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THE WEATHER.
By United Press.
West Texas — Fair tonight.
Monday fair and warmer.

Norris' Lame Duck Amendment Passed Today

THREE BANDITS KILL TEXAS SHERIFF IN GUN BATTLE MISSOURI IS LAST STATE TO RATIFY ACT

STATION ROBBED BY MURDER TRIO

Watchman Held At Station As Filling Gasoline Tanks.

By United Press.
L.A., Texas, Jan. 23.—Three men overpowered J. C. Mosely, station operator, and shot him to death at close range and took one of his guns.

The men then proceeded to fill the station's gasoline tanks. The watchman, who was held at the station, was also overpowered. The men then fled with the stolen money and guns.

Mail Pilot's Body To Be Sent To South Dakota

By United Press.
SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 23.—The body of Ray Fuller, mail pilot, who was killed in a crash landing near Boerne, will be sent to South Dakota for burial.

Technocracy Is An Old Story

By United Press.
ST. ANTONIO, Jan. 23.—Technocracy, the economic doctrine expounded by Fred Scott at Columbia university, is an old story, professors at a university of Texas maintain.

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Cupid Cruises



Miss Adonell Massie, 19, of Dallas, Texas, who is making a world cruise with friends, is rumored to be engaged to Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., who is aboard the same ship.

Garner Portrait For the Capitol Is Now Finished

By United Press.
WASHINGTON.—Speaker Garner's portrait, which will hang in the house lobby with those of all his predecessors in office, has been completed.

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SENATE BODY APPROVES 3.05 PER CENT BEER

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The senate judiciary committee today recommended that congress legalize 3.05 per cent beer and wines.

Son of a Manager of Ranger A. & P. Is Recovering

Bryan Glenn, manager of the A. & P. Store in Ranger, has returned from Hillsboro, where he was called late Friday night because of an injury to his son, caused in an automobile accident.

Seaman Is Held In Murder Aboard An Oil Tanker

By United Press.
HOUSTON, Jan. 23.—A Galveston seaman was held by government officers today as a suspect in the fatal shooting of Daniel Elko, about 40, aboard an oil tanker as it steamed down the ship channel.

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By United Press.
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Your Responsibility
To every person who paid a federal income tax last year, U. S. collectors of internal revenue throughout the country are mailing an income tax return blank

Committee For Ranger C. of C. Banquet Named

Two committees, appointed by the Ranger Retail Merchants association and the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, have begun work on the joint banquet to be held in Ranger on Thursday night, Feb. 9.

The retail merchants appointed F. D. Hicks, A. N. Larson and G. A. Murphy on a committee to select tickets. They will be assisted by a committee of three appointed by the chamber of commerce composed of Charlie Moore, A. J. Ratliff and J. E. Meroney.

The tickets are now being printed and the sale will be begun within the next few days. It is anticipated that fully 200 will attend the banquet, the site for which has not as yet been selected, though it has been tentatively suggested that it be held either in the green room of the Gholson hotel or in the Elka club building.

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YOUR INCOME TAXES!

at totaling income from all sources, then subtracting from that figure certain deductions specifically outlined, covering interest paid, taxes paid, losses by fire and storm, bad debts, and contributions to charity. Net income is an arbitrary figure which can only be determined according to the tax laws.

Which Form Is Yours?
Uncle Sam requires that employers report to him a complete list of all incomes paid to employees that equal or exceed the legal exemption. This is the government's method of double-checking to see that nobody escapes tax payment.

Tokio Riot Figures

A demand for protection of American interests in Japan was made after 200 Japanese raided the Kokohama offices of the Singer sewing machine company, injured three, and caused resignation of the mayor of Tokio and arrest of a number of Japanese labor leaders.

Mayor Hidejiro Nagata (above) of Tokio accepted responsibility for recent communistic outbreaks and resigned after the Singer raid. Komaki Kishi Matsumoto (below), chief of the Japanese Labor Federation, was among those arrested.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Jacobs of Ranger returned to their home on Sunday night after a visit to Ada, Okla., and found that burglars had entered their home during their absence.

Burglars Steal Valuable Guns

After a check up it was discovered that some valuable guns had been taken by the thieves. With the exception of the guns no other property was missed from the home.

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Jokers Are Busy Among Legislators

By United Press.
AUSTIN.—Representative Dave Shannon of Fort Worth is having quite a time lining up members for a "pet" measure.

Legion Convention Is Being Planned At Mineral Wells

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MINERAL WELLS.—American Legion posts in 11 southern states will be represented at the Southern Child Welfare conference here Feb. 17 and 18.

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Had their re-appointment been ratified by the senate the new governor would have had no friend on the board of education. Governor Ferguson's new selection have not been announced.

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MISSOURI IS LAST STATE TO RATIFY ACT

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JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 23.—Missouri today ratified the lame duck amendment.

Missouri thereby won the honor of being the thirty-sixth state to ratify the amendment and make it a part of the federal constitution.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The death sentence of lame duck sessions of congress was sealed today.

Bulldogs to Play Stephenville High

Coach Eck Curtis of the Ranger High school Bulldogs, announced today that a game with the Stephenville High school quintet would be played in Ranger at 7:30 Tuesday night of this week.

Scout Committee Of Ranger To Meet To Discuss Camp Site

A meeting of scout committee has been called in Ranger for 3:45 Tuesday afternoon at the offices of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce.

THREE GUESSES

WHAT IS THE NAME OF THIS ANCIENT CHURCH?
A DOUBT OF WHICH IS WORTH A LOT OF LUCK?
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Should the farmers start the new enterprise plans are to conduct schools in various communities of the county, giving instruction in large scale raising.

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"TO THE VICTORS BELONG THE SPOILS"

Away over in Tennessee sleeps the dust of the Hero of the Hermitage known to fame as Andrew Jackson of Tennessee, warrior and statesman and duelist and man of honor and one of the canonized saints of the ancient democracy. He believed that to the winners of political battles should go the spoils of office. A reminder that the civil service commission of the federal government informed the senate that between 130,000 and 150,000 federal jobs were not under civil service. This report was an answer to a resolution by Kenneth McKellar of Tennessee. Senator McKellar is a democrat, a native of the Old Volunteer state, and he worships at the shrine of the Hero of the Hermitage. All down the years since Andrew Jackson reigned, the spoils have been given to the victors. It may be a correct or an incorrect principle of government, but its staunchest champions have been republican presidents and cabinet officers and governors of American commonwealths—likewise democratic presidents and governors of democratic commonwealths. Now the victorious democrats and their allies who followed the Roosevelt flag are looking for the spoils of office to be given to their followers in nation and state. It is an ancient system of distribution of political patronage, but the system appears to be firmly entrenched and "may go on forever." Politics is a science as well as a fascinating game. Those who lose are on the outside. Those who win are on the inside until another political upheaval—and then the milk-and-honey eaters become husk-eaters and the husk-eaters grab the milk and honey. "Jobs for the jobless" has been the war cry. This appears to apply to the distribution of political jobs as it has in all the decades of American history. Business is business. Democrats later along in early spring-time will not only control the federal government but the governments of 40 of the 48 American commonwealths. Then the responsibility will go to the democracy, and the Lord help the donkey four years hence if the docile beast is overloaded by his trainers!

KANSAS ASKS FOR NATIONAL MORATORIUM

Kansas is in the big picture. Kansas cast their electoral votes for Roosevelt and Garner. Rep. Ayers of Kansas is a democrat. He is pushing a two-year moratorium for farmers hard pressed on interest and taxes. He very bluntly asserted that his bill would accomplish the purpose. It would direct the Reconstruction corporation to make loans aggregating a billion dollars to regional agricultural corporation to farmers. Just now the representatives and senators of the growers of things are getting ready for a grand rush March 4. Then F. D. will have his own troubles.

TEXAS AND THE HOOVER VETO

President Hoover's veto message of the Philippine bill was overwhelmed. One democrat, Copeland of New York, voted to sustain the message. Senators Sheppard and Connally of Texas voted against sustaining the veto. They are for freedom for the Filipinos in 1943. It is a long road to Tipperary—at least for the little brown brother. In 1943 Japan may be the ruler of the Far East and the Filipinos may be begging for the protection of the strong arm of Uncle Sam.

HOW IS THIS FOR A CHEERFUL LITTLE EARFUL?

A news dispatch from Greensboro, N. C., reads as follows: "Bankrupt furniture company pays off 100 cents on the dollar." Why not give every man a chance and every corporation employer of labor the right to live?

TICKS TAKEN FROM THE TICKER

Cotton advanced a dollar a bale Jan. 17. Wheat scored lively upturns Jan. 17. Killing cattle steady to strong. We may be happy yet.

The value of what a man leaves to his family when he departs from this earth depends in a great measure in what shape he leaves his earthly possessions.

DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK

By EDSON R. WAITE, Shawnee, Oklahoma

One of the most beautiful things in life is a spirit of friendship among neighbors, for without friendship life for all of us would indeed be but an empty shell.

We have been passing through some very trying times—times that have tested the character and courage of neighbors as never before, and the cooperation and courage shown by the fortunate and the unfortunate neighbors in every community in this land has done the most to relieve suffering.

These ties of friendship, based on confidence and understanding, have woven many people closer together, and when this cloud of depression and economy has passed away and the pleasanter days come, a true neighborly spirit will have developed which will stay with us forever.

BEDTIME STORY

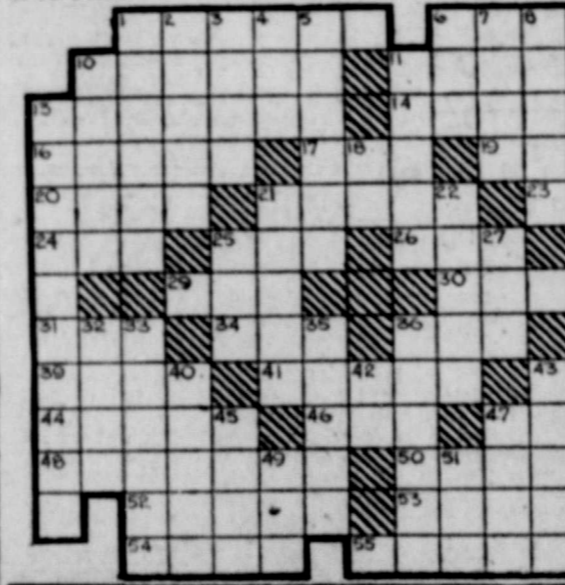


Markets

Table listing market prices for various commodities like American Can, Am F & L, Am T & T, etc.

Swiss President

Answer to Previous Puzzle
HORIZONTAL
1 Spiritual overseer.
4 Hindu prayer carpet.
10 Persiflage.
11 To extort.
12 Prominent.
13 Auburn Auto.
14 Remedy for all diseases.
15 Self-locking catch.
17 English coin.
19 To rob.
20 To defeat.
21 Loose.
22 Otherwise.
23 Custom.
24 Acetone fuel.
25 Point.
26 To harden.
27 Mineral spring.
29 To greet.
31 To supplicate.
33 To avoid.



BEHIND THE SCENES IN WASHINGTON

WITH RODNEY DUTCHER
BY RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer
WASHINGTON—At about this time, when everyone is impatient for the inauguration and the change of administration which are known to be forthcoming, it is the custom of newspaper writers to burst forth with the starry-eyed assertion that there has not yet been any presidential election. What they mean is that the electoral college votes have not yet officially been counted by Congress. Legally speaking, there is no president-elect until the second Wednesday of February, when the Senate parades solemnly two by two in the House to count the 531 votes.

Your Income Taxes

(Continued from page 1) because mentally or physically defective." The taxpayer must actually be the chief support of such a person to claim exemption properly.

If you have been contributing to the support of relatives, say, who are out of jobs, you can deduct for that, for it comes neither under the "organized charity" contributions or the "chief support" provisions of the law.

While both unmarried and married people pay tax at the same rates, the unmarried pay more because their income falls earlier into the taxing class. If you are unmarried and without dependents, and earn upwards of \$20 a week, you probably will pay a tax, or at least make a return.

An unmarried person, however, who is actually the support of others may be considered for tax purposes "the head of a family," and as such entitled to the same \$2500 exemption as a married man. He may also take the same \$400 credits for bona fide dependents as married men.

Single men or women who married during 1932 may claim exemption for the portion of \$2500 which coincides with the period they were really married, plus the portion of \$1000 which coincides with the period in which they were single.

Gains and Losses
One of the most important changes in that limiting the amount of deduction for losses in the sale of stocks and bonds. The loss on such assets, held less than two years and sold during 1932, may be deducted as before. But in the new law, they may be deducted only to the extent of such gains.

As to losses on securities held more than two years, those are reckoned as capital assets, and are still deductible, but the tax may not be reduced by more than 12 1/2 per cent by such losses sustained. They must be real losses. Mere depreciation or shrinkage in list prices of securities that remain in your possession do not count, and alleged losses through securities sold when substantially similar securities are re-purchased within 30 days don't count either.

Taxes paid on real estate and personal property in 1932 are deductible, except special taxes, such as for street paving, which tend to enhance the value of the property. Federal income tax payments may not be deducted, but state income tax payments may. As interest received is taxable, interest paid is deductible.

Dividends from stock of domestic corporations are not subject to normal tax, but are subject to surtax. Interest from government and state and municipal bonds is exempt except in the higher brackets. Our boys, who defeated by the score of 23 to 19. The girls won after fighting very hard by the score of 24 to 17. Our boys that played including the substitutes were J. B. Blackwell, Felton Corn, J. R. Love, J. P. Melton, Junior Hart, Wesley Seay and Arlan Merritt. The girls that played were Eva Tucker, Minnie Walton, Florence Rogers and Velma Melton as forwards, including the substitutes also, as centers Bernice Edmondson and Ellen Tucker, and as guards Modane Melton and Leno Lockhart. Other substitutes were Imogene Cooper, Dorothy King and Eunice Rotan.

Income from a life insurance policy paid off by reason of death, from inheritances, and from state workmen's compensation laws, are exempt. Despite the increase in these federal income tax rates, the chance is that they will be still higher next year, for they are expected to produce less income to the government than the lower rates of 1931, because all incomes fell off in 1932. War-time rates of 6 per cent on the first \$400, and \$12 per cent on all above that, are actively being considered in Washington.

LARGE SPRUCE TREE FELLE
MONTESANO, Wash.—"What a Christmas tree that would have been," someone sighed as the Clemens Logging Co., Melbourne, brought in the largest spruce tree ever cut in Grays Harbor forest. The tree, believed to be more than 450 years old, contained 56,000 board feet, enough completely to build two five-room houses. The log measured 11 feet across the top. There were five 24-foot logs cut from the tree, all of No. 1 grade.

ANSWERS
to today's THREE GUESSES
THE sketch shows the church of ST. BASIL in MOSCOW. THE WAR OF THE ROSES was a series of civil wars between the Houses of Lancaster and York. THE RED ROSE represented Lancaster while the emblem of York was a WHITE ROSE. PRESIDENT JAMES A. GARFIELD is credited with this quotation.

UP TO YOU TO MAKE RETURN

Table showing tax rates for different income levels and marital statuses. Columns include Status of Taxpayer, NET INCOME (\$1100, \$1800, \$2600, \$3600, \$5100, \$6100), and tax amounts.

Here's how the new income taxes will affect incomes of various sizes. The above chart is calculated on net income at the basic rate, taking no deductions but the personal exemption. Your tax thus exactly coincide with these figures even if your net income does not. The chart shows how the tax increases as income climbs. Note how a single man is liable as soon as his net income goes above \$1000, the married man with three children is still exempt at \$3600, and he would have to make a return. The single man at \$5100 is the first to feel the effect of the 8 per cent bracket, and at \$6100 first to feel the surtax.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD
IT TOOK 600 YEARS TO PROVE A STATEMENT OF MARCO POLO
DURING HIS REMARKABLE TRIP THROUGH ASIA IN THE 13TH CENTURY HE DISCOVERED THE GREAT SHEEP NOW KNOWN AS GOV POLI, BUT FOR 600 YEARS AFTERWARD THE WORLD BELIEVED THAT NO SUCH ANIMAL EXISTED.
THE OVIS POLI is the ancestor of all the wild sheep that represent the elder branch of the family to which the mountain bighorn belongs. Marco Polo, the globe-trotter of the middle ages, discovered the sheep about 1255, and described it as having horns "six palms in length," but no one believed him. It was considered an animal of fancy. At last, some 600 years later, Lieut. John Wood, an English officer, succeeded in bagging one of the sheep.

ALAMEDA NEWS
ALAMEDA.—The weather is still where the farmers can work. The girls and boys played Tuesday night at the Gorman gymnasium. Our boys were defeated by the score of 23 to 19. The girls won after fighting very hard by the score of 24 to 17. Our boys that played including the substitutes were J. B. Blackwell, Felton Corn, J. R. Love, J. P. Melton, Junior Hart, Wesley Seay and Arlan Merritt. The girls that played were Eva Tucker, Minnie Walton, Florence Rogers and Velma Melton as forwards, including the substitutes also, as centers Bernice Edmondson and Ellen Tucker, and as guards Modane Melton and Leno Lockhart. Other substitutes were Imogene Cooper, Dorothy King and Eunice Rotan. There have been several new students enrolled in our school this week and we hope they will like our school. Miss Billye Elliott, high school teacher, gave an entertainment for the "Old Maids Club" Monday night and everyone enjoyed themselves very much. Christine Tucker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Tucker, is ill. Mrs. Cicero Weeks has been very ill, but is better at the time of this writing. Misses Billye Elliott, Velma Melton, Minnie Walton and Edna Earl Casson were the dinner guests of Miss Mildred Love Sunday. Mrs. Richard Myrick received word last week that her brother, John White, was very ill. He was taken to a sanitarium at Gorman and is doing nicely.

A New Oral Antiseptic By Makers Of Vicks VapoRub Introduces New Economy
A quality antiseptic mouth-wash and gargle—at less than half the usual price—is doubly welcome now. Especially to the millions who find such a product a daily necessity for halitosis (bad breath), oral hygiene, and other antiseptic uses. The New Vicks Vorozone Antiseptic—by the makers of Vicks VapoRub—brings this unique advantage. Born in a depression year, it is priced accordingly. Aided by record low prices on raw materials—and Vicks facilities for mass production—Vicks Chemists have produced a large 10-ounce bottle—a usual 75c value—that is priced regularly at only 35c. The name, of course, guarantees high quality. It is simply the best oral antiseptic Vicks Chemists could produce, and they are aided by bacteriologists and pharmacologists of their 13 allied organizations, here and abroad, enough to use daily with perfect safety. Vicks Antiseptic is strong enough to do everything an antiseptic can and should do. Unusual Trial Offer. Of course, the only real proof of its quality—and its economy in actual use. To furnish special trial size are being mailed everywhere at less than cost of manufacture. A value, these trial packages priced at only 10c—while the full size lasts.

HERE--- AND THERE

By ELVIE B. JACKSON

Spring is here. If you don't believe it look out of your window at the gorgeous bright plumaged blue birds darting through the trees, hunting places for their nests, or locating the nest of last year.

How happy, free, and careless they are, pluming themselves in the sunshine with an ardent zest for the fresh air, the space, and the freedom about them.

Small wonder that that old fellow in the Bible sang, "Oh that I had the wings of a dove." Perhaps it was that very longing for wings, for swift passage, far away, flying high above, and over slow and tedious ways, that brought the final development as we now know it, of the airplane.

Yes, spring is here; for, if you look above the terrain and can look below on the checkered landscape, your artistic soul will revel in the squares of pale green, alternating with the dark patches of open field, and the smear of trees with their smudge of bright color here and there; lines of growing shrubs along the creek beds, looking like green threads, straggling across a paper map.

Yes, spring is here, and one does not need to go aloft to see or find it. Down on the less venturesome plane, even underfoot, great tufts of violet beds are liberally sprinkled with rich purple blossoms, the tender violet. Glorious in their promise of new life, beautiful and perfect in color and structure, the modest in demeanor, but how gorgeous when gathered into a big



OUT OUR WAY By J.P. Williams



SPOTLIGHT

By H.W. CORLEY

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Sheila Shayne, dancer, is discharged from a new play because HARRY RANDOLPH, the star, is jealous of her. Sheila searches for work and finally accepts a part in a musical show soon to open on tour. DICK STANLEY, rich and socially prominent, makes her to give up this job and marry him but Sheila refuses. Her idea of marriage is a home in some little town far from Broadway.

Sheila is friendly with JIM BLAINE, another actor in the company from which she was discharged. When Jim tells her one day that he has unintentionally wooed Miss Randolph, Sheila warns him he may lose his job as she did.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

CHAPTER XIX

The gentleman whose money was backing the play in which Marion Randolph was starred was Craig Abbott. As it happened, Abbott was feeling weary. He was weary of financial responsibilities bringing practically no returns. He was weary, too, of Miss Randolph's posturing and petty tyrannies. When things went wrong—and they did frequently—Marion was quick to let everyone know it.

Craig Abbott had begun to think of sailing dates and ocean liners. A long leisurely cruise, alone and unhampered, in parts unknown. For an indefinite period. That would be delightful!

He was rather new to this business of "angeling" plays. He was rather young. He was unfamiliar with the tempestuous whims of leading ladies but during the past weeks he had been learning rapidly.

What he had learned had considerably changed his viewpoint. Abbott realized now that he had been making mistakes. Numerous mistakes. There was that girl he had seen the other evening! Clever youngster. Talented. And he had allowed Mandrake to put her out of the show simply because Miss Randolph so desired. Yes, dropping Sheila Shayne from "When Lights Are Low" had been a serious mistake.

All this was in Abbott's mind as Marion Randolph spoke. He sat on a divan in the living room of her apartment. Marion, nearby, was standing because the lines of her tea-time pajamas were better when she stood. Marion might take little thought for the morrow but she took thought constantly for her appearance.

"Blaine's no good in that part," she repeated. "Get rid of him, Craig, and get someone else."

None of these facts, however, interested him. He was thoroughly tired of Marion and Marion's petty whims.

"What is the chap's number? We'll get the business over," Abbott went on.

Marion named Blaine's hotel. She was looking worried. Somehow she didn't like this mood of Craig's. She had never seen him quite like this before.

"I'll call him," the man was saying, "and take him out to dinner."

"But I thought you were having dinner with me?"

For answer Abbott gave the operator the number. A moment more and he was asking for Jim Blaine. There was a pause and then he said, "Blaine? This is Craig Abbott speaking. You don't know me but I'm interested in 'When Lights Are Low.' Won-

der if you'd dine with me this evening? I'd like to suggest a few changes."

HE winked at Marion who quickly recovered her composure. This was going to be all right. How Blaine would write! Still—hadn't he a contract? She wrinkled her forehead a moment over this, then decided that he was probably too new to the show business to think of a detail such as that. In that case everything would be fine!

"Well, it's settled," Craig remarked as he replaced the telephone. He did not return to his seat. Instead he closed the book he had been holding and replaced it on the table.

"I'll leave this—or have you a book?" he asked dryly.

"Do you know any more old jokes?" Marion retorted. But she flushed. The old story of the book and the chorus girl had never amused her.

Craig smiled as he let himself out of the apartment. "And now," he said to himself, "I wonder just what a minute I can offer to get an introduction to that little girl who looked as though she liked red geraniums. Let's see—when was it I saw her—?"

Four hours later they were seated at a dinner table. There were places for three at the table but Jim Blaine had had to leave early to reach the theater. Abbott leaned forward, looking directly into Sheila Shayne's eyes.

"To think," he was saying, "that Jim and I have been friends all these years and I didn't recognize him in the show!"

"It was nice of you to let him bring me," Sheila said. "I'm afraid you and Jim had a great deal to talk about." She hadn't been told that Craig Abbott was interested in "When Lights Are Low."

"So have you and I."

"But we're to meet Jim after the show. And—"

"Just a minute! How would you like to drive around the park until Jim can join us?"

"In one of those funny old carriages?"

"In anything you say—an airplane or a wheelbarrow. Make your choice, Madame. I am at your service."

They strolled up Fifth Avenue together. Craig offered all the time when I told you that I was sure you liked red geraniums? What's

your address? I'll send you a truck load of them tomorrow."

She told him the house number and he nodded briefly. "Are you going to put it down?" Sheila asked, disappointed.

"As if I could forget it!"

THEY drove through the park until 10:30 and then returned to the hotel where they had dined. There Abbott sent a bellboy to Jim's theater with a taxicab. He didn't care to risk meeting Marion Randolph that evening.

Jim met them promptly at 11. "Now," Craig suggested, "let's go to Harlem. It's my treat."

They set out for Harlem in a cab. "Do you know another girl we could add to the party at this highly impossible hour?" Abbott asked.

Sheila shook her head doubtfully. "There are the Samper sisters," she said finally. "There are five of them and they all look alike. When one is busy you can always ask another."

Two of the five Samper sisters were at home. One of them would have to remain with Mama but the other would be glad to join them.

"Toss a coin and see who stays and who comes," Sheila advised.

The Sampers lived on Washington Heights and the cab detoured up Fort Washington avenue. Tessie, radiant, met them at the door. She was petite and blond. The other four sisters were dark, so on the stage Tessie wore a wig. Their mother didn't approve of dyed hair but with a wig Tessie looked exactly like the other; in street clothes she was the only one Sheila could distinguish from her sisters.

The four "did" Harlem. Tessie had never been there before, she confessed, but Mama was willing to let her go with Sheila. They found a supper club where the music was gay and the entertainers skilful. Abbott's party was a complete success.

Sheila slept late next morning. She was not needed at rehearsal until late afternoon. She stirred in bed, hearing a commotion outside the door. Footsteps, Ma's voice, something bumping against the wall. Someone knocked and Sheila opened the door.

It was Myrtle who came bounding in. "A ton of geraniums!" she exclaimed. "With your name on them! Your young man isn't out of his head, is he, Sheila?"

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