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Interesting Letter from Dr. Miller Descriptive of China

Grand Hotel De Peking, Peking, China.

Dear Nelda:

I think we wrote you last about Korea. China is the most interesting country we have seen, chiefly because it is different, because it has such a long, and upon the whole, successful history, because things are now very uncertain. Every week is sure to bring speculation as to what will happen next week. There is always rumor as to the probabilities of another civil war. We entered China through the old town Muckden, the home of Chang, one of the present so-called great war lords. Here we entered our first Chinese train. Tho for some distance through Manchuria the Japs control the railroad and have a large strip of land on either side of it which they practically control. The Chinese trains are not so attractive as the Jap trains, tho they are comfortable. They run slowly. We travel first class, in fact, our train was De Luxe, the distance from Muckden to Tientsin is 702 miles and it took our train 20 1/2 hours to do it. Every first and second class train is guarded night and day by two or more armed soldiers. The sleeping cars are divided into compartments in which one locks himself up. The train boys go back and forth serving hot tea and other dainties at all times of the day. No charge is made for the tea. A tip of 20c settles the bill at the end of the trip.

We stopped at Tientsin at the solicitation of Mr. McCann, a missionary, whom, with his family, we learned to know favorably while on the boat. He is the general business manager of the various American missions in that district. His point of view is that of business administrator rather than that of a preacher. He spent considerable time with us while there.

Tientsin consists of the old Chinese city, surrounded on two sides by the foreign concessions, the oldest of which the British-French got by lease in 1860 and which are under British and French jurisdiction. Later other nations got similar leases and now there are foreign settlements as follows: British, 950 acres; French, 250 acres; Japan, 650 acres; Belgium, 220; Russia, 916; Italy, 111; Germany (before the war) 500. It lost this during the war.

These are ruled by the respective governments. We lived at the Astor Hotel in the British settlement and while we were there we lived under British law and British protection. Our consulate is in this settlement. Here I learned a little about extra territoriality. In all these treaty ports the law is as follows: when controversies arise in the Chinese Empire which need to be examined by public officers of the two nations, all such cases shall be tried by the consul of the plaintiff, the administered law will be that of the officer trying the case; e. g. an American who has to complain of his treatment by a Chinese will bring his case to the American consul who tries the case and the Chinese has to accept the judgment of the court. These are called mixed courts and they concern themselves with civil cases only in which the plaintiff is a foreigner and the defendant is a Chinese.

In Shanghai there are two settlements, the French and the International, which is really British. In the latter there are a million people—700,000 are Chinese, 20,000 Japs and 3,500 British. The municipal council consists of nine members, has the administration of the settlement in their hands, five of the members are British. The Chinese have tried repeatedly for a place on the council, but have never had one notwithstanding their number and they pay 45 per cent of the taxes. The Chinese have no vote or franchise of any kind in the settlement. In the past in the International settlement there was a sign barring entrance "Chinese and Dogs." In spite of all this there are a number of Chinese living in these foreign settlements in all the treaty ports than there are foreigners. They are attracted by the better streets, better sanitary conditions, greater safety and higher standards of life. The Chinese who live there are chiefly of the wealthy and more cultured classes.

Such conditions would not be tolerated an instant by us or any other nation that enjoys them and I believe Borah is right in trying to have them changed, not suddenly, but gradually. There is no such quarter in

Pekin, but at the close of the Boxer trouble, each legation was given a site for its legation. I think they own that site in fee simple and if I am right it is the only land owned by foreigners in China.

On the other hand many foreigners and especially business men are certain that China would be no better off, and many think worse off, if extra territoriality was abolished. But I think it is very unjust and injustice in the end never wins out. There is this to be said of the lands in Tientsin, at least, and about which I know most are all reclaimed swamps on the border of Tientsin. The foreign nations pumped out the silt of the bottom of the Hai Ho river into these swamps and raised the level of the ground four feet higher, built upon piles a magnificent city with modern facilities of every kind. The Chinese thought the land worthless. By this one stroke they destroyed malaria breeding swamps, they built a city and they deepened the Hai Ho so that ocean-going steamers daily leave their wharves.

While we have been here we have lived a little while at this hotel but most of the time at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Dildine—delightful people—in a Methodist mission compound. This is a fascinating city. I can't describe it. In the part of the city known as the Forbidden City the Emperor and his ministers and those intimately associated with him came or lived. It is surrounded by 22 miles of park walls, contains a sea of palaces, all of which walls and palaces are covered with golden glazed tiles. I think foreigners nor any but the most influential Chinese could enter it until the founding of the republic. From a distance it presents a beautiful sight. The walls of the buildings are beautifully colored. We spent a day and a half wandering through it and now I have a confused idea of the whole thing.

Surrounding it is the Imperial City, also inclosed in high broad walls, and south of it and immediately adjoining it, also inclosed in walls, is the outer city. If you are interested, buy Juliette Brendon's book "Pekin" and read it or better still, come and see it. Upon the whole the Chinese are larger physically, mentally and spiritually than one expects. There is much dirt, much cleanliness, much poverty and squalor and suffering. The wealth I don't know much about. Its ancient city, the places of the palaces, is the same on which the Emperors have built palaces since 900 A. D. Until then the capital was at Nanking. Peking means north capital.

They value life lightly. Men pull loads that trucks should pull. They carry most of their water on their shoulders with which to water the streets. They pull people in rickshaws. We were ridden more that way than any other. They draw their water largely by hand. Everything is done with man power. A man will haul you all day in a rickshaw going always at a pretty swift trot. Most of them walk on the streets. Few of them walk on the sidewalks. The streets outside of the legation quarter are poor. Many of them broad, but many of them so narrow an automobile can scarcely get through, and alongside there are shops and living houses. Many are not lighted and none except the best are lighted well.

There are two things that interest everyone, funerals and weddings. If a member of the family dies it is up to the survivors to give him an expensive and colorful funeral. Sometimes the corpse is kept for days or even months before the family can save enough to bury him. I think about thirteen days is about the average time. In front of the house, or rather at the gate through the wall that surrounds the house there is the most brilliant decorations, usually a band of musicians who keep the evil spirits away. Finally the cortege goes down the street accompanied by hired mourners, the chief ones dressed in white, the color of the mourning hue. Then another set dressed chiefly in green, these precede the coffin which rests on a bier of red lacquered frame supported on the shoulders of four, eight or sixteen men according to the wealth of the deceased. All these people march in two parallel single-file columns, and are followed by the family and

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A singer sang a song of tears
And the old world listened and wept;
For he sang of the sorrows of fleeting years
And the hopes that the dead past kept;
And souls in anguish their burdens bore
And looked down and went sorrowing as never before

A singer sang a song of cheer
And the old world listened and smiled;
For he sang of the love of a father dear
And the trust of a little child;
And souls who before had forgotten to pray
Looked up and went singing along their way.

—Author Unknown.

OUR WEATHER.

During the past two weeks we have experienced quite a variety of weather, ranging from balmy spring-like weather to three below zero; and from the brightest of sunshine to dark, heavy snow clouds, which at intervals during the day and night filled the air with the fleecy flakes until they had covered the ground to a depth of about three inches.

Monday was reported to have been the coldest day when the mercury registered three below at daylight. The sun, however, shone brightly all day, which tempered the air considerably, but nevertheless it was biting cold even at noon-day.

Tuesday was bright and much warmer, and Wednesday was so bright and warm that people went about in their shirt sleeves. The snow had disappeared by Wednesday night except in a few places where it had drifted to considerable depth and the moisture from it penetrated to the moisture already in the ground so that the growing wheat was benefited and wheat growers are encouraged, although more would have been better.

A GOOD C. E. MEETING.

The C. E. Society has held two good meetings since its organization three weeks ago. On Sunday, the 17th, the meeting was led by President Elwin Giesler, and many of the members took part in the discussion of the subject, and some good musical numbers were rendered.

Last Sunday night the meeting was led by the vice-president, Miss Nelda Goodwine and some good talks were made on the subject, "Latin America." There was a good attendance and those present enjoyed the service. The secretary-treasurer, Logan Symphon, will serve as leader on the coming Sunday evening. The subject is "The Church" and everybody present will be given an opportunity to enter the discussion and express his views. Those members who have been promoted from the Junior Society will be expected to render some special feature of the service.

The social committee announced a social for Wednesday night and about two dozen young people were present and the evening was spent discussing plans, playing social games and enjoying light refreshments.

HAD TONSILS REMOVED.

Mrs. J. G. Weir is slowly recovering from the effect of the operation of having her tonsils removed in Amarillo last week.

Mrs. Weir has been in poor health for several months, being able to be about her work most of the time, but feeling poorly, and the doctor had suggested that the trouble was caused by her tonsils and advised having them removed. Her throat is gradually healing but is very painful.

REPAIRING CHURCH BASEMENT

The people of the Congregational church have had workmen busy during the past week repairing, or rather finishing the basement of their church building.

The basement is the same size as the auditorium which doubles the floor space of the building and is used chiefly for the social features of the church program and as a classroom for a part of the Sunday school.

A portion of the floor space has been partitioned off for the light plant and the coal bin, and another portion has been reserved as a coal bin, which still leaves abundant space for other purposes. Mr. Burt Savage of Bovina has had charge of the work.

Miss Sallie Belle Brown of Hereford spent the week end with friends at Friona.

CALLED TO IOWA.

Mrs. A. O. Drake was summoned to her former home in Iowa on account of the death of her aged mother.

She departed Saturday and will be away for several days. Her mother had been in very poor health for some time and Mrs. Drake was preparing to go to visit her when she received the message telling of her death.

WICKS MAMMOTH HATCHERY ARRIVED

Mammoth Buckeye Hatchery arrived this week and is being installed on the Wicks farm northwest of Clovis. This hatchery will hold 12 to 15 thousand eggs at a single setting and having a capacity of eighty to eighty-five thousand for the season.

A new incubator house has been completed and a Delco lighting system is on the road so that within a few days time this Mammoth Hatchery will be running. Mr. Wicks says orders for baby chicks are coming in at a rapid rate. It is quite probable that it will be necessary to run the incubators formerly installed as well as the new Mammoth to supply the demand. The Wicks farm is known as having the best White Leghorns on the plains.

All White Leghorn baby chicks offered for sale from the Wicks Hatchery are from Wicks stock hens and male birds that are pedigreed for seven generations. The grand sire of all these baby chicks is the \$100.00 Tancred bird on the Wicks farm.

Part of the hatchery will be devoted to other breeds of poultry and to custom hatching so that farmers can take eggs from their own flocks and have the baby chicks hatched. Curry County may well be proud of this new hatchery which will be a great help in developing the poultry industry which already is our most valuable cash crop.

MRS. CAMPBELL VISITS HER PARENTS HERE

Mrs. Clifford Campbell of Roswell, N. M., arrived in Friona last week for a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Meade.

Mr. Campbell is a civil engineer and the family has been located for the past few years at Roswell, but he had recently been transferred by the company with whom he is working, to Las Cruces. Las Cruces, like Friona, is suffering from an insufficiency of dwelling houses and Mr. Campbell was unable at once to procure a suitable residence for the family. Mrs. Campbell and her little son, Clifford, are taking advantage of the conditions to visit with her relatives and friends here.

FRIONA CHIEFS VS. FARWELL.

The Friona Chiefs journeyed to Farwell Tuesday afternoon and entertained the Farwell basket ball team in one of the liveliest games of the season.

From the beginning of the game the scoring was close which kept the spectators speculating as to which team would be the winner. Both teams showed metal and determination, and while the playing may have seemed somewhat out of the ordinary, neither team was fouled.

At the close of the second half the score was tied and two three minute periods were played to break the bands. At the end of the last period the score stood 13 to 15 in favor of the Chiefs. The Chiefs will play Farwell boys again tonight (Friday) in the high school gym at Friona.

Mrs. Livings spent Saturday shopping in Amarillo.

Receives Permanent Appointment as Postmaster

DISTRICT BUYS NEW BUSS.

The rapidly increasing population of the school district has made it absolutely necessary that more transportation facilities be acquired for the use of the school.

At a meeting of the board of trustees last Friday night it was decided to buy a Ford truck for use in the transportation system and chassis was ordered next day. However, before it can be put into use, it will be necessary to have a buss body placed on it. Accordingly trustees Teague and White made a trip to Amarillo Saturday afternoon in quest of a ready-made body suitable for the purpose. Their trip was unproductive of results and at a meeting of the board on Monday it was decided to have a body built by local workmen.

The chassis of the truck was delivered Monday afternoon and the work of building the body will begin as soon as workmen can be secured to build it. Pending completion of the body, a car has been engaged to carry a sufficient number of the pupils to relieve the congestion in the other trucks.

JUDGE LOKEY ANNOUNCES.

We take pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to the announcement of Judge E. F. Lokey as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Judge and County Superintendent of Schools, which is found in another column of this issue.

Judge Lokey has performed the duties of the County Judge's office during the past term in a most satisfactory manner to the citizens and taxpayers of the county. He has been faithful to his duties and has dispensed his services impartially to all the patrons of the office.

As a man his honor and integrity are unassailable, and as an official he is honest, conscientious and painstaking. Should he be re-elected the citizens of the county can rest assured of the same devotion to his official services which they have enjoyed during the past term, which is A-1.

OKLAHOMA MAN BUYS 480 ACRES OF LAND

Mr. C. V. Cansler of Hollis, Okla., has purchased 480 acres of land a few miles north of Friona.

Mr. Cansler is a hardware dealer at Hollis and will begin putting improvements on his land in the near future. He will rent the land and proposes to put the entire tract in cultivation.

A BIRTHDAY SURPRISE.

Mrs. R. H. Kinsley arranged a complete and most agreeable surprise party for her husband, "Rube" Kinsley last Sunday evening in honor of his birthday.

The guests were mostly married couples from Mr. Kinsley's intimate friends and neighbors, who, upon an invitation from Mrs. Kinsley, met at the Congregational church about eight o'clock and went in a body from there to the Kinsley home in the west part of town.

At the time "Rube" was engaged in a social game of dominoes with two neighbors who had called in to spend the evening, and totally oblivious to conditions outside, when his attention was attracted by the honking of auto horns near the house. He at first thought it was some caper of the radio, but finding this was not the cause of the confusion he went to the door just in time to see a host of his fellow townsmen just entering the yard. His surprise was complete as he invited them to enter in his usual hospitable manner.

Mrs. Kinsley had arranged for a course of light refreshments which were served during the evening and the few hours were spent pleasantly in social diversions.

CAR OF TRACTORS ARRIVE.

The Wilkison Implement Co. received a shipment of another car of McCormick-Deering tractors which they unloaded Tuesday.

The shipment included two Farmalls, two 15-30's and one 10-20. We understand that these machines are all sold and orders for more are held by this progressive house.

J. A. Guyer, who for over a year has been serving as temporary postmaster at Friona, this week received his commission and appointment as permanent postmaster here for a term of four years.

Mr. Guyer during his temporary service has proven himself to be a most courteous and obliging servant of the patrons of the office and it is with no feeling of uneasiness on the part of those patrons that they hear of his permanent appointment. We feel assured that we will be well served.

Miss Goldie Stevick, who has been Mr. Guyer's assistant, has also proven her ability as a competent and obliging servant and it is the hope of the patrons that she will continue in her present capacity as assistant.

B. N. GRAHAM ANNOUNCES FOR COUNTY CLERK

In another column of this issue will be found the announcement of B. N. Graham as a candidate for re-election to the office of County and District Clerk, which it is our pleasure to publish.

During the years of Mr. Graham's incumbency as clerk he has served the county faithfully and well. His manner has at all times been courteous and agreeable to all the patrons of the office. The clerk's office during this time has been noted for efficiency and promptness.

Mr. Graham is a man of acknowledged Christian character and a sincere desire to be always right seems to be uppermost in his mind. It is his desire to again serve the people of the county in the capacity of clerk and he guarantees the same faithful performance of duty and the same courteous treatment that has characterized his actions during the past should he be again chosen to the office.

HORTON BECOMES SOLE OWNER

By a deal consummated, J. J. Horton, the local manager of the real estate firm of Falkner, Vance & Horton, has become sole owner of the business.

This firm has maintained an office at Muleshoe and another at Friona, and Mr. Horton has been manager of the Friona office, which was established about a year ago. For the past few months Mr. Horton has been bringing buyers in from Oklahoma and has at all times been most energetic in securing buyers for the lands he has listed.

PIE SUPPER AT M. E. CHURCH.

On Friday night of next week the ladies of the Methodist church will give a pie supper at the church building.

A shadow sale will be held as a means of disposing of the pies which feature will lend novelty to the occasion.

The proceeds of the sale will be devoted to the needs of the church and you are all invited. Friday night, Feb. 5th.

SOME NEW ADDITIONS TO THE STAR FAMILY

During the past week the following names have been added to our out-of-state subscription list.

Chester Vaughn adds \$1.50 to our financial status and asks that the Star go to his brother, Artie Vaughn, of Adams, Tenn. Artie used to be a resident of Friona and vicinity and his many friends here will be pleased to learn that he is doing well as the owner and manager of the Mint Springs Tavern at Adams.

Martin Bulmann sends the Star to his father at Decatur, Indiana, and also adds his name to our list of local subscribers.

Mrs. V. C. Weir adds two subscriptions to our list by having the Star make its weekly visits for one year to the home of her son, DeWitt Weir of Chillicothe, Ohio, and to Mrs. M. A. Weir of Sparta, Oregon. M. A. Weir is a brother of our highly esteemed fellow citizen, V. E. Weir. Both M. A. and DeWitt have visited at Friona and are acquainted with many of our people and the conditions existing in the Panhandle country, and we trust the reading of the Star will be a pleasure to these throughout the year.

Mr. Lane of Hereford spent Thursday in Friona.



OLIVER OCTOBER

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CHAPTER VIII—Continued

"The best trained automobile in America," said Sammy, with his customary modesty. "Kindness is what does it."

"So sorry to be late," said Mrs. Sage, as Oliver ceremoniously handed her out of the car.

"What is that I hear, Oliver?" said the minister as he stepped out of the car. Jane and Mrs. Sammy had preceded him. "Is it true the detectives are here and expect to start this ridiculous search tomorrow?"

"They're here all right," replied Oliver. "One of them tried to sell you a set of Dickens the other day."

"What!" cried Jane, gripping Oliver's arm. "What, that man a detective?" She was startled.

"No less a person than Mr. Sherlock Hawkshaw Malone, the renowned sleuth," said Oliver, smiling.

"The beast—the beast!" she cried hotly. "Good heavens! That accounts for the interest he took in your father's disappearance."

"At any rate," said Mr. Sage, complacently, "he did not succeed in selling us a set of Dickens."

Jane started to say something, but, instead, abruptly turned away and joined the other women on the porch. A queer little chill as of misgiving stole over her.

"Hey, Oliver!" called out Sammy from down the drive where he was parking the car. "Come here a minute, will you? Say, he went on, lowering his voice as Oliver came up. "I've just picked up something rich. Fellow came in day before yesterday and showed me a volume of the 'Arabian Nights,' absolutely unexpurgated."

"I know. And you fell for it, didn't you?"

"Sh! Not so loud. My wife doesn't know a thing about it. But say, who told you about it?"

Then Oliver told him. Sammy leaned against the mudguard and swore softly.

"Say, I wish I could remember what I said to the guy about—about your father. Lord, he had me talking a blue streak. Damn my fool eyes! You'd think I'd have sense enough to—Oh, well, go ahead and kick me, Ollie. Right here. Just as hard as you like."

"Come on. They're waiting for us. You needn't worry, old boy."

Sammy and Oliver entered the sitting room. Mrs. Sage was standing almost directly under the chandelier, talking to dumpy Mrs. Grimes; the light from above fell upon her auburn crown, flooded her magnificent shoulders and arms, and then wavered timidly, almost helplessly, as it first came in contact with resplendent opposition. The actress was a head taller than Mrs. Grimes, who nevertheless bravely stood her ground and faced comparison with all the hardihood of the righteous.

Mr. Sage, with a distinctly bewildered and somewhat embarrassed expression keeping company with the proud and doting smile that seemed to be stamped upon his lean visage, stood across the room with his daughter and Mrs. Sammy.

"Do you mean to tell me, Oliver, that those blighters intend to begin digging up your place tomorrow?" Josephine asked incredulously.

Oliver laughed. "I think we'll all rather enjoy the excitement, Aunt Josephine," he said. "I suppose they'll begin prying up the kitchen floor tomorrow, or digging trenches in the cellar, or tearing up the flower-beds."

She looked at him narrowly. "What utter rot! Do they expect to find your father buried in the cellar or under the kitchen floor?"

"They don't expect to find him at all," replied Oliver, with unintentional shortness.

He glanced over his shoulder at Jane. Their eyes met and their gaze held for some seconds. He detected the clouded, troubled look in hers and was suddenly conscious of what must have seemed to her a serious intensity in his own. He knew now that he was in love—that he always had been in love with Jane, that he always would be in love with her. He compressed his lips and fought against the strange, mad impulse to shout that he was in love with her, that she was his—all his—and that no man should take her away from him.

And she? She was thinking of that dry, hot night when she came to see her father leaving, his father, out of breath, his shoes covered with fresh black mud. There had been no rain for weeks. The roads were thick with dust. And Lansing, too, had noticed that his shoes were muddy. He had spoken to her about them, he had wondered where Oliver had been to get into mud up to his—tops!

And she, herself, had never ceased to wonder.

Oliver was strangely restless during dinner, and immediately after the company rose from the table at its conclusion he asked Jane to come with him for a little stroll in the open air.

"I want to speak to you about something," he urged. "Better throw something over your shoulders. The night air—"

"Ought you to go off and leave the others, Oliver?" she began, a queer little catch, as of alarm, in her voice.

"Muriel and Sammy—"

"Come along," he pleaded. "They won't mind. I must see you alone for a few minutes, Jane."

"I will get my wrap," she said, after a moment's hesitation. "It may be chilly outside."

"Why, you're shivering now, Jane," he whispered anxiously, as he threw her wrap over her shoulders. "Are you cold?"

She did not reply. He followed her out upon the porch and down the steps. No word passed between them until they had turned the bend in the drive and were outside the radius of light shed from the windows. He was the first to speak.

"See here, Jane," he blurted out. "I'm—I'm terribly troubled and upset." That was as far as he got. Speech seemed to fail him.

She laid her hand on his arm. "Is it about—about the detective, Oliver?" she asked tremulously.

"No," he answered, almost roughly. "It's about you, Jane. You're just got



He Started Violently, the Words Dying on His Lips.

to answer me. Are you going to be married?"

"Yes," she said, her voice so low he could scarcely hear the monosyllable. They walked in silence for twenty paces or more, turning down the path that led to the swamp road.

"I—I was afraid so," he muttered. Then fiercely: "Who are you going to marry?"

She sighed. "I am going to marry the first man who asks me," she replied, and, having said the lie, was instantly mistress of herself. "Have you any objections?" she asked, almost mockingly.

If he heard the question he paid no heed to it. She felt the muscles of his strong forearm grow taut, and she leaned back with a sigh of content: "Well, goodness knows it's about time."

Proving that since the entrance of the lovers the great Josephine had failed to hold her audience spellbound. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

Very True

Once the composer Massenet was compelled to listen to a youthful prodigy and give his opinion.

"You have talent," he said to the little pianist, "and with proper diligence and perseverance you ought to be able to—"

"Oh, I would love to compose, too," interrupted the prodigy; "how shall I set about it?"

"You will have to learn a great deal more and become older."

"But you composed when you were thirteen."

"Yes," acknowledged Massenet, "but I didn't ask any one how to do it."

voice sounds as if it had a laugh in it," she whispered.

"In a month I will be thirty," he went on, his heart as light as air. "I might ask her to give me a thirty-day option, or something like that."

"You goose!"

He pressed her arm to his side, and was serious when he spoke again, after a moment's pause.

"I have never asked a girl to marry me, Jane. Never in all my life. Do you know why?"

She buried her face against his shoulder. A vast, overwhelming thrill raced through him. His arms went about her and drew her close.

"I never realized it, Jane—I never even thought of it till just a little while ago—but now I know that I have always loved you."

Her arm stole up about his neck, she raised her chin.

"I began calling myself your wife, Oliver, when I was a very little girl—when we first began playing house together, and you were my husband and the dolls were our children."

He kissed her rapturously. "Oh, my God!" he burst out. "You'll never know how miserable I have been these last few weeks—how horribly jealous I've been."

She stroked his cheek—possessively. "I haven't been very happy myself," she sighed. "I—I wasn't quite sure you would ever, ever ask me to be your wife."

"That reminds me," he cried boyishly. "Will you marry me, Miss Sage?"

"Of course I will. Didn't I say I would marry the first—what was that?"

As she uttered the exclamation under her breath, she drew away from him quickly, looking over her shoulder at the thick, shadowy underbrush that lined the road below them.

"I didn't hear anything," said he, turning with her. "It must have been my heart trying to burst out of it—sh! Listen. There is someone over there in the brush. D—n his sneaking eyes, I'll—"

"Don't! Don't go down there!" she cried, clutching his arm. "You must not leave me alone. I'm—I'm afraid, Ollie. I am always afraid when I am near that awful swamp."

"Let's walk down the road a little way, Jane," said he stubbornly. "Don't be afraid. I'll stick close beside you."

"You won't go down into the swamp," she cried anxiously.

"No. Just along the road."

They ran down the little embankment into the road. After fifteen or twenty paces Oliver pressed her arm warningly and stopped to listen. Ahead of them, some distance away, they heard footfalls—the slow, regular tread of a man walking in the road.

They stood still listening. Suddenly the footfalls ceased.

"He knows we have stopped," said Oliver. "He's listening to see if we are following."

She was silent for a moment. "You remember what I said about being spied upon, Oliver. I feel it, I feel it all about me. You are being watched all the time, Oliver. Oh, how hateful, how unfair!"

"See here, Jane, I've been thinking. It's wrong for me to ask you to marry me till all this mess is over. It's wrong for me to even ask you to consider yourself engaged to me."

"Nobody believes that you had anything to do with—"

"My dear girl, nobody knows what to believe," said he seriously. "That's the worst of it. My father is gone. I was, so far as anyone knows, the last to see him. As you say, no one may believe that I had anything to do with it, but—where is he? A queer thing has just happened. You know Peter Hines—that queer old bird who has always lived in the cabin at the lower end of the swamp? He has skipped out. Boarded up the door and windows and—"

He started violently, the words dying on his lips. Off to the south, beyond the almost impenetrable wall of night, gleamed far-off lights in the wall of Peter Hines' shack.

"He must have returned," he said, in an odd voice. "Those lights—"

"Let us go in, dear," she pleaded. "I—I hear something moving among the weeds down there. It's grisly, Oliver—creepy." Oliver yielded to her entreaties and they made their way back to the house.

Mrs. Sage was holding forth in her most effective English when the two entered the sitting-room. She may have eyed them narrowly for a second or two, but that was all.

Sammy Parr, however, who had been observing Oliver very closely, got up from his chair and marched across the room, his hand extended.

"Congratulations, old man!" he shouted joyously.

And little old Mrs. Grimes, from her place on the sofa, remarked, as she leaned back with a sigh of content: "Well, goodness knows it's about time."

Proving that since the entrance of the lovers the great Josephine had failed to hold her audience spellbound. (TO BE CONTINUED.)



FEDERAL AID IS BUILDING ROADS

The justice of the present system of distribution of cost for federal aid highway building is shown by figures released by the American Association of State Highway Officials. The investigation carried on by the association was designed to secure the true source of income, extending beyond surface payments of revenue.

"In order to arrive at the facts as to who really pays for the roads," says the statement, "it was necessary to trace payments to their original source rather than to stop at the returns made by various states."

Taxes collected from several common commodities were investigated. Sugar is one typical example. One company dealing in sugar made returns showing a net profit of more than one and a half million dollars. The taxes on this return were all credited to one state when as a matter of fact the entire income came from sugar grown and largely bought by middle-western and western states.

A biscuit company reporting an income of several millions of dollars was taxed in, and reported from, New York when the income was derived from millions of sales, most of which were outside of the state credited with the tax return.

The same situation was found to be typical of five and ten-cent chain store returns, tobacco taxes, cereals, radiators and cans. "This crediting of payments to certain states without realizing that the true source of the tax is outside that state should be considered in all calculations bearing on who really pays for the highways we are building," says the association.

Railroads and banking houses showing large tax returns in practically every instance derive their incomes from communities and persons far outside the boundaries of the state credited with the tax return.

"Centralization of business in certain centers," the association concludes, "is a natural growth and economically sound. Surplus funds gravitate to certain centers; industries concentrate where power is cheapest or raw materials nearest at hand. States do not own the corporations or the individuals in their business relations. There is not a single large city in the entire country which secures its prosperity exclusively from the citizens who live in the same state. Insurance companies, railroads, corporations—all derive the greater share of their taxable income from outside the state in which they are incorporated or report from."

"The only conclusion that can logically be drawn from such facts," concludes the association, "is that the money paid into the federal treasury is coming from all the taxpayers and not from any one particular state or section. Regardless, then, of where the tax is credited, so long as it is being used for the benefit of all the people it represents a proportionate share of the federal expenses."

Surfaced Highways Now Near 500,000-Mile Mark

Surfaced roads in the United States now approach the 500,000-mile mark. Some weeks ago the state reports indicated there were 128,347 miles of surfaced road on the state systems at the end of 1924, and that the mileage of surfaced country roads was 339,558, a total of 467,905. Since 1924 by states and counties, and it is known that progress has been equally as good in 1925, it is probable that construction of the past season will increase the surfaced mileage to more than 495,000. In addition to surfaced, a considerable mileage has been graded and drained according to engineering standards. There were 236,294 miles of such road at the end of 1924, and of this 13,689 miles had been constructed that year. These figures indicate that the improved road mileage of all classes is not far from 740,000.

Burning of Rubbish on Roads Endangers Autos

To protect the highways in Connecticut the state highway and police departments are prepared to prosecute persons burning leaves or rubbish on or adjoining the state roads. Such a practice also is deemed highly dangerous to automobile traffic.

Although the fires are started in the gutters, it is pointed out, the heat from them is sufficient to draw the oils from the bituminous surface of the highway and cause a serious menace to public safety and an increased maintenance expense, inasmuch as many roads are treated with asphalt, tar or other substances containing volatile oils which may be ignited easily.

Gas Tax for Roads

Gasoline taxes collected by the states yielded a revenue of \$80,108,734 in the first half of 1925, of which \$53,814,240 is applicable to road work, according to a report by the bureau of public roads of the United States Department of Agriculture. Wisconsin collected \$534,692. At the beginning of the year there were 13 states which did not have a gasoline tax. A tax is imposed in all states except Illinois, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York.

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If you suffer from indigestion, loss of appetite, can't sleep or rest; if rheumatism is making life a torture; if your liver is out of sorts and your body has run down to skin and bones, get a bottle of Tanlac at your druggist's and start taking it right away.

You'll be amazed to note the improvement that comes at once. For the first time in months you'll feel like eating some good solid food. You'll wake up in the morning rested and refreshed, ready for a good day's work. First thing you know you'll have some color in your cheeks and the sparkle of health back in your eyes.

Don't delay taking Tanlac. Begin

May Never Map Skies

The great work of remapping the heavens began nearly forty years ago and involving definite location of one hundred million stars, is in danger of breaking down. Eighteen of the world's largest observatories agreed to share the vast undertaking but only the two famous English observatories, Oxford and Greenwich, have completed the tasks allotted them. In the majority of cases progress has been slower than expected, and in others

no attempt has been made to fulfill obligations entered into in 1885. The director of the Paris observatory still hopes that the four French observatories taking part will finish their work by 1935, but this is not at all certain.

Proficient

"He talks German, French and Italian."

"Does he speak Esperanto?"

"Yes—like a native."



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New Glass of High Value

Two Austrian chemists, Fritz Polak and Kurt Ripper, report that they have developed a new glass with a degree of permeability to ultraviolet and ultrared rays even greater than that of flint glass. The new glass which is called "pollopos," is elastic, has a wide refractive range, is about

half the weight of window glass, can be worked on a turner's lathe, filed, polished and planed, and can easily be dyed, according to scientific standards, with dyes adjusted to varying wave lengths.

It is not the first love that matters, it is the last.

"Purges" and "Physics" Bad for Old Folks

Dr. W. B. Caldwell

While Dr. W. B. Caldwell, of Monticello, Ill., a practicing physician for 17 years, knew that constipation was the curse of advancing age, he did not believe that a "purge" or "physic" every little while was necessary.

To him, it seemed cruel that so many constipated old people had to be kept constantly "stirred up" and half sick by taking cathartic pills, tablets, salts, calomel and nasty oils.

In Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin he discovered a laxative which helps to "regulate" the bowels of old folks.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin not only causes a gentle, easy bowel movement but each dose helps to strengthen the

bowel muscles, shortly establishing natural "regularity." It never gripes, sickens, or upsets the system. Besides, it is absolutely harmless and pleasant to take.

If past fifty, buy a large 60-cent bottle at any store that sells medicine and just see for yourself.

Dr. Caldwell's SYRUP PEPSIN

BELTS OF GAY KID ARE POPULAR; SPRING WASH GOODS NOW ON VIEW

TO MOTHERS who feel the urge of spring sewing comes the message of plaids, both lightweight woolen and gingham, for little girls' dresses—and a third fabric is added, namely plaided taffeta. Here is a further word of advice: be sure to look into the matter of gay colored leather belts, for little daughter will be sure to insist on having her pretty plaid frock belted just to keep up with the vogue.

It matters not if the dress be made in straightline one-piece effect, as the picture shows, or in jumper and skirt, be sure not to omit the leather belt, else little daughter may ask the rea-

seems as if the advance displays of spring wash goods were never so alluring. Such lovely cotton reps, broadcloths and imported satens! Washable crepes there are by the score, also cotton and rayon mixtures, the newest among which is tub-rayon alpaca. To the aspiring home dress-maker they surely must whisper in unmistakable accents, "Do it now." And why not? Later the great outdoors will be calling to golf, tennis and springtime strolls.

The frock in the picture is a true exponent of a sweet simplicity frock, such as can so successfully be made



Plaid Frock for Spring.

son why, for most of her school companions are sure to smilingly display a cunning belt of some sort this season.

Fine woolen plaid was the chosen medium for the fashionable frock here pictured. This same model could be effectively reproduced in French gingham. That is such a pretty idea of using a solid color for the revers, the vestee, cuffs and pocket finishings.

This model could be exquisitely copied in plaid taffeta and at this time of the year remnants are picked up at enticing reductions.

The little highland lassie in the picture is thrice blest, in that her frock is plaid, boasts a sure-enough leather belt with a big square buckle, and crowning joy of all, the socks are striped in accord with fashion's latest edict.

For school wear later on plaid ging-

at home. In choosing materials for home dressmaking let thoughts of pastel colorings guide you. Pastel blendings will especially find expression, in such ways, for instance, as bordering or piping a lively tone with another complementary shade. For the pretty dress here illustrated old rose cotton broadcloth is suggested, using buttons of lavender tinted pearl, matching it with wee velvet ribbon.

Pretty pastel harmonies are accomplished by using wide borderings of a different shade. There is also every indication that we are also to enjoy a season of bordered patterns. Initial showings of spring cottons stress fascinating 54-inch bordered voiles. There is economy in the use of these wide materials, and patterns are available which call for the manipulation of the fabric without underarm seams.

Cottons for the Southland include



A Sweet Simplicity Frock.

ham jumper frocks will be quite the thing. These are so easily made at home, and the gingham now on display are so very attractive. Why not make two blouses to the one plaided skirt? Sleeves and collars soil so easily and economy suggests several waists as a simple solving of the problem.

Stripes are also greatly featured this season. One can buy nowadays such clever striped sateen or cotton broadcloth. The striped blouse with skirt in solid color bespeaks a favored mode.

rayon mixed crepes with borders blocked in tapestry effect carried out in light and deeper pastel tones. Hand-blocked linen showing colorful Chinese patterning is among the season's novelties.

It is said that considerable lace will be used on simple daytime wash dresses. The ochre tinted lace is most popular. Girlish collars and deep cuffs, together with jabots of ochre lace, are rendered even a greater attractiveness by the addition of tiny ribbon bows and ties. JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

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THE PASSIONATE SNAKE

By ELLA HIGGINSON

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IF ANY man supposes that snakes do not understand the speech of human tongues, I—being a snake—will, in this short story, convince him that he is mistaken. I may convince him of some other truths, also. We are the accursed of the earth. We have only to be seen to be straightway killed. Every man's hand is against us, not because of his own hate, for men are not cowards, but because of the hate of his women.

We have learned, therefore, through ages of cruel treachery, to make our blows swift and sure; yet I say to men, with scorn, that we are more honorable and more merciful than they: we give warning before we strike. We give each man one chance, at least, for his life. More, we strike only when our lives are threatened or our privacy invaded.

I, being a female thing, have known love. Ay, most beautiful and graceful have I been from my birth. My form is slender and supple; my movements are sinuous and alluring. The grasses sway in languid undulations, caressing me, as I slide slowly through them. My markings are of rich and unusual beauty and brilliancy. It is said that my eyes take on the color of my moods and passions. When I lie basking in the sunlight, they have the pale blue content of the skies. When I lift myself erect, suspecting danger or treachery, they are like two glittering, green emeralds. When I am jealous—what female thing has not been?—they are a pale amber-yellow. Once it was said to me that they were—but that must wait.

But I am beautiful, so beautiful that other female snakes hate me. And I heard a man exclaim: "G—d, what a handsome thing!" one day, even as he lifted his heel to crush me. My beauty saved me, for, looking, he struck me so reluctantly that I slid away and escaped.

I was born in a pile of stones on a hill in the lovely Grande Ronde Valley in Oregon. From my father, a rattlesnake, I inherited my strong will and fierce passions; from my mother, a blue-racer, who had been lured away from her kin down in the green valley, my beauty and grace.

Before I was three months old I had tasted fame. All the male snakes on the hill came to watch me as I coiled and uncoiled my magnificent length over the stones of my home. And, oh, I used to wish that the mated ones would not come, for their mates said such evil things of me! But they would come.

One day in spring, when I was a year old, the king of all the rattlesnakes himself came to see my beauty, and he desired me greatly, although I was so young and he so old. My father was proud and flattered. But I— Well, there was a young and bold blue-racer who used to climb the hill from the valley; and on soft, moonless evenings, when my father slept and my mother pretended that she did not hear, I slid down and met him among the deep grasses that grew half way up the hill.

Ah, those hours of first love! Poor human things, who pass your nights within the four walls of a room, I pity you!

We were only snakes. But we had the night and all its sweets woven forever through our love. Soft winds, scented with the pines on the crest of the Blue mountains, rippled the grasses above us, as we tasted the bliss of loving companionship. The night hawk sank to blow his shrill bugle-note beside us; the stars glowed red through the breathing dusk; from the canyons far up in the hills came the mournful cry of coyote. Down under the velvet grasses it was dark and sweet, and we were alone, and we loved.

When at length I stole home and coiled myself on the smooth stones I could not sleep. I lay motionless until the pale greens and yellows came marching up the east, and the trees on the mountain's crest turned, one by one, to gold, and the meadow-larks sang, oh, so sweetly, in the valley where I knew he lay as motionless as I, dreaming of joys that had been and longing for those that were to be.

There was a full month of such bliss. But a day came when my father knew; and that night the king of the rattlesnakes went down the hill in my stead, and lay in wait for his rival.

When I was convinced that they had killed him, I stole away in the night and made my way to the other side of the valley, and dwelt alone on another hill, and mourned. There were no snakes and there were no human things. And, oh, the days were long, and, oh, the nights were lonely.

Deep and passionate was my grief through all the spring, and summer, and fall. When winter drew on, how glad was I to curl myself in a dark, warm place for my long sleep. I recall that my last thought was of how dreary and heart-breaking my awakening would be in the spring. Yet when the awakening came—well, I am a female thing, and that must be sufficient explanation.

It was on a warm and lovely day in April that I languidly uncoiled and

slid out to lie upon the stones. Never shall I forget how the beauty of that day thrilled me! I was glad, I exulted, only to live once more. My memories of love and sorrow seemed vague. Had I ever wished to die? Well, now I longed to live.

The valley stretched before my eyes, green and shining like a great emerald. There were splashes of yellow where the buttercups grew, and there were shooting-stars, and all the sweet winds of spring.

I remember my first glimpse of myself in a still pool that spring. You may have seen her tears, her anguish, her garb of woe. Then, when a few months have gone by, you must have one day had your eyes dazzled by her sudden blossoming out into a new and wonderful beauty. You must have marveled at the color in her cheeks, the brilliancy of her eyes, the warmth of her mouth, the subtle grace of her movements. So it was with me. Life thrived once more through all my being.

The loneliness grew unbearable. One day as I lay curled asleep, I heard a step. A moment later a man came close to my heap of stones. I sprang erect, hissing and swelling, for I had not time to escape. He paused and looked at me.

"Beautiful thing!" he said, in a tone of sadness. "Strike, if you will. I shall not harm you."

He threw himself on the ground near me. He was unarmed. Ashamed, but incredulous, I dropped back into a coil, and lay watching him, motionless, save for the slow sliding of my head from side to side. He looked at me steadily.

"That a snake could be so beautiful!" he said, in the same sad tone. He reached out his hand with a caressing motion. "Come," he said, "we are alone. Let us be friends."

His eyes drew me with an irresistible fascination. A new, strange feeling stirred me. I uncoiled, and slid to him with graceful undulations. He laid his hand upon me, and both of us were without fear.

Days passed. I learned gradually that he had come there to forget a woman. He pitched a tent near the stones and dwelt there. I followed him everywhere. I never permitted him to get out of my sight. I slept at his feet, and with the first dawn-ray I found his hand and curled upon it, waiting patiently for his caress.

One night when the moon hung large and yellow on the violet breast of the sky, he threw himself upon his blankets, and held his hands out to me.

"I am sorrowful tonight, Lilith," he said—he called me that. "Come close, closer, my beautiful. Make me forget—other nights."

In that hour, as I slid into the warmth of his breast, I knew that sometime, somewhere I had been a woman. Oh, the wild, sweet, passionate love that shook me! Oh, to utter but one word of it! Oh, to have hands to caress him, soft arms to enfold him, red lips to find his kisses! What had been my sin, then, when I was a woman, that I should have been re-created in this form? Beautiful, oh, beautiful! Yes; but unfitted for any save the lower loves, and this love was of the highest; the love of woman for man.

I shrank, quivering, from the memory of that other love. So must a woman shrink, loathing and shuddering, from the memory of such a love when, through some great, exalting passion, a new and noble soul has been born in her.

Having no arms and no lips, I curled close, close, into his breast, and around his splendid throat I drew my throbbing coils. Then it was that he said: "Lilith, what eyes you have! They are like two little lamps of crimson fire, glowing in the dusk."

All that night, and many, many others, I slept there.

In the gorgeous pomp of an August dawn the man awoke, with the snake twined about him. The woman he had been trying to forget stood beside him. He flung the snake from him and stretched out trembling arms to the woman.

"Dearest!" she cried. "Did you think I could bear it? I knew better. I have followed you, and I shall never leave you again!" She sank to him, sobbing, and laid her mouth upon his.

He put his arms around her and held her there silently.

Suddenly she screamed and sprang erect.

"A snake! Kill it! Kill it!"

It was coiled, hissing, to spring at her. Already his hand was on his revolver. There was a flash. The woman screamed again. The snake was dead. In a moment the man had flung it outside the tent, and caught her, sobbing and trembling, to his breast.

"Oh my dearest," he cried, "if the reptile had struck you, I should have turned the revolver on myself. Oh my beloved, this occurred time without you! Give me your arms, your lips. Let us make up for this awful time apart!"

The Best We Can Do

There is no help in misanthropy and pessimism. If our race vexes us, let us keep a decent silence on the matter. We are imprisoned on the same ship, and we shall sink with it. Pay your own debt, and leave the rest to God. Sharer, as you inevitably are, in the sufferings of your kind, set a good example; that is all which is asked of you. Do all the good you can, and say all the truth you know or believe; and for the rest be patient, resigned, submissive. God does his business, do yours.—Henri Frederic Amiel.

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"Did she accept?"
"Yes, just after they left the hospital."

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Conforming to Custom

"In the afternoon Bargin's store serves tea to its customers."
"Five o'clock?"
"No; 4:58."

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TO THE VOTERS OF PARMER COUNTY

I desire at this time to announce
to the citizens of Parmer County my
candidacy for re-election at the Dem-
ocratic primary in July to the office
of County Judge and County Super-
intendent. I appreciate very much
the confidence placed in me by elec-
tion to this office at the last election,
and during the time I have been the
incumbent of the office, I have tried
to discharge the duties fairly and
impartially to every person whom it
has been my pleasure to serve and
at the same time carry on the busi-
ness of the county in a progressive
and economical way.

If re-elected I shall put forth my
best efforts to discharge the duties
of the office to the best interest of
the county at large. I respectfully
solicit your vote and influence at the
next election.

Respectfully yours,
E. F. LOKEY,

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FOR SHERIFF

J. H. MARTIN.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE.

F. F. LOKEY.

FOR CO. AND DIST. CLERK.

B. N. GRAHAM.

RHEA NEWS.

We are enjoying nice weather now
after a little snow.

Little Melvin Wheeler is gradually
improving after a bad case of pneu-
monia and is now able to be up again.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stanley spent
the week with her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. U. B. Wheeler.

Quite a few of the Rhea ladies en-
joyed meeting with the Friona Club
Wednesday, the 27th.

Mrs. J. B. Fowler, Miss Tipton and
Allen Tipton visited the Wheeler
family Monday night.

Little Bucky Dixon has been quite
sick the past week and they took him
to Hereford to the doctor.

W. R. Grayson, Jr., has been sick
and had to miss school several days.
Rose Bud.

PREPARE THE GARDEN PLOT NOW

Apply a good covering of barn yard
manure to the garden plot in early
fall, so that it may be plowed under,
mixed with the soil and decayed dur-
ing the winter.

1. Insects, especially cut worms,
may be turned up and exposed to the
weather.

2. Vegetation and manure may
have a longer time to decay and make
plant food available before the
ground is planted.

3. The land may catch and retain
more moisture from the winter rains.

4. The heavy soils may be loosen-
ed by freezing and thawing.

5. The plowed land may warm up
earlier in the spring.

6. The plowed land may work
easier in the spring.

7. The land may be ready to plant
earlier.

Insure An Early Garden.

In order to have an early garden:

1. Select a plot that has a south-
ern or eastern exposure so that it will
warm up early in the spring.

2. Fertilize and plow the plot 8
to 10 inches deep in early fall, so that
the humus may be thoroughly decayed,
the plant food thoroughly mixed
with the soil, the winter rains ab-
sorbed, the insects exposed to the
winter weather.

3. Select good seeds—order these
now.

4. Plant early varieties.

5. Have a good hot bed and cold
frame.

6. Plant cabbage, cauliflower, let-
tuce, onions, radishes, in cold frame
now.—A. & M. Extension Pulleton.

A FEW MINUTES WITH THE SECRETARIES

(From T. C. E. A. News Letter)

O. V. Vernon, for the past four
years secretary of the Amarillo Board
of City Development, one of the out-
standing Chamber of Commerce sec-
retaries in the state, has resigned,
becoming manager of the Texas
Builder's Supply Co. of Amarillo. O.
V. will be missed in the T. C. E. A.
circles.

December 14, a general meeting
of the Weatherford Chamber of Com-
merce was held. At the end of a
musical program a one-act tragedy
play was presented. At the close of
the program refreshments of sand-
wiches and drinks were served.

Porter A. Whaley, general man-
ager, and Homer D. Wade, assist-
ant manager of the West Texas
Chamber of Commerce, are to be
congratulated on the splendid pro-
gram outlined at their last conven-
tion and being carried out now.

As a part of its campaign to preach
the doctrine of diversified farming,
more and better poultry, a few dairy
cows on every farm and sufficient
hogs to furnish meat for the family,
the Floydada Chamber of Commerce
assured the services of B. M. Whit-
taker, exhibit manager of the West
Texas Chamber of Commerce, for
one week.

HOLLENE HAPPENINGS AND SCHOOL NOTES

Several of the pupils have been
out of school the past week on ac-
count of sickness.

Mr. Fore, who has been living on
Mrs. A. A. Watson's place, has moved
on Tom Hillis' place and the
children will enter school at Ruth.
We regret to lose them out of school
here.

Our first team of basket ball boys
and girls went to Clovis Friday night
and played Claud in the gym. Our
team came home victorious.

Hollie Vaughn has taken over the
janitor job as Miss Jessie Stith has
quit.

Sam Campbell's baby, who has
been sick for the past six weeks, is
no better at this writing.

Miss Rosa Trapp of Bellview has
been visiting her sister, Mrs. Minnie
Hartley, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Osborn and Miss
Nina Hartley visited at the Neal
Lofton home Sunday.

Mrs. Minnie Smith of Clovis and
her sister, Mrs. T. Crawford, are
visiting at the B. D. Smith and Chas.
Sorrows homes the past few days.

We have been having some sure
enough cold weather and not much
moisture.

Alex Stith, the tombstone man of
Amarillo, was in this community
Monday.

Rev. Slade, the Methodist pastor,
filled his regular appointment here
Sunday, but on account of bad weath-
er and so much sickness, there were
not many out.

In Constantinople there are few,
if any, traffic laws. The native mo-
torist goes through the town at forty
miles an hour, passing street cars on
either side, careening around corners
and violating every safety rule.

A Fresh Car Load of

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Manager

It sounds good to speak of living on "Easy Street,"
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If you are opening up a sod farm, or are tilling old land

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JUST WHAT YOU WANT
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397 acres, price \$11.00 per acre.

320 acres, with good well and windmill, well located.
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Quarter section within 1 1/2 miles of Friona. Price
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REAL -- ESTATE
Friona, Texas

LOCAL MENTION

Miss Joyce Teague is on the sick list this week.

Walter Overton of Black was seen in our town Tuesday.

Jimmie Mears was a business visitor in Friona Thursday.

Mrs. Roy Coneway visited friends and relatives in Friona Wednesday.

Frank Carder was in Amarillo Friday visiting his parents.

Pearl Singleterry was a Hereford visitor Tuesday night.

Sheriff J. H. Martin was seen in our town Thursday.

O. F. Lange spent last Thursday in Clovis, N. M.

Little Miss Frances Keys is spending the week with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. White.

Mrs. J. H. Martin and little son, Morris Edwin, were seen in Friona Wednesday.

The Misses Grace and Carmen Brewer and Fern Bowman motored to Hereford Saturday.

Hugh Lane of Hereford, collector for the I. H. C., was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Clarence Day and Frank Carder were in Clovis Sunday visiting friends.

R. B. Temple loaded out of Friona eleven cars of cattle Tuesday to Freedom, Oklahoma.

Tom Green says to take that ad out. We have no more pullets for sale. A little girl went to Short's filling station and gladly paid 25c for the little ad and received her lost fountain pen. Star ads get results.

Glen McCrae, station agent for the Santa Fe at Black, was in town a while Tuesday night. Glen says business is good at Black and everything looks hopeful.

O. F. Lange and Albert Coneway were Hereford visitors Monday and on their way home visited with S. Huchert and family at Summerfield and from there were accompanied home by Robert Coneway who had spent the past three weeks visiting Louie Huchert.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Morton on Friday, Jan. 22, at 12:10 p. m., a daughter, Ruby Jewel. Nathe had been very modest about this. He had been coming to town and stood around wearing his usual happy, contented smile, talking and chaffing as usual, but keeping this all to himself until Monday morning. Our congratulations, Nathe.

THOMPSON'S BATHTUB.

Speaking of the past, have you ever heard of William Thompson? Here was a man who was able to introduce new hardware items.

He installed the country's first bathtub. It happened in Cincinnati in 1840. It was a great curiosity. It caused a great deal of comment. People came from far and near to see his bathtub. The newspapers took it up and commented seriously and humorously upon Thompson's bathtub—as they do with every new innovation.

Even the learned medical profession took up the debate and many doctors registered their opposition to the bathtub as the enemy of good health. So much sentiment was stirred up against the bathtub that the cities of Boston and Philadelphia in their great wisdom passed ordinances prohibiting the installation of bathtubs in those pure and learned centers.

Notwithstanding the opposition sentiment favoring the bathtub grew. When James Buchanan was president one was finally established in the White House. It was a gorgeous affair. It became one of the leading attractions in Washington. People came from all over the country to see it. It is probable that Lincoln made his first acquaintance with the modern bathtub while residing in the White House.

And so it has always been—new things come slowly. They even sometimes receive opposition at the hands of those who are reputed leaders at the time.

But eventually the sensible, the sound, the logical thing, will find its way.

Subscribe for the Star.

Jackman's
Women and Childrens Wear
Clovis, N. Mex.

Of course the farmers ought to help themselves—but not at the public trough.—Virginian-Pilot.

The women of Carthage bobbed their hair and flew to the defense of their city against Scipio Africanus.

SHOES! SHOES!

Our shipment of Spring footwear is here—

SPIKE HEELS, BOX HEELS and LOUIS HEELS.

These slippers are the latest thing in footwear and we believe that they will please the most fastidious people.

Prices That Will Meet With Your Approval.

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Friona, Texas

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I Have a Nice Line of SPRING HATS at

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Come and See Whether You Buy or Not

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Between You and Me and The Gate Post

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The raw cold days of winter will soon be giving way to balmy and warmer days of Spring.

A New Spring Suit

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WHY NOT ORDER IT NOW AT

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TROLLEY DIVES INTO ICY RIVER

PASSENGERS PANIC IN THE DOOMED CAR AS IT CRASHES

FIVE KILLED; MANY INJURED

Ohio River Was Dragged in Hopes Of Finding More Victims; Hits Bridge Traveling At a Terrific Speed.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Five persons were killed and a score or more are in hospitals suffering from exposure and injuries, as the result of the plunge of a street car into the Ohio river from the Fleming park bridge at McKee's Rocks.

Two of the dead, a woman and a girl, succumbed after reaching a hospital and two body, also that of a girl, was found floating in the river.

According to a witness, the car, bound for McKee's Rocks from Neville Island, in the Ohio, was running at a fast rate as it came into the bridge and left the rails. It first struck a telephone pole, and then broke through a guard rail and plunged into the water.

Motorman Is Praised

Immediately after the trolley had settled to the bottom of the river, he said, there was a smashing of windows, and passengers and crew crawled out into the icy waters.

The car was one of a new low flood type and was equipped with all automatic devices. A company statement declared the motorman and conductor were experienced men, and added that a rigid investigation will be made.

Graphic stories were told by passengers aboard the runaway trolley. He was sitting in the front end of the car when the mad rush down the grade began. He suffered a fractured ankle and body bruises and was taken to a hospital.

High praise for the courage of Harry Korschun, the motorman, was paid by the man.

TEXAS ROAD ROW IN COURT

Moody Loses First Tilt With Defendants' Counsel—Jury Selection Starts

Austin, Tex.—The second major court action growing out of Attorney General Dan Moody's investigation of road contracts in Texas got under way when examination of prospective jurors in the Hoffman Construction company case was started.

Highway contracts involving \$421,000 are assailed by the state in the suit. These contracts are, "such as no honest man would offer or honest man accept," Attorney General Moody told the twenty-four men empaneled for jury service.

When the case opened in district court, Judge George Calhoun ruled against the state in holding the defendants were entitled to separate trial on pleas of privilege. Defendants contended the case should be transferred to Eastland county, where the company has its main office and where three of the four individual defendants live.

FOES RAKES WORLD COURT

Proponents Start Dicker to Set Date for Vote on Resolution

Washington, D. C.—Laying aside the plan to invoke the rule under which senate debate on the world court would be limited, proponents of American membership in that tribunal opened negotiations with the opposition, looking to an agreement for a date on which a vote may be had. Leaders on both sides said the discussions still were in the preliminary stages. Proponents expressed the hope, however, that an agreement could be reached so that it would be unnecessary to undertake enforcement of the cloture rule.

FIRE RUINS ARTIC PLANE

Loss in Detroit Blaze Will Not Delay Start of Expedition

Detroit, Mich.—A Stout all-metal, three-engined airplane, just completed for use in the Detroit Arctic expedition, was destroyed when fire wrecked the experimental laboratory at the Ford airport at Dearborn, a suburb. The loss of the plane will not serve to delay the starting of the expedition Capt. George H. Wilkins, commander, said.

The machine barely had been completed. Engineers had been working on it day and night to get it ready for the hop-off from Point Barrow, Alaska, tentatively set for March 21.

Burkhart Free in Osage Case
Guthrie, Okla.—"I'm going the other way for a while now." With this statement Ernest Burkhart climbed into a luxurious limousine at Guthrie city jail and a few minutes later he was registered at a local hotel with his wife as "Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Burkhart, Fairfax." Burkhart, nephew of W. K. "Billy" Hale, "king of the Osage hills," and alleged ring leader in Osage murders has been held for complicity in the murders himself, but the case against him has been dropped.

SAMUEL KNIGHT



Samuel Knight of San Francisco was nominated by President Coolidge as special counsel in proceedings to oust the oil companies from the naval oil reserves in California.

1,600 PERILED IN "L" CRASH

GIRL KILLED; MORE THAN FIFTY OTHERS INJURED

Train Runs Into Rear of Steel Coach on Bridge High Above the East River

New York, N. Y.—High above the icy waters of the East River, a Brooklyn-Manhattan elevated train crashed into another stalled in a heavy fog on Williamsburg bridge, causing the death of one passenger, a 5 year old girl, and injuries to more than fifty others.

About 1,600 passengers were in the trains. They scrambled wildly for safety, men, women and children being trampled as they strove to get out of the darkened cars.

Creeping onto the bridge from Brooklyn, one of the trains, consisting of eight steel cars, had moved cautiously to the middle of the bridge when it stalled. The motorman of the second train, consisting of wooden cars, proceeded across the bridge, believing the tracks to be clear.

Passengers in both trains, filled to capacity, were thrown into a panic by a deafening crash. The moving train had plowed into the end of the stalled train. Windows were shattered and lights in both trains went out.

A charge of homicide has been placed against John Stinner, motorman of the moving train. He is in Bellevue hospital.

GETS DURKIN IN ST. LOUIS

Chicago Murderer, Sought in Nationwide Search, Held With Woman

St. Louis, Mo.—Martin Durkin, Chicago murderer, sought in a nationwide search, was arrested by department of justice agents here upon his arrival from San Antonio.

Durkin admitted his identity. Two revolvers were found in his train drawing room. He was accompanied by a woman.

Durkin, who is wanted for the murders of a department of justice operative, a policeman and a civilian, was overpowered before he could make use of his revolvers. His identity was made virtually certain by comparison with photographs and descriptions.

The woman arrested with him, an attractive blonde, at first said she was Miss Irma Sullivan, 18 years old, of Cornell, Ill., but later said she had married Durkin in East St. Louis two weeks ago, Durkin giving the name of "Dukey."

PLAN HUGE BOMBING PLANE

New Aircraft Will Carry 9,000 Pounds Load 135 Miles Per Hour

New York, N. Y.—Details of a giant new bombing plane, to be powered with a 1,200-horse power motor, now under construction, were disclosed by Thomas H. Muff, at a special meeting of the Aeronautic Executive association. It is expected to develop a speed of 135 miles an hour and will carry enough fuel for a twenty-four hour flight. The plane will be capable of making a non-stop flight from New York to London, Huff asserted. It will weigh approximately 17,000 pounds and will carry a load of 9,000 pounds.

Grandstand Crash Toll to Five.
Pasadena, Calif.—The fifth death caused by the collapse of a grandstand here New Year's day occurred when Dr. Charles J. Ellis, 72 years old, a retired dentist of Fredonia, N. Y., succumbed to injuries received in the crash.

Diamond Found In Potato.
Alexandria, La.—When M. W. Hammer, storekeeper at the Missouri Pacific railway shops here, thrust a fork into a baked sweet potato, it met an unpotato-like substance. Exploration disclosed a diamond. A diamond was found in a turkey in New Orleans during the Christmas season.

Nye Is Seated As Senator.
Washington, D. C.—The senate voted to seat Gerald P. Nye, a senator from North Dakota.

JARDIN GIVES VIEW ON CROPS

SURPLUS PROBLEM EXISTS SAYS AGRICULTURE HEAD

"About Face" Is Plain Reaction Ranges From Strong Disapproval to Warm Endorsement

Urbana, Ill.—Admitting that the "agricultural surplus problem" does exist and that it can be solved, William M. Jardine, secretary of agriculture, went a step farther than his chief, President Coolidge, and in an address before the Illinois Agricultural association here, indicated a changing attitude in Washington.

Before the American Farm Bureau federation in Chicago, December 1, President Coolidge virtually denied there was "a surplus problem." His secretary of agriculture admitted that surplus production was pulling down agricultural prices and pleaded for "sympathetic consideration" while the government grappled with the "undeniable economic conditions back of the problem."

Makes More Democrats

S. H. Thompson, Quincy, Ill., whose election as president of the American Farm Bureau federation was regarded among Illinois farmers as a reaction from President Coolidge's address in Chicago, and who criticized the president as "ignorant of true conditions," declined to comment on Secretary Jardine's address.

The farmers applauded Jardine only once when he declared "the community at large must be made to understand the case for agriculture in terms of national welfare rather than partisan gain. The farmer must be given an equality of opportunity because, in the long run, that is not only good for him, but it is the best thing for the country."

NEW 65 STORY BUILDING

Highest Structure Started; to House Church, Hotel, Hospital, Bank.

New York, N. Y.—Work on a 65-story building, which will be eight feet taller than the Woolworth building and consequently the tallest in the world, was begun at 122nd street and Broadway.

The structure will be known as the Christian Missionary building and is being erected by Oscar E. Konkle, president of the Realty Sureties, Inc. It is to house a hotel, a church, a hospital, and a bank.

Ten per cent of the earnings of the building have been dedicated by Konkle to found and maintain a medical missionary base, in gratitude for the recovery from illness of his son, Howard Konkle, who is studying at Colgate university to become a medical missionary.

The construction cost of the entire building is estimated at \$14,000,000. The hotel in the building will have 4,500 rooms. The top price will be \$21 a week. Drinking and smoking will be banned in the building. The hospital will be on the top floor. A non-denominational church will be on the main floor. There will be twelve roof gardens. The building is to be 800 feet high and will have a ground area of more than 45,000 square feet.

AVIATION GIVEN MILLIONS

Mining Magnate Sees Great Future for Commercial Flying in U. S.

New York, N. Y.—Donation of \$2,500,000 to aid in advancement of aeronautics and aviation in this country was announced by Daniel Guggenheim, banker and mining man, who gave \$500,000 last year for establishment of a school of aeronautics at New York university.

He expressed the desire that the fund be restricted to civil activities and that work which is properly a government function be avoided.

The fund will be administered by the Daniel Guggenheim fund for the promotion of aviation, the trustees of which will be "men of eminence and competence," Guggenheim announced. He said he immediately would place \$500,000 at the disposal of the trustees and would supply further funds, up to an additional total of \$2,000,000 when, in the judgment of the trustees, it could be used wisely to promote the aims of the fund.

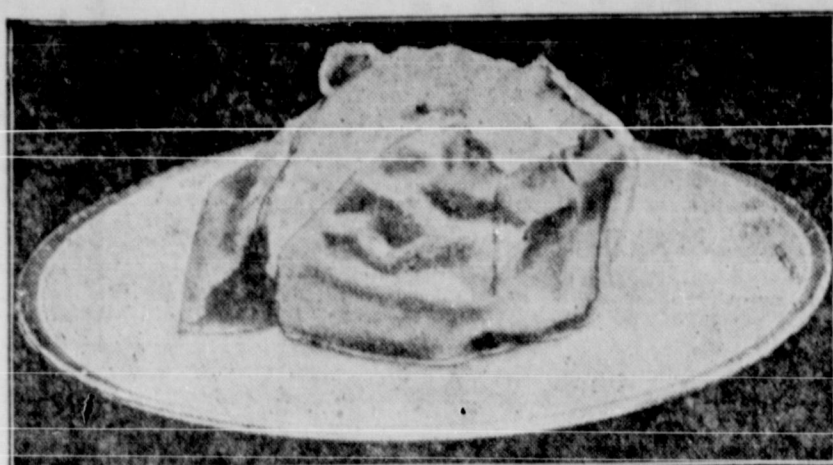
Hypnotism Offsets Poisons

Stockholm.—By means of hypnotic suggestion, which made subjects believe that poisons administered to them were nothing but water, Dr. Henry Marcus and Dr. Ernest Sahlgren, Stockholm scientists, have been able to offset to a marked degree the effects of the poisons of the human system. This was done in a series of experiments at the Karolinska Medical institute to determine the effect of hypnotism on organic diseases. The scientists put three subjects into hypnotic sleep and then administered drugs, carefully recording the effects on blood pressure and pulse, both with and without "suggestion."

Waistline Makes It Male Debut.

London.—The "waistline" in dress not only is being waived for women, but man is adopting the idea. Youths about town are wearing double-breasted reefer coats with a sharp waistline, and the latest dress and dinner jackets are cut on the same lines. For the fat man, the stores are selling "obesity girdles," so that they can wear clothes giving an appearance of a "waist," while "banting" also has become popular.

APPLES BAKED IN MANY APPETIZING WAYS



A Baked Apple Never Fails to Appeal.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Baked apples, at first thought, are just baked apples—scrubbed, cored, left with the peel on, and having each cavity filled with sugar, and a bit of butter, perhaps, and baked with a very little water in the pan to keep them from scorching. Apples baked in this way should, of course, be basted occasionally with the sirup that forms the water, apple juice, and sugar. If a variety of apples is used which is also good for jelly making, such as the Maiden Blush, Jonathan, Tompkins King, or Northern Spy, and if care is taken not to add too much water, this sirup will be more or less jellied when the apples are tender and cooled.

Baking in Skins.

Baking apples in their skins is but one way of baking them. Some people like to pare the apples as well as to core them, and to bake them in a heavy sirup, with a suggestion of lemon or spice flavoring, or both. They may be immersed in the sirup, or simply set in a small amount of it and basted frequently. Pared apples may be baked on squares or rounds of bread, with the crusts removed, set in a little sirup which is used for

basting. The bread becomes saturated with the jellied sirup. To make these look very attractive, a little red vegetable coloring may be added to the sirup and a candied cherry or cranberry set on top. These apples are good without cream, but extra fine if you have it.

Stuffing in Cores.

Whether pared or cooked in their skins, apples to be baked may have the cores replaced by various stuffings, such as nut meats, chopped raisins, figs, dates, or combinations of these fillings, or by preserves of distinctive flavor such as apricot or orange marmalade, strawberry jam, grape jelly, or plum preserve. A glass pie plate is useful for baking apples, because it can be brought to the table without transferring the apples to another dish, and without loss of the sirup.

Use of Spices.

As people generally are very decided about the flavoring used on cooked apples—those who like them plain never agree with those who like them speed—it is well for the housekeeper to make a few inquiries before she sprinkles her apples with cinnamon or nutmeg.

TO GET MOST FROM FAMILY'S DOLLARS

Co-Operation Is Necessary to Get Best Results.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Most farm women try to stretch their housekeeping dollars as far as possible, but their skill in this art varies widely. This is shown by cost of living studies made by the Department of Agriculture. Many farm families fail to get the quantity of vegetables and fruits that could be had from the farm at low cost in comparison with the market prices of these products.

Less than one-half of the total amount of food products consumed by 110 farm families in New London, Conn., in 1923 was furnished by the farms. The remainder was provided by direct purchase. Similar high percentages of purchased as compared with farm-grown table supplies have been recorded in other localities. Farm families, it is declared, could live more cheaply were their meals better planned and prepared, and provided to a greater extent from the farm and the garden.

Savings are often possible, says the department, through more efficient use of fuel and household supplies. Sometimes waste in the use of the automobile and excessive auto operation costs can be lessened. Expenditures for education and "advancement" are desirable, but money for these purposes should not be spent lavishly, merely because the purpose is regarded as educational or spiritual.

One way of stretching the dollar is by setting up a definite goal for family improvement. Failure to plan expenditures often means that vital needs, such as those for insurance, health and recreation, cannot be met. When all members of the farm family understand where the family income goes and co-operate in attaining a definite goal in family living, a given amount of money will go much further. In the Connecticut study the average annual expenditure of 110 families was found to be \$1,492, compared with \$1,540 for 182 families in Ohio, \$1,069 for 472 families in Iowa and \$1,558 for 187 families in Alabama. Only 4.6 per cent of the Connecticut farm homes studied were completely modern. Expenditure for advancement averaged \$81 per family, or 5.4 per cent of the total value of goods consumed. This proportion was lower than that of the families in Alabama and Iowa, but slightly higher than that of the families in Ohio.

Watch Bacon Carefully if You Wish It Crisp

Frying bacon so that it is thoroughly delicious and crisp, though unburned, is a hard thing to accomplish, according to the United States Department of Agriculture.

Frying bacon so that it is crisp is chiefly a matter of getting the water and excess fat out of it. In order not to burn it, one should be very careful that neither the bacon nor the fat in the pan becomes overheated. Throughout the process the fat should remain a light brown color and should not be allowed to get dark brown. It is easier therefore, to cook it slowly.

To be crisp bacon does not need to drain while it is cooking. It can even be fried in deep fat with excellent results. But after it is cooked and has been taken from the pan it should be thoroughly drained while still hot, then served promptly.

Beans May Be Cooked in Several Different Ways

Baked beans may be cooked in many ways. Here is a recipe furnished by the United States Department of Agriculture:

Cook the dried beans gently until the skins begin to break, then drain off the water. Put a layer of beans in a bean pot or deep earthen dish, and on this layer, in the center of the dish, place a piece of salt pork ("streak of fat and streak of lean") having the rind side up, using for one quart of beans a half pound of pork; the rind should be scored. Fill up the dish with the beans, and add seasonings and water to cover the beans.

The simplest seasoning for beans is one tablespoonful of salt and a half teaspoonful of pepper to a quart of beans. Mix the salt and pepper with the water. If liked, a tablespoonful of mustard may be added, as well as an onion and a tablespoonful or more of molasses. Instead of the pork a piece of salt or fat beef or mutton may be employed. In this case there should be from 1½ to 2 pounds of the meat to a quart of beans. If fresh meat be used, add more salt to the beans. If salt meat is used, probably one teaspoonful of salt will be enough. When mutton is employed, trim off every particle of the skin.

Bake the beans in a very moderate oven for eight or ten hours. Add a little boiling water from time to time, but never enough to bring the water beyond the top of the beans. Any kind of bean may be baked in this manner. However, the small pea bean is the best for "Boston baked beans." The lima and large white beans are best for the deep earthen dish. Do not cover the beans while baking.

Other flavors liked with baked beans are those supplied by tomato sauce, tomato catsup, brown gravy, and mushroom sauce.

Bacon Gives Needed Zest to Various Other Foods

By using bacon frequently the housewife adds greatly to the flavor and interest of the food she serves, points out the United States Department of Agriculture. Bacon can be cooked and served with greens and beans, and used to garnish and give flavor to many vegetables, poultry and meat dishes. A small amount previously cooked and cut up makes any soup tastier. Bacon with eggs, scrambled or fried, is hearty enough for a dinner dish occasionally.

Savory rolls made out of chopped meat, such as beef and pork minced, a round steak, are improved by laying over them thin slices of bacon, which keep the surface moistened with fat during the baking. These slices should be scored on the edge, so that they will not curl up in cooking. The bacon is particularly needed for flavor and fat when the chopped meat is chiefly beef. Two or three slices of bacon placed under the roll in the baking pan will prevent the meat from sticking and add to the fat available for gravy-making.

Choice and Common Beef

"Choice" beef has an abundance of white, firm fat, a bright attractive red color in the lean, and is firm and dry, yet velvety to the touch. "Common" beef has a scanty covering of dark or yellowish fat, a dark or blackish red lean, and is soft, wet, and glistening. These differences are the signs by which a housewife can determine the character of the meat purchased, says the United States Department of Agriculture.

MOTHER!

Clean Child's Bowels with "California Fig Syrup"



Hurry Mother! Even a fretful, bilious, constipated child loves the pleasant taste of "California Fig Syrup" and it never fails to cleanse the bowels and sweeten the stomach. A teaspoonful today may prevent a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.



Banish Pimples By Using Cuticura Soap to Cleanse Ointment to Heal Try our new Shaving Stick.

Amen

It was the week before Christmas. Father had gone on a short business trip, and Jimmie asked whether he might say grace at breakfast. Into the silence that followed he prayed earnestly and impressively:

"Dear Father, we thank Thee for the rest and protection of the past night. We thank Thee for the food that is before us. We thank Thee for the department stores and all we can get in them. Now then."

And nothing could persuade Jimmie that that was not the way in which his father ended his prayers.

The fearful unbelief is unbelief in yourself.—Caryl.

IS IT CATARRH?

Oden, Ark.—"About four years ago I was troubled with catarrh in the head and with indigestion. My doctor did me no good. Finally I wrote to Dr. Pierce and when I received an answer I sent for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, Pleasant Pellets, and Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy, also a Nasal Irrigator. I commenced to doctor myself and had good success. I'm sure I would not have been living if I hadn't obtained relief. I am 64 years of age. I tell every one who has catarrh to consult Dr. Pierce, as he surely helped me."—J. W. Ledbetter. All dealers. Write Dr. Pierce, President Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for free advice.

Creaky Knees Quickly Limber Up

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W. N. U., Oklahoma City, No. 4-1926

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Record in Life Insurance

Close to \$15,500,000,000 in new life insurance was written in 1925, more than eight times as much as a year's business 25 years ago. Uncle Sam's people now carry \$72,000,000,000 life insurance, which is probably a world's record for that kind of providence and common sense.—Capper's Weekly.

To Have a Clear, Sweet Skin
Touch pimples, redness, roughness or itching, if any, with Cuticura Ointment, then bathe with Cuticura Soap and hot water. Rinse, dry gently and dust on a little Cuticura Talcum to leave a fascinating fragrance on skin. Everywhere 25c each.—Advertisement.

Select Own Coffins

In many parts of China and Japan "coffin shops" are to be seen on the principal streets. These people like to make early preparations for their demise by purchasing their coffins. The shops show an attractive line of samples from which to make selection.

When You Catch Cold Rub on Musterole

Musterole is easy to apply with the fingers and works right away. Often it prevents a cold from turning into "flu" or pneumonia. It does all the good work of grandmother's mustard plaster without the blister.

Musterole is a clean, white ointment, made of oil of mustard and other home remedies. It is recommended by many doctors and nurses. Try Musterole for sore throat, cold on the chest, rheumatism, lumbago, pleurisy, stiff neck, bronchitis, asthma, neuralgia, congestion, pains and aches of the back and joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frost-bites—colds of all sorts.

To Mothers: Musterole is also made in milder form for babies and small children. Ask for Children's Musterole.



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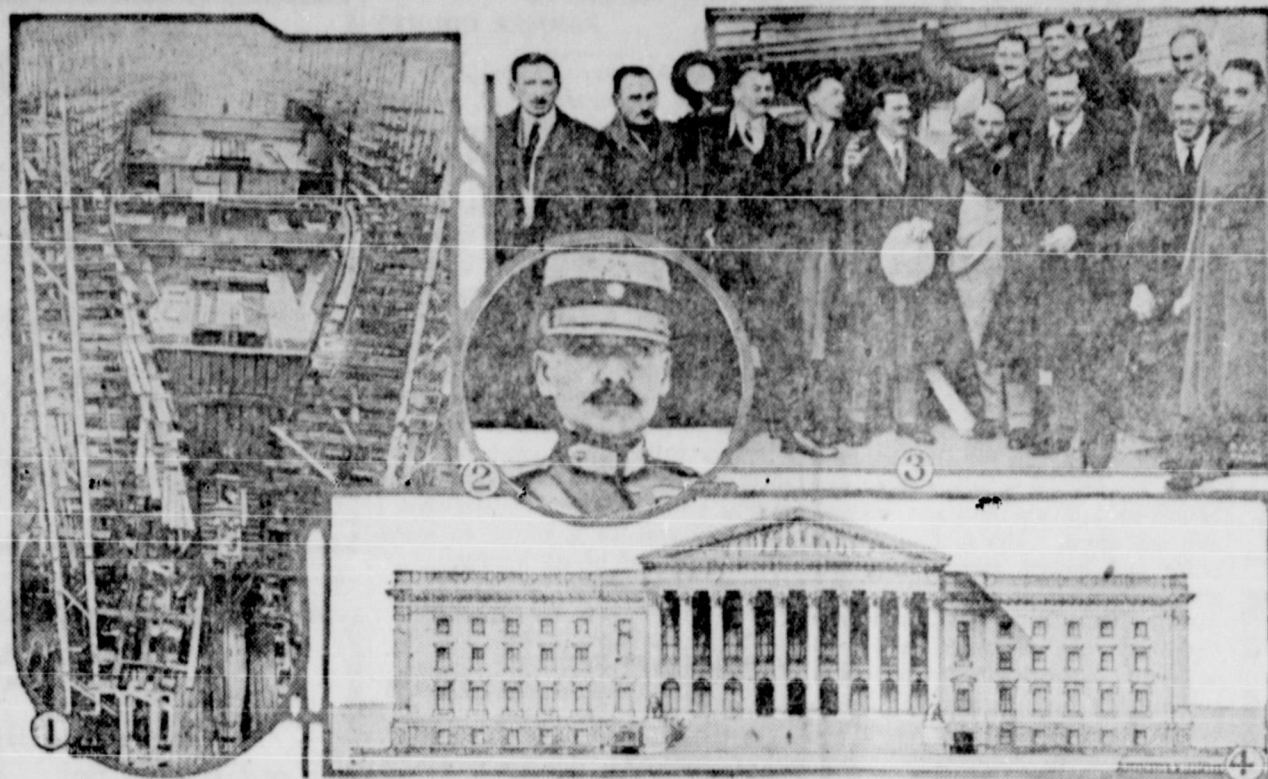
May—I married Jack because I thought he was a dreamer.
June—And now?
May—Now I find he is simply a sleeper.—Madrid Buen Humor.

No ugly, grimy streaks on the clothes when Red Cross Ball Blue is used. Good bluing gets good results. All grocers carry it.—Advertisement.

Three in One

A Chicagoan is to marry the girl who nursed him when he had heart trouble. Looks like a case of cause, effect and cure.

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1—Steamship Malolo, fastest and largest passenger boat ever built in the United States, as she looks on the ways in Cramp's shipyard, Philadelphia; she will be on the San Francisco-Honolulu run. 2—Gen. T. H. Pangalos, who has proclaimed himself dictator of Greece. 3—Venetian gondoliers imported to man the gondolas at Coral Gables, Fla. 4—Design for proposed new State Department building in Washington.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Test Vote Indicates World Court Resolution Will Win in the Senate.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

WHAT was regarded as a test vote on the world court proposition was taken in the senate Wednesday and it indicated that the upper house will pass the resolution for American adherence to the tribunal. The vote was on Senator Reed's resolution calling for an investigation of the financing of the world court propaganda. The foreign relations committee reported against the Missouriian's measure on the ground that the proposed inquiry "would tend to delay action on the world court proposal." Reed then presented his resolution to the senate, and made a characteristic speech accusing the international bankers, especially the house of Morgan, of putting up the money for the propaganda and attacking the settlements of foreign war debts. His resolution was defeated by a vote of 54 to 16.

The senators voting for an investigation which many of them declared they welcomed because, as they said, it would "show up the world court" were:

Ashurst (Dem., Ariz.), Blaine (Dem., S. C.), Borah (Rep., Idaho), Brookhart (Rep., Iowa), Dill (Dem., Wash.), Frazier (Rep., N. D.), Harrell (Rep., Okla.), Hiram Johnson (Rep., Cal.), Howell (Rep., Neb.), La Follette (Rep., Wis.), McMaster (Rep., S. D.), McNary (Rep., Ore.), Norris (Rep., Neb.), James Reed (Dem., Mo.), Schall (Rep., Minn.), and Wheeler (Dem., Mont.).

Opponents of American membership in the court admitted after this that the adhesion resolution probably would be carried, but they were planning to delay the final vote as long as possible, hoping to "educate the country" on what they call "the crime of the world court's Mosul decision," and other "injustices" with which they charge the court and other "menaces" which they see in it.

Senator Bruce of Maryland rather dismayed the world court advocates Tuesday by frankly declaring the resolution was a step toward American membership in the League of Nations. Said he:

"The entry of the United States into the world court would doubtless be followed eventually by its entry into the League of Nations. . . . Nothing can commit us to the full extent of our international duty except membership in the League of Nations. . . . In other words, I am for the world court with or without the League of Nations; preferably with it, but cordially even without it." Senator Willis of Ohio, who the day before had made an eloquent speech in favor of the court, was heard to say sadly: "We can take care of our enemies, but God save us from our friends."

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE sent a special message to congress announcing the government's plans for participation in the preliminary disarmament conference called by the League of Nations and asking for an appropriation of \$50,000 to defray the expenses of the American delegation. The house foreign affairs committee promptly adopted a resolution authorizing this expenditure and rejected an amendment to instruct the American delegates to present a resolution to outlaw nations that start wars of aggression.

In his message the President said: "Participation in the work of the preparatory commission involves no commitment with respect to attendance upon any future conference or conferences on reduction and limitation of armaments; and the attitude of this government in that regard cannot be defined in advance of the calling of such meetings."

While stating that in his opinion this is neither the time nor the place to discuss the agenda of the prepara-

tory commission or to assess the prospects of any conference which may later be convened, the President said he understood that all aspects of the question of disarmament will be thoroughly discussed before plans are completed for a later conference.

"The council of the League of Nations believes," said the President, "that the time has come for studying the practical possibilities of the reduction and limitation of armaments and expresses the hope that at this time, when all the nations of the world are convinced of a common need, it will be able to count on the co-operation of the government of the United States in a work which so closely concerns the peace of the world."

INVESTIGATION of the artificial control of the prices of rubber, coffee, Egyptian long staple cotton, camphor, iodine, nitrates, potash, mercury and sisal was begun by the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce. It is largely aimed at Great Britain's governmentally monopolized production of rubber and Brazil's control of coffee. Secretary Hoover was the first witness, and in a long and carefully prepared statement he declared the conditions under inquiry constituted "a growing menace in international commerce and relations."

What he has learned of the secrets of governments which have set out to enrich their nationals at the expense of America, Mr. Hoover deemed too sensational and inflammatory to submit to the committee in open session. He asked and was accorded an executive session in which he told the committee the inside story of these governmental manipulations and gave information on others now being contemplated. To have disclosed these matters openly, Mr. Hoover feared, would provoke international discord.

Secretary Hoover revealed, among other things, that the Coolidge administration had sought without success to induce Great Britain, Brazil, and the other nations involved to abandon manipulation of the production and price of the commodities in question. He opposed reprisals or other offensive measures.

THE house passed the first of the annual appropriation measures, that for the Post Office and Treasury departments, carrying a total of \$897,000,000, including the allotments for the enforcement of prohibition. Bills were introduced in both houses to authorize appropriations of \$150,000,000 for public buildings, one-third of which shall be spent in Washington.

REPRESENTATIVE KING and Senator McKinley, both of Illinois, have introduced their measures designed to relieve the farmer. The King bill would create a government corporation with a capital of \$200,000,000 to take loans for agricultural purposes. McKinley's bill seeks to place farm commodities on a tariff equality with other commodities and provides for the issuance of export equalization debentures to stimulate exportation of farm products. The debentures would be negotiable and would be received by the treasury at par in payment of import duties.

NEARLY all the house amendments to administrative provisions of the new revenue bill were approved by the senate finance committee, which then recessed to permit the Democrats to prepare their tax program. This program will provide for a total tax reduction of \$400,000,000 instead of the \$325,000,000 provided for in the house bill. Secretary Mellon says the latter amount should not be exceeded.

WAR debt settlements made with Italy, Rumania, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Latvia and Estonia were approved by the house ways and means committee, but that with Italy will be opposed on the floor of the house by a considerable number of representatives, led by Ralney of Illinois and Hull of Tennessee. They intend to tell congress what they think of the Mussolini dictatorship. The Rumanian settlement has resulted in the recall of Prince Bibesco, minister to Washington, who will be given another post.

GEN. T. H. PANGALOS, premier of Greece, set up a dictatorship for that country with himself at its head and postponed indefinitely the senatorial elections which had been the cause of political trouble. Next day he formally declared the Greek republican constitution null and void and explained that his action was made necessary by the quarrels of parliamentary politicians. He was supported by the army, but the navy was holding off. Later Pangalos said he had discovered a plot for the return of King George to the throne. His first repressive measure was directed against the monasteries.

HUNGARY is "enjoying" one of the greatest sensations of recent years. A conspiracy to forge thirty billions of French francs was uncovered and one of the first men arrested was Prince Ludwig Windischgratz, head of one of the oldest and most illustrious families in the country. He confessed and other prominent men were taken into custody, including noblemen and army officers and the chief of the state police. Apparently the state printing machinery was used by the forgers. The Social Democrats assert the fascist of Hungary engineered the plot to get funds for a movement to place Archduke Albert on the throne. He has been seeking that honor but the legitimists, headed by Premier Count Bethlen, have insisted that the crown should go to Prince Otto, the little son of the late Emperor Charles.

PRINCE CAROL of Rumania, having renounced his right to succeed to the throne and his membership in the royal family, retired to Milan, Italy, where it was reported he was paying devoted attentions to Mme. Magda Lupescu, the beautiful wife of a Rumanian major. To interviewers he said his action was taken "for the good of the soul," was purely personal, and that the stories to the effect that he was plotting against the Rumanian monarchy were unfounded. Among the many rumors were stories that Carol quit because his mother, Queen Marie, insisted on supporting Premier Bratianu; and that the queen had forced Carol to the act of renunciation. It was reported, however, that both Queen Marie and Princess Helene, Carol's wife, were going to Milan to try to induce him to rescind his action. Meantime the king had accepted the renunciation and Prince Michael, little son of Carol, had been proclaimed heir apparent.

QUEEN MOTHER MARGHERITA of Italy, widow of the assassinated King Humbert, died Monday at Bordighera at the age of seventy-four years. All her later years had been spent in charitable activities and she was greatly loved by the people. After an elaborate funeral in Rome her body was laid in the Pantheon beside that of her husband.

IF THE two chief warriors of China keep their words, that distracted country may have a period of peace. Marshal Chang of Manchuria, after winning a great victory over the part of his army that revolted, and gaining possession of Mukden, declared he was about to retire permanently from public life. About the same time General Feng, who had occupied Tientsin and Peking, announced his immediate retirement. Next came the official announcement that Tuan Chi-fu had prepared a mandate for his own resignation as president.

AMERICANS were considerably interested in the sudden marriage of Elin Mackay, daughter of Clarence Mackay, the multimillionaire president of the Postal Telegraph company, and Irving Berlin, once a Bowers waiter and now called the "song king." The young couple sought Mr. Mackay's approval of the marriage, but up to the time of writing he has withheld it. Indeed, it is reported in New York that he has made a new will which cuts the bride off from any share in his millions. Mr. Berlin is a Jew and Mrs. Berlin a Catholic. She is highly educated, widely traveled and has been prominent in society.

The KITCHEN CABINET

(c. 1924. Western Newspaper Union.)

"Suppose that this here vessel," says the skipper with a groan,

"Should lose her bearings, run away and bump upon a stone, Suppose she'd shiver and go down, when save ourselves we couldn't."

The mate replies:

"Oh, blow me eyes!"

"Suppose again, she shouldn't."

—Wallace Irwin.

AN APPLE A DAY

There is no reason for lack of apples in almost any market. A juicy, crisp, good-flavored apple is a fruit par excellence and enjoyed by most people.

Baked Apples With Nuts.—To twelve apples use one cupful of hickory nut meats chopped fine. Pare and core the apples. Cream a little butter and sugar and mix with the nutmeats. Fill the cavities with this mixture and bake until tender. Place a square of toasted buttered bread with the crusts removed under each apple. Serve hot or cold with whipped cream.

Baked Apples and Raisins.—Core and pare apples, fill cavities with sugar, raisins and pieces of butter. Bake fifteen minutes in the oven. Remove, fill centers with more sugar and cinnamon, adding more butter. Replace in the oven and bake with boiling water to make a syrup. Bake until the apples are soft. Serve hot with cream.

Apple Nut Mince Pie.—Take one cupful of walnut meats, two cupfuls of apple cut fine, one-half cupful of vinegar, one-half cupful of water or fruit juice, one cupful of raisins, one-half teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful of allspice, one-half teaspoonful of cloves, and the same of salt. Mix spices and sugar, add all to the other ingredients. Divide into two pie plates lined with pastry, cover with top crusts and bake in a hot oven.

Lemon Sauce.—Take two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch, one cupful of sugar; when well-blended add two cupfuls of water, one and one-half tablespoonfuls of butter, the grated rind and juice of a lemon. Add flavoring and butter at the last. Serve hot. Vinegar and nutmeg may be used if lemon is not at hand.

Parlins.—Boil together one and seven-eighths cupfuls of powdered sugar, one cupful of maple sugar, one-half cupful of cream. When a soft ball is formed remove from the fire and beat until of creamy consistency; add nuts, using two cupfuls of hickory nut meats cut into pieces. Drop from a spoon on buttered sheets to cool and become firm.

Apple Ramekin.—Half fill the desired number of ramekins with apple sauce, fill the remaining space with whipped cream, cover with a rich thin pie crust and bake in a hot oven.

Homemade Candy

The candy which is made in the home is much more wholesome than the manufactured article and it is a pleasure to try the different varieties.

Velvet Molasses Candy.—Put one cupful of molasses, three cupfuls of sugar, one

cupful of boiling water and three tablespoonfuls of vinegar into a kettle to boil; when the boiling point is reached, add one-half teaspoonful of cream of tartar. Boil until when tried in cold water the mixture becomes brittle. Stir constantly during the last half of the cooking. When nearly done add one-half cupful of butter and one-fourth teaspoonful of soda. Pour into a buttered pan and pull when cool enough. While pulling add flavoring desired—peppermint, a little vanilla, lemon, or a bit of wintergreen oil.

Peanut Candy.—Take two pounds of brown sugar, twelve tablespoonfuls of butter and melt in a smooth omelet pan. Roll a pound of peanuts which have been shelled and the brown skins removed, with a rolling pin until the nuts are like coarse bread crumbs. When the sugar and butter begins to boil, cook, stirring occasionally to keep from burning, for seven minutes, then add the peanuts, a bit of salt and pour out into a buttered tin to cool. Break up into pieces when cold.

Chocolate Caramels.—Put two and one-half tablespoonfuls of butter into a kettle; when melted, add two cupfuls of molasses, one cupful of brown sugar, one-half cupful of milk. Stir until the sugar is dissolved and when the boiling point is reached add three squares of chocolate, stirring constantly until the chocolate is melted. Roll until a firm ball can be made with a bit dropped into cold water. Add a teaspoonful of vanilla after taking from the fire. Turn into a buttered mold and mark off in squares.

Apple Cake.—Take one pint of sifted flour, three level teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one-half teaspoonful of salt, all well sifted. Cream one-fourth of a cupful of butter, add one-half cupful of sugar, one egg yolk well-beaten and a cupful of milk. Mix as usual, add one heaping cupful of thinly sliced apple, and the stiffly beaten egg white. Bake in a shallow pan about half an hour. Serve with cream and sugar.

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More No-Horse Streets

Los Angeles is the first city to bar the horse from certain streets. Now Washington permits no horse-drawn vehicles on four of its congested boulevards. Other cities are likely to establish horse-prohibited streets, and it may be, in years to come, that thousands of city children will have to go to the zoo to see a horse as they now do to see a cow.—Capper's Weekly.

To insure glistening-white table linens, use Red Cross Ball Blue in your laundry. It never disappoints. At all good grocers.—Advertisement.

Fool Query Well Answered

Two women were being shown about an asylum for the insane. One mustered up enough courage to address a patient, and being curious to know if he realized where he was, asked: "Is this a hospital for the insane?" To this tactless question, the patient quickly replied: "No, ma'am, this is a hospital for the intelligent."

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LETTER FROM CHINA.

(Continued from Page 1.)

friends in rich clothes, on foot or in carriages. The band of musicians are also in line.

Today we went to a wedding. The marriage of Dr. Lin, one of the teachers in the Methodist Bible School, and a wealthy lady, beautiful and pretty and rich. I don't know any other accomplishments but doubtless she has them. The wedding was in the Methodist church according to the Methodist ceremony, but in Chinese. The officiating minister was Dr. Cheres, one of the professors of Math. in the Pekin University. The church wedding was followed by the

usual Chinese ceremonials. The bride came to the church dressed (the automobile, I mean) in gaily colored ribbons so as to resemble the red sedan chairs in which the rich brides in olden times came to their weddings. The procession consisted of the bride, her relatives and her friends; was preceded by a brass band which played eastern music considerably easternized. The bride entered the church accompanied by six little flower girls dressed in beautiful but harmonious colors; also by her bridesmaids. The bride wore a rich silk dress brocade, I think they call it something else I guess. The cavalcade marched down the aisle to the tune of the wedding march (Mendelssohn) and met the groom there. As she en-

tered everybody, or nearly everybody, turned to get a good view, and as she proceeded they allowed their curiosity to so far overcome them that most people were standing by the time she reached the altar. The ceremony seemed impressive. After the religious ceremony was over,

a Chinese, who was the main guy, arose and the usual Chinese ceremonial was performed. The relatives of the groom arose and at a signal from the main guy, they bowed three times to the happy couple who returned the slow courtly bow. The solemnity was gone and at one of the signals everybody laughed aloud. They didn't guffaw but they laughed. Then the bride's relatives arose and bowed twice to the just made as one, and sat down. The mutual friends arose and bowed once. The piano struck up the wedding march, the wedding started for the door slowly but there was so much craning of necks and so much hurry of others to get outside through the side doors before the party did that there was much confusion. Once upon the outside they were surrounded by friends. A little later the picture of all was made. The new-made man and wife entered the sedan automobile and led by the band went to one of the popular and well-appointed clubs, called the Club of Happiness, for a Chinese feast. There were about 250 guests invited there. They were served a Chinese feast of Chinese food. There were round tables at which ten or twelve people sat. Instead of having dining rooms large and square as we do, the rooms are only about fourteen feet wide and interminably long. During the meal the bride and groom went to each table, and made a deep bow, which, of course, was returned by the guests.

(Continued Next Week.)

It might be that the girls would voluntarily give up smoking if they could be prevailed on to try a few of the cigars the men folks received Christmas. — Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Louis XVI was fastidious in some things but not all. Disliking the prevailing style of oblong handkerchiefs he issued a decree ordering manufacturers to make them square, and square they have remained.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE—2,000 bundles of kaffir corn and 2,500 bundles of sorghum with grain on. 13 miles south-east of Friona. Herbert Gothe, Friona, Texas. 2td

FOR SALE—Six good, heavy work horses. See Chess Waltman at the old Davis place, nine miles west of Friona.

FOR SALE—40 pure bred Rhode Island Red pullets. All spring layers. Prices 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Mrs. Tom Greene, Friona, Texas. Nine miles due west of town.

WANTED—Truck hauling to do. Any kind, any time, night or day. Call Hix Service Station. B. E. Sanders.

FOR SALE—480 acres near Friona, also 160 acres. A 400 acre tract west of Bovina. All good level land. John Sigmund, Arkansas Pass, Texas. 4tp

WANTED—I have a fine Mammoth Bronze Tom which I want to exchange for one of the same breed. Mrs. Charles Schlenker, Friona.

WANTED—Cattle to pasture. I have some good stalk pasture and three large piles of cane and kafir pummies. I can care for 100 head of stock for two months. N. B. Morton, Friona, Texas.

FOR SALE—160 acres good land six miles north of Friona. Good fence and well. All in cultivation. \$30.00 per acre. Terms to suit purchaser. L. F. Lillard, Friona, Tex.

FOUND—Good fountain pen on street near Friona post office. Owner may have same by calling at Short's Filling Station and paying for this ad.

WANTED—A good medical doctor to locate at Friona.

WANTED—Your subscriptions for magazines and all popular publications. See Geneva Jones, Friona.

WE WANT—To cure your wants. If it is insurance we can write you any kind, even Life Insurance. If you want a fat home or ranch land, we have them at rock bottom prices. If you have something you do not want, see our exchange department. We have central Texas farms, oil businesses, threshing rigs, plow rigs, or anything from a \$40,000 business to a Ford car, to exchange for plains farms and ranch land. Let's swap. See W. H. Jarrell & Son, Farwell, Texas.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF
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I take this means to publicly announce to the citizens of Parmer County my candidacy for re-election to the office of County and District Clerk.

It has been my purpose while serving you as a public officer to attend to the affairs of the office in an efficient manner, and to render to every person coming into contact with the clerk's office, fair and courteous treatment.

Again expressing to you my appreciation of your support in the past, I respectfully solicit your vote and influence in the coming election, assuring you should I be re-elected I will endeavor to continue to serve you to the best of my ability.

Very respectfully,

B. N. GRAHAM.

BAPTIST AID SOCIETY
MEETS WITH MRS. TRUITT

The Baptist Missionary Aid Society met with Mrs. T. S. Truitt, Jan. 4. After devotional conducted by Mrs. Truitt, our president, we hunted up our needles, thimbles and thread and went to work making a nice, warm comforter.

Our next meeting was held with Mrs. Bert Lockhart, Jan. 18, Mrs. Lockhart as hostess, 10 members being present. Devotional was conducted by Mrs. Ballard. The woman's chapter of the Bible, Proverbs 31:27, was read: "She looketh well to the ways of her household and eateth not the bread of idleness," was especially discussed. Our Easter sale, March 27, was planned and discussed. Look out for something pretty to wear and something good to eat.

The missionary program will be given Feb. 1, 2:30 p. m., and is as follows:

Devotional conducted by our president, Mrs. F. S. Truitt: Matt. 28th chapter.

Our discussion will be—"Our New Mission Field, Europe, Since the War," by our pastor, Bro. Blair.

Mrs. Pallard—"Baptist Missions Belt the Globe."

Mrs. Meade—"Spain."

Mrs. Short—"Jugo-Slavia."

Mrs. Eberling—"Russia."

Mrs. Jackson—"Hungary."

Mrs. Burton—"Italy."

Mrs. Brownlee—"Heroes of Faith."

Mrs. Lockhart—"Siberia."

Mrs. Gischler—"Palestine."

Mrs. Blair—"Roumania."

Methodist church. Everybody welcome.

Reporter.

The problem of the agricultural surplus is to take the bump out of a bumper crop.—Wichita Eagle.

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Old February and windy March both have a habit of dishing out some mighty unpleasant weather. And having to scrape the bottom of the coal bin doesn't add anything but more discomfort.

IT CAN'T SPOIL

No matter how much you have on hand, you will only burn just as much as you need—and if there is any left later on it will keep.

You'd better have a little extra fuel in the house during February and March than to wish you had.

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Belle of Tulia

Buy this flour at \$2.40 a sack.

(Absolutely GUARANTEED To Please You.)

Salmon, @ 15c per can
Pinto Beans, @ 8c per pound
Best grade ground Peaberry coffee, @ 45c per pound
5lb can Calumet baking powder, @ \$1.25 per can
1 gallon can Water Lily apricots, @ 85c per can
1 gallon can Water Lily peaches, @ 80c per can

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"One secret of getting lots of work done," said Dr. Kellogg, "is this: Finish a matter while you are at it."

First,—see the matter clearly;

Second,—face the facts squarely;

Third,—decide on some DEFINITE course of action.

NO OTHER REQUISITES

necessary in the matter of buying a home. See us about that tract of farm land or those town lots.

C. L. LILLARD Agency, Friona, Tex.

PLAINS RAISED COTTON SEED

I will have a car load of planting cotton seed here some time between the first of January and February. Running from second year half-and-half, Mebane, Koe-lar, Cash and other kinds; ranging from \$1.00 to \$1.25 per bushel. All plains raised, acclimated seed.

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