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Cogitations & Aphorisms of Jedok

I hear many, and many complaints against the administration's plans for taking care of the needy and finding or providing jobs for the jobless, but for my part I am ready to confess that I do not know of any better plans than have been adopted, although it does occur to me these plans have fallen short of the mark.

One of my good friends has a plan which he thoroughly believes would solve the riddle of the unemployment situation and take care of the needy, if he could only get it across to the heads of the administration. It also sounds good to me, provided I have their correct understanding of his plan.

As I understand it the plan is for the government to hire every man and woman in the United States that is dependent upon his or her daily labor for subsistence and at a fair price, not starvation wages, and neither should they be required to file a "paupers oath" that they must have work at fair wages in order that they may live. Pay every person a fair wage but no fancy wages, and start them building public improvements of any and all kinds, making them all just as permanent as it is possible for the hand of man to make them.

This, he says will require the consumption of the products of the farms, the forests, the mills, and will supply these now unemployed people with funds with which to purchase these products.

Then, when farm products become scarce, they will be a demand that will raise the prices to a scale that will permit the farmer to pay good wages for help in producing them, and he will thus pay more than the government is paying in order to get the needed help.

The same will prove true in the case of the products of the mines, the forests, the mills and the factories, all of whom will be obliged to pay a better wage scale that Uncle Sam is paying in order to get necessary help to supply their part of the program in serving the needs of the people. Thus the public works will be compelled to slow up for want of help to get it done, since the unemployed labor will again be employed at its usual tasks and our economic status will have again returned to normalcy.

It costs so little to make a fellow man feel happier, that I sometimes wonder why more of us do not devote a little of our time to doing that.

For instance, I was walking along the street the other day and feeling rather morose and a little downcast, when Ed Doggett came along by my side and threw one arm across my back and dug his fingers into my ribs, made some careless and jovial remark and let out a jolly laugh. I do not remember a single word he said, but I know I felt at least 40 per cent better right away, and it did not cost Ed a thing. May have made him feel better also.

It does not cost much to smile even when we feel least like it, so why economize in smiles. Economy, any way is just a way of spending money without getting any fun out of it. And it costs very little to be polite, and politeness is just a happy way of doing or saying things.

I heard one of our school teachers say recently that he told the pupils under his charge that they should all be very thankful and appreciative for their school facilities and conveniences here in Friona.

He said there is not perhaps another small town school in the state that has so many conveniences and advantages for the school life of these young people as the Friona school has. He mentioned the good gymnasium which has recently been put in the prime condition, as is also the auditorium, the library and the many other desirable departments of the school, all of which are at the service of each student in the school. He remarked that many towns much larger than Friona, do not have all these conveniences and equipment for both the body and the mind, and he was not so sure that even in Amarillo, the schools all have such equipment, and a pupil that had been attending the Amarillo schools, said they do not have them there.

I remember when the Friona school first began to expand from a small third-class high school to what is now, that the men in charge of the school's affairs adopted a policy of securing the best equipment

Football Season Will Open Friday With Adrian High

On Friday, Sept. 21st, the Chiefs will have their first battle on the gridiron for this season when they meet the strong Adrian High School team. This game not only marks the opening of the football season but it will also be the first game to be played in the new Chieftain Stadium.

Twenty-five candidates have been reporting for practice the past two weeks. Six of these candidates are last year's letter men around whom Stroud expects to build a championship team.

We are indeed fortunate in getting the services of Mr. Stroud as head coach. Sport followers will recall Coach Stroud as a six letter ace of WTSTC who is considered one of the greatest football and basketball men ever turned out at Canyon. "Buff" Morris, another six letter WTSTC athlete, will assist Coach Stroud with the football squad and will be head coach of the basketball squad.

Everyone is urged to come out Friday, help christen the new stadium and root for the Chieftains.

CONSTITUTION DAY

Under the leadership of Friona Post of the American Legion the patriotic observance of Constitution Week was held Monday.

A special called chapel service in the morning, at which all the grades of the school were present, furnished an exhibit of the "preamble of the constitution." At this meeting Prof. Davis conducted the singing of "America" and prayer was offered by Mother Pearson, following which a stirring address on "The Meaning of the Constitution" was delivered by Rev. Samuel Pearson.

In the evening a splendid program was presented in the high school auditorium which included the following numbers:

Singing, "America"—Congregation

Invocation, Rev. Pearson.

Mayor's Proclamation, Mayor F. W. Reeve.

Piano Duet, Mrs. R. R. Wills and Miss Estella Welch.

Reading, "The Building of the Ship," Miss Mildred Hughes.

Cornet Solo, Prof. Charles Strain.

Flag Drill by a group of pretty girls under direction of PFA.

Address, "The Constitution of the United States," Prof. Eubanks.

The audience showed its appreciation of each of the musical and literary numbers by hearty applause.

Mr. Eubanks portrayed the event which culminated in the representative body of able men who formed the world renowned Constitutional Convention and produced this masterpiece of literature. His fervid and eloquent appeal to all to assume the duties and responsibilities of citizenship made an impressive climax to the memorable day.

Commander Ray Smith presided and in the name of the local Legion Post thanked all who had helped to make the program so successful.

Rev. Thurston, of the Methodist church, closed the program with the benediction, and a verse of "The Star Spangled Banner" closed this historic celebration.

DINNER HONORS MR. AND MRS. J. E. OWENS

A dinner party Sunday entertained the newly married Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Owens at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Owens, of the Homeland community.

The young couple were married Saturday, September 15th at Clovis, New Mexico. Mrs. Owens was formerly Miss Idella Dalton. She moved a short time ago, with her father and sister, from Bowie to Bowieville. She is a graduate of the Manning high school. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Owens, of the Homeland community.

The welcoming party was attended by: Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Owens, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Laney, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilkerson, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Wilkerson and son, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Rule, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Thomas, Rev. and Mrs. James, Mrs. Billie Herring, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Foote, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Manns, Misses Dona Dalton, Vivian Rewley, Juanita Gatlin, Lucile Poote, Mertle Rule, Zay Rule, Gladys Jones, Freda Green and Cathryn Gatlin. Messrs. J. S. Wilvin, Alvin, Marvin, Floyd and Louie Owens; Jim Ritchie, Willis Gatlin, George, J. T. and Glen Green, Denver and Denam Smith; Melvin Elliott, Ralph Thomas, Ray Lee Johnson, J. D. Johnson, Ben and Rawleigh Rule.

The young couple will make their home in the Homeland community for the present.

The Star joins the any friends of this popular young couple in wishing for them the choicest blessing life can bestow.

Tryouts for the girls' quarter are being held and will be completed

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SCHOOL NEWS

FRIONA GRADE SCHOOL

Latest figures on enrollment in Friona Grade School are 315. This figure reaches the enrollment for the corresponding time last year.

At 8:45 o'clock pupils are allowed to come into the building. At 9: the bell rings for classes. Every pupil should be in his seat in his home room when that bell sounds. At 9:05 sounds the class bell and pupils move to their respective rooms for recitation.

What is surprising to the patron is that 315 children can be moved from room with such order and precision as prevails throughout the Grade School.

At forty-five minute intervals are bells for changing of classes.

At noon children who go home or who eat in the cafeteria are dismissed, while those who bring their luncheon are given fifteen minutes in their home rooms, to eat. At the end of the period they are dismissed to the playground until 12:40 o'clock. Pupils then return to the building and go through the same procedure as in the morning.

School is out at 3:40 and every pupil is out of the building by 3:50.

Departmental work is being carried on in the fourth grade this year for the first time. Enrollment for that grade has been so heavy that division has had to be made in order to care for each child.

With enrollment in the fifth grade at 51 it has been necessary to divide that grade into sections A and B. As section A is reciting in one class, B is in another, and thus every child has the same training.

The Grade School Library is to be opened some time this week. The librarian, Mrs. Clark, with two assistants is working as rapidly as possible cataloguing books and magazines.

The Library this year is to be run on the same plan as the High School Library. The same system of checking out books, and other material is to be used in Grade School.

Librarian for Grade School is to be Madge Settle, who is to have Wayne New and Renaah Burton as assistants.

In order to secure more books for the library a call has been made throughout the school. Each child is being asked to donate one, or more, good books, if he is through with them, and has his parents permission.

After being absent each child has to have a written excuse from his parents before he is allowed to report to classes. He takes this excuse to the principal who gives him a make-up slip and he is required to make up all work that he missed. If a child is to be allowed to go to town during the noon hour he must also have an excuse from his parents.

This is being done for the benefit of the child, parent, and school, so that there is a definite check on each child at all times.

Chapel was held Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the Grade School Auditorium in keeping with Constitution week.

Father and Mother Pearson were in charge of the program, which was sponsored by the Friona American Legion Post. Mr. Pearson gave a short talk on loyalty to country and Constitution. Mrs. Pearson led in prayer. Patriotic songs were sung by the student body. Superintendent Heath dismissed the pupils for classes.

FIRST FOOTBALL GAME

Friday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock Friona High School meets Adrian High School in the first football game of the season.

This will be the first appearance of the football squad under the new coach, Mr. Russell Stroud. Mr. Stroud comes to Friona as a graduate of Canyon, where he lettered on the football and basketball teams.

Adrian is reported to have a strong club this year and the game is looked forward to as being a stiff fight for Stroud's charges.

Business men and patrons are urged to get behind the team and school and give them all the support possible.

Outstanding players on the year's squad who are likely to be used Friday are: Douglas Frost, acting captain, Aey Foot, Noel Garrett, Carl Schlenker, Harry Gowers. Several other reliable players will also see action.

Admission will be 25 cents for adults.

Glee Club Formed

The members of the Glee Clubs under the direction of Glen F. Davis have been announced. The Boys' Glee Club will be composed of: John Blackburn, Gilbert Boatman, Harold Lillard, Eddie Manns, Paul Parr, Winifred Perry, Wilbur Meade, Claude Miller, George Taylor, Carol Loflin, Ira Bengler, and Forest Osborne. By tryout the quartet has been selected Gilbert Boatman-second tenor, Claude Miller-first tenor, Eddie Manns-first bass, George Taylor-second bass.

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P. T. A. Begins New Year With Good Program

Members of the local P. T. A. held their first meeting of the 1934-35 school year Wednesday evening of last week, September 12, and an unusually good program was rendered. The program follows:

Invocation:

Song—"America, The Beautiful," (1st and 4th verses)

Welcome Address—Audience, Mrs. Doggett.

Piano Duet—Mr. G. Davis and Mrs. R. F. Fleet.

Business.

Report—"Highlights of the P. T. A. Convention held at Shamrock last Spring, Mrs. J. A. Blackwell.

Violin Solo—Dorothy Crawford.

Talk—"Plans for this Year," Mr. Heath.

Cornet Solo—Charles E. Strain.

Reading—Prof. Wayne C. Eubanks

A Novel Number—Mr. Davis at piano, Mr. Strain with cornet and Mrs. Eubanks, reading.

At the conclusion of the program delicious refreshments were served to all.

Attendance at this meeting was very small and officers hope that at future meetings there will be much larger crowds. Everyone interested in the school and the welfare of school children is especially urged to be present at these meetings.

Mr. Strain had resigned his position in the school and had accepted a position in the school at Canadian.

ROBARDS-LIVINGS

Authentic information comes to the Star office to the effect that the marriage ceremony uniting in the bonds of holy matrimony, George Livings and Miss Lucille Robards was performed at Clovis Sunday September 16th.

These newly weds are two of Friona's most popular young people. Mr. Livings having been engaged in the lumber business here for the past several years and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Livings, whose farm home is a half mile west of town, and who are two highly respected pioneer settlers of this community.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Robards, whose home is about three miles west of town and are two more of Friona's highly respected citizens.

Mr. and Mrs. Livings were allowing their marriage to remain a secret so far as their Friona friends were concerned until the Clovis News-Journal made its appearance in Friona Tuesday, bearing the news of the wedding.

The Star joins the many friends of these happy young people in wishing them a long, happy and prosperous life.

ROBARDS-WYLE

The Star is in receipt of the information that Melvin Wylie and Miss Robards were united in marriage about two weeks ago in the city of Clovis, New Mexico.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Wylie, who live a few miles southeast of Friona, and the bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Robards, living west of town.

As only meager accounts of the wedding have been secured by the Star we are unable to give any fuller account thereof. The Star joins in wishing them unbounded happiness and success in life.

REVIVAL AT HOMELAND

A pentecostal revival under the leadership of Sister Emma Lee James of Ranger, Texas, will begin Sunday September 23rd at the Homeland Church seven miles south of Friona.

Sister James comes well recommended, having been very successful in other places in the evangelized field. She will be assisted by her husband and other helpers from Oklahoma City, Okla. They too, some well recommended as musicians and singers.

These workers are all young people and have the interest of the young people on their hearts and feel the community will respond and come out they can be of benefit to them. Every one is invited to come out and worship together and get some real benefit from the meeting.

GOVERNMENT DOINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST

The federal government's cattle buying program was halted in Texas Tuesday. It was announced by C. Z. Crain, head of the commodities distribution department of the Texas Relief Commission. Crain said he was informed of the action in a telegram from George W. Barnes, representative of the Agriculture Adjustment Administration at College Station. Crain estimated that between 800,000 and 1,000,000 head of cattle have been brought and that the government has expended approximately \$25,000,000 in the program in Texas.

THE CITY'S NEW WELL

The new well that was recently drilled for the city was completed last week at a depth of 150 feet with fifty-five feet of water in it, and which depth is believed will supply a never failing supply for the pump that will be laced in it.

The new pump has also arrived and water superintendent, Logan Simpson has a crew of men at work preparing the concrete base for the motor that will drive the pump. It is expected that the pump will be installed and ready for action within the next week at least.

With this new well in working order in addition to the old well that has been supplying the city with water for the past five years, it seems evident that the city should have an unending supply of water for all occasions.

Congregational Church

Sunday School—10:00

Public Worship—11:00

Junior Endeavor—Saturday afternoon—3:00

Men's Study Class—Sunday Morning at 10:00 in the Parsonage. Last Sunday the subject was "The U. S. Constitution which proved of such interest that the subject of Liberty was selected for next Sunday morning. All men are invited.

The pastor will present "The Prodigal of the Almighty" at the morning hour.

FRIONA LEADS PARMER IN STOCK JUDGING

The first livestock judging team that ever represented Friona high school was placed sixth in the Vocational Agriculture Dairy Cattle Judging Contest at the Tri-State Fair at Amarillo, Monday, September 17th, her 17th.

There were eleven teams from Oklahoma and Texas in the contest. The Friona team was made up of, Gordon Massey, high man for the locals; Harold Lillard and Stanley Massey, Bruce Parr and Gordon Massey were alternates.

There were two other teams from Parmer county, being Bovina and Lazbuddy; the Lazbuddy team winning eighth place and the Bovina team tenth place, thus placing Friona at the head of the list from Parmer county.

This is the first year the Friona school has had a teacher in Vocational Agriculture and our instructor, Mr. T. L. Leach, is deserving of credit and appreciation for the commendable work the boys have done under his instruction in so short a time.

PIE SUPPER, SEPT. 28

The ladies of the Methodist church are sponsoring a pie supper for Friday night, September 28th, at the school auditorium at 8:30 o'clock.

The ladies and girls are invited to bring pies, while the men and boys are invited to come and buy one or more of these delicious pies and enjoy a free program.

Adult Circle, W. M. S.

TO ATTEND SCHOOL AT CANYON

Two more of Friona's talented young ladies and graduates of the Friona High School, departed Monday morning for Canyon where they will enter the West Texas Teachers College for the ensuing year.

They are Misses Reba and Roberta Hall, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. S. Mitchell. Each of these splendid young ladies graduated with highest honors from the local school, Miss Reba graduating with the 1932-33 class and Miss Roberta graduating as valedictorian of the 1933-34 class.

Miss Reba has for the past several months, been assisting in the Star office on mailing days.

TO OUR READERS

Dear Reader:

Did you read the advertisements in last week's issue of the Star? If you did not you better hunt up that issue and read it. It contained some valuable information for you in those ads. There were not many of them but they were good ones. Some of the most worthwhile informations so far as dollars and cents are concerned are found in the Star's display and classified ads. We had several answers to the adv. of rooms either furnished or unfurnished.

Not often our readers speak to us about the advertisements, and may they do not to the advertisers when trading with them; but when we pull a bonehead and make a big typographical error, then they come around and tell us about them. Just seems like everybody must read the ads then. Do not fail to read the ads in this issue. They come from your own people who are telling you what they have that you will need in your home or on your farm, or in your shop. Always read the Advertisements.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan Simpson spent Sunday and Monday night in Amarillo on a business mission and attending the Tri-State Fair. Mr. Simpson returned Tuesday forenoon but Mrs. Simpson remained for a few days visiting with relatives there.

Parmer Receives Part of Second Wheat Payment

F. N. Welch of the Parmer county wheat allotment committee said there has been another group of wheat checks received, as second payment for their 1933 allotment, and which are now available at the various banks of the county. Checks amounting to \$6,549.02 have been received.

Mr. Welch further states that the wheat land allotment for 1934 will be only ten per cent of the average acreage instead of fifteen percent as was the case last year.

Farmers will be allowed to seed to wheat this year the land they left fallow last year and leave their 1934 allotment in any part of their field they may choose. Farmers will soon be notified as to what they may or may not do with their fallow land.

The above information was received by Mr. Welch in a letter from George E. Farrell, Chief of Wheat Section, Washington, D. C.

VISIT IN OKLAHOMA AND ARK.

Mr. T. N. Jasper and son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Jasper departed Sunday for Crowder, Oklahoma, where they will visit with relatives for a short while before traveling on to Arkansas to continue their visit with other relatives and friends.

These people were accompanied as far as McAllister, Oklahoma by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jasper, who were called there by a message bearing the news of the serious illness of her grandfather.

GOOD PLAY GOOD ATTENDANCE

The play, "Am I Intruding," which was sponsored by the Junior Women's Club and presented at the school auditorium last Friday night was well attended and those who attended expressed themselves as well pleased with the play and its presentation by the various actors.

It is true there were "star" characters, but the manner in which each of the actors played their parts, one would be compelled to pronounce them all "star" actors. There was not a dull actor in the entire group.

THE FRIONA WOMAN'S CLUB

The Friona Women's Club held its first meeting of the year on Wednesday of last week, September 12, at the farm home of Mrs. Claude Osborn, six miles northwest of town. Thirty-three members were present.

An instructive and interesting program was rendered, following which the hostesses, Misses Claude Osborn and M. L. McFarland, served delicious refreshments to the members.

The next meeting of the club will be held at the farm home of Mrs. H. W. Wright, a half mile south of town, on Wednesday, September 26.

BRUNK'S COMEDIANS AT CLOVIS

Brunk's Comedians, the celebrated comedy company which plays at the larger towns throughout this territory each year, is playing large audiences at Clovis this week.

This company has attained an enviable reputation in its line, and is greeted with large crowds of people at all its appointments and its patrons always feel well repaid for their attendance.

WILL MOVE TO NEW MEXICO

Dr. A. P. McElroy will move in the near future to his recently acquired apple ranch near Mountain Park, New Mexico.

The doctor says it will be necessary to be on the ground there in order to direct the gathering and marketing of his bountiful yield of apples this season. One truck load of his household goods went out there on Monday of this week. The remainder will likely be taken over during the early part of next week.

Buying of sheep in Texas under orders from the Agricultural Adjustment Administration at the rate of 12,000 head per day in 44 counties was being started today. It was announced by C. Z. Crain, head of the commodities distribution department of the Texas Relief Commission, which will act as agent in the shipping of the animals from pens to processing plants. Crain said a quota arrangement similar to the one used in the cattle buying program will be worked out for the sheep program, probably by the end of this week.

Dairy cows bought in Texas by the Federal relief corporation under the Agriculture Adjustment Administration cattle buying program will in many cases, be turned over to the Texas Relief Commission for distribution to rural rehabilitation clients. It was announced today by J. K. Stanford, head of the department.

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WHEN YOU DIE

Clovis News-Journal—Approves of nothing in particular: Mr. Merchant, you should keep in mind one thing, and that is the obligation you will be under to the newspaper when you die. It is the newspaper man who will endanger his own soul by telling what a superlative citizen you have been, when in all probability he knows you for just what you are. And it is the clipping from the old home town paper which will be put away among the old rose leaves and lavender scented mementos. So when you make out your advertising appropriation, just add a few extra inches as an insurance against the newspaper telling the truth about you when you are dead—or living, for that matter. It is the printed word which lives for ages. Hot air is a poor epitaph.

You have heard what the preacher says about people after they are gone. Some of the greatest oratory ever delivered has been over the remains of those who passed on, but unless those words were printed they lived scarcely a day. Just remember, you may be deserving of all the good things that can be printed of you, but on the other hand you may be an old or young philanderer. But I ask you, as one fellow to another fellow, if you ever saw a good advertiser get a bad break from a newspaper either before or after death?

FAVORS CALLAGHAN

Spearman Reporter:—I am informed by several citizens of the North Plains country that my old friend Judge Asbery A. Callaghan of Panhandle is being considered as a prospect for appointment as a member of the state highway commission. If Jimmie Allred will make this appointment, and Judge Callaghan will accept, I'm guaranteeing that West Texas will have one friend who will work day and night for improvement of West Texas roads.

Judge Callaghan is one of the most capable men the writer has ever known. He has probably done more for West Texas roads than any man in this section of the country. He has been an ardent supporter of the improved road program for the past 25 years, and I believe Hansford citizens can well afford to give their influence to Carson citizens and other North Plains counties to have Mr. Callaghan appointed.

Have also been informed that an old friend of mine, Weldon Boyles of Panhandle was elected to the office of District committeeman at the Democratic convention at Galveston. We may need some help of some kind from the Demo organization in Hansford county, and I KNOW "Tubby" Boyles will help us in anything he can.

Texas Baptists Set \$4,639,087 As Year's Goal

Texas Baptists will undertake to raise \$4,639,087.40 for local church expenses, missions of all types, Baptist schools, hospitals and orphanages during the next Convention year. This is approximately \$56,000 more than the 3,153 Baptist churches in the state raised last year.

A campaign known as the Every Member Canvass movement has been launched to secure pledges covering the above mentioned budget. The plan of the Every Member Canvass in Texas is to first present the campaign educationally.

The entire month of September is devoted to organization setups and associational and district rallies. The first two weeks in October are to be given to the training of campaign workers.

The latter part of October and the first ten days in November is the time for education, information and inspiration. The exact time to actually secure individual pledges from the 576,945 Baptists in the state is November 11th to December 9th.

A state promotional committee has been appointed, with Dr. W. R. White, Fort Worth, chairman; Mr. Geo. J. Mason, Dallas, secretary; Dr. J. Howard Williams, Dallas, general director and state organizer, and T. C. Gardner, Dallas, publicity director.

This committee has planned 17 big mass meetings in 17 different sections of the state to be held Sept. 25 to 28. It will be recommended at the 17 district meetings that the 3,153 Baptist churches undertake to raise \$150,000 each for state missions by December 1st.

It will also be recommended that the 576,945 Baptists in Texas undertake to raise \$100,000 for the Baptist Cooperative Program, which includes missions of all types, Baptist schools, hospitals and orphanages, during the next Convention year.

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the school could afford, as to service, comfort, beauty of appearance, and this policy has been adhered to almost continually ever since, and Friona people have had no reason to feel ashamed of any part of their school equipment.

This policy is still being followed in the purchase of more land for the school activities, and in the buying of the new fleet of school buses this year the board of trustees has provided the safest, the most comfortable and the handsomest they could secure for a reasonable price.

In addition to this fleet of buses, there has been prepared a new football court with city water mains extended to same, and as nice a stadium for the convenience of the spectators as may be found in Northwest Texas, thus adding to the interest of the students as well as the patrons of the activities.

The school grounds are also being beautified by the building of embankments of earth around the buildings where flowers and grass will be grown, and beautiful shade trees have been planted and are being cared for in such a manner as to promote their growth and beauty. Why should any citizen of the school district not be proud of his home school, its equipment and its surroundings?

It is also generally conceded that Friona has a faculty of teachers as efficient throughout the entire list, as can be found in any school all being highly qualified educationally, as well as by experience in the kind or line of work they are doing and are deserving of the sincere and earnest support of the entire citizenry of the district.

Neither is the school and its equipment, buildings, grounds and faculty of unusually efficient and talented teacher all that the people of Friona have a just right to be proud of.

We have in Friona two of the most cultured, efficient and progressive Women's clubs to found in the state; an active chamber of commerce, and a group of sincere, earnest, able and brainy ministers of the Gospel, such as few towns may boast of, all of whom are alert to the needs of the community and doing their best to supply these needs.

I am often asked about the possibility of a paved highway through Friona during the coming winter, as many men, who are now out of employment, seem to have little else to look forward to for a livelihood during the winter, and are anxious that this public work be started soon.

I, for one, have very little information concerning the paving of Federal "60" through Parmer county; but I did hear a member of our local Highway Committee comment to the effect that, he had consulted with Judge J. D. Hallin, of Farwell, who is president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and that Judge Hallin had said he would use his influence toward securing at the earliest date possible, the entire right-of-way across this county, and that he would have an interview with Judge Ely, chairman of the State Highway Commission, urging him to secure an allotment of funds for this purpose at the earliest date possible.

Dormitories Are Well Filled At Canyon College

Canyon, Sept. 20.—Miss Marion O'Brien of Friona was among the girls who made reservations with Cousins and Randall hall officials to lodge in a dormitory during their coming year at West Texas State Teachers College.

Randall Hall, a dormitory in which the students who live there do the work on a co-operative basis, is already full to capacity. Cousins Hall, the oldest dormitory on the campus can care for less than a dozen more girls. Last minute vacancies will probably enable a few more to get in each dormitory.

At a faculty meeting on September 17, President Hill outlined the work of the teachers for the year.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Parmer.

By virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Parmer County, on 4th day of September A. D. 1934, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of The Friona Independent School District versus O. K. Gaymon, and unknown parties, No. 975, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in November A. D. 1934, to-wit: the 6th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Parmer County, in the Town of Farwell the following described property, to-wit:

All of lots Five (5), and Six (6) in Block Number Fifteen (15) in the McMillan-Fergus Addition in the Town of Friona, Parmer County, Texas, as shown by map or plat thereof, of record in the Deed Records of Parmer County, Texas, to which reference is here made.

Levied on as the property of said defendant on the 14 day of September 1934 to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$8.04 in favor of The Friona Independent School District and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 14 day of September A. D. 1934.

W. W. HALL, Sheriff, Parmer County, Texas
 By C. M. JONES, Deputy

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TEXAS TECH EXPECTS LARGE BAND THIS FALL

Lubbock, Texas, Sept. 20.—"From all indications Texas Tech will have an active 100-piece band this fall," predicts D. O. Wiley, new director of the band. Some 50 Tech musicians started rehearsals last Tuesday, and this number is expected to increase with the opening of school. The group now practicing will play at the Texas university Texas Tech football game September 22.

New uniforms will carry out the Spanish theme, and will be ready soon after school opens. Headquarters for the band has been changed from the old location to Room 105 in the textile engineering building. The room has been completely renovated to minimize sounds and echoes, so that all practice sessions can be held there.

Oliver McElya is the present manager of the band; other officers will be chosen when school opens.

State Relief Administrator, Adam R. Johnson, today sought to effect economy in correspondence between county relief officers and the state office here by instructing administrators to assemble letters from the various departments at regular intervals for mailing to Austin under one cover.

Does the Star come to your home every week? If not, you better subscribe now. The Star takes a delight in saying nice things about you. Tell it about your chickens, your turkeys, your gardens, your canned fruits and vegetables. It likes to mention them to our neighbors. The Star is a good home town paper. It is a good home town newspaper. So says Father Pearson.

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Dallas Expecting All Stalls Filled For Fair Races

DALLAS, Sept. 13.—Increased interest in Texas as a breeding state is evidenced in the fact that among reservations for stall space for more than 500 race horses for the fall meet at the State Fair of Tex., opening on Saturday, Oct. 6, there are more than one half of this number owned and trained in Texas, according to Julius G. Reeder, general manager of the track for the fall meet.

Among the horses are many that are famous throughout the country such as Croon, Clarify, Miss Corinne, Blen Fait, Boy Valet, Westys Fox, Fabulous, High Bottom, Brown Molasses, and many just as famous.

Stall space is available for only 1,600 horses at the State Fair, and Judge Roeder has said that it is assured now that every available stall will be occupied during the nineteen days of the fall meet at the State Fair of Texas.

The Fall meeting will extend one week past the dates of the State Fair, which are Oct. 6 to 21, the race day on Oct. 27th.

More than fifty stock breeders in Texas now have national recognition as owners of first class strings of race horses. These breeders will all be represented in the fall race meeting at the State Fair of Texas.

TWO NEW DOMITORIES READY AT TEXAS TECH

Lubbock, Texas, Sept. 20.—The two new dormitories at Texas Technological College will be ready for occupancy when the fall semester opens October 1, according to President Bradford Knapp.

This announcement is made officially because of current reports that the buildings would not be ready. Dr. Knapp urges students to make their room reservations at once if they have not already done so.

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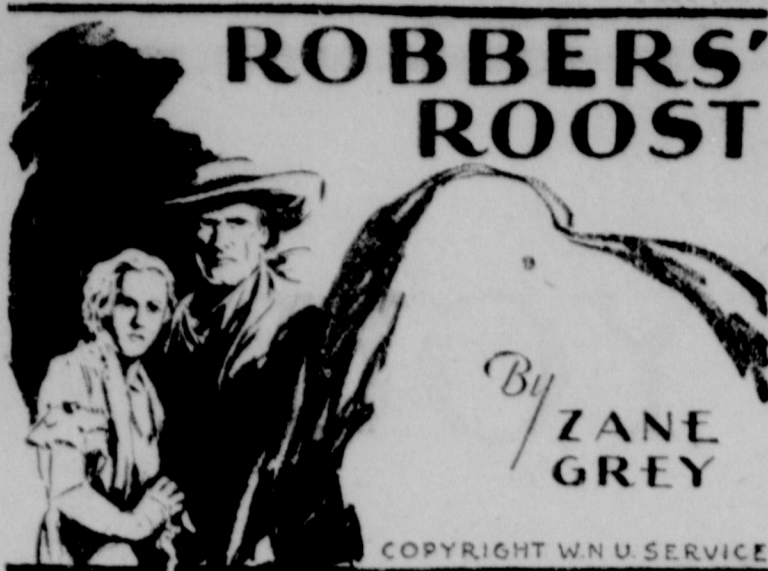
Department Stores	1.9 to 3.1%
Grocery Stores	1.0%
Haberdashers	3.3%
Women's Wear Shops	3.1%
Furniture	6.3%
General Merchandise	1.5%
Drug Stores	1.0%
Shoe Stores	2.9%
Electrical Shops	2.7%
Hardware	1.0%
Cleaning and Dyeing	3.3%
Jewelry	3.1%
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and protest his sincerity. But they were never uttered. She had bent over to fasten a lace of her boot, and when Jim raised his head it was to find his face scarcely a foot from her red lips. Without a thought, in a flash, he kissed them, and then drew back, stricken.

"How dare you!" she cried, in incredulous amazement and anger.

"It just happened. I—I don't know—"

She swung her leather quirt and struck him across the mouth. The blood spurted. The leap of Jim's fury was as swift. He half intercepted a second blow, which stung his neck, and snatching the quirt from her hand he flung it away. Then his iron clutch fastened in her blouse. One lunge dragged her out of the saddle. He wrapped his other arm around her and bent her back so quickly that when she began a furious struggle it was too late.

His mouth had pressed on hers stilled any but smothered cries. There was a moment's wrestling. She was no weakling, but she was in the arms of a maddened giant. Repeatedly he kissed her lips, long, hard, passionate kisses.

Suddenly she collapsed heavily in his arms. The shock of that—its meaning—pierced Wall with something infinitely more imperious and staggering than bitter wrath. He let go of her. There was blood on her lips and cheeks; otherwise her face was like a blank.

"I think I must have been in love with you—and wanted to protect you—from men worse than myself," he went on, huskily. "I hope this will be a lesson to you. . . . Your brother was crazy to come here—crazier to let you come. Go home! Go home! It's too late. Make him go. He will be ruined shortly."

She wiped the blood from her cheeks, and then shudderingly from her lips.

"You—did that—to frighten me?" she presently whispered, in horror, yet as if fascinated by something loathing.

"Get on your horse and ride ahead of me," he ordered, curtly. "Now, Miss Helen, Herrick, one last word: Don't tell your brother what I did to you till after I'm gone. . . . If you do I'll kill him!"

She felt a glove lying on the ground. Jim made no effort to recover it. His horse had grazed a few paces away, and when he had reached him and mounted Miss Herrick was in her saddle. Jim let her get a few rods in advance before he followed.

The excess of his emotion wore off, leaving him composed, and steadily and the issue had developed as it had. The situation had become intolerable for him. He mocked him that he had actually dared to appear well in the eyes of this girl. How ridiculous that one of a robber gang should be vain! But he was not conscious that being a thief made any difference in a man's feeling about women. He knew that he could not command respect or love; but that in no wise inhibited his own feelings. Strange, he had indeed fallen in love with Helen Herrick.

She rode on slowly down the ridge without looking to right or left. Her gaze appeared to be lowered.

The ranch-house came in sight. Miss Herrick saw it and halted a moment, to let Jim catch up with her.

"Can you be gentleman enough to tell me the truth?" she asked.

"I have not lied to you," replied Jim.

"That—that first time you kissed me—was it honestly unpremeditated?"

"Miss Herrick, I don't know what to swear by. But, yes, I have. My mother! I swear by memory of her that I never dreamed of insulting you—I looked up. There your face was close. Your lips red! And I kissed them."

They went on for perhaps ten paces, as far as the road, before she spoke again. "I believe you," she said, without a tremor of the rich, low voice, though it was evident her emotion was deeply stirred. "Your action was inexcusable, unforgivable. But I should not have struck you with the whip. . . . That, and your position to frighten me, perhaps justified your brutality. . . . I shall not tell. . . . Don't leave Star ranch."

For an instant Jim felt as if he were upon the verge of a precipice. But her change from revulsion to inscrutable generosity called to all that was good within him.

"Miss Herrick, I'm sorry, but I must leave," he replied, sadly. "I'm only a wandering rider—a gunslinger and a member of a gang of robbers. And I was mad enough to fall in love with you. . . . Forget it. . . . Go home to England. But if you won't do that—never ride out alone again."

He spurred his horse and galloped down the road, by the barn and across the court, into the lane that led along the brook. Suddenly he espied a compact group of mounted riders coming down the road beyond Hays' cabin. They bestrade bars and blarks, and

Then Hank Hays came back to himself.

"Jim's right. Smoky, you're right," he declared, hoarsely. "I'm bullheaded. . . . An' I've lost my bull head over Herrick's sister."

"There. Spoke up like a man," declared Smoky, heartily relieved. "Why didn't you come that clean long ago? Neither Jim nor me nor any of us blame you for admiring that girl. And if you'd gone crazy, an' dragged her away into the brakes with us, we'd quit you cold."

Hays bent to pick up the roll of bills.

"Fall to, men. I've got to do some tall thinkin'," he said, and left them, or is going to—Well, now, I've a hunch there's luck in this for me."

Jim made for the bridge and, crossing, looked up to see the horses of Smoky's outfit standing, bridled down, and the riders up on the porch. Jim mounted the steps.

Hank Hays sat upon the bench, his shaggy head against the wall, his pale eyes blazing at the row of men leaning on the porch rail.

Smoky was lighting a cigarette, not in the least perturbed, but his eyes had a hard, steely gleam. Brad Lincoln sat back on the rail, eyeing the chief with a sardonic grin. Mac appeared more than usually ghoulish; Bridges and Sparrowhawk Latimer betrayed extreme nervousness.

"Hello, men. What's the mix? Am I in or out?" returned Jim, sharply.

"I reckon you're in," replied Stocum. "Hank is the only one that's out. . . . Hilar, Jim, ketch this!" He drew a dark green bundle from a bulging pocket and tossed it to Jim—a large, heavy roll of greenbacks tied with a buckskin thong.

"Yours on the divvy, Jim," went on Smoky. "Don't count it now. There's a heap of small bills inside an' if you nate them byar there'll be a mess. But it's a square divvy to the last dollar."

"That's a hefty roll, Smoky, for a man to get for nothing," observed Jim, dubiously.

He then noticed that a roll of bills, identical with the one he had just received, lay on the floor.

"You double-crossed me!" burst out Hays, at length.

"Wal, that's accordin' to how you look at it," retorted Stocum. "Things came up at Grand Junction. We seen some of Heeseeman's outfit. They're onto us, or will be pronto. So we jest took a vote, an' every one of us stood for one big drive instead of small drives. An' we made it. Your buyers swore they was short of money an' would pay twelve dollars a head. Talk about robbers! Wal, I took that an' said I liked it. . . ."

"You disobeyed orders!"

"Put it up to Jim, byar. What do you say, Jim?"

Thus appealed to, Jim addressed Hays point-blank.

"Smoky's right. If you meant to clean out Herrick, that was the way to do it."

"Aw—shore, you'd side with them!"

"I wouldn't do anything of the kind if I thought they were wrong," retorted Jim, angrily. Here was a chance to inflame Hays that he jumped at. If the robber could be drawn into a fight, when his own men were against him, the situation for the Herricks could be made easier for the present.

"You'd better shet up."

"I won't shet up, Hays. Someone has to tell you. And I'm that fellow. There's no hand out against you in this outfit. Never heard of a bunch of riders who'd work like dogs while the boss was truddling his thumbs and talking mysteries."

"I ain't ready to leave Star ranch an' now I'll have to!"

"Why ain't you ready?" queried Smoky, curiously. "Our work's all done. We've cleaned out the ranch, except for a few thousand head. We've got the long green. You ought to be tickled to death."

"I'm not through here," replied the robber.

"Smoky, why don't you ask Hays what this mysterious deal is?" queried Jim, sarcastically.

From a cornered lion Hays degenerated into a cornered rat. Jim sank a little in his boots while his upper muscles corded.

"Hank, what's got into you?" queried Smoky.

"Smoky, the boss is up a tree," said Jim, cautiously. "He means to rub Herrick all right. But that's only a blind. It's the girl!"

"That gold-headed gurl we seen you drivin' byar?"

"Yek, Herrick's sister."

"Haw! Haw! So that's what's out in you, Hank?"

Hays had reached his limit and probably, but for Smoky's mirth, would have started howling. He hesitated, but there was a deadly flare in the eyes he had fixed on Wall.

Smoky got between them. "See byar, Hank. So that's the deal? An' you'd do for pore Jim byar jest because he's onto you? . . . Wal, if you're so keen as that to draw on somebody, why, make it me. I started this. I dragged Jim into it. An' I ain't goin' to let you take it out on him."

people of Friona and surrounding communities, the public speaking class will again sponsor a lyceum course. This year we plan to have a bigger and better list of attractions than we had last year. Therefore, they should be worthy of the enthusiastic support of the entire community.

The programs will be started off with a bang; the first program will consist of one-act plays, which are to be presented October 5. One of these plays, Storm Before Sunset, a Bolivian tragedy, will consist of a faculty cast. The other, Printer's Ink, a drama, will have a student cast. Both plays are 1933 productions.

This program will be followed by other good attractions. A male chorus that won first in men's chorus in the State of Texas last year and ranked second in the Southwest, will bring us an evening of entertainment. This chorus was defeated only by Oklahoma University in a southwestern contest. The sponsors of this course will also feature a forty or fifty piece orchestra in one program. This single attraction is worth the price of the entire course. Mr. Batchelder will furnish an evening or two of mirth and tragedy. Those who attended the Lyceum Course last year will remember the splendid programs that Mr. Batchelder brought us.

The sale of Lyceum tickets is being pushed by the public speaking class. The price of these tickets is very low. For adults, ticket to the eight program is only \$1.00 and students or children will be charged only 50. This is only \$1.12-1-2 cents for adults and \$1.14 for the students per presentation. The course will truly be worth many times the price to anyone who enjoys an evening of first class entertainment.

Buy your tickets now and get ready to enjoy the first program on October 5, 1934.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The senior class met Friday, September 14th, and elected the following officers:

President, Clyde Crow; vice-president, Ruby Newman; secretary, Goldina Highfill; reporter, Irene Sachs; Sergeant-at-arms, Robert Chiles; yell leader, Virginia Short. Program Committee, Clyde Crow, Martha Slagle, Mildred Hughes, Thelma Chronister, May Turner. Flowers were selected as class colors and red and white as class colors. Our sponsors are Mr. Eubanks and Miss Holgate.

The Trombone

The trombone is a musical wind instrument, the most important of the trumpet family. It is constructed of sections of brass tube so connected that they form two long loops, the tubes of which lie parallel to one another. With the exception of its curve, the loop from a little below the mouthpiece is constructed of double cylindrical tubes, the outer sliding upon the inner. The lower ends of the outer tubes terminate in the curved section forming the bottom of the loop, and their upper ends are connected by a transverse bar, to which, in the bass trombone, a jointed handle is attached. By means of the bar the player, while holding the mouthpiece against his lips with one hand, can at will increase the normal length of the column of air to nearly double the length of the original loop. With this instrument a chromatic compass of about two and a half octaves may be obtained. A system of valve mechanism instead of the slide is sometimes used, but though easier to play, the tone of the instrument is not as rich.

That Gluttonous Cod

According to the bureau of fisheries, not even a fish expert has any idea what to expect when the stomach of a big codfish is opened. Not only is the celebrated cod a cannibal but he is a glutton that gobbles just about everything in sight besides the everyday diet of smaller fish, crabs and lobsters. They are not averse to swallowing a bird such as a duck if the opportunity presents itself and the cod is large enough. Besides edible objects, such things as clam shells, pieces of rope, chunks of wood, stones and even old shoes have been found in their stomachs.

Rhino Horns as Medicine Popular With Siamese

Siem is a land of startling contrasts. In its cities it is not unusual to see policemen hailing motor and street car traffic to make way for some knickerbocker medical pageant. With modern hospitals and dispensaries available many people prefer medicinal concoctions made from rhinoceros horns, snake galls and strange herbs.

TEACHERS GIVEN RECEPTION

Friday night Friona Parent-Teachers Association, held reception for all the teachers in the Friona school system.

Mrs. Ed Roggers, president of the association presided. The following program and business session was held: America—Sung by Congregation; Invocation—W. C. Osborne; Address of Welcome to Teachers—Mrs. Ed Roggers; Reading of minutes of last meeting; Resume of P. T. A. at Shamrock—Mrs. J. A. Blackwell; Piano Duo—Mrs. R. F. Fleet and G. F. Davis; Expectation for the year, George A. Heath, Superintendent of schools; Viola Solo, Dorothy Crawford; Cornet Solo, Charles Strain; Selected Readings, Wayne C. Eubanks; I'm Waiting for Ships, C. F. Davis; Charles Strain, and Wayne C. Eubanks.

After the program a reception for the teachers was held in the school cafeteria. New in the faculty this year are Mrs. Mary Beth Sheely in the Grade School, and Mr. Russell Stroud, coach.

LYCEUM COURSE

In order to satisfy the literary, dramatic, and musical tastes of the

International Sunday School Lesson

By DR. J. E. NUNN

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

General Topic: GOD, THE RULER OF NATIONS.

Scripture Lesson: Isa. 31:1-9; 37:36, 37.

1. Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help, and rely on horses, and trust in chariots because they are many, and in horsemen because they are very strong, but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek Jehovah!

2. Yet he also is wise, and will bring evil, and will not call back his words, but will arise against the house of the evil-doers, and against the help of them that work iniquity.

3. Now the Egyptians are rich men, and not God; and their horses flesh, and not spirit; and when Jehovah shall stretch out his hand, both he that helpeth shall stumble, and he that is helped shall fall, and they all shall be consumed together.

4. For thus saith Jehovah unto me, As the lion and the young lion growling over his prey, if a multitude of shepherds be called forth against him, will not be dismayed at their voice, nor abase himself for the noise of them; so will Jehovah of hosts come down to fight upon mount Zion, and upon the hill thereof.

5. As birds hovering, so will Jehovah of hosts protect Jerusalem, he will protect and deliver it, he will pass over and preserve it.

6. Turn ye unto him from whom ye have deeply revolted, O children of Israel.

7. For in that day they shall cast away every man his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which your own hands have made unto you for a sin.

8. And the Assyrian shall fall by the sword, not of man; and the swordswoman, not of men, shall devour him; and he shall flee from the sword, and his young men shall become subject to taskwork.

9. And his rock shall pass away by reason of terror, and his princes shall be dismayed at the ensign, saith Jehovah, whose fire is in Zion, and his furnace in Jerusalem.

10. And the angel of Jehovah went forth, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand; and when men arose early in the morning, behold these were all dead bodies.

11. So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh. It was so that the Golden Text: They will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on the Lord, because he trusteth in the Lord.—Isa. 26:3.

INTRODUCTION

"Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."—Prov. 14:34.

"What are all our histories but God manifesting himself, that he hath shaken and tumbled down and trampled upon everything that he had not planned?"—Oliver Cromwell.

"No human counsel hath devised nor hath any human mind worked out these great things; they are the gracious gifts of the most high God, who while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy."—Abraham Lincoln.

For heathen heart that puts her trust In reeking tube and iron shard All valiant dust that builds on dust, And guarding calls not thee to guard— For frantic boast and foolish word Thy mercy on thy people, Lord!—Lest we forget—lest we forget—Kipling.

THE LORD OF NATIONS—THE GOD OF NATIONS

Old Testament history should teach us that God is a God of nations as well as of individuals. Notice that Jehovah Sabaoth, "Lord of hosts" (Nations), is a favorite divine title with the prophets (occurring 245 times in the prophetic books.) The original idea of kingship was that the king is God's earthly vice-regent. Would that every ruler-president, governor, mayor, selectman felt that the government that he is exercising is peculiarly God's affair and in God's keeping, and that therefore to God he is accountable!

ISAIAH, A SEER AND STATESMAN

Isaiah the son of Amos was born of apparently royal blood and brought up with high advantages in the city of Jerusalem. He was influential alike at court and among the people. In a ministry which is thought to have extended over sixty years Isaiah prophesied during the reigns of four of Judah's kings: Of Uzziah and Jotham, of Ahaz and of Hezekiah, who hearkened to Isaiah, and left a shining record as one of the best of the kings.

When he entered upon his prophetic office the two kingdoms of Israel and Judah were outwardly prosperous but inwardly corrupt and so declining. Assyria the great world power of the time was wrongly invoked by Ahaz of Judah about 751 B. C. More than twenty years later and after the overthrow of Samaria and the Northern Kingdom, Assyria exacted tribute from Hezekiah and finally threatened the utter sacking of the city, a threat from which Judah miraculously escaped.

HEZEKIAH AND SENNACHERIB.
Read Isaiah 36 and 37.
The mightiest and most dreadful

ruler of his time was Sennacherib, King of Assyria, which was the world-empire seven hundred years before Christ. It was a nation of warriors, then at the height of their power and pride. To recover revolted territory, including Judah and Egypt, Sennacherib marched from Nineveh with an immense army. According to his own account he captured forty-six fenced cities belonging to Hezekiah and carried off more than 200,000 captives; he also shut up Hezekiah "in Jerusalem, his capital city, like a bird in a cage. Against such overwhelming odds there seemed little for Hezekiah to do but submit to the terms of the enemy. Accordingly, immense gifts were bestowed and heavy tribute was paid in acknowledgment of Assyrian supremacy.

HEZEKIAH LOOKED GODWARD

Chap. 36, 37

In desperation Hezekiah and his people turned to God. Assyria was such an irresistible power, that there was nowhere else to turn. "Man's extremity is God's opportunity"—to recall man to himself. It is sad to reflect that sometimes he has to do it that way, but it would have been sadder if Israel had forgotten that there is a God to turn to.

"Hezekiah was a splendid king. He did that which was right in the eyes of the Lord." But the three best things are recorded of Hezekiah are (1) He knew the way to the house of God; (2) he was a man of prayer; and (3) he had the good sense to go to the prophet, a man of God, for counsel.

THE HELP OF JEHOVAH, v. 5.

"As birds hovering, so will Jehovah of hosts protect Jerusalem." v. 5. "Listen to this expansion of the metaphor of the hovering mother bird in one of the Psalms: 'He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust.' The word for trust here means to 'fly in to a refuge.' Can you not see the picture? A little brood round the parent bird, frightened by some beast of prey, or hovering hawk in the sky, and fluttering under its wings, and all safe and huddled together there against the warm breast, and in amongst the downy feathers. 'Under his wings shalt thou trust.' Put thou thy trust in God, and God is to thee the hovering bird, the broad shield, the Angel that 'passes over.'—Rev. Alexander MacLaren, D. D.

"He will protect and deliver it, he will pass over and preserve it." The verb, "pass over" is that from which the word passover is derived; it occurs again only in Ex. 12:13, 23, 27.—Prof. J. Skinner. As the death angel passes over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt, marked by the blood of the lamb sprinkled on door-posts and lintels, and did not slay the first-born there, so God spares his children and saves them from their doom.

TRUMPH THROUGH THE LORD, vs. 36, 37.

"It was a dark and cloudy day for Judah when in 701 B. C., Sennacherib, king of Assyria, invaded its territory and called on Jerusalem for subject and unconditional surrender. But the angel of Jehovah accomplished the overthrow of the invader. The prophecy of Isaiah did not fail to the ground nor did Hezekiah and his people rely in vain upon the Word of the Lord. To the camp of the Assyrians went the angel of Jehovah and smote the flower of the army of the East. In that one night 185,000 Assyrian soldiers were slain by the angel of the Lord. "So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh."

Like the leaves of the forest when summer is green,
That with their banners at sunset were seen;
Like the leaves of the forest when autumn hath blown,
That host on the morrow lay withered and strown.
For the Angel of Death spread his wings on the blast,
And breathed in the face of the foe as he passed;
And the eyes of the sleepers waxed deadly and chill,
And their hearts but once heaved, and forever grew still!—Lord Byron.

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The Star is not a large paper and therefore cannot contain a whole big lot of matter, but what it has is good and it will not take much of your time to read every word in it. Lots of people like to read it, and say so. Then there are others who do not care for it, but it cannot hope to please everybody. Even Lord Jesus had his enemies, but still he went about doing good.

Language of the Fan

The fan supposedly originated with the palm leaf which was used for changing the air. War fans, ceremonial fans, practical fans and, of course, fans for coquetry, all developed in no time. The legend recalls that Copid made the first fan from the feathers of his wings. In Spain, by the Eighteenth century, there was a complete fan language spoken with the beginning gestures of the fan wielder.