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# CHINA AROUSED BY MUNITIONS EMBARGO

## Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

The Philathea class of the First Methodist church have "adopted" one of the orphan girls in the Methodist home at Waco. By this it is meant that the class assumes responsibility for clothing the girl during her stay in the home. The method has been a popular and successful one among various churches for contributing to the support of children who are admitted to the home and quite a number of these have been thus supported by classes of the Cisco church.

A notice was issued today that the class must raise \$35 to purchase fall and winter garments for the child Sunday. All members of the class were requested to bring their contributions to the services Sunday. Others, not members, who wish to make small donations to the fund were directed to call Mrs. R. W. Merrett, class president, or Mrs. C. R. Sanford, committee chairman.

First practical intimation of the relative strength of the various school boy football units of the Oil Belt will be had today with most of the teams of the district engaging rivals in either non-conference or official games. Eastland against Brownwood will be a conference tilt. Most immediate interest will probably center on the Buckaroo-Paschal game under the the Breckenridge floodlights. The Buckaroos have been highly touted and against Graham in a practise scrimmage last week were said to have looked impressive. Coach Eck Curtis will lose little time in working off the rough edges of his squad to produce a smoothly functioning team such as he had last season, as we know "Eck," so that the play of the team tonight should be in fair form.

The first interest of Cisco, however, will be centered at Lubbock where a new Cisco mentor will send his Lobos against the powerful Lubbock contingent of a former Cisco coach. Hopes for a victory over W. B. Chapman's Westerners is entirely out of the expectations of Cisco Coach J. T. Petty, but there are hopes that the home talent will not show up so badly in the fray.

Ranger entertains the Strawn Greyhounds today in a game that should be fairly close, since Ranger's gridiron statue, like that of Cisco, has suffered a considerable decline in the last few years. However, the Bulldogs ought to have a better team than last year when a drastic house-cleaning for disciplinary purposes removed most of the pre-season good talent from the squad.

## Storm Warning for Coasts Is Issued

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 17. (AP)—The United States weather bureau here today warned a disturbance of unknown intensity was forming on the western coast of Mexico. It issued the storm warning for the Louisiana and Texas coasts.

### Weather

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday.

EAST TEXAS: Mostly cloudy with probable rain in the south tonight and Saturday.



CLOUDY

## TALENTED TOES

Ed, Born Without Arms, Scarcely Misses



By The AP Feature Service  
PUEBLO, Colo., Sept. 17.—Born without arms, Edward Higgins, 10, wins penmanship awards by using his toes, and he can draw and paint with more success than many boys and girls with arms and hands.

He has a set of carpenter's tools he can use, and he threads needles, sews buttons on his clothes and plays games with his friends.

He lives on a farm with his parents and two sisters. At the grade school he attends his teachers say he is above average in spelling, arithmetic, penmanship and drawing.

## New Deal Victorious In New York Election

Laguardia Wins Republican Nomination and Mahoney Democratic; Copeland Loses

NEW YORK, Sept. 17. (AP)—The new deal won a smashing double victory over Tammany in New York City's mayoralty primaries.

Tammany's candidate, Senator Royal Copeland, new deal foe, was defeated in both the democratic and republican primaries today's count of yesterday's election showed.

Mayor Laguardia won the republican nomination and Jeremiah Mahoney, choice of James Farley, won the democratic in the latest totals.

The latest totals: Democratic—Mahoney, 411,548; Copeland, 240,140; Laguardia 55,837.

Republican—Laguardia, 79,862; Copeland, 46,560.

## SAYS KU KLUX POLITICALLY STRONG

ATLANTA, Sept. 17. (AP)—The imperial wizard Hiram Evans of the Ku Klux Klan today said the defeat of Senator Copeland in the New York primary was "just further proof that the klan is dynamic as a political issue."

## Preliminary Overpass Work Is Continuing

Preliminary work preparatory to the beginning of actual work on the new overpass recently contracted for is still being continued awaiting the issuance of a work order for the project to get under way. Engineers for the state are surveying and staking out as well as looking out for the state's interests. The work order is expected to be issued at any time, said P. R. Huntington, resident engineer for the state.

The personnel of this group includes P. R. Huntington, resident engineer; John D. Waring Jr., office engineer; G. C. Bryson, material inspector, and L. H. Landon, instrument man.

## Joe Slicker To Leave For College

Joe Slicker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer S. Slicker, plans to leave tomorrow morning for College Station where Joe, a 1937 graduate of Cisco high school, will enter Texas Agricultural and Mechanical college.

Mr. and Mrs. Slicker will take Joe to College Station.

Mrs. A. J. Olson was the guest of friends in Eastland Thursday.

## Cisco Lobos Leave For Lubbock Battle

The Cisco football clan—24 players, two managers and three coaches—left about 8 o'clock this morning facing a hard grind for the rest of the day.

The boys traveled in private cars this morning to Lubbock where they registered in a Lubbock hotel and this afternoon were spending the time resting for the tough battle tonight.

This evening at 8 o'clock, the Cisco Lobos—the starting lineup averaging well under 150 pounds per man—will take on the always strong Lubbock Westerners coached by Weldon Chapman, former Cisco high mentor.

While no one gives Cisco a chance the boys, left this morning with a determination to uphold the reputation that has been Cisco's—the fightingest little team in the district.

Before leaving Coach J. T. Petty announced his probable lineup which will be just about as small as that of last year. About six of the boys who moved here during the past year—all of them good prospects and all of whom would probably have been starters against the Westerners—will not be allowed to play.

This will be a stinging setback for the Lobos.

The probable starting lineup as given by Coach Petty this morning is:

Vernon Steyer, Gordon Sherman, L. M. Yarbrough and Chesley Tipton in the backfield to work in the double wing to be used against the Lubbock squad, and Bobby Bacon, right end; M. D. Bailey, right tackle; Burnside, right guard; Troy Stewart, center; Billy Latch, left guard; Rex Pollard, left tackle; Walter Preston, left end.

A captain will probably be appointed by the coaches for this tilt.

## One Conference Battle Will Be Decided Today

Before the Cisco Lobos take the field against Lubbock this evening one conference battle in this—probably the hottest district in the state—will have been decided when the Eastland Mavericks take on Brownwood Lions at Welch Field in Eastland today at 3:30 p. m.

The Ranger Bulldogs, in their worst football depression in years, reaching their lowest level last year when they were taken to a shellacking by a none too strong class B Strawn team, will attempt to avenge that defeat this afternoon as they again tackle the invaders from their class B neighbor. Ranger is expected to take this game handily with their much heavier and more experienced machine. This year's team is reported to average over 160 pounds to the man as compared to around 150 last year.

The only other game in class A circles in the immediate vicinity will be tonight under the lights at Breckenridge's field when that team takes on a favored district 7 team, the Paschal Panthers of Fort Worth. This game is probably the outstanding game in this district and will no doubt be one of the most important ones in the entire state. Breckenridge is again considered a big threat in the Oil Belt district this year and will put up a great battle against the Panthers.

## These Kids Won't Lag On Way To School

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 17. (AP)—Philadelphia school children will see movies at school this year, but not the kind they save nickels and dimes for.

Dr. Edwin W. Adams, acting superintendent, says the pictures will be shown as an experiment in teaching youngsters "an insight into human relations and needs."

"Our pictures are not for entertainment," he says.

## Camera Girl



Among those covering the far eastern fighting for American newspapers is Joyce Lucks, staff photographer for the Associated Press.

## BRITAIN ENDS SPAIN PATROL

## Warships To Be Used Against Pirates

LONDON, Sept. 17. (AP)—Britain today ended an unsuccessful non-intervention patrol of Spain to make available her full quota of warships for "the more important task" of driving pirate attack on the Mediterranean.

France presumably joined the decision. The foreign office announced an end of the patrol formed by the 27 nation nonintervention committee in an effort to keep arms and men from either Spanish side.

## POWERS REACH AGREEMENT

GENEVA, Sept. 17. (AP)—Nine powers reached a virtual agreement today on the question of adding warships and airplanes to work a naval patrol against piracy in the Mediterranean.

The powers signed tonight an elaborated accord providing for a crusade against airplanes and warships as well as attacking submarines.

At Rome the controlled Italian press charged that Italy has been betrayed by British diplomatic maneuvering.

## Large Number of Ciscoans on Jury Group Next Week

EASTLAND, Sept. 17. — The petit jury list of the 88th district court for the week starting Monday was announced as follows with a large number of Ciscoans among the group.

W. W. Wallace, Cisco; I. T. Gisham, Gorman; Earl Smith, Cisco; J. F. Moseley, Ranger; C. G. Shultz, Jr., Rising Star; L. J. Hazlewood, Carbon Route 2; W. H. Baskin, Gorman; L. L. Bruce, Ranger; D. J. Gorman, Cisco; L. C. Harlow, Cisco.

Fred Hughes, Ranger; W. M. Bordeaux, Ranger; T. L. Cooper, Eastland; Richard Jones, Eastland; Henry Ferrell, Eastland; R. E. McMillan, Okra; W. R. Huestis, Cisco; H. H. Durham, Ranger; W. C. Fields, Gorman Route 2; A. M. Knox, Carbon Rt. 2; L. A. Parks, Cisco Route 2; C. W. Walker, Romney, John D. Seale, Eastland.

E. R. Finley, Cisco; Cull C. Moorman, Ranger; Rufus Goodwin, Gorman Route 3; R. J. Pharr, Rising Star Route 1; John Weaver, Carbon; Rufus Been, Carbon; C. C. Gilbert, Carbon; L. C. Hall, Eastland; H. G. Hines, Carbon; J. M. Flournoy, Cisco; G. H. Hallmark, Gorman Route 2, and Clarence Bennett, Eastland Route 1.

## FIVE INJURED

BRADY, Sept. 17. (AP)—Mrs. Delores Garza of San Antonio and four others were injured in an auto accident west of here today. It injured all members of the Garza family which were out of the car when it was struck by the other.

OLNEY PICKS DUCHESS  
OLNEY, Sept. 17. —Olney will send a duchess to the West Texas Fair at Abilene Oct. 4-9. Miss Mary Dallam has been chosen.

## FDR FORBIDS SHIPMENT BY GOV'T SHIPS

Difficult for Ships to Get Arms to China, Says Spokesman

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17. (AP)—China, through the Chinese embassy, expressed today its grave disappointment over President Roosevelt's action imposing a partial embargo on arms and munitions shipments to China and Japan.

Roosevelt forbade government-owned merchant ships to transport such cargoes and warned private companies they engaged in such trade at their own risk.

At Nanking a spokesman said private vessels ran no risk proceeding to Japan, but a heavy risk endeavoring to run the Japanese blockade on the China coast.

The Nanking government communications declared the action "helps the Japanese."

CHINESE BASE IS REPORTED CAPTURED  
PEIPING, Sept. 17. (AP)—Japanese army headquarters tonight announced that Chochow, Chinese advance base forty miles southwest of Peiping, had been captured in a steam-roller Japanese offensive.

Dan Horn, Kokomo Community Fair Winners Given

Following are the results of the Dan Horn and Kokomo community fairs held during the week as given today by County Agent Elmo V. Cook.

Dan Horn Fair  
Watermelon—1st J. G. Stuteville, 2nd W. B. Starr.  
Corn, White Dent—1st W. H. Erwin, 2nd Tal Horn, 3rd J. G. Stuteville.  
Corn, Squaw—1st Tal Horn.  
Corn, Strawberry—1st Tal Horn.  
Corn, Bloody Butcher—1st Tal Horn.  
Popecorn—1st J. G. Stuteville, 2nd L. B. Horn.  
Hegari Heads—1st J. G. Stuteville, 2nd J. J. Livingston.  
Yellow Milo—1st J. T. Cavanaugh, 2nd J. G. Stuteville.  
Sweet Potatoes—1st W. B. Starr, 2nd Threshed Wheat—1st N. J. Tarver.  
Threshed Peanuts—1st W. H. Erwin, 2nd W. B. Starr.  
Peanut Vines—1st W. H. Erwin, 2nd W. B. Starr.  
Irish Potatoes—1st J. G. Stuteville.  
Soybean Vines—1st J. J. Livingston.  
Dried Peas—1st and 2nd J. G. Stuteville.  
Dried Beans—1st R. C. Harlow, 2nd Guy Abbot, 3rd J. G. Stuteville.  
Cotton Stalks—1st J. T. Cavanaugh, 2nd Tal Horn.  
Cotton Bolls—1st J. T. Cavanaugh.  
Seed Cotton—1st J. T. Cavanaugh.  
Bundle Hegari—1st J. G. Stuteville, 2nd and 3rd N. J. Tarver.  
Tomatoes—1st J. G. Stuteville, 2nd N. J. Tarver.  
Apples—1st and 2nd J. J. Livingston, 3rd J. G. Stuteville.  
Pears—1st J. W. Alvey, 2nd Guy Abbot, 3rd J. G. Stuteville.  
Peaches—1st T. T. Horn.  
Persimmons—1st Mrs. T. T. Horn.  
Pumpkin—1st J. T. Cavanaugh.  
Squash—1st J. J. Livingston.  
Green Peas—1st J. W. Alvey.  
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Livestock and Poultry  
White Leghorns—Young pen 1st

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

Pray on, nor faint, nor cease, Nor ever weary grow, Until the answer comes in peace.

Pray on, in faith and love, Believing in His power To hear thee from above; Faint not, pray on.

The best prayer at the beginning of a day is that we may not lose its moments.—Robertson.

National and State Constitutions

TODAY, Friday, September 17, is the anniversary of the signing of the constitution of the United States 150 years ago.

Washington Daybook

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—Our hero for this week is Michael J. McDermott, Secretary Hull's chief of public information.

All Is Confusion Dispatches continued coming from Shanghai that Yarnell had told all ships to stay out.

Dead Pan McDermott But at Secretary Hull's elbow stood McDermott. He is always there at press conferences.

China Aroused--- (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1) fensive along the Peiping-Hankow railway.

JAP REINFORCEMENTS REPORTED LANDED SHANGHAI, Sept. 17 (AP)—Additional Japanese reinforcements for the halted drive against the Chinese line of defense were reported today to have landed at the lower reaches of the Yangtze river.

the loose and unsatisfactory confederation, has worked. There have been changes, of course, to adapt it to new conditions, but these have been few.

IN contrast with the success of the national constitution is that of our state of Texas. The need of a new one that will formulate a body of principles and not a mass of statutory enactments, has long been recognized.

THE political problem of formulating a simplified and more efficient body of basic law is, however, a difficult one. When the framers of the national constitution met at Philadelphia they were there to deal with one of the most serious crises in our national history.

THE lack of such an impelling force in the formulation of the state constitution is noted in the record of its constant changes. To approach a revision of the document in the present national security would again present a definite obstacle to success.

The Friendly Texian

By A. GARLAND ADAIR

The heated battles over controversial tax subjects will be resumed when the second special session of the 45th Texas legislature convenes the 27th of September.

Mr. Average Texan marches right up Congress avenue, enters the grand structure, glances with approval at the statues of Stephen F. Austin and General Sam Houston, lingers thoughtfully under the painting of Jim Hogg, and then calls upon his representative and senator.

Those who decry that the country is going to the dogs are alarmed at reports that Texas schools and colleges are opening with the largest student bodies ever to enroll in the name of education and athletics.

A surprising statement comes from Charles E. Baughman, chief clerk of the department of agriculture of Texas. He says that the population of the American farms has increased only about one per cent in the lifetime of the average world war veteran—40 years.

General McCraw appealed to the United States supreme court to take a hand in the wrangle and thus allow the tax paying masses to profit from the rich inheritance, rather than to see it go to pay the handsome fees of a large number of some of the highest priced lawyers in the land.

ACCEPT SEWAGE PLANT TERRELL, Sept. 17.—The city commission has ordered final payment made on its new \$72,000 sewage disposal plant, a part of the municipal sewerage system recently constructed, costing \$399,900.

Only Goldsmith is said to be the only English writer who excelled in three branches of literature—as a novelist with "The Vicar of Wakefield," as a playwright with "She Stoops to Conquer," and as a poet, with "The Deserted Village."

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By PERCY CROSBY

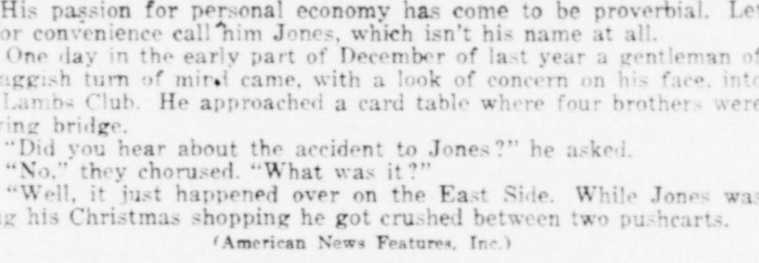


Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

Caught in the Jam

By IRVIN S. COBB

THERE is an actor in New York who is distinguished among other qualities for his frugality. There have been other frugal actors from time to time but probably none quite so much as this gentleman



is. His passion for personal economy has come to be proverbial. Let us for convenience call him Jones, which isn't his name at all.

One day in the early part of December of last year a gentleman of a wiggish turn of mind came, with a look of concern on his face, into the Lamb Club. He approached a card table where four brothers were playing bridge.

They were just plain glad to get away, hopeful they had made it certain the republic would live, but a little apprehensive about the problems of future generations.

"Can it be supposed," summed up Nathaniel Gorham of Massachusetts, "that this vast country, including the western territories, will 150 years hence remain one nation?"

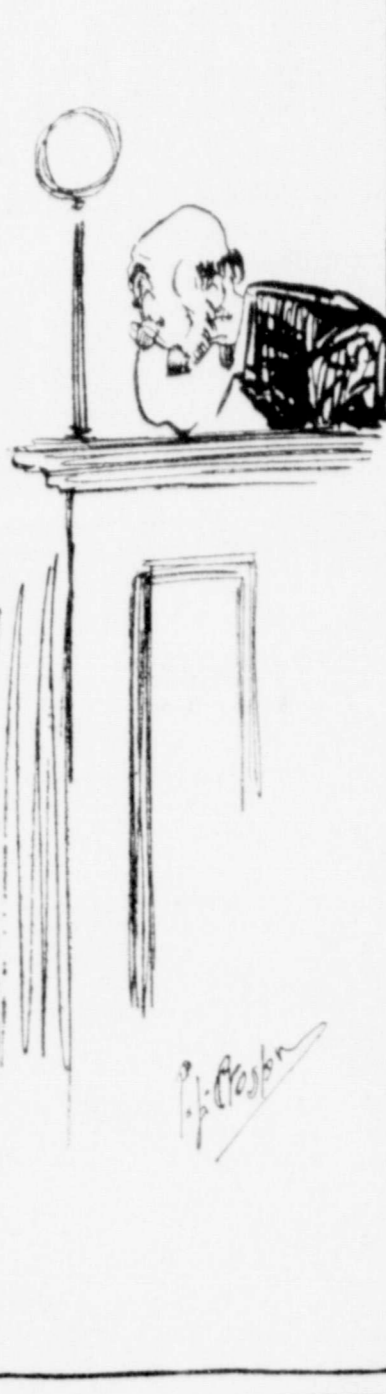
Promptly on adjournment, said one historian, they (the writers) "marched to City Tavern where they dined together and took cordial leave of each other."

That is quite possible, but six members who flatly refused to sign the convention document, had gone home in disgust. Ten others quit long before the finish, leaving the show to 39 who banded together for the appearance of unanimity although they never agreed on what it all meant.

Next day George Washington saluted artillery officers and headed his chariot carriage for Mount Vernon to watch field hands cut fodder. They were planting corn when he left more than four months before.

Back o' the Flats

By JOHN SELBY



It's Accident When Rattlesnake Bites

DENVER, Sept. 17 (AP)—From a Wyoming town, where the sheriff writes insurance as a sideline, came this report to the district of-

named custodian of the convention papers, subject to the order of congress "if ever formed under the constitution."

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The Literary Guidepost

By JOHN SELBY

"THE RADIO TO HAPPINESS" by Charles Gray Shaw (Hillman-Curl, \$2.50); "YOURSELF TO HAPPINESS" by David Seabury (Whittlesey, \$2.50).

Two gentlemen, one of them a philosophical school, one of them a psychiatric school, are pointing the way to happiness this morning.

Charles Gray Shaw's new book, "The Road to Happiness," is a quiet; David Seabury's "Yourself to Happiness" is a more active.

Professor Shaw has written a collection of short, connected essays. His point is simple to state, but pretty difficult to achieve.

Mr. Seabury's volume is a horse of another color. His understanding of happiness is a philosophical concept but a practical, usual affair that he worked out with the cooperation of almost any good physician.

Mr. Seabury's pages fairly tingle with psychiatric jargon, but complexes, reactions, fixations, sexual aberrations, erotic stimuli, compulsions, guilt feelings, neuroses, neurasthenic fears, whatnot are again whipped at the bushes and given a slap on the back.

"A cowpuncher policy came in with a bandaged and swollen hand as proof of disability."

"Can't do anything for you says I. 'That wasn't an accident. The snake bit you on purpose. 'Was I right?'"

The company overruled the sheriff.

Radio Programs for Today

Table listing radio programs for Friday, September 17, including stations like NBC-WEAF (RED) NETWORK, CBS-WABC NETWORK, and COLUMBIA NETWORK with various show titles and times.



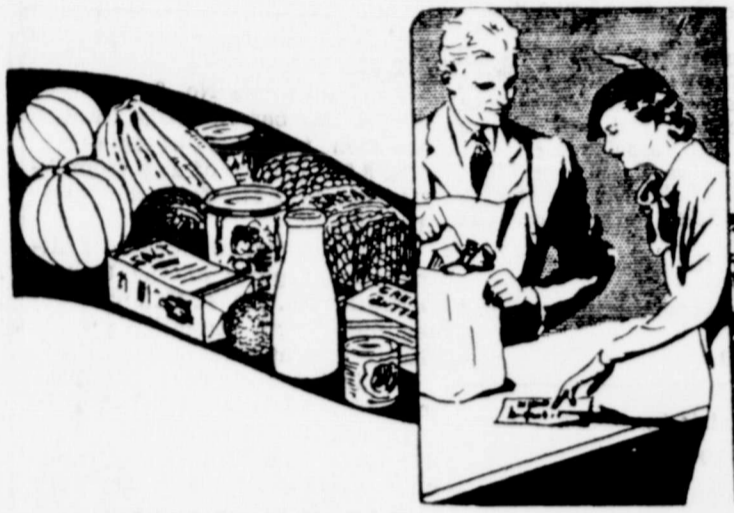
# FOODS

At Prices Women will Appreciate

"This Is a Home Owned Store"

## Special Sale Saturday Only

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- BANANAS, Golden Ripe** Pound **5c**
- LETTUCE, Head** **5c**
- SPUDS, 10 Pounds** **19c**
- LARD, Fresh** 8-Pound Carton **89c**



## COFFEE FOLGERS, 1 Lb., 29c; 2 Pounds 56c

- EGGS, Fresh Country** Dozen **18c**
- TEA, Maxwell House,** 1/4 Pound **21c**, 1/2 Pound **41c**, Glasses, **FREE**
- TOMATO JUICE, Campbell's** 2 Cans **15c**
- POST TOASTIES, Package** **10c**
- GRAPE JUICE, Church's,** Pint **18c**, Quart **35c**
- CORN BEEF, Can** **19c**
- MINCE MEAT, 3 Packages** **25c**

- SOAP, Crystal White** 6 Bars **25c**
- BABY FOOD, Heinz Brand** 3 Cans **25c**
- TOMATOES, No. 2 Cans** 2 Cans **15c**
- BEANS, Cut Green Beans** 3 Cans **25c**
- PEANUT BUTTER, 2 Lb. Quart Jar** **29c**
- CATSUP, Large Bottle** 2 Bottles **25c**
- CHERRIES, Sour Red Pitted** No. 2 Can **15c**
- PINEAPPLE, Del Monte Crushed** 3 Cans **25c**



## Market Specials

Home killed meats our specialty

- BEEF ROAST, Rib or Brisket, lb. 12c; Flesh, lb. 15c**
- CHILI Brick Chili** Pound **20c**

- PICNIC HAMS, Half or Whole** Lb. **25c**
- CHEESE Wisconsin Cream** Lb. **25c**
- OLEO, Fresh Stock** Lb. **20c**

Fresh Oysters



Many Other Bargains

## the dark ships

BY HULBERT FOOTNER

SYNOPSIS: Wealthy, flashy Prescott Fanning kidnaps Janet, a Baltimore girl, aboard his yacht. She sends word to Neil, a young federal agent who loves her. Rushes to Absalom's Harbor, he boards the yacht and finds, in a locked cabin, Fanning shot dead and Janet in a faint, a gun beside her. Neil rows her to the disused liners kept up the river and hides her in the best suite. Back at the village hotel, he resumes his fisherman role to watch developments. The village is hysterically excited over the murder. Button Billings, justice of the peace, is called.

**Chapter 15**  
**Blood On Your Kneec**  
A tall gaunt old man in decent Sunday blacks came down the companionway behind Neil and pushed through with an air of authority. He had a thin gray beard that waved with every movement and an expression of grim piety. He looked like a picture out of an old book. This was Mr. Button Billings, justice of the peace. Neil breathed a little easier. No special danger here.

As a matter of fact, as soon as Mr. Billings entered the after cabin a conflict of authority arose. "What's this? What's this?" he wanted to know. "Why didn't you wait for me?"

Virgil looked at him with a mixture of respect and exasperation. He tossed his badly chewed cigar through the porthole and stuck a fresh one in his mouth. "We are just looking into the evidence, Mr. Billings."

Virgil let him have his way. Mr. Billings stood in the middle of the cabin stroking his shaven upper lip, looking down at the body, looking all around. He frowned at the stricken steward on the sofa.

"Did he do it?" he asked Virgil. The man jumped up with a cry. "No, sir! No! It was me who found him! He was stiff and cold then. He..."

Mr. Billings silenced him with a wave of the hand. "All in good time. We'll sit on him first."

"That's not the way they do it," Virgil burst out. "They collect the evidence first, and then hold the inquest."

"It's nothing to me what's done in other places," said Mr. Billings. "We have our own ways. Always when a body is found we sit on it immediately."

"We don't know who he is yet," said Virgil. "He called himself Barrett, but there's no proof of it."

"Well, if don't know who he is, then he's an unknown person," said Mr. Billings crushingly. "They'll call us Hicks in the paper," muttered Virgil.

The old man ignored the remark. "This place is too small to hold it here," he said. "We'll carry him ashore."

"The evidence is here," Virgil said. "The gun; the bullet that was shot out of it; the smashed door."

"I will swear in a jury from among those present, and they can view the evidence."

"We ought to take steps to catch the murderer first," Mr. Billings flattened him with a gesture. "We will proceed in due order, Virgil."

A jury was duly sworn in—Mr. Billings had a testament in his tail pocket—and with difficulty steered around the little cabin. Twelve solemn-faced fishermen

and clerks, they took their responsibilities seriously. Mr. Billings then requested them to carry the body up on deck and to lay it in one of the skiffs alongside.

**The Jury's Verdict**  
Virgil, desperately rolling the cigar between his teeth, made another plea for delay. "Anyhow, wait till Mark Bonniger comes."

Mr. Billings drew himself up. "What's Mark Bonniger got to do with it?"

"I have requested him to take charge of the case."

"Mark Bonniger is not an officer!"

"He's a student and a traveler," said Virgil. "He knows how these things are done."

"You have gone beyond yourself in this matter, Virgil," said Mr. Billings severely. "We all respect you as a citizen, but you hold no office. I am the representative of the law in this district."

Virgil flung up his hands. The cigar tossed like a ship at sea.

Neill was well pleased to see the body carried ashore. The officious Mr. Button Billings was doing all he could to make the finding of the killer more difficult.

A freight shed on Longcop's wharf was designated as the place to hold an inquest. The solemn jury and the witnesses disappeared inside and closed the door. While he waited, Neill circulated unobtrusively among the crowd, watching and listening for anything that might threaten danger.

He was startled when he accidentally caught sight of his own strained face in the mirror of a slot machine.

An hour later the verdict was announced: "Man unknown shot to death by person or persons unknown." Neill could scarcely believe his ears. Was it possible they were going to drop the whole thing? No such luck. When he saw Virgil Longcop's shrewd eyes and active cigar he knew it wasn't going to be dropped.

Virgil was the only source of information as to what was really happening. Neill was unable to get hold of him again, but the nature of his activities leaked out of the little office from time to time. Mark Bonniger, it appeared, was away from home, and they were telephoning all over for him. Meanwhile Virgil had got the governor himself on the phone, and had arranged that as soon as Bonniger was found he should be sworn in as a special officer. Thus he got ahead of Mr. Button Billings.

Virgil had a keen sense of the value of publicity. He telephoned the news to the Washington and Baltimore newspapers and it was said that the reporters were racing down in a fleet of cars.

"I'm going to have this matter handled right!" Virgil was heard to shout. "I'm gonna put Absalom on the map!" Neill's breast tightened, hearing this. He dreaded the reporters just now.

**This Man Bonniger**  
Neill felt an anxious curiosity concerning this Bonniger whose name was on everybody's lips. His fate and Janet's depended on the kind of man he proved to be. By keeping his ears open and asking an occasional question, he built up a mental picture of Bonniger.

A quiet man. A widower in his middle forties, and the last representative of a family that had been prominent in the county since it was first settled. The Bonnigers were not the sort of people that money stuck to, and the family estate had declined since the Civil war, but Mark still had good tobacco and corn land and blooded riding horses. He lived

## Payroll Forms Due State by September 25

AUSTIN, Sept. 17.—Forms for reporting August payroll, issued to 12,105 Texas employers, should be completed and returned to the Unemployment commission before the 25th of September, Orville S. Carpenter, chairman-director of the commission, said today.

According to estimates made the first of September, approximately ninety-three per cent of the covered employers in Texas are registered with the reporting to the Unemployment Compensation commission.

During the first eight months of 1937, registered employers rose from 11,000 to more than 12,000. A corresponding increase in the number of employees was from 561,781 to 695,250 in that period.

According to these figures, Texas' average "covered" employer had fifty employees in August.

Each of the 695,250 employees is a potential beneficiary for payments from the "jobless fund," now \$14,405,957, which has been contributed by Texas employers. Payments will begin January 1, 1938, to qualified employes.

## Child Expert Finds Family 'Rows' Helpful

DENVER, Sept. 17. (AP)—Mild family "rows" are beneficial factor in rearing children, in the opinion of Sidonie M. Gruenberg, child specialist.

"I can think of nothing more discouraging than a home in which the mother and father never disagree," she told parents at a Denver University institute.

"Healthy family argument," she said, "gives children an insight into the problems of life."

alone in his old house. "Lordship's Grace," 20 miles up river.

Mark Bonniger's neighbors regarded him with a mixture of familiarity and awe. They felt that he belonged to them though they rarely saw him. He was a great traveler and would be away for months at a time without anybody knowing of it until he got back. He never went around, but he had good friends. Like Virgil, Virgil thought the world of him. Virgil had been trying for years to get him into public life, like all the Bonnigers before him.

Chiefly, however, the men spoke of Bonniger's insight into character.

"You can't fool Mark Bonniger! He will let you think you are fooling him, but he is fooling you. . . . Virgil Longcop, he made no mistake when he picked Mark Bonniger to solve this case. . . . Mark Bonniger can see further into a stone wall than most men."

And so on. And so on.

All this was disquieting. Neill saw that in remaining on the spot he had cast himself in a difficult role. His thoughts turned to Janet. He wished that he had her hidden further away. Too dangerous to try to move her now. He longed to be with her.

Later he learned that Mark Bonniger had been found and was being rushed to Annapolis as the governor could swear him in.

As he was circulating in the hotel lobby, picking up a word here and there—it was only idle gossip to the crowd, but to Neill it meant everything—he happened to glance at the letter rack behind the desk and was surprised to see a letter in his box. Upon his asking for it, a plain white envelope was handed him. Nothing but the room number was written on it. Inside he found a half sheet of note-paper with a note pencilled in a clerkly hand:

You been going round all morning with blood on your knee. You better wash it out before the investigator comes.

It was like an unexpected icy shower. Taking care to keep his face, Neill went quietly up the stairs. In his room he stared at his reflection in the mirror. It was true! There was a brownish-red stain on his left knee as big as a quarter.

He must have got it when he had knelt beside Fanning's body in the cabin of the yacht. The breeches were an old, soiled pair, and one spot more had escaped his notice. The thought of his carelessness brought the sweat out on him. A trained sleuth, it seemed, could be as blind a fool as any crook when it came to covering his own tracks.

He slipped out of his breeches in order to wash them. An ugly anxiety made him set his jaw. Who had written this note? It brought back to mind the unexplained happenings of the night before. Who was the sharp-eyed individual watching his every move? Who was there in Absalom's who knew so much about him? And how much more did he know?

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### Arkansas or A&M To Win Southwest Title. Is Belief

FORT WORTH, Sept. 17.—The southwest conference football title for 1937 belongs either to the Arkansas Razorbacks or the Farmers of Texas A. & M.

That is the composite opinion of more than 200 professional followers of the sport—writers for southwest newspapers and announcers for southwest radio stations.

When compiled by J. Willard Ridings, T. C. U. publicity director who took the straw vote, the ballots came out exactly even for Arkansas, who won the '36 flag, and the Aggies, who finished last season in third place.

"The Razorbacks have just as good material as in '36 and a year's more experience. They have the stuff—it's up to the coaching staff," is a typical comment.

"The Aggies have the material and are 'due' for a championship," says another writer. "And, anyway, they just don't repeat in this conference!"

This tradition of "champions don't repeat" is a real factor in the season's play, many experts believe.

"Every team will be pointing for the Hogs," one commentator puts it, "and it will be a miracle if they wind up on top in this southwest cut-throat competition."

Several ventured the observation that the champion, whoever it may be, will not be undefeated.

After naming the Aggies and the Razorbacks as "the standout elevens of the conference, the sports experts had more difficulty in placing four of the remaining five teams. The one exception was the Baylor Bears, to whom they awarded last place by a wide margin.

"The Frogs, Mustangs, Owls and Longhorns might wind up almost anywhere," one man wrote. "It is even conceivable that one of them could win the title."

Another commented on his ballot: "I have been flabbergasted by conference teams so often that I would not battle to defend any of my selections!"

However, the consensus vote ranked the four in this order: T. C. U., third; Texas, fourth; S. M. U., fifth; and Rice, sixth.

A similar straw vote last year showed a rather high degree of accuracy when compared with the actual results. The following table can be studied by the football fan for whatever he thinks it might be worth:

1936 Straw Vote—A. & M. T. C. U., Arkansas, Baylor, S. M. U., Rice, Texas.

1936 Final Standings—Arkansas, T. C. U., A. & M., Baylor, S. M. U., Rice, Texas.

1937 Straw Vote—Arkansas—T. C. U., A. & M., T. C. U., Texas, S. M. U., Rice, Baylor.

**BABY TO LIVE**  
DALLAS, Sept. 17. (AP)—A six-pound baby girl, born in a bus terminal here Tuesday while an ambulance just a race with the stork, and her mother, 25, will live, physicians said, despite the birth being without medical aid.

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### Among The Derricks

**WELL FLOWS 300 BARRELS PER HOUR**  
STAMFORD, Sept. 17.—Harold Neeley, president of the Iron Mountain Oil company of Fort Worth, estimated production of the company's No. 1 Jones & Stasney, north offset to the Avoca pool opener, at 300 barrels per hour natural Thursday.

The Iron Mountain and Humble offset drilled cement plugs atop the Palo Pinto lime from 3,224 feet to a total depth of 3,232 feet, and blew itself in under heavy gas pressure. The well is the fourth producer for the new field in northeastern Jones county, about 10 miles southeast of Stamford.

Verdict was still awaited on the potential gauge for the same owners' No. 1 Huge Hatterius, northeast offset to the pool opener which was treated with acid. It was estimated natural for 5,000 barrels daily through casing. Both wells are in section 196-BBB&C survey.

On the north side of the Avoca pool, the Jones & Stasney et al No. 1 Eckdahl was drilling past 1,000 feet. It is in section 188-BBB&C survey.

Fain-McGaha and Sinclair-Prairie No. 1 Olson, in section 190, was drilling past 830 feet.

Oil States Exploration and Roeser & Pendleton No. 1 Eric Rosenquest, in section 181, was drilling past 775 feet.

In the southern outpost area, the Shaheen and Owen No. 1 Jensen was drilling past 1,255 feet. It is located in section 198.

**Drilling Ahead**  
Murray and Harrison No. 1 Little & Aiken, in section 172-BBB&C, has resumed drilling past 2,640 feet after underreaming six-inch casing to 2,600 feet for a water shutoff. It is on the east side of the pool.

Felmont Corporation No. 1 A. D. Woodson, southwest of the Avoca area, is slated for spudding by this weekend on another Palo Pinto wildcat. It will be 1,060 feet from the west and 330 feet from the south line of section 200-BBB&C survey.

West of the Hawley field, S. C. and W. L. Herring and the Owens-Snebold Oil Corporation are slated to spud soon on the No. 1 J. W. Grogan, a projected 2,700-foot wildcat test half a mile southeast of Truby.

It will be in the north 160-acre tract in Longoria survey No. 258, offsetting the Truby school campus.

Operators may acidize the A. G. Swanson No. 1 Manly, southeastern Jones county wildcat test, after picking up a good showing of oil in Upper Hope lime from 1,795-1,807 feet yesterday.

The test is in the center of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 46-14-T&P survey on a 2,000-acre block.

**May Deepen**  
It will be in the north 160-acre tract in the Hope zone. Swanson obtained at the Hope zone.

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#### Gunnery at Regular Intervals

By IRVIN S. COBB

SOME years ago a New York millionaire of varied matrimonial adventures had a falling out with two young persons of the chorus. The disagreement reached its climax at his apartments on an evening



when they called, bringing revolvers with them. Shortly thereafter he was removed to a hospital suffering from bullet wounds in his legs and the young ladies were taken to jail. They were indicted and tried. By reason of the prominence of the victim the trial was what is called a sensational trial. The newspapers were full of it and the defendants became, for the time being, celebrities.

Upon their release they were vouchsafed an opportunity to capitalize their notoriety. Under the title of "The Shooting Show Girls" they were taken on extended booking provided their act justified it. For the opening night's performance a capacity audience gathered but, in all charity, it must be stated that the featured act proved a disappointment.

Aside from the facts that neither of the stars could dance, or sing, or speak her lines, or wear her costumes effectively and that both of them suffered from stage-fright they did very well, considering.

On the following night, Jim Thornton, the old vaudeville comedian, was present to see them. He stood at the back of the house watching the scene on the stage with an inscrutable expression on his face. The manager ranged up alongside him:

"Well, Jim," he said, "what do you think of the girls, eh?"

Thornton cleared his throat impressively:

"If," he said, "magisterially,"—"if the young women desire a second week's engagement they must shoot him again!"

(American News Features, Inc.)

son said the test may be deepened to the King sand and possibly to the Palo Pinto lime of the Canyon.

Five-inch casing is expected to arrive today for the Riddle et al No. 1 Freeman, wildcat west of the Hawley field near Truby. After running of casing, operators will acidize a showing of oil in Sandy lime found from 2,471 to 2,487 feet, corrected depth.

The test is located 1,900 feet from the north and 1,866 feet from the west line of section 6-17-T&P survey.

In the west extension area of the Hawley field, the Ungren Frazier No. 1-H Dorsey, north offset to a recent half mile west extension, was being treated with acid after drilling plugs at 2,155 feet and running tubing. Four 150-barrel tanks were erected for storage. It is located in James Bartlett survey No. 198.

**Three Completions**  
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### Criminals Seldom Fire at 'Dead Shots'

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Sept. 17. (AP)—If you are a "dead shot," rarely will you have to "shoot it out" with a desperate criminal.

That is the theory of Maj. W. H. Drane Lester, assistant director of the federal bureau of investigation under J. Edgar Hoover.

"We have had to kill only nine criminals out of 12,000 captured in the last three years," he says. "The criminal, knowing we are capable of protecting our own lives, rarely chooses to shoot it out with us."

A musical pipe, made of a lion's tooth, was found recently in a cave in Czechoslovakia. The pipe, which still gives forth its two notes, D and G, was played by cavemen who lived in that region 30,000 years ago.

gallons of acid from 2,165 to 2,196 feet, the Upper Hope.

The company's No. 9-B Dorsey flowed 293 barrels daily through two-inch tubing after treatment with 3,000 gallons of acid from 2,211 feet to 2,219 feet, the lower Hope lime.

Operators last night were drilling cement plugs on the Ungren & Frazier No. 1 S. A. Kelly, quarter mile north extension to the Guitlar pool at Hawley.

Six-inch casing was set and cemented at 2,000 feet after oil sand had been drilled from 2,001 to 2,009 feet. It is located a quarter-mile north of the pool discovery well and is in the southeast corner of the southwest quarter of section 43-15-T&P survey.

### Ban on Banners Is Sought in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 17. (AP)—When the city council placed a fee on street banners it thought it would rid the streets of that form of advertising. Instead revenue averaging \$2,000 a year poured into the treasury.

But one commissioner still doesn't want banners, even at a profit. He proposes an ordinance prohibiting all except those advertising charity events.

### Abandoned Eggs Yield 50 Turkeys

TERREBONNE, Ore., Sept. 17. (AP)—Mrs. Ada Garrett, who has a small farm here, was looking over a dump ground when she

saw a number of obviously hatched eggs. Investigating, she picked more than the shells. The now thriving ones were the eggs laid by ashes and Mrs. the heat helped

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#### G. A. Meets at Church Wednesday at 4

The G. A. of the First Baptist church met Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the church. Willie Frank Walker opened the meeting with a prayer and the group then joined in singing "We've a Story to Tell to the Nation." Jessie Jean Robertson led the devotional, and Mrs. H. J. McArdle taught the manual. Present were Billy Gene Cleere, Alice Hutton, Betty Jean Condron, Lois Cope, Margaret Arrington, Mary Caldwell, Jessie Jean Robertson, Willie Frank Walker, Mrs. McArdle and Madeline Blackburn.

The time for the meeting of the G. A. next week has been changed to Monday afternoon at 4 at the church. All members were urged to be present at that time.

#### Fiftieth Birthday Celebrated Wednesday

Members of Mr. S. W. McCannies' family celebrated his fiftieth birthday at his home 908 Ave. H. Wednesday with a luncheon. Those from out of town and Cisco were: Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McCannies and family, Rev. and Mrs. Virge McCannies, of Roper, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McCannies and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McCannies, Mrs. Bob Jackson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Huestis and family, Mrs. Ted Bacon, and family, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. McCannies of Cisco, Mrs. Richard Turknett of Alpine, Texas.

#### DINNER SATURDAY

The colored people of the A. M. E. church will have a chicken dinner Saturday September 18 at 12 o'clock in the location formerly occupied by the Ladies Shoppe Ave. D.

#### Mrs. White Hostess To Forty-Two Club

The Thursday Forty-Two club met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. L. A. White as hostess. Roses added color to the room where three tables were set for the games of the day. High club score going to Mrs. J. T. Berry and Mrs. C. H. Fee receiving high guest score. Refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. Wm. Reagan, J. B. Cate, J. T. Dean, Connie Davis, J. W. Mancill, G. M. Stephenson, J. T. McKissick, Chas. Hale, W. H. LaRoque, W. W. Moore, J. T. Berry, C. H. Fee, L. A. White.

#### Kermit Couple Are Married Thursday

Marriage of Mr. Hollis R. Langley and Miss Helen Vandagriff, both of Kermit, was solemnized at the parsonage of the East Side Baptist church, where the Rev. Hubert Christian officiated, last night. Mr. Langley formerly lived in Cisco.

#### Tourist Loses Hat; Finds It Year Later

WISNER, Neb., Sept. 17. (AP)—J. W. Richmond of Wisner left his Panama hat in a Canby, Minn., restaurant while en route home after a vacation. This summer, a year after losing the hat, he stopped in the same restaurant for lunch. There was the hat, waiting for him to claim it. And it was spotlessly brushed, too.

Thomas Edison placed on the market the first commercial model of the phonograph in 1888. Within a few years, phonographs and records were sweeping the country.

### Personals

O. L. Stamey left this morning for Lubbock to attend the Cisco Lobo and Lubbock Westerners football game which is to be played tonight.

W. E. Rankin transacted business in Cisco Thursday. Mr. Rankin's home is in Galveston.

Mrs. George D. Fee has returned to her home here after a visit of several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Rae Keteison in Houston.

Mrs. Thelma Halstead left this morning to spend the week-end in San Angelo.

W. C. White returned to his home in Gladewater this morning from where he will go to A. and M. college to take up his studies again.

H. J. Hager of Fort Worth transacted business in Cisco Thursday.

Ed Huestis and Rev. Joe Patterson are in Lubbock today to see the Lobo and Westerners football game.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Slicker and son, Joe, are leaving tomorrow for College Station where Joe will enter A. and M. college.

Charles Clark has returned to Lubbock to enter Texas Technological college.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Cunningham have returned from a ten days vacation. While away they visited the Grand Canyon, Boulder Dam and the Painted Desert.

Jack Threadgill of Dallas was a business visitor in the city Thursday.

Tyler are visiting in the home of Mrs. Wender's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Fee.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Wender of

### Tax Collecting Abuses of State Are Disclosed

By RAYMOND BROOKS

AUSTIN, Sept. 17.—Former Rep. John T. Smith's bid for a \$20,000,000 tax-collecting commission contract was "just to show up the abuses of the present system," and not with any intention of getting the contract, he revealed here.

"I wouldn't give a dollar for that contract," he said. "My purpose was to show the legislature that these taxes can be collected." He proposed to the senate economy committee that one contract, with interest and penalty only for commissions, would bring the state about \$15,000 to \$20,000,000 in two years.

"The money could be collected now by local officials charged by law with that duty, if they would perform the duty," former Rep. Smith said.

Mr. Smith formerly held some of the one-county delinquent tax contracts on commission basis. "But that principle of operating the government is so repugnant that I gave them up and wouldn't have anything more to do with collecting taxes on commission," he said. "My proposal to the senate committee was only to point out the short-comings and abuse of the present system, and to show, if local officials did their sworn duty, these taxes would be collected."

There are now 67 county commission contracts, in which the state has been obligated to pay commission on its share of the taxes, as well as counties. These contracts are held by about 25 individuals, some having eight or ten different counties. These contracts run from 5 to 15 per cent commission. Formerly the commission was 33 1-3 per cent.

The legislature, instead of acting to compel the tax collectors and county attorneys to collect delinquent levies provided that "when the county attorney certified that he would not proceed,

### Bears Double in Park Within Year

ESTES PARK, Colo., Sept. 17. (AP)—A sudden increase in the birth rate among bears of Rocky Mountain national park has rangers and naturalists puzzled.

Until last year there were believed to be only about 30 bears in the entire park. This year reports from innkeepers and summer residents indicated the number has been doubled.

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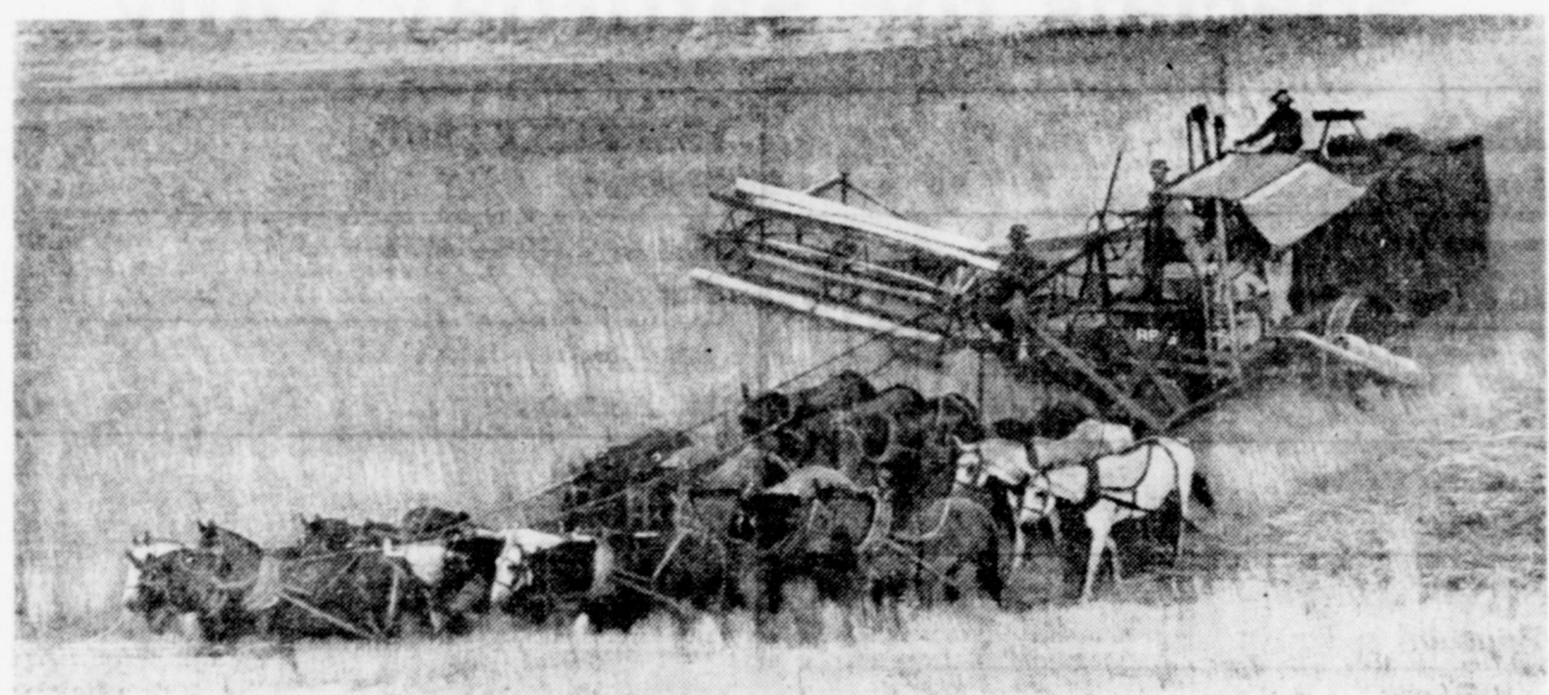
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