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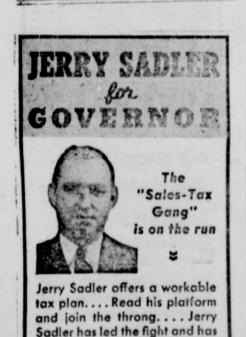
## County Song Meet In October To Be At Fort Chadbourne

Church at Robert Lee overflowed their quota. Some who have Sunday with a crowd of several never tried the scheme before behundred persons who thronged in cause they were not sold on the from all parts of the county and advertising theory, have tried the from many other counties to at-scheduled advertising program tend the Coke County Singing and made a success where they Convention. The capacity of the had previously made a failure. building was taken in the forenoon which is unusual for gather- testing. ings of the kind in Coke county. and after a bounteous lunchspread on the public school grounds consisting of barbecued goat and many other delicacies supplied by folks from all part of the county the spacious church ep inadequate for the occasion.

In addition to some excellent from other counties participated be changed. in the program. As to the local Quartet under the direction of bit, were Juanetta Coalson, of Bronte, and Maudie Watson of ance and all the Social Security house. Robert Lee.

tet from San Angelo. But seldom H. B. 908 by large majorities and week end. is Coke County favored with as either of them would of paid our many masters of singing as it was just obligations to the old people on this occasion. The Triple Star and others. Quartet under the direction of the accordion, and Mr. J. M. the present cost. Edwards, director of band music were rapped back again and again after presenting song features that are seldom-equ led.

ed to succeed H. A. Williams a. president of the convention for the ensueing year and was in- that the voters of our district instructed to select the secre ary, vestigate the records of the 46th. At the invitation of Mr. Walter Legislature and pay less attention Johnson of Fort Chadbourne, the to the propaganda furnished by convention agreed to go to that place for the October meeting.



routed the "Sales-Tax Gang."

Elect Sadler your Governor

VOTE AGAINST

A SALES TAX

## **Does Advertising Pay**

The Goodyear people have this experience. Not a single one of their dealers in this territory who have used their advertising The building of the Baptist program have failed to put over

The proof of the pudding is the

### R. H. REAVES (For re-election)

## State Representative

house was soon packed and prov- vote against those Oil, Gas and is the kind of man who knows sulphur interests who tried so you after the election as well as hard to place a Sales Tax on our before. He is clean in politics talent among Coke County sing- common people and put it in the and has many friends in Coke ers, some well known musicians Constitution where it could never County. He will appreciate your

He stood at all times for what A politician that is clean cut special features, the Robert Lee he thought best for the people of and above board worthy of your his district and never at any time most careful consideration. Mr. R. E. Jay with his daughter, engaged in or took any part in Mabel, with her splendid alto- the so called Mud-Slinging that was outstanding. Among Coke was so much advertised during Mr. and Mrs. Clark Glenn have

program should be financed at Among the out of County quar once according to the Constitu-

R. H. Reaves believes our State Lonnie Preston of KGKL, San Government could and should be Angelo, Mrs. Tom Wallace, with carried for a great deal less than

He believes his experience durat the Robert Lee High School ing the last session of the Legisature will enable him to enter at once into useful work for his people while all new members are Mr. Sam L. Williamswas elect- compelled to study rules, regula-

He most earnestly requests those out of State Special Interest Lobbyist that are trying to run our State Government.

He was against all tax remission bills including the one Chief Justice of the Supreme to Harris County ( City of Hous- Court of Texas was born in Mcton ) where Texas lost from Lennan County, at Moody Texas \$5,000,000 to \$7,0000,000.

nate insane people that are in the to 1924. jails of the State.

be appreciated and if elected he lor University Law School. His will again join the working crew record will bear closest inspection. at Austin in the best interest of our people.

Coldest Soda POP in Town at the Magnolia Service Station.

## COMPLIMENTED

A summer visitor in Robert Lee remarked that the sunsets in Robert Lee were most gorgeous especially considering the size of the town.



O. C. FISHER, Dist. Attorney, A vote for R. H. Reaves is a has made an excellent record, and support for re-election.

County little folks who did their the last session of the Legislature moved to Bronte. They have He believes the old age assist- been living in the Geo. Taylor

tets was the Miles Quartet under tion. See House Journal Pages Mr. and Mrs. James H. Griff'n the direction of Mrs. Emmit 3532 and 1945 where Reaves as- of Goldsboro, visited Mr. and Stewart and the Morehead Quar- sisted in passing H. B. 340 and Mrs. T. A. Richardson over the



JAMES P. ALEXANDER

McLennan County Texas, for 57 years old. Law graduate ci R. H. Reaves did all that any Texas State University, County one man could do toward supply. Judge of McLennan, 1916 to 1920 ing more room for the unfortu- Judge of 19th district court 1920

Since I920 has taught aregular A vote for R. H. Reaves will course in civil procedure in Bay-

## State Auditor Report

Report of the state auditor \$14,885 rural school aid last fiscal year out of a total of 5,386,825 distributed over Texas, S. R. Le-May of Athens pointed out.

LeMay has proposed distribution of rural aid funds by an automatic method, free of political pressure, so that schools may know in advance how to plan their budgets. He is a candidate for state superintendent, and being a graduate of both A. & M. and University of Texas qualifies blacksmith shop if you want to him for the office.

H made a six-week campaign in 1938 and got 275,000 more fice. He expects to step out in week. the lime light this time.

### BAPTIST W. M. S.

For the study of the Daily sister for a week Bible Study Course conducted by M s. B. M. Gramling 13 members of the Society met at the church Monday at 9 a. m. Mrs. Alien presided at a brief business session at which time she invited the W. M. S. and all the women and girls of the church to treview of the book, "The Life of George W. Truett" Mrs. Fred DeLashaw of Paint Rock will give the book review Thursday 8 30 p. m July 25 on the lawn of Mrs. Gerald Allen.

Committees appointed for the affair included Mmes. J. C Spead returned from Commerce, where Joe Dodson and H. L. Lewis for he attended school for six weeks. arrangement, Mrs. P. P. Fitz- his wife and baby going along for hugh and Mrs. Victor Wojtek a vacation. program, Mmes. S. R. Young. Bob Read, J. N. Adams Houston Cumbie and Mrs. G. C. Allen, Robert Lee. refreshment.

guests of Miss Naomi Brownthis ico. week, They and Miss Viola Brown motored to San Angelo Thursday where Miss Brown pr sided ar a meeting of the Officers lub of the Woodmen Circle at he home of Mrs. R. A. Lindeman, 79 N. Irving.

Mrs. W. T. Roach, Mr. and Mrs. Glark Glenn, Miss Charline Morrow, Earl Eubanks, Andern Jewell and Wiltord Gardner wert to Lake Brownwood, last week end where they met Mr. W. T. Roach who had been at Commerce in school for the last six weeks.

The Town Where I Live-

## **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.

## Report of Rainfall

This report of rainfall of Robshows Coke County received ert Lee for the last six months was handed us by our Telephone Manager, Marvin Barnes

January		.48
Februar	y	2.01
March		.70
April		1.80
May		1.72
June		5.47
*	Total	12.13

Take a look around Vestal's get an eye full of civic pride.

Frank Bryan and Gene Baker votes than some of the veteran attended funeral services of Mrs. politician got for other state of- J. R. Lewis at Brownwood last

> Mrs. S. M. Lewis returned last Sunday from Mineral Welle where she had been visiting her

Mrs. Ray E. Goode and badies of Fo t Stockton spent last week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McDonald. They returned home Saturday.

M. Stroud and Wilma Roberts went to San Antonio to visit H. C. Stroud a few days. Will visit at Crystal City before returning home.

Geo. Taylor and family have

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith, invitation; Naomi Brown McMillan of Houston a baby Mrs. B. M. Gramling and Mrs. girl. Her grand parents are Mr. Paul Good, receiving; Mrs. W. J. and Mrs. C. E. McDonald of

Carl Powers who has been here working for the AAA on the Mrs. Ben Williams and son. measuring force left Monday for Mark B. of San Angelo are house his home in Portales, New Mex-

## **VOTE FOR**



H. G. HAMRICK FOR REPRESENTATIVE 92nd DISTRICT

Thank You

## Reduction of **Starches Good** For Arthritis

By DR. JAMES W. BARTON

WHEN an individual suffer-ing for months with pain in his knee and near-by muscles becomes free of this pain after

the removal of his tonsils or one or TODAY'S hard to persuade HEALTH him that it was not | COLUMN the infected teeth |

or tonsils that was causing the pain. Then when he sees the disappearance of joint and muscle pains in others by removal of infected teeth or tonsils, he is fully persuaded that infection is the cause of all painful joints and muscles.

However, infection is not the cause of all cases of joint and nerve and muscle pain. From rapidly accumulating evidence it now appears that neuritis - inflammation of nerves supplying muscles and adjoining tissues-is due in many cases to lack of a certain vitaminvitamin Bi-in the food. It is because the nervous system is "starved" by not getting its oxygen that neuritis arises.

What causes this starvation? Dr. W. J. McCormick, Toronto, in Medical Record, points out that lack of vitamin B' prevents the oxygen of the blood from passing through the fat-like coverings of the muscles to reach the underlying nerves. It is because these nerves are deprived of the necessary

amount of oxygen

that a change takes



place in their structure, and neuritis-pain in muscles

and joints-arises. Fewer Starches, More Fruits.

It is for this reason that many physicians are now having their patients with rheumatism, arthritis and neuritis follow a diet which cuts down on starches and increases the fruits, vegetables and dairy products in the diet.

The foods recommended because they are rich in vitamin B1 are liver, milk, eggs, beans and whole grain products. The use of brewer's yeast in its regular form or in tablets is sometimes effective in relieving pain, because this in itself supplies the necessary amount of vitamin B1.

It might well be said, of course, that infection-undiscovered-may be the cause of the pain, as infection uses up oxygen needed by the body processes.

### Cancer Is Curable If Treated in Time

L AST year a band of determined women-The Women's Field Army-organized a campaign to tell (a) that cancer is a fatal ailment untreated, and (b) that "cancer is curable" if treated in time.

So successful was last year's cam-

paign that many cases of women

have been reported who discovered

they had cander after receiving the army's message, or, quite as important, who in finding they did not have cancer were freed from months and possibly years of worry. . That the determined effort of this army of women to save lives made a deep impression on thinking men and women is proved by the enactment of the National Cancer Institute Bill of Congress, the founding of the Chicago Tumor institute and the establishment of the Child's

### foundation at Yale. 'Fight Cancer With Knowledge.'

The slogan of the army, which is the slogan of the American Society for the Control of Cancer, with headquarters at 1250 Sixth avenue, New York city, is "Fight Cancer With Knowledge." Seventy thousand lives might be saved each year if every man, woman and child knew the following "painless" signs of early cancer and, when they appeared, promptly visited a competent physician. These signals may not mean cancer but suggest an immediate examination.

1. Any persistent lump or thickening, especially in the breast. 2. Any irregular bleeding or dis-

charge from any body openings.

3. Any sore that does not heal particularly about the tongue, mouth or lips.

4. Persistent indigestion, often accompanied by loss of weight.

5. Sudden changes in the form or rate of growth of a mole or wart.



They're Ready to Defend America's Coast



Manning coast defense guns will be one of the important military operations in the new defense program of the United States. Members of the 207th coast artiflery of New York are shown receiving instructions in their duties. A number of regiments of the National Guard, particularly along the Atlantic seaboard, are being transformed into coast artillery units. They will be trained to repel attacks coming from either the sea or the air. Regular army coast defense units are likewise being expanded.

## England Moves German Prisoners to Canada



The Germans have landed in Canada, as this photo shows. But they came as prisoners of war and not as conquerors. The above detachment are shown marching through train sheds in Quebec, on their way to Canadian prison camps. Canada was regarded as an extremely safe place for these prisoners because they are all specialists, including air pilots, parachutists and navy men. Originally imprisoned in England, they were moved to prevent danger during Hitler's attack on England.

### Willkies Look Over Their Fan Mail



Mr. and Mrs. Wendell L. Willkie are shown at work on a laundry basket full of congratulatory letters and telegrams. While the avalanche of messages that followed Willkie's nomination for the Presidency at Philadelphia tapered off somewhat, they continued to receive hundreds of letters every day from all parts of the country. The Republican nominee took a short vacation before opening his drive for the Presidency.

## Refugee Princess



Princess von Starhemberg, wife of the former vice chancellor of Austria, is shown with her son, John. The princess, a refugee from her Nazi-ruled native land, is in America pleading the cause of refugees seeking a haven here.

### It Looks as If Brother Tom Was Rubbing It In!

Three weeks after she started boarding school life, Jessie began to sign her letters home: "Jes-

Father and Mother smiled about it, but it seemed to be a bit too much for her brother Tom. So he wrote to her as follows:

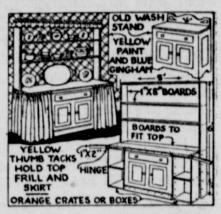
"Dear Jessica: Daddica and Mummica have gone to visit Aunt Lizzica. They have taken Willica and Junica with them. Uncle Sammica is buying a new car, but can't decide between a Morrisica and a Jewelica. The cowica has had a calfica; I was going to call it Nellica, but changed it to Jimica because it is a bullica. Your loving brotherica,

"Tommica."

### An Old Washstand Becomes a Sideboard

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

So MANY of you have written me letters of appreciation about the new SEWING BOOK 5 that I want to thank you all here at one time. In Book I is sketched and described methods of making slip covers, curtains, bedspreads, dressing tables and other things for the house. Next came Book 2



with gifts, novelties and a glossary of embroidery stitches. Then, in Book 3, I began to share with you some of the human interest side of this fascinating job of mine, and to tell you about the adventures of many clever women who make the things that they want for their homes-sometimes from almost nothing. There were more of these adventures in Book 4, and there are still more in Book 5.

There is nothing that pleases me so much as when you tell me that my sketches are so clear that you can see at a glance how to make things. I am glad that everything needed is in today's sketch about this remodeled washstand because I have used up all my space now; and the frill around the top shelf is five inches deep. Books are 10 cents each. Send order to:

MRS. RUTH WYETH Drawer 10	SPEA	RS
Bedford Hills	New	York
Enclose 10 cents for ordered.	each	book
Name		
Address		

### INDIGESTION

Ruined by Gratuities

The man who first ruined the Roman people was he who first gave them treats and gratuities. -Plutarch.



## **MERCHANTS**

## · Your Advertising Dollar

buys something more than space and circulation in the columns of this newspaper. It buys space and circulation plus the favorable consideration of our readers for this newspaper and its advertising patrons.

LET US TELL YOU MORE ABOUT IT

### Valueless Minerals

Fortunes are now being made from minerals which a few years ago where considered almost valueless. In a large gold mine in Colorado a bright blue copper ore accumulated for years. It was too low-grade to be marketed. Then a chemist discovered that it could be made into pigment, and now is worth almost as much to the owner as the gold.

In another mine in California jets of steam, heavily impregnated with sulphur, issued from fissures in the rock. One day some copper plates were accidentally hung near them, and soon they were covered with beads of mercury. Today the sulphur-steam makes good money for the owners.

DUE to dietary indiscretions, cha of drinking water or sudden changes in weather can be quickly relieved by Wakefield's Blackberry Balsam. For 94 years a household remedy. Sold at all drug stores. Be sure to ask for genuin

Wakefield's BLACKBERRY BALSAM

### All Is Good

Beyond all doing of good is the being good; for he that is good not only does good things, but all that he does is good .- George Mac-Donald.



### Reward of Search

Attempt the end and never stand to doubt; nothing's so hard, but search will find it out.-Herrick.





Approved by Good Housekeeping Institute and the Household Searchlight.

JAR RUBBERS

IF YOUR DEALER CANNOT SUPPLY YOU, SEND 20c WITH YOUR DEALER'S NAME FOR A TRIAL PACKAGE OF 48 GENUINE PE-KO JAR RINGS, SENT PREPAID.

PE-KO EDGE United States Rubber Company Rockefeller Center, New York, N. Y

## TO ORDER

· Advertising creates new wealth by showing people new and better ways of living, and as it creates new wealth it con tributes to the prosperity of everyone touched by the flow of money which is set up. In this way, don't you see, advertising is a social force which is working in the interest of every one of us every day of the year, bringing us new wealth to use and enjoy.

### **IMPROVED** UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL CUNDAY -esson CHOOL L

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Dean of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

### Lesson for July 21

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#### JOB'S REPENTANCE AND RESTORATION

LESSON TEXT—Job 42:1-13.
GOLDEN TEXT—And the Lord turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends.—Job 42:10.

The problem of suffering, like every other question arising in man's inquiring heart, finds its true solution in a right view of God. Job found it to be so. As long as he and his friends concentrated their attention on his person and his troubles, they only became more deeply involved in confusion and doubt. Much of their discussion was on a high moral and philosophical plane, and they were all doubtless earnest and capable men, but in the end Job learned, and they learned through him, that the real difficulty was that they did not know God.

Then God Himself appeared and brought before Job a panorama of the glorious works of God and His blessings upon mankind (chaps. 38-41). Where was Job when the world was created (38:4)? Who holds the world together (38:6)? What is the origin of light (38:19)? What about the glory of the snowflake (38:22)? Job is told to consider the hand of God in the animal kingdom (chap. 39) and upon those that dwell in the sea (chap. 41). It dawned upon Job that he had been arguing against the providences of the all-knowing and all-powerful One-the eternal God.

I. Renewed Fellowship (vv. 1-6). Job came to the realization that he had not really known God Himself until now. His religious experiences and convictions hitherto, precious and important as they were, had been by "the hearing of the ear," but now he had met God and all was changed. Fellowship with the Lord was renewed, but on an infinitely higher plane. Job had a real revival in his life which caused him to "abhor" everything that he had said and done; yes, even to set himself aside and to take God to be all and in all.

Our churches are full of people who only know God by hearsay. They have heard about Jesus Christ since their childhood, but they have never met Him. They have read of the Holy Spirit, but they have never known His power. We need a Godsent revival, one like those of the past which "have broken out like fire . . . consuming dead and outworn systems, burning sin like a roaring flame, and casting a new light across men's pathways" (E. L. Douglass).

### II. Restored Usefulness (vv. 7-

10a). God's rebuke of Job's friends is significant, for it centers, not in their failure to deal rightly with Job, but their failure properly to represent God. It is a tremendously serious matter to attempt to tell others about God, for in doing so we must not in any way misrepresent Him. To stand before men as religious teachers and leaders and not to know Him so well that we represent Him rightly, is to invite His judgment and condemnation.

Job, on the other hand, was restored to a place of honor and usefulness. His friends, who thought they knew so much more than he about God, are told to ask Job to pray for them. He thus was afforded the opportunity of returning good for evil and was again enabled to serve God in serving his fellow men. Salvation is by faith (Eph. 2:8, 9); but being saved, we are restored to the place of usefulness to

### III. Returned Prosperity (vv. 10b-

13). The abundant blessing of God upon Job is described in oriental terms of money, herds of cattle, and of a large family. These are the tangible evidences of God's blessing, and even to us today they speak of a liberal and loving God. God can and does prosper His own obedient children even in material things.

Such outward mercies, however, only feebly represent the blessings of the soul, the ultimate and eternal joys of the spirit. They point us, it is true, to the assurance that as we yield ourselves in unconditional obedience to God's will, we may confidently trust Him with the dark days of sorrow and affliction, as well as the days of sunshine and prosperity. No matter how tangled may seem the threads on this side of the loom, we know that the heavenly Father behind the scenes is weaving the pattern of beauty which shall one day be revealed as we stand complete in Christ.

### Words of the Wise

THE will that yields the first time with some reluctance does so the second time with less hesitation, and the third time with none at all, until presently the habit is adopted. -Henry Giles.

What at a distance charmed our eyes, upon attainment droops and dies.—J. Cunningham.

Authority is a disease and cure, which men can neither want nor well endure .- S. Butler.

As a rule men freely believe what they wish.-Caesar. It is the instinct of understand

RADISHES, carrots and onions

garden has been worked up into

cross stitch borders frame these

Under Orders

"Been at it long?" he asked.

"Good gracious!" gasped the

other. "I wouldn't think of such

"I wouldn't, either," Brown ex-

plained, casting a nervous glance

towards his house. "My wife

What Mastication

"I'll take off my hat to you oyster eaters. It was all I could do to eat

"Weren't they fresh? What did they

"O, did you have to open them?"

Fresh Eggs

"Are your hens good layers?"

"Splendid. They haven't laid a bad egg yet."

A matrimonial bureau is a bu-

THE CIGARETTE OF COSTLIER TOBACCOS

reau with a lot of drawers jammed

full of a woman's clothes, and one

look like when you opened them?"

work in the garden.

a thing."

thought of it."

three last night!"

Jones leaned over the fence and

watched his friend Brown hard at a man of means.

apron.

-in fact the whole vegetable

ing to contradict reason.-Jacobi.

### Items of Interest AROUND 🍇 to the Housewife the HOUSE

quart of water to which one tea- the color restored by holding the added.

A slice of lemon in the water in which clothes are boiled will make them whiter.

Try adding a few raisins to the dumplings you serve with stews.

For added flavor, spread your cake with peanut butter before frosting it.

motifs and the apron designs. Any

of the tea towel motifs could be

made up into a panholder to make

a complete kitchen set. Send or-

AUNT MARTHA

Enclose 15 cents for each pattern

Name .....

Address .....

Know Your Age?

Persons not certain of their ages

may apply for this information to

will be given to them, if available,

Only Means

Jean-I hear you have married

Joan-Well, if there was ever a

man who means to do this, that,

Up and Off It

"Well, sir, there's a notice below which says 'Keep off the grass."

Baths in these waters flowing at temperatures up to 145°, are remarkably effective for arthritis, high blood pressure, neuritis, heart conditions, after-effects of

flu, malaria, etc., and general recondi-tioning. (Write for BATHS folder—FREE)

HEALTH COMMITTEE, 622 Commorte Building

HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK, ARKANSAS

SPRINGS Nati Park

"Hey, boy, what are you doing up my

desired. Pattern No.....

Kansas City, Mo

Box 166-W

For you to make

delectable tea towel motifs. Bright the bureau of the census and it

seven corner designs, and a clever provided a definite address can

15 cents, you receive the tea towel are not confidential.—Collier's.

"Yes," sighed Brown, dejected-and the other—but never does-he's the man.

he's the man.

To remove mustard stains from | Sometimes perspiration stains table linen, boil stained part in a on dresses can be removed and spoon of washing soda has been stained portion of the garment over a bottle of ammonia.

> Scorched Linen-The marks can, be taken out by rubbing with a cut onion and then soaking in cold water. This takes out both the smell and the marks.

To keep bread in the best condition store in a clean, well-aired, covered, ventilated container and keep in a cool place.

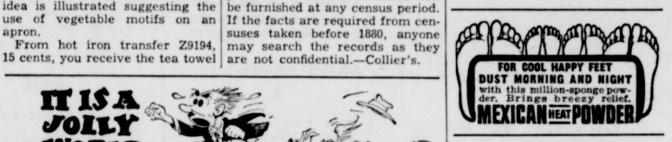
### Metal-Plated Money

England is about to issue bank notes which, it is believed, cannot be counterfeited. They are covered with a fine coat of metal that is invisible except under Wood's. light, which causes it to become! phosphorescent. As various metals, or combinations of metals, give off their own individual tint under this light, it is possible for every denomination of currency in every country to have its own identifying color.-Collier's.



### Mite Upon Mite

If thou shouldst lay up a little upon a little, and shouldst do this often, soon would even this become great.-Hesiod.



Health and Sense Good health and good sense are two of life's greatest blessings.

### REAL SEVERE CASES OF ITCHY, BLOTCHY GRIN LDUIIDI EG

Here's "Extra Strong" Help!

No matter what you've tried without success for those humiliating pimples, blemishes due to external cause—here's a marvelously effective doctor's for-mula—powerfully soothing EXTRA STRENGTH ZEMO, tested and proven—which quickly relieves itching soreness and starts right in to help Nature pro-mote FAST healing. 30 years continuous success! Praised from coast to coast. First trial of EXTRA STRENGTH ZEMO convinces! Any drug store.

### Flaming Friendship Friendship that flames goes out in a flash.—Proverb.

QUALITY AT A PRICE

Enough Is Wealth

He is rich enough who does not

HEALTH CAPITAL OF AMERICA



## 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.

Glenn Simpson, Mrs. Annie McCabe, Mrs. Nellie Simpson and daughter Annelle are visiting relatives at Clifton Waco and other places.

Robert Lee is represented at Camp Bullis by Pernan McKinney and James Taylor for thirty day training.

Carl Tankersly of Waxahachie of many years acquaintance was a pleasant visitor at the Obser ver office Wednesday. He is expecting to become a Coke county citizen.

### SINING AT WILDCAT

Every one is invited to attend a singing at the wildcat school house next Sunday afternoon July. 21. Let's all turn out and make it a great singing and begin to prepare for the next convention by attending these singings and learning some new songs.

After spending a few days in the Shannon Hospital at San Angelo, O. M. Ratliff is back at home doing fine.

Lem Cowley, wife and two daughters, returned from a visit with relatives in Clinton, Okla. They took the eastern route up there good crops along the way, returned the western route crops considerably burnt up.

Hot dog, not the rabbit chaser but the good Ratlitf kind.

The Commodity store house has been moved from the rear of the County Agent office building to next door facing Austin Avenue, a roomy, cooler place.

Miss Nina Fay Kuykendall of Big Lake is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Summers and other relatives.

Nina Gramling is visiting in Ballinger with Grennell Johnson who is working this summer in the office of her uncle Frank Dickay.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Davis and little daughter of Taft are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Clift.

Among the visitors in the J. C. Rabbs home, Mrs. John Dutto: of Okla, and Cou son Rutherfor of Fort Worth.

J. J. Bishop district clerk for Cameron County and a resident of Coke County fifty years back was in Robert Lee for a shor while last Saturday, me ting ol friends and form r pupils. Mr Bishop was a teacher at old Hay rick. When the county recorw re burned in Robert Lea hewa authorized to transcribe them.

Mr. Bishop said he had no been back to Robert Lee in fort nine years. He was accompani by a son.

### "Bringing the Boss o to Dinner"



H ELEN, I'm bringing the set an extra plate . . ."

Mrs. Russell was cooking ham bock and beans . . . but, since her telephone's back in. she calls the grocer and the butcher . . . her orders arrive in . a few minutes . . . and Iom's boss brags on the T-bone steak.

. . . For only a few cents a day the telephone helps meet the important little emergencies in

Ask about one today.

THE SAN ANGELO TELEPHONE COMPANY

Mr. and Mrs Wayne Clift of San Angelo are visiting relatives and friends in Robert Lee.

## POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to an nounce the following Candi- ForCounty Treasurer dates 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 31st District Court JOHN F. SUTTON

(re-election)

### COKE COUNTY, TEXAS

For County Judge & Ex-officio School Supt. MeNEIL WYLIE (re-election)

For County & Dist, Clerk WILLIS SMITH (re-election)

Pay your water bill by 10t. sof each month or have your service discontinued.

City Commission

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sibly requiring a change of venue. of the Press, Frank L. White of the ship.' Post and Ed Rider of the Chronicle, communicated the court's instructions to their respective managing ceedings of public trials constitute editors, Ed M. Pooley of the Press, news which newspapers have the Max Jacobs of the Post and George right to publish in informing the Cottingham of the Chronicle, who public of current events." refused to refrain from publishing A flood of newspaper editorials the testimony. The six men, after evidenced approbation of the Chrisbeing duly cited and given a hear- tian opinion. ing, were adjudged to be guilty of Another Important Decision contempt of court and assessed Another important decision of fines. The case attracted nation- the Texas Court of Criminal Apwide attention in the summer of peals, where the opinion was pre-

Criminal Appeals of Texas, and Harris county that holds in effect was given a hearing, it devolved the right of the state legislature to upon Judge Christian to write that enact anti-trust legislation for concourt's opinion. As recorded in the trol of industrial interests who 88 South Western Reporter, 2nd would combine in restraint of trade, series, pages 104-8, this opinion re- but exempt agricultural and live veals some gems of democratic stock producers, labor unions and philosophy, couched in terse taxpayers' groups. This opinion phrases, that are apropos at this was sustained May 6, 1940, by the time in light of contrast between United States Supreme Court. democratic and totalitarian gov- A native and resident of Burnet ernments.

Bill of Rights Involved

commissioner opined: unduly stresses the tendency of ac- ary Forces during World War I, curate newspaper reports of public George E. Christian has served as trials to embarrass the administra- a district attorney, assistant attortion of justice. Under our statute ney general, and as a member of opinions formed from reading the Board of Pardon advisers benewspaper accounts may not dis- fore his appointment as a judge of qualify a juror from sitting in a commission in aid to the Court of particular case."

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tion, which in part reads: to speak, write or publish his opin- now going before the court of pubions on any subject, being respon- lic opinion to ask a promotion.

"The language of this provision

tions. The privilege of writing one's views is accorded and protected, and at the sametime accountability to the law is demanded for the

abuse of the privilege.' And then it

continues: "It is generally Judge Christian

conceded that liberty of the press means immunity The newsmen, Harry McCormick from previous restraints or censor-

It concludes:

"In the nature of things, the pro-

pared by Judge Christian, is the When it reached the Court of case against Herbert Tigner from

county, Texas; a student in Southwestern University, Georgetown, Overruling the lower court, the and a graduate in both arts and law from the University of Texas; an "It appears to us that respondent officer in the American Expedition-Criminal Appeals of Texas, July 1, More important, the record shows 1927. A commissioner is appointed vote. After a service of 13 years "Every person shall be at liberty in this capacity, Judge Christian is



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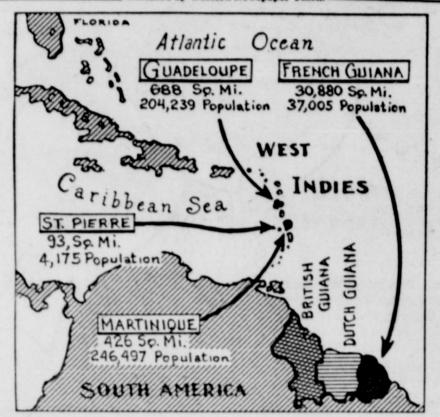
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ABSTRACTS

FIRE AND HAZARD INSURANCE WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS BY ROGER SHAW

## **Democrats Meet Amid Rumbles** Of Naval Action in West Indies And Threat of Third Party Action

(EDITOR'S NOTE-When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.) Released by Western Newspaper Union .-



Here you see Martinique-uncomfortably close to the Panama Canal and the United States. Here there had been transhipped 300 U. S.-manufactured airplanes for France before that country succumbed to the Hitler juggernaut. Here British war vessels were maintaining a blockade to keep the planes from falling to Germany. And here American naval craft were dispatched to make observations. Here was a new-and complex-angle to the Monroe doctrine.

### STORMY ISLAND:

### Martinique 'On Spot'

In Chicago the Democratic convention was meeting to nominate the 1940 candidates.

In Martinique, American airships previously sold to France, formed the prime reason for a British blockade and the rush of several American destroyers to the scene for observation.

What had the one event to do with the other? Much, since the Monroe doctrine occupied both the attention of the platform makers at Chicago and the foreign departments of several nations. A rather pointed exchange of viewpoints on the Monroe doctrine was made between Secretary of State Hull and for Europeans, America for Americans," the Berlin statement seemed to say. Skeptics were not reassured. They believe they already saw evidence of Fifth Column work in some of the Americas.

The entire episode also prompted much "isolation" talk in the U. S. and threats of the formation of a third party, avowedly "isolationist" were heard.

### U. S. CAMPAIGN:

### Warming Up

Now that the Democrats have met in convention, the campaign is due to warm up plenty with or without a third party ticket.

Right up to the convention opening Senator Wheeler of Montana kept right on saying he would seek the Democratic nomination at Chicago. no matter what Roosevelt was up to. John Lewis of the C. I. O. thought that Wheeler was the only man who could beat Willkie. Wheeler felt, apparently, that both Roosevelt and Willkie were interventionists, and that he had inherited the classic mantle of the late Senator Borah and the magnificent elder LaFol-

Wendell Willkie tried to show himself democratic, of course, with a

### NAMES . . . in the news

@ George Bernard Shaw thought that Hitler should be supplied-by England-with food, so they could all fight it out to a finish. Was G. B. S. turning into an insular warhawk? Cross-eyed Ben Turpin, plenty beloved, died in Hollywood at the age

¶ Pat McKenna died, too. He had been White House door-keeper from Roosevelt to Roosevelt. He was 65. Everybody that knew him liked him. Max Aitken, son of the British "Hearst," Lord Beaverbrook, a selfmade Canadian, won the distinguished flying cross for double-crossing four German aviators. He shot them all down-or, at least, that was his story. British flyers have shot down 107 German planes, in or around the British isles, since the start of the war.

small D. He limited campaign contributions to \$5,000, and no more than \$10 apiece in cash. He said he wanted no cash contributions from corporations, and asked for a hurricane of one-dollar bills. He added that he wasn't going to reward his wealthier backers with diplomatic jobs, or anything else like

Congressman Joseph W. Martin Jr., of Massachusetts, Republican leader of the house, was Willkie's selection for campaign manager. When the Democratic convention opened, Jim Farley, aside from presidential talk, was also discussed as prospective head of a New York big league baseball team. At that time there was little belief he would again accept the national chairmanship which he held since 1932.

### II ENGLISH WAR:

### Extraordinary

This is a most peculiar war. Russia dips in and out of it at will. against the Poles, against the Balts, against the Rumanians, against the Finns, against the capitalists of the world. Italy stays out, talks big. and then stabs a man in the back, although some claimed vociferously it was tactless of Mr. Roosevelt to put it that way. But there were stranger things than that.

Your correspondent was the first New York radio commentator to predict flatly that France would quit the British, and make a separate peace with Hitler. There was nothing very novel about that. The British army sent only 10 divisions-200,000 men-to France, and then lost 1,000 royal cannon and all the royal tanks. French conscripts were twice the age of the British conscripts, and there was the age-old friction between the French and British officers.

Then the unbelievable happened. War broke out between old Marshal Petain and Winston Churchill. It was over the French navy, fourth largest in the world. It was to be demobilized for duration of the war, according to the armistice terms, but the British did not believe it. So they attacked the French fleet at Oran, in Algeria, and also at Alexandria, Egypt. The British sank French battleships, seized many more of them, and killed about 1,000 French sailors. It was a rather ghastly business. The French were furious, and Petain broke off relations with England. The Germans sat back, and smiled with satisfaction. So did the Italians, whose "heroic" Mediterranean fleet took absolutely no part in the tragic battle of Oran. Things were going from bad to worse.

### Background

There has always been a pro-British and an anti-British faction in French politics. Through the 1890s, the anti-British group were in power, and France and Germany were on very decent terms. In 1904, the pro-British faction got control, and agreed to the Entente Cordiale, with Edward VII of England. This led directly into the first World war.

### Started in 1910





Wendell Willkie

"Life is a funny proposition after all," said a popular song in the early part of the century. It was sung rather lustily about 1910, the time that Wendell Willkie, Republican presidential candidate and Paul McNutt, Democratic aspirant, were students at Indiana university. They were at opposite political ends then, too. Only then it was Willkie who was socialistic, and leader of the rabble-the "barbs" -while the McNutt faction was the so-called aristocratic and "Greek letter" fraternity group. In Willkie's senior year, how-ever, they effected peace, Willkie becoming a member of Mc-Nutt's frat, the Betas. In 1940 the frat brothers are again fighting each other politically.

## PARIS TODAY:

### No Glamour

Paris, the reports said, was not so glamorous these days. The French cops and firemen still were on duty. But something was gone. One thing that was gone was twothirds of the population, which was scattered all around France. The French municipal administration carried on, but three German colonels headed the three police departments. In the cafes, the German soldiers sang Lieder. There was a blackout at night, and a curfew at 10 p. m. Lutetia Parisiorum (as the Romans called the place) did not like that curfew.

Once there were a dozen Paris papers. Now there were four: Le Matin, Paris-Soir, and two new ones, one of them anti-semitic. All were anti-British. The Paris banks were closed, and the German troops were always buying tobacco, beer, hard stuff, and chocolates. A German movie theater was running, for the field-grays, and some of the German officers brought their families to town. There seemed to be very little friction between invaders and inhabitants. The Germans were reported especially as purchasers of picture postcards and silk stockings. Anglo-French naval warrare helped the situation along, they said.

### PLATTSBURG, N. Y.: Once Again, Yet

Some 800 civilians, who believed in preparedness, went to Plattsburg, N. Y., for a month of military training. It was to be at their own expense. It was a revival of the Plattsburg "idea" of 1915-16. This 1940 bunch were between 25 and 50 years of age. It cost them \$43.50 apiece, at 20 cents per meal. Some of them were first World war officers. Winthrop Rockefeller, grandson of old John D. and son of John D. Jr., was put on kitchen police duty, which was abolished in the British army some time back. There were four Plattsburgers per tent, and many of them were Wall Street specimens, or the equivalent. The coffee mugs had no handles. Newbold Morris, president of the New York city council, was there. Said Col. James Muir, in command of the Plattsburg barracks: "This is a fine body of men."

## **DEFENSES:**

### Washingtoniana

The program for defenses passed the \$10,000,000,000 mark, which is a lot of money. Said the National Economy league: "Confusion still seems the order of the day in Washington." The navy department contracted for 44 vessels, including 13 submarines, 11 cruisers, 20 destroyers, and a seaplane tender. This meant a two-ocean navy, or in other words, two navies. It meant a 70 per cent increase in the navy in the next six years. The indicated lineup was as follows: United States, two navies; next Japan; then England, Italy, and Russia. France and Germany now have virtually no navies, to accomplish anything with. The rest of the world's navies are so much petty junk, and why they have them at all, nobody knows. The proverbial Swiss and Irish navies continue to non-exist. Meanwhile, the American national debt went up to almost 43 billions, and we spent nearly 10 billions during the fiscal When Roosevelt came into vear. office, the national debt was around 20 billions. Unemployment, world depression, and Adolf Hitler have come high.

### Bruckart's Washington Digest

## Taxes Raise Needed Revenue, But Are Not Basically Sound

Only Part of Money Paid by Consumers Reaches Federal Treasury as Dealers Are Forced to Collect More Than Taxes Levied.

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

WASHINGTON.-Among the hands on my father's farm when I was a boy was a big Negro named Noah. He was a good worker, and strong as the team of mules that he claimed and always used. Noah was a good farm hand. But my father could always count upon Noah being off of the job two or three days after he was paid his wages each month. Noah, generally called "Chalk" because he was so black, would disappear as soon as he got his money and he did not return to work until that money was gone.

It never seemed to concern Noah one bit that he was broke and couldn't even buy tobacco for his corncob pipe unless somebody gave him money. He was that way throughout his life because he said he "never brought nuttin here" and he would "take nuttin away" when he died. He really carried out that philosophy of life, for my father paid his burial expenses.

I have been thinking of Noah and his ideas of living, lately, because of certain developments of national import. His philosophy was recalled especially when President Roosevelt asked congress for an increase in taxes to defray the cost of the vast new program of national armament. It was recalled again when, out of a clear sky and in the shortest message ever sent to congress in Mr. Roosevelt's seven years as head of the government, the President proposed that congress take a second step in raising taxes. He asked for a "steeply graduated" excess profits

### Additional Taxation Has Been Needed

Now, I believe anyone who has ever read my columns will agree that I have urged additional taxation, constantly. On that point I never have wavered. It might be supposed then that I would go off of the deep end for the new taxes. That, however, is not the case. I find myself willing to support only half of the program, for reasons that will be apparent as the situation is analyzed.

The first tax increase was proper. It was needed. The second proposal, that which congress is yet to consider, is not proper, but the revenue is badly needed. The difference is that the first program will yield revenue that, generally speaking, will be received by the treasury in its entirety. The second program will yield vast sums and only part of the tax paid by the consumers will reach the treasury.

It is a strong statement to make when one says that the treasury will get only part of the amount paid by the taxpayers. It is true, however, because in a levy like the excess profits tax, every dealer, great or small, collects more than the amount of the tax. We saw it when an excess profits tax was in operation during the World war of 1917-1918. A tax that amounted to half a cent was paid as one cent for the very simple reason that one has some difficulty in cutting a penny into two pieces. The seller is never going to absorb any tax, and I think he probably cannot be blamed. He raises the price to protect himself, and you and I and every mother's son carries the load of tax when it is laid that way.

The first tax program offered by Mr. Roosevelt was bad enough in that direction. On its good side, however, it can be said that it levied direct taxes on incomes, a method by which the tax, all of it, goes into the treasury. That tax bill also extended the income tax to something like 2,500,000 additional taxpayers, by reducing the personal exemption allowed. That is to say, after July 1, of this year, a married person with an income of \$2,000 a year will pay income tax above that sum and a single person receiving \$800 also will pay income tax for the first time. Previously, the exemption was \$2,500 for a married person and \$1,000 for a single

### Ten Per Cent Supertax Added to Regular Levy

There was included in the taxing act also an increase in taxes from the previous rates. It was provided in the new law that a person receiving \$2,000 a year, for example, will pay the old rate of tax and then will add a flat 10 per cent to that total as the amount he must contribute for support of his govern-

ment and for building a real national defense.

Let me show how this 10 per cent added tax works out as a means of showing why I object to, and criticize, it. The 10 per cent was added to the so-called nuisance taxes-tax on admissions, cigarettes, gasoline and a thousand other articles. Take cigarettes as an example. Popular brands sold in many places at two for a quarter. The new price, generally, is two for 27 cents. But the actual increase in price caused by the tax will be about one and a quarter cents. The dealers will get an increase in the price.

While I say with candor that the dealers get an increase, I am not one who is going to criticize them for it. I do not see how any individual or firm could absorb that additional tax-even though it is just one-eighth of a cent-on every sale that is made. He would go broke in a few months. So, there is more than the amount of the tax collected as a protection.

#### **Business Not as Sound** As It Was in 1917-18

And that is the damnable feature of the excess profits tax. During its first application—1917, 1918 and 1919—every business that had to pay an excess profits tax had to protect its own pocketbook. It could not tell in April what its business would be in November, or any other month. Its prices had to be scaled upward to bring in enough profit that it would be able to pay the tax, the amount of which it could not forecast.

These new taxes come at a time when few businesses have any real reserve for a rainy day. Ten years of depression has left them with no fat. Yet, if we do not have the new taxes, where will our government find itself?

In respect of the lack of reserve, the business of the country is in quite a different situation than it was in 1918 when the earlier excess profits tax went on. Then, business was functioning, making money hand over fist, reaping war profits from before the United States joined the allies against Germany. Now, the tax goes on and business is flat on its back. There is no use kidding ourselves about the condition. In my opinion, any real economic recovery is now definitely off until such a type of tax is altered and the levy applied so that taxpayers will know what tax they must pay each year.

#### Tax Structure of Nation Needs Reorganization

The laying of these new taxes brings the people of the country face to face with another fact. I have been preaching against waste and have been called anti-New Deal because I have criticized the administration for piling up such a huge debt-in excess of \$45,000,000,-000. But I believe a good many folks now are going to realize that Sen. Harry Byrd, the Virginia Democrat, was exactly right when he urged that the whole tax structure be gone over and reorganized. He wanted to see a sound tax structure. He surely was right when he said there are contradictory and ridiculous tax levies in effect and they ought to be corrected.

The condition links directly with my recollection of old Noah. Noah went out and spent his money with no thought of the future. The present administration went out and borrowed under one excuse or another until the national debt is the greatest in the nation's history-without any thought of the future. They built privies and raked leaves and constructed unneeded buildings and spent billions in every direction.

It strikes me that since the administration has emulated old Noah, it ought to wake up and take the advice of some sound thinkers such as Senator Byrd. The taxes must be paid-yes, in undreamed of amounts-but the taxpayers in the country have a right to demand some system in that taxation.

Some of these days an understanding of the sour nature of these taxes will permeate down to the last person who eats. The politicians have been getting away with the grandest deceit by using hidden taxestaxes you have paid as a part of the price of your purchase-for years. I think the end is not far off. I firmly believe that the tremendous taxes we are going to have to pay because we played like Noah, the farm hand, will teach a lot of folks a lesson.



By FRANK H. SPEARMAN

SYNOPSIS

Don Alfredo, wealthy, Spanish owner of a Southero California rancho, refuses to heed several warnings of a raid by a band of outlaws, 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 ranch 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. 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. The group makes its way out of the hills and meets the distraught Monica, the children's maid. The girls are left with Monica and the friendly Padre at a mission, and the Texans proceed to Monterey. Here Bowie completes his business for Gen. Sam Houston of Texas, who has commissioned him to deliver an important message. Bowie decides to have a look at the wild untamed country that California was in the middle Nineteenth century. Bowie disappears from California but returns eight years later and makes the acquaintance of a friendly Spanish family at the Rancho Guadalupe. He is attracted by the lovely Carmen, daughter of Don Ramon, the rancho's owner.

### CHAPTER VI-Continued

Bowie listened, indeed, to the words of Don Ramon; but he heard the cadences of another 'voice-a voice of sweet-throated music, strange to the ear but bewildering in utterance. For the first time in ! his life the Texan, without realizing it, began to love the strange tongue in which Californians spoke and to listen for every syllable that might fall from the lips of the young Spanish girl. The clinging black of her gown did not hide the tender slope of her shoulders; it contrasted with the ivory of her slender neck; and above this, from a perfectly poised head, fell soft masses of brown hair. They framed the features of one just at the threshold of full-bloomed adolescence: lips filling with promise of a richer maidenhood; eyes that retired under long dark lashes | bears, cinnamon bears and occasion-

"You want to start tomorrow?" Don Francisco was asking. Bowie nodded.

"But I have an idea," suggested Francisco. "My uncle is having matanza this week. He is slaughtering surplus cattle for the tallow. Captain Davis, with whom my uncle trades, is in port at Monterey from China. He will want much tallow for South America and Boston-it will be a big matanza. You should see one. Much attention, much excitement, much work. Stay over a day or two. The streams will then be fordable, and you and your scouts, in the meantime, will be well entertained. Plenty of bears!"

"Bears?" echoed Bowie. Francisco nodded. "Dozens. They

come down from the mountains at night after the matanza offal. Plenty of chance for a bear fight if you like

The Texan showed interest, asked more questions, and said he would talk to his scouts.

The next morning Bowie and his host rode out to where the matanza was in progress. Pardaloe and Simmie were already on the scene, watching every move of the vaqueros as one rode quietly into the corral, lassoed a steer by the horns and brought him outside.

When the rider had the beast well placed, a second vaquero roped the steer's hind legs, threw him and, with two ropes taut, tied his feet in a bunch end, with a knife, gave him the golpe de gracia.

What interested the Texan, seasoned as to cattle and horses, was the skill and speed with which the vaqueros worked and the almost human intelligence of their horsesthe perfection of their response to every hint of their rider in snaring and handling a steer. It was particularly this skill of the horses that made the work proceed rapidly without mishap or hitch.

For two days the work went forward speedily. The matanza ground was a scene of the greatest activity.

To the Texan the spectacle of such abundance, such profusion of waste and such indifference to everything but the work in hand was a source of amazement. A hearty lunch cloth, unhappily for the rider, held served to the family at noon was followed by a heartier dinner for the evening, with the difference that | ing headfirst to the ground his foot native wine accompanied the dinner. This was the family gathering | zied horse dashed down the canyon,

of the day at which the hostess and her daughter were formally dressed. After the family had settled about the fire in the living room and the conversation had shown signs of lagging, Don Ramon made a request of Carmen

Carmen took her place at the family harp, ran her fingers over the strings and sang a Spanish song. The conversation and the words of the song were lost on Bowie, but not the clear, true notes of the girl's voice.

Don Francisco explained that the song was the appeal of a lover to the stars to bear witness of his devotion to his mistress. Carmen sang again, a French chanson. It was very slight, but it echoed in Bowie's ears most of the night.

It bothered Bowie, that in these household meetings he could never manage to catch the eye of Carmen. He was discreet enough not to attempt to coax her glance his wayand old enough to be ashamed of himself for his curiosity. But curiosity persisted. Toward the end of his stay a natural resentment at the aloofness of one who had for a week enlisted his lively interest impelled him to practice such retaliatory measure as he could. The least satisfactory feature of his attempt to ignore her was that this made no apparent difference whatever to Carmen. If she were aware, there was no evidence of it-for her, he seemed not to exist.

Don Francisco, on the other hand, grew increasingly attached to Bowie. Everything about the Texan interested the youth. Especially was he fascinated by the plainsman's novel revolver. Indeed, the whole male population of Rancho Guadalupe marveled at a pistol that would shoot six bullets without recharging.

The matanza always brought down an army of bears from the hills, and Don Francisco, seeking excuse to prolong the stay of the hunters, promised them as many bear fights as they had stomach for-black ally the famed monarch of the Sierras, the grizzly, the highly respected oso pardo, as Don Francisco called him. This prospect of adventure interested the two scouts. They added their appeal to that of Don Francisco, and Bowie - not loath to linger near the flame of the distant candle he had lighted for

himself-consented. Hardly had night fallen when the vanguard of the bears arrived from the hills. Tempted by the rejected meat and offal of the matanza, the bears would come down at nightfall for a feast. This gave the hunters. disposed for sport, their chance. Shortly the matanza ground was well filled with the hairy monsters, gorging, growling, fighting among themselves and snapping ferociously at those bolder coyotes who dared trespass on the preserves of their banqueting "betters."

The Texans watched. Don Ramon, circling a chosen bear, lassoed him by the neck; Don Francisco, watching his chance, executed the more difficult feat of roping the bear's hind legs; and the two horsemen, riding then in opposite directions, forced the bear to fight his utmost to save himself. In the end he was killed. The vaqueros made nightly sport with the big fellows. The Texans, seeing bear after bear brought to the knife, were not greatly impressed.

In the morning Don Ramon invited Bowie for a canter over the rancho. He particularly wanted to see how the rain had left the footbridge leading across the river to the grain fields which stretched in rolling acres toward the bay. Returning, he suggested a short cut through the hills. The two men were riding briskly abreast when, crossing a canyon, they stumbled suddenly, almost on top of a bear ambling along on her way with two cubs to the matanza ground.

"Mira! Cuidado! Oso pardo,"

cried Don Ramon. The warning was well ordered. The bear, enraged, reared with the swiftness of a jack-in-the-box on her huge feet and sprang, as luck would have it, at Don Ramon. She struck him with a raking blow of her claw. It caught his trouser leg. The stout and the unlucky Don found himself torn from the saddle. In catapultcaught in the stirrup, and his fren-

dragging the rider a dozen yards before the Don could release himself. As he kicked clear with a mighty effort his head struck a rock, and he sprawled on the canyon floor, half conscious. The bear dashed awkward but swiftly after the fleeing horse and the helpless rider. Bowie, close at hand, had barely seconds to head his panicky mount toward the angry beast and uncoil his lasso. Yelling to the Don to flee, Bowie flung his rope at the loping grizzly. It settled over her head and Bowie, spurring swiftly back despite the weight and size of the grizzly, jerked the monster around and threw her off her feet.

Only for an instant. Rolling over, the bear, doubly infuriated, seized the lasso in her claw and began reeling Bowie and his horse hand over hand toward her. The Texan per-ceived his peril. His horse strove vainly to pit his strength against the strength of his enormous enemy. It was a hopeless endeavor. Relentlessly the bear dragged horse and rider toward him. Luckily a sizable tree stood near. With shout and spur Bowie, plunging forward, whirled the horse and managed to circle the tree before the bear could take up all the slack. It gave the Texan an instant of respite, and he dismounted. But in that instant the bear charged him.

The tree between the two was of little consequence, as the hunted man was aware, and the grizzly's leap was far beyond the nimblest feat of a runner. Taking what was at best a merely desperate chance, Bowie, as he jumped, fired shot aft-



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er shot into the bear's mouth and head. Then he dropped the empty revolver, whipped out his knife and, waiting not a second, plunged directly into the bear's arms for what was likely to prove a fatal embrace. Only one of the two, he knew could come out alive.

The foreman Pedro was riding away from the corral when he saw Don Ramon's riderless horse racing out of the hills. The half-breed realized at once there was trouble. Shouting to near-by vaqueros to follow, he spurred for the hills. Before he reached them Bowie's horse, dragging the broken rope, shot out of the canyon and gave him the direction. At the same moment he heard pistol shots echoing down the canyon walls. Urging his companions who were stringing along behind to follow fast, Pedro galloped into the canyon.

His practiced eye told him the story as he rode. Whatever it had been, it was over, for the canyon was as still as the grave. On he galloped until, rounding a bend, he saw the bodies of the grizzly and the Texan lying less than ten yards apart, both apparently dead.

But Pedro dared take no chances. His horse was frantic, and he knew the deadly danger of a wounded bear. Casting a hasty glance at Bowie, who lay on his face, he urged his frightened horse closer to the fallen monster of the Sierras. The vaquero eyed the beast narrowly while he rode his horse, kicking and flinging, around him until he caught sight of the handle of a bowie knife sunk to the hilt between the ribs under the left forepaw. The grizzly lay quite dead.

Hastening to Bowie, Pedro slipped from his horse to examine him. Dust-covered and mangled, the Texan lay in a rapidly widening pool of his own blood. His heart was beating faintly, and Pedro, giving hurried orders to his comrades, raised the unconscious man in his arms, pushed up from one ear a flap of scalp torn from Bowie's temple, and, shouting for puffballs, plastered the dry spores as best he could over the unconscious man's head, shoulders and arms.

### CHAPTER VII

Bowie woke in bed to see a tali bald man in the brown woolen habit of a Franciscan padre sitting in a chair beside him and eying him with a suspicion of a smile. As Bowie opened his eyes the padre raised the forefinger of his right hand and laid it across his own lips as if to enjoin silence.

"Dos palabros, amigo, no mas!" he said in a low sympathetic voice. "Few words from you for some time yet. I want to see some nourishment for you before you expend any strength-you left most of that, amigo, in the canyon.

"Yes," he continued, still in English, "I know what you want to ask. You were brought back to the ranch house, given up for dead. When they sent for me at the mission I asked, 'Who is this man?' 'A Texan, mangled by a grizzly,' they told me. 'A Texan?' I repeated. And when they assured me you were, I said, 'The Texan is not dead; I have seen many men torn by grizzlies; but the Texan outlasts the bear.' However, I say to you seriously, few words and on your back till we can get more blood coursing through your veins."

Bowie lay so utterly weak he could hardly find voice, but speak he would. "Padre," he said, breathing with difficulty, "if the bear is dead want my knife. My knife," he repeated with an effort, "and my revolver."

For answer the Franciscan rose, turned to the bureau in the bedroom, took from it the long knife and the Colt revolver. "They have been cared for, amigo, as you see. But I advise you to rest up for at least three months before you resume with a grizzly . . . That is, indeed, a knife," remarked the padre, holding up the bowie knife for interested inspection. "Where did you get it, amigo?"

"The blade was made from a blacksmith's file," returned Bowie with a trace of pride in his weak-

"And calls for a long strong arm to wield it," mused the padre.

Don Francisco entered the room en tiptoe. He greeted Bowie warm-"Amigo!" he exclaimed. Thanks to God that you are alive! Tell me: what happened in that can-

The padre put up his hand. "He is too weak to talk.'

"But in a few words," begged Don Francisco.

"In a few words," responded Bowie dryly, "we had more or less of a fight.

"Madre de Dios!" exclaimed Don Francisco. "I would call it more an 'less of er seen so big a bear-no, not in all his life, he truly says. But Bowie, you must know Padre Martinez. He has been our surgeon, amigo. We had none else to call on. Dr. Doane was in Santa Barbara. Doctors are scarce in California, very scarce. We feared you would die from all the blood you lost. But Padre Martinez, who graduated a surgeon in Spain before he became a missioner, came quickly to our aid-and you see!" Bowie weakly acknowledged his obligation by pressing the hand of Padre Martinez, who sat beside his bed, and the padre silenced Don Francisco by waving him out of the room and then following him.

At the door he encountered Don Ramon just coming to speak to Bowie and, in matter of fact, to apologize for exposing his guest's life to such danger. Don Ramon brought back his nephew Francisco for translator. "Only a few words, Padre," exclaimed Don Ramon. "But he saved my life. I must, at least, thank him.'

Bowie, who in the everyday course of the life of a frontiersman would not have looked on his narrow escape as an extraordinary event. found himself the hero of the rancho. Pardaloe and Simmie, shining in the penumbra of his prestige and though secretly elated at the feat, put on airs of indifference among the vaqueros to intimate that where they came from such incidents were everyday occurrences.

The days went slowly, almost painfully, for an active man like Bowie. Dona Maria, realizing that her husband's life had been spared through the diversion of the bear's fury, was unremitting in her solicitude for the Texan's comfort. And when he was ready to sit up, Carmen sent flowers and a Chinese confection to him.

During the impatient days that followed, Bowie had one faithful attendant. Don Francisco spent hours at his bedside and entertained him with stories of California and of his people, the rancheros. Bowie was a good listener. One day while Don Francisco sat with Bowie a jar of Canton ginger was sent in with the compliments of Carmen. Bowie, assuming such indifference as he could muster, asked why Carmen wore black.

(TO BE CONTINUED) Carmen of the Rancho-7

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