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SAFETY WARNING BY STATE OFFICER

TRAINING IS IMPERATIVE FOR WRECKLESS DRIVERS

"The only way to avoid the useless waste of life due to traffic accidents is to prevent the accidents," reads a warning issued by Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"It is not a question of who is right or wrong after the accident has occurred," he said, "and automobile accidents never happen merely because of 'bad luck'—there is a definite cause for every one of them, although it is not possible to determine the precise origin of every mishap.

"Leaders of the safety movement agree that the most fundamental approach to the solution of our national accident problem lies in the education and training of the individual. Safety education includes the training of individuals to avoid accidents to themselves and to prevent accidents to others. It involves the acquisition of a certain fund of information, the ability to apply this information to concrete situations, and the building up of habits which will make the application of knowledge to situation automatic.

"The dangerous curves and intersections on the highways of this State are distinctly marked, and automobile drivers can assist greatly in the reduction of deaths from automobile accidents by carefully observing these warning signs.

"We motorists rely too much on traffic rules and regulations, thinking that if they are obeying the rules of the road at the time when an accident occurs, no blame can be attached to them. This is not true. The only man who can consider himself in case of an accident, when he was obeying the rules of the road, is the one who did everything possible to avoid that accident.

"The consequences of an automobile accident are so disastrous, that only by the use of every thing in our power to avoid such accidents, can we consider ourselves, or expect others to consider us, blameless in the case of a accident.

"When each individual does all that he is able to do toward avoiding an accident of any kind, then, and only then, will our traffic accidents be avoided."

CHRISTMAS PARTY BY THE E. B. WRIGHTS

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wright were host and hostess to guests at a lovely Christmas dinner given at their home last Wednesday evening. The Christmas motif was carried out throughout the entire entertaining rooms. Dinner was served at six o'clock to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Maves, Mrs. and Mrs. C. G. Maples, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Ramsey, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Potts and the host and hostess.

A bill proposing the creation of auxiliary forests, thus assuring Texas of an ample supply of wood in the years to come, has been drafted by the Texas Planning Board's Forestry Committee.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLE

The Business Women's Circle of the First Baptist church met Monday evening at eight o'clock, (Dec. 14) in the home of Mrs. W. E. Kirkpatrick.

The meeting was opened by singing "Silent Night," followed with prayer by Mrs. W. E. Kirkpatrick. Mrs. O. Stephens brought a beautiful devotional from Matthew and gave a Christmas poem.

Mrs. Sid Huckaby had charge of the program, and brought an interesting thought on "The Season of Prayer." Mrs. A. Headley, "The Woes, Waste and Warnings of War."

"The Kingdom of Peace," Mrs. Bohner, "Missions and Peace," Mrs. H. P. Clemons, "Promises of Peace," Mrs. Myrtle Crabb. Round table discussion on "What Can We Do to Promote Peace?"

The program was closed with a prayer by Mrs. Crabb. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, an offering was made for the Lottie Morn Christmas.

A delicious plate lunch was served by the hostess to Mrs. O. Stephens, Mrs. Henry Timmons, Mrs. H. P. Clemons, Mrs. Paul Bohner, Mrs. Arthur Headley, Mrs. Myrtle Crabb, Bill Kirkpatrick, Jr. and the hostess.

LAFF-A-LOT CLUB NOTES

In a recent meeting the Laff-A-Lot Club elected new officers. In the installation services, Mrs. P. P. Robb became president, Mrs. Delmond Neumayer vice president, Mrs. Homer Newton, Secretary-Treasurer, and Mrs. Henry Clements reporter.

At the home of Mrs. Delmond Neumayer Monday evening, the Laff-A-Lot Club was entertained with the annual Christmas party. A short program was given and gifts were distributed. Those attending were the members and their husbands.

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR MRS. TED COX

Mrs. Ted Cox, nee Miss Johnny Beth Tate, recent bride, was honored with a miscellaneous shower at the Witt Hotel Parlor Wednesday afternoon of last week. Mrs. C. C. Hudson was hostess.

The reception parlor was beautifully decorated with a bridal altar, holly, Christmas bells and other festive decorations, which furnished a festive atmosphere for the lovely affair. An unusual and interesting program of miniature wedding ceremony was appropriately arranged. A plate of tea, sandwiches and mint carving out of the Christmas color motif was served to the fifty guests who were present.

The Old Prospector, a new radio program devised as an educational feature on the mineral resources of Texas by the Texas Planning Board, is being broadcast over station KNOW, Austin, every Monday morning at 10:45 o'clock.

THE BIGGEST JOB EVER TACKLED BY MAN!

GRAND COULEE DAM WILL HAVE 2900 MILES OF WATER PIPE BUILT IN TO COOL CEMENT—WILL CREATE ARTIFICIAL LAKE 50 MILES LONG



Rufus Woods, and Coulee Dam from Grand Stand; Cement Buckets; A Frontier Town; The Forge. (Northwest Airlines, Photos.)

A FEW miles out of Wenatchee, Washington, nearly six thousand men are working on the biggest job that man ever tackled. They are building Grand Coulee Dam. It is a vast irrigation project which will take fifty years to complete, but once completed, it will irrigate thousands of square miles of land. It will turn thousands of acres of dust into the most fertile farms in America; it will change a sea of sagebrush and rattlesnakes into vast fields of grain, of pasture land and apple trees. The whole complexion of the Northwest will be changed. Its color will go from grey to green, and there will be a lake fifty miles long where now are barren hills and valleys and dust!

It was dust, blowing through an open window into a law office that started Grand Coulee Dam. Rufus Woods, who publishes the Wenatchee Daily World, called on an attorney in nearby Ephrata, in search of material for his column. He found the attorney in a rage, because dust was ruining

his law library. "Dust," he said, "throwing down his feather duster, 'why doesn't someone build us a dam?'"

So they both went to the window and looked out in the direction of the roaring, raging Columbia River, one of the two most powerful in the world, and an idea was born.

Rufus, that day, wrote a long, visionary article about a dam that would sit between the granite coulees, and would back up the Columbia for miles. It will generate power, and the power will pay the bill," said Rufus.

And at that point, a neighborhood broke into two camps, one camp that thought Rufus had been working too hard and was a little out of his head, the other camp collected pennies and dimes to get the reclamation bureau down to see if the dam were possible. And in the meantime every one bought or borrowed books on hydraulic power generation, on irrigation, on construction engineering. "Any eight-year-old boy

around here," Woods says, "could tell you exactly how far a cubic foot of water has to fall to generate a given unit of power."

All that happened in 1918. The eight-year-old boys have grown up now, and many hundreds of them are working on the dam. They are helping realize the vision that Rufus Woods has been holding up to them day after day, month after month, for nearly twenty years.

It is a tremendous task—and an impressive sight. Engineers from all over the world have made pilgrimages to it. New York business men who want to thrill at the sight of so colossal an undertaking, who can find relaxation in trudging through the sandy streets of the little frontier towns which have sprung up almost overnight, are flying out to Wenatchee or Spokane weekends, and going from there to the Grand Coulee Dam. And Rufus Woods still carries the torch. "The Dam must go on; it must not be mixed up in politics—it must go on!" says his front page.

LOCAL NOTES

Miss Imogene left Saturday for Coleman, Texas. She will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents.

W. E. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. O. Stephens attended the football game in Amarillo Saturday.

Miss Dorothy Maples who is attending school in W. T. S. T. C. is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Maples.

Miss Novelene McKinney, also of W. T. S. T. C., is spending the holidays with her parents.

Sam Kirkpatrick and Leon Lile, who are attending Howard Payne College at Brownwood, will arrive on Wednesday to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed West and Giles Tate were in Plainview Sunday.

Mrs. James Burnham is visiting in Childress for the holidays.

Mrs. E. R. Rothwell is attending the bedside of her son, Jimmie Lee Rothwell, of Ada, Oklahoma. He was seriously injured and is being retained in the hospital with a skull fracture. The last reports are that he is doing exceedingly well.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Byrnes and family and Charlene Mapes were in Amarillo, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jones and family are spending Christmas in Bokchite, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Harmon will leave soon for Perrin, Texas, where they will visit the parents of Mr. Harmon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hastings, Alvin and Betty Jean were in Hereford Saturday. Mrs. Hastings remained for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Frank Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Brooks of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Travis Shaw of Hobbs, New Mexico, were visiting in Dimmitt Sunday.

Mrs. C. G. Maples and Mrs. Floyd Ashcraft were in Amarillo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Duree and family were visiting in Tulia Sunday.

Mr. South is visiting with his wife in Abilene.

Miss Fay Irwin and Donald Schaub, both of Amarillo, were guests of Miss Daphene Hutchings Thursday.

Mr. J. R. Hastings, Mrs. Charles Hastings, Mrs. Ulys Davis and Gene Hastings were in Amarillo Monday.

Alvin Hastings and Pat Hyatt were in Hereford Monday.

Mrs. C. H. Webb and Arthur Webb are visiting relatives in El Paso, Texas.

John Denney of Del Rio, Texas, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Garland Brown. Mr. Denney arrived Sunday and Mr. Petty, also of Del Rio, is also a guest in the Garland Brown home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Benton will spend Christmas in Slaton, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bohner are spending the holidays in South Texas.

Replies to questionnaires sent by the Texas Planning Board to users of wool outside the New England and Philadelphia areas developed the fact that these mills desired Texas scoured wool.

A new sanitary code for the state of Texas is being considered by the Texas Planning Board's public health committee. The code is designed to improve the general health conditions in the State.

86 HIGHWAY ASSO. MEMBERS TO AUSTIN

IMMEDIATE ACTION TO BE ASKED STATE DEPARTMENT

SOY BEANS SUCCESSFUL CROP IN CASTRO COUNTY

According to County Agent Thoms, Roy Haberer of Big Square Community has demonstrated that soy beans may be adapted crop for this county. 20 acres of the Peking variety were planted in the spring using the same methods as for planting cotton. Five pounds of seed per acre was planted. The same methods and tools were used for cultivating the crop as were used for cotton. A good yield of hay and a fair yield of seed was secured in spite of the extreme dry weather which prevailed during the summer. Harvesting was delayed thirty days later than the beans should have been harvested. Due to this cause about 50 per cent of the beans were lost by shattering. The crop was finally harvested with a grain header and threshed with an ordinary combine, run at very slow speed and with all concaves removed. It is also necessary to jack up one end of the combine to carry the beans through the machine. 4,000 pounds of seed as secured, most of which will be available for local distribution for seed purposes. The straw left after threshing will be ground through a hammer mill and fed to livestock.

A NEW USE FOR HELIUM

Helium, heretofore used exclusively in inflating Uncle Sam's dirigibles, is now being mixed with Oxygen for use in the treatment of asthma and other respiratory ailments, according to information received by the Texas Planning Board from the U. S. Public Health Service which has produced 25,000 cubic feet of the Texas gas in experimental work in American hospitals since the first of the year.

RIO THEATRE INSTALLS NEW CARPET AND SCREEN

The recent installation of new carpets, drapes and screen in the RIO Theatre, under the management of Mr. E. R. Perdue, attracted the keen attention and interest of local theatre goers. Since Mr. Perdue has taken over the management of the local movie it has undergone many changes that are a direct improvement to the theatre that the local theatre is one of the most outstanding attractions in our fair city.

COUNTY REPRESENTED AT WATER CONSERVATION MEET

Castro County was represented at the water conservation meet at Amarillo Saturday, December 19, by the following: T. A. Singer, Ozro Stevens, W. E. Kirkpatrick, K. E. Turner, Percy Estes, Andrew Acker, Frank Venhaus, M. C. Dohmeier, E. B. Wright, Glenn Hickman, J. C. Davis, and County Agent E. W. Thomas. T. A. Singer was elected by the County group as a director for Castro County.

In the business session of the Highway 86 Association last week at Tulia, it was decided to name two men from each of the counties affected, one a member of the commissioners court and one a business man, as a committee to appear before the State Highway Department at Austin. Arrangements were made to appear on Monday, December 21, and try to bring pressure to bear upon the commission for immediate action looking to the completion of this very important highway. Commissioner Andrew Acker, president of the Association, and T. A. Singer were elected from Castro County and left Sunday in time for them to be in Austin by ten o'clock Monday morning.

Among the speakers on the program last week were Judge McCasland, who had drawn a large map showing the present highway paving from Farwell east.

The Judge pointed out that traffic moving east and west was compelled to travel many miles out of the way in order to get from Farwell to points in southern Oklahoma and East Texas, in order to stay on hard surfaced highways. He showed the value to the traveling public and the counties touched by the proposed hard surfaced No. 86 almost straight east and west through Farmer, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe and Hill counties.

The west half of Briscoe, Castro and Swisher remains unfinished but work is progressing on the west half of Swisher, and will soon start on the west half of Briscoe. The nature of this work is drainage and grading structures, being done under WPA work sponsored by the State Highway Department. It is understood that the Swisher delegation will ask for two contract bridges on the highway east from Tulia and the completion of the west part of the road.

Castro has been unable to obtain field notes from the state department on the highway west from Dimmitt where the state survey has been completed. They will ask for these in order that they may proceed in securing the specified right-of-way.

Dimmitt merchants and in fact every person in the town should get behind this movement and, put all the pressure possible on the commission for the highway. It will mean much to everyone along the route, for it is possibly the most direct, shortest route east and west through the Panhandle.

A LETTER TO SANTA

Dimmitt, Texas
December 17, 1936

Dear Santa Claus:

We have tried to be good little boys this year.

We ant you to bring us a rubber tired tractor apiece, a dump truck together, a ball, and some books. We would like some nuts, apples, oranges, candy and chewing gum.

Thank you very much and we will be looking for you about Dec. 24.

Two of your friends,
D. L. and Donald Wright

Current Events IN REVIEW by Edward W. Pickard

Kidnaping of Chiang Kai-shek May Bring on Warfare WAR clouds again gathered over the Far East when Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, dictator of China, was kidnaped at Sianchi, Shensi province, by troops commanded by Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, former head of Manchukuria. The military soldiers demanded immediate release of the declaration of war against Japan, a pledge from the National Government to recover all lost territory, in Gen. Chiang's concluding Manchukuria speech.

President's Son Probably Will Be His Secretary IT IS believed that James Roosevelt, oldest son of the President, has been chosen to be his secretary. The group of 33 millionaires enjoyed an income of \$37,773,000, but they were forced to pour \$32,211,000 into the coffers of the United States treasury. They paid a tax of 59 per cent on their surplus net income. One line individual in the United States had an income of more than 5 million dollars for 1934. The internal revenue tables showed that 100,000 persons in the United States had an income of more than \$100,000. The names are listed in this report.

Plan to End Electoral College System MEMBERS of the electoral college met in the capitals of the United States to discuss the plan to end the electoral college system. The plan was proposed by the National Association of Manufacturers and the National Association of Manufacturers.

Peace Proposal Is Signed by American Republics REPRESENTATIVES of the 21 American republics signed a peace proposal in Buenos Aires. The proposal was signed by the representatives of the 21 American republics.

Proposed Law to Mobilize Industry in War Time WITH the approval of Secretary of War Woodring, a bill has been drafted for the mobilization of industry in war time. The bill is intended to give the government the power to draft industrial power, commandeer manufacturing, and control the production of commodities.

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Better Farm Program Promised by Wallace

MEMBERS of the American Farm Bureau federation, assembled in Pasadena, Calif., were told by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace that the government would provide a better farm program than the A.A.A., but he also said the farmer must be willing to accept "small increases in the imports of certain agricultural products."

American Millionaires in 1934 Numbered Only 33 A group of 33 millionaires enjoyed an income of \$37,773,000, but they were forced to pour \$32,211,000 into the coffers of the United States treasury.

Edward Abdicates and George Is the King LOVE and the British constitution are the winners in the great contest of the day. The abdication of Edward VIII and the accession of George VI have taken the world by storm.

THE handkerchief which we take so much for granted was once a luxury permitted only to those of noble birth. A Hungarian queen of the fourteenth century owned one silk handkerchief.

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Heirloom Handkerchiefs, Others

By KATH GRAYSON Associated Newspapers. WNU Service. "I WASN'T my fault," stormed Mary Thorpe. "It wasn't! And I won't take the blame! That stupid Bob Henderson wouldn't get over on his own side of the road and he ran right into me on purpose!"

Other kolibriekchiefs (new name in modern fashion parlance for certain high-type handkerchiefs) have literally traveled half-way round the world before they reached the United States.

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Favorite Recipe

Spoon Bread 1 cupful of cornmeal, either white or yellow 1 cupful of sweet milk 2 cupfuls boiling water 2 eggs Butter size of a walnut 1 teaspoonful of salt

OF INTEREST TO THE HOUSEWIFE To remove a stopper from a glass jar pour warm water into a pan and invert jar in it, gradually adding warmer water until it is quite hot, but not so hot as to break the jar.

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The HOME CIRCLE INSTRUCTIVE, ENTERTAINING AND AMUSING READING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Bedtime Story by Thornton W. Burgess

BILLY MINK'S SURPRISE BILLY MINK opened his eyes. At first he couldn't think where he was. Everything about him was strange. Then all in a flash he remembered the night when he had been taken to the barn.

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San Francisco Bridge at Night

An extraordinary night picture of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay bridge is looking toward San Francisco from Yerba Buena island. The middle link in the great bridge, to the right are seen some of the fireworks that illumined the sky as officials touched them off from the site of the 1939 Golden Gate International exposition.

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Showing Time



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MOTHER'S COOK BOOK

FOODS THAT BUILD THE BODY WE may liken the growing of the body of a boy or girl to the building of a house. First we must have a good foundation, which comes from healthy structure, then comes the choosing of the materials to build the body structure and the muscular system which must develop at the same time.

FOODS THAT BUILD THE BODY (continued) We need not be exercised about them, as the youth usually eats enough sweets, which he needs to supply energy, and starches are eaten in fairly good amounts. The fats consumed, which is taken in oils, nuts, butter and yolk of egg, should be in proportion of one to four in carbohydrates. In athletics candy gives a quick energy food. For children, if given after a meal or long enough before it not to dull the appetite for the proper food, it is now considered quite a part of the daily food.

FOODS THAT BUILD THE BODY (continued) The thumb is the index of its possessor's temperament; the will, the power of logic and analysis, and love. Each of these important temperamental qualities is found indicated in varying degree in the thumb of every one.

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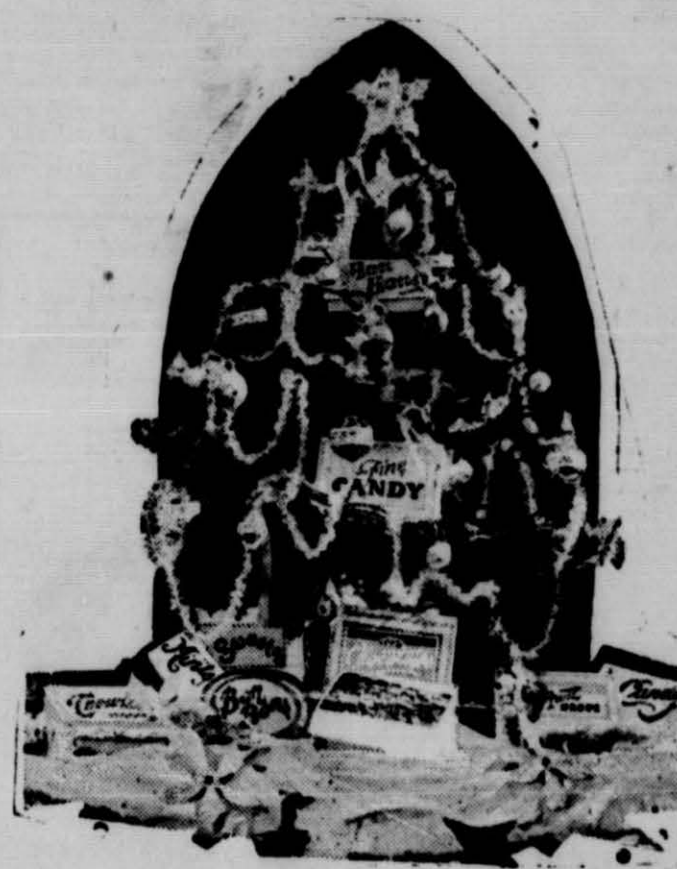
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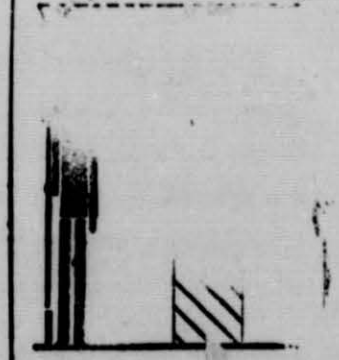
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Painted Houses
According to old records, painted houses created curiosity and comment in the early 1800s, and the practice of painting the so-called "Colonial houses" white did not come until the Revolutionary period.

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First Train Locomotive
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for December 27

THE SPREAD OF CHRISTIANITY IN SOUTHERN EUROPE

LESSON TEXT—Hebrews 2:14-11:35

OBJECTIVE—The Kingdoms of this world are the kingdoms of our Lord, and He shall rule them all and ever. Revelations of His Kingdom.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Christmas Round
1. The Kingdom of God
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The presentation of God's Word and his gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit is still the way of victorious usefulness for any believer and any church.

Turning now to the great faith chapter of Hebrews, we see the second reason for the spread of Christianity. Bible preaching brought forth Bible believers—men and women who obtained "a good report through faith."

II. A Victorious Faith (11:33-40)
Right presentation and proper apprehension of God's Word produces noble and sacrificial lives.

The world is "not worthy" of its heroes of faith. In fact, it not only fails to recognize them, and their mighty deeds but mocks, scourgings, tortures, and saws them asunder. But they are written down in God's book of remembrance. He rightly evaluates their faith and their nobility of character.

We need to learn of God how to regard our fellow men lest we follow the crowd in giving praise to those who merit it not, and fail to recognize the unsung heroes of faith in our own communities and churches who are the very salt of the earth.

The final section of our lesson follows the first two in perfect sequence of thought. We have noted the apostolic message concerning God's great salvation. We have seen that the gospel is indeed the power of God which not only saves but which produces heroic living. Now we turn to our obligation to continue that glorious succession of those who live by faith.

III. A Race to Run (12:12)
The picture in the writer's mind is the great Olympic arena. All around are the spectators. A race is to be run. What a striking picture of Christian life. For it, too, is a race. It has a prize, both here and in the hereafter. It calls for intense activity. It brings us before those who either jeer at us or cheer us on our way.

Many are the things which may hinder a runner. One thing he cannot do is carry weights. These may not be sinful things but those which may be a hindrance to spiritual progress. Let us put them away! And then there is sin—that treacherous enemy that so subtly "sets us" and entangles us. By God's grace let us cast it aside.

Greater than all the hindrances is the One in whose name we run and to whom we look for victory. Looking past the difficulties, the spectators, and even the course itself, we see him who is "the author and perfecter of our faith." The secret of victory is to

Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full in His wonderful face.

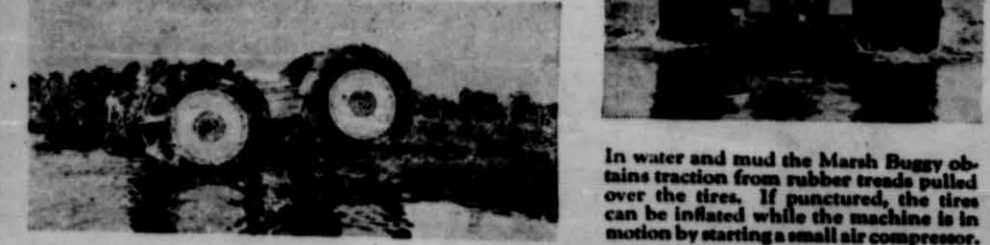
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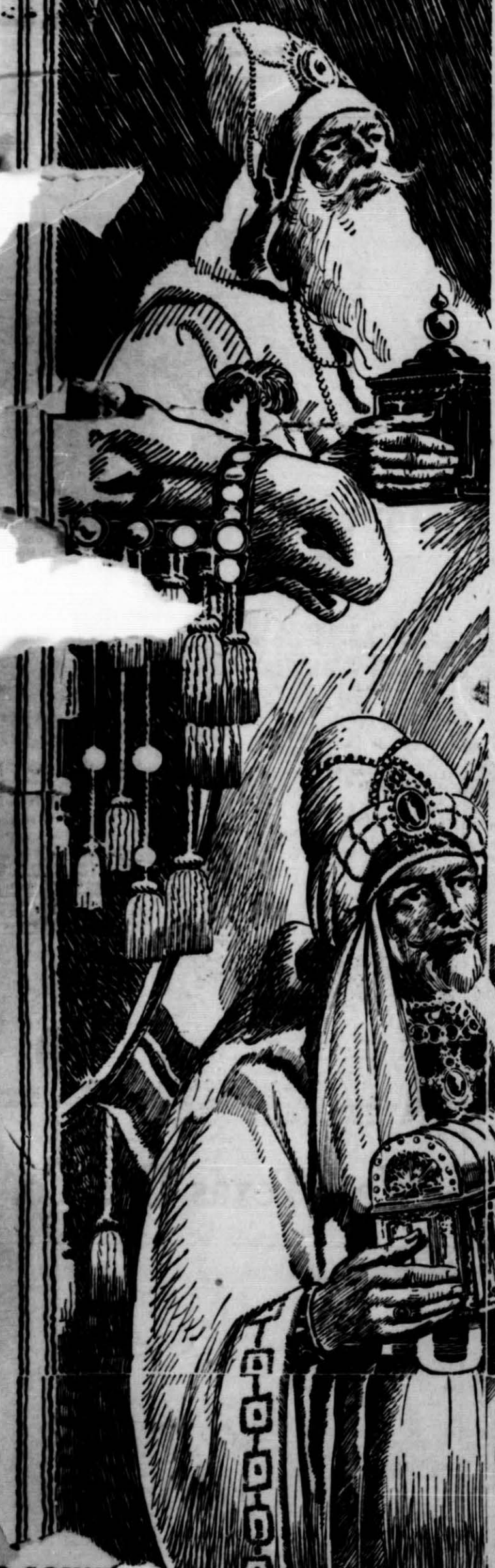
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 YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Spread of the Gospel in Southern Europe

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I. A Great Salvation (2:14). The preaching of the apostles set an example of something they knew that no "programs" or "drives" would suffice to meet the need of the world steeped in sin and superstition. They preached a great salvation, a real gospel, and God set His seal of approval upon their work.

The presentation of God's Word and His gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit is still the way of victorious usefulness for any believer and any church.

Turning now to the great faith chapter of Hebrews, we see the second reason for the spread of Christianity. Bible preaching brought forth Bible believers—men and women who obtained "a good report through faith."

II. A Victorious Faith (11:33-40). Right presentation and proper apprehension of God's Word produces noble and sacrificial living. The world is "not worthy" of its heroes of faith. In fact, it not only fails to recognize them and their mighty deeds but mocks, scourges, tortures, and saws them a-dry. But they are written down in God's book of remembrance. He rightly evaluates their faith and their nobility of character.

We need to learn of God how to regard our fellow men lest we follow the crowd in giving praise to those who merit it not, and fail to recognize the unsung heroes of faith in our own communities and churches who are the very salt of the earth.

The final section of our lesson follows the first two in perfect sequence of thought. We have noted the apostolic message concerning God's great salvation. We have seen that the gospel is indeed the power of God which not only saves but which produces heroic living. Now we turn to our obligation to continue that heroic success.

III. A Race to Run (12:1-2). The picture in the writer's mind is the great Olympic arena. All around are the spectators. A race is to be run. What a striking picture of Christian life. For it, too, is a race. It has a prize, both here and in the hereafter. It calls for intense activity. It brings us before those who either jeer at us or cheer us on our way.

Many are the things which may hinder a runner. One thing he cannot do is carry weights. These may not be sinful things but those which may be a hindrance to spiritual progress. Let us put them away!

And then there is sin—that treacherous enemy that so subtly "besets us" and entangles us. By God's grace let us cast it aside.

Greater than all the hindrances is the One in whose name we run and to whom we look for victory. Looking past the difficulties, the spectators, and even the course itself, we see him who is "the author and perfecter of our faith." The secret of victory is to

Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full in His wonderful face.

Heart and Head
 There are persons, who, in a posed compliance with the precept, "Lean not on thine own understanding," regard it as a duty to suppress all exercise of the intellectual powers in every case where the feelings are at variance with the conclusions of reason. They deem it right to "consult the heart more than the head"; that is to surrender themselves, advisedly, to the bias of any prejudice that may happen to be present; thus deliberately and on principle, burying in the earth the talent entrusted to them, and hiding under a bushel the candle that God has lighted up in the soul. It is not intended to recommend presumptuous inquiries into things beyond the reach of our faculties— attempts to be wiser above what is written — or groundless confidence in the certainty of our conclusions; but unless reason be employed in ascertaining what doctrines are revealed, humility cannot be exercised in acquiescing in them.—Archbishop Whately.

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"Why, yes, there is—just do one thing."

"What's that?"
"Keep your mouths shut till I get out of here. I guess you both know what a long score to settle with at bird. He was mixed up in turning up my ranch house and burning me up. I'll attend to McCrossen myself some day," he retorted slowly, "in my own way."

The two men left the hospital that uneasy. They laid their hands on their hips and stared at him unmoved.

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would lose consciousness, the kitchen door opened behind McCrossen's back, and Quong, half hiding a long knife in his loose sleeve, burst into the room.

Jane saw the China boy first. "Kill him, Quong, kill him!" she cried.

"Drop that knife!" thundered McCrossen. Quong, his face livid, paid no attention whatever—he meant to kill or get killed. With fresh fear seizing her, Jane jerked from the foreman's grasp and flung herself between the two men. "No, no, Quong!" she cried. "Just stand by me. Now get out of this house. Dave McCrossen. Never enter it again. Go!" she screamed.

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"Who's there?" he demanded gruffly.

"Awake, Bill?"
"Never talked in my sleep yet," retorted Pardaloe. "Who be you?"
"I'm Bill Denison."

"You're a liar—Bill Denison is laid up at the hospital. Who be you?"
"Look here, Bill, don't be a blamed fool. I'm out of the hospital and riding for Gunlock. Get up and open the door. I want to talk to you." Pardaloe grumbled a bit, and turned out. The bolts clanked, the door opened, and the sheriff saw, within the rays of his dark lantern, Denison.

"So it is you, Bill. Well, I'll be darned. What's up?" he asked as he ushered his surprise caller into his bedroom. "How's your eye?"

"First rate, Bill. I—"
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"Not yet."

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LET'S dive right into this one with Diver and Distinguished Adventurer Walker Kayes of New York City. And remember that we're not only diving deep down into the treacherous currents of the St. Lawrence river—we're diving head first into the River of Adventure, too.

What was Walker Kaye diving for in the St. Lawrence? Sunken treasure? Nothing of the sort. It isn't always the glamorous jobs that furnish the big thrills. Divers do a lot of prosaic work in between those treasure hunts you read about, and Old Lady Adventure has a habit of piling it onto the lads when they're doing a routine job and are least expecting it. Walker was inspecting bridge foundations for a railroad. In August, 1933, he was looking over the underpinnings of the famous Victoria bridge which spans the St. Lawrence at Montreal.

Went Down in Dangerous Current.
I said that Adventure always hits you when you're least expecting it. Maybe I'm wrong in this case. Walker knew he was going to have trouble with the Victoria bridge—at one spot anyway.

"I was inspecting the piers on the Montreal side," he says, "and at this point runs a treacherous rapid which had taken the lives of two bridge workers only the previous summer. The noses of the piers reach too far out from beneath the bridge to enable us to lower a protecting screen to stop the current. All we had to work with was a small platform, just large enough for two men and the diver, built on the nose of the pier down close to the water. The pump, worked by hand, was up on the bridge and the air line passed down the pier. A short steel ladder was lashed to the platform to enable me to descend."

That's the picture. Now watch it move. Walker, looking like some strange sort of robot in his air-filled rubber suit and round ball-like steel helmet is ready to go down. It is eight o'clock in the morning as he steps onto the ladder and little does he realize that at twelve noon—four hours later—he will still be down under the river fighting a life and death battle with a racing tide. Step by step he goes down, hugging the ladder to keep from being swept downstream. Now his helmet vanishes under the surface, and we dive down after him to see what happens.

"The current is always less at the nose of the pier," says Walker, "so I planned to examine that first, then attempt to come up along the side of the shoulder. After looking at the nose, I started upstream, lying flat on my stomach to resist the current. I had moved about six feet when, suddenly, I was struck with locomotive force. A cross current had caught me and was whirling me away from the pier—out toward the middle of the stream!"

Helpless in the Boiling, Foamy Water.
"In an instant I was spun around like a fishing troll—crushed by tons of roaring water. It all happened so quickly that the tender had no chance to snub the line."

"I was utterly helpless. I couldn't see, for the water was a boiling mass of foam, and I could no more control my movements in that current than if I had been a chip of wood. But helplessness wasn't the worst of it. An ever-present thought in the mind of the diver is the danger of the suit inflating and blowing up like a balloon if the head gets knocked lower than the rest of the body. The minute I began to roll, I jammed my head against the air release valve to deflate the suit. I must have done it with too much force, for the small, brass shaft of the valve bent and would not work properly. In the meantime, I was hurled downstream and wedged into a rock fissure which, for the moment, saved my life."

Tons of water were pounding against Walker, knocking the out of him and threatening to crush his body. Then, to his surprise, he found that water, trickling in through the broken air release valve, was filling his suit. He began trying to communicate with the tender by jerking the line the current made it all jerks. From the all but unintelligible signals Walker gathered that his tender wanted to haul him up. The current and he was hauled in at the back of the fissure.

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Assault and Battery.
An assault is an unlawful attempt or offer, on the part of one man with force or violence, to inflict a bodily hurt upon another. A battery is a willful and unlawful use of force or violence upon the person of another. The actual offer to use force to the injury of another person is assault; the use of it is battery; hence the two terms are commonly combined in the term assault and battery.

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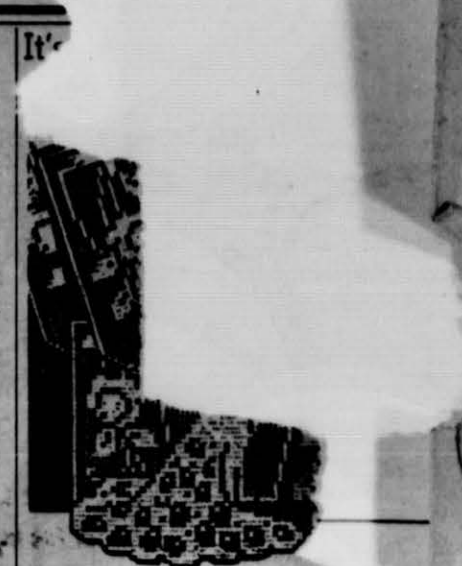
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I'll Let You Go After You Kiss Me and Not Before.

learned what had happened he would tear loose from all restraint. "What's the news today, dearie?" he asked.

"Why, nothing special, Bill." "You don't act that way."

Jane laughed, eroded, and said the real news was that soon the bandages were to come off his eyes. Sawdy accepted the ranch arrangement without a quail, though Sleepy Cat knew even before he rode out to assume his post that McCrossen was vowing vengeance.

The day after Sawdy took charge, he was in town to do some ordering. In Rubido's store he ran into McCrossen. Sawdy shook hands with him, and McCrossen told him he would be out next day to pack up his things.

"So you're fired, me?" Looking at her coldly and searchingly, he spoke tensely and harshly.

"Before she could answer he said: "Folks don't naturally get an old hand like me, your father's friend, without giving a reason, do they? What are you turning me out for?"

"Dave," she said suddenly, "you're always been paid well—where does all your money go? Why do you have to run steers off the ranch at night?"

"So," he exclaimed savagely, "a few head of steers that belonged to me by rights anyway are stickin' in your crop, eh? Do you know your own dad was the biggest cattle thief in this whole country?"

Jane stamped her foot. "It's not of me?"

"Did you know he made a thief of me? The first calves I ever stole in my life, I stole for Gus Van Tammel. Doesn't look very nice for you to talk to me about stealin' cattle," he exclaimed scornfully. "The daughter of a man that stole all he's got."

"Dave," she protested, angrily, "stop that talk. If my father owed you anything, I'll pay it."

He laughed. "All right, kiss an make up." He stepped toward her. She sprang to her feet. "Dave, I—"

"Why, girl, don't you know I love you?" He spoke with a queer laugh and, darting forward, caught her. While she struggled, he raised kisses on her face and neck and arms.

Jane, frantic, fought to repel him. "Dave McCrossen, if you don't let me go, I'll scream across to the bunkhouse," she cried.

He jeered at her. "Go ahead, there's nobody there. I'll let you go after you kiss me and not before."

Just when she was afraid she