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TOWNSITE WELL TO BE DRILLED HERE

Tot, Two, Seriously Burned Local Capital Is Promoting Cisco Project

Well to Start on or Before March 15 on Location Near 21st Street and South D Avenue; Block of 500 Acres is Obtained

The first townsite well to be drilled in the city of Cisco will be started on or before the fifteenth of March when the J. A. Bearman, et al, No. 1 will begin operations on a location on the R. L. Poe block No. 136, 200 yards west of South D avenue near 21st street, it was announced today.

Associated with Mr. Bearman in this venture, which involves about 350 town lots, and acreage outside the city limits to a total of approximately 500 acres, are A. S. Hickok, represented by R. L. Ponsler and Charles J. Kleiner and J. H. Reynolds.

Lions Hear State Highway Engineer at Noon Luncheon

A. D. Schmid, resident engineer with the Texas highway department, was the speaker for the Cisco Lions club today noon, discussing statistics on the amount of funds released in the course of the recent construction of Highway No. One over West Eighth street, and presenting possibilities for future highway and grade separation construction in Cisco.

Among the projects which are under consideration, in addition to the building of the giant four-lane concrete and steel overpass to carry No. One over the Katy tracks on Eighth street, are an underpass to carry Highway 23 under the T. and P. and M. K. and T. tracks at the south end of D avenue, and widening of Highway No. One west to Dothan from the junction of the new and old routes just west of the city limits, he said. This stretch of road, narrowest on the No. One route, is only 16 feet in width. It would be broadened to 18 or 20 feet.

The proposed underpass, to cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000, would eliminate one of the most serious grade crossing situations in this section. By its construction, after the eastern half of the new No. One route over Eighth is completed, traffic would enter and leave Cisco on both principal highway routes without crossing any railroad at grade.

T. C. Williams was program chairman and presented Mr. Schmid.

PORTABLE BULLETIN BOARD FOR CLUB

A portable bulletin board, constructed with two compartments that may be closed and locked—one on either side of a central panel containing a large electric alarm clock—was presented to the Lions club today by Hal Dyer, who constructed it. The board may be rolled into position before the club at luncheons and then pushed out of the way. In the locked compartments are niches for the club's bell, song books and other property, as well as bulletin boards for posting various information.

Cisco, Breck Debate Teams Meet Tonight

Debate matches between the Cisco and Breckenridge high schools will be held this evening at 7 o'clock at the high school. Tryouts were completed yesterday and two boys teams and one girls team were chosen for the matches.

The lone girls argument will begin at 7 and at 8 the boys will have both their matches simultaneously.

The state Interscholastic League debate subject this year is "Resolved: That the Manufacture of Munitions of War Should Be a Government Monopoly."

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Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

If you want to make ten dollars right off, suggest a suitable name for the townsite well that Cisco oil operators are going to drill in the southern part of Cisco. The name, emblazoned across the night sky in glowing neon gas letters, will advertise the well to the thousands of people who move over our highways and keep etched against the night a vivid reminder of the fact that Cisco men and capital have not lost faith in this community and its possibilities. The fact that hard-headed business men, successful in their operations, are engaged in this townsite venture—the first well to be drilled within the limits of this city—commends it to reason.

If you or I were to start drilling an oil well in a new place, we'd either be fools or dreamers. But when men like those who are drilling this well do it, you may know that there is a doggone sight more than sentiment attached.

So we are going to have a contest. It won't cost you anything to enter. Simply read the news stories about the well, make up your mind what it ought to be called, write the name on a sheet of paper, write your name and address at the top of the sheet. The name will be cut off the sheet and kept with a number corresponding to a number on the sheet so that authorship of the suggestion may be identified after the judges have made their selection. These judges will not see the names of the entrants so that there will be no chance of favoritism. Leave your suggestion at the Press and it will be turned over to the judges at the proper time, and their selection announced as soon as they have been able to study the suggestions and choose what, in their opinion, is the best. The prize of \$10 will be paid immediately.

The contest closes at midnight, March 10.

In the event of a tie, the prize will be divided between the successful contestants.

W. H. Hayes claims to have a method for cutting glass under water which does away with all the fuss and bother as well as dangers of breakage which attend ordinary methods. Hayes simply submerges the glass and scissors in it in two as you would an ordinary piece of cloth.

Now, I am not accepting his claims. I am merely stating what he told me to be a fact. Hayes offered to lay a sizeable wager on the success of the process, but having learned from a more youthful experience with train "butchers" not to bet on the other man's tricks, I declined.

You would be a fool to bet that the late Mr. Houdini could not make an elephant disappear

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Weather

WEST TEXAS—Fair and colder in the north and east portions tonight and Thursday; probably frost in the southeast portion tonight.
EAST TEXAS—Fair and colder in the north portion, with frost except on the coast and in the Rio Grande Valley tonight; Thursday, fair and colder.



FAIR and COLDER

GOWN CATCHES FROM BURNER OF GAS RANGE

Mother Is Injured in Tearing Garment From Child

Serious burns on the chest, the left side and left arm and leg were sustained by two-year-old Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scott, 1005 West Seventh street, when her nightgown became ignited from an open gas flame early today.

The burns, the attending physician said, should not prove of a critical nature unless complications set in.

The child was alone in the kitchen when her clothing caught about 3:30 o'clock. Mrs. Scott, in the front of the house at her housework, heard her scream and ran to the kitchen to find the tot's clothing aflame. The child had climbed upon the top of a small table at which she was accustomed to eat her meals, and was believed to have reached across the top of the stove, catching the sleeve of her nightgown from a low flame there. She had never climbed upon the table before, her mother said.

Mrs. Scott tore the flaming garment from her daughter, severely burning her own right hand in doing so.

Mr. Scott, an employee of the Lone Star Gas company, was not at home when the accident occurred. He and Mrs. Scott have an older daughter.

Billion-Dollar Slum Clearance Bill Introduced

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 (AP)—Senator Wagner of New York and Representative Steagall of Alabama introduced today a billion-dollar four-year low rent housing and slum clearance program. The measure provided federal loans and grants to assist local authorities in developing projects.

It proposed a billion-dollar bond issue and federal contributions of \$50,000,000 during the next four years.

Death Penalty Is Affirmed by Court

AUSTIN, Feb. 24 (AP)—The criminal appeals court affirmed today the death penalty against Dwight Beard, former North Carolina football player, for the murder of John Roberts, retired detective, in a Dallas garage hold-up in December, 1935.

Fertilizer Aids Yield of Hegari

The yield of hegari was increased more than 400 per cent for Henry Pittman, a farmer living near Seranton, by the application of fertilizer which cost \$1.90 as shown in his recent report to County Agent Elmo V. Cook. Pittman put 1,000 bundles of forage per acre from the 6 acres fertilized. In the same field from hegari, planted and cultivated in the same way except that no fertilizer was used, he cut only 270 bundles per acre. A high grade fertilizer analyzing 11 per cent of nitrogen, 48 per cent phosphate and no potash was applied at the rate of 85 pounds per acre.

Co-Operative Housework



William Rudd contributes to the smooth functioning of the household by helping his 13-year-old bride with the supper dishes.

Bride, 13, Proclaims Marriage a Success

COURT REFORM ENEMIES GAIN

Number to Defeat FDR Bill Claimed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 (AP)—Objections by Senators King of Utah and McNary of Oregon blocked senate action today on legislation to permit supreme court justices to retire voluntarily at the age of 70 with full pay.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 (AP)—Senate opponents to the president's court program said today after Senator Tydings of Maryland had joined their ranks that "enough votes to defeat the bill were sighted."

Administration forces contended they had enough votes to pass the bill but centered immediate attention on enacting the voluntary retirement measure for supreme court justices.

Band Plays Today For Breck Pupils

Forty-nine members of the Cisco Lobo band left high school today about 12:40 to journey to Breckenridge where they played at 2 o'clock at the Breckenridge high school chapel program.

The program presented by the Lobo band was: "His Honor March," "Daphne's Overture," a popular medley, and "Moonlight Madonna."

The Breckenridge high school Buckaroo band will give a return concert at Cisco soon, Bandmaster R. L. Maddox announced.

2,500 Gov't Troops Are Reported Slain

(By Associated Press) Spanish insurgents reported that 2,500 government attackers were slain at Oviedo today, while other government forces pushed widespread counter-offensives.

General Francisco Franco termed the rout the "most crushing defeat of the civil war." Government sources denied the insurgent reports.

Loyalists reported that thousands of insurgents were slain in a battle 60 miles north of Madrid.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Cliett returned Tuesday from a visit in Austin.

VALLEJO, Calif., Feb. 24 (AP)—

Florence Hill Rudd, a bride at 13, is already a success as a housekeeper. Her 22-year-old husband, William Rudd, is making good at his job, too. Rudd vouches for his wife. Rudd's employers, a lumber firm here, speak for him. Florence, awaiting the arrival of her first baby next April, makes it unanimous. She says her marriage is a complete success.

Rudd met his bride when she was 12, through family connections.

"She Was Different"

"She didn't seem like only 12 years old to me," he explained. "Most girls seem so young at that age, but Florence was different."

They Get Qualms

Four days later the newlyweds had some qualms and told an operator of the juvenile court what they'd done.

"The lady said it was terrible but since we were already married she guessed there was nothing she could do about it," Florence said. "She said she wished she could have stopped us in time."

The Rudds, who have the blessings of both their parents, have lived quietly here for months without attracting special attention.

Breach of Promise Suit Is Dismissed

NEW YORK, Feb. 24 (AP)—Peggy Garcia's \$500,000 breach of promise suit against Dave Rubinoff, violinist, ended abruptly today when supreme court Justice Salvatore Cotillo granted the plaintiff's counsel's motion to discontinue.

Justice Cotillo suggested the motion while Peggy was testifying details of the 1925 marriage to Taylor Vance Guinn.

Lindy, Wife Land in Bombay, India, Today

BOMBAY, India, Feb. 24 (AP)—Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh landed here today after being unreported 48 hours in their flight over India. They left Jodhpur Monday.

The pair was reportedly "lost" since starting from England here.

SIGNALS WILL CURB TRAFFIC ON NEW ROUTE

Automatic Lights to Be Ordered by City Immediately

Traffic signal lights which will alternate movements of traffic at important intersections on the new route of Highway No. One over Eighth street and serve to check dangerous speed of cars, will be ordered by wire for immediate installation, it was announced following authorization by the city commission last night.

The signals, to cost about \$65 each, will have the red, amber and green lights to signal "Stop," "Caution," and "Go." One will be placed at the intersection of L avenue with Eighth, another at the intersection of H avenue and Eighth and the third at the intersection of E avenue and Eighth. No sign will be placed at the front street intersection, the opinion prevailing that the other intersections represent more dangerous spots and that the front street danger can be sufficiently governed by requiring all traffic on that street to stop before crossing the highway. Similarly, other intersecting streets, not controlled by the lights, will have stop signs bringing all traffic to a precautionary halt before it enters the thoroughfare.

From Chicago

The traffic signals, similar to those used at Breckenridge, will be ordered from the W. S. Darley company at Chicago. The automatic control mechanism will be installed and maintained by the West Texas Utilities company, which will furnish the current for operating them.

Pending the arrival of the lights and the installation of the stop signs, the commission ordered employment of two additional traffic officers, to guard intersections where school children cross in order to prevent possibility of accidents to them. Police Comm'r. Henderson was instructed to work out the necessary plans for this.

The commission also passed an order calling the municipal election for April 6. A mayor and two commissioners are to be elected.

5 English Seamen Injured as Shell Explodes on Ship

LONDON, Feb. 24 (AP)—The admiralty announced today that five members of the crew of the British battleship "Royal Oak" were injured when a shell burst on the quarterdeck during an insurgent air bombardment of Valencia yesterday.

It was presumed that the shell was from a government anti-aircraft gun. Authorized sources said they contemplated no protest since it was "more or less an act of God."

Oil Tax Increase Opponents Score

AUSTIN, Feb. 24 (AP)—House opponents to the bill to increase the oil tax from 2 3/4 to 10 cents a barrel defeated today a move to set the measure for floor consideration Friday. The vote was 65 to 63.

MARRIED

Miss Nalain Jiminez and Mr. Salvatore Basello were married at 10 o'clock by Joe Wilson, justice of peace at his office.

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

If a man live many years and rejoice in them all, yet let him remember the days of darkness for they shall be many.—Ecc. xi. 8.

Hope, Christian soul, in every stage Of this, thine earthly pilgrimage, Let Heavenly joy thy thought engage. Abound in hope.—Charles Kingsley.

There is nothing so great as to be capable of happiness; to pluck it out of every moment and whatever happens.—Anna Gilchrist.

God always sends His angel, in some form, in one's sorest affliction.—Mary Howitt.

Obstructive Legislation

SOME misguided legislators down at Austin have succumbed to sophistry, blandishments or bad judgment and have introduced measures which would prohibit by law the advertisement of certain commodities or services. One cannot help but feel that such activities are not the result of sincerity or commonsense but the fruit, instead, of someone's or some group's efforts to pull a coup

or visit a retaliatory spite. It is altogether probable that such a law would not stand up in court, because it would represent a plain violation of the spirit, if not the expression, of the first amendment to the national constitution, but that fact does not deter the narrow-minded from persistently attempting to remake the world according to their own desires and forcing their own standards upon everybody else. The thought strikes us that such people must have thought the Creator made an awful mess of things and should have summoned them from the future into consultation before he undertook such an ambitious project. Not all trouts or bigots sit in high seats. We even have a few in the state legislature.

ONE such law would prevent dentists from advertising. It is difficult to conceive of any sensible motive for such a law. Either it impugns the motives and the professional skill of the dentist who advertises, or it suggests that advertising is a wicked thing for a dentist to do. Now if advertising makes a man wicked, it is wicked for a person to chew gum. On the contrary, if the dentist who advertises is a quack, then the state of Texas is responsible for licensing a quack and the advertising cannot be blamed for his professional qualities. It's all very foolish.

AN instance where there is sense in proposed legislation, however, is presented by the bill which would stiffen the driver's license law. Here is objective legislation toward a necessary end. It isn't the sort of lawmaking that would obstruct the rights and freedom of a man or woman to follow a legitimate profession to the limit of ability. It is, instead, the sort which would protect society in the pursuit of happiness and prosperity by curbing or controlling dangers that beset it. It is the kind of legislation that will not interfere with honest, well-intentioned people, but will keep the careless, the drunken and the unfit out from behind the wheels of motor cars. God knows, we need more sensible legislation of that character—legislation of what we might call the "parallel" kind, because it parallels legitimate activity by laying down safe lines for the guidance of human activity and does not lay itself arbitrarily across the path of this activity. Let us have a driver's license law of real worth and let it be enforced with justice and firmness.

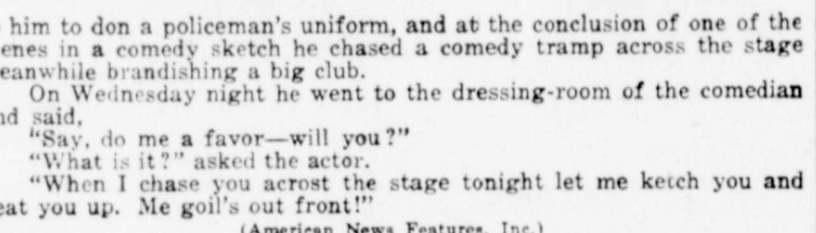
Who Cares for the Feelings of a Small Boy.



Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

The Lure of the Limelight

By IRVIN S. COBB MIKE CUNNINGHAM, who was an interesting Chicago character, got a job as stage-hand at a vaudeville theatre. In his first week it fell



Texas Republic Became State 91 Years Ago Friday

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 24 (Sp.)—Ninety-one years ago Friday, Texas and parts of five other states participated in an event unique in world history, that of the voluntary surrender by the Republic of Texas of her sovereignty as an independent nation, and the acceptance of the dominion of the United States. This unprecedented event took place in Austin, Texas, on February 9, 1846, when parts of New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas and Oklahoma were annexed to the Union.

88th Court Grand Jury Summoned

EASTLAND, Feb. 22.—Following is the personnel of a panel summoned for Monday, March 1, for formation of a grand jury for the March term of 88th district court: W. B. Starr, Cisco; Frank Hightower, Eastland; Vernon Deffenbach, Ranger; M. W. Hague, Eastland; Henry Stroebel, Cisco; W. A. Tate, Carbon; Frank Morrow, Gorman; J. D. Lauderdale, Cisco; T. J. Anderson, Ranger; Jim Ray Bucy, Rising Star; J. R. Gilbreath, Eastland; Garland Nance, Cisco; Eric Webb, Cisco; Floyd B. Joyce, Rising Star.

Fire Chief Catches Blaze After Chase

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News From County 4-H Clubs

Kokomo Boys' Club Meets The Kokomo Boys 4-H club met on Tuesday. The meeting was called to order by Club Sponsor L. R. Higginbotham. After the business session Higginbotham discussed with the club what kind of a demonstration to select this year, and the value of and how to keep an accurate record on a club demonstration.

Ranger Boys Club Meets The Ranger Boys 4-H club met in the second meeting of this month in the Ranger chamber of commerce building. During the business session several important matters were taken up by the club. Plans were discussed for the Ranger 4-H club livestock show in March. All of the boys who are growing livestock for their demonstrations are planning on entering them in the show.

Washington Daybook

WASHINGTON—Abraham Lincoln has lost his place over the Roosevelt cabinet. Thomas Jefferson has the job.

Why the change was made just at this time could not be immediately learned, but Lincoln's picture, after hanging for years as the only portrait in the cabinet room, was replaced by Jefferson's a few days back. (By the way, this is a scoop.)

We made the discovery while prowling about the executive wing of the White House. Prowling is perhaps not the word. Nobody moves about that building without having a secret service eye on his shoulder blades. Call it a scouting trip.

Two Races of Men The president can pass between his office and the White House proper either within the building or along a runway sheltered overhead but open to the sunny south grounds. Mostly he takes the open way.

The executive offices are not pretentious. Any metropolitan law firm would have better. The Supreme Court offices shade it a mile. All the offices lead off from a large center room.

Comfortable black-leather couches and chairs are arranged along the walls, occupied for the most part by secret service men and news reporters. The former hope nothing will happen in a sane way, of course, to break the monotony of "no news."

conferences and a hundred or more reporters.

Free Tour Immediately on the right, on entering the executive wing, is the press room. Farther along on the right is Assistant Secretary Jimmy Roosevelt's office. Opposite it, on the left, is that of Steve Early, assistant secretary and a principal source of routine White House news.

In the far left corner is Assistant Secretary Marvin H. McIntyre's office, which connects directly with the president's. Off to the left is an aimless sort of room, sheltering the mounted trapon caught by the president and a cluster of WPA paintings not very exciting. Nobody uses it except visiting delegations from somewhere or other who gather there to get in marching order before moving in on the president.

Other offices to the right and rear—along the street side—are occupied by office and stenographic help. The White House stenographers lean to the pretty side, exceptions noted.

You will be taken on tours to other capital hot spots from time to time, in this sort of way. No charge.

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Air-Shot Yarns Are Used in New Linen Patterns

By ALICE MAXWELL PARIS, Feb. 24 (AP)—New linens, elected in Paris by fashionable vote for spring and summer uses, are eye-deceiving fabrics. Some of them look like alpacas. Others have the appearance of chiffons. And several pull the wool over the eyes by resembling serge, hopsacking and tweed.

Soft chiffon linens, printed in floral patterns, are among the new evening dress materials. Suiting fabrics include the "alpaca" linens in which crisp and shiny rayon yarns are mixed to give the feel and luster of real alpaca. And coat materials include those which fall into the "wool" category—linen tweeds that are striped, checked and plaided, serge-like suitings, and nubby sports weaves.

Sharp Increase in Poultry Shipments

AUSTIN, Feb. 24.—Shipments of poultry and eggs from Texas to interstate points during January increased sharply over the corresponding month last year, according to the University of Texas bureau of business research. Combined shipments totaled 109 cars, against 79 a year ago, an increase of nearly 40 per cent. Poultry shipments including turkeys, 90 cars, increased 200 per cent over the 30 cars shipped last year. Eggs shipments, however, 19 cars, were only a little over one third of the 49 cars shipped last year during January.

Today's Crossword Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes 'Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle' and a list of words like 'EBB', 'AULA', 'NOTE', 'LEE', 'SPONDULIX', 'AWASH', 'NEAT', 'TAR', 'AGAR', 'ERE', 'ERS', 'STIR', 'BRAN', 'REP', 'POOL', 'FIRST', 'COMPOSERS', 'ALONE', 'QUADER', 'ZANY', 'CURT', 'AVE', 'TIE', 'STRETF', 'OPAL', 'EC', 'CAENER', 'RODE', 'CATARACTS', 'DEN', 'SLOW', 'MEATS', 'ART'.

Vertical text on the right edge of the page, including 'Check Topy', 'Yes', 'No', 'I can', 'No!', 'Yes!', 'But you', 'Dr', 'Who', 'Bigelow', 'said', 'You did', 'Cronski's', 'Going', 'repeated', 'side-eye', 'Yes', 'C', 'er.', 'Oh', 'B', 'ta.', 'But tr', 'had o', 'I know', 'Topy g', 'where n', 'didn't e', 'Cau', 'We', 'John', 'EV', 'TR', 'RE', 'I'

ESCAPE IF YOU CAN

BY FREDERICK JACKSON

SYNOPSIS: Count Vronski, who has been blackmailing Anne Phelps with love letters, is shot dead in his studio. Clarke Bigelow, Anne and Karsanokoff, the famous dancer, starting at the scene. They hide it during a party, then Bigelow and Dr. Austrelitz, the psychologist, move it to Vronski's rooms. Police arrest Anne Dryden, a wealthy chap who had Vronski, and his wife, Lorna, disappears. Anne and Bigelow find her hiding with Topsy Kane. Lorna thinks her disappearance will make police suspect her of the crime.

Chapter 31
Checking the Mink Coats
Topsy began to serve the soup. They took their places at the dinner table.
"I can run down again with anything you particularly want in town," said Anne.
"No!" cried Lona. "You mustn't come again. Nobody must come to manage some way by ourselves."
"Yes," sighed Topsy resignedly. "But you could post a letter to me for me," suggested Lorna.



Dr. Austrelitz smiled. "So you traced Mrs. Dryden?"

He probably gets the newspapers and is wondering what has happened to me. I didn't think of disappearing until after they'd taken him away, you see, and I haven't been able to communicate with him because the police would naturally see the letter, and learn from the postmark that I'm in this vicinity."
"Of course," nodded Anne. "Write what you like and we'll post it in town."
Who Went to Vronski's?
Bigelow, making sure that all faces of recent grief had vanished, said to Lorna hesitatingly: "You didn't tell us about going to Vronski's apartment, you know."
"Going to Vronski's apartment?" repeated Lorna, looking at him wide-eyed.
"Yes. On the night of the murder."
"Oh. But I never did," said Lorna.
"But the papers said a taxi driver had come forward—?"
"I know," said Lorna. "I saw it. Topsy goes in to Tarrytown for the papers. But I wasn't anywhere near Vronski's apartment. I didn't even know he'd got an

apartment. I thought he was still at the hotel."
"So the woman in the mink coat was not you!" cried Bigelow.
Anne stared. She had forgotten all about the woman in the mink coat for the moment.
"No," said Lorna positively. "I don't know who she was. Maybe someone else he was blackmailing. I don't suppose I was the only one. I mean a man who would go in for that sort of thing wouldn't be content with one victim, would he?"
"No," agreed Bigelow dryly. "And so many women have mink coats, haven't they? I mean—Topsy's got one!"
"It went off to be relined that very day, thank God," grunted Topsy.
"I didn't mean you were the woman. You're not small and dark—?"
"Nor young," agreed Topsy.
"But there must be hundreds who would fit that description," went on Lorna. "For instance the

studio party," said he.
"But we broke up before five," Topsy reminded him.
"Yes, that's true. But was she wearing her mink coat that night?"
"I believe she was!" cried Topsy.
"Yes, I remember it distinctly," added Anne. "I helped her fix the little cape bit when she put it on to go."
"How about a small dark hat?" asked Bigelow.
"Yes, I'm sure," replied Topsy. "It was black with an ornament of cut jet. But I can't swear to an eye-veil." She wrinkled her brows and squinted wickedly in an effort to remember.
"But—the baroness was in love with him!" protested Anne.
"Was she, though? We certainly jumped to that conclusion, but perhaps she meant us to do that very thing? Perhaps she was clever enough to create that impression deliberately. If she was really grief stricken, why sit through lunch at the Colony? Perhaps she was the first to shout for justice so that nobody would suspect her?"
"You mean you think she might have killed him?" asked Lorna in an awed voice.
"I think she might easily be involved," answered Bigelow.
After lunch, Anne remained with Lorna while Bigelow drove in to the village with Topsy to help with her shopping. They bought everything they could think of to make her housekeeping simpler—electric heaters, breakfast cereals, canned milk, canned soup, canned entrees, bottled fruits, cans of biscuits of various kinds, cards and games as well as the phonograph (with records) and the radio.
"It's like being shipwrecked on a desert island," grinned Topsy, "because if that delicious adventure ever did befall me, it would probably be in company with someone like Lorna instead of a husky sailor with hair on his chest. My luck has always been good like that."
They had cocktails on their return with their spoils, and then Anne and Bigelow set off once more—for town. They made the run back without picking up the

little man they had had so much trouble losing on the way out, and got Lorna's letter to her husband safely posted as soon as they reached New York. Then they decided to drop in on Austrelitz to report their discoveries.

The Doctor's Pajamas
The doctor had had an unusually busy day and had gone to bed with a book but he sent down word for them to come up. They found him propped up in a very handsome old four-poster, clad in Chinese pajamas, not just pajamas cut on a Chinese pattern, but fine old Chinese garments of faded apricot.
"You're expecting someone!" cried Anne. "I'm afraid we're in the way."
"You flatter me. I'm not so optimistic," smiled Austrelitz. "This garment—and five other sets—was presented to me by my housekeeper on her return from a holiday in China. And if I don't wear them, she knows about it. So I wear them. Also some very uncomfortable Chinese slippers. She's an excellent housekeeper."
"Don't apologize—" begged Anne mischievously, sitting on the foot of his bed.
He smiled. Bigelow sat on the

other side of the bed opposite Anne.
"So you traced Mrs. Dryden?" murmured the doctor.
"You guessed because we're looking so pleased with ourselves," said Anne accusingly.
"Of course."
Bigelow began the tale of their adventures and—considerably assisted by Anne—retold Lorna's story.
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Tomorrow, Dr. Austrelitz tells of Karsanokoff's visit to his office.

85 AUTOS REGISTERED
EASTLAND, Feb. 22.—Eighty-five automobiles have been registered for 1937, County Tax Assessor-Collector C. H. O'Brien reported Monday. Sale, opening Feb. 1, will conclude April 1.

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FINDLAY, O., Feb. 24 (AP)—Fred, a veritable Methuselah of horses, died recently at the age of 34.
The Rev. John J. Nonemaker, who operated a farm near here, broke Fred to the saddle, to harness and to farm work. Upon the owner's death, the horse became the property of his daughter, Mrs. Henry Koch.
Until the day of his death of old age, Fred was the "leader" of the farm team and did a full share of work.

MARRIES HIM TWICE
BRISTOW, Okla., Feb. 2 (AP)—Fifty years ago W. E. Watson, Methodist deacon, performed a marriage ceremony for A. D. Barker and Miss Bernetta Cook. Recently Watson, now 92 years old, was called upon to marry the same Barker to Mrs. Lavinia Barker, not related. Barker is 72, his wife 70.

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