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Another Birthday

Time has registered another birthday—the world grows older—and so do we. But we need not worry; our lives may grow and expand into greater usefulness and service, if properly directed. We want to serve you in a greater measure in 1928, and we hope the year may bring you added happiness and prosperity.

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1928 CHEVROLET NOW ON DISPLAY HERE

The 1928 model Chevrolets are now on display at the Dodson Chevrolet Company here, and they are attracting much favorable comment. They have many new features, making a "bigger and better" car. The prices are also reduced, and with the added features, it will be more popular than ever, and the local dealers report a good business on new orders.

There are 25 improvements, some minor and some major. They include four wheel brakes, "Invar strut" pistons, new stream line bodies by Fisher, in the new duco colors, longer wheel base, semi-elliptic shock absorbers, larger balloon tires, Thermostat control cooling system, improved Delco-Remy distributor ignition, new crank case breathing system, theft proof steering and ignition lock, and many other features.

These new cars appear much larger and roomier than the 1927 model, and show a marked improvement, notwithstanding the price is lower. If you want to know more about this new car, the local dealers will be glad to give you all the details. We don't sell cars. We give the news.



COTTONWOOD NEWS

We sure have been having some cold weather, some say it was the coldest we have had for years.

As the weather was so cold, we failed to have Sunday School and church here last Sunday.

Mr. M. F. Ray went to Cisco Sunday and his car radiator froze and burst. Misses Tine and Annie Ellis spent part of Monday evening with Mrs. A. E. Ellis and girls.

A. E. Ellis and Jewel Ellis made a business trip to Baird Tuesday.

Our School started again Monday after a week of vacation for Christmas.

On Monday night of last week Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Ray entertained every body with a fine musical. There was a large crowd there and lots of fine music.

Tuesday morning of last week about three o'clock, Harry Coppinger's barn caught fire, he saved everything but his feed. Although his car had begun to get pretty hot it was saved.

One of our old neighbors, Mr. S. H. Thomas and family have moved back home, they moved back here from Mandow. They have bought the M. F. Ray farm north of town which joins their old home place. We have learned that while they were gone one of their boys (Harley) got married.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Thomas of Cisco were visiting here last Sunday and their car radiator froze and burst.

FAMOUS BARIOTONE TO SING HERE

Charles Rousseau proved to a large audience that an artist can choose a program of popular entertainment with out having to lower his standards of musical worth. His wonderful folk songs kept the gathering in enthusiastic applause throughout the evening. Many of the folk songs he himself gathered in his European journeys, writing them down as he heard them sung by the peasants in their native lands. Many he explained the songs and circumstances in which they were gathered and he appeared more than willing to assist his hearers in complete appreciation of program.—Cisco Daily News.

Charles Rousseau, the noted baritone appeared before a very appreciative audience. He has a great baritone voice under wonderful control and he thrilled the audience. His interpretation of folk songs was marvelous and brought forth enthusiastic applause for Rousseau and his heavier admirers were given in masterful style. In spite of the cold unheated auditorium (boiler out of commission) the and was remained throughout and even only left after having recalled the artist for four encores.—Sweetwater Reporter.

New York and Chicago Notes
Rousseau reveals power—Interpretative gifts highly developed—Rich voice of great carrying power and resonance.—Maurice Rosenfeld in Daily News.

Rousseau most favorably impressed his audience—A vibrant, virile voice, highly developed senses of style and extraordinary attainments in the vital matter of diction.—Glenn Dillard in Morain Examiner.

A true baritone voice of timbre, range and volume. Great musical appreciation and interpretative force—His voice fully capable of the finest degrees of shading. Here with Rousseau one, indeed, finds excellent singing.—Karlton Hackett in Evening Post.

Rousseau's voice is beautifully and melodiously modulated—He sings with consummate taste and is unquestionably the musician and artist to the fingertips.—Herman Devries in Evening American.

Again demonstrated to a New York audience a beautiful voice, great melodic voice, great musicianship and extraordinary prowess in folk song interpretation of many lands. His songs were wonderfully fine and clear and were never falling in quality and effect—Great evenness of powers and sings with beautiful vocal values.—Charles Watt in Music News.

Rousseau an inspired artist—fully justified all earlier eulogies of his work—He roused critics and a responsive audience to heights of enthusiasm by his wonderful historic talent and vocal mastery—Emotional inspiration of exquisite calibre pervaded his marvelous given folk songs.—They were charming and sheerly delightful and he was equally at home in music of many lands.—In fact he is one of the rare beings who possess the "divine spark" and whose singing is one of the greatest of musical enjoyments.—Agnes Beldon, renowned dramatic and musical critic.

Mr. Rousseau's folk songs are given with acting and full explanatory notes. We are quite sure that we have not had a recital like it in our city and it should prove an outstanding concert event of the season. Everyone can enjoy it.

FAMILY REUNION

A big Christmas dinner and family reunion was enjoyed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Worthy, who reside north of town, on Christmas day. All the children were present, also Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harlow of this city, and Chas Barr and family, and J. A. Brownlee. It was an event long to be remembered by all present.

GINNING REPORT

Callahan county has ginned 7,933 bales of cotton prior to Dec. 13, 1927, as compared with 10,813 for the same period last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Price of Menkel, visited Mr. and Mrs. A. Ogilvy here during holidays.

"COMRADES"

A four act play "Comrades" was staged here Thursday, Jan. 12, at school auditorium, under auspices of the American Legion. The cast was local talent—and from the interest that is being manifested, it will be staged before a packed house. Make your arrangements to be there. This play is being personally directed by O. B. Smith of Fort Worth.

APPRECIATION

I take this method of expressing my sincere appreciation for the many kind favors given me by friends and neighbors, during my late illness. I am able to be up again, and I am very grateful. You were mighty good to me, and I shall not forget it.

Yours as ever,
Marion Moore.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

A delicious turkey dinner was served at the home of E. G. Pierce and family, Christmas day. Those present were: Mrs. M. R. Pate, Ione Harris, Marvin Pierce, Eugene Forbes, and families, all of Cisco. Mr. and Mrs. H. Pierce and daughter, Ethel, were also present. All had a nice time.

Judge and Mrs. Chas. Nurdyke, of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Thad Nurdyke of Cottonwood; Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, of Rising Star; Mr. and Mrs. J. Rupert Jackson of Baird, also Mrs. Jackson's mother, Mrs. Fouch of Bloomington, Ill., visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Farmer, during the holidays.

METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor announces "LOVES LONGING" as his topic Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. Sunday night "THE MODERN PRODICAL"—A drama sermon in four parts. Breaking Home Ties.—In the Far City.—The Outcast.—The Wanderer's Return.

There will be five special musical sermons. Strangers have a special invitation. If you are not worshipping elsewhere, you have a cordial invitation to worship at the Methodist church Sunday.

Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.
Epworth League at six o'clock in the evening.

CARD OF THANKS

To the merchants of Cross Plains for their co-operation in our plan for the bazar, and especially to the men of the Ford display rooms for the comfortable corner for our display, we tender most sincere thanks. We feel that the success we met with was due largely to their help, and so we thus express our appreciation.
Mrs. Huckabee,
Mrs. Titsworth.

1928 Plans

What are your plans for the New Year? Do you contemplate building a home? Why not put your rent money in a home? Ask us about plans, specifications, etc. It will be a pleasure to serve you.

CROSS PLAINS LUMBER COMPANY

Phone 18

S. E. Jackson, Mgr.

MCCORD BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Tip Ross, contractor, has begun work on the A. H. McCord building on north Main, across from Piggy-Wiggly. When completed the building will be occupied by the Atlantic-Pacific Tea Company, operating a system of A-P stores. The building will be 25x100 feet, of brick and tile, and a modern design of construction. It will probably be several weeks yet before the building is ready for occupancy, as the contractor is still working on the Eubank and Moore buildings across the street, which will not be completed for several days yet.

Other new buildings are being considered here, and work on some of them may start any time. During this year there will be extensive improvement, and Cross Plains will continue to go forward, in spite of the fact that some are predicting to the contrary. Why not?

R. A. Watson of Route 2 was in town the last of the week, and subscribed for the Review while here.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Anderson spent Christmas in Walnut Springs.

A. J. Crabb and Ralph McNeil made a business trip to Eastland Tuesday.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. J. H. Hunt will remain pastor of the Baptist church here after a called conference Wednesday night, Dec. 28th, and while his wife is in the care of a physician he will not be in town except Saturday and Sunday of the next 30 days or so.

The Victory Sunday School Class was entertained last Thursday evening by Mrs. Murman McGowen. A few members were absent, but all that were present enjoyed themselves. 42 was played in which everyone took part. After the several games of 42 were played, refreshments were served, and enjoyed as much, if not more, than the 42.

When everyone was through with the refreshments, and had enjoyed a social chat, the class showed their appreciation to Mr. Geo. Scott for his very helpful service as class instructor by presenting him a very nice Christmas present.

We all hope Mrs. McGowen will repeat this some time in the future. We wish to thank her very much for her good will and hospitality.
—Class Reporter.

Mr. A. H. Daniells spent the holidays with home folks at Brownfield.

Mr. Eugene Williams spent the holidays with home folks in Santa Anna.

The New Year

Is here and we are making our plans to serve you with a full measure of efficiency, and we hope to merit your good will and confidence by our zealous endeavor to make you a satisfied customer. When in town, visit us. You have a special invitation and will be given a hospitable welcome.

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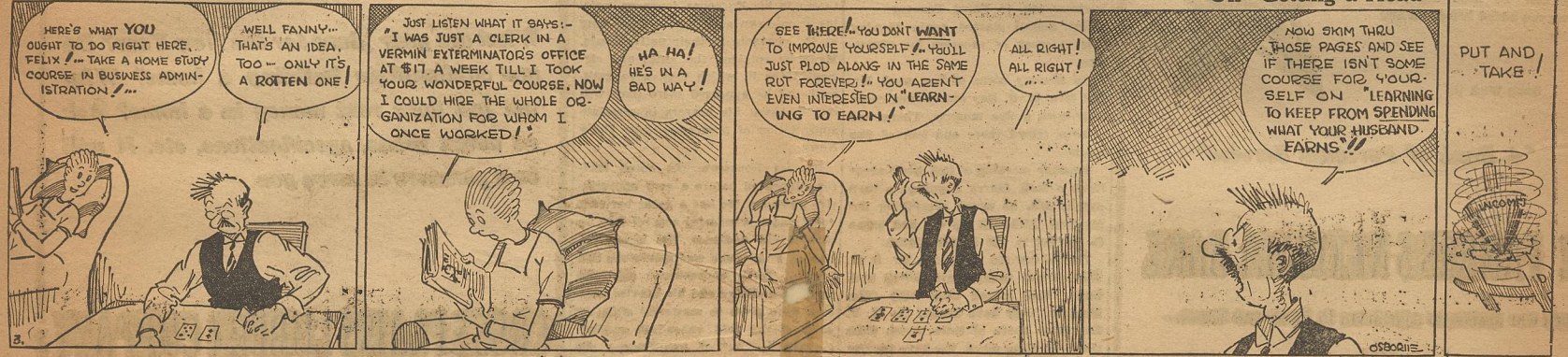
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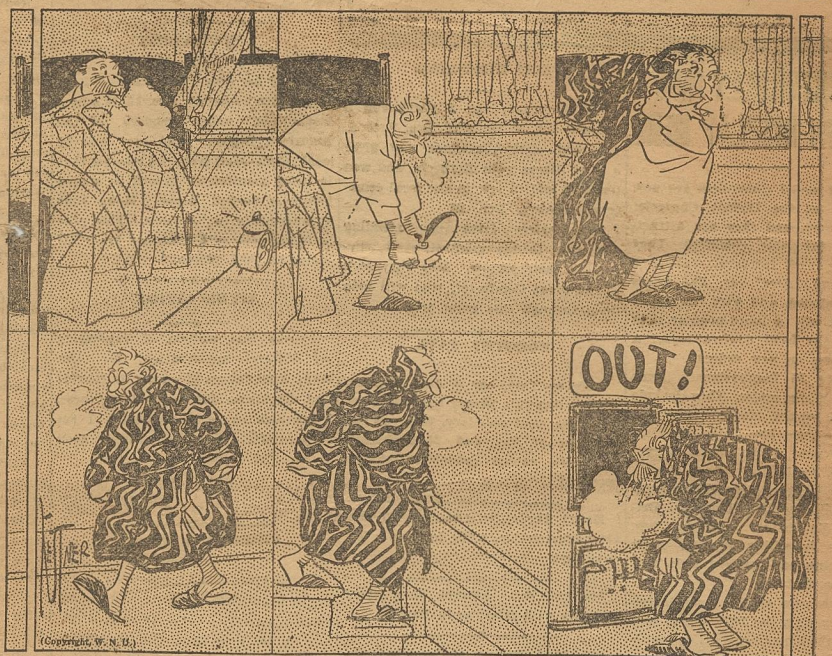
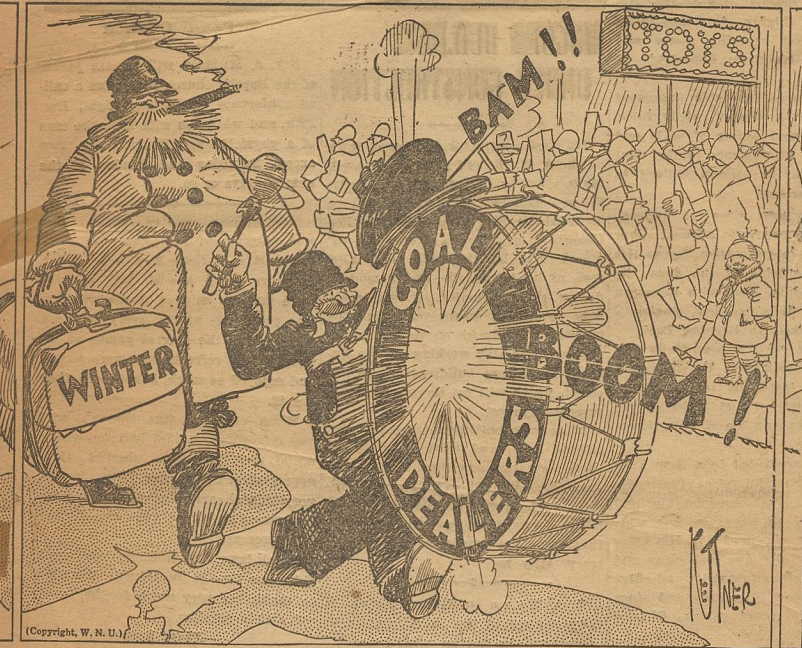
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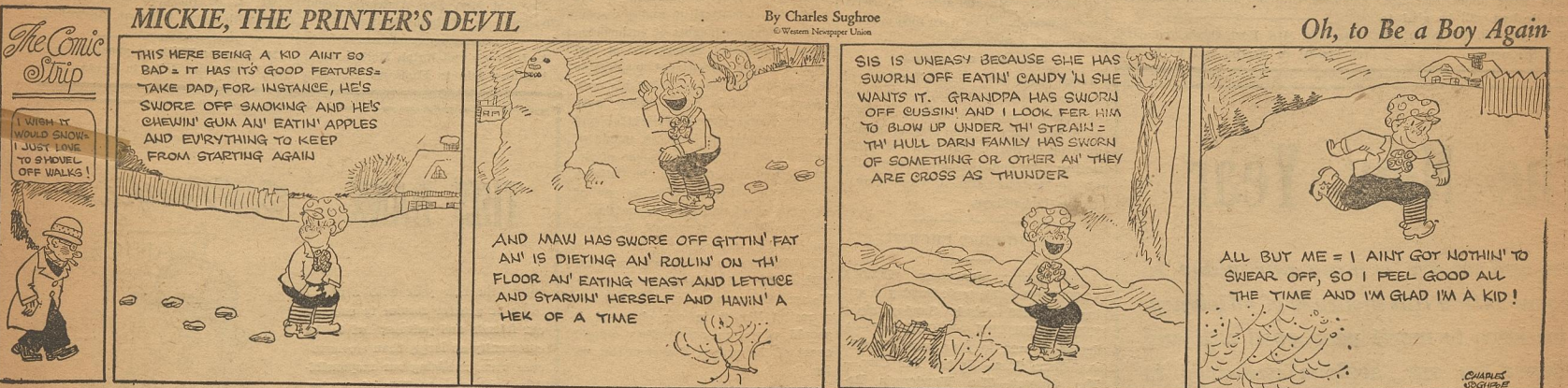
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Oh, to Be a Boy Again



The Clancy Kids

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THE BAT

A Novel from the Play

By Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood

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CHAPTER VIII—Continued

"Why certainly," agreed the doctor at once. He turned back. Miss Cornelia seemed pleased.

"I hoped you would," she said, with a little tremble in her voice such as might easily occur in the voice of a nervous old lady. "Oh, yes—here's paper—and a pencil," as the doctor fumbled in a pocket.

The doctor took the sheet of paper she proffered and, using the side of his bag as a pad, began to write out the prescription.

"I don't generally advise these drugs," he said, looking up for a moment. "Still—"

He paused. "What time is it?"

Miss Cornelia glanced at the clock. "Half past eleven."

"Then I'd better bring you the powders myself," decided the doctor.

"The pharmacy closes at eleven. I shall have to make them up myself."

"That seems a lot of trouble."

"Nothing is any trouble if I can be helpful," he assured her, smilingly. And Miss Cornelia also smiled, took the piece of paper from his hand, glanced at it once, as if out of idle curiosity about the unfinished prescription and then laid it down on the table with a careless little gesture. Dale gave her a glance of dumb entreaty. Miss Cornelia read her wish for another moment alone with the doctor.

"Dale will let you out, doctor," said she, giving the girl the key of the front door.

"That's right," he said, smilingly. "Keep things locked up. Discretion is the better part of valor!"

But Miss Cornelia failed to agree with him.

"I've been discreet for sixty-five years," she said, with a sniff, "and sometimes I think it was a mistake!"

The doctor laughed easily and followed Dale out of the room, with a nod of farewell to the others in passing. The detective, seeking for some object upon whom to vent the growing irritation which seemed to possess him, made Bailey the scapegoat of his wrath.

"I guess we can do without you, for the present!" he said, with an angry frown at the latter. Bailey flushed, then remembered himself, and left the room submissively, with the air of a well-trained servant accepting an unmerited rebuke. The detective turned at once to Miss Cornelia.

"Now I want a few words with you!" he said in a surly voice. The failure of his search of the terrace and grounds seemed to irk him greatly.

"Which means that you mean to do all the talking!" said Miss Cornelia acridly. "Very well! But first I want to show you something. Will you come here, please?"

She started for the alcove.

"I've examined that staircase," said the detective, ungraciously.

He followed her unwillingly, up the stairs, his whole manner seeming to betray a complete lack of confidence in theories of all amateur sleuths in general and spinster detectives of sixty-five in particular. Their footsteps died away up the alcove stairs. The living room was left vacant for an instant.

Vacant? Only in seeming. The moment that Miss Cornelia and the detective had passed up the stairs, behind the settee, began to move. The door of the French windows opened—a stealthy figure passed through it silently to be swallowed up in the darkness of the terrace.

And poor Lizzie, entering the room at that moment, saw a hand covered with blood reach back and gropingly, horribly, through the broken pane, refasten the lock.

She shrieked madly.

CHAPTER IX

Handcuffs.

Dale had failed with the doctor. When Lizzie's screams once more had called the startled household to the living room, she knew she had failed. She followed in mechanically, watched an irritated Anderson send the Pride of Kerry to bed and threaten to lock her up, and listened vaguely to the conversation between her aunt and the detective that followed it, without more than casual interest.

Nevertheless, that conversation was to have vital results later on.

"Your point about that thumb-print on the stair-rail is very interesting," Anderson said, with a certain respect. "But just what does it prove?"

"It points down," said Miss Cornelia, still glowing with the memory of the whistle of surprise the detective had given when she had shown him the strange thumb-print on the rail of the alcove stairs.

"It does," he admitted. "But what then?"

Miss Cornelia tried to put her case as clearly and tersely as possible.

"It shows that somebody stood there for some time, listening to my niece and Richard Fleming, in this room below," she said.

"All right—I'll grant that to save argument," retorted the detective.

"But the moment that shot was fired, the lights came on. If somebody on that staircase shot him, and then came down and took the blue-print, Miss Ogdan would have seen him."

He turned upon Dale.

"Did you?"

She hesitated. Why hadn't she thought of such an explanation before? But now—it would sound too flimsy!

"No, nobody came down," she admitted, candidly. Miss Cornelia once more had put herself between him and Dale.

"Now, Mr. Anderson—" she warned. The detective was obviously trying to keep his temper. "I'm not hounding this girl!" he said, doggedly. "I haven't said yet that she committed the murder—but she took that blue-print and I want it!"

"You want it to connect her with the murder?" parried Miss Cornelia. The detective threw up his hands.

"It's rather reasonable to suppose that I might want to return the funds to the Union bank, isn't it?" he queried in tones of heavy sarcasm, "provided they're here," he added, doubtfully.

Miss Cornelia resolved upon comparative frankness.

"I see," she said. "Well, I'll tell you this much, Mr. Anderson—and I'll ask you to believe me as a gentleman. Granting that, at one time, my niece knew something of that blue-print—at this moment we do not know where it is or who has it."

Her words had the unmistakable ring of truth. The very oath from the detective that succeeded them showed his recognition of the fact.

"Damnation," he muttered. "That's true, is it?"

"That's true," said Miss Cornelia firmly. A silence of troubled thoughts fell upon the three. Miss Cornelia took out her knitting.

"Did you ever try knitting when you wanted to think?" she queried sweetly, after a pause in which the detective tramped from one side of the room to the other, brows knotted, eyes bent on the floor.

"No," grunted the detective. He took out a cigar—bit off the end with a savage snap of teeth—lit it—resumed his pacing.

"You should, sometimes," continued Miss Cornelia, watching his troubled movements with a faint light of mockery in her eyes, "I find it very helpful."

"I don't need knitting to think straight," rasped Anderson, indignantly. Miss Cornelia's eyes danced.

"I wonder!" she said, with caustic affability. "You seem to have so much evidence left over. Do you believe in circumstantial evidence?"

"It's my business," said the detective stolidly. Miss Cornelia smiled.

"While you have been investigating," she announced, "I, too, have not been idle."

The detective gave a barking laugh. She let it pass.

"To me," she continued, "it is perfectly obvious that one intelligence has been at work behind many of the things that have occurred in this house."

Now Anderson observed her with a new respect.

"Who?" he grunted, tersely.

Her eyes flashed.

"I'll ask you that! Some one person who, knowing Courtleigh Fleming well, probably knows of the existence of a hidden room in this house—and who, finding us in occupation of the house, has tried to get rid of me in two ways. First, by frightening me with anonymous threats—and, second, by urging me to leave. Some one, who, very possibly, entered this house tonight, shortly before the murder, and slipped up that staircase!"

"The doctor?"

Miss Cornelia knitted on, as if every movement of her needles added one more link to the strong chain of probabilities she was piecing together.

"When Doctor Wells said he was leaving here earlier in the evening for the Johnsons, he did not go there,"



She shrieked madly.

she observed. "He was not expected to go there. I found that out when I telephoned."

"The doctor!" repeated the detective, his eyes narrowing, his head beginning to sway from side to side like the head of some great cat just before a spring.

"As you know," Miss Cornelia went on, "I had a supplementary bolt placed on that terrace door today." She nodded toward the door that gave access into the alcove from the terrace. "Earlier this evening, Doctor Wells said that he had bolted it, when he had left it open—purposely, as I now realize, in order that he might return later. You may also recall that Doctor Wells took a scrap of paper from Richard Fleming's hand and tried to conceal it—why did he do that?"

She paused for a second. Then she changed her tone a little.

"May I ask you to look at this?"

She displayed a piece of paper on which Doctor Wells had started to write the prescription for her sleeping-powders—and now her strategy with the doctor's, bag and the soot Jack Bailey had got from the fireplace stood revealed. A sharp, black imprint of a man's right thumb—the doctor's—stood out on the paper below the broken line of writing. The doctor had not noticed the staining of his hand, by the blackened bag-handle, or, noticing, had thought nothing of it—but the blackened bag-handle had been a trap, and he had left an indelible piece of evidence behind him. It now remained to test the value of this evidence.

"A thumb-print," muttered Anderson. "Whose is it?"

"Doctor Wells'," said Miss Cornelia with what might have been a little crow of triumph in any one not a Van Gorder.

Anderson looked thoughtful. Then he felt in his pocket for a magnifying glass, failed to find it, muttered and took the reading-glass Miss Cornelia offered him.

"Try this," she said. "My whole case hangs on my conviction that that print and the one out there on the stair-rail are the same."

He went out, rather grimly, paper and reading-glass in hand, to make his comparison. It was then that Beresford came in, a new and slightly rigid Beresford, and crossed to her at once.

Miss Van Gorder, he said, all the flippancy gone from his voice, "may I ask you to make an excuse and call your gardener here?"

Dale started uncontrollably at the ominous words, but Miss Cornelia betrayed no emotion except in the increased rapidity of her knitting.

"The gardener? Certainly—if you'll touch that bell," she said pleasantly.

Beresford stalked to the bell and rang it. The three waited—Dale in an agony of suspense. The detective re-entered the room by the alcove stairs, his men unfathomable by any of the anxious glances that sought him out at once.

"It's no good, Miss Van Gorder," he said quietly. "The prints are not the same."

"Not the same!" gasped Miss Cornelia, unwilling to believe her ears.

Anderson laid down the paper and the reading-glass with a little gesture of dismissal.

"If you think I'm mistaken, I'll leave it to any unprejudiced person or your own eyesight. Thumb-prints never lie," he said in a flat, convincing voice. Miss Cornelia stared at him—disappointment written large on her features.

"I still believe it was the doctor,"

she said stubbornly—but her tones were not the tones of utter conviction which she had used before.

"And yet," said the detective, ruthlessly demolishing another link in her broken chain of evidence, "the doctor was in this room tonight, according to your own statement, when the anonymous letter came through the window."

Miss Cornelia gazed at him blankly, for the first time in her life at a loss for an appropriately sharp retort. It was true—the doctor had been here in the room beside her, when the stone bearing the last anonymous warning had crashed through the window-pane. And yet—

Billy's entrance in answer to Beresford's ring made her mind turn to other matters for the moment. Why had Beresford's manner changed so, and what was he saying to Billy now?

"Tell the gardener Miss Van Gorder wants him—and don't say we're all here," the young lawyer commanded the butler sharply. Billy nodded and disappeared. Miss Cornelia's back began to stiffen—she didn't like other people ordering her servants around like that.

The detective, apparently, had somewhat of the same feeling.

"I seem to have plenty of help in this case!" he said, with obvious sarcasm, turning to Beresford.

There was a fateful pause, for an instant, while Dale roved nervously from one side of the room to the other. Then Jack Bailey came into the room—alone.

He seemed to sense danger in the air. His hands clenched at his sides, but except for that tiny betrayal of emotion, he still kept his servant's pose.

"You sent for me?" he queried of Miss Cornelia, submissively, ignoring the glowering Beresford.

But Beresford would be ignored no longer. He came between them before Miss Cornelia had time to answer.

"How long has this man been in your employ?" he asked brusquely, manner tense.

Miss Cornelia made one final attempt at evasion.

"Why should that interest you?" she parried, answering his question with an icy question of her own.

It was too late. Already Bailey had read the truth in Beresford's eyes.

"I came this evening," he admitted, still hoping against hope that his cringing posture of the servant might give Beresford pause for the moment.

But the promptness of his answer only crystallized Beresford's suspicions.

"Exactly," he said, with terse finality. He turned to the detective.

"I've been trying to recall this man's face ever since I came in tonight—" he said with grim triumph.

"Now, I know who he is."

"Who is he?"

Bailey straightened up. He had lost his game with Chance—and the loss, coming when it did, seemed bitter than even he had thought it could be—but before they took him away, he would speak his mind.

"It's all right, Beresford," he said, with a fatigue so deep that it colored his voice like flakes of iron-rust. "I know you think you're doing your duty—but I wish to God you could have restrained your sense of duty for about three hours more!"

"Do let you get away?" the young lawyer sneered, unconvinced.

"No," said Bailey with quiet defiance. "To let me finish what I came here to do."

"Don't you think you have done enough?" Beresford's voice flicked him with righteous scorn, no less telling

ly, glaring at Bailey, as if only a youthful horror of making a scene before Dale and Miss Cornelia held him back from striking the latter down where he stood.

Bailey's eyes snapped open. He took a threatening step toward his accuser. "You lie!" he said in a hoarse, violent voice.

Anderson crossed between them, just as conflict seemed inevitable.

"You knew this?" he queried, sharply in Dale's direction.

Dale set her lips in a line. She did not answer.

Anderson turned to Miss Cornelia. "Did you?"

"Yes," admitted the latter quietly, her knitting-needles at last at rest. "I knew he was Mr. Bailey, if that is all you mean."

The quietness of her answer seemed to infuriate the detective.

"Quite a pretty little conspiracy," he said. "How do you expect me to do anything, with the entire household against me? Tell me that."

"Exactly," said Miss Cornelia. "And if we are united against you, why should I have sent for you? You might tell me that, too."

He turned to Bailey savagely.

"What did you mean by that 'three hours more?' he demanded.

"I could have cleared myself in three hours," said Bailey, with calm despair.

Beresford laughed, mockingly—a laugh that seemed to sear into Bailey's consciousness like the touch of a hot iron. Again he turned frenziedly upon the young lawyer—and Anderson was just preparing to hold them away from each other by force if necessary when the doorbell rang.

For an instant the ringing of the bell held the various figures of the little scene in the rigid postures of a waxworks tableau—Bailey, one foot advanced toward Beresford, his hands balled up into fists—Beresford already in an attitude of defense—the detective about to step in between them—Miss Cornelia stiff in her chair—Dale over by the fireplace, her hand at her heart. Then they relaxed.

"Probably the doctor," murmured Miss Cornelia uncertainly, as the doorbell rang again. "He was to come back with some sleeping-powders."

Billy appeared for the key of the front door.

"If that's Doctor Wells," warned the detective, "admit him. If it's anybody else, call me."

Billy grinned acquiescently and departed. The detective moved nearer to Bailey.

"Have you got a gun on you?"

"No," Bailey bowed his head.

"Well, I'll just make sure of that."

The detective's hands ran swiftly and expertly over Bailey's form, through his pockets, probing for concealed weapons. Then, slowly drawing a pair of handcuffs from his pocket, he prepared to put them on his wrists.

But Dale could bear it no longer. The sight of her lover, beaten, submissive, his head bowed, waiting obediently like a common criminal for the detective to lock his wrists in steel broke down her last defenses. She rushed into the center of the room, between Bailey and the detective, her eyes wild with terror, her words stumbling over each other in her eagerness to get them out.

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Luxemburg Has Much to Attract the Tourist

About all the average person knows about Luxemburg is that it is a small country somewhere between Belgium and Germany, but the little country possesses some rare scenery. The country is as old as most of its neighbors, and Rome thought it important enough to fortify it, centuries ago. From its dual family have come queens of France and emperors of Germany. The city of Luxemburg is a rocky gem in a forest setting, and, according to Edwin Robert Petre, travel writer, from here one can look to Treves and Tilonville, and not only into Germany but to Longwy and the north of France, Arlon, Brussels and the coasts of Belgium. The old fortress of Vauban has been modernized so that its gloom no longer shadows the city. When the visitor has seen its sights, such as the duke's

palace, in Spanish Renaissance style, the Seventeenth century cathedral, its bridge and viaducts, the palace of the "Arbed," the Musee Pescator and its wonderful parks, he has before him some of the best motor roads in Europe for a spin through the duchy to see its other cities and towns.—Detroit News.

Explosion's Effect

The bureau of standards says that the noise and the shock of an explosion occur simultaneously. There is an interesting record of an observer in England who was looking down and across a stretch of open country from a hill during a bright sunny day, and suddenly noticed a long narrow shadow rushing toward him silently as he heard the sudden report of a heavy explosion and felt the jar of it. A powder magazine several miles away had exploded, as he learned later. The "shadow" was the result of the increased density of the air in the compression waves.

If American, O. K.

A man was seen in the west end of London wearing a straw hat with evening dress. I understand that no legal proceedings will be taken against him if he can prove he is an American.—London Passing Show

Drink Water Help Wash Out Kidney Poison

If Your Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers You, Begin Taking Salts

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"Why, you told Mr. Willing last night if he kissed you again you'd tell daddy—and he did it again. I saw him!"

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BROOMS	WINNER	49C
MOPS	12 OUNCE	39C
BLUEING	PER BOTTLE	17C
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August spent with...
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Miss Balkham of Stephenville is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jack Lynn this week.
Miss Katie Garretson returned to her home in Waxahachie for the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Clark visited in Fort Worth last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Beaf spent the holidays in Waco.
Miss Lucie McEahomon visited relatives in Fort Worth, Wichita and Waco last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Morris Farrow of Indian Gap, and Miss Fay Hattox of DeLeon, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Smith Tuesday.
Misses Hazeltine and Rosa Lee Jones spent New Year's day with Miss Sarah Jones.
John Jones of this city spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Charley Ashley, of Oplin.
Mrs. Ethel Carson and daughter, Sammie, of Dallas, also Mrs. B. G. Lindley and daughter, Cozette, of Childress, spent Christmas with Mrs. W. C. Wilkinson. Mrs. Wilkinson who has been quite sick, is much better. We are pleased to report.

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48 LB EVERLITE	A PERFECT FLOUR	\$1.90
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Record of Twelve Months' Notable Happenings in the United States and Abroad.

FEATS OF LINDBERGH

Remarkable Year for Aviation—Efforts to Reduce Armaments Are Not Successful—Strained Relations in Europe—Presidential Politics and Doings of Congress—Mississippi Valley Devastated by Floods.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD
"Lindbergh's year" might well be the designation given 1927, for it was distinguished especially by the achievements of that admirable young American aviator. His transatlantic flight, the first from America to Europe; his triumphant progress abroad and afterward in his home country, his nonstop flight to Mexico City, and his gallantry and modesty made him the most famous man of his time. Both before and after he winged his way to France numerous other transoceanic flights were attempted. Several of them succeeded, while many failed tragically.

Internationally, interest centered largely on efforts to bring about reduction of armaments. President Coolidge's invitation to the nations signatory to the Washington treaty to confer on means to extend the provisions of that pact was accepted only by Great Britain and Japan, and ended in complete failure. The League of Nations' preparatory disarmament commission was more or less busy throughout the year, but seemed to make little progress. Its December meeting was attended by Russian representatives who blandly proposed immediate and total disarmament. This plan was squelched and the matter of international security taken up. The league council, convening toward the close of the year, had to deal with the old quarrel between Poland and Lithuania and with strained relations between France and Italy. United States marines were busy helping suppress a revolutionary movement in Nicaragua and protecting our nationals in China.

At home the year was notable for the steady growth of our national economic prosperity, which, however, was halted in some sections by agricultural depression and by the devastating floods in the Mississippi valley.

When the Dail Eireann or parliament of the Irish Free State met in June, De Valera and forty-four of his followers were excluded because they refused to take the oath of allegiance to King George. Later they changed their minds and were sworn in. The general elections in September gave the government a plurality of six votes, and President Cosgrave was re-elected. In July Ireland was shocked by the assassination of Kevin O'Higgins, vice president and minister of justice. The murderers were not caught.

Canada's importance was considerably amplified by her election as a member of the council of the League of Nations. Senator Raoul Dandurand being given the seat, and by the sending of an American minister to Ottawa in the person of William Phillips. On July 1 the Dominion celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of its birth as a self-governing unit of the British empire. Ontario abandoned prohibition, and on June 1 substituted the system of selling liquor in government stores to persons possessing permits. Prince Edward Island, the smallest of the provinces, voted in June to remain dry.

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interests in Manchuria. No agreements with China could be made by the powers for there was no real central government of that distracted country. Germany kept up her reparations payments, and her relations with France were better by a commercial treaty and semi-private trade pacts. On January 31 the interallied commission turned over the control of German disarmament to the League of Nations, and in August France agreed to reduce the occupational forces in the Rhineland.

France and Yugo-Slavia signed a treaty which Premier Mussolini thought was aimed at Italy, so he retaliated with a military pact between Italy and Albania which, he frankly stated, was designed to maintain Italian control of the Adriatic. There was much ill feeling, but little apparent danger of hostilities. Not so much could be said for the trouble between Poland and Lithuania. Each of these nations accused the other of fomenting plots against it, and the Lithuanians believed Premier Pilsudski had designs on their independence. Seizure of Vilna by Poland several years ago was the underlying cause of the row. Marshal Pilsudski and Premier Waldemaras of Lithuania went to Geneva and were persuaded to make a temporary peace agreement, the details of a permanent pact to be worked out later.

FOREIGN

Great Britain slowly but steadily recovered from the effects of the long coal strike. What that conflict did to the country was indicated by the fact that in January, for the first time in many years, the real balance of trade was against the British, the deficit amounting to \$83,000,000. In April the government introduced a bill to amend rather drastically the law relating to trade unions and strikes. The measure was supported by the Conservatives as necessary for the defense of the existing political and social system; but it was assailed bitterly by all the forces of Labor, who asserted it was designed not to protect the state but to take away the rights won by the workers and to destroy the unions. After many weeks of violent debate the measure, considerably modified, was passed. Another plan of the government, proposed in June, was to reduce the number of peers in the house of lords, and at the same time to strengthen the powers of that chamber that it would be an impregnable defense against the growing power of labor. This was so strongly opposed by the Socialists and Laborites that the scheme was abandoned for the present. In April, Chancellor of the Exchequer Churchill introduced the budget for the year, designed to meet a deficit of \$110,000,000. Its proposals showed that, despite her enormous burdens, Great Britain's financial position was fundamentally sound.

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In November Premier Ionel Bratianu, unrelenting enemy of Carol, died and was succeeded temporarily by his brother. Bloody revolts by Communists in Vienna and by Royalists in Portugal were suppressed in the summer. In Soviet Russia Stalin and his associates undertook to squelch utterly by the opposition faction and Leon Trotsky and his followers were expelled from the Communist party.

President Calles of Mexico continued his suppression of the Catholic opponents to his rule. Many prelates were arrested on charges of sedition, and in April Archbishop Mora y del Rio and others were expelled from the country.

Mexico's most serious revolutionary movement came in October and was led by Generals Gomez and Serrano, both rivals of General Obregon for the Presidency. Within a few weeks the movement had been effectively put down and Gomez, Serrano and many others had been executed by firing squads. President Figueroa of Chile was forced out of office by Premier Ibanez, who was later elected to succeed him.

Virtual collapse of the Kuomintang revolution in China, so far as achieving its objectives was concerned, marked the year in the Oriental republic. The Nationalist party was hopelessly split into factions, while Marshal Chang maintained his supremacy in Peking and was reported to be preparing to proclaim himself emperor. The civil warfare went on unceasingly without definite result.

DOMESTIC

Generally speaking, conditions were conducive to a prosperous year in the United States. Industry and commerce flourished and the government piled up a huge reserve that made a reduction of taxes a certainty. Adverse features were the unprecedented floods in the Mississippi valley, continued though somewhat ameliorated depression in the agricultural industries, the long coal strike in the bituminous fields which was ended in several states in the autumn, and a strike of coal miners in Colorado under leadership of the I. W. W.

Presidential politics occupied the minds of the people to a considerable extent. President Coolidge. It was conceded, could have the Republican nomination for the asking, but during his vacation in the Black Hills of South Dakota he rather astonished the nation by issuing the simple statement: "I do not choose to run for President in 1928." Thus the race was made an open one, though many of Mr. Coolidge's admirers insisted that he would accept the nomination if "drafted" by the party. Of the other possibilities those most favorably considered were Frank O. Lovden, Herbert Hoover and Vice President Charles Dawes. Charles E. Hughes also was liked by many. Senator Charles Curtis of Kansas announced that he was a candidate for the honor, and a boom for Senator George Norris of Nebraska was started by some of his fellow "insurgents." Senator Willis of Ohio threw his hat into the ring after the President in December told the national committee he had "eliminated" himself.

Kansas City was awarded the Republican national convention after a spirited contest with San Francisco, and the call was issued for June 12. Al Smith, at his fourth inauguration as governor of New York, declared his candidacy for the Democratic nomination and throughout the year he seemed to gain steadily in strength. Of course most of the dregs in his party opposed him and they sought for a rival candidate to take the place of W. G. McAdoon. The best they could find, apparently, was Senator James Reed of Missouri.

In February congress passed the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill and President Coolidge promptly vetoed it because he and his official advisers considered it economically bad. During the year the various agricultural organizations tried to get together on some measure that would serve their needs and meet the President's objections, but failed. The matter came up again in the Seventieth congress which met in December.

The senate in January refused to admit Frank L. Smith and W. S. Vare, senators-elect from Illinois and Pennsylvania respectively, because of alleged political corruption in their campaigns and elections. Senator Reed of Missouri spent considerable time during the summer investigating the cases, and when the senate convened on December 5 the battle for and against the admission of the two men was resumed.

President Coolidge declared himself, early in the year, in favor of adequate national defense, and congress in its army and navy appropriations was fairly liberal, going even beyond the Chief Executive's recommendations by providing for three light cruisers. In October Admiral Magruder severely criticised the management of the navy in a magazine article and paid the penalty, being removed from his command of the naval station at Philadelphia.

The Fall oil lease scandal came to the front again several times. The United States Supreme court cancelled the leases given by Fall to E. L. Doherty on the ground of fraud, and later President Coolidge turned the naval oil reserves back to the Navy department. In October the Supreme court cancelled the Teapot Dome lease held by Harry Sinclair. In that month the conspiracy case against Fall and Sinclair went to trial in Washington, but a mistrial was ordered when it was discovered some of the jurors were being shadowed by Burns detectives

In July, landing on Molokai island, out of gas. Many planes were entered in a race from California to Honolulu in August, and four started, but only two made the trip successfully. One of these was manned by Art Goebel and Lieut. William Davis, and the other by Martin Jensen and Paul Schlutter. The other two starters, carrying four men and one woman, were lost, and Capt. W. P. Erwin and A. E. Eichwald, who flew in search of them, also perished in the ocean. Before the start of the race three entrants were killed in accidents. Yet another bold aviator who disappeared, was Paul Redfern, who undertook to fly from Brunswick, Ga., to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Then, in September, Pilots Bertaud and Hill, with P. Payne, a New York newspaper man as passenger, undertook the transatlantic flight, heading for Rome; they fell into the sea and perished. In October Ruth Elder and George Halde-man tried to duplicate Lindbergh's feat but were forced down near the Azores and picked up by a steamer. Pilots Schlee and Brock started from New Foundland August 27 for a flying tour of the world. They landed in England the next day, and continued their trip successfully as far as Tokyo, Japan. By that time the conditions over the Pacific were such that they wisely made the crossing by steamship. Pilots Tully and Medcalf of Canada lost their lives in trying to fly from Harbor Grace, N. E., to London in September.

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NECROLOGY

Notable among the deaths of the year were:
In January: Capt. M. E. Trench, governor of the Virgin islands; Frank L. Stanton, Georgia poet; Arnold Daly, actor; David R. Francis of St. Louis, statesman; Miss Juliet Low, founder of Girl Scouts of America; Carlotta, ex-empress of Mexico; Lyman J. Gage, former secretary of the treasury.
In February: William E. Knox, New York banker; Charles Deering, capitalist; Dr. C. D. Walcott, secretary of Smithsonian institution; Rev. Dr. Percy S. Grant, New York divine; Oliver Dennett Grover, artist; Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry of New York; Dr. George Brandes, Danish critic; Judson Harmon of Ohio; Rear Admiral A. M. Knight; Sir Luke Fildes, English artist.

In March: Brig. Gen. Le Ray Up-ton; Dr. Nathaniel Butler, Dr. Ira Remsen and Dr. Harry Pratt Judson, educators; Gov. H. L. Whitfield of Mississippi; Katy Emmett, actress; W. S. Cherry, explorer; W. H. Dilg, founder of Isaak Walton league; Perry S. Heath; George Wheeler Hiltman, journalist.

In April: Capt. John Bartlett, Arctic explorer; Rev. Dr. J. P. Brushingham; Eliot F. Sheppard, millionaire sportsman; Albert J. Beveridge, ex-senator from Indiana.
In May: Dr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, educator; Hudson Maxim, inventor; Bruce McAra, actor; Anna Eva Fay, mind reader; Sam Bernard, actor; Col. T. T. Knox, veteran Indian fighter; Payne Whitney, capitalist; J. J. Van Alen, financier.

In June: Martin Roche, Chicago architect; Marquess of Lansdowne; Dr. Joseph Schneider, world-famed oculist of Milwaukee; Rear Admiral Hugo Osterhaus; Coles Phillips, artist; Jerome K. Jerome, English author; Clara Louise Burnham, author; Henry Clay Pierce, oil magnate.

In July: Keith Preston, journalist; John Drew, actor; Henry White, diplomat; King Ferdinand of Rumania; Congressman M. E. Crumpacker of Oregon; Brig. Gen. G. M. Moulton; Cardinal Czernoch, primate of Hungary; David C. Cook, publisher; Sir Harry Johnston, English author and explorer; Walter Travis, former golf champion.

In August: Rear Admiral F. T. Bowles; John Dillon, Irish Nationalist; Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, governor general of the Philippines; James Oliver Curwood, author; Judge E. H. Gary, head of the United States Steel corporation; Ogden Armour of Chicago; Mrs. Fannie Bloomfield Zeisler, pianist; Zughlul Pasha, Egyptian nationalist; Cardinal Rieg y Casanova, primate of Spain.

In September: Amelia Bingham, actress; Wayne E. Wheeler, general counsel of Anti-Saloon league; Marcus Loeel, motion picture magnate; Col. C. J. Glidden, telephone and aeronautical pioneer; Isadora Duncan, dancer; Maj. Gen. Lloyd M. Brett; Baron Ago von Maltzan, German ambassador to the United

Mother!

Child Gets Sick, Cross, Feverish
if Constipated

Mother! Your child isn't naturally cross and peevish. See if, tongue is coated; this is a sure sign the little stomach, liver and bowels need a cleansing at once.

When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath bad, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, remember, a gentle liver and bowel cleansing should always be the first treatment given.

Nothing equals "California Fig Syrup" for children's ills; give a teaspoonful, and in a few hours all the foul waste, sour bile and fermenting food which is clogged in the bowels passes out of the system, and you have a well and playful child again. All children love this harmless, delicious, "fruity laxative," and it never fails to effect a good "inside cleansing." Directions for babies, children of all ages and grownups are plainly on the bottle.



Keep it handy in your home. A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Fig Syrup," then see that it is made by "The California Fig Syrup Company."

Stole Flapper's Thunder

The present-day flapper who prides herself on using little more cloth for her dresses than for her handkerchiefs will be horrified to learn from "Modes and Manners of the Nineteenth Century" that their great-great-grandmothers went even further in out-glandeing Eve. "When the Nineteenth century opened, the Empire style," says this new book, "had reduced women's clothing to scantiness more complete than anything modern styles have yet attempted; little clinging frocks with low bodices and high waists which fitted their wearers like gloves and indeed were alleged to have been put on damp."

Her Position

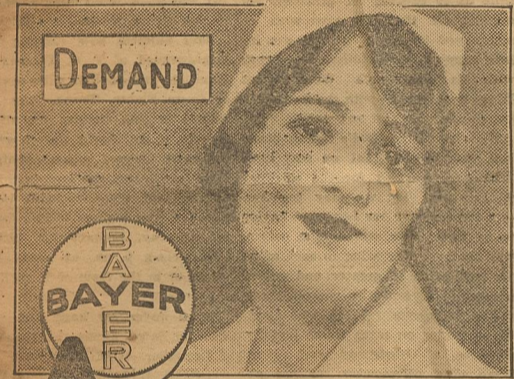
Madge—If you think Jack wants to marry you for your money, why don't you test him?

Marie—Well, there's an objection to that. You see, I might find out that he does, and what I really want to find out is that he doesn't.

The charm of a bathroom is its spotlessness. By the use of Red Cross Ball Blue all cloths and towels retain their whiteness until worn out.—Adv.

Eternally Wrong

"Pa had the last word in an argument with ma, as usual, last night." "The last word as usual?" "Yes, he apologized again."—Montreal Star.



ASPIRIN

The whole world knows Aspirin as an effective antidote for pain. But it's just as important to know that there is only one genuine Bayer Aspirin. The name Bayer is on every tablet, and on the box. If it says Bayer, it's genuine; and if it doesn't, it is not! Headaches are dispelled by Bayer Aspirin. So are colds, and the pain that goes with them; even neuralgia, neuritis, and rheumatism promptly relieved. Get Bayer—at any drugstore—with proven directions.

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it does NOT affect the heart

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Need More Hours in Day

The prophecy that it will be only a few years before the working day in great cities will be 24 hours, is made by an editorial writer in Barron's Financial Weekly. Night trucking, he points out, will be the start, but trucking in the large cities like New York, if carried on at night, means night work for many other businesses. Labor costs, he thinks, would raise, but this would be largely offset by the decrease in loss from slow transit.

A Different Matter

"Tut, now, you lop-eared, low-down cuss!" yelled Gap Johnson of Rumpus Ridge, "what in torment d'ye mean by shooting at my dog?"

"I wasn't shooting at yore dog," answered a neighbor. "I was just taking a shot at yore brother-in-law over beyond the dog."

"Aw, that's all right, then. Come in and have a dram. Looks sorter like rain, don't it?"—Kansas City Star.

Denver is said to have the longest public golf course in the United States, measuring 6,767 yards in length.

Feel Stiff and Achy?

To Be Well the Kidneys Must Thoroughly Eliminate Waste Poisons from the Blood.



DOES every day find you lame, stiff and achy? Do you feel tired and drowsy—suffer nagging backache, headache and dizzy spells? Are the kidney secretions scanty and burning in passage?

S sluggish kidneys allow poisons to remain in the blood and upset the whole system.

Doan's Pills, a stimulant diuretic, increase the secretion of the kidneys and thus aid in the elimination of waste impurities. Doan's have established a nationwide reputation. Ask your neighbor!

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What's the Answer?

Questions No. 27

- 1—What is the appellation of the four largest islands of the West Indies?
- 2—What is the record for length of time under water?
- 3—How many spitball pitchers are there in the big leagues?
- 4—What famous cavalry leader was killed by the Sioux Indians in 1876?
- 5—What American comedian of the latter half of the Nineteenth century is remembered affectionately for the humor and delicacy of his portrayals of homely characters in plays of heart interest?
- 6—Which is the loftiest peak of the Andes?
- 7—Who originated the editorial paragraph in newspapers?
- 8—How many amendments have there been to the Constitution of the United States?
- 9—How does Mars rank with the sun and earth?
- 10—Who founded the Kansas City Star?
- 11—How many eclipses in 1927?
- 12—What is the meaning of the word "creed"?
- 13—What is a "morning star"?
- 14—What famous poet was once an editor of the New York Evening Post?
- 15—What newspaper first published Washington's farewell address?
- 16—How far do the Andes mountains extend?
- 17—Which is the largest city in South America?
- 18—How old is the American Association Baseball league?
- 19—When and by whom was hockey introduced in the United States?
- 20—What distinguished Confederate cavalry leader held the rank of general in the Spanish-American war?

Answers No. 26

- 1—Mount McKinley, in Alaska.
- 2—Olympia.
- 3—Hippocrates.
- 4—\$500.
- 5—Seventy years.
- 6—Leoncavallo; his opera, "I Pagliacci."
- 7—Luzon and Mindanao.
- 8—James Gordon Bennett.
- 9—Ninety-six.
- 10—886,400 miles.
- 11—Vera Cruz.
- 12—Richard Mansfield.
- 13—Johnny Hayes won it last in 1908.
- 14—There are 1,750 clubs and 175,000 members.
- 15—Abraham Lincoln.
- 16—A Flemish scientist of the Sixteenth century, famed for his projection on which all marine charts are drawn.
- 17—Hamburg.
- 18—John Peter Zenger.
- 19—One member to each 211,877 population.
- 20—One of the planets of the solar system, conspicuous for its redness of light.

Time's Passage Not

Reckoned in Hours

An English astronomer has advanced the thought that "time does not, in fact, exist." It is rather difficult for the human mind to comprehend such a theory, says Thrift Magazine.

Longfellow, in "The Hyperion," asked the question: "What is time?" and answered it in this manner: "The shadow on the dial, the running of the sand—day and night, summer and winter, months, years, centuries; these are but arbitrary and outward signs, the measure of time, not time itself. Time is the life of the soul."

The theory that time "does not pass," or, as men say, "fly," is not a new one. There is in an ancient graveyard in New York a tombstone containing these lines:

Time flies, 'tis said,
Nay gossip, say not soe,
Time stays, we see.

Nathaniel Hawthorne, in "The Marble Faun," wrote: "Time flies over us but leaves its shadow behind."

Fashion and Good Breeding

A circle of men perfectly well bred would be a company of sensible persons in which every man's native manners and character appeared. If the fashionist have not this quality he is nothing. We are such lovers of self-reliance that we excuse in a man many sins if he will show us a complete satisfaction in his position, which asks no leave to be of mine or any man's good opinion.—Emerson.

Revised Version

The seven ages of man have been well tabulated by somebody or other on an acquisitive basis, thus:

- First age—Sees the earth.
- Second age—Wants it.
- Third age—Hustles to get it.
- Fourth age—Decides to be satisfied with only about half of it.
- Fifth age—Becomes still more moderate.
- Sixth age—Now content to possess a six by two strip of it.
- Seventh age—Gets this strip.

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—Mrs. M. RISSERMAN, 10004 Nelson Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.
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Health? That's the best gift. Health is riches that gold cannot buy and surely health is cause enough for happiness.
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound may be the good fairy who offers you better health.

Age and Athleticism

That athletics need not necessarily be synonymous with youth is proved by a situation at the Los Angeles (Calif.) Y. W. C. A. Three generations are members of the same class in gymnastics, dancing and swimming. They are Mrs. Emma Terry, her daughter, Mrs. Edna Douglas, and Mrs. Terry's granddaughter, Thelma Douglas.

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To the Rescue

Reggie Denny, the picture star, is English, but that doesn't deter him from telling good ones on his countrymen. One of his briefest and best is: "Eip, eip! A bald-headed man over here has fainted."
"Give him hair! Give him hair!"

For Colds, Grip or Influenza

As a Preventive, take Laxative BROMO QUININE Tablets. A Safe and Proven Remedy. The box bears the signature of E. W. Grove. 30c.—Adv.

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A middle-aged woman rang the bell frantically in an endeavor to stop the bus before the proper stopping place. "It's no use, lady," said the conductor; "it won't play any tune!"—Toronto Telegram.

Upside Down Cake

Put in a skillet: $\frac{1}{2}$ C. Butter, 1 C. Brown Sugar, 1 C. Seeded Cherries, Cake Batter.
 $\frac{1}{2}$ C. Butter, $\frac{1}{2}$ C. Sugar, 1 Egg, $\frac{3}{4}$ C. Milk, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ level tsp. Calumet Baking Powder, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ C. Flour.
Mix as for any cake and pour in skillet over the above mixture. Bake 30 minutes in moderate oven.

Her Preference

He—I worship the ground you walk on.
She—Never mind the ground; give me a little more attention.
Poverty is no crime, but it is punished like one—by hard labor.

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A new way of treating colds by applying electric heat to the inflamed interior of the nose was recently advocated by Dr. H. Bordier of Lyons, France, reports Popular Science Monthly. Metal plates are applied at each side of the nose and the electric current is sent between them so that the inner membranes of the nose, not the skin, receive most of the heat that is produced. Doctor Bordier reports numerous remarkable successes from a few minutes of such treatment.

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"So Bill's been speculating in the stock market. Was he a bear operator?"
"Well, he was practically bare when they got through with him."

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Our books will be loaned, and the lesson will be assigned. We are glad to supply "Keys to Scriptures" by Dr. S. Strickland. He begins by asking "Do you ever read the Bible?" "Do you ever read the Bible?" "Do you ever read the Bible?" "Do you ever read the Bible?"

Let us see if we are to have of the Word, or are we able to do so?

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little books. You may have a book and enter the active discussion, or you may come and be a guest and listen to what those who are studying do.

WANTED—To buy 3 or 4 small case No. 6. Freeholder, 155 Walnut Street. Let the dealer know you will give \$10.00. Jan. 13.

FOR SALE—1000 lbs of iron cast steel in bars at Cross Oak. Also 1000 lbs of iron cast steel in bars at Cross Oak. See W. A. Prater, 1500 Avenue H. Houston, Phone 754

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