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School Will Get Several Busses at Richmond, Ind.

A number of men from the town and vicinity, including the members of the school board, departed this week for Richmond, Indiana, where the fleet of new school busses are having bodies attached to them, and on their return trip will each drive one of the busses home.

Some of the men, including J. A. Blackwell, Ray Smith, J. B. McFarland and L. D. Cannon, departed Wednesday morning and will go via Chicago where they will spend at least four days visiting the Century of Progress before starting on their return trip.

On the return trip the drivers will probably choose various routes for reaching Friona; some returning by the same route by which they will go over, while others will select routes that will carry them via points which they wish to visit. Mayor Reeve will likely return via Indianapolis and vicinity where he formerly lived and where many of his relatives now live, while Mr. Blackwell plans to return through Kentucky and Nashville, Tennessee, thence almost due west to Amarillo. The group will be away for about two weeks.

SHALL WE HAVE ANOTHER WELL?

The big topic of conversation on our streets now is "We need another well." And there could scarcely be a truer saying than this, the truth of it being proven by experience during the big blaze which our city experienced last Friday morning.

Those who have been closely associated with the conditions of the city's water supply have realized this fact for the past three years, and have advocated the digging of another well at all hazard to the city's finances, but could not get the ear of those who were in charge of the city's affairs, owing to the fact that there appeared to be no way of financing the project.

During the time of the big fire Friday morning while one of the city's best buildings was being gutted by the flames and while these same flames were doing their best to reach and consume the adjoining buildings, while a multitude of our citizens looked on watched the faithful and heroic efforts of our local fire boys to combat the flames, our people were brought to a keen realization of what would certainly happen to our little city should the water supply fall before the flames were subdued, and when informed that the same thing became almost a reality, although the pump was kept steadily going at its maximum speed, they came to a still closer realization of the fact.

The continued discussion of this fact of the dire need of another well is causing some plans to be formulated for securing it, and to secure it at the least possible cost to the city. And it appears that Friona is fairly well equipped to do this for a cash amount that very few cities can offer.

It appears that Messrs. Trull and Landrum have a well digging rig, which they will place at the service of the city. This rig, however is now located over in Deaf Smith county, several miles from Friona, but another worthy citizen, T. N. Jasper, freely offers to take his six good mules and land it safely in Friona free of all charge.

This drill has no bit large enough to drill a 12-inch hole, but R. H. Kinsley, a former well driller of Friona, comes to the rescue with a bit which can be made large enough for the purpose, and numbered among our citizenry we have three of the best drillers in the country who will volunteer their services in drilling the well. They are R. H. Kinsley, Logan Simpson and Henry Stanley.

A well tower and pump house will be needed and the lumber yards of the city are willing to furnish the materials for same on the city's credit for a reasonable length of time, and it is hoped that a sufficient cash loan can be arranged to enable the city to purchase the casing, pump and necessary plumbing connections. Thus the cost of another well will be reduced to the minimum. Should this arrangement not be able to build and equip the well, there are a number of patriotic citizens who have expressed a willingness to come forward with personal donations sufficient to complete the project.

VISITING DAUGHTER HERE

Roy Terrell of Clarendon, arrived the first of last week for a few weeks visit with his daughter, Mrs. W. J. Thompson and family. Mr. Terrell is suffering from an attack of shingles, and went from here last week, over to a sanitarium at Portales, New Mexico, for treatment. The sanitarium there is owned by his granddaughter. He will remain in Friona for a few weeks.

Midgets Hobnob With Lofty Towers at Fair



Dancing on the green is a daily feature of Merrie England, one of the 15 foreign villages in Chicago World's Fair which offer visitors a "tour of the world." Inset: Some of the world's tiniest people, on view at the Fair's Midget City.

HUGHES-GOWERS WEDDING

Saturday evening, July 21, at the parsonage of the First Christian church at Clovis, New Mexico, the ceremony binding in the holy bonds of matrimony, Miss Opal Hughes and Mr. Thomas Gower, both of Friona, was performed by the pastor of the church.

The newly made bride and groom were accompanied on this happy occasion by Miss Faye Hughes, sister of the bride, and Hulet Lea, a cousin of the groom.

The bride on this occasion is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buford Hughes of Friona and the groom is a nephew of Rev. Cummings, pastor of the Church of Christ at this place, and also a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lea, who live five miles north of Friona.

These splendid young people are staying at the Lea home this week, after which they will depart for Clovis, Oklahoma, where they will make their home.

The Star joins their many friends at Friona in wishing them a long, happy and prosperous wedded life.

RECOMMEND W. LANDER

Eastland, Texas, May 24, 1934. To Whom It May Concern:

We, the undersigned citizens of Eastland, Eastland County, Texas, are glad to state that we are personally acquainted with Mr. W. Lander, now of Parmer County, Mr. Lander was city manager of Eastland during the boom days for four years, and served as a reliable and efficient public officer. During this time he served also as Corporation Judge. His record in both capacities was of very high order.

Personally we recommend Mr. Lander as a man of integrity, honor and experienced ability.

B. Seeborg, attorney; J. H. Catch, M. D.; Earl Conner, Attorney; C. L. Garrett, County Judge; F. J. Isbell, M. D.; Mrs. Mary Harriman, County Treasurer; W. S. Michael, Co. Auditor; P. L. Grassberg; Grady Owen, District Attorney; Omar Burkett, deputy supervisor of oil and gas division; Tom Holly, Tax Assessor; E. Laffon, T. L. Cooper, Tax Collector; George L. Davenport, Judge 91st District Court; T. W. Collier, County Clerk; D. J. Jobe, Deputy Sheriff; Jno. D. Niekol, Attorney; Cyrus B. Frost, former City Commissioner; Oscar Wilson, ex-banker; Guy Parker, city manager; J. F. Little, city secretary; Scott W. Key, attorney; T. L. Fagg, city commissioner; Fred W. Frost, property owner in Eastland.

PENTECOSTAL CAMP MEETING

The Pentecostal revival meeting which is now in progress in the big tent on 7th street between Euclid and Cleveland, will terminate in a camp meeting on Friday, this week, July 27.

A large number of delegates from various states are expected and a general good time in the Lord is anticipated. The interest in the revival has been good. Crowds have been good and general interest in spiritual things has been shown.

Rev. Marvin Hansford, from Hot Springs, Arkansas, has been in the pulpit most of the time. While only a young man and having been in the ministry for only about two years, yet he has shown the wisdom and tact of men who have been there much longer. His preaching is forceful to the point and full of facts. A hearty invitation is extended to all to come and hear him and also to be in the camp meeting.

Walter Lander of Farwell, candidate for County Judge, was here meeting his many friends Tuesday afternoon.

City Will Place Penalties Upon Past Due Taxes

The city commission Tuesday afternoon voted unanimously to place all legal penalties, costs and interest on all delinquent city taxes, following the plan adopted by the state. If your city taxes are in arrears it will be to your interest financially to meet these payments prior to August 15.

Other orders were made to enforce the parking ordinance strictly out of respect to the safety of the public generally.

A fire marshal was also appointed and an order to place the city under the guarantee of paying a reward for the arrest and conviction of incendiaries.

FRIONA WEATHER

Until Monday evening about 8:30 o'clock the weather locally continued hot and dry, but at that time a cloud which seemed to cover the entire northern horizon made its appearance and continued to spread southward until the entire Friona country was enveloped by it.

The first effect of the approaching storm was a dense cloud of dust carried by the wind which had changed to the north. This was followed by a rather heavy fall of rain, which subsided within an hour to a gentle steady, soaking shower, continuing until well into the night.

It is estimated that not less than an inch and a quarter of rain fell during the night and this has done a wonderful lot of good to those crops that were up and making an effort to grow. It is estimated that sufficient rain has fallen to cause the first crop of volunteer wheat to spring up on the wheat fields where the ground has been plowed.

Following the rain Tuesday was much cooler than it has been for several weeks and it was hoped the heat wave had been broken and would subside, but Wednesday came out again as warm as it had been before the rain. Indications are favorable for more rain in the near future and it is hoped this may occur as not more than half enough rain has been received to overcome the drought and offer a favorable condition for wheat planting.

STORE LIVING AT HOME

With 76 feet of new shelves in a concrete cellar already holding 218 jars of food a large proportion filled from this year's fruit crop, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kopley of Oklahoma Lane community are working to produce and store a living at home. Early this spring Mr. Kopley made 150 feet of concrete sub-irrigation tile which is laid in the garden. Vegetables and meats will be canned and cured to provide a balanced diet for the family during 1934. A supply of these sufficient for only one year will be stored, but because of the uncertainty of a fruit crop in this section who will can most of the fruit produced in the home orchard this year.

ENTERTAINS INTERMEDIATE DEPT. SUNDAY SCHOOL

Opal Jones entertained the Intermediate Department of the Methodist Sunday school last Tuesday with a delightful trip to Ceta Canyon. Others included in the treat were Mrs. Blacketer and daughter of Frisco, Texas, Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Thurston, Mrs. E. R. Furlong, Mrs. A. S. Curry and Mrs. Opal Jones.

WILLIS NEWS

Ces, but the weather is hot! No News. Can't write much. Nobody does anything worth mentioning.

Melville Manns returned Monday night from Anadarko, Oklahoma, after on week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rule and Mr. Rule's mother, of Summerfield, returned Wednesday morning from Strong City, Oklahoma, where they spent a week visiting relatives.

Sheriff and Mrs. Hall and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Manns, called at the Boren home Sunday night to see Fred Manns.

Friends of Mrs. Clay Dunlop of Tucumcari, received a telegram Sunday night telling of his death at nine o'clock Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hawes, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fanns, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cogdell and C. C. Boren attended court a Farwell Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bethel Hicks attended the funeral of Mr. Dunlop at Tucumcari Tuesday.

Mrs. Margaret Niece, who has been very sick for the past three weeks, is still very low.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Thornton spent Sunday in Friona at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nichols.

Mrs. Fred Manns and Miss Arlesia Boren attended the show Tuesday night at Friona.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Rule, Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Isham and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Manns spent Sunday in the Boren home.

OFF ON VACATION

On Saturday of last week B. T. Galloway and daughter Edith and Miss Bonnie Curry departed for Coleman County, where they will visit for a few days with relatives and former neighbors. They were accompanied by Mrs. Earl Watkins and two small daughters, who will stop at Brownwood for several days visit with relatives of both Mr. and Mrs. Watkins, and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Roden and children left Tuesday for the mountains of Colorado, where they will spend their vacation season enjoying the cool atmosphere fishing and sight seeing.

Charley Bainum and family departed Monday for their annual vacation with relatives and friends in other parts of the state and in New Mexico, where they will enjoy a good rest from their regular round of duties, in various sports and recreations.

Millford and Lex Alexander and Miss Gully and some relatives of the boys who are visiting them, spent a part of this week over at Carlbad, New Mexico, where they visited the Carlbad Cavern.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bragg, who spent last week in Comanche county visiting Mr. Bragg's parents and other relatives, returned Sunday. They were accompanied by Mr. Bragg's parents, a brother and a sister and the small son of the sister. The visitors are not very favorably impressed with the plains country and will return to their home after a few days visit here.

GOLF NEWS

At the golf tournament at Muleshoe last Sunday, the Friona players failed to win anything in the way of prizes, each of them going down in defeat before their opponents.

This tournament ended the regular golfing season for the local league but of course there will be more playing for the mere sport of the game.

CITY DADS CONFER ON NEW WELL PROJECT

Mayor F. W. Reeve and City Commissioners Spring and Jones, were in conference with Messrs. Mills and Banasik, of the Clowe and Cowan Company, Amarillo, with regard to the practical size equipment and cost of a new city well, Tuesday afternoon.

It is quite likely that plans and terms will materialize which will enable city officials to proceed with the construction of the well in the near future.

They can be used at home or can be sold.

No allotment has been made for Texas nor the individual counties in regard to the number of cattle that will be bought. How many head may eventually be bought and how long the buying will continue cannot now be determined.

According to Dr. E. W. Sheets, Federal director of the drought relief service, "It depends upon conditions as they develop, including inclination of the individual farmer to sell. We are planning relief to those hard pressed in the drought areas and expect to continue buying and processing as long as the situation warrants."

Up to July 12th, \$21,156 cattle had been purchased from 69,723 farmers in Minnesota, North Dakota, Wisconsin, Arizona, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Montana, Nevada, Colorado and Utah. On the farms from which purchases were made the total number of cattle was 2,334,731. None of the meat from these cattle purchases will reach commercial channels.

Capitol Theatre At Friona Burns Friday, July 20

Most Friona citizens were awakened at 3:30 o'clock last Friday morning by the report of pistol shots and the wailing of the siren on the city fire truck, and were soon brought to the realization that a most disastrous fire had broken out in the Capitol Theatre building.

It appears that the fire had started from some point within the building and was under great headway before it became noticeable from the outside, as night watchman, C. M. Jones, had passed by the place only a short while before and had seen no sign of it.

Within a remarkably short time after the alarm had been given all the fire boys had been called from their beds and had two streams of water playing upon the flames, which had then broken from the interior of the building which was a mass of flames, leaping high over the adjoining buildings, which were the F. L. Spring store building and the Friona hotel on the north and the L. S. Lunch room on the south. The wind, however, being from the south there was little danger to the Shouse building.

The fire boys had soon bravely mounted to the roofs of these buildings and so carefully and accurately did they direct the streams of water, that the flames that had spread to the roof of the Spring building were soon extinguished and the roof and walls of the hotel were kept so thoroughly drenched that the flames, though lapping right over the roof, were unable to get a hold upon it on account of the steady stream of water, and while doing this it was necessary also to extinguish the fire on the adjoining roof and to keep the fire of the theatre building within its walls, all of which these boys did until the fire was completely within their control. When the huge steel roof of the theatre fell in there was such a cloud of sparks went up that it seemed the entire business section of the city would be ignited but no other fires were started except upon the roof of the residence portion of the building now occupied by the J. J. Horton furniture store, and that was quickly extinguished by a small bucket brigade hastily formed by men from among the crowd. This building is in the block just north of the block where the theatre building stood.

Willing helpers soon had the entire stock of goods out of the Spring store and carried to the opposite side of the street, and as soon as the fire was known to be beyond danger, the crowds were just as quickly returned to the building with a remarkably small amount of damage thereto. Mr. Spring's building and contents were covered by insurance and the loss will probably amount to \$500 or \$600.

The theatre building carried insurance to about one third the value of building and contents, the loss being estimated at about \$20,000. Mr. Targue, owner of the building and the theatre equipment, expects to begin rebuilding the front part of the structure which he plans to arrange in three rooms which will be for rent until he can complete the entire structure and again equip it for an up-to-date theatre, at which time the middle of these three rooms will be converted into a lobby for the theatre.

Many are the expressions of appreciation, thanks and praise that are heard from our people for the brave and splendid work done by our fire boys in risking their lives and enduring the heat and smoke while playing water so efficiently upon the flames, and water superintendent Logan Simpson came in for his share of the praise having the reservoir filled with water and the pump running.

LOCAL DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Friona Home Demonstration Club will meet regularly at the school cafeteria on the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

On the first Wednesday in August there will be an interesting program relating to the history of Parmer county. On the third Wednesday the county demonstrator will be present and demonstrate the canning of Pasteurized tomato juice. All the ladies of the community are invited.

W. E. Jones of Plano, is here this week visiting his brother, city night watchman, C. M. Jones. Mr. Jones was here four years ago, when we had another bad crop year, but he likes the plains country fairly well anyway.

CARD OF THANKS

I take this method of expressing my sincere thanks to the boys of our local Fire Company for the splendid work they did in protecting my property from fire on the morning of July 20, 1934, and also my appreciation of their service to the City.

MRS. LAURA SHOUSE

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 JOHN H. ALDRIDGE, JR.
- For Sheriff, Tax Collector and Tax
 Assessor:
 EARL BOOTH
- For County and District Clerk:
 E. V. RUSHING
- For County Treasurer:
 MRS. E. G. WILLIAMS
 ROY B. EZELL
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 1:
 J. M. W. ALEXANDER
 (Re-election)
 NAT JONES
 CHARLIE A. TURNER
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 2:
 FLOYD SCHLENKER
- For County Attorney:
 A. D. SMITH

Clean Farming Kills Bugs

The most effective way of combat-
 ing insect pests in large fields, where
 high costs may prohibit the use of in-
 secticides, is to follow good farm prac-
 tices, which call for clean fields, prop-
 erly prepared and fertilized seedbeds,
 and tested seeds, says Lee A. Strong,
 federal entomologist. These methods
 may halt an outbreak at the start, and
 also encourage the growth of robust
 plants more capable of resisting insect
 attack. Simple changes in routine
 farm operations which deprive insects
 of food or shelter at critical periods
 in their life cycles also play an im-
 portant part in this war.

Producing Milk

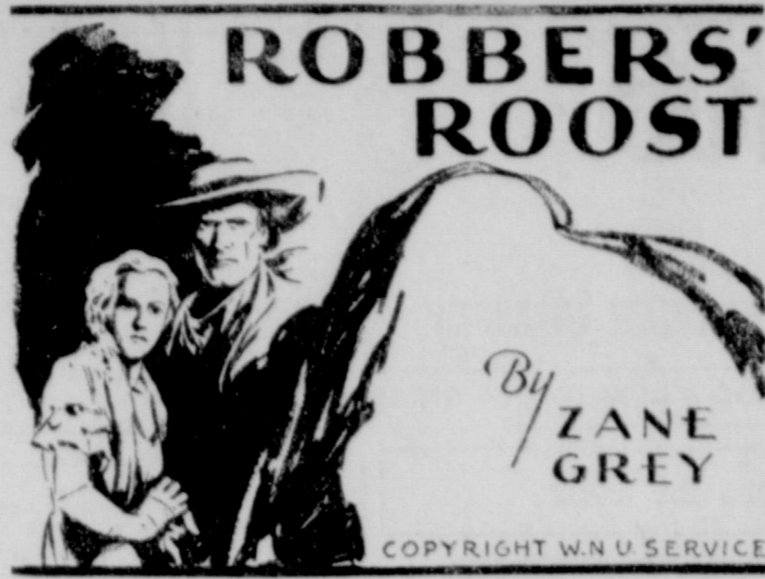
Several hundred cow-testing associa-
 tion records from Indiana herds show
 that on the average it takes 54 pounds
 of silage, 26 pounds of hay and 32
 pounds of grain to produce 100 pounds
 of milk with the average 400-pounds
 cow, states G. A. Williams, Purdue uni-
 versity. At present feed prices the cost
 is approximately 44.8 cents. With
 the average 200-pound cow it takes 81
 pounds of silage, 48 pounds of hay and
 42 pounds of grain for 100 pounds of
 milk.

Wood for Fuel

Many farms have a good woodlot
 that provides an ample supply of fuel
 for winter needs. Some of these are
 being destroyed through improper cut-
 ting. Trees which are defective, trees
 which overtop valuable young growth
 and softwood trees which have little
 value for lumber should be used for
 fuel. A crooked stick burns as good
 as a straight one and good trees should
 be left for timber and should be given
 every possible chance to develop.

Traveling Farm School

Because of the success of the tour
 of the Better Farming train, which
 has ended in Australia, the traveling
 exhibition and school will make regu-
 lar journeys hereafter. Crowds gather-
 ed at every stopping place, and the
 lectures were well attended. The train
 consisted of 18 cars, two being
 equipped for talks and lectures. The
 passengers comprised all animals and
 birds known to farming, together with
 experts in every branch of the indus-
 try.



"No? Where will I be, since you
 seem to know?"
 "You may be in the garden of Eden,
 aint' peaches," retorted Hays. "See
 here, Wall, you're a testy cuss. Any
 reason why you can't be a good
 feller?"
 "Come to think of that, yes, there
 is," returned Wall, thoughtfully.
 "All right. Thanks for that much.
 I reckon I understand you better.
 What were you, Wall, once upon a
 time?"

Wall laughed musingly. "A country
 school teacher once."
 "Wal, I'll be dog-goned!" ejacu-
 lated Hays. "If do beat all what a
 man can be, at different times in his
 life. But I'm concerned with now.
 An' I'd like to ask you some ques-
 tions."
 "Fire away."
 "You said you was broke?" Hays
 began.
 "I will be when I pay for this
 night's lodging."
 "That's on me. I'll stake you to
 some money. You'll want to set in
 the game with us?"
 "Any strings on a loan?"
 "Wal, friend, the string is that I
 want to locate you. Bend over here,
 so I can get your ear," went on Hays,
 confidentially, and when Wall had
 complied he said: "I run true to form
 today when I held up that stranger.
 But it was a blunder, considerin' the
 iron I have in the fire. Now, listen.
 Lately I've got in with a rancher
 over here in the Henry mountains.
 He's an Englishman with more money
 than sense. Bought ten thousand head
 of cattle an' a lot of hosses. There's
 some tough cowboy outfits over there,
 an' more'n one real rustler outfit.
 Wal, this Englishman—his name is
 Herrick—got the idee of hirin' all the
 hands available, cowpunchers, range-
 riders, gun-toters an' plain out-an'-out
 bad men. An' to throw this select out-
 fit agin the whole country. What do
 you think of that idee?"

"Original, to say the least. But not
 practical, unless he can reform bad
 men," replied Wall, much interested.
 "Wal, exactly. But I'm not con-
 cerned with the practicability of it.
 Herrick took a shine to me, made me
 what he calls his superintendent, an'
 sent me all over lookin' for hard-
 shootin', hard-ridin' men. An' that's
 how you happened to run into me.
 I call it good luck for us both."
 "You've taken me for one of the
 hard-shooting, hard-riding kind, eh?"
 "Wal, I want you in my outfit," re-
 surred Hays. "Brad didn't cotton to
 you, I seen first off. But he's a gun-
 thrower himself. All the same he's in
 my outfit an' I reckon you might get
 along. It's Heeseman who sticks in
 my craw."

"Heeseman. Who is he?"
 "Heeseman is the rustler of Dragon
 Canyon. None of the ranchers even
 'round here know that, but I know it.
 He's got a small outfit, but shore
 enough bad. An' in some way he got
 wind of Herrick's scheme. Darned if
 he didn't pack over to the Henrys
 with his outfit an' start ridin' for
 him."
 "Heeseman saw the same opportu-
 nity as you?" queried Wall, quietly.
 "Wal, yes, I was comin' to that," re-
 surred Hays, gruffly. "I got the upper
 hand, though, an' I'll be the boss.
 They'll lead to friction. There'll be
 two factions sooner or later, an' the
 sooner that fight comes off the better."
 "I see. Less of a division of spoils."
 "Wal, I'm no rustler," snapped
 Hays.
 "Excuse me. If it isn't impertinent,
 may I ask just what you are?"
 "Ever hear of Henry Plummer?"
 "Can't remember if I did."
 "Wal, Plummer flourished some ten
 an' more years ago, first in Montana
 an' later in Idaho. He was the great-
 est robber the West ever developed.
 Educated man of good family, born
 in the East. But the gold fever called
 an' he was not the kind of a man to
 dig. He operated on the placer mines.
 Was an officer of the law while he was
 head of the biggest robber gang the
 frontier ever knew. From Hannock to
 Lewiston he kept the miners, the
 stages, the Wells Fargo in terror for
 years. . . . Wal, I seen Plummer
 hanged. I was one of his gang, a
 young man then in years."

"Thanks for the confidence, Hays,"
 returned Wall, in surprise. "You must
 have strong interest in me to tell
 that."
 "Shore I have. But I don't care to
 be classed as a rustler."
 "Too low down, eh?"
 "It certainly ain't any two-bit cat-
 the stealin' . . . However, there's not
 the point between you an' me. What
 I want to know is, will you take a
 job in my outfit?"
 "That depends, Hays," returned
 Wall.
 "Any scruples about it? Remember,
 I come clean with you."
 "No. I broke jail in Cheyenne."
 "What was you in for?"
 "Shot a man. They were goin' to
 hang me."

"Ahh. Was that square?"
 "I didn't think so. . . . Had to kill
 the jailer to get out."
 "When was all this, Wall?"
 "Some years ago."
 "An' since then?"
 "Been shooting my way out of one
 jam after another."
 "Much obliged," replied Hays, feel-
 ingly. "Wal, you're a hunted man.
 You're broke. It's about where you
 cross the divide."
 "One more question. What 'bout
 this Herrick's family?"
 "Wal, he ain't got any," rejoined
 Hays. "We heard somethin' about a
 sister comin' out, but she never
 turned up."
 "Sister? It'd be a h—l of a note if
 she did."
 "Wal, this shore ain't no country for
 women."
 It seemed to Jim Wall that this sally
 completed a definitely conscious feel-
 ing in his mind toward the self-confessed
 robber. If it had not been dislike and
 distrust before, it certainly fixed at

that now. Wall sensed a gathering
 interest in the situation he had hap-
 pened upon.
 Hays called for drinks and insisted
 on a handshake which he executed so-
 lemnly, as if it were a compact which
 implied honor even among thieves.
 Shortly afterwards the saloon grad-
 ually began to fill with loud-voiced,
 heavily booted men.
 Among them were Happy Jack, Lin-
 coln and a giant of a man with a
 russet beard, whom Hays introduced
 as Montana. Then a man, undoubtedly
 a trapper, entered. He wore buck-
 skin and seemed out of place in that
 crowd. The bartender, Red, did a
 thriving business.
 "Seems to be no lack of money," ob-



"Sister? It'd Be a H—l of a Note if She Did."

served Wall to the watchful Hays.
 "Where do they get it?"
 "Wal, you're surprised, I see. So
 was I. This burg here is a stage stop
 for points in Utah an' west. Lots of
 travel. But there's big cattle ranges
 off toward the Henrys."
 "I see. But at that bar there are
 half a dozen men who are not travel-
 ers or ranchers or riders."
 "Wal, for that matter, all men in
 these diggin's have got to be riders.
 It's a long way from one waterin'
 place to another. But you hit into
 things, at that. There's four or five
 fellers I never seen before."
 "Who's the tall one, with his hat
 pulled down, so you can only see his
 black, pointed beard?"
 "That's Morley. Claims to be a
 rancher. But if he ain't the boss of
 the Black Dragon outfit, I'll eat him."
 "And the load feller—the one with
 the plaid vest?"
 "His name is Stud somethin' or
 other. Seen him before an' ain't
 crazy about him."
 "Let's play poker."
 "Shore, but not just among our-
 selves."
 "Got any money, Hank?" asked
 Happy Jack.
 "Did you ever see me broke? Brad,
 go dig up some suckers. But not that
 hombre they call Stud. He didn't get
 that name playin' solitaire."
 There were only two large gaming
 tables, one of which was in use. Lin-
 coln went among the men to solicit
 players, returning with Morley and
 the russet-bearded giant, Montana.
 There was no formality or greeting
 between Hays and these men. It was
 dog eat dog. Wall grasped.
 "Make it six-handed. Come an' set
 in, Wall," said Hays. "Friendly little
 game of draw. Sky limit."
 Wall laughed. "I couldn't play
 penny ante."
 "Wal, I'll stake you."
 "No, thanks. I'd rather watch."
 "Excuse me, sir, but we don't care

for watchers," interposed Morley.
 No sooner had they seated them-
 selves than the man Hays had called
 Stud strode up.
 "Am I bein' left out of this on pur-
 pose?" he demanded, and evidently he
 addressed Hays.
 "Lincoln got up the game," replied
 Hays, coolly.
 "You ask my friends to set in, an'
 not me."
 "Wal, if you're so keen about it,
 why set in with us," went on Hays,
 fingering a deck of cards. "But if you
 want to know bad, I'm not stuck on
 playin' with you."
 "Mean that to insult me?" Stud
 queried, sharply, his right hand rising
 to the lapel of his open vest. If Wall had
 not observed the bulge of two guns
 inside this vest he would have divined
 from Stud's action that there was one
 at least.
 "Not at all," replied Hays, leaning
 back in his chair. That significant
 movement of Stud's had not been lost
 upon him. A little cold glint appeared
 in his pale eyes. "Reckon you're too
 slick a poker player for Hank Hays.
 I want a run for my money."
 "Slick, eh? Wal, I don't mind bein'
 called that. It's a compliment. I've
 yet to see the gambler who wouldn't
 be slick if he could. But when you
 ask my cards to play an' not me—
 that's different."
 "Set in, Stud," rejoined Hays civilly,
 as he began to shuffle the cards. "I
 feel lucky tonight. Last time you had
 it all your way."
 The game began then with Happy
 Jack and Wall looking on. Morley
 made rather a pointed move and re-
 mark anent Wall's standing behind
 him.
 "Shore I'll change seats with you,"
 replied Hays, obligingly, but it was
 plain he felt irritated.
 "Never mind, Hays," interposed
 Wall, deliberately. "The gentleman
 evidently fears I'll tip off his cards.
 So I'll stand behind you, if I may."

Continued next week
TEXAS 4-H CLUB EARNS TRIPS TO CHICAGO FOR LEADER AND 6 MEMBERS
 Chicago, July 25.—Six members
 and the leader of the Tavenor 4-H
 Club of Fort Bend County, Texas, are
 back home after a trip to A Century
 of Progress in Chicago which was
 financed through the fine teamwork
 of the club.
 The adventure adds another achievement
 to the club's record of the
 last 4 years under the energetic lead-
 ership of Mrs. Sadie Buls, which has
 earned it the title of the outstand-
 ing 4-H club in the county, the mem-
 bership of which totals nearly 400
 boys and girls. The Tavenor Club
 numbers 32 members.
 "We started to plan the Chicago
 trip a year ago," said Mrs. Buls in
 the city. "I got the idea after our
 club president, Melvin Reimer, re-
 turned from the Fair and gave us
 a glowing account of his experience.
 We planned to use the trip as an
 incentive to our members to make
 good records and a reward for
 them."
 Sells Food and Barbecue Plates
 "We raised the money mainly
 through the sale of \$1.00 food boxes
 in Rosenberg and barbecue plates at
 the American Legion Park near East
 Bernard. The Houston Light and
 Power Company gave us the use of
 their office in Rosenberg to display
 the boxes which we took special
 pains to make attractive and fill
 only with choice products. We used
 wax paper and cellophane to wrap
 up the items. Our County Extension
 Agents, Mr. Ross and Miss Wel-
 hoven helped us a lot."
 "For the barbecues we used our
 own chickens, or mutton and twice
 we served fine young beef. Two big
 outliners each gave us one. We set
 out to raise \$500.00 but didn't quite
 make it. The amount we were short
 was made up by local people who are
 always ready to help the 4-H cause.
 Folks in our county," added Mrs.
 Buls, "see in 4-H the finest thing
 for our boys and girls."
 "They said we'd get lost in Chi-
 cago when I first talked of the trip,"
 she said. "It almost took my breath
 when I thought of it sometimes. But
 we went all over the city and fair
 grounds and didn't lose a bit of time
 due to the fine help Mr. Noble of

the National 4-H Committee gave us
 in getting around and seeing the
 sights. We stayed in a hotel right
 first trip out of the state for any of
 us."
 Leaving Rosenberg late at night
 the party made the trip via the Santa
 Fe without a change. It was the
 able to keep within their budget,
 the members and only a second for
 Mrs. Buls. Sleeping on cushions and
 carrying part of their food they were
 able to keep within their budget.
 Thrilled by Midgets
 "Everyone of us was excited over
 the fair," said Mrs. Buls. "The Mid-
 get Village was a thing of wonder
 especially for the boys. We all liked
 Ripley's Odditorium. The girls were
 fascinated by the Hall of States and
 all the wonderful things which were
 produced in the different sections
 of the country. That was most edu-
 cational."
 The rikasha races were a sight,
 and here as elsewhere the boys didn't
 miss a thing, their leader reported.
 One boy told later of being so close
 to a national dance-celebrity who
 rode one of the carts that he could
 see the color of her eyes.
 Barney Oldfield's stunts with the
 new automobiles were "hair raising."
 The party reported, and all members

entered stories in the contest spon-
 sored by the Chrysler Motors Corpora-
 tion in which 5 Plymouth sedans
 are to be given to the club members
 and leaders.
 Before leaving Chicago the party
 visited the NBC studios and the
 room from which Amos and Andy
 broadcast.
 Records which won the Trips
 Club members in the party and their
 records are:
 Mary Eicher, 19, winner of many
 prizes on her gardening and canning
 products. Olga Walzel, 18, made an
 acre of cotton yield a 506-lb. bale
 by the use of good seed and correct
 culture.
 Helen B. Buls, 18, made an aver-
 age profit of \$1.16 per hen in a year
 on her flock of 446 White Leghorns.
 Annie Lee Buls, 19, supplied fam-
 ily with canned foods, putting up
 402 containers the past season.
 Clifton Tavenor, 18, completed
 record on dairy cow using home
 grown feeds and made a profit of
 \$165.23 in 12 months.
 Jessa Buls, 16, made a 2.3-lb. gain
 per day on baby beef which won
 third at the county fair and the
 same at the Houston Fat Stock Show.
 He also produced a ton litter.

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International Sunday School Lesson

By DR. J. E. MUNN

FOR JULY 29

General Topic—Micaiah Speaks The Truth.

Scripture Lesson—1 Kings 22:1-14.

1. And they continued three years without war between Syria and Israel.

2. And the king of Israel said unto his servants, Know ye that Ramoth-gilead is ours, and we are still, and take it not out of the hands of the king of Syria?

3. And he said unto Jehoshaphat, Will thou go with me to battle to Ramoth-gilead? And Jehoshaphat said to the king of Israel, I am as thou art, my people as thy people, my horses as thy horses.

4. And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Inquire first, I pray thee, for the word of Jehovah.

because people always spoke of going "up" to Jerusalem, the ancient capital of Palestine, and so of going "down" from it. The spiritual eminence of the Holy City was in mind, as well as the hills on which it was situated. This was probably the first time the two neighboring monarchs had met, though Jehoshaphat had made the great mistake of marrying his son Jehoram to Ahab's daughter, Athaliah, an idol-worshiper like her mother.

"Will Thou Go With Me to Battle?" v. 4.

"And he said unto Jehoshaphat, Will thou go with me to battle to Ramoth-gilead?" This question, "Will thou go with me to battle?" comes to every youth. The evil want to recruit him for the inglorious warfare and God's people seek his aid in the struggle for the right against the wrong. The question of questions for him to decide is on which side he will enlist. His eternal future depends upon it. Jehoshaphat put himself unreservedly at the disposal of Ahab, with all his army, footmen and cavalry. He was led to do this, partly by the marriage alliance which he had made with the house of Ahab, and partly by the possession of a powerful army which he wanted to test. It is certain that, so far from its being true that preparations for war conduce to peace, they are merely incentives to strife and bloodshed. The way to world peace is the drastic reduction of world armaments.

"What Jehovah Saith, That Will I Speak." v. 14.

The answer of Micaiah to the king's messenger was instant and decisive. He averred before the Lord that he would speak precisely what Jehovah said to him, nothing more, nothing less, nothing other!

Here is our Golden Text. "And Micaiah said, As Jehovah liveth, what Jehovah saith unto me, that will I speak." v. 14. God's will may be known. But he speaks only to the inquiring heart. And he says exactly what he wishes known and done. What can mistake his meaning?

Then Micaiah in striking figure predicted the death of Ahab in battle though he foresaw at the same time a successful retreat of his army.

Ahab Rejects The Truth and Dies. 1 Kings 22:24-28.

Ahab was utterly indignant at the prediction of Micaiah made in the presence of his royal guest, the confidants of the two kings, the hundreds of prophets and thousands of people.

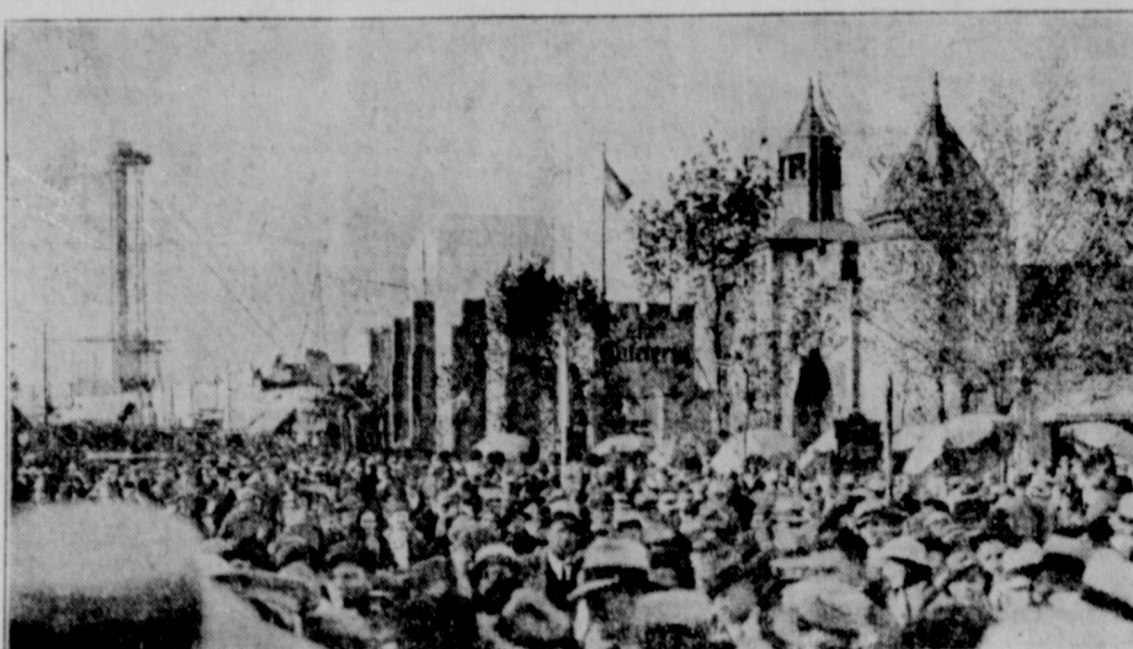
He therefore ordered Micaiah to prison and put him on affliction fare until in the flush of victory Ahab and his army should return to the capital. As Micaiah left the park for the prison he uttered a brief, parting word that if Ahab came back at all the Lord had not spoken through him.

The two kings joined in their military campaign east of the Jordan. During the battle Ahab, though in disguise was fatally wounded and died at sunset.

Truth and Error

"Truth crushed to earth shall rise again." The eternal years of God are here. But Error, wounded, writes in pain, "And dies among his worshippers." "Truth is mighty and will prevail."

New Fair Throngs Storm Street of Villages



Shown here is part of the record-breaking opening day crowd at the new World's Fair in Chicago. The Street of Villages, offering a "tour of the world" in a single day, was the principal attraction for the sightseers, who were surprised to find the Exposition complete for the opening day, May 26.

GUESTS AT THURSTON HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Pitchford of Davis, Oklahoma, and Carl Smith of Byars, Oklahoma, were guests in the home of Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Thurston Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Pitchford is interested in locating in this locality and likes the country fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Thompson and son of Floydada, arrived here last Friday for a few days visit with Mr. Thompson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Thompson.

J. A. Blackwell, Ray Smith and Paul Renner drove over to Farwell to cast their vote for the primary election before departing for Chicago.

GRAY'S STOCK COMPANY

The Gray's stock company which played to good sized audience here last week met with the hearty approval of all their patrons.

Their programs were all entertaining, interesting and absolutely clean. They promised to return to Friona again next year and they will be heartily welcomed by our people. They are playing this next week in Bovina.

R. Y. P. U. REPORT

There were seventy-five at our training service last Sunday night. After we returned from the classes we were entertained by a special song by Dorothy York and Maxine Hyde. We are having a special each Sunday night. We cordially invite you to be present at 8:30 o'clock at the Baptist church.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Chevrolet Truck, late 1931 Model. Up in good running condition. See W. E. Root, Friona. W. E. Root.

New York potato growers are planting 4,000 acres this year, or 2 per cent more than in 1933, according to a recent estimate.

Live stock breeders advise that calves be fed whole milk the first two weeks to assure them a good start in life.

Live stock experts say grazing on green grass is essential to the development of hogs.

Wool production in 30 northern and southern hemisphere countries which produce 80 per cent of the world total was 8 per cent less in 1933 than the record production in 1932.

While farmers on the north side of the Rio Grande are being paid to reduce their acreage, growers in the Mexican valley have put in a record crop of about 50,000 acres.

Control Cutworms With Poison Bait

Bran Mixture Is Suggested for Use on the Early Spring Crops.

By C. H. BRANSON, Extension Entomologist, North Carolina State College, WNU Service.

The use of a poisoned bran mixture to kill cutworms and prevent their damaging early vegetable crops is especially recommended.

Early in the spring, when the worms first get busy, the young plants are particularly susceptible to damage. Growers should watch their plants closely and apply the poisonous bait at the first sign of cutworms.

In experiments, best results have been obtained from a mixture of one pound of paris green to 50 pounds of bran. Sodium fluoride will also give good results, but lead arsenate and calcium arsenate should be avoided.

The poisoned bait should never be left where children or live stock can get at it.

About four pounds of bran-paris green bait should be applied to each 100 square yards of tobacco plant bed to control cutworms. No lumps will come in direct contact with the tender young plants.

For most other crops, the bait should be broadcast at the rate of 15 to 20 pounds to the acre. The bait should be applied a few days before the plants come up, or on the day they come up at the latest. Applications are most effective in the evening so that the bait will be fresh when the worms go to work. Heavy applications should be made after heavy rains.

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Rotation Plan to Foil Chinch Bugs

Locate Legume Crops So as to Isolate Small Grain, Corn and Grass.

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Threatened with the heaviest chinch bug infestation ever recorded in the history of the state, Illinois farmers should consider revising their rotations as a means of partially protecting their 1934 corn crop.

By this is meant the location of legume crops in the rotation so as to isolate the small grain, corn and grass fields where the chinch bugs are prone to breed and feed. It has been proved that legumes are distasteful to this insect pest, and separating the bug's "favorite" crops with legumes is suggested as one of several control measures. Furthermore, the addition of one or more legumes will improve the fertility of the land on which they are grown.

A five-year rotation supplying this dual purpose may consist of corn, oats, clover, corn and soybeans. In this case, not only is 60 per cent of the farm in legumes, but 80 per cent is in cash crops. One crop of corn is completely set off between two legumes, which in many cases will prevent serious damage from chinch bugs. The fact that the oats field will have a spring seeding of clover may deter rapid multiplication of the insects in this crop, if the clover gets a strong, early start.

When wheat is grown with a maximum of corn, a rotation of corn, corn, beans, wheat and clover can be planned. An important feature of this combination is that the small grain crop, which is always the early breeding ground of the chinch bug, is isolated from the corn crops by a legume on either side. With a good, growthy spring seeding of clover in the wheat, this crop is not susceptible to the bugs.

Where a four-year rotation of corn, oats, wheat and clover is followed, a protective revision would be to substitute soybeans for the oats. This would carry the isolation advantages of the wheat rotation above and, with a good stand of clover in the wheat, would keep 75 per cent of the land in legumes throughout the growing season.

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Feeding Smutty Corn

Stilage which is made from smutty corn is harmless to cattle, according to animal husbandry authorities at South Dakota state college. During the course of an experiment at this station, cows were fed large amounts of smutted silage. These cows gained 255 pounds during the feeding period of 30 days, and all were in a thrifty condition. In general appearance the cows were more attractive at the closing of the trial than at the beginning.

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TAX PAYMENTS THROUGH JUNE 30TH JUMP UP

State Expected to Set Record For Delinquents

Austin, July 19.—When the State and county delinquent taxes that were paid in Texas during the past tax year which closed June 30, shall have been totaled, the amount will be far in excess of that of last year, it is indicated by reports that have been received from time to time by the Semi-Weekly Bond Buyers' Bulletin of The University of Texas during the last several months.

It is regarded as assured that all previous records of such payments were broken during the twelve months just closed. In many counties the delinquent tax payments were in the aggregate several times the total of such payments during the preceding year. There also has been a large increase in current tax collections.

The increase of tax income of the State and counties may be attributed to the law passed by the last legislature which remitted penalty and interest on past due taxes if paid within a given time. Also, the payment of a considerable volume of taxes was made possible by the HOLC loans to home owners.

There is little evidence to justify any statement that the unusual record of tax payments during the year was due to any improvement in business conditions, except possibly among the farm owners who have profited by government payments on retired acreage.

The counties of Texas enter the new tax paying year in better financial condition than for several years past. The administrations of these subdivisions are, in most instances, pledged to a continuation of the policy of economizing in expenditures in every possible way. Many of the counties have placed their indebtedness on a better basis through refunding issue, thereby lowering interest rates and sinking fund requirements. They have been relieved, through the operation of the

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Land Checked New Way

Methods for estimating the area in fields of various shapes are explained in a new circular on "How to Calculate Field Areas," which has been issued by the University of Maryland extension service. It deals with triangular, rectangular and irregularly shaped fields and explains how to make the necessary corrections for fields that are sloping. The plan is helpful to farmers who have signed contracts to reduce their wheat production by aiding them in checking their acreage.

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These strains, recorded in the laboratory as pedigree numbers 107-1, 109, and 112, were carefully tested in greenhouse trials last winter when they proved to fix more nitrogen and to stimulate the production of higher yields of hay than most other strains tested.

Inoculation tests in these green houses show that while most root nodule cultures found in the soil of fields which have grown legumes are helpful in the plant, some are less beneficial or even actually harmful. Before any strain of inoculating bacteria is used for the preparation of culture in the laboratories of the university agricultural college, it must first have proved to be beneficial as shown by greenhouse and field tests.

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