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OF CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

## SCOUTMASTERS VISIT BOYS AT LEUDERS CAMP

Scoutmaster Winn and Assistant Scoutmaster Henkel visited the local scout boys at the Leuders Camp, on the Clear Fork of the Brazos River, last Saturday and Sunday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Winn and son, and another, scout, J. P. McCord, they report that all the boys were satisfied and looking fine. This makes fifteen of the boys from Cross Plains, and the visiting scoutmasters found five of them engaged in the awkward and amusing occupation of scrubbing floors and peeling potatoes on account of indiscipline. The lessons taught and the practice they are having is fine and every parent who can conveniently do so, should go up there and see them.

Basket making, Kitchen utensils made of old tin cans, wood work, archery, fire making, tracking and many other kinds of common but useful lessons are being taught by good men who are giving their time and talent to the work.

Sunday morning a regular Sunday school was held, and after that Eagle Tidwell spoke to the boys about "Jesus, the Scouts." Cross Plains Troop No. 34 have made a much better record than the average showing, and considering the short time of active service as compared with older troops, our troop was well ahead of all.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Holden visited the camp in the afternoon Sunday, arriving there about "chow" time. The roads are in good condition nearly all the way and the trip can be made within three to four hours.

Next Sunday at 12 o'clock the Court of Honor will convene, after "chow," and will conclude the elaborate program of the 14 days camp. At 4 P. M. the camp will be dismissed, so that all the boys may reach their homes at a reasonable time.

## BARNETT GIRLS RETURN TO THEIR HOME

This seems to be the open season for some of the most unusual escapades that could happen in a community. A recent report on one scarcely gained circulation when that affair was more than matched by one of a similar nature occurring in the community north of Cross Plains, almost within the city limits. The latter case aroused more concern and comment because of the mystery that surrounded it.

Miss Birdie Barnett, 17-year-old daughter of Gus Barnett, and her aunt, Miss Minnie Barnett, about 20, mysteriously left their home Sunday of last week, informing their parents that they were going to Cross Plains for a short time and would return soon. From that time until they returned to their home the middle of this week no clue or trace leading to their whereabouts could be obtained by the officers who were making the investigation and search for the missing girls.

It is reported that a car drove up in front of the Barnett home on Sunday evening of last week and signaled. The younger girl went out to the car, it is stated, and after a brief conversation with the occupants of the car, returned to the house. It is reported that she immediately returned back to the car, in which they entered and disappeared, by her aunt, and that was the last seen of them until they returned to their home more than a week later. It seems that another runaway marriage has resulted from the affair, as it is reported that the younger girl, who has returned to the locality of their former visit, got married. The elder girl remained at home. Their parents were absent, continuing the search for them, when they returned to their home.

## HICKMAN LOSES LAST PLEA FOR HIS LIFE

The fate of William Edward Hickman, slaying of Marian Parker, 12-year old Los Angeles girl, last Dec. 1, was sealed last week when the California State Supreme Court handed down a three-line decision denying him a rehearing of the appeal refused him a few weeks ago.

Hickman must go to the gallows at San Quentin Prison within the next four months. The law provides an execution must follow in not less than 60 and more than 90 days after the remittitur is handed down. The court has 30 days in which to hand a remittitur.

## NEW SCHOOL BUILDING ON CONLEE PLACE

A modern new school is now being built on the Conlee place, about three miles south of Cross Plains. It will be a small building, but adequate for the attendance in that district. It will replace the old Gunn school building, which was located about one mile east of the new building, and will be completed in ample time for the opening of the fall term. It was believed up to a short time before starting the new building that this small district would consolidate with the Cross Out District, which is also building a new and larger school, but recent developments decided that the small district remain to itself.

Two cars, a practically new Chevrolet belonging to Arch Davidson, and a Ford touring car belonging to a party familiarly known to his co-workers in the oil fields as "Cattfish," were totally destroyed by fire a short distance south of Cross Plains last Tuesday evening. The owners of the cars had left them parked on the prairie, while they were engaged in a rabbit hunt. They noticed the smoke from the burning cars while at some distance, but were unable to reach the scene in time to learn just how the fire originated.

Sheriff Everett Hughes and C. W. Conner of Baird, the latter in the runoff race for tax assessor of Callahan County, were in Cross Plains the first of this week.

## SLAYER OF MEXICANS GRANTED MORE TIME

Lee Smith, who was convicted at the June term of District Court and given a 99 year sentence in the penitentiary in connection with the "framed killing" of two Mexicans at Stanton, has been granted the full ninety days allowed by law to make his appeal to the higher court according to his attorney, W. E. Martin of Abilene. The additional time was allowed by Judge M. S. Long of the 42nd District Court because the defendant is said to be in a penniless condition.

Smith is confined in the County Jail here.—Baird Star.

## PREPARED FOR FIGHT ON COTTON WEEVILS

Under the direction of vocational instructor Lloyd the big dusting machine purchased by the Higginbotham firm and the First National and Continental State Banks, was given a tryout on the J. D. W. Jones farm in the southeast edge of town yesterday morning and indications are that it will be a complete success. According to Mr. Lloyd there is now plenty of dew in the early morning for the calcium arsenate to stick to the cotton but the high winds are interfering with the work to some extent.

The use of the machine is furnished entirely free by the firms above mentioned and Mr. Lloyd will be glad to co-operate with anyone interested in seeing that the work is done correctly. Mr. Lloyd also has a supply of poison on hand and will sell it to the farmers at actual cost. Thus the only cost to the farmer will be the wholesale cost of the calcium arsenate.

Mr. Lloyd, who comes from Shiner, in south Texas, says that calcium arsenate has been used there for several years very effectively in combatting the boll weevil and feels that all farmers in this vicinity should take advantage of the opportunity to try it out. Those interested may get in touch with Mr. Lloyd at the Chamber of Commerce.—Rising Star Record.

## CONGRESSMAN BLANTON TO PRACTICE LAW

Congressman Blanton has announced that he would retire to private life and practice law with his sons at Abilene. He will support Thomas J. Connally in the run-off with Earl B. Mayfield for the United States Senate.

"The people have spoken," said Mr. Blanton. "I return to private life without a single regret. Each and every one of the 26 voting precincts of my home county of Taylor gave me a tremendous majority over all opponents. My old home county of Shackelford did likewise. After living with splendid people 31 years they still had confidence in me and gave me their loyal support."

"From my heart I thank all my friends throughout Texas who voted for me. I have given to the public 20 years of the best part of my life, a bare living for my family. I have spent all of my salary and income and property in fighting graft. The political combinations against me were too great for me to surmount."

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Settle and little daughter, visited Lake Cisco Sunday.

## FEDERAL TRAPPER RETURNED MONDAY

E. Brumbelow, who has been employed by the government to destroy wolves and other predatory animals in this locality for the past three months, has returned from a few days vacation and resumed his work in the neighborhood of the Harrell ranch. The range of his trapping grounds will be extended from there to include one of the adjacent ranches for the next few weeks, during which time he expects to capture all the remaining wolves in that part of the country.

## BLANTON'S MANAGER SUPPORTS MAYFIELD

R. C. Winters, campaign manager for Congressman Tom Blanton in the race for United States Senator, states that he will now support Earl B. Mayfield. Since his elimination from the race by the primary, Blanton has issued a statement that he will support Connally. Politics "do make strange bedfellows."

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## PAUL RAMSEY DIED TUESDAY

Word was received Tuesday evening of this week, by relatives and friends of the deceased in Cross Plains and other parts of the community, that Paul Ramsey died at Tulla about noon of that day. His death resulted from injuries which he received in an automobile wreck near Tulla about three months ago.

## DEATH SENTENCE FOR ASSAULTING GIRL

Dick Hazzard, who was tried in District Court at Comanche the first of this week for an alleged criminal assault on Miss Velma Bankhead, 19, on the highway near De Leon on the night of July 21, was given a death sentence in less than fifteen minutes after the case went to the jury.

Harley Holland, 22, and J. D. Pierce, 23, who are held on a similar charge in connection with the attack, were brought to trial Thursday morning, reports announce.

## NEW RESIDENCES FOR CROSS PLAINS

It is reported that four new residences will be built in Cross Plains within the near future. Fred Cutbirth contemplates building here and moving from his ranch home to Cross Plains. T. C. Kelly and Sidney Hughes are also planning to build new homes, we are informed. Jeff Clark is arranging to do some extensive remodeling of his present home on North Main street.

Dave Hargrove, four miles north of Cross Plains, is building a new home.

An auto wreck resulting in quite a damage to two cars and slight bruises to one of the drivers, happened on the highway leading to Pioneer, about one mile east of Cross Plains, last Tuesday night. Orlan Williams was attempting to leave the main road in the direction of his home, and Carlton Powell was driving west on the highway, when the two cars, which had been checked to a low speed collided.

Chas. Hemphill and family left this week for a ten days vacation at Gainessville and Waco.

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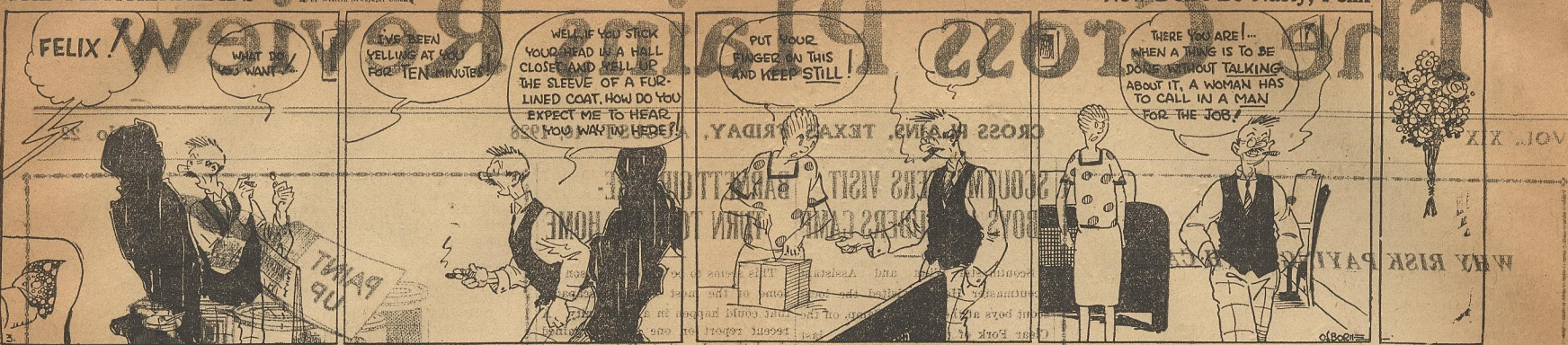
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By Osborne



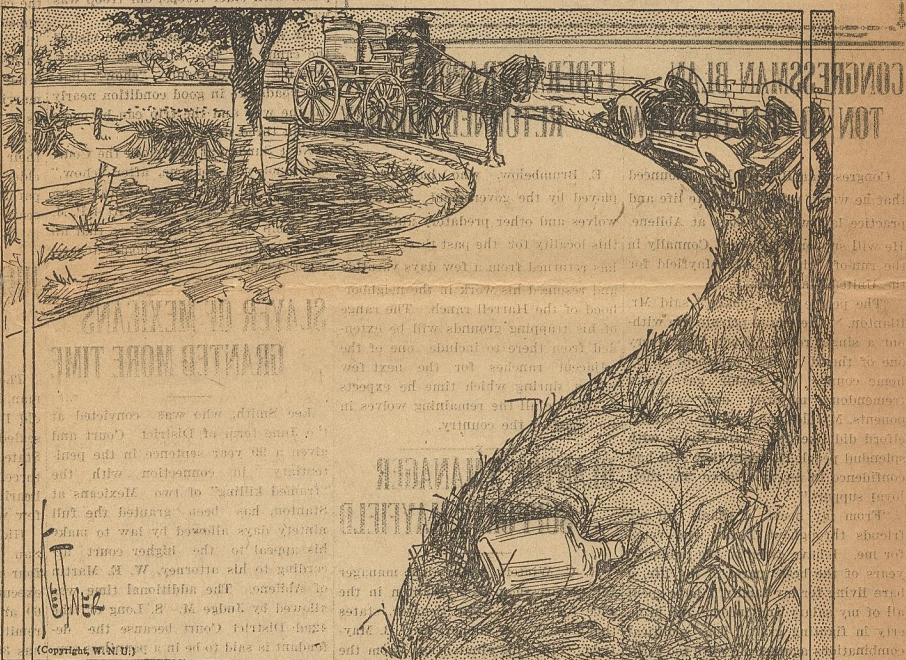
FINNEY OF THE FORCE

By F. O. Alexander



Vacation Time Correspondence

Along the Concrete



MICKIE, THE PRINTER'S DEVIL

By Charles Sughroe



The Clancy Kids

They Don't Come Every Day



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# THE RETURN OF ANTHONY TRENT

CHAPTER XIII—Continued

"He knows it's true," he cried. "They knew I was armed, and they planned the whole thing. When the joke went too far they got cold feet and framed me up. People talk about Weld and Bikel influence! We'll see how much it's worth when my side of the story gets out."

He looked around the room in triumph. None could answer him. If he had to suffer because of the complete confession he had been tricked into making there were others who would go down to disgrace with him.

"I admit that I took Captain Sutton into your room," Trent said.

"And there's more than that," Grant exclaimed. "You are an accessory to the crime. Your lawyer had better admit it. He'll have to in court."

"You're a little mixed in your legal terms," Fleming Dearholt remarked, "but, substantially, you are correct."

"What have you to say to that?" Grant said venomously, looking at Trent.

"I've some interesting facts to add. Here are some of them. While you were asleep I went through your pockets and took out those letters I had carefully planted at Deal Beach. Also, I substituted blanks such as are used in moving pictures for those lead pellets you had in the gun. You shot 'em all into a favorite suit belonging to Curtis Weld. Swithin had the deuce of a time explaining matters. You remember I covered up the corpse at once. That wasn't respect for the dead. I did it in case you might observe Sutton's breathing. A man properly slain oughtn't to inflate and deflate his lungs as he was doing."

"You are lying," Grant whispered; his face was white.

Trent rose, went to the door and reappeared with a strongly built man of middle age who had a keen, incisive way with him. It was the doctor who had examined the body in the mountain camp.

"This, Grant, is Mr. Brunton Warne, one of the best-known pursers on the transatlantic route. He has longed, for years, to see the last episode of a serial. I am happy to be able to accommodate him."

"You didn't appreciate my anecdotes on the way to Elabebtown, did you?" the purser said. "I had my anxious moments, too. I was afraid at first I had slipped a little too much nepenthe in that coffee, but you would have it."

Payson Grant looked at them venomously. He was a trapped beast and he knew it. But he realized that none here had the right to hold him. There was yet time to make his escape.

"I want my clothes," he snapped.

"I've my rights, too. You can't detain me."

"I could," Trent said, "but I won't. I'll have you followed instead."

"Here's another angle," said Grant, plucking at the door. "You've harbored a fugitive from justice knowing him to be an escaped convict; that's a punishable offense."

"I admit," Trent said, smiling, "but that risk was considered long ago, and accepted. The governor will probably tell me I did wrong and I shall bow my head in shame. But when he reads your confession and learns how you framed up your benefactor he won't be very severe. You have my address. If your lawyer wants mine, Dearholt's office is in the Equitable building."

By WYNDHAM MARTYN

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## CHAPTER XIV

### "The New Life Comes in the Old One's Stead."

Payson Grant was brought to justice with commendable speed. Just threatened to become the most sensational trial of the year was quickly finished with. Perhaps the great influence of some of those remotely concerned with it was not without effect.

The public which had heard vague rumors about the amazing way in which the confession of Grant was obtained, was pleased of its thrills. Grant's counsel thought it better not to bring Deal Beach or the Weld camp into the affair. With his attorney, Grant came to see that he would make a better impression if it were thought the honest desire to atone actuated him.

Those employees he had paid to perjure themselves held nothing back. The man Grant had hired to put a revolver in Captain Sutton's pocket confessed fully. Sutton's excellent

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"But how can that be?" she demanded.

"I'm thinking about your future. You have no money and you cannot take any position, even a lowly one without the danger of being recognized. You can wear clothes that are out of style and the severest sort of costume, but that won't disguise your unforgettable eyes. I recognized you. So did Redlich. Why not others? If some one remembers you what will happen? You will go to prison. I cannot bear to think of a woman of your upbringing herded with the people who would force themselves on you. You would come out something different from what you were when you went in and nothing could give you back your old self. You would be a broken middle-aged woman for whom nothing was left but to live by crime."



Late That Night the Governor Was Consulting With the State's Attorney General.

war record, the commendations of his superior officers and the testimony of the old friends who now flocked, a trifle shamefacedly to his support, moved the governor to pardon him before the trial began.

Again Payson Grant occupied a cell overlooking the Hudson, but this time with the certainty that the river view would be his for many years. Natica divorced him. The case was notable for the severe remarks made to her by the Judge. Rarely had a woman been so held up to public scorn as that Natica Grant who had schemed to enter high society. When the trial was over she knew that social victories were impossible.

It was not until after Grant had been sentenced that Anthony Trent went to see Mademoiselle Dupin, who still remained with Mrs. Kinney. She asked him innumerable questions about his part in forcing the confession.

"I see very plainly how you did the thing up to the moment you drugged him," she said, "but it seems incredible you could have persuaded him that he had been a convict so long he must have had some suspicion that something was wrong surely?"

"That was the hardest part," Trent answered, "but attention to details brought us success."

"You mean the fake cell and the wardens in uniform?"

"More than that. Grant was vain of his hands and wore his finger nails rather long. I cut his nails short and scrubbed his hands in a strongly alkaline fluid which roughened them and made the skin seem withered. Then Brunton Warne rubbed them in garden dirt until they looked as though he had done manual labor for months. Also we cut his hair short. I figured that he would look at his hands instinctively. If they had been as he last remembered them he might

have smelt a rat. I watched him wake to consciousness through a hole drilled in his cell wall. It was his hands that horrified him and made him believe. Then the element of good luck was there. We made a record trip from the camp with no tire trouble or motor police to hold us back."

"But the drug," she said, "as Mr. Warne was not a physician were you not frightened?"

"We had oxygen in reserve," he returned. "Of course there was danger but I had one of my hunches that everything would turn out all right."

"You are always successful," she said slowly. "I don't think any other living man could have done what you did for your friend. It amazes me that you do not look triumphant. You have accomplished the impossible and yet seem bored and tired."

She looked at him curiously. There was a certain sense of depression about him which she could not understand. She was satisfied that it was not a pose but the genuine emotion.

"I'm neither tired nor bored," he replied. "I'm nervous. What I did for Sutton was play, but now I want to do something for myself."

"Why should you fail at that?" she demanded.

"Perhaps because I am so anxious to succeed."

"Then you will only have to put out special effort," she smiled. "You see, Mr. Trent, I have very great confidence in you."

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She saw that he was agitated by the image that presented itself so vividly to him. And she knew it was true. Anthony Trent had reminded her of this constant menace of arrest and imprisonment. The police were still hunting for her. For the time she was safe, but she could not remain here much longer.

"Money, if carefully applied," he said eagerly, "will do most things. You and I have a fortune between us. If we choose, we can get away easily enough. You have heard Sutton say I must have spent a fortune over him. I told him I could easily afford it. Suppose I tell you I have spent every cent I had?"

"I can believe it," she said seriously. His expenditures had been on a lavish scale. There was distress in her face. "You have brought yourself to ruin for a friend?"

"No, not to absolute ruin. I said if you will remember, that we had a fortune between us. Look at this Mademoiselle Dupin. Have you forgotten this?"

Anthony Trent drew from a little chamols-leather bag that magnificent stone which collectors the world over knew as the "Nizam's Diamond." It was the famous jewel which Trent had taken from Mademoiselle Dupin when she had been known as the wealthy Long Island society woman Madame de Beaulieu. Trent knew the stone but he did not know from whom she had taken it. The only data he could gather about it was that a messenger to whom it had been entrusted for deposit in the strong room of a bank was found murdered in the Thames, off Rotherhithe, ten years before. At that time the conservative estimate of fifty thousand pounds was placed upon it.

Mademoiselle Dupin gazed upon the glistening thing in silence.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

### Sickle Still in Use at Galician Harvest

A Galician peasant girl frames her bronzed face with a russet-colored handkerchief. She wears a blouse of blue percale with sleeves of checked gingham, and a gray woolen skirt. The white and blue striped apron is crumpled by the sheaf of yellow wheat clasped in her smooth brown arms.

In Galicia many of the men emigrate to find employment, and the women carry on the work of the four seasons. The fields are small; the farming methods are the methods of the Homeric age. The red earth is turned in shallow furrows with wooden plows drawn by biscuit-colored oxen.

The seed is scattered by hand, and the soil is cultivated with wooden harrows. In June the grain is ripe, and the peasant girl goes into the field with her sickle.

The harvester bends low; in the left arm she gathers a cluster of grain stalks; with the sickle in her right hand she cuts a swift stroke near the roots. Catching the severed grain in the curve of the sickle, she raises it above her head and waves it in a circular movement; then, pivoting on her hips, she lays the sheaf on the ground behind her. In tireless rhythm she moves across the rows of grain.

A boy follows in the field, tying the sheaves with straws.—Exchange.

Many a man thinks he has an open mind when it's merely vacant.—Peporia Star.

A case of eruption strikingly like smallpox was discovered in an Egyptian mummy of about 1200 B. C.

**Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale**

By MARY GRAHAM BONNER

Illustration of a child and a fairy.

### THE ELEPHANTS ABROAD

The elephants were working even though they were talking to each other from time to time, too.

They were in a far off land and they were doing a great, great deal. These elephants worked from morning until night piling up great quantities of lumber or wood and showing them into the water and then helping to build rafts.

This wood was sent to help make the great ships which are built, and oh, how important is the work that the elephants do in this way.

"I thank my lucky stars I am here," said one of the elephants. "Even though I would hard I enjoy it far more than I work being in a circus I am quite sure."

"I feel the same way," said another elephant, "even though I don't quite know what lucky stars are."

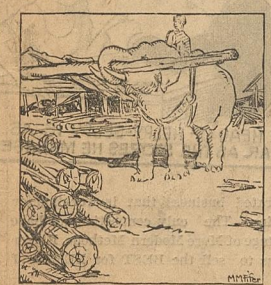
"If they're the things to thank for being here, I want to thank them, too."

So the elephants went on working quickly and steadily and they smiled their funny elephant smiles and they waved their trunks and laughed as they said:

"We help in the building of great ships which sail over the ocean."

"We're not just good for doing tricks, we can work, really work, and help oh, so much."

And those who were working with



"Though I Work Hard I Enjoy It"

the elephants admired them more and more each day.

Their work was important and so very fine.

When morning came the elephants did not complain about getting up.

They did not beg for five minutes more of sleep, nor did they say they had no wish to work.

They got up just the time they were supposed to get up.

"If I were in a circus," said one of the elephants, "we would have to do tricks."

"Even though I live far off here I keep in touch with what is going on in the world."

"I heard some travelers and adventurers talking about circus elephants and so I know."

"I wouldn't want to do tricks and bow to people. I feel so much more sensible in being a working elephant and in doing something worth while."

"Of course, it is all very well to do tricks, but it's not my way of living an interesting life."

"Well," said another elephant, "the ones who do tricks work, too."

"They must work to keep in good form, and they must do their tricks all the time. It all depends on what one is used to doing and what one's tastes are."

And all the elephants said they thought that was so.

### A Toy Girls Will Like

A doll's bureau is not difficult when fashioned in the following manner:

Take four or six of the "slip-in" boxes in which matches come. Either the pocket or household size may be used, according to the size of the doll. Pile the boxes lengthwise in two piles, so that the slip-in sides form two or three double tiers of drawers at the front. Then paste a piece of wall-paper or other heavy paper tightly around the whole (top, bottom and two long sides) to hold the boxes in position; paper the front of each drawer to match and sew a button on or push a thumb tack into the front of each drawer to serve as a handle.

—Children, The Magazine for Parents.

### Which Grandmother?

Betty was six, terribly proud of her age and of the fact that she was just beginning to learn to write. For fifteen minutes she had been laboriously making marks on a paper. Her mother inquired as to what she was doing.

"Writing a letter to grandmother," was the response.

"To which grandmother?" asked mother.

"Well," said Betty, "which one of them do you think can read the best?"

### Beaver Chases Bug

Leon Lapham, out fishing at Andover, Maine, made a cast in one of the pools and a big white miller skipped over the surface. Something large and black chased the miller, but visions of a giant red-spot were shattered when he saw a good-sized beaver following the line. Suddenly the beaver sighted the fisherman. There was a flap of the tail and instantly he was out of sight.

**Spoiling the Child**

By RING LARDNER

To the Editor:

I have received a letter from she who signs herself Worried Mother, that wants information in regards to how to handle her 2 kids that seems to be kind of a wild pair and in behalf of other parents that maybe in the same pickle, it looks like I should ought to print her letter to me and my reply to same as follows:

She writes, in a kind of illiterate way:

"Dear Sir: I been informed by the authorities that you have 4 children that is probably the best behaved children this side of the reform school. Well, Mr., I haven't got only 2 as many children, 1 of them a boy 4 yrs. old and the other a girl, 1 and 2 yrs. old and I can't do anything with either 1 of them.

For inst. in the first place, the little girl won't sleep nights and cries a whole lot and also laps up more milk than we can afford to buy for her. In regards to the boy, he won't mind anything we tell him and keeps running away from home and when the neighbors children comes over to play with him, it always winds up in a fight and he always gets the worst of it as he hasn't got no nerve, if you will pardon the slang. I enclose a plain envelope with no writing on it for reply and hope you won't fail to reply."

And then she signs her name and address which is none of our readers business.

My reply follows:

"Mrs. Angus Stimpson, 436 Railroad Street, Crestline, Ohio. Dear old girl!

You can bet I won't fail to reply to your overtures as I always make it a pt. to answer mail notes from fair ladies of the fair sex. I presume your note was in code, but I will reply to it on the up and up and my motto is safety 1st and then they can't nobody have a comeback.

You been well informed about the size of my family and you couldn't of come to a better man to get the desired information. Amongst my 4 children I had about the same kind of a struggle you are having with your 2, but I presume you have to give the boy the unique name of Junior and probably the little girl is called Lil."

Well, we will take up Junior. 1 of my sons about the same age had a habit of running away from home all hrs. of the day and finely along come the good old summer time and I told him he could go bare footed, then I went out on the st. and paved it for a 1/2 mile in both directions with tacks turned bottom side up but the little devil crossed me by going through the fields and the neighbors back yds. So 1 day I got him out in the wood shed and pretended like I was splitting kindling wood and by accident the heel of my hatchet come down on 3 toes of his 1st ft. foremost and the operation was successful. Him and his parent both thought it was an accident so to say. The way it is now, his nurse who is 70 yrs. old and built in proportion, can roll after him and catch him before he gets out of the yd.

As for Junior not minding anything you say, I have a kid that was the same way until I got me a whipping post with can be bought at a reduction in any first class post office and after about 3 lessons he begun to pay a tension. One day after I give him the works, a couple of our friends drove by in their tractor and they seen him and stopped and said:

"Hello, Stupid, are you all well?"

"No thank you, was his reply. 'I am all welts.'

As for Junior being afraid to fight, the thing is to match him up with Maloney and let him get some courage.

Now in respects to Lil, I haven't no gals, but the same treatment ought to be good for both brands. One of my kids insisted on 5 bottles of milk a day and wouldn't take no less milk I conceived the idea of putting sour milk in 3 of the bottles and he wouldn't touch none but the other 2 and we made a daily savings of 60 per cent on milk alone. And when this bird wouldn't sleep at night I would first rock him to sleep with a punch in the jaw or sprinkle a little chloroform on his pillow and the first thing you know you couldn't hardly wake him up.

I also had a kid that cried a whole lot and for no reason except that he had the collect or something or was getting teeth, witch is a waste of time in the first place because they loose them all when they are about 6 or 7 and get a new string. Well, when he had cried till I couldn't stand it no more, I went out and bought a double bbl. shotgun and shot out his ear ducks.

Children is a great comfort when they are brought up right and not get too fresh and it is all in the handling.

I hope I have helped you out, dearie, and if you ever hit this old town of New York City, I wish you would call me up or give me a ring as they say, only be sure isn't to call up the house as the phone isn't in very good shape and pretty near nobody is liable to answer and not understand you, but give me a ring at the office and what ever information I can give you, why I am at your beckon call."

Long's Island, N. Y.

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Hearing an automobile crash, William J. Slattery of Washington, D. C., opened his street door to see if he could be of any assistance. As he did, in popped what he thought was the house cat. Returning from the accident, his wife met him with the information, "That was a funny kind of a cat you let in." Slattery took a look and decided she was right. With the help of three men he finally got kitty into a crate and learned that it was a young jaguar, the pet of a sailor who had been giving it an airing in an automobile involved in the crash.

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COFFEE—2 POUND—MJB — — — — \$1.02

**BEYOND THE PALE**

An aged negro preacher of Southern Georgia had the wonderful good luck to pick up a fine 'possum, and was keeping it until it attained just the right degree of fatness; but the very night before the day set for the feast the 'possum was stolen. Shortly after, during a revival, there came to the mourner's bench a certain Jim, whose grief seemed more than human strength could possibly bear.

"Cheer up, mah brudder!" the old preacher exhorted him. "No matter what yo' sin de good Lord gwine forgib you."

"Ah's skeered he won't. Ah's a powerful sinner. Been power-ful mean!" Jim lamented.

"Yo' stole some white man's chickens?" the old man questioned.

"Wussen dat?"

"Oh Lord! dis po' lamb! is yo' use yo' razor?"

"Oh, wussen dat."

"Lord, Lord, hab mercy! Yo'—yo' ain't killed nobody?"

"Oh, lots wussen dat."

"Den right hyah yo' loses yo' black hide!" the old man shouted as he peeled his coat and came boiling down from the pulpit. "De good Lord can forgib yo' if he feels dat way, but

Ah is gwine climb yo' frame! Yo's de shunk what stole my 'possum."

Paul Thate of Burkett was among the business visitors to Cross Plains Monday.

A California woman motorist was disfigured for life the other day. The accident was caused by her trying to read a "school girl complexion" billboard along the highway.

A father in California last week turned his 19-year-old son back to jail after the son had been released on parole and violated it by again issuing worthless checks. It seems to us it was a father's duty to do as this man did. No doubt it meant pain and anguish; no doubt such a step brought great humiliation to the family. But the father probably did what many fathers should have done but didn't. Recognizing the wholesomeness of justice under the law, and knowing of the son's proclivities to defraud, he could not consistently shield his son in continued wrong-doing.

There is too much of this bad check business anyhow. Man may come heated and slay, hungry and rob, angry and devastate, careless and destroy, but he can not demand without some degree of premeditation. Commercial cheating, forgery and worthless check giving are products of low, base and vile minds. Only the degraded "low-brow" will stoop to cheat and deceive his fellow-man in the ordinary transactions of life. When the law is too lenient, boys about the age of 19 are likely to repeat their offenses. The best method is to punish them severely when shown to have been chronic offenders. The first offense is cause for mercy. Repeated offenses do not warrant probation until the offenders have learned their lessons.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Bond visited at German and Lake Cisco last Sunday afternoon.

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**FOR DISTRICT CLERK**

Mrs. Callie (Pycott) Marshall  
**FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY**  
 L. B. LEWIS

**FOR PUBLIC WEIGRER PREG**  
 I. B. LOVING

**JUSTICE PRECINCT 6**  
 W. C. ADAMS  
**COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT**

B. C. Chrisman

**BURKETT NEWS**  
 (Vera Baker)

Parties were enjoyed last week at Misses Henrietta Burkett, Mattie Lou Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Meads.

Mrs. Gussie Cox, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moore and families spent the night in Coleman Friday night. Mrs. Cox returned to her home at Pearl Saturday. The Baptist Sunday School went on a picnic Tuesday afternoon at the Cisco Crossing, swimming and eating were the main occupation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Burnes, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Wilson, C. D. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tabor, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McFerrin, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Burns and families and Mr. Maurice Donaldson and Miss Janita Ray spent several days on the creek last week.

Mr. Johnnie Oliver and wife attended church here Sunday night.

Little Miss Patsy Burns, McFerrin spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. Willie Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Knight and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Baker and Little Miss Addie C. Gray spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank King at Cross Plains.

Mrs. C. E. Burnes spent Sunday with Mrs. Hugh Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moore entertained with a singing Wednesday night.

Miss Dorothy Wesley spent Saturday with Miss Mildred Newton.

The Burkett community was benefited by good rain Friday. Miss Mildred Newton celebrated her thirteenth birthday Monday afternoon by inviting her Sunday school friends to a doll party, given at her home. Nine members were present. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. J. B. Cregg is spending several days in Coleman.

Miss Missouri Davidson of Marble Falls spent from Wednesday until

Friday with Miss Jewel Lewis.

Mr. T. C. Yeager of Cross Plains was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Miss Remington of Brownwood has been secured for English and Spanish teacher here for the Burkett High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Zirkle spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Thate at Thrifty.

Misses Viron and Gathalee Brady and Iola Morgan, accompanied by Mrs. Climmie Morgan went kodaking and picnicing Tuesday.

W. H. Norred and family of Putnam came over Sunday and spent the day with relatives in Cross Plains.

**FOR RENT**—Two furnished rooms, see Mrs. M. R. Goodman. T-E.

One lot of silk Dresses, \$17.50 and \$32.50 values—choice \$5.00 at Higginbotham Bros & Co.

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**West Texas Utilities  
 Company**

Ted Brown, bookkeeper at the Cross Plains Lumber Co., is off on a vacation trip.

Drew Hill returned the first of this week from a trip to the northern part of the State and a number of the towns in Oklahoma.

Ross Wagner, manager of the Cross Plains Motor Co., returned this week from a trip to Dallas, where he went to secure more new Ford cars for his agency.

A. C. Dodson, of the Dodson Chevrolet Co., has returned from a vacation trip to Mineral Wells.

Mrs. O. E. Adams entertained with theatre and slumber party last Wednesday night, in honor of the Misses Marie and Louima Williams of Hamlin.

Mrs. Fred Stengele and children of Wichita Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wagon of Lawn were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Garrett, Sunday.

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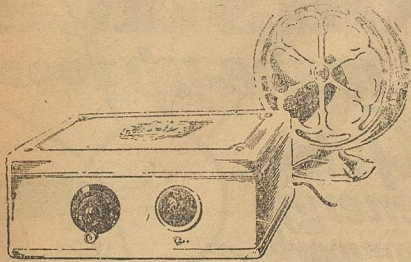
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## ANOTHER INTERESTING LETTER FROM CHINA

SHANGHAI, CHINA, JUNE 28, 1928.  
C. P. O. BOX No. 1234

Editor Review:

Herewith two of my Cristian Almanacs—one for you and one for a Chinese in your town. Please feel free to print this letter without payment.

I send a Chinese fire-god. His name is "Ho-zwen-bu-sah." He Ho-zwen was a Taoist priest; but during a great battle he changed himself into a giant with three heads and six arms. He has three eyes, one in the middle of his forehead. He has red hair and he is of a fiery disposition. He rides on a fiery horse which snorts flames, and fire flashes from his hoofs. In the god's six hands he carries a heaven-wide flashing seal, a wheel of five fiery dragons, gourd enclosing 10,000 fire crows, and two swords, and a thousand miles smoke screen filled with swords of fire. No wonder he can scatter fire everywhere and do untold damage when on a ram-page. People in whose house he starts a fire are not welcome in other homes lest, in so doing, they bring Ho-zwen's wrath up on themselves also. People where a fire starts hurry to the temple and plead with Ho-zwen to leave their house at once. When he leaves they thank him for punishing them. Ho-zwen-bu-sah is much feared, also, because of the danger to the one in whose

house the fire starts, for if it spreads to other houses and he is found, his neighbors throw him into the fire for bringing loss to them. So he runs away and is not seen again or comes back only after a long time. When the houses are rebuilt the old rubbish is put on his lot!

You would be greatly interested to see a Chinese fire and the fire-fighters at work. Crowds of firemen come each with a long nam-banner. These banners are left in line against the walls of the narrow streets near the fire. One set of men are carriers having carrying poles with a bucket on each end of the pole. Ahead of each carrier runs a man with a gong beating wildly to make way for the carrier as he brings the water from a creek or well near by. He dumps the water into the tub of a hand-pump which forces the water up a spout on to the fire. This pump working reminds one of an old R. R. hand-car. Wealthy men often keep a hand-pump in their own home, but lest the fire-god gives the pump work to do there is written on it, "Be-neh-yong" prepared but it not be used. A fire in China is a noisy, exciting and very primitive thing in its method of extinguishing; but fierce in its burning.

While the fire is burning sometimes theatricals are held on the street. These are to please the god-of-fire and get him to go back home. At other times, when people fear troubles are coming, they buy a paper image of the fire-god and burn false money, incense, and candles before it and they burn

the image itself. This is sending him home with spending money and fragrances to keep him from starting other fires.

I asked the Chinese if the fire-god lit a recent fire on a ship. They answered, "If there was a fire on the ship the fire-god must have been there at work." We have towers in Shanghai where men watch for fires. When one is discovered the fire-bell is rung. When the old Custom House was built a large clock was placed in its tower. For some weeks after this clock began to strike the hours there were few if any fires. The Chinese said it was because the fire-god thought that every time the clock struck there was a fire announced so he could rest without helping. All these things seem ridiculous to us but are very real to the Chinese. Chinese life and atmosphere is chuck full of such superstitions. Chinese are never free from them and the anxiety they bring like a superstitious man forced to pass the night in a haunted house. When the Gospel comes the believer goes free. For he knows the Truth that makes free indeed.

Yours in Christ's glad service,  
Rev. H. G. C. Hallock.

### TO THE VOTERS OF PRECINCT 4, CALLAHAN COUNTY

I wish to thank my many friends for their loyal support given me in the recent primary for Commissioner, and I hope to show my appreciation by giving you the very best service that I can in the future. I also wish to thank you again for all past favors.

Yours truly,  
G. H. Clifton.

Mr. and Mrs. Langford Lewis of Altus, Oklahoma, and Brownwood are guests of their parent, Mr. and Mrs. Oak Lewis, this week.

## 1,000 SECOND HAND BARGAINS

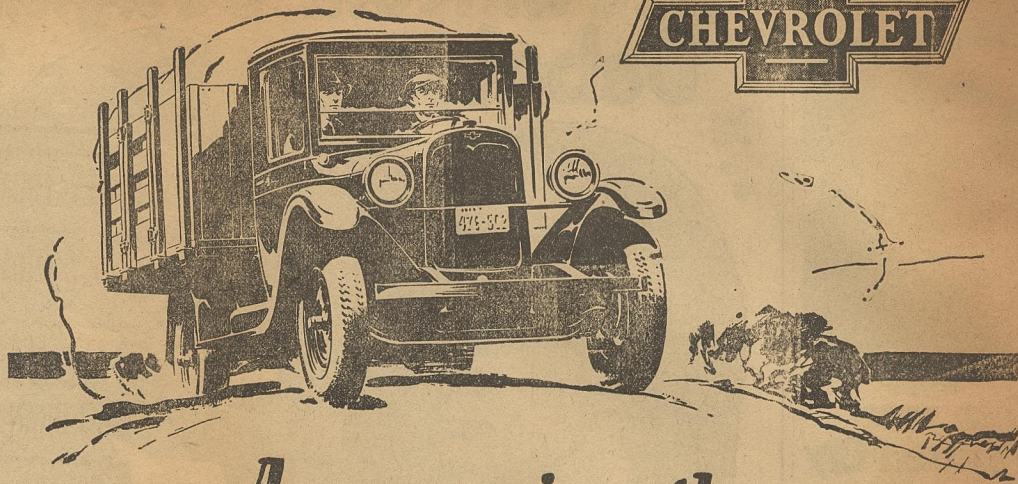
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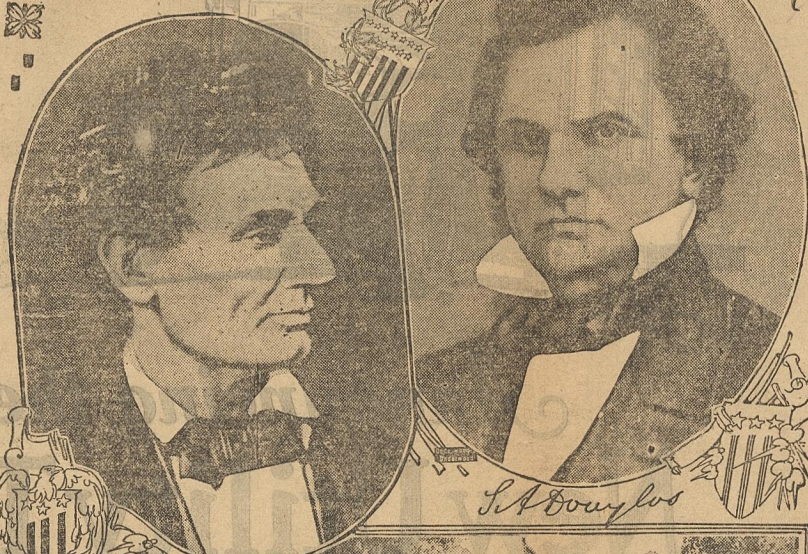
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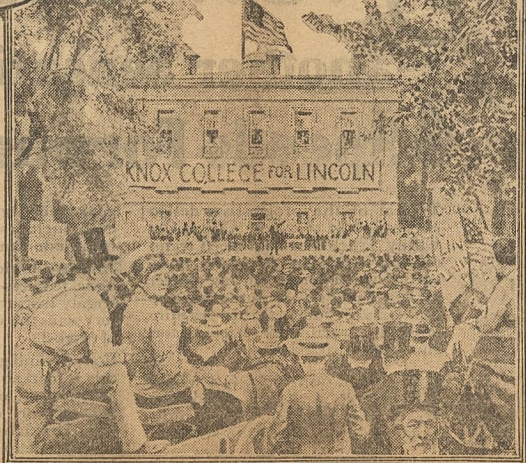
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# The Lincoln-Douglas Debates



Abraham Lincoln

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON  
**B**ECAUSE of the radio, it will be possible for millions of Americans during the next two and one-half months to listen to Herbert C. Hoover and Alfred E. Smith discuss the issues in the 1928 Presidential campaign. But it is doubtful if the contest this year, for all the millions who will hear its various issues debated, will excite the intense interest and have the far-reaching results in our history that a senatorial campaign in Illinois did just 70 years ago this summer. For it was during that campaign that there took place the now-famous series of "Lincoln-Douglas Debates," held in seven Illinois cities in August, September and October, 1858, one of the most picturesque and important incidents in all American political history.



THE MEETING AT GALESBURG (From Ida Tarbell's 'Life of Lincoln')

The opponents for the office of United States senator from Illinois were Stephen A. Douglas and Abraham Lincoln. Douglas was the Democratic incumbent, seeking re-election. At the age of forty-five he was a national figure, having served three terms in the house of representatives, and 12 years in the senate. Only five feet, two inches tall, he was known as the "Little Giant," a man of great personal charm, with his clarion voice, his dominating way of tossing his mane of curly black hair, his Napoleonic frown and his gift of oratory, inherited from the school of Daniel Webster and Henry Clay. He had been a poor boy on a New England farm, working his way up by his own indomitable effort to a position of wealth and great influence. He was the author of the Kansas-Nebraska bill which had reopened the old slavery dispute after it had apparently been settled by the Compromise of 1820 and 1850, and this measure, which had an appeal to both northern and southern Democrats, he fondly hoped would make him the Democrats' next candidate for the Presidency.

His Republican opponent, Abraham Lincoln, apparently lacked everything which Douglas had to make him a popular and appealing public figure. At the age of forty-nine, he was a tall, gaunt, awkward-appearing country lawyer, who had been a popular enough political speaker to have served in the Illinois legislature and one term in congress. But he was virtually unknown outside the borders of his own state and even two years later a New York paper was referring to him as "a third-rate western lawyer who cannot speak good grammar." Against the advice of Seward and Greeley, the sages in the newly-formed Republican party, the Illinois Republicans had nominated him for senator against Douglas.

When he accepted the nomination in a speech at Springfield, he threw something of a bombshell into his own political camp when, against the advice of his conservative friends, he declared: "A house divided against itself cannot stand. I believe this government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free. I do not expect the Union to be dissolved. I do not expect the house to fall, but I do expect it will cease to be divided. It will become all one thing or all the other. Either the opponents of slavery will arrest the further spread of it, and

place it where the public mind shall rest in the belief that it is the course of ultimate extinction, or its advocates will push it forward till it shall become lawful alike in all the states, old as well as new, North as well as South."

As the campaign progressed Lincoln began to trail Douglas, whose supporters with their hands and torchlight processions in the leading cities of the state were making a powerful impression upon the electorate. Incidentally, Douglas had another powerful ally in his beautiful young wife, a grandniece of Dolly Madison, whose "mere presence gained votes for her husband." Sometimes at the end of a Douglas meeting Lincoln would rise and announce when and where he would make his reply. Sometimes dodgers of the Knox meeting would be handed out to the Douglas crowd as it dispersed.

Finally Lincoln decided to challenge Douglas to a joint debate and on July 24, 1858, he wrote a note from Chicago to Douglas suggesting that they divide the time and address the same audiences during the campaign. Douglas did not want to debate with Lincoln, for, from the speeches Lincoln had already made in reply to his, he realized the strength of "Honest Abe's" logic. But to refuse might lose the election, so he agreed. Nor did Lincoln's friends view the idea with any particular enthusiasm. True, Lincoln had met and skillfully refuted all of Douglas' arguments, but they were fearful that in a joint debate in which the voters would have a chance to see the two men side by side their candidate would show to but poor advantage when compared to the brilliant Douglas.

However, the arrangements were made, according to Douglas' terms, for seven debates, one in each of the seven congressional districts. Douglas was to speak one hour at the first, Lincoln to reply for an hour and a half and Douglas to close with a half-hour rebuttal. At the second Lincoln was to have the opening and closing speeches and so on alternately and although this arrangement gave Douglas the advantage of four openings and closings to Lincoln's three, Lincoln agreed to the terms, for as he said humorously, "My consenting to it was not wholly unselfish, for I suspected, if it were understood that the judge was entirely done, you Democrats would leave and not hear me;

but by giving him the close, I felt confident you would stay for the fun of hearing him skin me."

The debates were held as follows: Ottawa, LaSalle county, August 21, 1858; Freeport, Stephenson county, August 27; Jonesboro, Union county, September 15; Charleston, Coles county, September 18; Galesburg, Knox county, October 7; Quincy, Adams county, October 13, and Alton, Madison county, October 15.

As the debates progressed it soon became apparent how groundless were the fears of Lincoln's friends that he could not hold his own with the "Little Giant." The humor which had made "Honest Abe" such a favorite when he was riding the circuit was used time and again with telling effect against his opponent. On one occasion, after Douglas had thrilled and swayed his audience with his oratory and sat down amid a storm of applause, Lincoln rose, and drawing himself to his full height, slowly took off his coat, a gesture which in the pioneer settlements meant business. Handing it to some of his friends, he said, "Here, boys! Hold my raiment while I go in and stone Stephen!" Amid a gale of laughter from those people who knew their Bible, he did "stone Stephen"—with facts!

Long before the debates were over it was apparent to all who heard them that for once Douglas had met his match. Through all the windings and turnings of the debates, there shone forth the fundamental fact that Douglas was the disciple of expediency and of "trimming" and that Lincoln was the exponent of protest against wrong and the proponents of the right. At the second debate, the one at Freeport, Douglas sealed his political fate. Lincoln forced Douglas to quibble on the effect of the Dread Scott decision and the South labeled him a "double-dealer" whom it could not trust. Although Douglas eventually won the election to the senate, he had killed his chances for the Presidency in 1860. Lincoln had lost the lesser prize in 1858, but he won the greater one two years later. One of the things which helped him do it was his part in the historic Lincoln-Douglas debates, which led some to prophesy even then that they had "sounded the death knell of slavery and paved the way for the election of Lincoln to the Presidency of the United States."

**Arabic Salutations**  
Dr. George Duncan says: "Salem aleikum" means Peace be unto you. This word 'peace' has a very comprehensive meaning and signifies all kinds of blessings, material, mental and spiritual. It is a very common greeting among Arabic-speaking people. Another expression, 'May your day be white', 'Tom ahjad aleikum'—literally is 'May a white day be to you'. The term 'white day'—sunny day—a day full of good cheer with all matters prospering.

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state that they have never had anything but favorable results.

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According to the geographic board of Canada, Pangnirtung, the name of the fiord and police post on Baffin Island in the Canadian Arctic archipelago, is of Eskimo origin and means "where buck deer are plentiful." The police post at Pangnirtung was established during the 1923 annual Canadian government expedition to the northern islands.





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When cotton grows on fig trees,  
And apples hang from the rose,  
When Catholic rules the U. S. A.,  
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When the Pope heads the Ku Klux Klan  
in the land of Uncle Sam,  
Then Al Smith will be president,  
And the country won't be worth a damn.

ANONYMOS

### CARDS OF THANKS

To the officers and members of Greenbriar I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 294. We the undersigned beg to express our heart felt thanks for the many kindnesses and help tendered us during the illness of our son, Elmer, and assure you that each and every one of you will always hold a tender place in our hearts and will long be remembered by us in such kindness. We pray God's richest blessings upon each and every one of you and upon your lodge. We want to further extend our heart felt thanks to the good people of

this community for the above help and kindness. My God's richest blessings be upon you all.

Fraternally yours,  
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Mrs. Leo Tyler and children of Clyde visited relatives here first of week.

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### NO APPEARANCE OF LEAF WORM REPORTED

At this date almost every year there appear rumors that the leaf worm is attacking the cotton crop, and there have been occasional years in which considerable damage is done this early to the cotton in the Rio Grande valley and the lower Coastal section, advises R. R. Reppert, Entomologist Extension Service, A. and M. College.

"Knowing the cotton farmers' anxiety regarding this insect and acting upon rumors that it has already made its appearance in South Texas, we have within the last few days taken pains to look into these particular rumors and also to send out inquiries to other points which are expected to be infested first. Replies which have reached us deny all the specific rumors and do not indicate the presence of the leaf worm as yet at any point in Texas.

"Farmers, we think, can rest assured that their cotton will not be seriously damaged by this insect for at least another ten days. Any infestation would formally make its appearance first in the more southern portion, progressing from that section northward. Outside of the Coastal area we would think the cotton crop reasonably safe.

"In order that we may be able to give the best service possible, we invite all parties who suspect an infestation by the leaf worm in their community to send specimens of the worm or moths to us at College Station."

Mr. Hoover fished for five hours the other day without getting a bite. What we can't understand is, why a candidate for such a high office as president of the United States wants to fool around fishing when the time is so short. But there is something human about candidates. They like to let the people know they fish, wear old clothes and walk through the woods just like all of us common people. As an excuse for the pomp and dignity they display on the platform, they get down to earth like the rest of us in between times.

There is a more serious side to this rather light reasoning. It is this: Man is by origin and nature a fisherman, a hunter, a woodsman. Such vacation jaunts as are now being engaged in by those in high estate are merely expressions of the original man climbing and hunting and casting stones and sticks. Children display these traits openly and vigorously. Grown-ups call them "vacations" and get by with them beautifully.

Miss Gyrlee Lewis is visiting in Fort Worth and Dallas this week.

Misses Margaret Wagner, Maxine Gwin and Dorothy Chandler visited with Miss Ann Epp at Brownwood this week.

### WALKER FAMILY RE-UNION AT BUFFALO GAP

From every section of West Texas, all the members of one well known family gathered Thursday, August 2, to pay tribute to their father, Mr. R. S. Walker of Cross Plains, who is to celebrate his 77th birthday this month.

Mr. Walker has been a resident of West Texas since 1889 and August 14 is celebrate his birthday.

August 2 and 3 was named for the date of the affair because of plans for the departure, Saturday August 4, of Mr. and Mrs. Finis Walker and family of Abilene for Phoenix Arizona to make their home.

Thursday after setting camp on the beautiful Buffalo Gap encampment grounds, several hours were spent in familiar reminiscences while later in the afternoon swimming and other sports were enjoyed by all.

On August 3rd a special tribute to the guest of honor was a brief religious service held at 10.30 o'clock by Rev. J. H. Tate of Fluvanna. The latter's father being among the first acquaintances gained by Mr. Walker, after coming to Texas, 39 years ago.

The occasion was marked by a program of old times songs. By which Mrs. J. H. Williamson made it more complete by singing an old time song entitled, "Oh Wondrous Love." At the closing of the service all hands were joined in a family circle and the familiar hymn sung, "Blest be the Tie that binds," Led by Rev. Thate.

At noon Friday a Barbecue dinner with all the picnic accessories was served in the large dining hall and the huge birthday cake topped with 77 candles was cut and enjoyed by the 43 members and guests of the family.

In the early afternoon began the handshakes and adieus as the guests departing for their homes.

The elder Mr. Walker came from Alabama in 1889 to Stephens County. He has lived near Cross Plains since 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Rone and daughter, Bernadine, of Loraine, the latter being the only great grand child, were unable to attend due to the illness of Mrs. Rone.

Names of Mr. Walker's children and their families who attended the reunion follow:

Mr. and Mrs. Finis Walker and daughters, Marian and Edna Merle, of Abilene, Mrs. J. C. Garrett and children, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Garrett and Macla of Cross Plains, Mr. W. K. Walker and children Mr. and Mrs. Olney Walker and Miss Aleta Walker of Spur, Mr. J. E. Walker of Stanton, Mr. A. S. Walker and children Benlah, Alama and Alnus of Nimrod, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Walker and children, R. E. Clarence, Dorothy, Bonnie and Neta Merle, of Loraine. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Vestal and daughters, Loreta, and Jaunita, of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Marshall and children, La Verne and J. N. of Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Tate of Fluvanna, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Austin and daughter, Mattie Lou, of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Leach, Mrs. Pink Barr. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Williamson of Cross Plains were the special guests for the occasion. Mrs. Williamson is a sister of the late Mrs. Walker.

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