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CISCO, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1941

### Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

to increase the nit on state highm 45 to 60 miles per been favorably rea house commitproposed new d apply only to riving. It is a well act that the present nit of 45 miles per so generously disreat if our highway ould arrest every exceeds that would be more jail than there on the roads. As a fact 45 miles an kind of cars and d of highways that nowadays doesn't the practical conor highway travel. rather foolish to millions of dollars in cting good highways tate traffic and then that automobiles, run safely at 60 miles ur and above, keep peed to the limit rey inferior roads.

ly safety on the ould be the prime ation. But safety is arily a matter of Although one can o fast on the best and in the best cars, stion of safety is a of careful considerwoman can be a daniver at 20 miles do so at 60.

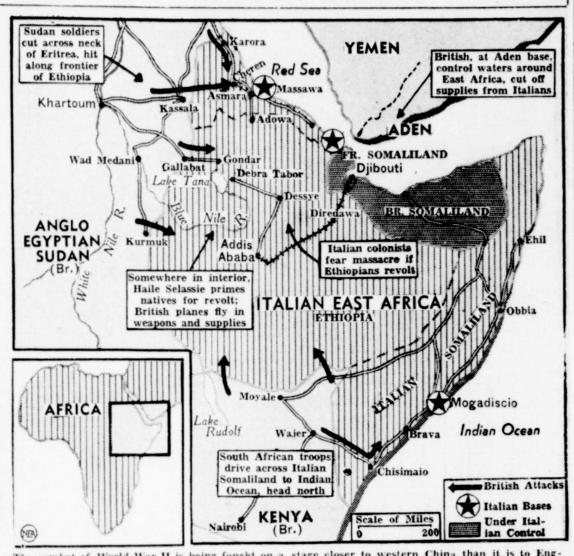
nswer to safe driving is a question of rethat every operator nicle operate it sanely cordance with his ability to handle ine under all cirnces. The great numfrivers who are acto drive skillfully ously at the speeds ch cars are built to ould not be penalan ironclad rule for ates of travel which olve the real probsafe traffic. Better tember. eed limit which is in cord with the normands of highway nd enforce the pracich make for safety eeds. A better drive law, swifter and punishment for ess, a strict injuncainst drunkeness bedriver's wheel, and lic concern for the g condition of the ich use the highways more to solve the than any arbitrary

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### orge Boyd to Candidate for mmissioner

Daily Press to make the nt, George Boyd today andidate for city cointhe municipal general Tuesday, April 1. Mr. ement was:

# Action in Africa Shifts to Eastern Front



The combat of World War II is being fought on a stage closer to western China than it is to England. While British make steady advance in Libya and a war of nerves grips the Balkans, Empire forces are closing in on some 50.000 Italian troops in East Africa. Map spots highlights of action.

## REPORT SAYS **JAPS READY TO** TAKE US GOODS

HANOI, French Indo-China It is also true Feb. 21 (AP)-Reliable sources repeople can drive | ported Thursday night that a sethe Japanese and French author ties over Japanese demands for \$10,000,000 worth of American and Chinese-owned goods stored n Haiphong warehouses.

These sources said Japanese ilitary authorities demanded that the French requisition the goods and then hand them over to the Japanese, but that the French flatly refused to assist the Japanese in any unfair way and said that if the Japanese wanted the goods they must seize them forcibly and take responsibility

The supplies include American rucks, tires and other materials which were en route to China hen the Japanese cut off the Haipong-Kumming route last Sep-

It was reported the Japanese have strengthened their guards around the warehouses, preventng removal of any supplies, even those requisitioned by the French

The Japanese, in making their demands, were declared to have begun by stressing their right to direct Indo-China's economic afairs because this country is part of the greatest East Asia prosper-

ity sphere. Observers here said it was apparent that the Japanese were keeping a close grip on the disputed goods so they could seize them quickly in the event of war in the

#### Cisco Soldier Is Made Corporal

"Cy" Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cooper, who has been in service with Troop F, 124th Cavalry, since Nov. 18, 1940, has been promoted to corporal of the second squad in the second rifle platoon. He is stationed at Fort rief statement authorizing Ringgold, Rio Grande City.

#### **Motion Picture** At Church Tonight

The Rev. Henry Littleton, disence of my friends and trict Baptist missionary, will prest of the Cisco business sent a moving picture of missiondecided to announce ary Work in South this eve-ice on the city commishereby give the Cisco ning at 7:30, it was announced Christian university, the genesis ress the authority to make today. The public is cordially invited to attend.

#### **Buried Today**



RANDOLPH LEE CLARK

### **FUNERAL FOR** DR. LEE CLARK THIS MORNING

Dr. L. D. Anderson, pastor of the First Christian church of Fort Worth, paid eloquent tribute to the life and character of Dr. Randolph Lee Clark in funeral services for the veteran Texas educator at the First Christian hurch here this morning at 10:30.

The theme of the Fort Worth minister's comforting message was that death is, like sleep, a God has planned the transfer of his children from fleshly existence to spiritual life with him. He used a statement of Jesus' which he admitted he had long overlooked, to impress upon the large gathering of friends and relatives the unselfish philosophy with which death of loved ones hould be accepted. It was a statement in which Jesus had told his disciples that if they

at his going. The scripture for the services was read by Dr. J. T. McKissick was by D. Lee Hukel, minister of the Church of Christ in Cisco. ave decided to announce ary vork in South America at The concluding prayer was offer-

loved him they would not sorrow

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# **NAZIS CLAIM**

# **16 BRITISH** SHIPS SUNK

Britain and a British destroyer Libya. Thursday night of German re- Italian soldiers. have been lost.

about 65,000 tons.

of Germany's fleet of mosquito show of force at Singapore. the fogbound southern reaches of presumed to be sailing for Hainan years of tranquility of lessened rethe North sea.

ified their destruction and escap-

from total loss is assumed to believed lost.

### 13 Men Leave **Next Week For** Military Camp

The following men have been selected for induction into one year army training in the selective service military program, by beneficient condition by which the local draft board. They will report on Thursday, February 27,

Owen, all of Eastland; Floyd the following statement: Samuel Isbell and Samford Daul- "At the request of the Cisco Alice Spencer On

March 14 to Fort Sam Houston. | this announcement.'

# **EDEN'S VISIT** PORTENDS 'BIG **DECISIONS**'

#### Three Main Courses Are Open for British Libyan Troops

By the Associated Press

The sudden arrival of Britain's foreign secretary and the chief of Britain's general staff in Egypt for reported "big decisions" and unconfirmed reports of hurried Japanese troop movements last night brought sharply into the speculative spotlight the struggle for empire in the middle and far east.

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and Lieut-Gen. Sir John G. Dill reached Cairo, and this brought home again to Britons that they have a victorious army in Egypt and the ability to send it speedily to defend British possessions in any part of the globe

Informed neutral diplomatists in London pointed to the uncertain attitude of both Turkey and Greece toward the threat of nazi invasion, and it is considered likely that Eden's third visit to the middle east since the war began was designed to bolster these British allies with promises or even plans for military support from the African troop reservoir. Drive Followed Visit

Eden last visited in Egypt in October as war minister. That trip was followed by Gen. Sir trip was followed by Gen. Sir Archibald P. Wavell's crushing President Waits drive against Libya.

Britain apparently has three main courses open for her vistorious troops in Libya. She 1. Continue her Libyan drive to-

BERLIN, Feb. 21 (P).-Fifteen ward the western border and merchant ships in the service of Tripoli, principal Italian city in FORT WORTH, Feb. 21 (A) have shuddered to the crash of 2. Rush the force to Greece and Christian unversity for 25 years,

48 hours, according to compilation resistance to German pressure and day ports, and 12 of the merchant 3. Ship a good part of her force board of trustees, in annual sestered the institution on August 4.

anese threat. The 15 merchant ships totaled Reports that Japan was rushing as a suitable successor could be troops transports from Formosa found.

This surge of activity in the counterblockade of Britain was be confirmed. However, they said "I have 70th birthday," he marked by the fact that none of be confirmed. However, they said. "I have given 25 years of the reports came from submarines.
And surface raiding was repreing no time in countering Pritain. sented only by the report of one ing no time in countering Britain's service—including my 20 years in

island, a good station for any sponsibility." There, the high command said, drive on Singapore, or for north- The board, accepting the retire- fore receiving his appointment. the crew of this fast little craft ern French Indo-China, where the ment, voted to give Waits the titorpedoed two merchantmen, ver-

Germans said they had to rely on what could be immediately observed by the attacking planes. army chief of staff, told the sen-Thus, the reports on them varied the United States intends to send the latest type of army and navy fighting planes to reinforce the

General Marshall was said to have told the committee the situation in the far east is "seriuation in the far east is "seri-

### **Neil Lane Asks** Re-Election to **City Commission**

to the board and be sent to the Daily Press to announce that he ities of all types. induction station of the United will be a candidate for re-elec-States army at Fort Sam Hous- tion as a member of the city com- today was to order all baby bonds for electrical engineering. mission in the municipal general sold after March 1 to be taxable. Horace Ray Kelley, Joseph Bu- election on Tuesday, April 1. Mr. ford Webb, and David Wilson Lane announced his candidacy

ton Shugart of Gorman; Clarence business men and my friends I Ellsworth Baugh and Clyde Mil- have decided to announce for reburn Adams of Nimrod; James election as city commissioner. I Leo Higginbotham, Rex Mays am ready to serve where I may The seventh call will include past two years. I hereby author- stated.

tian islands.

## Sues German Consul for \$8,000



leave temorrow for San Francisco

1937, as one of 583, out of which

uates, 23 failed to receive com-

missions because of physical de-

fects. These are now assigned to

instructing reservists called to

duty and being given training at

Enders, the youngest son of Mr.

ceives on his actual service rec-

ord during the next two years

will determine his seniority fo

promotion to lieutenant, junio

the navy. In his first year he

Besides his commission he receiv-

Cecil Shults Again

Heads R. S. Chamber

RISING STAR, Feb. 21-At the

annual meeting of the Rising Star

grade, the next highest rank

stood 236 in his class of 583;

corps of the navy.

Mrs. Aliee Crockett glares away from a picture of German Consul Fritz Wiedemann after filing suit in San Francisco for \$8,000 which she claims is due her for acting as Wiedemann's secret agent in Berlin in 1939. Mrs. Crockett is the former wife of a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. army

#### Young Cisco Naval Officer to Report For Duty on March First

# of TCU Announces His Retirement

E. M. Waits, president of Texas first Cisco youth to become a na- oring to get the true meaning of torpedoes and bombs in the last Albanian to strengthen the Greek announced his retirement yester-

In a formal statement to the ships are known or believed to to the far east to meet any Jap- sion at the university, he asked to be relieved of his duties as soon 396 were graduated. Of the grad-

> the ministry-when a man has and Mrs. B. S. Huey of Cisco, The Japantese transports were done his stint, he deserves a few graduated from Cisco high school

tive when his successor is named. and Enders stood in 43rd place committee at a secret session. United States interest in the Waits will retain a connection overall during his four years there.

# U.S. Treasury **Announces New**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 (AP) .- his second year he stood 34; in Secretary Morgenthau, wielding his third year he stood 25 and in treasury's new powers to issue his final year, 71. fully taxable securities, Thursday | Ensign Huey plans to go to ing \$1,300,000,000.

President Roosevelt signed a bill raising the federal debt limit from \$49,000,000,000 to \$65,000,- graduated in June, but graduation 000,000 and giving the treasury was speeded up four months be-Neil Lane today authorized the the power to issue taxable secur- cause of the national emergency. Morgenthau's first action early ed a bachelor of science degree

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# Texas Honor Roll

Miss Alice Spencer, daughter of chamber of commerce, held at Alsworth, Theo Terrell Hale, Ed- help Cisco. I have served two Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer, and the Majestic hotel Tuesday, Cecil of Cisco. The opening prayer Andrew Forgo Coldwell of Cisco. of my ability, as I have in the first semester, reports here veteran secretary, re-elected to

Delta Delta sorority.

# DENIES OFFER OF MEDIATION

JAP MINISTER

#### Matsuoka Reply to British Reported to Be Confused

TOKYO, Feb. 21 (P)-Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuoka called a special press conference late Thursday night to deny he had made a reputed special offer to Britain to mediate the war in Europe.

"As foreign minister, I never have offered mediation to any nation in the world for restoration of world peace," Matsuoka said.

News in London was that Japan had made such an mediation offer, but it was reported here that confusion had arisen from the Japanese press use of the

"I replied to an inquiry by British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden concerning matters relative to the Japanese mediation of the Thai-Indo-China dis-

"Although I expressed my riews in that reply concerning establishment of world peace, I never sent to any nation any message concerning Japanese media-

youth who was graduated from pear before the Japanese diet to the U. S. Naval academy at An- inform it also that the peace pronapolis, Md., on February 7, will posal was merely a memorandum

to report for duty aboard the U. the Indo-China matter S. light cruiser Richmond in Ha-Ensign Huey, whose rank cor- Craigie and Maj. Gen. Eugene responds to second lieutenant in Ott, already have had long disthe United States army, is the cussions with Matsuoka, endeavval oficer via the academy in the matter, and United States Clyde L. Garrett in 1937 and en- formal conference Friday.

#### AMERICAN FAR EASTERN AIR POWER STRENGTHENED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 (AP)-Swift steps will be taken to strengthen American air power in the Pacific, it was reported here Thursday, while Shanghai accounts told of new Japanese

military movements southward. Both army and navy fighting planes of the latest type are to be dispatched to the Pacific fleet. Gen. George C. Marshall, chief of staff, was said to have disclos-

Some committee members said As for the bombed ships, the startling moves in the Orient was with TCU, although no specific He is the 38th in order to receive he described the Far eastern situcause of defects in physical con- ses to speed up war equipment dition. This rating, taken in con- deliveries to the British junction with the marks he re- One committeeman said Mar-

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#### Miss Slicker Attains Highest Frosh Honor

AUSTIN, Feb. 21 (Spc)-Thirty University of Texas co-eds will receive the highest scholastic honor conferred on freshmen women announced financing plans exceed- Pensacola, Fla., after his first Friday when they become year of service to enter the air "pledges" of Alpha Lambda Delta, national freshman honor society Normally, he would have been Initiation services will be held later this spring.

The thirty honor students, each of whom has an average of at least three A's and two B's, include Miss Alice Slicker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Slicker of Cisco.

#### Weather

EAST TEXAS: Mostly cloudy with colder in south portion Friday; Saturday cloudy to partly cloudy and continued cold: fresh ward Nicol Crawford and Thomas years as commissioner and will student in Texas university at Shults was again named president to occasional strong northeast and Waldron Blair, of Ranger, and if elected, try to serve to the best Austin, was on the honor roll for of the body and J. F. Robertson, northerly winds on the coast, diminishing by Friday night.

his place. W. J. Herrington was WEST TEXAS: Cloudy with oc-14 men, white, who will be sent ize the Cisco Daily Press to make Miss Spencer, a junior in inter- the choice for vice president, and casional drizzle or rain Friday and ior decorating, attended Texas the following named directors for Saturday, except becoming partly Christian university in Fort Worth the new year: F. W. Roberds, A. cloudy at times Saturday; colder The greatest Pennsylvania coal Tokio is 3,350 miles from Sing- her freshman and sophomore N. Snearly, G. G. Goss, Jay in southeast portion Friday; Satvein is estimated to be 3,000 feet apore, 2,933 miles from the Aleu- years. She is a member of Delta Koonce, H. S. Childress, A. W. urday slowly rising temperatures Armstrong and John Y. Waldrop, late in the day.

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sacrifices of the Italian people lies at the

secret police, are gradually seizing a control over Italy which will be hard indeed to (Consolidated with Cisco Dally News and Cisco American and Round-Up, Nov. 1, 1937)

Thus, while the youth of Naples and Milan and Venice fight and die, or give up Published each afternoon, except Saturday, and the struggle in the freezing mountain passes of Albania or in the burning wastes of Ethioby the Free Press Publishing Corporation, incorporated under the laws of the state of Texas, Editoripia, the homeland is gradually occupied by the ancient enemy, entering by invitation. Mussolini has made it sure that even if Germany wins, Italy can be nothing but an obsequious and servile province of the great-

MORE and more Americans of Italian descent are realizing this gross betrayal every day. At one time, impressed by order n a disorderly Italy, by suppression of the Mafia, reclamation work, and a seemingly successful imperialism, they were inclined to listen to the fervent propaganda of the fascist functionaries who came to the Unit-National advertising representatives, Texas ed States as consuls and in other positions of influence. Now they begin at last to turn Any erroneous statement reflecting upon the to such truly democratic Italian voices as those of Sforza, and Borgese, Ascoli and Salers. The Cisco Daily Press assumes no responsi- vemini, who have long realized that the true genius of he Italian people travels the road to freedom, not to enslavement. Mussolini 1934, at the post office at Cisco, Texas, under the is not Italy Act of March 3, 1879.

In London and Montreal, Free Italy movements are gaining strength. In New York the Mazzini society, remembering the days of Italy's real glory, cheers to the echo. TWENTY years after crushing democratic the statement that "here in this country you Italy by his "march on Rome," Benito cannot help but feel the rhyhm of the com-Mussolini has succeeded in landing Italy and ing days"—days of a new order based not on the Italian people directly and literally be- tinseled tyranny, but on ancient liberties revived and made more glorious still.

An Illinois man drew a prison term for friendly sea that the Italians have liked to robbing the mails. Tried to get what was call Mare Nostrum, "our sea." It isn't their coming to us and got what was coming to sea these days. Only by night dares Musso- him.

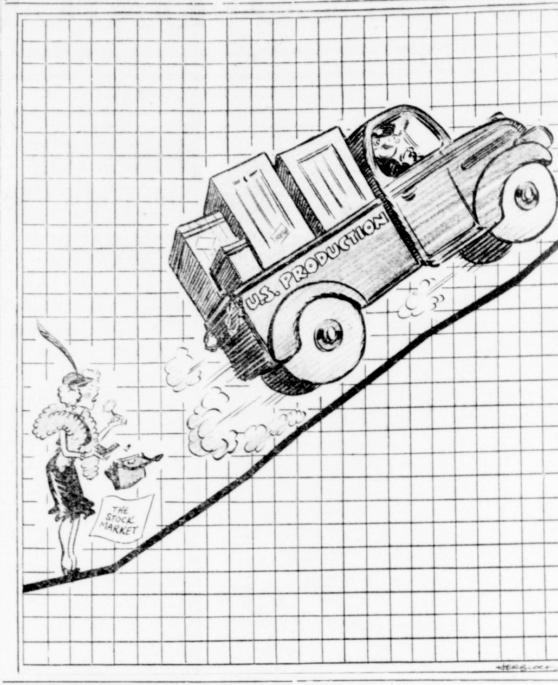
All the people who don't fall for flattery into the far western corner of Italian north could hold a convention in a telephone booth.

Rouge Makers Hold Meeting"-head-

AND on the other side, the devil, just as in bills whose first name is dollar?

Geography students have learned the mightily to defend, come pouring the legions | island of Crete is a small body of land entire of the north, the strutting Germans who ly surrounded by international complica-

### "Make Up Your Mind, Sister-We Ain't Waiting"



Curls Must Go



Carl Venstrom of Seattle, Wash. is streamlined by Annapolis lined three-month course at the U.S. Naval Academy. He is one of 750 naval reserve midship-

hereof or under the law of the fund, or foundation, only if the Henry Parmer.

#### BLUFF BRANCH

am, of Dothan Monday night

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Harwell pent a while Saturday night in he home of Mr. and Mrs. Jac

The "42" club met with Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Pippen Saturday

Clyde Coats Thursday. One hundred and fifty quilts have bee quilted by this club. The cli has seven members at presen Next meeting will be with Mr L. E. Edwards.

Mmes. Neil and Jeff Pippen were in Cisco Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter Laux

Look in the Classified First.

Announcements

The Cisco Daily Press has bee

G. P. MITCHAM

(Two to be elected)

H. C. HENDERSON

W. R. WINSTON

NEIL LANE (Re-ele

GEORGE BOYD

were in Cisco Tuesday.

Political

For Mayor-

For City Comm'r-

Robert Jones of Bedford spent Dorothy Carr, called at the home

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pence and authorized to announce the fol daughter, Eunice, and Mrs. Bill lowing as candidates in the mun Pence and children of Cottonwood cipal election in April: in any possession butions or gifts to a trust, chest, spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Edwards entertained Friday night with an "Old Tyme Candy Making" and Valentine party. Present were Mr.

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#### BRUCE CATTON'S AMERICAN ROUNDUP

STATE DEPARTMENT DOES GOOD JOB OF KEEP U. S. SHIPS AND CITIZENS OUT OF WAR ZONE BY PETER EDSON

NEA Service Staff Correspondent in the case

take the most pride PENALTIES

ents have been given careful to England. neckup to prevent complications. First is the case of Capt. Hector way of Newfo eon Marie Vanderdonck, Belgian

by birth, skipper of the good ship thence non-stop to England Ville De Namur, formerly a U. S. PILOTS MAY GET terchantman but transferred to SPECIAL PASSPORTS Belgian registry early in the war. Captain Vanderdonck lecame a United States citizen back in 1920 SPECIAL passi out, being a sailor, he never lived issued of course the United States much and, ac- partment unde ording to his own testimony, he act. Willkie g hought that his American citi- foreign corre his vessel loaded with war sup- reason for tra olies, he sailed her out of New If a pilot York harbor under the Belgian England is sh flag for Havre, France. He got it's his neck his ship through the blockade perhaps no or

afely, unloaded, and was back in for that. the United States in July. The case came to the attention if the U. S. of the Department of Justice, and know about t began an investigation. In Jan- might be giv uary, Vanderdonck was indicted passports, but

and is awaiting trial in New court to rule if

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By Williams

DUT OUR WAY . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . THEY'RE / I THINK THEY'RE ) NO ONE WHERE I WANTED TO BE BORN, BUT SINCE I'VE GOT PAST TH' RED CANDY AGE I THINK I



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ESCAPE FROM AN AUNT

CHAPTER X

Carter descended the stairs.

Legal Notice

ELECTION TO BE HELD I

THE FIRST DAY OF APRIL

1941, FOR THE PURPOSE OF

ELECTING A MAYOR AND TWO COMMISSIONERS FOR

COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF

That an election shall be held on the first Tuesday in April,

1941, same being the 1st day o

April, 1941, at which election the

qualified voters of the City of Cisco shall elect a Mayor and two

commissioners, each to hold office for a term of two years;

That said election shall be held

at the City Hall of the City of

Cisco between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a. m. and 7:00 o'clock p

m., to be conducted according

the Ordinances and Charter of th

City of Cisco, and in compliance

with the election laws of the State

be given for a period of not less

than twenty days next preceding

the date of said election by publication in each issue of a news-

paper published in the City of

Secretary, this the 11th day of

February, A. D. 1941.

Signed and approved by the Mayor, and attested by the City

J. T. BERRY,

Mayor of the City

of Cisco.

THE CITY OF CISCO. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY

YESTERDAY: April plays her gripping it so she wouldn't do and doll-lashed eyes and part up to the picnic's close. But anything foolish like fainting in tered white hands.

then and there.

In the blessed last-minute re- Outside, the sleet struck the remote from Pattonsville, her only prieve, she found the frozen mask windows and the wind was a of her face lifting in a smile. "It's howling mob. April Burnett like the ax falling, very nice to know you," she began, trying to speak as Ann would.

April's head went up, a sifty the library. It's the only warm phrase darted through her mind. place in this ark of a house. We're

gone to meeting for an hour." With affliction.

afraid of Aunt Elizabeth, aren't bright and searching eyes, even you?" That meant that Ann had though the danger of being disbeen timid in the presence of the covered as an impostor was over, cabinet. She found herself saying clearly, vous chatter.

Miss Carter came closer, peered Carter. We drove miles out in up at her with eyes as round and the country for a steak fry." "A steak fry?" Kent said, "I've wanted you and tinet of an aunt lifted her brows Ann to meet for a long time, Aunt as if April were talking of a can-Elizabeth. This is Ann Burnett," nibal roast, "What a peculial

"Ann Burnett?" The old woman custom. reached out a wrinkled, ivory Kent cut in loyally, "It's fun. Besides, Ann loves roughing it out-

SHE looked closely at April, but doors there wasn't a flicker of recog- Aunt Elizabeth surveyed the ition. April grasped the hand, Ann who was April. "I shouldn't

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that type.

dow display.

nowadays, the type." And now the black, bright eyes A RESOLUTION ORDERING AN were taking in April's yellow hair

future for Kent held lightness or before you leave." dark, he was never to be pitied. | Kent turned to AWAY back in her mind, April

she rushes homeward trying to a heap on the floor. So this was April saw the look of chagrin Elizabeth was a recluse, a proud, and ran to the hall. Nip, keeping Ann on quickly. "But I am the type," she the hill, shut in by her ginger- feet. It was obvious from Kent's in- trilled and even to herself it was April knows if she meets Kent's troduction, from the way the great exactly what she knew Ann would formal garden. RENT: See Tom aunt she will be revealed as an aunt was studying her. If you have said. "There's nothing like could drop dead from sheer relief, the sight of hills, fresh air and years ago, a tale of a scoundrel singing. April Burnett knew she would sunshine to make you feel fit." who'd courted her and then ab-"And hailstones, too, I pre- sconded with most of her fortune? and slipped through

Nip gave one last shake to his APRIL sat still, her hands twist ing. Then, momentarily, her PRIL sat still, her hands twisttaut nerves relaxed. Aunt Eliza-Kent covered the awkward beth Carter was speaking to Kent. pause by saying, "Let's all go to The eyes she turned toward him! were neither sharp nor gentle. Instead, there was something of the freezing, Aunt Elizabeth. Maybe Spartan written there. It was as if she were ignoring the fact that April and she shut her eyes brief- friends and me. You even said Kent was temporarly blind, as if ly as she heard Kent telling his you'd forgotten the stupid quar "Jasper," Miss Carter said, "has she scorned the very thought of aunt more about the day's ex- rel.

She said, "Since Jasper isn't at and to make coffee, you will go It was a big room, book-lined, to the wine cabinet, Kent, and with an open grate fire which bring out the bottle of elderberry

and stood up. He put out his hand for a minute against the leather ounge and then walked straight What had Kent said? "Still A little alarmed by the aunt's ahead, through the door, back into the dim recesses of an ad-

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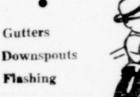


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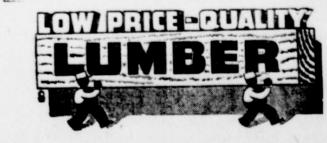
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