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The program was under the able direction of Mrs. Herbert A. Tait, with Miss Ramsey presiding at the piano. It was indeed a treat for those who were fortunate enough to hear it, and many very complimentary expressions were heard.

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A. T. CREWS DIED FRIDAY BURIED HERE SUNDAY

A. T. Crews, aged 70 years, died at his home near Wilson at 6:10 o'clock last Friday evening, after an illness of only a few hours.

Mr. Crews was born in Murray Co., Tennessee, and came to Texas twenty-four years ago, but had lived in the Wilson community only two years. He was a consistent member of the Methodist church.

Deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mollie Crews, and the following children: A. B. Crews, Big Spring; C. W. and F. R. Crews, Wilson; Mrs. Zora Perkins, Axtem; Clyde Crews, Dallas; W. T. and W. V. Crews, Wilson.

His remains were laid to rest in the Slaton cemetery at 12 o'clock Sunday. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. V. Hendricks of this city. Howerton Undertaking Co. had charge of the funeral arrangements.

MRS. P. C. CRAWFORD DIED EARLY WEDNESDAY MORNING

Mrs. P. C. Crawford, aged 68 years, 11 months and 7 days, died at 5:20 o'clock Wednesday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ida Champion, in this city, after a long illness.

Deceased was born in Prentiss Co., Miss., was a member of the Methodist church. She is survived by two children, Mrs. J. M. Rodgers of El Paso, and Mrs. Champion of this city.

Funeral services were conducted at the home at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon by Rev. J. H. McCauley. Her remains were shipped Thursday morning to Alvord for burial beside her husband.

MRS. SILAS WILSON'S FATHER DIED AT WHITEWRIGHT

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wilson of this city received a telegram Tuesday from their son, S. G. Wilson at Sherman, stating that his wife's father, Dan Gillett, had died at 7 o'clock that morning at Whitewright, Grayson County.

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Movie Theatre PROGRAM.

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Tuesday, April 13, "UNWRITTEN CODE."

Wednesday, Apr. 14, "DAWN," featuring Sylvia Breamer.

Thursday, April 15, "ARIZONA," by Douglas Fairbanks.

Friday, Apr. 16, "The Great Radium Mystery" and "Hands Up."

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pressions of good will that have come to me. I have been strongly solicited to stand for election for the same office again, but I firmly believe in the democratic policy of two terms, and have for that reason, declined to run again for the office of County Judge.

I now desire a promotion and if the people of the district honor me with the office to which I aspire, I will to the best of my ability perform the duties of that responsible office.

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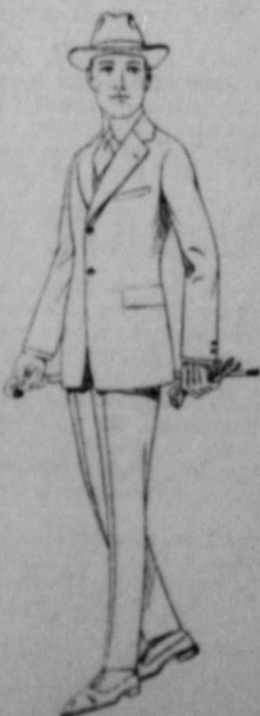
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Diamond Cut Diamond

By JANE BUNKER

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his attention. The top of the car showed up at our door.

"Nine," he whispered, giving me a signal to be silent; and with that he slipped noiselessly to the stairs—the way he had come up—and disappeared.

The car door opened and Billy jumped out. I hastily undid the chain-bolt and he bounded in with a "What do you think?" and dragged me along the hall, out of earshot of the door, and then cried in an excited whisper, "Your 'mossoo' has flew the coop!"

Billy flung his hat on the table and repeated his words—"Your 'mossoo' has flew the coop—do you hear?" for I had been too astonished to say anything when I heard them the first time.

"Gone—bag and baggage! Evaporated! Took a carriage and told the driver the Waldorf."

"Then he's not gone very far," I remarked, without thinking, only to have Billy ask scornfully:

"Do you suppose I haven't been there already? I tell you he's lit out for parts unknown—that's the size of it, and I want to know what for! He left the hotel at seven in the morning—seven, mind you, before anybody was out of bed. He hadn't registered at the Waldorf by eleven—and he hasn't registered at any of the other big hotels. I got a hunch he's got some new scheme on and there's no use looking for him in New York. Do you imagine he would go to Washington on his own hook—with his daughter and all—and lay the case before the president? I mean to lay a case before the president—trust little old 'mossoo' to tell only what he wants known!"

"Suppose he has!" I cried, and then I added, "That would be almost too good to be true."

"Yes—I feel that way—I kind-a don't seem to feel that he did—my hunch doesn't say he did. But say—I've been figuring it out coming up on the sub—your 'mossoo' is laying a new trap for you and Mrs. Delario.

He knows one of you two women has got the diamonds—he knows it in his boots, no matter what you say—and anyway you have. He knows you've got 'em—that you're bound to keep 'em—and wouldn't dare sell or tell. See? That's where he's got you; and he knows you're both of you shaking in your boots."

"I'm shaking, all right—I've had my fill of diamonds!" I admitted bitterly.

"And that's how he argues. He's only got to give you a new scare of some sort—and wait. And I bet you, too, you get your scare inside an hour!"

"Perhaps I've had it already!" I cried, suddenly recollecting my mysterious detective, whom I had forgotten in this new development of affairs, and I told Billy the story. But when I came to my suspicions that it was Claire the man was after Billy flopped down all in a heap on the divan.

"Good Lord!" he gasped. "It might be!" and for some minutes he sat there, squeezing his hands and glaring at the floor. Suddenly Mrs. Thing-downstairs began rendering her Mendelssohn's "Spring Song" of a pig on ice, and Billy jumped up in irritation and paced the floor. I was glad of her performance—it was a gratuitous contribution to the safety of conversation in my own flat.

"Tell me again everything your detective man said," commanded Billy. "And you're sure he's a tee?"

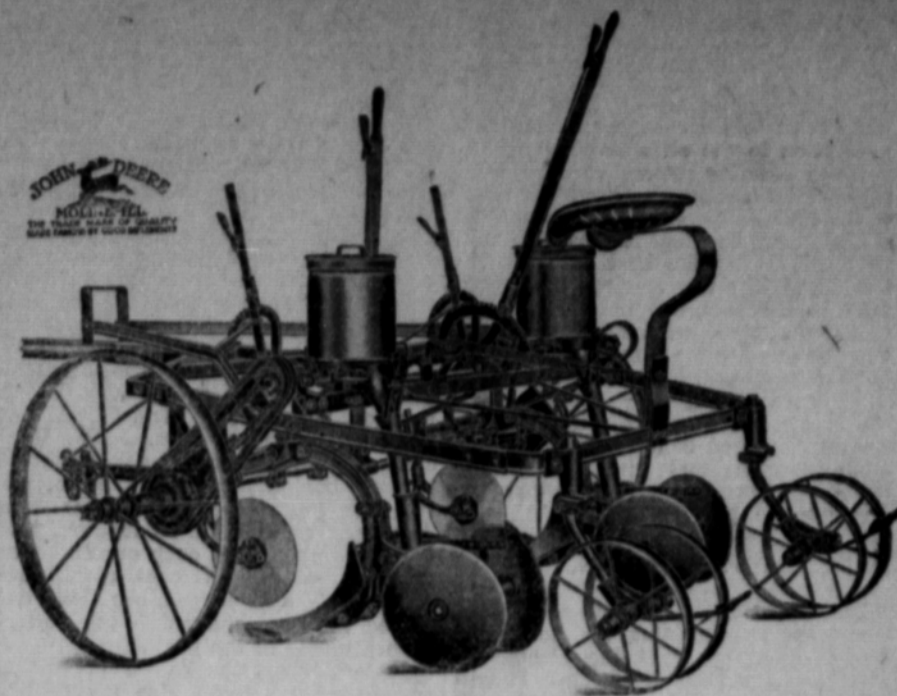
"I'm not sure of anything," I returned. "I had nothing to go on but what he said and what I guessed. He may have been a fancy burglar—a literary burglar, after my last novel; such things have happened." I saw Billy's lip curl at this frivolous suggestion, but I ran on. "He may be a gentleman crook—someone on the steamer whom I didn't know but who noticed I had an interest in the girl and is using it now to get in here and map the grounds so he can come back and rob and murder me."

"Oh, don't joke," he begged disconsolately. "This is awfully serious. Why couldn't this man—you say you think he's a foreigner—why couldn't he be the emperor's follow-up? Now why?"

"He could."

"Say—that's what he is! And 'mossoo' got wind of him last night and scooted for the tall timbers! The emperor wouldn't just hand 'mossoo' a box of diamonds like that and tell him just to take 'em and present 'em with his compliments—they don't do things that way over here. He'd send a second man to see that the first man did his job according to contract. And why isn't this the man?"

It did look possible—though I couldn't still see why he had begun his acquaintance with me—telling me a lie about Claire. While I was wondering over it Billy remarked, "Poor De



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a mess like this, are you?"
I didn't answer immediately, and he ramped on. "I ask you—are you going to do it? Are you going to be party to such an outrage?"

"If I don't put the case to the president what am I to do? Here I am saddled with the diamonds—"

"Well, just keep them yourself," he bluntly offered, as his solution of the difficulty. "Keep them—put them in the safe deposit—and let things take their course."

For a minute I was really angry, and rapped out, "If I thought you were serious, Billy, I'd ask you to leave the house. Your suggestion is that I frankly become a thief, and your solution is not only criminal but—idiotic. What would it accomplish?—with so many people knowing?"

"Well—say—promise me one thing," he pleaded. "You'll wait—you won't try to see the president today—you won't rush off without telling me you're going."

I was willing to grant this and suggested that he go down to the hotel at once and see how Claire was.

"You'll not come?" he asked, taking his hat, and I detected very mixed feelings in his question: there was a good chance he might not see her at all unless I went with him.

"How can I go off and leave these things alone in the house?" I pointed to the blue box.

At that moment the front bell rang and I found George glued to the button to tell me, "Why, thez a gen'le-m'n downstairs say he like to see you, but he don't give no name, an' I tell him I can't say if you's home er out, but I'll go up an' see."

"Has he ever been here before?"
These are the times when I appreciate George's virtues!

"No'm—he ain't never called here before—fer you ner nobody. He tried to crowd into the car an' come along up with me, an' I tell him if he don't stay where he is till I find out is you home he don't find out at all," and George grinned as if he saw a quarter dangling over my left shoulder.

"That's right, George," I was warmly encouraging. "Tell him I'm not at home. That's positive—don't come up again to see if maybe I've come home," and while I gave all these instructions Billy came ramping along the hall. "Hello, George—wait—I'm going down," and with a quick, "See you later," he was out of sight.

I don't know what instinct prompted me to it, but after I'd closed the door and gone back to my study I retraced my steps and put on the chain-bolt.

CHAPTER XVI.

A New Visitor.

A pretty kettle of fish! I had made up my mind to lay the case before the president, but then—as Billy said—ruin a young girl's life! If I told anything I'd have to tell all.

George rang. He was apologetic, but had the odious air of having received compensation for my scolding.

"Why, that gen'le-m'n downstairs, he says—soon as I tell him you ain't home—he says ain't you in, or is you out—"

"I told you positively that I was not at home."

"Well, I tolle him that—that's why he ask me is you not at home or is you out? An' he says fer me to go up again with this here—" and he thrust a sealed envelope into my hand through the crack of the door, which was still on the chain-bolt.

"Mechanically—as people will do those things without thinking of the possible consequences—I tore open the flap and read:

"Mademoiselle de Ravenol has disappeared."

That was all—no signature or anything—and the paper looked like a leaf torn from a notebook and hastily scribbled in pencil.

I made an exclamation and was in the very act of telling George to bring the man up at once, when the queerest feeling came over me—intuition, warning, whatever you choose to name it—a feeling of danger, and that this was what the detectives call a plant for me. If was George who

recalled me to my senses by asking, "Shall I fetch him up?"

"No—certainly not. You've already told him I'm not at home."

"But he says—if you's out I'm to fetch back the letter to him, an' when I don't fetch it back he asks me, ain't you in, an' if you ain't in where's the letter?"

True—and aptly argued!
"Why didn't you tell me that in the first place?" I demanded, wondering at my own stupidity that I hadn't seen it myself in the first place.

"I ain't think of it," said George sullenly.

"Oh, well—it doesn't matter anyway," I soothed. "Just tell him again I'm not at home, and if he says anything more repeat it—and keep on repeating it till he goes, for I won't see him. But, George—this I said sternly—"if you bring that man up—after what I've said to you—you needn't say good morning to me next Sunday."

George understood the allusion—I always give him a quarter on Sunday morning when he brings the paper up. He grinned and departed.

"Now, what new dodge is this?" I cogitated, carrying the paper to my study and examining it in the light. The writing was distinctly foreign—French or German in the "r's." The "mademoiselle" also suggested a foreigner.

The bell rang. I sat down. The bell rang again. I put my feet on a hassock, turned up my nose slightly, smiled and sat still. The door was pounded—not furiously, but with evident determination—and the bell rang again.

At this I thought I'd better show a sign of life, so I went and called through without opening.

"Stop that noise!" I commanded angrily. Noise stopped.

Both persons waited for the other to say something. As the opposite side didn't I called through again, "Who is it?"

"Police detective."

The words were kissed through in a stage whisper, and I noticed a foreign accent on "police." I thought I might as well look at him, anyway—which I did through the crack without removing the chain-bolt. I saw a rather short, very slight man—pongy colored, to be accurate—with an intelligent, honest-looking face, but very common clothes—cheap ready-made overcoat and hat. Yet the man had very much of an air about him.

"Well?" said I in an unwelcoming tone as I could.

"I wished to see you about Mademoiselle de Ravenol—the young lady who crossed in the steamer with you."

"Well?" said I.

"She has disappeared."

"Well?" And this last from me left him quite in the air, as I saw by his frown. However, he made a fresh start:

"Mademoiselle de Ravenol crossed in the same steamer with you about two weeks ago, did she not?"

"She may have."

"Her name is on the passenger list with yours—I have the list here"—he produced some papers, but apparently did not find that he had the list, and with a gesture of impatience appealed to me—"I am correct, am I not—she crossed with you on the same steamer?"

"What have I to do with that?" I asked curtly, wondering what he was driving at: for of course I knew Claire hadn't disappeared since last night, and if she had he wouldn't be asking me about the steamer. "Dozens of people crossed on the same steamer with me."

"Naturally," he admitted, trying to be pleasant. "But this Mademoiselle de Ravenol—she crossed in your care, did she not?"

"She did not."

"She did not?" he asked in a surprised sort of way, as if he thought I was lying. "In whose, then, may I ask?"

I merely shrugged, as though to tell him, "Find out for yourself." Seeing that he did not pursue that line but asked this: "You saw a good deal of her on the steamer, did you not—talked with her frequently?"

I ignored this last and told him, "I got no information to give

you! Nothing at all. She did not come over with me—I had no charge of her—no responsibility for her actions on board the steamer, or for her being met or not met or anything else."

"Certainly, I understand." He gave the door a little push as a hint to me. "But do you not see that you

might furnish me with a valuable clue?" He gave the door a harder push, and as it clicked on the chain-bolt he repeated, "If you allow me to enter that we may discuss this in private—"

I thought I saw myself letting a strange man enter with all those diamonds loose in a box with pens! And at the thought of them I saw that this might be only another plot of monsieur's!

I looked at him in a way that made him think I was considering my responsibilities, and then I asked as casually as I could, "But at what time did she disappear?"

"Ah, that is the question—when?" he cried, giving a tragic—or what he meant to be tragic—gesture to show how utterly the girl had vanished.

And he stopped to consider what he should tell me next, and I, seeing no chance to catch a clue for myself, added, "If you are simply free-lancing in the case I should not feel justified in discussing her with you—but if her father is employing you—if it is he who has put the case in your hands—that is a different matter, and I see no objection to telling you all I know."

He took the bait, hook and sinker!

"It is her father who has placed the matter in my hands," he replied convincingly; and at the same time he gave the door a shove as if to say, "Now you must let me in!" and dropping his voice to a whisper: "You will understand also why the greatest secrecy must be maintained!"

"Oh, of course. Now, when did she disappear?"

I got this off in a tone to indicate that I was thawing out. Not lost on him! He answered with a quick but vague, "Shortly after landing."

"You don't say!" I exclaimed, wishing to seem shocked and trying to keep back a laugh at the way he'd given himself away. But the next moment I realized that the fellow could have no possible connection with monsieur.

It came over me with a rush that this was a plot against Claire herself! Was it to kidnap her and hold her for ransom? Her California grandfather, now dying, was reputed many times the millionaire. Or was this the counterplot of some other nation against Germany for the possession of Mexico?—an effort to strike at De Ravenol, the emperor's messenger, through his daughter and put a spoke in the treaty?

I experienced a positive shock as this situation burst on me. I must get rid of this detective immediately, yet not let him guess what I was now fairly certain of, so I told him with affected cordiality, "I see just how it is—and that you wish to keep this secret as long as possible. I'm sorry—but it isn't convenient for me to receive you at this moment."

"Can you make it this afternoon?" he asked.

"Not very well—unless you wish to meet a reporter from one of the big dailies." I gave him a look that said, "That's what I'm trying to avoid for you."

He started slightly and hastily begged me, "Do not let the press get hold of this! I have spoken to you in confidence—I felt I might trust you."

"Certainly. Tomorrow at nine will be safe I think. Shall I expect you?"

I saw he was about to demur at this, but the rumbling of the elevator, coming nearer and nearer, had attracted



"Your 'Mossie' Has Flew the Coop."
(Continued on page 3)



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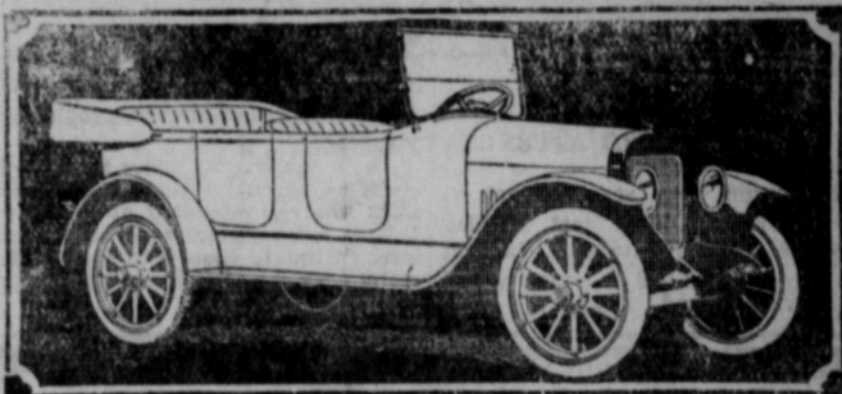
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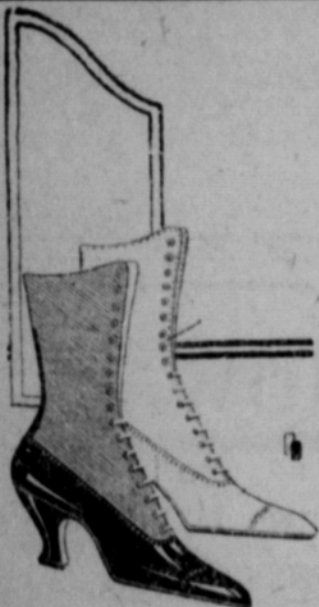
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APPRECIATION.

I desire to express my sincere appreciation to the citizenship of Slaton for the complimentary vote received in the recent city election. To those who didn't support me I have not the slightest ill feeling, believing that they voted for the best interests of the city. The mayor-elect has a big job ahead of him, but he is big enough to fill the place with credit to those who honored him with this position of trust, and will have the support of a splendid set of city aldermen as well. Every other citizen in the town should now get behind the new city administration and give them their loyal support in all their efforts to serve us.

W. DONALD.

APPRECIATION.

I deem it not out of place to express myself as appreciating the honor bestowed upon me by being elected as Mayor of the City of Slaton. It will be my platform to boost Slaton for all its worth, and I feel, that with the good men elected as councilmen we will show you that we are here and on the job at all times.

Let us all work together for a bigger and better Slaton. Let us lend all assistance we can to the Chamber of Commerce, help them as they are trying to help boost Slaton and the surrounding country.

A. J. PAYNE.



Baptist Ladies.

The B. W. M. W. accepted an invitation to meet with Mrs. J. Stallings, six miles out on the Lubbock road last Tuesday. Accordingly, sixteen members motored there on the day of the meeting, but they surprised their hostess by arriving at her home in the forenoon rather than in the afternoon. The hostess had her fears and trembling relieved, however, when she beheld the baskets and boxes and other picnic paraphernalia.

Old King H. C. L. was utterly defied and routed by the bountiful spread upon the lunch table at the noon hour. There the guests found they had not surprised their hostess so much. She was fully prepared for the emergency. The afternoon hours were spent in recreation consisting of dish washing, musical selections by Mrs. Anderson and others, eating cream, cake, etc. Joy ran riot all afternoon. All unanimously voted Mrs. Stallings a most charming and lovable hostess. Also, Mr. Stallings, who helped in a very manly way toward disposing of the cream and cake, and other delicious edibles, was voted a unanimous wish for his final survival and ultimate complete recovery. Last reports indicate that he may live. Altogether it was a most delightful day for everyone in attendance. Those who had the advantage of spending their childhood in a rural community came home sick with a real "back to the country" fever.

Next Tuesday the B. W. M. W. will meet at the church. The following Bible study program will be led by Mrs. E. M. Lott:

Topic, Missionary Fundamentals.

The Necessity for a New Birth, Mrs. Carl Greer.

Inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, Mrs. Reiger.

The Deity of Jesus Christ, Mrs. C. V. Young.

The Virgin Birth of Jesus, Mrs. C. F. Anderson.

The Coming Again of the Lord Jesus, Mrs. Stottlemire.

The B. W. M. W. is growing in attendance and interest. We hope to have present with us next Tuesday all the Baptist ladies who are really interested in these matters of fundamental importance in Christian missions.

REPORTER.

Woodmen Circle Social.

A social meeting of the Woodmen Circle was held last Thursday evening honoring Mrs. Pierce of Amarillo, who was visiting friends in Slaton. The attendance was large and an enjoyable evening spent. Refreshments were served by Mrs. J. W. Hood and Mrs. S. Selmon.

High School Notes.

A mysterious looking package was given to the senior class Monday. After examining it closely to determine whether it was an April fool or not it was opened and lo, to our surprise what should it be but a cake. A feast was immediately had, with the teachers as guests.

Mattie Lokey, senior girl, was absent on Monday and Tuesday on account of illness.

Tuesday the first-year domestic science class visited the meat market for the purpose of studying the different cuts of meat. Mr. Williams gave the demonstration in such a way that it was very beneficial to the class and satisfactory to the teacher.

The basketball girls from Southland came over Wednesday. The game was very close and exciting. The score was 11 to 12 in favor of the Slaton girls. Sit up and take notice people, this team is winning a "rep."

REPORTER.

Missionary Society.

One of the most interesting and best attended meetings of the society was held at the pretty home of Mrs. Alex DeLong last Monday afternoon. Thirty-five were in attendance.

The meeting was conducted by the president in her own impressive way. A splendid report was given by each

of the different departments. The blessing box contained \$5.26 for the past month.

Reports from captains of the four circles were highly commended by the president. Each one did splendid work.

A reading contest was organized for the purpose of getting as many as possible interested in religious literature. The society was divided into four groups, with from twelve to fifteen in each group, with a leader for each as follows: First group, Mrs. S. S. Forrest; second group, Mrs. W. H. Proctor; third group, Mrs. W. R. Wilson; fourth group, Mrs. A. V. Hendricks. The literature will consist of leaflets, booklets, clippings, editorials, woman's page from Texas Christian Advocate, as directed by leaders, also daily Bible reading, each one to count so many points. The contest will last three months at a time, the three defeated groups honoring the other with a picnic in the park.

Mrs. Herbert A. Tait favored the society with a solo, also giving her name for membership, making a total of eleven new members for the past quarter.

At the close of the meeting delightful refreshments, with Mesdames R. G. Shankle, Gus Robertson and M. A. Pember, assistant hostesses.

The society will meet at the church Monday, April 12, in the regular Bible study. The lesson will be found in First Samuel, from 21st to 26th. Mrs. Proctor leader.

PUBLICITY SUPT.

Civic and Culture Club.

The Civic and Culture Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Eddie Johnston Saturday afternoon, April 10, with Mesdames Johnston and J. M. McCann hostesses.

"And There Wasn't the Slightest Smell From Dead Rats."

Writes John Simpkins, farmer of Annandale, N. J. "Rats were costing me hundreds yearly; tried dogs, ferrets, poison, could not get rid of them. Bought \$1.00 pkg. of RAT-SNAP (5 cakes). Used half, not a live rat since. Dead ones aplenty. I like RAT-SNAP because after killing rats it dries them up—leaves no smell." Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by Forrest Hardware and Slaton Drug Co.

E-B GEISER TRACTOR DOING FINE WORK BREAKING SOD

Accompanied by A. L. Brannon, dealer for the Emerson-Brantingham line of implements in Slaton, the editor of The Slatonite visited the farm of A. R. Wild, just west of town this week where W. H. Bommell is breaking sod for Mr. Wild, using a 25-50 E-B Geiser Tractor, pulling two gang plows, or a total of ten 24-inch discs. Mr. Bommell will add the eleventh disc to his outfit as soon as it is received from the implement people. This is a wonderful machine, pulling a heavy load, but capable of pulling a still heavier one.

REV. MCCAULEY ATTENDED SWEETWATER CONFERENCE

Rev. J. H. McCauley, the Baptist pastor, returned Wednesday from the West Texas Baptist Conference at Sweetwater. He reports more than a hundred Baptist pastors and missionaries were present. Several notables were in attendance, among whom were Dr. F. S. Groner, secretary of the Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas; Dr. Routh, editor of the Baptist Standard, published at Dallas; Dr. T. V. Neal, secretary of the 75 Million Campaign and of the missionary work of Texas Baptists; also Dr. Sandifer, president of Simmons College.

Rev. McCauley states that the entire forces of the Baptists including their colleges and humanitarian institutions and all churches and pastors and missions will refuse to take any share whatever in the Inter-World Church Movement. It was the unanimous sentiment of the Conference that the Baptists would forever refuse to submit their work and its responsibilities to any overhead organization or management of any name or order. However, it was generally agreed that all other denominations wishing to enter into the movement should have no hindrances put in their way by the Baptists.

"Found Seven Rats Dead in Bin Next Morning."

Robert Woodruff says: "My premises were infested with rats. I tried RAT-SNAP on friend's recommendation. Next morning found seven dead rats in bin, two near feed box, three in stall. Found large number since. No smell from dead rats—RAT-SNAP dries them up. Best thing I have ever used." Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by Forrest Hardware and Slaton Drug Co.

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ATTENTION!

Royal Arch Masons

A CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS WILL BE INSTITUTED IN THE MASONIC HALL, SLATON, WEDNESDAY, APR. 14, AT 7:30 P. M. ALL ROYAL ARCH MASONS ARE EARNESTLY INVITED TO BE PRESENT.

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SPIRIT OF HELPFULNESS PERVADES "DAWN"

The feature attraction at the Movie Theatre Wednesday night, April 14, is a picturization of Eleanor H. Porter's charming novel, "Dawn."

"Dawn" radiates optimism and helpfulness. It tells the story of a young artist who gradually loses his sight. Relatives and friends unite in pitying him and sympathizing with him until he feels the most helpless and useless thing on earth.

His sweetheart, he believes, finds blind people repulsive. Then comes the revolt of his nature against tradition—against dread and despair. He shows that the blind are not helpless! They are not useless! They can see—for they see with eyes of the soul and the things their hands can be taught to do are useful.

"Dawn" is a delightful story that makes you feel better for having seen it. Clean, wholesome, liberally sprinkled with delicious bits of humor—particularly Susan's poetry.

Admission 25c and 35c.

CLOSING AGREEMENT.

We, the undersigned merchants of Slaton, agree to close our places of business at six o'clock p. m. each and every day except Saturdays and pay days, commencing Monday, April 12, and ending Oct. 15, 1920.

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M. D. Jones.
H. W. Ragsdale.
Alex DeLong.
Forrest Hardware.

MASS MEETING TUESDAY TO ORGANIZE BASEBALL CLUB

A joint meeting of the Slaton Park Commission and the citizenship of the city will be held at the mayor's office Tuesday night, April 12, for the purpose of organizing a baseball club and electing a manager. Every person interested has a cordial invitation to be present at 7:30.

"Rats Pass Up All Ather Food For One Meal of Rat-Snap."

Their first meal of RAT-SNAP is their last. Kills in few minutes. Dries up the carcass. Rats killed with RAT-SNAP leave no odor. RAT-SNAP comes in cake form. Break into small pieces, leave where rats travel. No mixing with other food. Cats or dogs won't touch it. Safest, cleanest, surest rat and mice killer. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by Forrest Hardware and Slaton Drug Co.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

HOT OR COLD DRINKS of every kind at Teague's Confectionery.

Mesdames Ed Tonn and C. Doherty motored to Lubbock Tuesday morning. REGISTERED Jersey cow for sale at bargain. See FORNEY HENRY.

Misses Frankie Allison and Faye Homan visited in O'Donnell Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Robertson have returned from a visit to relatives in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Lanham of Santo, are here visiting their son, J. S. Lanham and family.

SWEET MILK: Can furnish a few customers with fresh sweet milk daily. A. V. HENDRICKS.

Mrs. J. E. Terry and son Ernest, have returned from a visit in Mineral Wells, much improved in health.

Forrest Payne has returned home from a two weeks' visit in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and El Paso.

FOR RENT: the biggest bargain in a new 4-room house, cash or terms, see owner, M. B. TATE.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Westerman of Robertson visited Mrs. F. Graves Sunday.

Miss Ruby Hoffman, who is teaching near O'Donnell, spent Saturday here with home folks.

Rev. A. V. Hendricks returned from Post yesterday where he had been attending a preacher's institute.

Mesdames R. J. Murray and W. H. Proctor were visitors in Lubbock last Tuesday afternoon.

FOUND: New leather backband on streets of Slaton. Owner can get same by identifying it and paying for this ad.

FOR RENT: 80 acres improved land; 2-room house; team and tools furnished. Will rent on halves. See J. H. BREWER.

Miss Frances Hoffman has gone to Brownwood to be present at the marriage of Miss Elsie Baxter, and will preside at the piano during the ceremony.

Mrs. Guy Nix and little daughter Coquilla are here from Gorman, to attend the bedside of the former's mother, Mrs. J. D. Haney, who is reported quite sick.

Mrs. H. C. Egbert and children are moving to Sweetwater to reside in future. This became necessary because of the fact that the residence they were renting has been sold and they are unable to secure another.

Judge J. H. Moore, Presiding Elder G. W. Sherrod, Rev. T. W. Brabham, and J. T. Griswold, all of Lubbock, were in Slaton Thursday en route home from Post where they had been attending a preacher's institute. They were pleasant callers at The Slatonite office.

R. A. Henderson and family have moved to this city from Lamesa and are now occupying a home they recently bought. Mr. Henderson has opened a shoe and harness repair shop in the Caps old hotel building and is prepared to do your work. Refer to his ad elsewhere in The Slatonite.

CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION

Considerable interest was manifested in the school trustee election held last Saturday, which resulted as follows:

J. W. McDonald	114
A. J. Payne	93
S. H. Adams	80
W. H. McKirahan	118
W. P. Florence	52
S. R. Lynn	19
Andy Caldwell	15
E. E. Wilson	46
J. I. Bradley	75

CITY ELECTION TUESDAY CREATED UNUSUAL INTEREST

More than usual interest was manifested in the city election held Tuesday, April 6. The vote follows:

For Mayor.	
W. Donald	47
A. J. Payne	69
J. V. Hollingsworth	59
For Aldermen.	
J. H. Brewer	157
B. M. Holland	134
R. J. Murray	120
J. S. Edwards	153
J. W. Short	139
J. W. McDonald	138
For City Marshal.	
J. W. Baker	85
Sam Selmon	91

For Permanent Street Improvements.

The special election held for the purpose of giving the city power to make permanent street improvements was carried by a vote of 127 to 15.

The people have elected a set of city officials that will give us an administration to be proud of is the prevailing sentiment. While the election was warmly contested by friends of the different candidates, the spirit of rivalry was friendly throughout, and there was not the least unpleasantness reported on election day.

One feature that the entire citizenship should be proud of is the fact that the proposition voted on in the special election carried by such a decisive majority as to leave not the slightest doubt in the minds of any as to our progressiveness.

T. W. COVINGTON ANNOUNCES FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER

The Slatonite is authorized to announce T. W. Covington of this city for public weigher of precinct No. 2, subject to the action of the July primary election.

Mr. Covington is the present public weigher, having held the office for one term by appointment. He has attended to the duties of the place in a way that is entirely satisfactory to all who have business with him and at all times you will find him very courteous and obliging. He has also equipped himself with everything necessary to take care of the business of the general public in a prompt and efficient manner.

When you go to the polls to vote remember Mr. Covington and he will appreciate any support and influence you may give him.

E. A. GALE, Painter and paper hanger; paper and paint ordered. Address P. O. Box 81, Slaton, Texas.

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What Ralph Watkins says: "Figured rats around store had enough to feed on; wouldn't touch anything suspicious. Heard about RAT-SNAP, gave it a trial. Results were wonderful. Cleaned all rats out in ten days. Dogs about store night and day never touch RAT-SNAP." Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by Forrest Hdw. and Slaton Drug Co.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy during the short illness and after the death of our dear husband and father. MRS. MOLLIE CREWS AND CHILDREN.

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IF YOU WANT FIRST-CLASS SHOE AND HARNESS REPAIRS BRING YOUR WORK TO ME. I AM EQUIPPING MY SHOP WITH THE LATEST IMPROVED MACHINERY AND WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF WORK PROMPTLY.

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Diamond Cut Diamond

Ravenol has got his troubles all right. He knows the old man's after him and he's lost the goods. Say, you can afford to pity him now."

A wave of utter despair swept over me. I know of nothing more unhelpful than the facetious nonchalance of the young male in face of a serious situation. I was ready to weep. I was saved from it by the ringing of the front bell.

I put up the chain-bolt before I opened it—I had sense enough for that—and then I cried: "You!" and received a sharp, "Ssh! Let me in, quick."

It was Mrs. Delario. When I saw her, you could have knocked me down with a feather. I let her in and risked her into my bedroom and shut the door on us. My first thought was Billy—he had naturally looked down the hall when I went to the door—and I knew he'd guess immediately who it was; but though I had told her the part he had already played in our adventure she hadn't met him and I had the presence of mind not to spring him on her till I'd found out what she came for. She had caught sight of him and now spoke in a whisper.

"You can't guess what's happened?" "What next?" I gasped, almost in a whisper.

"Monsieur has simply dumped Claire back on my hands and decamped—without a word of real explanation!"

"Oh, never!"

"It's what he's done! And I'm in the worst pickle! What does it all mean? He came last evening and told me he'd just seen you and you told him I had the diamonds—"

"What a lie!" I burst out involuntarily.

"And then this morning—before I'm even out of bed—this comes by a messenger." She had drawn out a letter from her bag; she took it out of the

envelope and handed it to me, remarking at the same time, "There was fifty dollars in it." The letter read:

"Dear Madame Delario:

"I was unable to return according to promise because of telegraphic communication notifying me that my wife—Claire's mother—is probably ill with a fatal illness and I am leaving for California immediately. My child knows nothing of her mother's illness and the reason of my so sudden departure. I am concealing it from her by saying that it is diplomatic business which calls me away. It would be cruelty to subject her so sensitive nature to anxiety and shock of long journey when she could not hope to see her mother alive.

"I implore you in human kindness take pity on her once more and shelter her for a few days, keeping from her the knowledge of this calamity that threatens her. I shall communicate with you in a few days. My gratitude," etc.

"And Claire followed it in an hour!" Mrs. Delario whispered.

"Did he bring her?"

"No—he sent her in a carriage. Of course he didn't bring her! He didn't take any chances of my refusing to keep her for him."

"Poor child!" I exclaimed. "She was devoted to her mother—it will be a terrible blow to her."

Mrs. Delario sniffed at me—taking the letter from my hand and glancing at it before she answered: "You don't think for a minute there's anything the matter with Claire's mother, do you?"

"There isn't?"

"Why, of course not! . . . Oh, I know," she answered the question she must have read in my face. "I psychometrized this note as soon as I got it. That man can't deceive me—I feel 'scheme' and 'plot' all over it."

She held it a moment in a testing sort of way, running her fingers back and forth over it, then placed it in my hand, asking: "Can't you feel the occult influences?" and looked as if she expected me to reply that I could feel the occult influences, plain as anything. Which I couldn't. She seemed disappointed and put the letter into its envelope and that into her handbag, remarking: "It's part of a scheme he's working. I haven't made out the rest of it—I'm not clear on it yet, though I know it's something—tricky."

"And you think he didn't go to California?"

"I'm sure he didn't—I can't see a journey for him—I mean an immediate journey. There are journeys all around him—he travels a great deal—but I don't see anything for today—for tomorrow; there's nothing like that near. But I do get the word—clairaudiently—'Hiding.' That doesn't help things very much for us, if he is!"

"Or for Claire?"

"No. But please don't think I'm not willing to do all I can for the child for her own sake. But having her thrust on me in this mysterious way—"

She broke off and looked at me helplessly and I finished for her: "Has upset you."

"Terribly! I'm nearly distracted! And that isn't all—I mean Claire's being thrust on me—there's a new man

come on the scene—I'm more troubled about him than almost anything else."

"A new man? When did he appear?"

"Last night—just after I got back from here and was waiting for monsieur; so I let him in—and she described the very man who had just been to see me, and who was either a thief or Baron von Follow-up for the Emperor William, as Billy had called him. He had reached Mrs. Delario as he had me, through Claire, saying she had disappeared.

"And what's your impression of this new man?" I asked. I was beginning to take some little stock in her impressions, partly because they coincided with my own; partly because I was clutching at anything that might help.

"Trouble—trouble for monsieur. I get the word clairaudiently. You see, I'm so upset—why, my dear, it isn't any more possible for me to do my work—get my readings right—in an atmosphere of confusion—and fear and anxiety—than it is for you to do your work—write, and compose beautiful things. You couldn't, could you? You couldn't write, if you were all upset?"

I admitted I shouldn't expect to produce much of my own line of goods under like circumstances; and having won this from me, she laid her hand on my arm in an appealing way and said: "It's why I came to you—I didn't know what else to do or where to turn for advice. What am I to do about Claire?"

I was sure I didn't know, but I asked some trite question about how she seemed to be taking it.

"The poor child went into hysterics the minute she got in the house! I had to put her to bed. I'm afraid she's in for a sickness—a nervous breakdown."

"But the diamonds?" said I, meaning to test her attitude, since she'd had a chance to think over what I'd told her about monsieur's claims on them and particularly as he'd gone to her himself: "Will you take them home with you?"

She recoiled from me. "I can't—now—how can I?" she gasped. "Oh, you're going to help me, aren't you?"

She had caught hold of me and looked positively frightened as she spoke, glancing over her shoulder at the door to see that it was tight shut and that we could not be overheard.

"I depend on you—I trust you. If I lose those diamonds—oh, you can't guess what I shall lose! I wouldn't lie to you—I tell you that man De Ravenol is a thief. I get it clairaudiently every time he comes near me. I see the word, as I told you yesterday, over his head in white letters. My

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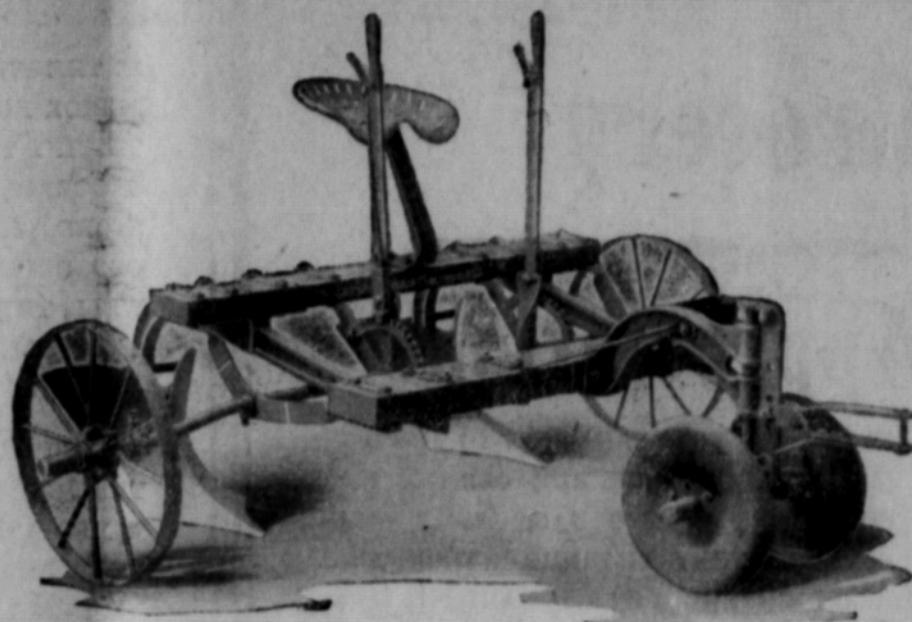
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