

Poorhouses in three states have been closed because of lack of funds. Well, the dogs used to tell us that the poorhouses would close after prohibition.

THE WEATHER. By United Press. West Texas—Partly cloudy to night and Wednesday; warmer.

THREE CHILDREN DIE AS HOME BURNS Five Bandits Loot Bank Of \$106,000 In Cash

PEEPING THRU THE KNOTHOLE with BILL MAYES Plans are being made to have a first Easter egg hunt at the park south of the Willows swimming pool on Easter Sunday for all the kiddies of Ranger.

Sues Rudy One million dollars is the sum that Roberta Hudson McKay, above, thinks Rudy Vallee should pay her for alleged piracy of her song, "Vagabond Lover." In a suit filed at Cleveland, Ohio, she charged he transformed the song into the popular "I'm Just a Vagabond Lover."

FOUR CAUGHT NEAR SCENE OF BIG ROBBERY Thirty Employees of Bank Locked in Room By The Bandits. CLINTON, Iowa, March 15.—Four of the men who engineered a \$106,000 robbery here were captured shortly after noon today.



WORK WILL BE SOLICITED FOR RANGER NEEDY The central unemployment relief committee met in Ranger Monday afternoon and completed plans for a combined clean-up and employment relief campaign to be started in Ranger on Friday morning.

"Bluebeard" to Get Sanity Test Harry F. Powers, above, West Virginia "Bluebeard," now in the death house at the Maudville state penitentiary, is to be given an insanity test before his scheduled execution on the gallows March 18 for the killing of Mrs. Dorothy Lemke of Northboro, Mass.

KEROSENE IN STOVE CAUSES FATAL BLAST GRAND SALINE, Texas, March 15.—Three children were burned fatally today when kerosene with which their father, Henry Winn, was starting a fire, exploded at the Winn farmhouse two miles east of here.

WETS CLAIM MAJORITY IN NEXT HOUSE WASHINGTON, March 15.—Jubilant wets claimed today they would have a majority in the next house.

Attorney Attacks Anti-Trust Suit On Oil Companies AUSTIN, March 15.—"Motorists companies divided Texas like Caesar divided Gaul," attorney for the Gulf Production company said in 95th district court today, attacking Attorney General Alfred's anti-trust suit against major oil companies.

Eastland Leads in Largest Poll Tax Payment EASTLAND leads in the number of poll taxes paid this year in Eastland county, according to a tabulation made by the tax collector's office.

GEN. WOLTERS LEAVES POST IN EAST TEXAS KILGORE, Texas, March 15.—Brigadier General Jacob F. Wolters today relinquished his post as active commander of the national guardsmen who have been on duty in the East Texas field since last August.

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FEAR IS FELT FOR SAFETY OF BABY LINDY HOPEWELL, N. J., March 15.—Fears for the safety of baby Charles A. Lindbergh Jr. were felt in some quarters today as the two-week mark neared in the mystery of his kidnaping and police chased down blind alleys for clues to his abductors.

Markets Closing selected New York stocks: American Can 67 1/2, Am P & L 14 1/2, Am Smelt 14 1/2, Am T & T 134, Canada Dry 12 1/2, Auburn Auto 9 1/2, Aviation Corp Del 9 1/2, Barnwell 4 1/2, Beth Steel 20 1/2, Beyer A M 15 1/2, Canada Dry 12 1/2, Foster Wheel 23 1/2, Case J I 35 1/2, Chrysler 11 1/2, Curtis Wright 1 1/2, Elect Au 27 1/2, Elec St Bk 29 1/2, Foster Wheel 23 1/2, Fox Film 3 1/2, Gen Elec 20 1/2, Gen Mot 20 1/2, Gillette S R 19 1/2, Goodyear 17 1/2, Houston Oil 20, Int Cement 14 1/2, Int Harvester 25, John Manville 16 1/2, Krugger G & H 18 1/2, Lig Carb 18 1/2, Monte Ward 9 1/2, Nat Dairy 28 1/2, Para Publix 8 1/2, Phillips 5 1/2, Prairie O & G 4 1/2, Pure Oil 4 1/2, Purity Bak 12 1/2, Radio 7 1/2, Sears Roebuck 32 1/2, Shell Union Oil 23 1/2, Southern Pac 23 1/2, Stan Oil N J 29 1/2, Socony Vac 9 1/2, Studebaker 9 1/2, Texas Corp 22 1/2, Texas Gulf Sul 22 1/2, Tex Pac C & O 2, Und Elliott 18 1/2, U S Gypsum 23, U S Ind Ale 28, U S Steel 44 1/2, Vanadium 15 1/2, Westing Elec 28 1/2, Worthington 17 1/2.

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Mills Says Russian Goods Cannot Be Barred From U. S. WASHINGTON, March 15.—Secretary of the Treasury Mills today informed a delegation of 126 members of congress and representatives of patriotic and industrial organizations that the treasury could not ban soviet Russian products from the United States under existing laws.

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Kidnaping Trial Now Before Judge WARREN, O., March 15.—Trial of Dowell Hargraves, Youngstown, on charges of kidnaping James DeJure Jr., Niles schoolboy, ended today and Judge Lynn R. Griffith took the case under advisement.

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Pittsburgh Mayor On Trial On A Malfeasance Count

By United Press. PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 15.—Charles H. Kline, first mayor of Pittsburgh ever to be indicted, and former director of supplies, was placed on trial here Monday on charges of malfeasance in office.

Purchase of Elysian rugs for the mayor's office at approximately \$25,000, without bids, was among the charges on which the two were indicted last June. They were indicted jointly on 45 counts of malfeasance in purchase of supplies separately on one count each.

Prosecution Starts Investigation. The investigation of the supplies department—one of the three city government departments to come under fire within a year, was started last March. John D. Houston, wholesale grocer, first called attention of investigators to alleged irregularities in the letting of contracts for canned goods. He charged high bidders were getting contracts.

Kline investigated Houston's charges privately and dismissed the matter. An audit was ordered by Controller James Kerr, while the committee had a separate hearing.

After the indictment, city council investigated charges that the department of public works had expended more than \$1,000,000 during a three-year period because of faulty estimating. Council turned the question over to a committee of engineers who recommended various changes in methods.

Bank Closed. After the closing of the Franklin Savings and Trust company, in which some city funds had been deposited, an inquiry was ordered into the city treasury. As the inquiry opened, Mayor Kline dismissed Roy D. Schooley, treasurer and former head of the Pittsburgh city treasury.

Schooley and two others were indicted as a result of this investigation. The inquiry into the bank, in which its president, Charles A. Toledano, was charged with embezzlement of more than \$250,000, so far has not been completed.

Kline and Suceop were granted a change of venue from Allegheny county Jan. 19, when they hid themselves and could not receive a fair and impartial trial in Pittsburgh. More than 60 witnesses will be called by District Attorney Ann T. Park, Allegheny county, to be assisted by Attorney Robert F. Reed, special prosecutor by a citizens' committee.

George Thomas D. Finletter, Philadelphia, was named by the court to preside. Attorneys B. Coll and C. B. Prichard defend the case.

W. Cockrill Is Visitor In Ranger

W. Cockrill, member of the Human Progress and a candidate representative from Eastland county, was a visitor in Ranger this morning. He was accompanied by Mrs. Cockrill. While in Ranger the Gorman said that business in Gorman was as good as could be expected. He said most of the farmers in that territory had money, but they were not spending it as they did a few years ago. He said that practically every farmer had a good supply of canned goods on hand and needed to buy very little.

666 LIQUID TABLETS - SOLVE... Speedy Remedies Known

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The paper is authorized to make... to the Democratic primary... Judge 88th District Court: R. BAKER, BETTE W. PATTERSON

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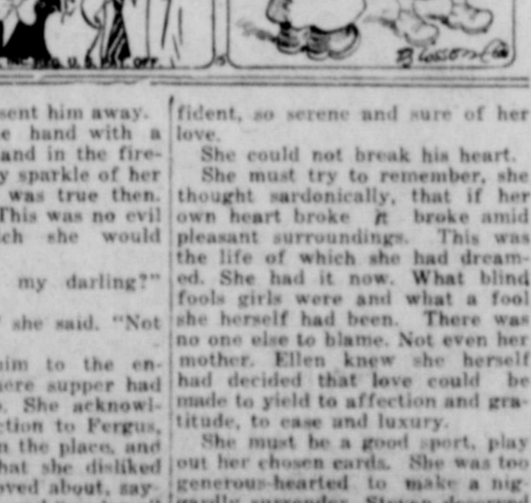
Door to Post Office... WOLF'S... Woman Who Cared...

Wire and Electrical Appliances... Electric Service Co.

The Newfangles (Mom 'n' Pop)



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS By Blosser



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Barclay and Ellen, Bert and Myra are married in a double ceremony in Connecticut. Hardly have they left the church, when Symes arrives, demanding to see Barclay. The minister does not know where the couple have gone.

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GOOD NEWS FOR THOSE WHO LIKE COFFEE

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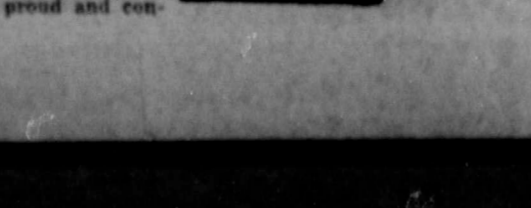
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len forced herself to eat and to respond, as best she could, to his mood of deep and quiet happiness. It almost brought the tears back when she saw how very little of herself it took to make him happy.

When he bent across the table to kiss her Ellen's lips were willing, fresh and young. She knew something was lacking from that kiss that never would be there, but Steven did not know. His arms tightened about her. His voice filled with passion as he whispered that she was his own.

Somewhere she heard the ringing of a telephone and felt an inward gasp of relief as he released her. She saw her husband frown, saw the queer, unfamiliar look fade from his eyes.

"It's Symes again, I imagine," he told her irritably. "He's called a dozen times today. Fergus told me."

Ellen felt a dull surprise. "You haven't talked to him?" "I'm not going to. He's not to spoil my first evening with my bride. Oh, Ellen, Ellen—"

Again the girl was swept with fear. Steven was her husband. He had a right to use that possessive, caressing tone. She belonged to him.

Fergus appeared on the veranda. "It was Mr. Symes calling, sir," he said to Steven. "I told him you were not to be here tonight, as you informed me, but he was considerably upset. He said it was imperative for him to see you, sir."

"This time he'll have to wait until morning. We'll stop at his office before we sail."

"Very well, sir." Fergus was gone with one curious, sidelong glance at Ellen—a fleeting glance that seemed to the girl to convey contempt and condemnation, as if Fergus thought she had no right to be setting at Steven Barclay's table.

"I don't like that man," she said sharply. "Then he's lost his job," Steven told her. "Oh, I don't want that!" she protested, dismayed. "It's only that he makes me nervous."

She arose from the table and went to one of the windows, pulled aside the silken curtain and stared out at the night. Steven was at her side.

"Would you like to see your new home now?" he asked. "You haven't even seen half of it."

He led her through the vast house, snapping on lights and snapping off lights, showing her one perfect room after another. There were flowers everywhere cut from the gardens and hot-houses of the estate. Everywhere there was evidence of luxury and taste.

Last of all Steven showed her the suite that was to be her own, a pale pink bedroom, a golden living room, a tiny dressing room that was all mirrors and a bath

with a sunken tub. Her traveling case had been unpacked and put away as though she were to spend weeks here instead of one night. On the dressing table lay her familiar brushes. Lying across the bed were the pale peach pajamas and a negligee, overlapping the silver mules on the floor.

"I'm sorry you'll have to do without a maid," Steven told her. "Do you realize, Steven, that I've never had a maid in my life?" He had snatched himself in her golden living room. She knew he meant that she should sit beside him, but she was too restless to do anything except stand. She moved about nervously in a state of excitement which she tried to conceal.

Steven knew that she was not at ease and asked if he should leave her for awhile. She understood that he thought she was near tears from homesickness and the strangeness of it all.

"No, don't go away," she told him. "Let's go some where and dance and dance and dance!" She saw that he was disappointed but she could not help it. It was only 11 o'clock. She was remembering that at Dreamland she had often danced until nearly dawn.

Steven suggested a popular supper club. "I'm sorry about the Country Club," he said apologetically. "You'd like it much better there, but I'm afraid we'd see people I know and we must wait until later. Anyway, you want to dance and dance and dance."

"I do," she said again. Ellen was disappointed with the supper club. Steven had wanted a private room. She yielded to his wishes although she really wished to be with the gay and rowdy crowd outside.

Presently the manager brought champagne in a bucket of cracked ice. Ellen had never tasted it before and Steven watched amusedly as she lifted the pale, amber liquid to her lips. He made a wry face at his first sip and left the remainder of the glass unfinished. But Ellen thought the champagne delicious.

Her troubles began to lose substance and she became really gay. Steven was so accustomed to women who were practiced drinkers that he thought her gaiety spontaneous and was glad they had come to dance.

After a while when he was called away to the telephone Ellen poured a great deal of champagne for herself and drank it. She knew she was attempting to escape reality and that she must keep that knowledge from Steven. But the important thing was to escape! When he returned, a worried frown between his eyes, and told her that Symes had called the house again it did not seem important or even interesting.

She hardly remembered the hours as they passed. She hardly realized they were leaving and that Steven, deep circles of fatigue beneath his eyes, was adjusting her silver cape about her shoulders, paying a check and leading her through a brightly lighted room filled with noisy people.

Out in the cold night air her head cleared instantly. Her fears were back. Silently she got into the car and was silent as they drove away.

"All right, Ellen?" Steven asked. She thrust cold hands into her cuffs so that he should not claim them. "I'm all right," she said, adding in a shamed voice, "I took some of the champagne when you were out of the room."

He laughed and called her an audacious child. They were back at the house again, stealing like conspirators into the great, dark living room

and up the stairs. He was whispering to her in the darkness, intimately, tenderly. Steven left her at her bedroom door, "I'll come back to you, my darling," he whispered.

(To Be Continued) 280,113 AUTOS IN SPAIN. By United Press.

MADRID.—The total number of automobiles in Spain is 280,113, or one for every 86 inhabitants. The province which has most cars is Barcelona, with 48,356; followed by Madrid, which has 42,037; Sevilla, 14,729; Valencia, 12,460. The smallest number of automobiles in any one province is to be found in Avila, in the mountains to the northwest of Madrid.

How to Escape FLU and Grippe

- 1 Avoid so far as possible the places where flu germs are most likely to be spread; over-crowded cars and public meeting places; overheated, stuffy rooms. 2 Be careful of close contact with others and beware of all coughers and sneezers; breathe through the nose, get fresh air, but avoid drafts or chilling. 3 Get lots of rest. Drink plenty of water. Keep the bowels open. Take extra precaution to keep in good physical condition, so your system will have normal resistance against germs. 4 Try, particularly, to avoid catching cold. Colds lower your resistance to disease germs. At the first sign of any cold, take Bayer Aspirin; remain indoors if possible until your cold is gone. And if you have a sore throat, dissolve some Bayer Aspirin tablets in water and gargle; this relieves the soreness, and it usually reduces the inflammation. 5 If you have any reason to suspect even a touch of flu, call your doctor at once.

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