer themselves hoarse, the huge battleship North Carolina slides down the ways at Brooklyn navy yard. The 35,000-ton ship is the second dreadnaught to be launched this month, and one of the largest American war vessels that has ever slid down the ways.

**'Congresswoman'**



Margaret Chase Smith, wife of the late Rep. Clyde Smith (R.) of Maine, being sworn in to fill the vacancy left by him. Mrs. Smith is the eighth woman in congress.



**IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson**

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.  
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of Chicago.  
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

**Lesson for June 30**

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**JONAH: THE OUTREACH OF GOD'S LOVE**

LESSON TEXT—Jonah 3:1-10; 4:10, 11.  
GOLDEN TEXT—Salvation is of the Lord.—Jonah 2:9.

Such is the message of the book of Jonah. How appropriate it is to close our series of studies on the prophets with this declaration of God's love and mercy.

**I. A Second Chance (3:1-3).**

Jonah had been sent to Nineveh with a message from God, but, secretly wishing in his heart that this great city which was the enemy of Israel should be destroyed rather than repent and receive God's blessing (see 4:2), Jonah made an attempt to run away from God's commission. We know how God patiently dealt with him and now gave him a second chance to do His will.

How gracious God is "to continue to us . . . the privilege of service even when we seem to have sinned away our first chance, misused our endowments, and have by our very failure embarrassed His plans." Dr. J. Stuart Holden goes on to point out that only God gives a second chance. Nature does not; man seldom, if ever, gives his fellow who has failed a second opportunity. But God does. Praise His name!

There was also a second chance extended to Nineveh. God was not willing to bring judgment upon the city without another warning. Quoting Dr. Holden again: "I care not what is the history of failure, of shame, of sin which is behind you . . . I care not how close upon your heels are the hounds of accusation and condemnation which bay at you. I tell you that Jesus Christ is here . . . to give you a second chance, and that everything depends upon your attitude of acceptance or rejection of His proffered grace and mercy."

**II. A Stirring Revival (3:4-10).**

So great was the city that it would have taken Jonah three days to bring his message to the entire population (see v. 3). He had only begun when, at the end of the first day, the city, from the ruler down to the humblest inhabitant, was in deep mourning and repentance for its sin.

Jonah, the man who had been brought back from a living death as a sign (Luke 11:29-32) to Nineveh that God was gracious to repentant sinners, pointed to the fact that though his message was one of condemnation (v. 4), they might expect God to be entreated of them (v. 9). He was (v. 10).

God has sent times of revival when whole cities—and even whole nations—have been turned from their sin. Such revivals have been occurring in recent years in various mission fields. Thousands of earnest Christians are praying now that such a revival may come again in our own land. The writer knows where helpful literature along this line is available without cost. Let us pray and be faithful, and trust God to bring revival to the hearts of men.

**III. A Selfish Reaction (4:10, 11).**

Jonah, instead of rejoicing in the repentance of Nineveh, showed his narrowness and selfishness by becoming angry (see 4:1). How petty and childish are the attitudes of men when contrasted with the mercy of God.

The Lord, dealing gently with Jonah, gave him a place of refuge and a gourd plant to shade him from the sun (4:5, 6). Then, to teach him a lesson, a worm was permitted to kill the gourd (v. 7). When Jonah was greatly concerned over the loss of the plant, God pointed out to him that it is wrong to be stirred up over the passing of material comfort and not to be concerned for the souls of men.

How many of those who poured out millions of dollars (and rightly so) for the relief of the harassed people of Finland, would give five cents to win them to Christ? Many who will give liberally of money, time and effort to the commendable work of flood or famine relief, will not so much as cross the road to talk to a neighbor about Christ. A farmer will sit up all night to care for a sick cow, but will he spend an hour or two on Sunday or some evening of the week in an effort to win his neighbor's boy (or his own boy) to Christ? These are pertinent and serious questions. What is our answer? God will hold us responsible.

**Warning Seemed Quite Superfluous to Car Owner**

A gentleman was stranded at a railway station, on his way home to the country, in a heavy rain. Seeing a car at the roadside, he got inside for shelter, hoping to get a lift when the driver turned up. After a little wait the car began to move very slowly and in the direction he wanted to go, although the engine was not running.

Eventually he reached his turning, so he jumped out. Then he saw a man about to get in, but warned him not to, as "there is something strange about this car—the engine isn't running." The stranger replied: "Don't I know it; I've been pushing the blamed thing for the last two miles."



**IT IS A JOYFUL WORLD**

**Wish Fulfilled**  
"What a glorious painting! I wish I could take those lovely colors home with me."  
"You will; you're sitting on my paint-box."

**He's Right**  
"A scientist has discovered that singing warms the blood."  
"I've heard singing that makes my blood boil."

**You can't call a ship's captain a bigamist even if he has a second mate.**

**Half Price**  
Film Director—The star wants \$500 to play the part of an Indian in our new film.  
Manager—Give him \$250. He's only got to be a half-breed.

**Four square meals a day soon add up to a round figure.**

**Well-Known Secret**  
"Is it true that Alice has a secret sorrow?"  
"Gracious, yes. Hasn't she told you about it yet?"

**Gems of Thought**

NEVER esteem anything as of advantage to thee that shall make thee break thy word or lose thy self-respect.—Marcus Aurelius.

The further down we may be, the more room there is for us in which to rise.

Self help is the most dependable, and is always ready at hand.—Anon.

There are days in this life worth life and death.—Dickens.

Every man cannot be THE best, but every man can be HIS best.—Mirabeau.

The past cannot be changed but the past can be left.—Watkinson.

**HOW to SEW** By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

HERE is Betsy again—that clever girl in Sewing Book 3, who streamlined an old iron bed. In her house there was an enormous kitchen and her mother hated big kitchens. So, a partition was used to divide it into two rooms. The half with a door into



the front hall was for Betsy to entertain her own special friends.

The old linoleum was painted dark green. All the walls were painted cream and then pink stripes were painted on the new wall. The neat and efficient cot cover is cream chintz with pink roses and green leaves. The sides of the pad, the two end cushions and the center cushion are green, lighter than the floor. The cut-down table with the tin tray on top is painted with the green floor paint with some of the cream wall color added.

NOTE: Betsy is now making a hooked rug for her new sitting room from directions in the Sewing Book 5. It also contains directions for streamlining an old couch; rockers; dining room chairs and other "attic magic." Send name, address and 10 cents in coin to cover cost and mailing. Send order to:

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**Wealth Possesses Men**  
The lust of avarice has so totally seized upon mankind that their wealth seems rather to possess them, than they possess their wealth.—Pliny.

**"THE JOY SMOKE FOR ROLL-YOUR-OWNERS — AND NO MISTAKE!"**  
See how easy Prince Albert rolls—how much better it tastes," says C. H. Denmead (center, below), 20 years a pal of P. A.  
ROLLIN' ALONG V H P.A. Well, the boys didn't catch anything today, but as "El" Sutton (second from left) says: "Fish or no fish, it's fine to sit back with Prince Albert in your 'makin's' paws. P.A. smokes mellow and mild—and just smell that wonderful fragrance." "Saves money, too," says H. H. Denmead (right). "There's no waste, and I roll 'round 70 smokes from that big P.A. tin." (Ideal in a pipe, too!)  
In recent laboratory "smoking bowl" tests, Prince Albert burned **86 DEGREES COOLER** than the average of the 30 other of the largest-selling brands tested—coolest of all!  
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**The Robert Lee Observer**

S. R. YOUNG  
Editor and Publisher

Entered the postoffice at Robert Lee, Coke County, Texas, as second class mail matter, under an act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES  
\$1.00 a year in Texas. \$1.50 a year elsewhere.

Robert Lee has one of the best layouts for a real beautiful town site in West Texas.

Our paved highway leading to San Angelo is nearing completion and folks who visit our city remark that it sure is looking up.

This is our home town, let's bend every effort to make it look good. Clean up your lot, look ahead for shrubbery and flowers in season.

Twenty-five cents spent with some boy will clean the street side of a lot and make a boy happy.

A load of caleiche, gravel or dirt will fill some unsightly mud hole.

A patch sowed in wheat, oats or sudan will look lots better than weeds, and might be good for a cow or chickens.

Free-clean up your own lot, it will cost you a little elbow grease the worry is free.

**Fishing**

The city is going to give every body an opportunity to spend fish yarns-unheard of. They are opening up that good fishing Lake, where you have to use only artificial bait to keep the fish from joining the fifth column. The city has taken every precaution to keep our water supply in first class condition, and it will be necessary for each one to keep in mind rules and regulations.

Rev. Shan M. Hull and wife of Thockmartin spent a few hours Tuesday with O. M. Ratliff and family on their way to San Angelo. Bro. Hull is pastor of the Methodist Church there, and Mrs. Hull is a sister of Mr. Ratliff.

They never tire of Ratliff's good coffee.

Mrs. B. Gramling went to Tahoka Okla. Thursday night to visit sisters she had not seen in 12 years. She will be gone about a week.



The Red Cross Appeal is open for any contribution you care to make. It is one opportunity and privilege that we can all have a part in helping to relieve the suffering of humanity. Make your donations or join the Red Cross at City Drug Store.



**IS THERE GOLD IN YOUR CELLAR?**

Yes, and in Your Attic Too!  
Turn Those Things You Don't Want Into Money with a Want Ad

**Edith News**

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hickman of Edith held their family reunion recently on the Colorado River. Those that enjoyed the fishing and barbecue were: Messrs and Mmes. H. Richards and daughter J. E. Turner and Frankie Beth, A. Sandusky and children of Bronte, C. W. Tremble of Malaga, New Mexico. Ed, Pete and Johnnie Mack, of Edith and J. Richards of Bronte.

Mr. Loyal Senooler and wife, have as their guest this week her sister Mrs. Arthur Ross and daughter of Sweetwater.

Miss Marguerite Garvia entertained a group of her friends with a party last Friday night.

Mrs. D. A. Neal of the Edith Grocery Store has had some new signs hand painted and put up on the road inviting every one to Edith.

Correspondance

**3 reasons for having a telephone**

- "They're opening the office again! ... surely I'll be there!"
- "Please hurry doctor. We're worried about him."
- "Send a policeman ... there's a prowler in our garage!"

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**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 27, 1940.

Announcements are Cash.

For District Attorney  
51st Judicial District

O. C. FISHER  
re-election

For District Judge  
51st District Court

JOHN F. SUTTON  
(re-election)

**COKE COUNTY, TEXAS**

For County Judge &  
Ex-officio School Supt.

McNEIL WYLIE  
(re-election)

For County & Dist. Clerk

WILLIS SMITH  
(re-election)

**Will Rogers Picks A Story For This Spot**

By WILL ROGERS

THERE'S nothing a kid enjoys much more than giving its dad a kind of a let-down. If the kid can make the old man look like thirty cents, why it's a successful day.

Mary came in to her dad's study and handed him a sheet of paper.



"See, I drew the whole family of swallows," she says. "But you must be cuckoo," the old man says. "There are no swallows on this sheet." "Course not," she says. "Don't you know that the swallows have all gone south for the winter?"

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**Telephones in United States**  
The United States, with an average of approximately 14 telephones for every 100 persons, has one-half of the telephones in the world.

**Sugar in Desserts**  
In ices, sherbets, and ice-creams alone, Americans consume over two hundred million pounds of sugar annually.

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Production in the 13-year-old Ira G. Yates oil field of Texas totals approximately 250,000,000 barrels.

**Louisiana Barmaids**  
Women are not allowed to work in Louisiana barrooms under a law enacted in 1894.

**U. S. Nutmeg Imports**  
The United States imports more than \$500,000 worth of nutmeg a year.

**San Francisco's Name**  
The original name of San Francisco was Yerba Buena.

For County Sheriff, &  
Tax Assessor-Collector

FRANK PERCIFULL  
(re-election)

For County Treasurer

Mrs. B. M. GRAMLING  
(re-election)

For County Commissioner  
Precinct No. 1

H. C. VARNADORE  
(re-election)

LEM COWLEY

For Commissioner Pct. No. 3

T. R. HARMON  
(re-election)

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224 N. Chadbourne San Angelo

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**Church Notes**

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Church School 10:00  
Preaching Service 11:00  
Epworth League 6:45  
Preaching Service 7:30  
W. M. S., -Monday 4:00

**BAPTIST**  
Sunday School 10:00  
Preaching Service 11:00  
W. M. S., Monday 4:00  
Officers-Teachers Meeting, Tuesday 8:30

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The Town Where I Live--

**SO BEAUTIFUL THE STARLIGHT IS**

By Elaine V. Emans  
(from December Good Housekeeping)

SO BEAUTIFUL the starlight is On Christmas Eve, all stars remember, Surely, the great star shining down On hillside one far-off December, And housetops in a dreaming town.

SO BEAUTIFUL the starlight is Weary of noise, the ear seems listening Eagerly for the song of old— The eye seems watching for the glistening Sight of the angels, white and gold.

SO BEAUTIFUL the starlight is Tonight, my spirit, prone to taking A too proud course, beholding it, Remembers star, song, shepherds waking— And kneels in love, sweet, infinite.

SO BEAUTIFUL the starlight is That, ah, a war-torn world must surely See, and remember, and go down, Friendly, forgiving, loving purely, To worship Him in Bethlehem Town.

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**Notice**

J. J. Vestal is still sharpening plows at the same old stand. I am taking a vacation on my Birthday 9th of July. Rush your plows in now.  
**J. J. Vestal,**  
 Blacksmith.

**SHEEP FOR SALE**

51 head with lambs, mixed ages will sell worth the money.  
**L. E. White,**  
 Edith, Texas.

Rev. J. D. Coleman and family from Bailinger visited in Robert Lee Tuesday.

Mrs. J. J. S. Smith's children are visiting her at Edith.

Also get a meal ticket at Ratliff's. Every thing goes.

**TRESSPASS Notice:**  
 My pasture is posted by law. Any one caught tresspassing will be prosecuted to full extent of the law.  
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**Salesman Wanted**

Wanted - A good reliable man to supply customers with Raleigh products. Write Raleigh's Dept. TX F-636-127. Memphis, Tenn.



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**WARNING**

Notice is hereby given that all persons trespassing on the property inclosed with the two City Lakes will be prosecuted.

Try Ratliff's Lunch at noon.

**Giant Panda Ban.**

No more giant pandas for foreign zoos and collectors. Chinese authorities have decreed by a new law which forbids the capture of these rare and odd-looking creatures. Found in eastern Tibet, the giant panda is related to the American raccoon.

**Unconscious Charm**

There is a quaint charm about all early American bedrooms. Slanting ceilings, poster beds covered in colorful quilts, ruffled curtains at the windows, candlesticks, painted floors with hooked rugs or rag rugs scattered about, help give a room its charm.

**Alive After 20,000 Years**

Soviet research workers, seeking to find out where life stops and death begins, have found both plant and animal organisms which are still alive after having been frozen solid in the zone of perpetual ice, north of the Arctic circle for 20,000 years.

**Scientific Shaving Hint**

According to scientists at the Mellon Institute in Pittsburgh, men shave best after they first soak their beards for 180 seconds in water heated to a temperature of 120 degrees. The art of shaving is called pogonotomy, after the Greek.

**Journey's End**

A bottle containing a note, dropped into the Trinity river 200 miles from the Gulf of Mexico by H. T. James of Palestine, Texas, recently was recovered from the stomach of a 700-pound shark in Galveston bay.

**Scotland's Tourist Highway**

A new tourist highway to Oban, popular resort center of Scotland and gateway to the Western Isles, will be open for traffic this summer. Construction of this road has taken three years and cost \$1,000,000.

**Missouri Recreation**

According to the American Magazine, the town fathers of Portageville, Mo., painted checkerboards at convenient spots on the sidewalks of the business section to provide recreation for the townsfolk.

**O. Henry Museum**

More than 26,000 persons have visited the O. Henry museum at Austin, Texas, containing articles intimately associated with O. Henry's work, during the past 3 1/2 years.

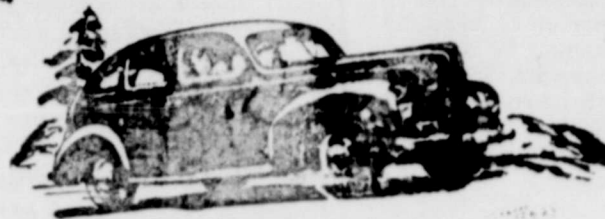
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★ **FASHION PREVIEW** ★



Practical is the word for this smart and pretty summer outfit. It's a combination of long cotton broad-cloth shorts, pleated and well cut for comfort and a knit cotton shirt with classic round neck, that can be worn all summer long for any number of things. Good Housekeeping announces in presenting it in its July issue; it definitely belongs on the tennis court, golf course, or the beach.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS BY ROGER SHAW

## Great Britain to 'Fight On, Alone' In Spite of French Capitulation; U. S. Speeds Up Defense Program

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)  
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### II GERMAN WAR: Honorable Peace

Premier Paul Reynaud of France had often and sincerely pledged that he would lead his country in a "fight to the finish" against the German invader. Thus when the government announced his resignation and the appointment of 84-year-old Marshal Henri Petain to take his place the French people knew without further information that a peace offer was in the offing.

And soon it came. Marshal Petain declared to his people that he was asking the enemy to end the war by giving to France a "peace with honor." Negotiations were immediately begun. While peace terms were being arranged, the badly crippled and out-fought French army was forced to carry on its battle against Germany and Italy even after its leaders had asked for peace.

England meantime was rallying every force at her command to prepare for the next German blitzkrieg. Home defenses were bolstered and a firm resolution held sway over the island center of a world empire: "Even alone, we will fight on."

Prime Minister Winston Churchill declared in a radio address that the British empire would fight on "until the curse of Hitler is lifted from the brows of mankind." British leaders expressed the hope that despite any peace arrangements, that France's resources would not be used against England.

Should Germany gain control of France's fleet (second only to England's in Europe) Britain would have a very serious naval problem on her hands. For the combined fleets of Germany, Italy and France are equal to or stronger than the British fleet. England's effective sea blockade of the axis powers would thus be put to the extreme test.

Russia meanwhile had not been idle. Exactly what the Soviet Union had in mind, few men except Joseph Stalin could be sure, but Russian troops marched into Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia and the govern-



'EX-PREMIER' REYNAUD  
After him, a peace offer.

ments in these three tiny Baltic nations were being "reorganized" on a basis "favorable to the Soviet."

### Italy Itemizes

Egypt broke off relations with Mussolini, and put all her bases at the disposal of John Bull, but Mr. Bull had control of these anyway, even in times of perfect peace.

The Italians flew over Toulon and Malta and Kenya colony, and the allies flew over Turin, Genoa, and Italian East Africa. Some lives were lost, mutually, and some names were called, Mayor La Guardia of New York (half Italian) taking part in the name-calling himself. Everyone agreed that Italy was hardly heroic, but old-timers remembered Italy's parallel action (in reverse) back in May, 1915, when Mussolini again was war-active.

### Spain Stirs

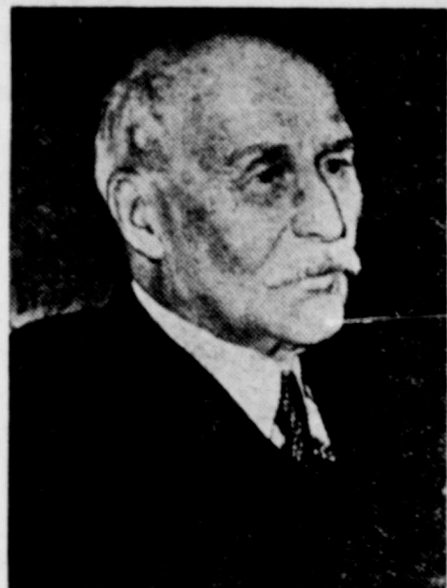
Spain, in the Sixteenth century, was the greatest and strongest of all imperial powers. There was nothing to beat her. Then, like the Romans, she declined and virtually fell. But Dictator-Generalissimo Franco was kicking her into stirring again. Spaniards yelled for the return of Gibraltar in street mobs.

Mussolini and Hitler helped Franco in the Spanish civil war, and his group are duly grateful. When Italy went in, they declared Spain not neutral, but merely non-belligerent, and Spanish-owned Moor troops seized the International Zone (supposedly neutralized) at Tangiers, in North Africa, which is too near Gibraltar for solid comfort.

### WASHINGTONIANA: Foreign Policies

Following the President's speech at the University of Virginia, there was a storm. Part of it was a storm of applause by third termites, New Dealers, warhawks. The rest was a storm of protest by Republicans, pacifists, independent Democrats. Senator Wheeler of Montana began to emerge as heir to the laurels of the late Senator Borah of Idaho. He indicated he might break with Roosevelt, if the Democratic party turned into the "war" party. Republicans planned to label the Democratic party by that tag, in the 1940 campaign.

On the other hand, some of the New Dealers wanted to repeal the Johnson act, and Roosevelt's own neutrality act, with its cash-and-carry provisions. France kept mak-



MARSHAL PETAIN  
They knew what he meant.

ing frantic appeals to Roosevelt, and to Americans generally, and this aerial propaganda had its effect. Some Americans went so far as to favor a declaration of war against Hitler, although for the time being, Mussolini was even more unpopular.

The senate passed, by 67 to 18, the presidential policy of trading in government-owned weapons to private corporations, for re-sale to the allies. Old rifles, older ammunition, airplanes; and there was even talk of "obsolete" U. S. naval destroyers, for England to hunt submarines and sea sleds with. U. S. Steel, for example, was reported as planning a \$37,000,000 deal, via the war department, for the allies.

The house of representatives passed an increase of 95,000 privates for the regular army, and there was congressional talk of running our armed forces up to a million men, including the National Guard. The house also approved the national defense tax bill, to yield a billion additional dollars during the coming fiscal year, and increasing the national debt limit to 49 billions—a jump upward of four billions.

### V Column

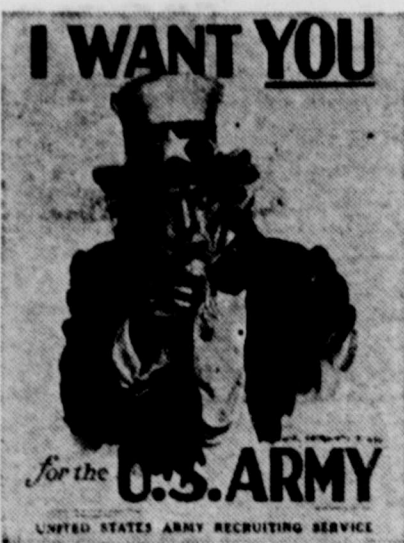
Congressman Van Zandt of Pennsylvania demanded that Roosevelt begin a drive against the fifth column here in America. Roosevelt was requested to fire the 563 people listed by the Dies committee, as government employees who belonged to the reddish League for Peace and Democracy. But the fifth column charges became wilder and wilder—each American making up his own list of fifth columnists, and putting on it special grievances. A complete list of "amalgamated" fifth columnists was assembled. It included Republicans, Democrats, third termites, anti-third termites, pro-Germans, pro-Russians, pro-Italians, pro-Britons, aliens, communists, socialists, the Bund, pacifists, "professional" Irishmen, Jews, Catholics, atheists, gossipers, defeatists, parlor pinks, roaring reds, anarchists, pietists, and conscientious objectors. Readers of the column may add to this partial compendium, at their pleasure.

### INTERNAL INTERESTS:

Ex-Gov. Richard Leche of Louisiana got 10 years in a federal jail for using the U. S. mails to defraud the state in the purchase of trucks. Leche had held gubernatorial office from 1936 to last June, when he resigned.

A new 35,000-ton battleship, the North Carolina, was launched in the Brooklyn navy yard. Sabotage, spying, and insidious camera work were carefully guarded against, as the great ship slid down the ways.

### Remember?



This poster, contributed by artist James Montgomery Flagg as a patriotic offering during the recruiting drive by the U. S. army in 1917-18, proved highly successful as a stimulus to enlistments at that time. Now, in 1940, the army has reissued the poster to aid current army expansion, recently authorized by congress.

### EMBARGO?

#### No Scrap

The Roosevelt administration was reported as preparing an embargo on American scrap iron, which has kept Japan going for years in her Chinese operations. Italy has been another major importer of U. S. scrap. Apparently the administration intended to wangle the measure in such a way that England and France could have American scrap iron, when they wanted it. One third of Germany's iron supply now comes from scrap, but the captured Luxembourg iron mines will more than make up the difference, according to economists. America nowadays is the world's premier scrap-iron exporter, and our big-scale automobile grave-yards play their part in this grim traffic.

### U. S. DEATH:

#### Allies Kill, Too

The first American civilian to die in the war was a little boy named Alfred Paul Ritter of New York city. He was eight years old, and a handsome child. The U. S. consul at Stuttgart reported to the Washington state department that the youngster was killed by allied air raiders, near Ulm in the Reich. It was not a pleasant episode, and indicated that Hitler's blitzkriegs know no favorites. But the press seemed partially to forget Alfred, and continued to heap abuse on "stabber-jabber" Mussolini.

### AGRICULTURE:

#### Record Reserve

Department of agriculture reports indicate that ever-normal granary reserve supplies of surplus farm products have reached record levels and will be increased this year.

This reserve supply held by the Commodity Credit corporation under loans to producers or owned outright by the corporation has a total value of about \$1,000,000,000.

Chief crops in reserve are cotton, corn, wheat and tobacco. Smaller amounts of peanuts, figs, butter, wool, mohair, turpentine and resin are held because of loans made last year. This year, loans averaging 64 cents per bushel on 1940 wheat, 35 cents on rye, and 30 cents on barley have already been authorized and loans are virtually certain on 1940 cotton (9 cents per pound) and corn (between 57 and 62 cents per bushel).

While farm prices are at a low ebb because of the loss of many foreign markets due to the war there is a feeling in some quarters that it may become necessary for the Americas to eventually supply most of the foodstuffs for European nations.

It is known that generally speaking these nations do not have huge supplies of food and will be forced to get huge stocks of grain from somewhere.

### FORODDS & FORENDS:

Russia and Japan finally agreed on an exact borderline between red flag and red sun, in the debatable land of Mongolia. The Japs and British reached another agreement, in their dispute about foreign concessions at Chinese Tientsin. The Jap-favored Nanking government of China, demanded that the soldiers, guards, and warships of all belligerent nations get out of China, and stay out.

The Irish Free State was in a hum of preparation, to ward off German or British invaders, or both. Both Wilhelmstrasse and Downing Street may have fifth columns among the high-spirited Gaels.

## AROUND the HOUSE

Items of Interest to the Housewife

To get rid of stains on tea cups rub gently with a paste of baking soda and water.

Pillow cases should be ironed lengthwise to be entirely free of wrinkles.

The illusion of depth is created by building bookcases on either side of a wide doorway leading from living room to dining room.

A few drops of glycerin added to the starch will make linens glossy.

Many a skirt that seems to fit well enough when tried on and examined before the mirror, will prove to be too tight when the customer sits down in it, or walks across the room. Women with large hips should make doubly sure that skirts are roomy enough before they buy coats, suits, dresses or underslips.

Salt added to potatoes when nearly boiled insures their flakiness and prevents them from going to pieces in the boiling process.

### Concrete Facts

Cement and concrete play a tremendous part in both peace and war, and without concrete most vast engineering enterprises would be impossible. But concrete is not an entirely new invention, for the Greeks and Romans had something very much like it. They used a mortar made from finely ground volcanic deposits mixed with lime and sand. The Greeks called it Santorin earth, and the Romans pozzolana, and the famous Pantheon built by the Emperor Hadrian between 120-130 A. D. has walls 20 feet thick, composed partly of pozzolana and faced with brick.

In Britain a form of concrete was used by the Saxons to build Corfe castle, in Dorset. Modern concrete, incidentally, increases 50 per cent in strength during the first month, and an additional 60 per cent during the next 35 years.

1st BEST THOUGHT AT THE FIRST WARNING OF INORGANIC PAIN OR COLDS DISCOMFORTS. ST. JOSEPH ASPIRIN

Friendship of Children Better to be driven out from among men than to be disliked of children.—Dana.

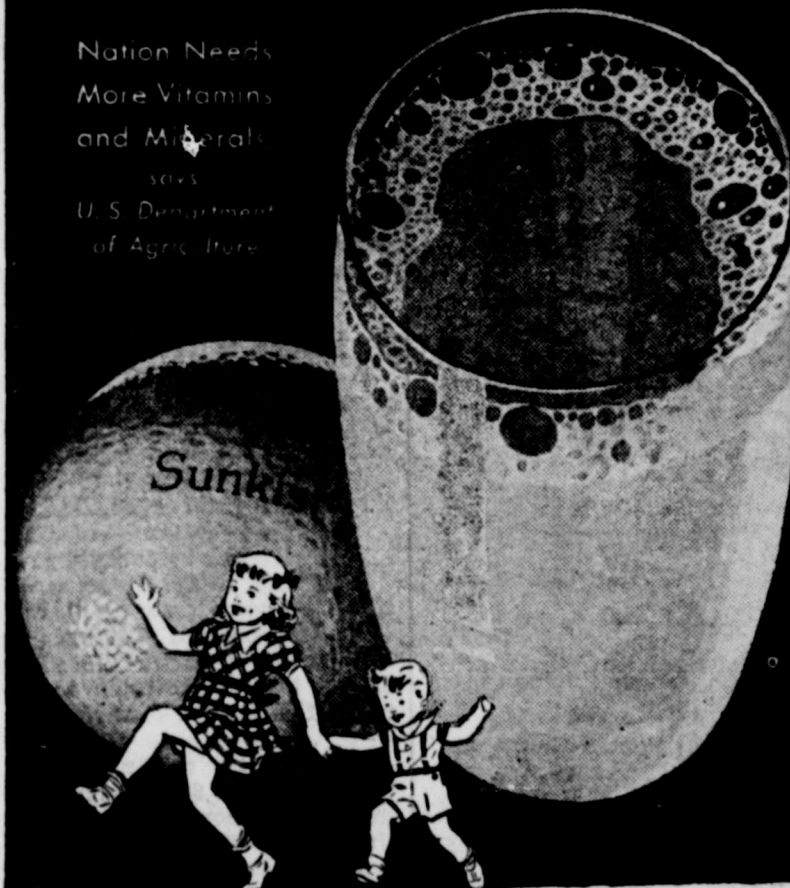
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Expenses Over Income He is poor whose expenses exceed his income.—La Bruyere.

# A BIG HELP TO HEALTH!

Nation Needs More Vitamins and Minerals says U. S. Department of Agriculture



### Note the benefits of delicious oranges

Government nutritionists say: Fully half our families get too few vitamins and minerals to enjoy the best of health! So make it your family rule to enjoy oranges every day.

Just peel and eat them for grand summer refreshment. Or keep a big pitcher full of fresh orangeade handy.

An 8-ounce glass of juice gives you all the vitamin C you normally need each day. Also adds vitamins A, B<sub>1</sub> and G, and the minerals calcium, phosphorus and iron.

This summer the wonderfully juicy California oranges are plentiful in all states. Those stamped "Sunkist" on the skin are Best for Juice and Every use! Order them today.

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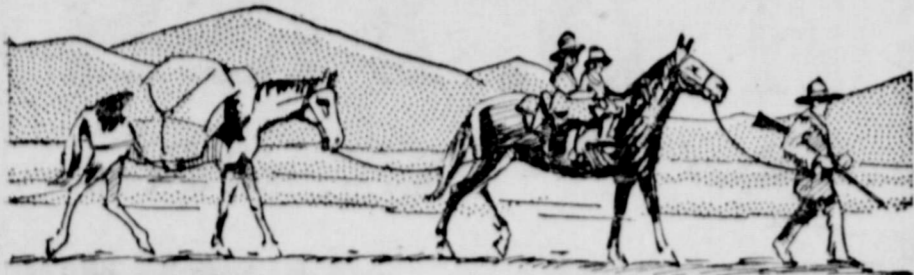
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Packed by the growers of Sunkist are a dependable grade of juice-full, richly flavored California oranges. Rely upon them to give full satisfaction. Look for the trademark on the skin or tissue wrapper.





# CARMEN OF THE RANCHO

By FRANK H. SPEARMAN © Frank H. Spearman WNU Service

## SYNOPSIS

Don Alfredo, wealthy, Spanish owner of a Southern California rancho, refuses to heed several warnings of a raid by a band of outlaw, Sierra Indians. One day after he has finally decided to seek the protection of the nearby mission for his wife and family, the Indians strike. Don Alfredo is killed and his two young daughters are torn from the arms of the family's faithful maid, Monica, and are carried away to the hills. Padre Pasqual, missionary friend of the family, arrives at the ruins of the rancho and learns the story of the raid from Monica. After a trying and difficult trip across the plains and mountains from Texas to California youthful Henry Bowie, a Texas adventurer, with his friends, Ben Pardaloe and Simmie, an Indian scout, sight the party of Indians who have carried off the two little girls. With great cunning and accurate timing the three Texans attack the war party of fifty odd Indians and through a clever ruse scatter the savages to the hills. The girls are saved but are still thoroughly frightened.

## CHAPTER IV—Continued

"Ben, you don't seem enthusiastic over the new country," said Bowie. "Man alive, don't you know you're now in the land of plenty? That you're where Dan'l Boone wanted to lay his bones? Where you'll see Kit Carson after a while."

"Kit Carson?" echoed Pardaloe.

"Himself. He's out here somewhere."

"Not nigh so much of a man as his brother," declared Pardaloe casually. "Where you going to camp, Henry? I'm hungry and cold enough to eat tanbark." They were following the course of a creek and chose an open space on a high bank of the stream. "Hunt up some driftwood, Simmie," said Bowie, "and get a fire going to dry things. These youngsters will freeze if we don't get them dried out. Keep a sharp eye out for Indians, Ben. There may be a deer in that timber across the creek. I'll sneak over there myself as soon as we get the girls fixed up. Help me with this one, Simmie."

Simmie handed the child to him. Her eyes were closed. Bowie examined her as he chafed her hands. She seemed asleep. Overcome by the long strain of deadly fear and extreme fatigue, wet and weary though she was, nature had asserted itself. To awaken her now—to be sure she was only sleeping—he chafed her temples. Pardaloe, following instructions, did the same for his charge. The younger girl began to sob faintly—as if all strength had already been spent in anxiety and tears. The sobbing awakened her older sister, who slowly opened her eyes, and, as he bent over her, she looked into Bowie's face.

In spite of himself, he started. The child's eyes were dark, large, gentle, yet they came as a shock. In a brief confusion he could only realize that he had never seen such eyes. They rested on him for only a moment, then their tranquil light changed to dread, and as they closed on the face bent above her tears rolled from under the long lashes. He placed her so she could sit partially upright with her back against a small sycamore.

He worked so long with his charge that Pardaloe became impatient and, priming his rifle afresh, started off after something for breakfast.

Despite the savagely cruel treatment of the child, the ravages of distress and weeping, the frock in disarray, the disheveled hair, the scratched and bruised legs and arms, the features pitifully streaked with soil and caked with tears, something told Bowie that this youngster was not a common waif.

Pardaloe came out of the chaparral with a doe slung over his shoulder, and while Simmie started a fire, Bowie rummaged some of the Spanish loot recovered from the war party. It had been carried in a buckskin bag, and in this he found a large mug, curiously chased, and from the brawling stream below the camp he brought good water.

He had left the younger of the girls lying on the ground near the elder. On his return he found the younger lying with her head in the lap of the elder, and he imagined them sisters.

But what surprised him most was the expression of deadly fear in the eyes of the elder girl as he walked toward her, holding the cup of water in his hand. When she saw him approaching she quickly drew the little sister closer to her breast as if suspecting an effort to part them.

Bowie smiled to show his friendliness: the gesture meant nothing to the frightened stranger. With every step he took her pitiful dread increased. When he bent down on one

knee and held out the water she grew hysterical, closed her eyes tight and turned her head away.

He laughed and spoke. "Don't be afraid. This is only water for you to drink."

The words drew no response. "Of course," he said to himself, "she knows no English. What can I do?"

The panic-stricken child would not look up. Bowie perceived it must be a trial of endurance. While Simmie and Pardaloe were roasting the saddle of venison at the fire Bowie sat in front of the girls, watching them and thinking. After a time he looked toward his older charge. She was stealing a glance at him. "Why be afraid?" he asked very softly. "We are your friends."

"This"—he pointed to the cup—"is water. See!" He held the cup to his lips, drank a little and poured a little on the ground.

Some advantage, he perceived, had been gained; she no longer averted her head but timidly watched him. Yet every time he held out the cup she turned her face. He could only laugh and keep trying; she was equally persistent in refusing.

Smiling, Bowie called to Simmie, "Slice off a little strip of that venison and bring it here, Simmie. Perhaps it's hunger she feels."

Again he suffered defeat. She would have none of the roasted meat held temptingly before her on the point of a stout twig. Bowie took a little bite of the meat himself to prove it was good. No signs, gestures or supplications moved his stubborn captive.

Discouraged and annoyed, Bowie walked down to where Pardaloe was finishing his ample venison breakfast. "Come over here, Ben," said Bowie testily. "See whether you can make this girl eat or drink. I can't do a thing with her."

The efforts of the tall awkward scout to make an impression were more spectacular but not more successful. His antics drew laughs from his companions but the child only quailed.

"She thinks you're crazy, Ben," murmured Simmie appraisingly.

"Hold on, boys," exclaimed Bowie suddenly. "I'll bet I've got the key to this puzzle. Stand away."

He picked up the cup of water, looked intently at the child whose searching eyes were fixed on his own, and, holding out the cup, made the sign of the cross slowly over it and put it to his lips.

The result was magical. The rigid, fear-bound expression of the child's features brightened instantly to one of understanding. The suspicious eyes softened. This gesture was at least one she could comprehend. A timid smile gradually spread over her face.

"I believe she understands," said Bowie.

She allowed him to put the cup to her lips, drank lightly but gratefully, looking up at him wonderingly between swallows. Her thirst was apparent. Then she spoke to her sister as Bowie supposed her to be. With her cruelly stiffened arm she offered the water to her. The little one, drinking ravenously, finished the cup. Simmie ran to the stream and refilled it, and the two girls emptied a second cupful. They tasted sparingly of the venison, but they ate, and afterward the two pitiful refugees rode with the formidably bearded Texans down the long reaches of the foothill slopes.

After three days of riding they stumbled on a thing that gave them cheer; they pulled up their horses before a traveled way under their feet—a plainly marked trail that ran almost at right angles to the direction in which they were riding. Though it was winding along the plain, across desert and over hills, this was, quite unknown to them, the highway of the king, linking, up and down the stretches of the coast, the missions that had brought to California authentic Christianity.

They debated as to which way they should turn—north or south. It was a question only to be answered by another: Where were they? None of the three had the vaguest idea. Bowie knew he wanted to get to Monterey—that was all. Evidences of cultivated fields lay to the south, so for the south they headed.

Toward nightfall they found themselves approaching something like a rancho. They quickened their pace, for thin streamers of smoke curled

vaguely from what might be a house. Their surprise and disappointment was cruel when, reaching the crest of a rise, they saw in the fading light that the smoke rose from the ruins of a habitation.

The little charges, carried by Bowie and the long-legged Pardaloe, had succumbed to the heat and fatigue of the long day's ride, and both were asleep on the breasts of their rescuers. Between the adventurers and ruins lay a river. Along the bed, almost dry, a slender stream trickled through margins of cress and rushes. The horses stopped without invitation to slake their thirst. Chaparral fringed the farther bank of the stream, and from this thicket there came a sudden cry.

It awoke the elder girl. She raised her head. Again a cry, almost a shriek, came from the undergrowth. The girl in Bowie's arms cried out in return. The bushes across the river parted and a woman stood forth.

Bowie had hardly time to inspect her before his charges called again to the woman in a frenzy of joy. "Monica! Monica!"

The woman was a strange-looking creature. Her gaunt face was framed by thin streams of disordered hair, falling on her shoulders. A scant gown covered her emaciated figure. But when she heard the high, plaintive cry from the little girls she quivered. Her outstretched arms flew up and down. "Carmelita!" she screamed, "Terecita, is it you?" The hurried



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words in Spanish were not understood by the greatly surprised Tejanos. Now the little girl broke into a volley of responses—her tongue was loosed. She spoke so fast that Bowie laughed as he listened.

## CHAPTER V

"Who are these men?" asked the Indian woman looking suspiciously at the horsemen.

"I don't know," piped the little one. "They brought us away from the bad Indians, Monica. Many wicked Indians are killed. Where are my mother and father?"

"Where is your sister, Carmelita?" the woman asked hysterically.

"She is here."

"Mother of Mercy," sobbed the woman, "I thank you."

The horses had taken the water allowed them. The Texans rode into the river, and Monica ran down to meet them; the two girls, crying hard, held out their arms frantically to her.

Bowie was nonplused. But Carmelita gave him no time to decide what he ought to do. She wriggled with all her strength—and this was surprising for her size—almost out of his arms and, when she failed to free herself, looked up at him with such a mute pleading in her burning eyes that he felt sure it must be all right. Half laughing, he eased her down into Monica's arms.

At this the smaller sister set up such a commotion that Pardaloe released her likewise and with her short fat legs, not noticeably stiffened by her long ride, she dashed to Monica.

"Seems like they knowed her," observed Pardaloe as the three men watched the animated scene.

Bowie sat perplexed. "If we could understand their lingo," he said. "This woman certainly does know them, and they know her. And she's an Indian. She must be their nurse—belongs to their family, anyway. Talk to her, Simmie."

But Simmie's efforts to make the woman understand his Creek or Seminole were as fruitless as the efforts to make the girls understand English had been.

He tried his sign language. It was a passport with any tribe east of the Sierras, but not here.

With all three chattering at the same time, Monica took the children down to the river, washed their

faces vigorously with only sand for soap, talking excitedly while this went on. The men had dismounted, hobbled the horses and turned them out on the grass that bordered the banks, and made ready to camp.

Simmie opened the reserves of venison. When Monica saw there was no salt she ran all the way to the half-burned ranch house and returned with a supply. It was mixed with ashes, but to the travelers it was more welcome than gold.

She brought, too, earthenware cups and two loaves of badly scorched bread for the strange men. It was ravenously dug into and ravenously devoured by men who had tasted no bread for weeks.

It was a happy supper for three ragged, bearded and bronzed frontiersmen, one keen-visaged and bustling Indian woman, and two delicately shy promises for California's future womanhood. Monica seemed to know even the horses. She talked volubly to the children while she patted on the neck the horse Bowie rode. Inspecting the saddle and mochila, her voice broke. Her eyes filled, but she covertly brushed the tears away lest the girls see them.

After the repast Bowie engaged Monica in a sign conversation forged of sheer necessity. She slowly succeeded in getting him and his companions to comprehend that these ruins to which she pointed with excessive grief had been her home and the home of these girls, whence they had been stolen.

In improvised mummery Bowie asked what he should do with the children. Monica made many gestures, uttered and repeated one word. "San Diego! San Diego!"

Bowie shook his head in dissent. "No, no, San Diego."

"But yes," urged Monica, adding, "that is where their mother is."

Bowie understood "San Diego," but the rest was Greek, and he refused positively to go to San Diego. "That," said he to Monica—though she understood not at all—"is where they like to lock up Tejanos and starve them to death! No San Diego."

His refusal she at last grasped. Then with abundance of signs she suggested a place nearer.

"Mission!" she exclaimed. "Mission!" And pointed with much energy and with a vigorous finger again and again to the south.

Bowie watched her closely. About all he could grasp was her emphatic earnestness. Her big hollow eyes flashed, and appeal filled her voice. He talked with his men; neither could imagine the meaning of "Mission!" The situation was baffling, and after some delay Bowie agreed to accompany her to learn exactly what she meant.

The girls, needing much reassurance from Monica, were taken up again by the Texans, and, with Monica walking fast, the party rode south for more than two hours.

Night had now fallen. There was no moon, but the stars were out. The horses, as well as Monica, seemed to know the trail and at length brought within sight a group of buildings, one of which was surmounted by a cross. Bowie understood this, at least, and when the horsemen drew up Monica pounded for some time on the gate of the stockade that enclosed the place, but without results.

She then bethought herself of a high bellhandle at the side of the gate, at which she tugged vigorously. A man appeared and, opening a peephole, asked questions. Monica seemed known, for when she had explained her presence and argued long and convincingly the big gate was swung reluctantly open and the party rode in. The gate was closed and the man disappeared. After further waiting a light appeared at a window within the residence of the padres, and presently one of them opened a door.

Handing the girls to Monica, Bowie and Pardaloe dismounted, Simmie taking the horses. The two men followed Monica and her charges as the padre led them along a dark passageway. On one side of it he paused at an open door and bowed the visitors into a commodious room meagerly furnished and lighted by two candles standing on a small oval table in the middle of the room.

Motioning his callers to seats, the padre, dark featured, tall and spare, looked to Monica for explanation. With expressive gestures and in a few words Monica told her story, pointing at times to Bowie and indicating again the little girls, who clung to her as if afraid she might escape them.

The padre listened gravely, following with his eyes the recital of the Indian woman. When she had finished he asked a few questions and turned his gaze across the sputtering candles to Bowie.

"No habla espanol?" he asked, adding in very difficult English, "You do speak nothing Spanish. I speak poco English. I understand a few. Monica tell me how you come to Los Alamos with these hermanas. Where from you come? How you have the children? Who you are?"

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Mrs. Traylor Hester was hostess Monday afternoon to the Missionary Society.

Two new members were added to the roll namely, Mmes Carrol Russel and Delbert Walling.

The Home Mission Study book was finished. Mrs. F. C. Clark presented a lovely bouquet of gladiolias to Mrs. Gardner expressing appreciation for her efficient leadership in this study.

The hostess served cake and coffee to 12 members present.

#### NOTICE

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