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## OIL WAVE SURGES HIGH IN ROOSEVELT COUNTY

Hardly anyone would have been bold enough to predict a year ago that within twelve months Roosevelt county would be one of the shining oil centers of the southwest. It would have required a strong imagination to foresee the developments that have taken place in such a short time.

But it does not take much of a vision to see what the next year will bring to this district. The signs of the times are too clear to be mistaken and the man who views Portales and Roosevelt county twelve months hence will be as amazed as was Rip Van Winkle after his years of sleep.

The Nu-Mex Oil Company is, of course, the pioneer of this field. The interest of the oil fraternity dates back to the time that the Nu-Mex rig was erected last October and since that time much has taken place and the Portales oil field has become known all over the country. Lately developments have been coming so fast as to hardly cause more than passing notice. The Mesa Oil and Gas Company, the Roosevelt Oil Co., the Montgomery well, the Great Western Oil and Refining Co., with others ready to start, give an oil touch that is unmistakable. 1920 will show greater material progress in Portales than has been accomplished since the town was started. Strangers are pouring in ready to spend their money in upbuilding. Our citizens must give them a friendly welcome. They must show more hospitality than usual, for these people are here to stay and it may be that in six months they will be in an overwhelming majority and they will remember their friends who gave them the right hand of cordiality.

Here's to all visiting oil brothers and their families. Portales welcomes you, one and all. May you find the golden treasure in every well you drill and when your riches come, may you decide to settle down in our midst.

## RUTH EDMONDS

What is death? The prophets of old, the Apostles, Kings, Queens, in fact, leading characters from every vocation of life have offered comment on this mysterious visitor that comes to one and all in due time, plucking with reverent care the rarest blossoms from the garden of life. But we love to think with Paul that death is swallowed up in victory for those who believe in Jesus.

Miss Ruth Edmonds who died at her home near Plainview, Monday, January 12th, was well known in Portales having spent most of her school life here. She was only 17 years old and was a member of the Senior Class this year.

Only those who knew her well could appreciate the real value

## "Back to God's Country" AT COSY THEATRE

Mon. and Tues., January 19 and 20

This is a unique and unusual picture, like nothing ever before shown.

Sixteen varieties of animals appear in their natural roles, the wild folk at peace with the world, and the wild folk battling each other and man for life.

It was written by the greatest living portrayer of animal life, James Oliver Curwood.

Scenes were taken in the arctic ice fields, north of 56 degrees.

The intense cold reached 60 degrees below zero.

One player lost his life; one man's foot was frozen and the entire company suffered terrible privations to make this picture true to life.

It is a picture of the open spaces, of the land of everlasting snow where the gaunt wolf stalks its prey, where men settle their feudal battles with knife and gun.

It is a story of the primitive and elemental in the play of passion and the struggle to live.

It is a picture you can never forget.



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of her friendship. Her natural disposition was to be true to her friends, this with a distinctive cheerfulness all her own, won for her a prominence rarely given to one so young. The lovely floral offerings by her class, the Hesperian society, and others, served as a gentle reminder of what her life had been among us.

The father, mother, two brothers and a sister survive her. In grief-stricken pain they had to give her up; but loved ones, God never failed, even a fallen sparrow. His blessings. He knows best and we turn to Him in our grief.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. C. Slaughter after which interment was made in the Plainview cemetery. Among those who attended the funeral from Portales were the following members of the Senior class: Misses Bettie Crabb, Muriel Galloway, Thelma Campbell, and Messrs. Jim Crabb, Volvie George, Baker Cummings and Menefee Long.

C. I. Kugler recently resigned his position as manager of the City Power plant. He has also sold his home to J. W. Hill and will be leaving for other points soon. The Kugler's have made many friends while in Portales and we are loathe to have them go.

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SOCIAL HAPPENINGS  
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## Dinner Party

On last Wednesday evening Mrs. M. B. Jones was hostess at a delightful dinner party given in honor of Mesdames Hoover and Hays who have been in Portales several days visiting their sister Mrs. N. F. Wollard. The Jones home was attractively decorated the color scheme of red and white received its finishing touch in the form of red and white carnations with the usual addition of enough ferns to bring out the color effectively, used as a center piece. Covers were laid for eight guests. An elaborate service of six courses brought exclamations of delight as each course was distinctly original, thus supplying enough surprises to tempt the appetite of the most noted dietitian. The evening was spent in social conversation interspersed with music, both vocal and instrumental. The following guests were present: Mesdames Hoover, Hays, Howard; Misses Carey, Lofton and Messrs. Howard and Wollard.

The Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. C. I. Kugler on last Wednesday. Owing to the inclemency of the weather and the illness of several members, only a few attended. As there had been no arrangements made for a program, a most delightful social hour was enjoyed by those present. Mrs. E. A. Herndon, served a delicious one course luncheon, followed by cake and coffee. The next meeting will be held January 20 at the home of Mrs. P. E. Jordan, with Mrs. Priddy as assistant and Mrs. Williamson as leader.

The W. C. T. U. will give a program at the Methodist church Sunday evening January 18th. Nothing has been left undone that would tend to make this one of the most elaborate programs of its kind ever offered the citizens of Portales, especially if you like music. There will be special numbers from the individual classes with Mr. Priess in charge of the instrumental music and Mr. S. B. Fletcher in charge of the choir. Be sure to come. You will be sorry if you miss it.

Prof. Livingston left Tuesday morning for Las Cruces in response to a telegram asking him to take up the responsibility of carrying on the Boys and Girls Club work of that district. Mr. Livingston will accept the position and thus resigns his position as principal of the Portales High School at this place. He has made many friends in Portales and it is with deep regret that his resignation is accepted.

The News begs the indulgence of its readers again this week on account of being late, but the city plant has been on the bum again and it has been impossible for us to use our linotype until Friday night. We hope that some day we may be able to run all the time, even if we have to wait until we strike natural gas.

Bob Poindexter, an "overseas" boy, is very ill at the Laster house a room having been fitted up by the Red Cross for the purpose of taking care of him. He was found in a house all alone and too ill to give any definite information concerning his ailment. The soldier boys have rallied to his assistance and are right with the Red Cross in seeing that he is provided with every possible comfort.

O. C. Barker arrived at Portales last Friday having recently been discharged from the U. S. Army. Mr. Barker is an overseas boy who spent eleven months in France. He was a member of Company F, 106th Regiment of Engineers. His home is at Benson, this county.

Grandma Dunlap died Thursday night at her home in East Portales. Most of the children that had been sent for have arrived. As we are just going to press it is too late for full details, however, a full account will be given next week.

H. A. McCall has returned from Ranger, Texas, where he has been at work for the past few weeks. Alex says that he has enough of the oil fields and that Portales is enough excitement for him for the present at least.

J. D. Lasater is now a permanent fixture of Portales at least he is here to see the oil game through and we believe that is the way to spell permanent.

Mrs. Frank Parker, local secretary of the Red Cross, is in Clovis this week.

Charter No. 6187

Reserve District No. 11

REPORT OF CONDITION OF

## The First National Bank

at Portales, in the State of New Mexico, at the close of business December 31, 1919.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, including rediscounts	\$280,072.10
Notes and bills rediscounted (other than bank acceptances sold)	\$25,246.29
U. S. Government Securities owned:	\$254,825.81
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. Bonds, par value)	1,000.00
Pledged to secure postal savings deposits (par value)	3,350.00
Owed and unpledged	846.00
War Savings Certificates and Thrift Stamps actually owned	55,196.00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	3,000.00
Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered	25,000.00
Equity in banking house	25,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	10,470.08
Real estate owned other than banking house	12,300.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve bank	19,938.43
Cash in vault and net amounts due from National banks	80,773.96
Checks on other banks in same city or town as reporting bank	3,000.00
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	1,313.44
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	2,500.00
School warrants	504.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$468,822.21</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	50,000.00
Interest and discount collected or credited in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate)	6,571.30
Amount reserved for taxes accrued	2,749.17
Circulating notes outstanding	50,000.00
Net amounts due to National banks	6,120.14
Net amounts due to banks, bankers, trust companies, (other than included above)	138.83
Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding	5,050.85
<b>Demand Deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, (deposits payable within thirty days):</b>	<b>243,975.76</b>
Individual deposits subject to check	5,083.00
Certificates of deposit due in less than thirty days (other than for money borrowed)	20,140.58
State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank	28,957.35
<b>Time Deposits subject to reserve (payable after thirty days or subject to thirty days or more notice, and postal savings):</b>	<b>35.23</b>
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)	28,957.35
Postal Savings deposits	35.23
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$468,822.21</b>
Liabilities for rediscounts, including those with Federal Reserve bank	25,246.29
<b>Total contingent liabilities</b>	<b>\$25,246.29</b>

State of New Mexico, County of Roosevelt, ss:  
I, H. C. Rogers, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
H. C. ROGERS, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of January, 1920.  
(seal) IRENE SMITH, Notary Public.  
My commission expires August 17, 1922.  
Correct—Attest: G. M. Williamson, Ed J. Neer, J. B. Priddy, Directors.

## RECAPITULATION

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts	Capital Stock
U. S. Bonds and School Warrants	Surplus
Stock in Fed. Res. Bank	Reserved for Taxes
Banking House, Fur. and Fix.	Interest Collected, (not earned)
Other Real Estate Owned	Circulation
Red. Fund with U. S. Treas.	Re-Discounts
Cash and Exchange	Deposits
<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
\$494,068.50	\$494,068.50

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REPORT OF CONDITION OF

## The Security State Bank

at Portales, in the State of New Mexico, at the close of business Dec. 31, 1919.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$187,691.63
Liberty Bonds	17,220.00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve bank	\$1,800.00
Less amount unpaid	900.00
Value of banking house (unencumbered)	5,235.00
Furniture and fixtures	4,431.00
Net amount due from Federal Reserve bank	21,276.85
Net amount due from Reserve banks	73,170.05
Other checks on banks in same city or town as reporting bank	1,808.18
Outside checks and other cash items	\$875.30
Fractional currency, nickels and cents	159.17
Coin and currency	1,034.47
	2,970.30
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$315,737.48</b>

I certify that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. B. JONES, Assistant Cashier.

COURT KNOCKS OUT 2.75 PERCENT BEER

ONE MORE "FINAL" BLOW TO OLD JOHN BAR-CORN

CONGRESS CAN DEFINE, BOOZE

Wets Going to Bring the Question Up Once More After the Prohibition Amendment Goes Into Effect.

Washington.—By a margin of one vote the supreme court upheld the right of congress to define intoxicating liquors, in so far as applied to wartime prohibition.

In a five to four opinion given by Associate Justice Brandeis, the court sustained the constitutionality of the provisions in the Volstead prohibition enforcement act prohibiting the manufacture and sale of beverages containing one-half of one per cent or more of alcohol.

Validity of the federal prohibition constitutional amendment and of portions of the Volstead act affecting its enforcement was not involved in the proceedings, but the opinion was regarded so sweeping as to leave little hope among wet adherents.

In giving the opinion, the court sustained federal decrees dismissing injunction proceedings to enjoin federal authorities from preventing Jacob Ruppert, a New York brewer, from manufacturing beer containing in excess of one-half of one per cent, but which he alleged was non-intoxicating.

The wets, however, received a brief ray of hope when, shortly afterward Associate Justice Day, in a unanimous opinion, sustained the dismissal of indictments brought under the war-time prohibition act against the Standard Brewery of Baltimore and the American Brewing Company of New Orleans for manufacturing 2.75 beer before the court held that congress has the right to determine what are intoxicating beverages, but in view of the fact the Colestead act had not been passed, manufacturer of low alcoholic beer was permissible under the war time prohibition act, providing it was not intoxicating.

Looking For Another Knockout.

New York.—Another fight for 2.75 per cent beer will be made before the United States supreme court, according to Emory Buckner, who was associated with Elibu Root as counsel for Jacob Ruppert, against whom the United States supreme court decided. "The question whether 2.75 beer may be sold after the eighteenth amendment is effective, must be decided in the future," said Mr. Buckner. "Today's decision affects its status only under war time prohibition. Today's decision relates only to the war powers of congress. When the amendment is effective questions will be raised not only as to the validity of its passage, but also whether or not non-intoxicating beer can be sold under it."

NEW RECORD PRICE FOR OIL

Oklahoma and Texas Grades Posted At \$3.

Tulsa.—Sinclair boosted the price of Oklahoma, Kansas, Ranger and Burkburnett crude oil to \$3 per barrel, the highest price in the history of the mid-continent oil fields. The Texas Company followed and other pipeline companies, including the Prairie, are reported in touch with headquarters and will no doubt meet the Sinclair price. The increase in the price of Pennsylvania oil to \$5 per barrel recently warranted the belief that all oil in this section should be at least \$3 per barrel and perhaps more.

Japanese Hurry Aid To Kolchak

Honolulu.—Heavy Japanese reinforcements have been rushed to Irkutsk to aid the forces of Admiral Kolchak there.

Ford Buys Salvarsan

London.—Henry Ford has purchased 50,000 tubes of salvarsan in Germany.

'Sugar Combination' Method Unfair.

Washington.—The federal trade commission held that the selling of sugar in combination with other goods to force purchasers to buy other things in order to obtain sugar was an unfair method of competition.

Concessions Made To Germany.

Paris.—The supreme council has agreed to reduce the naval reparations which Germany must make for the sinking of the interned German fleet at Scapa Flow from 400,000 to 250,000 tons.

Former President of China Is Dead.

Peking.—Former President Feng Kuo, of China, died here.

Draft Evaders Convicted.

Corpus Christi.—Sixty-one Mexican-Americans were convicted in federal court here of violating the selective service law, and were given jail sentences of thirty days each. They pleaded guilty to crossing the Rio Grande river into Mexico in order to avoid military service while the United States was at war.

2 MORE STATES FOR SUFFRAGE RHODE ISLAND AND KENTUCKY RATIFY

Not Much Hope of Completing Ratification of Amendment Before Next Election.

Frankfort, Ky.—Ratification of the federal woman suffrage amendment was completed by the Kentucky legislature. The house of representatives voted 75 to 25 and the senate 50 to 8 to ratify the amendment. There was little debate in the lower house, but action in the senate was not taken until an amendment which would have submitted the question of ratification to a state wide referendum was rejected by a vote of 23 to 15.

New York.—Action of the Rhode Island and Kentucky legislatures in ratifying the federal woman suffrage amendment brings the number of states which have accepted it to 24. Ratification by twelve more states is necessary before the amendment becomes effective and officers of the national association declared they will conduct an active campaign to obtain the necessary ratifications before the presidential primaries in April.

Women of twenty-one states, including Rhode Island, will enjoy presidential suffrage this year regardless of whether the amendment becomes effective before the presidential primaries, according to suffrage association officials.

States which have ratified the amendment and in which presidential woman suffrage this year is contingent upon the amendment becoming effective, include Arkansas and Texas. The suffrage of women in Arkansas and Texas is limited to state primaries.

Special legislative sessions to take action on the amendment already have been called for the next few weeks by Oregon and Idaho. Arizona, Nevada, Oklahoma, Washington and Wyoming, whose legislatures do not meet this year, are also expected to call special sessions to take action on the amendment. Other states in which the amendment probably will be taken up in regular sessions this year are Louisiana, Mississippi, Virginia, Georgia, South Carolina and New Jersey.

100 DEAD IN EARTHQUAKE

Couztlan, Mexico, Was Entirely Destroyed by Earth Tremors

Mexico City.—Couztlan was destroyed by last Saturday's earthquake in Vera Cruz, with 2,000 casualties, including more than 1,000 dead, according to official reports given out here by presidential military headquarters from advices received from officers in the Vera Cruz center of disturbance.

The entire garrison at Teocelo was killed or injured. The dead numbered thirty and the injured sixty. Virtually all the roads in the surrounding district were flooded or destroyed, according to the reports.

Three hundred dead are reported at Barranca Grande, near Couztlan. The water level at Port Barranca del Agua rose twenty-five meters.

Only two houses are left standing in the village of Couztlan. Eleven bodies have been recovered from the river at San Francisco de La Pena, Vera Cruz, in addition to twenty-four at Racondia.

Twelve soldiers were among those buried under the ruins of the church at Coscomatepec, shaken down by the earth disturbances.

Man Held For Paragoric Sales.

Port Worth.—J. B. Davis, local druggist, was charged by federal authorities with the sale of abnormal amounts of paragoric. The contention of the United States authorities is that the paragoric is being used as a substitute for opiates.

Tiger's Election Is Thought Sure

Paris.—Georges Clemenceau's entry into the palace of the Elysee on January 17 as president of the republic of France is now practically assured. The French president is elected by the national congress.

Bandits Take Big Amount in Bonds

Atchison, Kan.—From \$50,000 to \$75,000 worth of Liberty bonds were taken by bandits who broke into the Citizens State bank at Winchester, Kan., southwest of here.

100 Spanish Red Leaders Arrested.

Madrid.—The syndicalist associations in Barcelona have been suppressed by the civil government there, according to a message from Barcelona to El Sol. One hundred syndicalist leaders have been arrested.

Steel Strike Called Off.

Pittsburg.—The strike in the steel mills and furnaces called September 22, and which at its inception involved 367,000 men, was officially called off here by the national committee.

Hoover Is Not A Candidate.

Portland, Ore.—Herbert Hoover, United States food administrator and many times mentioned as a potential presidential candidate, has definitely declared his refusal to be a candidate for that office.

Boys' Quarrel Ends in Shooting.

Denver.—James O'Leary, 15 years old, is in a local hospital and Harry Anderson, 12 years old, is held in the detention home. Anderson shot O'Leary in a boyish quarrel over possession of a partnership cave.

Southwest News From All Over New Mexico and Arizona

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Excitement is running high in the Chloride-Kerwin-Arizona oil field. Gas is bubbling out of the ground continuously and oil sediments form on top of the water in the water holes in that locality.

The annual meeting of the New Mexico Public Health Association, which was to have been held in Albuquerque, N. M., on Jan. 5, has been postponed until Jan. 27, according to an announcement made by the executive secretary.

A number of women's auxiliaries to the American Legion posts will be formed throughout the state of Arizona in the near future. It was forecast at the state headquarters of the Legion. It was said several applications to organize women's auxiliaries of Legion posts had been made.

The eyes of scouts for the big oil companies and others equally as much interested in the striking of oil in New Mexico are now turned toward the McGee well southeast of Tucumanari. It will be the first deep well in the state to strike the formation at which, following geologists' predictions, oil is expected to be found.

January 19 and 20 has been selected by the Arizona Daily Newspaper Association as the dates on which the meeting of the association at Nogales will be held. On the dates mentioned, publishers or representatives of publishers of Arizona and El Paso newspapers will gather at Nogales for the third meeting of the association.

The New Mexico state land office is getting to be a financial institution and handles a very large amount of money during the year. The fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1919, shows that the land office has transferred to the state treasurer the neat sum of \$1,002,430.76. This does not include the unused balances of the maintenance fund.

A formal invitation was sent to General Pershing by the Chamber of Commerce, to spend Friday, Jan. 30, at Phoenix, as the guest of the city. This followed word received from Representative Carl Hayden at Washington, saying he had received confirmation from a member of the general's staff that General Pershing would visit Arizona.

J. B. Shumate, acting president of the Settlers' Ditch & Reservoir Co. of Taos, N. M., has filed with the state engineer application for extension of time to complete irrigation works to Dec. 28, 1920, and beneficial use of water till June 26, 1921. This project proposes to divert water from Aguaje de la Petaca, a tributary of the Rio Grande.

The New Mexico National Guard will be reorganized, Adj. Gen. James Baca has announced. The state has had no troops since the beginning of the war and because of unsettled conditions which may at any time necessitate the use of state troops, according to the adjutant general's announcement, Governor Larrazolo has directed that immediate steps be taken toward the reorganization.

Las Cruces, N. M., now has some of the best paved blocks in the state. The curbing is now being done and it is expected will be completed in the next two weeks. A meeting of the citizens will be held in the near future to decide the amount and the kind of paving to be done during the coming year and fall. Most of the paving up to the present time has been of concrete and no doubt the remainder will be laid of this material.

William Britte, bookkeeper at the Arizona-Binghamton mine, was killed when the automobile in which he was riding went over an embankment between Humboldt and Huron, twenty-five miles southeast of Prescott, Ariz.

The Chino Copper Company of Silver City, N. M., has reduced its force of men to about one-third of the normal force on account of the shortage of coal. The company had not expected to reduce the force this winter even though very little copper is being sold at the present time. It is thought that on account of the shortage of copper in some of the foreign countries the copper industry will return to normal in a short time.

The boundary between New Mexico and Arizona is not a true north and south line, but is about a mile out of line at its southern extremity. It was stated by Col. James H. McClintock, state historian. The erratic course of the line was attributed partly to error in computing the declination of the compass and partly to the equipment and many difficulties with which the early surveyors had to contend.

Organization of a ware house company is now under way for the building of the warehouse and compress of the American Arizona Egyptian Cotton Growers' Association, and a rigid campaign to get every cotton grower in Arizona to support the movement has been launched.

More than 3,000 foreigners attended English classes at night schools conducted throughout Arizona during the school year ending last summer, according to a compilation of reports made public by the state committee on Americanization.

CONGRESS ON THE JOB AGAIN MANUFACTURE OF PIFFLE IS RESUMED

Arrival of Victor Berger Expected To Be First Waking-up Session Has.

Washington.—Congress went to work immediately upon re-convening after its fortnight holiday recess. Without formality, both senate and house began disposition of bills on their calendars and within an hour or so both sides resumed their normal appearance of scant attention during speech making. Miscellaneous bills only were considered and a few of the less important passed. The senate started debate on the water power development bill, consideration of which promises to continue into next week.

There were few developments and only perfunctory discussion of the peace treaty in the senate. Senator King, democrat, Utah, presented formally his set of compromise reservations and many senators were engaged in private conferences on the treaty situation, but nothing tangible resulted.

Victor Berger, the Wisconsin socialist re-elected after being refused a seat by the house, did not arrive, but immediately upon his presentation of re-election credentials, house leaders plan to refuse again to grant him a seat. Representative Mann of Illinois, former republican leader, surprised house members by announcing he would support Berger's claim.

Many committees of both senate and house got into action and prepared to grind out the endless procession of bills and resolutions which are expected to hold congress here for the next nine or ten months.

THE LATE NEW ARMY BILL Measures Would Create One Army, Divided Into Three Branches

Washington.—Radical changes in the present military system will be made by the new army bill, details of which were announced by Chairman Wadsworth of the senate military committee.

It would create one army divided into three branches, the standing army, the national guard, and a citizens' or reserve army. The first composed of 250,000 men and 18,000 officers would be used for garrisoning and training purposes while the national guard would be available for service within the states and to reinforce the regular forces in emergencies. It also would be used under federal supervision for training purposes under the universal training plan.

The citizens' army would be composed originally of veterans of the world war volunteering to enroll for short periods and later by boys competing the course of compulsory military training, who would be enrolled for five years. Members of this reserve would not be subject to military service except in an emergency. Compulsory military training would consist of four months by youths of 19 and vocation training in appropriate trades. Veterans of the world war would be excused from service.

The bill also provides for the organization of the air service as a separate combat branch of the army and for a chief of each combat service including infantry and cavalry.

More Sugar Coming.

Washington.—Nearly one million tons of sugar, harvested in Porto Rico will be released for American consumption shortly.

Texas Oil Raise Posted.

Fort Smith.—All the oil companies buying crude in the Texas field posted notices increasing the price of Texas crude to \$3.00.

One More Farewell To Booze.

New York.—The celebration of "prohibition eve" on January 16 promises to surpass any New Year's eve event in the history of New York, judging by the rush of applications for reserved tables at hotels. Managers of the Waldorf-Astoria, Claridge, McAlpin and other hotels announced that patrons who wished to be present when John Barleycorn's official "swan song" is sung, have declared that they intend to celebrate his "wake" in the manner that has come into vogue since the advent of wartime prohibition.

Swift's Earnings Reach Big Figure.

Chicago.—Swift & Company's earnings for the year ending Nov. 1, 1919, were \$27,242,730.88. From this \$12,507,549.54 was paid as interest on borrowed money and \$800,000 was reserved for federal and state taxes, making the net earnings \$13,870,181.34, according to the report. Dividends of 8 per cent were paid and \$3,806,721.34 was added to the surplus account, bringing the latter item to \$58,381,900.33. Total sales were given as \$1,200,000,000 and the average profit for each dollar of sales was figures at 1.15 cents.

Berger Run Out of Jersey City

Jersey City, N. J.—Victor Berger, Milwaukee socialist, twice elected as representative in congress, once rejected by the house and now awaiting determination of his status there, was ordered out of Jersey City by the police when he came here to address a socialist meeting. "Who are you?" demanded Berger, when Chief of Police Battersby ordered him to leave town. "I'll hold you personally responsible for this. I'll sue you." "All right, sue, I'm responsible," replied Battersby, "but you leave a message."

GREAT SPEAKERS AT JACKSON DAY FEAST

DEMOCRATS SEE ALL SORTS OF ROSY SIGNS OF VICTORY PRESIDENT AND BRYAN SPLIT

Over the League of Nations, Which Wilson Insists is the Paramount Issue of the Coming Campaign.

CONVENTION TO FRISCO.

Washington.—The democratic national convention of 1920 will be held in San Francisco. The convention will open at 12 o'clock noon, June 28.

In selecting San Francisco as the city to entertain the next democratic national convention, the national committee set a new political precedent as it will be the first national convention of either party held west of the Rocky mountains.

Washington.—President Wilson in his message to the Jackson day diners here said "the clear and single way" to determine the will of the American people on the league was to make it an issue at the next election.

The president's message said nothing whatever about a third term for himself and neither did it say by implication or intimation that he would not be a candidate, as had been widely forecast.

Most of the president's message was devoted to an expression of his argument of why he considered it the duty of the United States to join in the league of nations covenant and why he considered the war not really won until it did. Another attempt to crush the new nations of Europe would be made, the president said, if the United States held aloof.

The president again expressed his attitude toward reservations, much as he did at his conference with the senate foreign relations committee.

Bryan Bucks Wilson.

William J. Bryan split openly with President Wilson at the dinner on the question of whether the democratic party should make the league of nations an issue at the next election.

The former secretary of state, three times a candidate for the presidency, declared the democrats could not go before the country on the issue and that they must accept such compromises as may be possible.

Owen's Speech.

Standing before the great gathering of democratic men and women who will have much to do with the naming of the standard bearer to succeed Woodrow Wilson, Senator Owen summarized the achievements of the party since 1912 in brilliant language and painted such a rosy picture of the future of democracy that the Oklahoma speaker outshone all but two of the toast list in the applause of the Jackson day audience.

"We should pass the peace treaty immediately," Senator Owen declared but he did not say with or without reservations. His remarks indicated he would accept any reasonable reservations to get the world on its peaceful way.

The Oklahoma speaker declared for the repeal of the excess profits tax, a department of health and a department of education in addition to summarizing the conventional list of achievements sought by the party for the people.

Too much evidence as to America's part in the war has been submitted, Attorney General Palmer told the diners for the case to be withdrawn from the jury now.

"The great war is still a living fact," he said. "The hope of the world for peace has been blasted by the jealousies of men who hold their political fortunes above the world's need. The war will not be over in fact, even if in name, until the issues which it has raised are passed upon by the great court of appeals in America and the judgment of the people is entered."

In a telegram from Wichita Falls, Texas, read at the banquet, William G. McAdoo assailed the work of the republican congress as a "sorry record of dismal failure," and declared the success of democracy in the presidential election this year was inevitable if leadership was wise, vision undistorted and sympathy with the masses preserved.

"Republican leadership has demonstrated startling incapacity to deal with the great problems confronting America and the world," Mr. McAdoo's message read. "Nine months of republican leadership disclose no constructive, humanitarian or statesmanlike act."

"Peace defeated, war prolonged and hundreds of thousands of needless deaths inflicted upon helpless children, women and men in Europe—a ghastly toll to exact for partisan political ends. William Jennings Bryan was given credit by Secretary Daniels for laying the foundations of the league of nations covenant through the arbitration treaties negotiated by the former secretary of state.

"DANDERINE" PUTS BEAUTY IN HAIR

Girls! A mass of long, thick, gleamy tresses



Let "Danderine" save your hair and double its beauty. You can have lots of long, thick, strong, lustrous hair. Don't let it stay lifeless, thin, scraggly or fading. Bring back its color, vigor and vitality.

Get a 35-cent bottle of delightful "Danderine" at any drug or toilet counter to freshen your scalp; check dandruff and falling hair. Your hair needs this stimulating tonic; then its life, color, brightness and abundance will return—Hurry!—Adv.

Holland's Great Wall. The gigantic wall which the Dutch are building across the entrance to the Zuider Zee will be 18 miles long and 230 feet wide at sea level.

BREAKS YOUR COLD IN JUST A FEW HOURS

"Pape's Cold Compound" instantly relieves stuffiness and distress

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! A dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" taken every two hours until three doses are taken usually breaks up a severe cold and ends all gripe misery.

The very first dose opens your clogged-up nostrils and the air passages of the head; stops nose running; relieves the headache, dullness, feverishness, sneezing, soreness and stiffness. "Pape's Cold Compound" is the quickest, surest relief known and costs only a few cents at drug stores. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, contains no quinine—Insist upon Pape's!—Adv.

Making It Complete. "I dress up your new house has all the latest modern touches." "Yes; we put a mortgage on it today."

ASPIRIN FOR HEADACHE

Name "Bayer" is on Genuine Aspirin—say Bayer

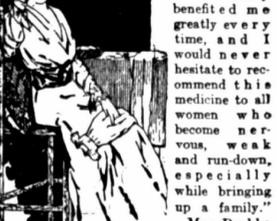


Insist on "Bayer Tablets of Aspirin" in a "Bayer package," containing proper directions for Headache, Colds, Pain, Neuralgia, Lumbago, and Rheumatism. Name "Bayer" means genuine Aspirin prescribed by physicians for nineteen years. Handy tin boxes of 12 tablets cost few cents. Aspirin is trade mark of Bayer Manufacture of Mononaceticacidester of Salicylicacid.—Adv.

A girl doesn't mind her rival's being exceptionally clever if she is also consolingly ugly.

BRINGING UP A FAMILY

Houston, Texas.—"After motherhood I always took Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription to build me up and strengthen me. It surely benefited me greatly every time, and I would never hesitate to recommend this medicine to all women who become nervous, weak and run-down, especially while bringing up a family."



—Mrs. Della Lea, 4413 Center St. Houston, Texas.—"I have the utmost faith in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription as a tonic for women or girls developing into womanhood. When I was a girl I became all run-down, weak and nervous, due to irregularity. My mother gave me the 'Prescription' and it restored me to perfect health."—Mrs. A. Thonig, 4318 Spencer St.

Houston, Texas.—"Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for women and their ailments is an excellent medicine. I have taken it for feminine troubles and when run-down, weak and nervous, and must say it was very quick in building me up and relieving me of my trouble, and I always felt much better in every way after its use."—Mrs. H. E. Williams, 2424 Freeman St. Weak women should try it now. Don't wait! Today is the day to begin. This temperance tonic and nerve will bring vim, vigor and vitality. Send Dr. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., 10 cents for trial package tablets. It promotes perfect regularity. It soothes and strengthens the nerves, drives away drowsiness, and gives a healthy appetite and refreshing sleep. It makes weak women strong.

### FIVE YEARS OF SUFFERING

**Eupora Lady Broke Down and Was Most Miserable, But Cardui Brought Relief and Now She Is Well.**

Eupora, Miss.—Mrs. B. E. Tedder, recently spoke as follows: "About five years ago . . . I broke down and took to my bed.

What I suffered no one knew. I was in so much pain from my knees to my waist, cramping and drawing, until I thought I would certainly die.

I grew so weak I couldn't eat, and so dizzy and faint and every time I stood on my feet I had the most miserable and heavy feeling in the lower part of my body.

I began on Cardui. It strengthened me after a few doses and diminished the . . . after the first bottle. I commenced to feel better. I regained my appetite. . . . I took the Cardui right along . . . I am well and strong. That has been four years. I can do all my work and feel fine."

Cardui has been found to be a valuable tonic for women. It is composed of harmless medicinal ingredients, which act in a mild and gentle way on the system and help to build up the body and nerves.

Your druggist sells Cardui. Try it. —Adv.

**The Initiatory Ultimatum.**  
"The last shall be first," quoted the earnest citizen.  
"I don't doubt it," replied Senator Sorghum. "It's the only way I can explain the manner in which an ultimatum always seems to start such a long line of talk."

### ARMISTICE!

Constipation, Headache, Colds, Biliousness, Surrender to "Cascarets"

Bring back peace! Enjoy life! Your system is filled with liver and bowel poison which keeps your skin sallow, your stomach upset, your head dull and aching. Your meals are turning into poison gases and acids. You can not feel right. Don't stay bilious or constipated. Feel splendid always by taking Cascarets occasionally. They act without gripping or inconvenience. They never sicken you like Calomel, Salts, Oil or nasty, harsh Pills. They cost so little too—Cascarets work while you sleep.—Adv.

**Powerful French Wireless Station.**  
France will shortly possess the most powerful wireless station in the world. It is at Croix d'Hines, near Bordeaux, and has four masts, each to carry aerials. These masts measure 275 meters in height (one meter equals about 40 inches), that is to say, 25 meters less than the Eiffel Tower, in Paris. The new station will be able to communicate direct by wireless with Washington to the west and with China to the east—"Flaneur," in Indianapolis Star.

### GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER.

Constipation invites other troubles which come speedily unless quickly checked and overcome by Green's August Flower which is a gentle laxative, regulates digestion both in stomach and intestines, cleans and sweetens the stomach and alimentary canal, stimulates the liver to secrete the bile and impurities from the blood. It is a sovereign remedy used in many thousands of households all over the civilized world for more than half a century by those who have suffered with indigestion, nervous dyspepsia, sluggish liver, coming up of food, palpitation, constipation and other intestinal troubles. Sold by druggists and dealers everywhere. Try a bottle, take no substitute.—Adv.

**Music's Magic.**  
Flatbush—You know music has a wonderful influence over us.  
Bensonhurst—I know it.  
Flatbush—Did you ever feel the power of a singer over you?  
Bensonhurst—Oh, yes, often; I married one, you know.—Yonkers Statesman.

**"Cold in the Head"**  
Is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Persons who are subject to frequent "colds in the head" will find that the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will build up the system, cleanse the blood and render them less liable to colds. Repeated attacks of Acute Catarrh may lead to Chronic Catarrh.  
HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is taken internally and acts through the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system.  
All Druggists Sell. Testimonials free. \$100.00 for any case of catarrh that HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will not cure.  
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

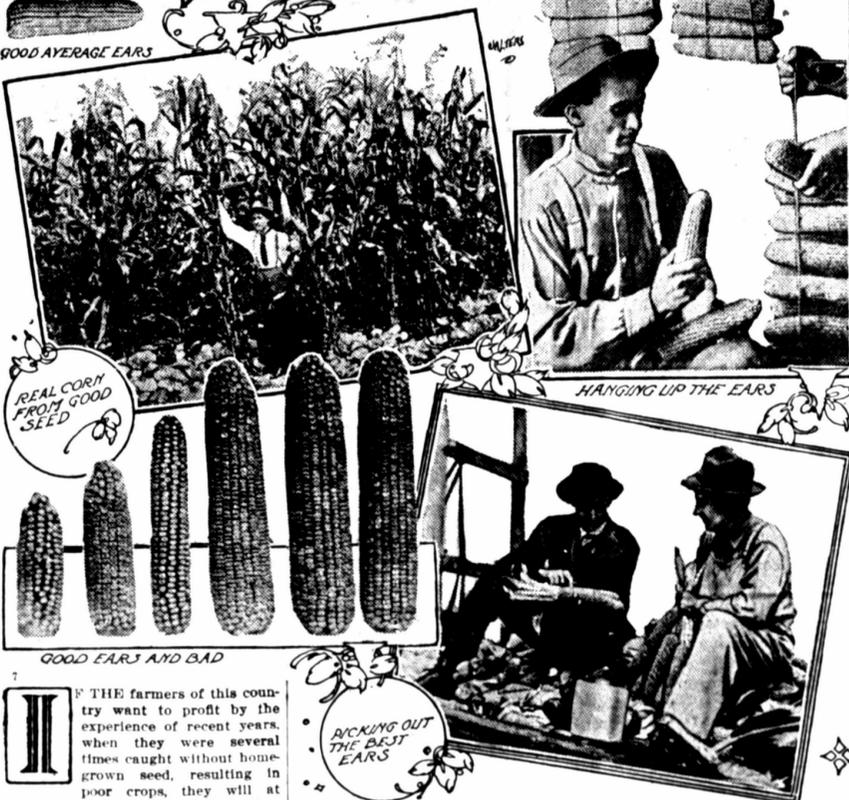
Don't wait until it begins to sprinkle before starting to lay in something for a rainy day.

It is easy to be content with what we have; it's what we haven't that worries us.

## Select Good Seed

# Corn: Take Care of It

By Robert H. Moulton



GOOD AVERAGE EARS

REAL CORN FROM GOOD SEED

GOOD EARS AND BAD

PICKING OUT THE BEST EARS

IF THE farmers of this country want to profit by the experience of recent years, when they were several times caught without home-grown seed, resulting in poor crops, they will at once turn their attention to the selection of plenty of good seed for their own use as well as to sell to their neighbors. If next year's corn crop should be a total or partial failure, it might not be possible to harvest any good seed at all from it. In that event, this year's seed, if properly chosen and well cared for during the winter months, will not only be good seed for 1920 but better seed in 1921 than imported seed will be.

In 1915, in the northern corn belt, most of the corn failed to mature. We had little good home-grown seed for the 1916 planting. This should have taught us a lesson. We should have saved a two years' supply for seed in 1916, but we didn't. In 1917 the corn again failed to mature and we were again caught without seed. The result was that the farmers of the United States lost millions of dollars because of the reduced yield in 1918. The 1919 corn crop promises to be one of the largest on record, and few farmers will have any excuse for not saving an abundance of seed.

To save plenty of good seed is always good business. If our surplus is not needed for seed it will not be wasted. It always will have a market value, or it may be fed to stock. If it should be needed for seed, it will be worth many times its market value as grain. We can import potatoes, oats or wheat, but we cannot import seed corn and expect to get as good results as we would get from corn grown in the immediate neighborhood.

The importance of testing seed corn before planting is now generally recognized and practiced by farmers everywhere, but all the testing in the world will avail nothing unless good seed is selected after harvest and then properly stored and cared for until testing time comes.

Paradoxical as it may seem, the best looking ears will not always prove to be the best for seed. As a matter of fact, one national authority on the subject states that he has frequently planted seed from blue-ribbon ears—ears judged according to the score card and seemingly physically perfect—and failed to get as good results from them as he did from ears which would never win a prize on account of their shape. The trouble is that these fine looking ears do not give any line on their yielding power until after they have been tested. Consequently, if a farmer selects ears based solely on their appearance, he might get nothing but poor reproducers, and it would then be too late to save other ears for planting.

Moreover, the big ears, which it is

human nature for the farmer to save, believing they should be best for seed, are more often than not abnormal ears, due to late maturing or to some defect which nature has endeavored to correct during the period of growing by the use of abnormal methods. As a general thing, the offspring of such an ear is weak.

A medium sized ear, say ten and a half or eleven inches long, with a circumference of approximately seven inches, is about right. Straight rows indicate careful selection and breeding in the seed which produced the ear, and for this reason are desirable. On the other hand, some varieties of corn are known by their characteristically crooked rows and should not be discriminated against. An average ear of the size stated will weigh about 14 ounces when its moisture content is 15 per cent, and it will shrink in length from one to two inches during the process of drying. Of course it will also shrink in circumference, which is something that is not generally observed by farmers.

Before the selected corn is finally stored it must be dried out, so that its moisture content will fall as low as 15 per cent, if possible. Under such conditions even a very hard freeze will have little or no effect on the vitality of the seed. If the drying out process can be carried on in a room where there is stove heat, or in another room near enough to get the heat from a stove, so much the better.

One of the best and simplest methods of storing seed corn is to tie it up with binder twine, each string containing from 12 to 15 ears. These strings may be suspended from wires strung in the barn or other places where the corn is to be kept, and it is important that the individual ears should not touch each other. Corn that is to be used for seed should never be piled up.

The best place to store corn is some place where it is dry, and where there is room for the circulation of air between the ears or rows. If a room or attic in the farmhouse can be utilized for this purpose, it makes an ideal storing place. But if any out-building must be used, care should be taken that the spot where the corn is to be hung is as free from dampness at all times as possible.

The corn crop of 1918 on 104,467,000 acres amounted to 2,502,665,000 bushels, worth \$2,416,240,000. The final report of the department of agriculture gives the acreage of 1919 as 102,075,000, the yield 2,917,450,000 bushels and the value \$3,934,234,000.

The average for the years 1913-17 is as follows: Acreage, 107,496,000; yield, 2,749,349,000 bushels; value, \$2,267,560,000.

### Record Crop Value.

Value of important farm crops of the United States for 1919 as given by the final report of the department of agriculture is \$14,002,740,000, compared with \$12,600,526,000, the revised figures of 1918, an increase of 41,492,214,000, based on prices to producers December 1. This is the greatest value ever given the nation's grain crops.

The five grains—wheat, corn, oats, rye and barley—aggregated 5,350,344,000 bushels, an increase of 41,541,000 bushels over last year. Acreage planted to the principal crops was 359,124,173, compared with 256,407,162 last year, an increase of 2,600,000 acres.

Value of the five leading grains was \$7,177,169,000, compared with \$6,761,390,000, an increase of \$415,803,000. The corn crop looms up in valuation above all others, and is next to the most valuable ever known, being worth \$3,934,234,000, or \$415,000,000 more than last year, and 7,000,000 bushels over previous estimates, with a crop of 2,917,450,000 bushels, the fourth largest on record, and 434,000,000 bushels over last year's.

Wheat yield was the second largest known, 940,987,000 bushels, a gain of 23,000,000 bushels over former returns and of 33,887,000 bushels compared with last year, and valued at \$1,543,452,000, compared with \$921,438,000 last year.

A fall down occurred in oats, with 1,248,310,000 bushels, or 28,000,000 bushels more than previously reported, but a loss of 290,000,000 bushels from last year and the shortest in recent years. Barley was also a disappointment with 165,719,000 bushels, a loss of 90,600,000 bushels for the year. Hay is a record crop of 108,626,000 tons, or 17,500,000 tons in excess of 1918. There is all the feed the country requires and provides a good surplus for export.

White potatoes turned out slightly above early estimates with 357,901,000 bushels, or 43,600,000 bushels short of last year.

A yield of 1,527,696,000 pounds of beet sugar was raised, compared with 1,530,126,000 pounds last year.

### Almost as Good.

"The farmer's wife tells me it is profitable to keep a pig to get rid of the scraps around the house."  
"I presume so. I find, however, that my husband will eat almost anything."

would sometimes take advantage of it. And a delighted class would have the novelty of hearing a lesson sung delightfully in a boy's soprano. Like the celebrated judgment in E flat of the lord chancellor in "Iolanthe," his efforts often deserved a double encore.

### Where Education Falls.

Furthermore, college education never in this world made a young man anxious to milk a cow in a muddy lot. —Dallas News.

## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By REV. F. E. FITZWATER, D. D., Teacher of English Bible in the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)  
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### LESSON FOR JANUARY 18

#### THE BOLDNESS OF PETER AND JOHN.

LESSON TEXT—Acts 4:1-31.  
GOLDEN TEXT—Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.—1 Cor. 16:13.  
ADDITIONAL MATERIAL—Matt. 5:10-12; Acts 4:13-18; 11 Tim. 4:6-8, 16-18; Heb. 11:32, 33.  
PRIMARY TOPIC—The Story of Two Brave Men.  
JUNIOR TOPIC—Peter and John Standing Up for Jesus.  
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Courage to Do the Right.

1. Peter and John Arrested (vv. 1-4).  
1. By Whom Arrested (vv. 1, 2). The priests and Sadducees. The priests were intolerant because these new teachers were encroaching upon their ministerial functions. The Sadducees opposed them from doctrinal consideration. They denied the resurrection from the dead and the future life. Although they were the intellectual liberals of their day they were cruelly intolerant. The most outstanding bigots of our day are the professed intellectuals whose watchword is "scholarship."

2. The Result (vv. 3, 4). Peter and John were now put in confinement till the next day, it being too late for trial that day. Though the apostles were held by chains Christ continued to work for the number of believers had now greatly increased. Opposition helps God's cause.

11. Peter and John on Trial (vv. 5-12).

1. The Inquiry (vv. 5-7). They were asked, "By what power, or in what name, have ye done this?" This inquiry admitted the reality of the miracle.

2. Peter's Answer (vv. 8-12). With stinging sarcasm he showed them that they were not being tried as evil doers, but for doing good to the helpless and needy man. He showed the absurdity of dealing with men as criminals who had merely relieved the suffering and helpless man from distress—thus the rulers were placed in a most ridiculous and embarrassing position. Since they could not deny the miracle, Peter boldly declared, "Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand before you whole. This is the stone which was set at naught by you builders, which is to become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other form; for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby ye must be saved."

111. The Impression Upon the Sanhedrin (vv. 13-22).

1. They marvelled (v. 13). The fact that the apostles spoke so boldly, being unlearned men, caused them to marvel. They saw that the behavior and words of Peter were as unusual as the miracle.

2. They took knowledge that they had been with Jesus (v. 13). They saw that though they had killed Jesus, his life and work were being reproduced in his disciples. Being with Christ (1) gives an experiential knowledge of him. The one who really knows Christ can and will testify of him and for him. (2) Gives freedom from fear. Peter, who shortly before this quailed before a Jewish maid, was now bold before the most august assembly of the Jews. (3) Opens a man's lips. What the heart feels, the mouth must speak out.

3. The judges commanded them not to speak in Christ's name (v. 18). They could not deny the miracle nor gainsay the accusation which Peter brought against them, so they attempted to intimidate them.

4. Peter and John's reply (vv. 19, 20). They expressed their determination to disobey their instructors—they openly defied the Sanhedrin. "Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye; for we cannot speak the things which we have seen and heard." By this declaration they repudiated the authority of the rulers of Israel and set the church in a place of independence from the Jewish state.

5. Their release (v. 21). Having further threatened them, the Sanhedrin let them go, as it had no way to punish them, since the people were on their side.

IV. The Church at Prayer. (vv. 23-31).

As soon as Peter and John were set free they hastened away to their disciples and rehearsed to them their experience. They took the matter to God in prayer, and in their communion they turned to the Holy Scriptures for comfort and strength.

### Forgive and Forgiven.

Of him that hopes to be forgiven it is indispensably required that he forgive. It is, therefore, superfluous to urge any other motive. On this great duty eternity is suspended, and to him that refuses to practice it, the throne of mercy is inaccessible, and the Savior of the world has been born in vain.—Johnson.

### Fellow-Worker With God.

We are God's fellow-workers in the work of human salvation. He is depending upon our co-operation.

## NERVOUS PROSTRATION

**Mrs. J. Christman Proved That Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a Remedy for this Trouble.**

Binghamton, N. Y.—"I was in a very nervous condition for over a year, my mind was gloomy, could see no light on anything, could not work and could not have anyone to see me. Doctor's medicine did not help me and Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended. I took it and in a few weeks I recommenced it to all afflicted with nervous prostration."—Mrs. J. CHRISTMAN, 193 Oak Street, Binghamton, New York.

The success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, is unparalleled. It may be used with perfect confidence by women who suffer from nervous prostration, displacements, inflammation, ulceration, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion and dizziness. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the standard remedy for female ills. If there are any complications about which you need advice write in confidence to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

Satisfactorily Explained. Judge—How could you get so badly injured by simply going through a floor.

Prisoner—Sure, I forgot to mention that the door was shut when I went through.—London Answers.

## Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It

Applicants for Insurance Often Rejected.

Judging from reports from druggists who are constantly in direct touch with the public, there is one preparation that has been very successful in overcoming these conditions. The mild and healing influence of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its remarkable record of success.

An examining physician for one of the prominent Life Insurance Companies, in an interview on the subject, made the astonishing statement that one reason why so many applicants for insurance are rejected is because kidney trouble is so common to the American people, and the large majority of those whose applications are declined do not even suspect that they have the disease. It is on sale at all drug stores in bottles of two sizes, medium and large.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

His Guess. "Why do so many people neglect opportunity?"

"Because they're sitting up to welcome trouble, I take it," responded old Uncle Pennywise.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## "CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP" IS CHILD'S LAXATIVE

Look at tongue! Remove poison from stomach, liver and bowels.



Accept "California" Syrup of Figs only—look for the name California on the package, then you are sure your child is having the best and most harmless laxative or physic for the little stomach, liver and bowels. Children love its delicious fruity taste. Full directions for child's dose on each bottle. Give it without fear.

Mother! You must say "California!" —Adv.

Better Start It. Under scientific and machine operation it is said the annual yield of the American farm could amount to 2,000,000,000 bushels of wheat and 5,000,000,000 bushels of corn.

## Comfort Your Skin With Cuticura Soap and Fragrant Talcum

Soap 25c, Ointment 25c and 50c, Talcum 25c.

## A Bad Cough

Is neglected, often leads to serious trouble. Relieve your cough, soothe your throat by taking PISO'S

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**A PORTALES MAN'S EXPERIENCE**

Can you doubt the evidence of this Portales man's experience? You can verify Portales endorsement. Read this:

Charles W. Carroll, Box 175, says: "My kidneys got out of order about three years ago and caused me a heap of trouble. My back was so lame and weak, I could hardly bend over. My kidneys were in bad shape and caused me much annoyance. I felt tired out and had no ambition. Mornings, I felt unrefreshed. A friend recommended Doan's Kidney Pills and I got some at Neer's drug store. About four boxes of Doan's cured me, fixing me up in A-1 shape."  
60c at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Rev. F. G. Callaway has sold his residence property to Fred Luper, of the Universal Garage. We are glad to have the Luper's permanently located in Portales.

If you want to sell your land see Bieler & Hill. It

**DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY TICKET**

Following are all the Candidates before the Democratic Primaries of Roosevelt County.

District Attorney, Fifth Judicial District, comprising the counties of Roosevelt, Curry and DeBaca—  
C. M. COMPTON, JR., Portales, N. M.

Sheriff—  
GEO. G. HENDERSON  
JESS McCORMACK  
BEN B. NASH  
SAM B. BOONE  
JOE BOREN  
W. E. (Emzy) ROBERTS, Emzy, New Mexico.  
J. R. (Bob) POINDEXTER.

Treasurer—  
J. R. SHOCK, Floyd, N. M.  
FRANK GREATHOUSE, of Inez.

Clerk—  
R. H. GRISSOM, Elida, N. M.  
A. J. GOODWIN, Portales, N. M.

Assessor—  
V. J. CAMPBELL, Longs, N. M.  
P. M. FORTNER, of Rogers.

County Superintendent of Schools—  
J. V. BIELER, of Portales.  
R. A. PALM, of Arch.

Probate Judge—  
Commissioner, 1st District—  
CALVIN R. LANGSTON.

Commissioner, 2nd District—  
GEO. T. LITTLEFIELD, of Kenna.  
LEWIS M. TIPTON, of Elida.

Commissioner, 3rd District—  
CHAS. S. TOLER, (re-election) Claudell, N. M.

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL**

Tell us your wants. We will try to supply them. Bieler & Hill. It

Mrs. E. E. Hoagland and children have gone to California to spend the remainder of the winter

C. W. Carroll arrived from Ranger, Texas, on the south bound Sunday.

Slim Snell is back home for keeps after several months absence in Texas.

FOR SALE—Four room house, 5 acre block, \$1,800.00, Bieler & Hill. It

Mrs. C. V. Harris and daughter Mrs. Connally, left Tuesday for Mineral Wells, Texas.

Carl Slaughter who has been ill at a sanitarium at Dallas, Texas, is reported to be improving rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Miller left Sunday for Nocona, Texas, for a few days visit with relatives and friends.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Pendergraft of Carney, Okla., are in the city visiting the Dr's sister, Mrs. N. F. Wollard.

Frank Beard has purchased a five-acre tract from A. J. Goodwin. The property is located in the northwest suburb of the city.

H. W. Cutler, of Redland, was a Portales visitor Saturday. He was returning to his home after having spent several months at work at Ranger, Texas.

Mrs. Chas. Hagerling returned Monday from Oklahoma City, after a brief visit with homefolks.

Roy W. Connally of Fort Sumner was a Portales visitor Monday of this week.

25c BLEACH HUCK TOWEL, 15c

Red bordered and measures 14x27 A handy towel at a remarkably low price.

It JOYCE-PRUIT CO.

A CONVENIENCE.



"So you think the Santa Claus myth is a good thing?"  
"Yes, it's a great convenience to have some imaginary person to take the responsibility when the children are disappointed Christmas morning."

A Christmas "Suppose."

We would not change the children's Christmas. But suppose all the grown-up people were to say to one another: "This year, instead of my giving you a present and your giving me a present, let us club together and give our present to some poor child who will not have any Christmas. There are hundreds of them somewhere. Or, if we do not know of such a child, let us give our present to a hospital for children, a home for crippled children, for incurables, for the aged, the blind, the feeble-minded." This to be, of course, in addition to what we usually give to charities at this season. Why could we not try this as an experiment, and see what the result would be?—Christian Register.

Touched His Heart, Not Pure.

A very ragged individual invaded the office of a millionaire one Christmas eve and started describing his woes and sorrows in so graphic a manner that the millionaire was more affected than he had ever been before in his life.

At last, with tears in his eyes, he rang the bell for his servant, and when the latter arrived, said to him in a broken voice: "John, put this poor fellow out at once. He's breaking my heart."

Their Annual Resolve.

Probably the girls are saying the same thing this year that they have said every year in the past: "Well, I'm going to start making presents right away for next Christmas."

**...Security State Bank...**  
Under National and State Supervision  
**Wants Your Banking Business**

**SANTA BANNED BY PURITAN FATHERS**

No Christmas Festivities or Gifts for Children in Massachusetts in Early Days

**DAY JUST LIKE ANY OTHER**

Condition Somewhat Better for Youngsters in New Amsterdam—Holiday Observance Toyless in the Colonies in Seventeenth Century

In the early days of this country's history Christmas festivities were not generally observed and poor old "Santa Claus," and all he represents, had a hard time of it.  
In Massachusetts the observance of Christmas was utterly denounced as an evil, ungodly and pernicious custom, and any child daring to think of as much as a plum pudding on that day would make herself liable to reproof by the authorities. All along the stern and rock-bound coast, Ger-sidine Ames writes in the Cushman, the only Christmas trees in the days of the Puritan domination were those that nature had planted there and had adorned with fleecy snow. The fires burned brightly on the open hearths, but as far as the children knew Christmas was just like any other day in the calendar. Even after the Puritan reaction against the forms and customs of the old church had spent itself to some extent the children of the seventeenth century still expected no gifts in honor of the birth of Christ.  
In New Amsterdam the outlook was a little better for the children. The Hollanders had brought with them their St. Nicholas, and his birthday was celebrated joyously by young and old just before Christmas, but Christmas was also observed. Of course, they had not many real toys as we know them today, but in the shoes

that the little Hollanders set by the fireplace in the shining kitchen, which was also the living room, were homemade gifts. Many of these were of a useful character, such as hand-knit caps and mittens, but now and then a skillful Hollander would carve a model of a boat such as that which had brought them to New Amsterdam, or a miniature chest of drawers, and one can fancy the recipients showing these with pride to the wondering little Indian boys and girls when they came to be on terms of sufficient amity with them for such conferences.

In Virginia, where the church of England was strong and its adherents steadfastly observed the holidays as in the home country, there was always more of the Christmas spirit and abundant cheer and merrymaking than elsewhere at this season. Here the Yule log held its place and here were the games and the feasting that made it indeed the merry season of the year. Later when New Amsterdam became New York and the English came in to power the character of the Christmas holiday was changed somewhat, although the Dutch influence continued dominant for many years.

Throughout the colonies in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries toys were an almost unknown factor, but wherever Christmas observances were not frowned upon by religion, feasting and good cheer were abundant, and bond and free, rich and poor, old and young, shared in the games, abundant food and genial atmosphere. In the eighteenth century toys began to make their appearance in the colonies. Some of them were brought from over seas and had the enchanting quality of novelty. Little girls who had helped to mother their younger brothers and sisters were delighted with dolls that were all their own, to fondle and cuddle. A toy was a thing to be cherished in those days. Some of the gifts were of real intrinsic value, for the shipping and trading were growing to be important factors in the colonies, and men brought treasures of all kinds from the far East to the seaports, whence they were distributed to other parts of the colonies. The war for independence interrupted this and the chil-

dren shared in the self-sacrifices and deprivations that were undergone by all the families living in the colonies at that time. When soldiers were starving at Valley Forge there was little thought in their homes of Christmas merrymakings and little out of which to provide it.

After the war there were still lean years, but by the opening of the nineteenth century peace and plenty smiled upon the land and Santa Claus found it safe to resume his visits and make his distributions.

**Remember Old Friends.**

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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., December 11th, 1919.  
Notice is hereby given that George W. Morgan, of Upton, N. M., who, on May 16th, 1916, made homestead entry No. 014010, for 8 1/2 section 5, township 2 S., range 30 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before J. C. Compton, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 20th day of January, 1920.  
Claimant names as witnesses:  
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### ASSESSOR'S NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC!

"The laws of the State of New Mexico require that every inhabitant of the State, of full age and sound mind, shall, in each year, make a list of all property subject to taxation of which he is the owner or has the control or management. Such list must be on the form prescribed by law by the State Tax Commission and must be made and filed in the office of the County Assessor on or after the first day of January and not later than the last business day of February of each year."

In compliance with law and for the convenience of taxpayers I will be at the various places in Roosevelt county on the respective dates as follows, for the purpose of taking lists of property.

Pre.	Name and Location.	Date.	Pre.	Name and Location.	Date.
1,	Portales, Assessors office	Jan. 1 to Feb. 28	29,	Kenna, Kenna Bank	Jan. 19
13,	Midway, Tom Davidson res.	Jan. 5	10,	Valley View, old Postoffice	Jan. 20
16,	Inez, postoffice	Jan. 6	9,	Eagle Hill, Beebe store	Jan. 21
15,	Old Redland, Cox's store	Jan. 7	9,	Milnesand, Postoffice	Jan. 21
15,	Garrison, Brown's store	Jan. 8	28,	Bluit, Postoffice	Jan. 23
11,	Rogrs, Postoffice	Jan. 9	28,	Lingo, Postoffice	Jan. 24
6,	Longs, Postoffice	Jan. 10	18,	Upton, Postoffice	Jan. 26
30,	Richland, Postoffice	Jan. 12	20,	Claudell, Postoffice	Jan. 27
24,	New Hope, Postoffice	Jan. 13	5,	Tolar, Postoffice	Jan. 28 and 29
17,	Redlake, Postoffice	Jan. 14	22,	Perry, School house	Jan. 30
25,	Delphos, Postoffice	Jan. 15	2,	Elida, 1st Door South of Postoffice	Feb. 2 to 7 inclusive
15,	Causey, Postoffice	Jan. 16			

Any person failing to meet me at these appointments may make return to my office in Portales at any time within the limits fixed by law as given above, or blank for making rendition will be sent upon application, by mail or in person, to my office.

"A penalty of twenty-five per cent in addition to the regular valuation, must be added to the value of all property not listed for assessment within the time and in the form prescribed by law. No exceptions can be made to this law."

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In the District Court of Roosevelt County, State of New Mexico.

R. A. Winstead, Plaintiff, vs. R. F. Pepper, Ethel Pepper, and Ed Hudson, Defendants. No. 1485

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE.

Whereas, on the 16th day of October, 1919, in cause No. 1485, pending in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of New Mexico, in and for the county of Roosevelt, wherein R. A. Winstead is plaintiff and R. F. Pepper, Ethel Pepper and Ed Hudson are defendants, plaintiff recovered a judgment on eight certain promissory notes and interest and mortgage executed by defendants, R. F. Pepper and Ethel Pepper, unto plaintiff, on the 10th day of November, 1917, and the said mortgaged premises hereinafter described, was on the 10th day of November, 1917, sold, transferred and conveyed by the said defendants, R. F. Pepper and Ethel Pepper by their warranty deed, unto the defendant, Ed Hudson, and in that said deed of conveyance unto him, Ed Hudson, he assumed and agreed to pay off and discharge said notes and mortgage; the said notes being in the principal sum of \$100.00 each, and the said notes aggregating the principal sum of \$800.00, and each of said notes bear interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from January 1st, 1918, until paid; and the additional sum of \$25.59 as taxes paid by plaintiff upon said mortgaged premises; together with all costs of suit, and a decree foreclosing said mortgage, given for the security of said sums and amounts for which judgment was rendered, upon and against, and to be satisfied out of the property and premises so mortgaged being the following described real estate, situate, lying and being in Roosevelt County, State of New Mexico as follows, to-wit:

The northeast quarter of section twenty-four, township four south, range thirty-four east, N. M. Meridian, New Mexico, containing 160 acres, according to the government survey thereof. And all improvements thereon.

And decreeing said amount for which judgment was rendered to be a prior and superior lien on said premises in favor of plaintiff and against all of said defendants; that said judgment will amount to the date of sale hereinafter fixed, to the sum of \$990.25, besides costs of suit and costs of sale; and

WHEREAS, M. B. Jones was appointed by the court in said decree, Special Master, to advertise and sell said property according to law and apply the proceeds in satisfaction of said judgment and costs; therefore, by virtue of said decree as aforesaid and the authority in me vested as such Special Master, I will, on the 22nd day of January, 1920, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the northeast front door of the court house in the town of Portales, New Mexico, sell said described property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder for the purpose of satisfying said judgment, interest, costs, and accruing costs.

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"JUST A GIRL!"

Synopsis—The man who tells this story—call him the hero, for shortly he is visiting his friend, John Saunders, British official in Nassau, Bahama Islands. Charles Webster, a local merchant, completes the trio of friends. Saunders produces a written document purporting to be the death-bed statement of Henry P. Tobias, a successful pirate, made by him in 1860. It gives two spots where two millions and a half of treasure were buried by him and his companions. The conversation of the three friends is overheard by a pook-marked stranger. The document disappears. Saunders, however, has a copy. The hero, determined to seek the buried treasure, chartered a schooner. The pook-marked man is taken on as a passenger. On the voyage somebody empties the gasoline tank. The hero and the passenger clash, the passenger leaving a manifesto bearing the signature, "Henry P. Tobias, Jr." The hero lands on Dead Men's Shore. There is a fight, which is followed by several funerals. The hero finds a cave containing the skeletons of two pirates and a massive chest—empty save for a few pieces of eight scattered on the bottom. The hero returns to Nassau and by good luck learns the location of Short Shrift Island. Webster buys the yawl Flamingo, and he and the hero sail for Short Shrift Island. As the Flamingo leaves the wharf a young fellow, "Jack Harkaway," jumps aboard and is allowed to remain. Jack proves an interesting and mysterious passenger. The adventurers hunt ducks on Andros Island, with an eye out for Tobias.

CHAPTER IV—Continued.

Besides, I had my wonderful young friend, to whom I grew dally more attached. I found myself feeling drawn to him as I can imagine a young father is drawn to a young son! and sometimes I seemed to see in his eyes the suggestion of a confidence he was on the edge of making me—a whimsical, pondering expression, as though wondering whether he dare to tell me or not.

"What is it, Jack?" I asked him for once when, early in our acquaintance, we had asked him what we were to call him, he had answered with a laugh: "Oh, call me Jack—Jack Harkaway. That is my name when I go on adventures. Tell me your adventure names. I don't want your prosaic every-day names." "Well," I had replied, entering into the lad's humor, "my friend here is Sir Francis Drake, and I, well—I'm Sir Henry Morgan."

"What is it, Jack?" I repeated. But he shook his head. "No!" he replied, "I like you ever so much—and I wish I could; but I mustn't."

"Somebody else's secret again?" I ventured.

"Yes!" And he added: "This time it's mine, too. But—some day perhaps; who knows?" He broke off in boyish confusion.

"All right, dear Jack," I said, patting his shoulder, "take your own time. We're friends anyway."

"That we are," responded the lad, with a fine glow.

I mustn't be too hard on Charlie, for Charlie had another object in his trip besides duck. As a certain poet brutally puts it, he had anticipated also "the hunting of man." In addition, though it is against the law of those Britannic Islands, he had promised me a flamingo or two for decorative purposes. However, flamingos and Tobias alike kept out of gunshot and, as the week grew toward its end, Charlie began to grow a little restive.

"It looks," he murmured one evening, as we had completed our fourteenth meal of roast duck, and were musing over our after-duck cigars, "it looks as if I am not going to have any use for this."

He had taken a paper from his pocket. It was a warrant with which he had provided himself, empowering him to arrest the said Henry P. Tobias, or the person passing under that name, on two counts: First, that of sedition practices, with intent to spread treason among his majesty's subjects, and, second, that of willful murder on the high seas.

Charlie put the warrant back into his pocket and gazed disgustedly across the creek, where the loveliest of young moons was rising behind a frieze of the homeless, barbaric brush.

"There was never such a place in the world," he asserted, "to hide in—or get lost in—or to starve in. I have often thought that it would make the most effective prison in the world."

The young moon rose and rose, while Charlie sat in the dusk of our shanty, like a meditative mountain, saying nothing, the glowing end of his cigar occasionally hinting at the circumference of his face.

"I'll get him, all the same," he said presently, coming out of a sort of trance, in which, as I understood later, his mind had been making a geographical survey of our neighborhood, going up and down every creek and corner on a radius of fifty miles.

sequences, and which, as a matter of fact did have—though not at the moment.

Neglecting everything a man should do to his gun when he is finished with it for the day, I had left two cartridges in it, left the trigger on the hair-trigger of eternity, and other enormities for which Charlie presently, and quite rightly, chafed me with profanity; in short, my big toe tripped over the beast as it stood carelessly against the wall of my cabin, and, as it fell, I received the contents in the fleshy part of my shoulder.

The explosion brought the whole crew out of their shanty, in a state of gesticulating nature and, as Charlie, growling like a bear, was helping to bring first aid, suddenly our young friend Jack—whose romantic youth preferred sleeping outside in a hammock slung between two palm trees—put him aside.

"I know better how to do this than you, Sir Francis," he said, laughing. "Let's have a look at your medicine chest, and give me the lint quick."

So Jack took charge and acted with such confidence and skill—flippantly tending up my wound, which was but a slight one—that Charlie stood by dumbfounded and with a curious soft look in his face which I didn't understand till later.

Then Jack looked up for a moment and caught Charlie's wondering look; and it seemed to me that he changed color and looked fright-ned.

"Sir Francis is jealous," he said; "but I've finished now. I guess you'll sleep all right after that dose I gave you. Good night. . . ." And he slipped away.

Jack had proved himself a practiced surgeon and, as he predicted, I slept well—so well and so far into next



Jack Looked Up for a Moment and Caught Charlie's Wondering Look.

morning that Charlie at last had to waken me.

"What do you think?" were his first words.

"Why, what?" I asked, sitting up and wincing from my wounded shoulder.

"Our young friend has skipped in the night! Gone off on that little nigger sloop that dropped in here yesterday afternoon, I guess."

"You don't mean it?"

"No doubt of it—I wonder whether you've had the same thought as I had. You know I always said there was a mystery about that boy? Did you notice the way he bound your shoulder last night?"

"What of it?"

"Did you ever see a man bind a wound like that?"

"What do you mean?"

"I mean simply that the mystery about our Jack Harkaway was just this: Jack Harkaway was no boy at all—but just a girl; a brick of a dare-devil girl!"

CHAPTER V.

Better Than Duck.

Charlie Webster's discovery—if discovery it was—of "Jack Harkaway's" true sex seemed so far plausible in that it accounted not only for much that had seemed mysterious about him and his manner, but also (though this I did not mention to Charlie) it accounted for certain dim feelings of my own, of which, before, I had been scarcely conscious.

But we were not long left to continue our speculations, being presently interrupted by the arrival of exciting news in the form of a note from Father Serapion.

Father Serapion's note simply confirmed his conjecture that it was Tobias who had bought rum at Behring's Point and that he was probably somewhere in the network of creeks and mari lagoons in our neighborhood. Charlie thought the news over.

"I'll tell you what we'll do," he said presently. "I'm going to leave you here—and I'm going to charter the sponger out there. Turner's sound has two outlets; this and Goose river, ten miles down the shore. Now, if Tobias is inside here he can only get out either down here or down Goose river. I am going down in the sponger to the mouth of Goose river, to keep watch there, and you must stay where you are and keep watch here. Between the two of us a week will starve him out."

So it was settled, and presently Charlie went along with two of his best guns and Sailor, in the rowboat, and I saw him no more for a week.

At the end of the week the wind was blowing strong from the west and the tides ran high. About noon we caught sight of triumphant sails making up the river. It was Charlie back again.

"Got him?" was all he said, as he rowed ashore.

Sailor was with him in the rowboat, but I noticed that he was limping, going on three legs.

"Yes!" said Charlie. "It's lucky for Tobias he only got Sailor's foot, or, by the living God I'd have stoned my trial for manslaughter, or whatever they call it. It'll soon be all right, old man," he said, taking Sailor's wounded paw in his hand, "soon be all right." Sailor wagged his tail vigorously, to show that a gunshot through one of his legs was a mere nothing.

"Yes!" said Charlie, as we sat at lunch in the shack, under the tamarind tree; "we've got him safe there under decks all right; chained up like a buoy. If he can get away, I'll believe in the devil."

"Won't you tell me about it?" I asked.

"Not much to tell; too easy altogether. I waited a couple of days at the mouth of Goose river. Then I got tired and left the sponger with the captain and two or three men, while I went up the river with a couple of guns and Sailor, and a man to pole the skiff—just for some duck-shooting, you know. We lay low for two days on the marshes and then Sailor got sniffing the wind one morning, as if there was something around he didn't care much for. He grew more and more excited and, at last, as we neared a certain mangrove cove to which all the time he had been pointing, he barked two or three times and I let him go. Poor old fellow!"

As he told the story, Sailor, who seemed to understand every word, rubbed his head against his master's hand.

"He went into the mangroves, just as he'd go after duck, but he'd hardly gone in when there were two shots and he came out limping, making for me. But by this I was close up to the mangroves myself, and in another minute I was inside; and there was Tobias—his gun at his shoulder. He had a pot at me, but before he could try another I knocked him down with my fire and—Well, we've got him all right. And now you can go after your treasure as soon as you like. I'll take him over to Nassau and you can fool around for the next month or so. Of course we'll need you at the trial, but that won't come off for a couple of months. Meanwhile, you can let me know where you are, in case I should need to get hold of you."

"All right, old man," I said, "but I wish you were coming along with me."

"I've got all the treasure I want," laughed Charlie. "Send me word where you are, as soon as you get a chance; and good luck to you, old chap, and your doubloons and pieces of eight!"

Then he walked down to his rowboat and soon he was aboard the sponger. Her sails ran up and they were off down stream—poor Tobias, manacled, somewhere between decks.

"See you in Nassau!" I shouted.

"Right-o!"

Book III

CHAPTER I.

In Which We Gather Shells—and Other Matters.

With Charlie gone and duck-shooting not being one of my passions, there was nothing to detain me in Andros. So we were soon under way, out of the river, and heading north up the western shore of the big monotonous island. We had some fifty miles to make before we reached its northern extremity—and, all the way, we seldom had more than two fathoms of water, and the coast was the same interminable line of mangroves and thatch palms, with occasional clumps of pine trees, and here and there the mouth of a creek, leading into duck-haunted swamps.

At last we came to a little foam-fringed cay, where it was conceivable that the shyest and rarest shell would choose to make its home—a tiny aristocrat, driven out of the broad tideways by the coarser ambitions and the ruder strength of great molluscs that feed and grow fat and house

themselves in crude convolutions of uncouthly striving horn.

It was impossible to imagine a cay better answering to my conchologist's description of Short Shrift Island. Its situation and general character, too, bore out the surmise. On landing, also, we found that it answered in two important particulars to Tobias' narrative. We found, as he had declared, that there was good water there for passing ships. Also, we found, in addition to the usual scrub, that cabbage-wood trees grew there very plentifully, particularly, as he said, on the highest part of the island. So, having talked it all over with Tom, I decided that here we would stay for a time and try our luck.

But, first, having heard from the sponging captain that he was en route for Nassau, I gave him a letter to Charlie Webster, telling him of our whereabouts, in case he should have sudden need of me with regard to Tobias.

The reader may recall that Tobias' narrative in reference to his second "pod" of one million dollars had run: "On the highest point of this Short Shrift Island is a large cabbage-wood stump, and twenty feet south of that stump is the treasure, buried five feet deep and can be found without difficulty." But which was the highest point? There were several hillocks that might claim to be that—all about equal in height.

However, as the high points of the island were only seven in all, it was no difficult matter to try them all out, one by one, as we had plenty of time and plenty of hands for the work. For, of course, it would have been idle to attempt any concealment of my object from the crew. Therefore, I took them from their shell-gathering and, having duly measured out twenty feet south from each promising cabbage-wood stump, set them to work. They worked with a will, for I promised them a generous share of whatever we found.

Alas! it was an inexpensive promise, for when we had duly turned up the ground, not only twenty feet, but thirty, forty and fifty feet, not only south but north, east and west of the various cabbage-wood stumps on the seven various eminences, we were none of us the richer by a single piece of eight. Then we tried the other cabbage-wood stumps on lower ground, and any other likely-looking spots, till, after working for nearly a fortnight, we must have dug up most of the island.

And then Tom came to me with the news that our provisions were beginning to give out. As it was, he said, before we returned to Nassau, we should have to put in at Flying Fish Cove—a small settlement on the larger island some five miles to the north—for the purchase of various necessities.

"All right, Tom," I said, "I guess the game is up! Let's start out tomorrow morning. You may as well have your sucking fish back, Tom," I said, laughing in self-disgust. "I shall have no more need of it. I am through with treasure hunting."

"I'd keep it little longer, sar," answered Tom; "you never know."

I had made up my mind to start on the homeward trip early the following morning, but something happened that very evening to change my plans. I had dropped into the little settlement's one store, to buy some tobacco, the only kind that Charlie Webster declared fit to smoke.

I stayed chatting with the store-keeper—a lean, astute-looking Englishman, with the un-English name of Sweeney—who made a pretty good thing of selling his motley merchandise to the poor natives, on the good old business principle of supplying goods of the poorest possible quality at the highest possible prices.

While he was attending a little group of customers I had wandered toward the back of the store, curiously examining the thousand and one commodities which supplied the strange needs of humanity here in this lost corner of the world; and, thus occupied, I was diverted by a voice like sudden music, a voice oddly rich and laughing and confident for such grim and sinister surroundings. It was one, too, which I seemed to have heard before, and not so very long ago. When I turned in its direction I was immediately arrested, as one always is by any splendor of vitality; for a startling contrast indeed—to the spiritless, furtive figures that had been coming and going hitherto—was this superb young creature, tall and lithe, with proudly carried head on glorious shoulders. Her skin was a golden olive, and it had been hard to say which was the more intensely black—her hair, or the proud eyes which, turning presently in my direction, seemed to strike upon me as with an actual impact of soft fire.

An entrancing girl and an ancient gold piece.

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National Anthems.

"The Star-Spangled Banner" is now regarded as our national anthem; that of England, "God Save the King"; France, "The Marseillaise." The other allies apparently have no distinguishing title for their national airs. The national air of Italy is known to us simply as the "Italian National Hymn" and that of Portugal as the "National Air of Portugal," etc.

Road to Wealth.

We've often thought what a pity it is that a man can't dispose of his experience for as much as it cost him—Bakridge Independent.

Watch Your Kidneys!

That "bad back" is probably due to weak kidneys. It shows in a dull, throbbing backache, or sharp twinges when stooping. You have headaches, too, dizzy spells, a tired nervous feeling and irregular kidney action. Don't neglect it—there is danger of dropsy, gravel or Bright's disease! Use Doan's Kidney Pills. Thousands have saved themselves more serious ailments by the timely use of Doan's. Ask Your Neighbor!

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James Driscoll, retired lumberman, 816 East Avenue, Lawton, Okla., says: "My kidney trouble covered a long period. I first noticed a sore feeling across my kidneys, and it was hard for me to lift. At times sharp pains caught me and were most severe. Plasters relieved the trouble, but it would return in a very short time. I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills and tried them. I started to get well right away and after I had taken a few boxes I was cured."



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Bowels that move spasmodically—free one day and stubborn the next—should be healthfully regulated by Dr. King's New Life Pills. In this way you keep the impurities of waste matter from circulating through the system by cleansing the bowels thoroughly and promoting the proper flow of bile.

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A Symbol.

W. B. Trites, a novelist, who is tall and lean, said at a dinner in Philadelphia:

"Bernard Shaw is a rich man now, but there was once a time when he was very poor. I met him during that time, and I ventured to say to him: 'How excessively tall and lean you are!'"

"All artists," he answered, "are excessively tall and lean—a symbol of lofty aims and narrow means."

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"I was so very weak and nervous, had lost all my appetite and had become in such a bad physical condition that at times I could not walk. I saw your advertisement in Rich-Tone and am now taking it. I feel so much better that I take pleasure in recommending Rich-Tone to all my friends as the very best tonic in the world."

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Rich-Tone makes more red corpuscles, enriching and purifying the blood. It contains all of the elements that are needed most in maintaining strength and vigor. Rich-Tone rests the tired nerves, restores appetite, induces healthful sleep—gives you all those things which mean energy and well-being. Get a bottle today—only \$1.00 at all drug stores. A. B. Roberts Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas

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**EMZY ITEMS**

A fine snow is on the ground which will assure plenty of moisture for the farmers to get their ground in fine shape for planting.

Walter Scott has rented his farm out and moving to Portales. The oil well at Emzy is progressing nicely. They will soon be ready to go to pounding away for oil.

There will be quite a bit of cotton planted near Emzy and Red land this year, the farmers say.

Bruce Horner realized about \$30 per acre out of his cotton crop, which sounds mighty good to some of us. Jim Caviness has about fifty acres listed up and he expects a bumper crop.

Jack rabbit hunting has been the main sport for the past few days.

Jess Campbell and his partner, Rex, have caught two rabbits the past two days and he says they are worth the money.

"The Wandering Jew."

Mrs. J. W. Stuckey and daughter, Miss Ruth, left Tuesday morning for Kingsville, Texas, for an extended visit with Mrs. Stuckey's daughter, Mrs. D. W. Largent.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Williamson and their son, Randolph, left the latter part of the week for Mineral Wells. They will be gone about a month.

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**SHE'D PRAISE IT ALL OF HER LIFE**

**Mrs. Flannigan Is Grateful for Relief Obtained Through Use of Tanlac.**

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"For three years," she continued, "I suffered something awful with cold chills and smothering spells. My heart would thump like a trip-hammer and then I would almost stop and then I would be too nervous to keep still and would often turn right blind. I would break out in cold sweats and then would get so hot they would have to fan me to keep me from smothering. There was a hard lump in my stomach, and no matter how much medicine I took those awful spells kept coming on."

"Three months ago I started taking Tanlac and began to pick up right along. Nothing I eat disagrees with me, that lump stopped forming in my stomach and the chills, hot spells and blindness have never come back. I now weigh twenty pounds more than I did before and feel all right. My daughter Elsie was all run down and unfit for work, but Tanlac built her up so she is able to work ten hours a day."

Tanlac is sold in Portales by Ed J. Neer. adv.

S. N. Hancock has been appointed as City Clerk to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. H. Braley.

**HUNDREDS ARE SAVING MONEY IN OUR January Clearance Sale**

**BIG SALE OF ARMY BLANKETS, - - - \$5.85**  
We have just received a case of Army blankets in Khaki and grey, and offer them while they last at this low price. All-Wool blankets and seven foot long.

**Many Are Buying Suits and Dresses at - - - 1-3 Off**  
And we predict that those who do not will regret it, in view of the large advances in prices of Spring Suits and Dresses.

**35c MUSLIN—25c Per Yd.**  
A standard, good quality Bleach Save 10c per yard now. This Muslin is 40c for Spring.  
**9-4 BLEACHED SHEETING**  
Our Best Quality, per yd. 75c  
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**50c Pillow Tubing, 42 inch 42 1/2c**  
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A 30c Sea Island Muslin, 36 inches wide and a fine thread.  
**YARD WIDE LIGHT PERCALE**  
Large variety of patterns, both figures and stripes, per yd. 27 1/2c  
**40c PILLOW CASES—25c**  
Size 40x36.  
**50c Extra Quality, 42x36—40c**

**NEW HOPE NEWS**

Mrs. Highower and daughter, Ila D., of Richland have moved to New Hope in order that Ila D. may attend the New Hope school. Saint Landers and family have moved to New Hope to send their children to our schools.

Jim and Clarkie Hicks have returned from Texas. Clarkie is in school this week.

The candy breaking at Rev. Jim Partin's was a decided success. Everyone reported a good time. We hope he will give another one soon.

Miss Allie Cooper and Miss Lizzie Terrill are living in New Hope attending the High school.

Mr. Ballew and daughter, Miss Beulah, have returned from Texas.

Mr. Lyons has returned from Clovis where he has been with Mrs. Lyons and Miss Sybil Lyons who have undergone operations. The dance at Cleve George's was well attended and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely, according to reports.

Jim Halford is having a house moved to his place this week.

**Death of John Barleycorn**

After a lingering illness since July 1, last, John Barleycorn died in Washington, D. C. December 15th, 1919, surrounded by members of the Supreme court.

Mr. Barleycorn lived to a ripe old age, having been born 2350 B. C. According to sacred history Mr. Noah was the first man to meet him.

Mr. Barleycorn is survived by a great many widows and orphans. Funeral arrangements are not complete, but the honorary pallbearers will be the following close friends of the deceased:

- Tom Collins.
- Tom N. Jerry.
- Pony A. Brandy.
- Ann Heiser Busch.
- Gin Rickey.
- Hon. Hi Ball.
- Gen. Boot Legger.
- A. Little Chaser.
- Haffen Half.
- I. Taka Same.

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Used Car for sale or trade. Bieler & Hill. It

**PLAINVIEW ITEMS**

The farmers were mighty glad of the snow which fell last week. It will almost insure moisture for the coming year.

Mrs. Walter Davis visited her daughter, Mrs. Azzie Spranger, Saturday.

Miss Lucile Lackey was unable to return to school this week, because of lagrippe.

H. L. Capps drove out a new "flivver" last Saturday.

Jimmie Littlejohn returned last Tuesday after a few days visit in the Eiland neighborhood.

Miss Ruth Edmonds died at her home Sunday night after a few weeks of illness. Ruth was one of the most charming young ladies of the community and was loved by all who knew her. She leaves a father, mother, a sister and four brothers, besides a host of friends to mourn her loss. The Senior class of the Portales High school attended her funeral.

**CAUSEY ITEMS**

Mother earth is wearing her white cap again.

Owing to the bad weather the Causey mail has only made two trips the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott who have been staying at Portales the past two months have purchased them a home there and are now out on their farm to sell off their stock and will make Portales their future home. We all regret to see them go.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and Henry Price spent last Monday at D. Z. Little's.

Roy Little helped Clyde Cox vaccinate calves last Friday.

Floyd Judah has returned from Ralls, Texas.

Professor Bishop, who has been visiting his family at Post City, Texas, has returned to proceed with his school.

Mr. Thomas and son, Audie, were in Causey in the interest of the new phone line this week.

Mrs. Alice Stephens who has spent the past week in Portales, returned home today.

Amos Wagenr who has been working in Clovis for the past two months, returned home today. Lorene Little spent Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night at the home of Mrs. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Blakey and daughter, Grace, made a business trip to Texas last week.

Bieler & Hill this week sold the home of C. I. Kugler to a man from Wichita Falls. It

**NOTICE**

To All Taxpayers of Roosevelt County:—

In accordance with Chapter 101, Sec. 1, Laws of 1919, of the State of New Mexico, notice is hereby given that the tax roll or assessment book for the year 1919 for the county of Roosevelt, was delivered to me the undersigned County Treasurer on the 8th day of January, 1920, A. D.

You are further notified that any taxpayer alleging error in his assessment must file his complaint or petition for the correction of same, as required by law, within six months from the above date, said petitions or complaint must be filed with the District Attorney. No complaints or petitions can be filed after six months.

JOHN W. BALLOW,  
County Treasurer.



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In the Probate Court, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.  
In the Matter of the Last Will and Testament of Mary C. Banister, deceased, No. 181.  
To the Honorable James C. Compton, Judge of said court:—  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was on the 5th day of January, 1920, duly appointed executor of the will and estate of Mary C. Banister, deceased, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased shall present the same within the time prescribed by law.  
Dated at Portales, thirteenth day of January, 1920.  
GEORGE N. BLUE  
Executor of Will of Estate of Mary C. Banister deceased.



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