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M. E. LADIES MISSIONARY SOCIETY MET THURSDAY

The M. E. Ladies Missionary Society met with Mrs. Galloway April 8, 1926, five members and one visitor being present.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Parr, opening with hymn, "Power in the Blood," and "More About Jesus." The fifth chapter of James was read and discussed by everyone present, followed with prayer by Mrs. Teague.

The society met with Mrs. Drake April 22, five members being present and one visitor, Mrs. Stanley. Mrs. Galloway took charge of the meeting and the first chapter of 1 Peter was studied.

Mrs. Parr, a delegate from Friona to the M. E. Missionary Conference at Lubbock, gave a very interesting talk, which was enjoyed very much by those present. The society adjourned to meet with Mrs. Ashcraft May 6.

The ladies that attended this conference from Bovina will give talks at the M. E. Church at Friona on May 2, at the evening service. Everyone cordially invited to attend.

EDITOR RECEIVES LETTER FROM PIONEER CITIZEN

The editor of the Star last week received a letter from G. M. Orbaugh of Cicero, Indiana, in which he expressed his appreciation of the weekly visits of the Star.

Mr. Orbaugh formerly lived in Friona, having located here about the year 1908, thus being one of the pioneer citizens of the town. He lived here until about six years ago when he returned to his former home in Indiana.

Among other things Mr. Orbaugh says: "I am thinking of you this morning and wondering if things and friends are as they used to be. I get a copy of the Friona Star each week. It speaks great things for the town and surroundings. Looks like West Texas will make something yet. How are all the old timers? I am in very good health for a boy of my age."

"We have had a long winter; 71 snows and lots of rain. No oats sown yet; no plowing for corn; really nothing done only eating and sleeping. How are the Goodwines, Maurers, Kinsleys, Wentworths, Gischlers, Henschels and all the rest?"

Mr. Orbaugh had a host of friends among the older settlers of this locality who will be pleased to hear of his welfare and whereabouts and who would enjoy a handshake with him again.

FRIONA WOMAN'S CLUB REPORT

On Wednesday of last week fifteen members of the Friona Woman's Club, together with Mrs. Treider and Miss Smith as guests of the club, met at the home of Mrs. R. L. Bledsoe, south of town.

Owing to the condition of the roads and inclement weather, several of the ladies, whose names were on the program, were absent, consequently the literary program was short.

The time was given mostly to business matters. Arrangements were made for the Better Health conference held at Friona on last Saturday, and the date for the "Clean-up" set for Monday, April 19th.

The house was tastefully decorated in the club colors of green and yellow and the same colors carried out in the dainty refreshments consisting of orange sherbet and angel food cake, with yellow pansies as favors.

The next regular meeting will be at the home of Mrs. C. C. Maurer with Mrs. L. F. Lillard and Mrs. Maurer as hostesses.

Reporter.

ATTENDING COURT.

Quite a number of our citizens are this week in Farwell in attendance at District Court, either as grand or petit jurors.

T. J. Crawford, W. F. Perry, D. H. Meade and R. L. Chiles are members of the grand jury and M. A. Crum and several others are on the petit jury for this week, while quite a number have been called for next week.

It is reported that the docket for this term is unusually long and that Judge Tatum proposes to clean it up before adjourning, which will require all of two weeks and probably a third week to do it.

O. E. Enfield, whose farm lies a few miles south of town, was in town Thursday. He had just returned from a visit to his former home in Oklahoma and reports heavy rains all along the road as he came home.

BAPTIST MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY

The Baptist Missionary Aid Society met April 19 with Mrs. Short.

The society spent the afternoon sewing. The president led the devotional meeting, reading the 8th chapter of Romans for the lesson. The society adjourned to meet with Mrs. Eva Meade, April 26, to tack a quilt. A good attendance is desired.

The society will have its regular pantry sale each Saturday before the third Sunday in each month. Anyone desiring to assist will be greatly appreciated.

The society extends its gratitude and many thanks to Mr. M. A. Crum for space in his office for the last sale; also to Miss Orma White for her assistance. Reporter.

J. J. HORTON VISITS BOWIE, TEXAS, SEES LARGEST POULTRY RANCH IN WORLD

J. J. Horton, who spent a part of last week at Bowie, Texas, returned Sunday evening and has favored the Star with a brief account of some of the things he saw while away.

The famous "World's Largest Poultry Ranch," owned and operated by M. Johnson, was the place of greatest interest visited by Mr. Horton and his account of this famous ranch is most interesting.

The M. Johnson ranch, which contains 350 acres of land, "all in chickens," as Mr. Johnson puts it, is said to be the largest institution of its kind in the world, and so far as we are informed, there is no contest to the claim. Mr. Horton says the entire tract is well covered with poultry houses and chickens, there being only enough land not covered with houses to produce green pasture for the chickens; green food being the only part of the food which Mr. Johnson produces on the ranch. He buys all other food used.

In the mammoth incubators, which are kept constantly in operation during the hatching season, there are 112,000 eggs at one time. He had at the time of Mr. Horton's visit 65,000 growing chicks; and ships 28,000 day old chicks each week.

The buildings, which are the most up-to-date to be found anywhere, furnish 1,000,000 square feet of floor space. Mr. Johnson raises no other breed but the White Leghorn and in addition to the 28,000 day old chicks, he ships out each week thousands of eggs for hatching, to many parts of the world.

Mr. Johnson started in the poultry business twenty years ago without capital, experience or help. He now owns, in addition to his 350 acres of land, a \$65,000 brick residence on the corner of his ranch at the edge of the city of Bowie.

In each of his laying pens he has 500 hens and keeps green pasture growing for them all the time. He also keeps green pasture growing for his growing chickens on which they are allowed free range.

We are well aware that this article will furnish some good advertising for Mr. Johnson, but we are giving it for the reason that the Star is thoroughly sold to the idea that there is no reason why the Friona country may not become, some day, one of the leading poultry producing sections of our land; and we know of several of our young men who are deeply interested in the poultry business at this time and are anxious to get started in it. The experience and success of Mr. Johnson can not help but be an incentive to these men to persevere in their efforts to become firmly established in this, one of the most profitable lines of business the country now offers. Stay with the idea, boys, and here's wishing you a "Johnson success."

Mr. Horton says Mr. Johnson's first poultry houses were only large goods boxes, and he still has some of them which he is keeping as souvenirs.

KNOW TEXAS.

Texas produces almost one-third of the spinach grown in the United States.

There are approximately 750,000 acres of land under irrigation in Texas.

The annual production of honey in Texas is five million pounds.

Texas has 106 daily and 662 weekly newspapers.

The largest county in Texas contains 6,137 square miles.

Fort Davis has the greatest altitude of any town in Texas, being 5,280 feet above sea level.—Utility News.

Parmer County Inter-Scholastic League Meet

The Parmer County Inter-Scholastic League Meet was held at Farwell on Tuesday, April 13. The Farwell, Bovina and Oklahoma Lane schools having entries in all the contests. Ray school had a few entries in a few of the contests but not in all.

Friona school was not represented in the meet at all, as there were only a few entrants and they were not deeply interested. In order that these few contestants should attend the meet would have required the attendance of so many of the teachers that it would have been necessary to dismiss school and owing to the fact that so much school time has been lost the board of trustees left it optional with the teachers as to whether or not the school dismiss.

We are pleased to publish a report of the results of the various contests. However the copy furnished us was so dim in parts that it is possible some errors may get into the printing. The literary events of the meet were held on Friday, April 9, and only the track and field events were held on Tuesday.

The meet was well attended by people from those parts of the county whose schools were interested in the events. The ladies of Farwell served dinner at the school for all present. The day was ideal for the purpose and it was thus one of the best meets the county has ever had. The report follows:

In the following list of winners in the various events these abbreviations are used: B, Bovina; F, Farwell; O, Oklahoma Lane.

Track

120-yd. high hurdles. Time, 21. 1 Hiner F; 2 Richardson B; 3 Ford F; 4 Richards B.

100-yard dash. Time 11 2-5. 1 Hanna O; 2 Spring B; 3 Lovelace F; 4 Robertson O.

1 mile run. Time 5:12. 1 Walker F; 2 Christian O; 3 Ellison B; 4 Norton O.

220-yd. hurdles. Time 32 1-5. 1 Caldwell O; 2 Robinson O; 3 Ford F; 4 Wilson B.

440-yd. dash. Time 60. 1 Hanna O; 2 Lovelace F; 3 Hiner F; 4 Caldwell O.

220-yd. dash. Time 28. 1 Springs B; 2 Nix O; 3 Hanna O; 4 McCuan F.

880-yd. run. Time 2:21 2-5. 1 Richards B; 2 Ford F; 3 Hanna O; 4 Nix O.

1 mile relay. Time 4:9. 1 Farwell; 2 Bovina; 3 Oklahoma Lane.

Field

Running broad jump. Dist 18 1/2. 1 Richardson B; 2 Hanna O; 3 Lovelace, F; 4 Richards B.

12-lb. shot put. Dist. 43 3/4. 1 Marney F; 2 Richards B; 3 McCuan F; 4 Hanna O.

Discus throw. Dist 91. 1 Marney F; 2 McCuan F; 3 Denney B; 4 McElroy F.

Pole Vault. Height 8:8. 1 Caldwell O; 2 Richardson B; 3 Marney F; 4 McCuan F.

Running high jump. Height 5:5. 1 Richardson B; 2 Denney B; 3 Hammonds F; 4 Lovelace F.

Tennis

Doubles—

Boys—Homer Marney and Marvin McCuan, Farwell school.

Girls—Modine Jenkins and Mary Alice Norton, Oklahoma Lane school.

Singles—

Boys—Pete Richardson, Bovina

Girls—Benna Jenkins, Oklahoma Lane.

Literary.

Declamations—Senior Boys—1 Springs B; 2 Norton O.

Senior Girls—1 Murray B; 2 Bolton O; 3 McCuan F.

Junior Boys—1 Leavy O; 2 Martin; 3 Car B.

Junior Girls—1 Wilson B; 2 Sullenger O; 3 Bryant F.

Debates—Girls—1 Foster and Christian O; 2 Walling and Thomas F.

Boys—1 Walker and Hicks F.

Music Memory—Purselley and Hamm F.

Essay Writing—1 Murray B; 2 Tandy O; 3 Lust F.

Extemporaneous Speaking—Overstreet, F.

Arithmetic—Sigler and Bales F.

Spelling.

Junior—1 Farwell, 2 Bovina, 3 Oklahoma Lane, 2 Bovina

Farwell.

Senior—1 Farwell, 2 Bovina, 3 Oklahoma Lane.

Sub-Junior—1 Bovina, 2 Farwell 3 Oklahoma Lane.

Volley Ball.

1 Farwell, 2 Bovina.

Total points for all around county championship—1 Farwell 188; 2 Oklahoma Lane 147; 3 Bovina 132.

Junior Events.

Chinning Bar—1 F; 2 B; 3 B; 4 B.

50-yd dash—1 O; 2 F; 3 F; 4 O.

Broad Jump—1 O; 2 F; 3 F; 4 F.

100-yd dash—1 O; 2 F; 3 B; 4 F.

440 Jr Relay—1 F; 2 O; 3 O.

FORMER FRIONA BOY MARRIED.

Word was received here Thursday morning of the marriage of Wayne Riley of Portales, N. M., to Miss Willie Minnie Matejosky of Abernathy, Texas.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matejosky who own a large farm about three miles west of Abernathy, and has lived there for the past fifteen years, but has been holding a position with the Abernathy State Bank.

The groom is a former Friona boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Riley of Abernathy, but for the past year has been in Portales where he owns a ranch. While here the Rileys lived at Black on what is known as the Overton ranch.

The wedding took place at Abernathy April 19th, and the young couple will make their home at Portales, N. M.

Their many friends at Friona and Black extend congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Riley.

BOVINA CITIZENS VISIT FRIONA

F. W. Jersig and J. W. Ellison, both prominent citizens of Bovina, were business visitors in Friona this week.

Mr. Jersig was here Monday and called at the Star office while in town and made arrangements for the Star to continue its visits to his home for another year. Mr. Ellison was here on Wednesday. He is contemplating a trip to his old home in Oklahoma in the near future and will take several copies of the Star with him to give to his friends there, as he says many of them are deeply interested in this country and are glad to read anything pertaining to the country and the prevailing conditions here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Curry entertained at Sunday dinner the following guests: Rev. I. E. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Galloway and the Misses Vivian Jones, Mary Louise Truitt, May Turner and Mrs. Linnie Wade.

CARE IN SELECTING FIELD SEED NECESSARY

Farmers in the Friona territory can not be too careful in the selection of their field seeds, as it is only the seed that germinates that makes the yield.

Planting time is now here and will be taken advantage of by all our farmers and if the rains let up it is safe to predict that every farmer in the country will be busy putting seed into the ground as soon as the soil is dry enough to be worked. Good seed will germinate readily and grow rapidly under present conditions, but the man who plants poor seed will lose much valuable time by waiting two weeks for a stand and then have to replant his field. Time thus lost can not be regained during this season.

Friona now has two firms that are making a specialty of providing good, dependable seed for their patrons, and although the price may be a little higher than for which ordinary thrasher-run seed may be obtained, it will yet be extremely cheap when compared with the possibility of securing a stand from untested seed.

The following clipping from the Springfield Leader and copied by the Missouri Pacific Agricultural Bulletin, is timely and applicable to this locality:

This is the time of year when it is possible for a man to be too economical for his own good. In the garden, in the clover field, in the oat field and even in the corn field, it is possible for a man, feeling the need of economizing to the greatest extent possible, to buy seed which is so cheap that it is the most expensive available.

One would scarcely think it possible that the first cost would be the guiding factor in the buying of seed, yet frequently this is the case. The best seed is always the cheapest, and, no matter how strained one's circumstances, it is the only kind to use.

Good, fresh, vigorous seed, free from weed seed and impurities, is the best start which a crop can receive, and an important factor which no one can afford to overlook.

Our local seed dealers are Santa Fe Grain Co. and Friona Feed and Seed Co.

REPORT OF BETTER BABY SHOW

The Better Baby Show, given under the auspices of the Friona Woman's Club, was a delightful success for which we want to thank everyone in the community for their hearty cooperation and hope that everyone who attended was greatly benefitted, as we were very fortunate to have Miss Wentland, the Texas health nurse, who so kindly offered her services.

Fifty-eight babies were examined. The judging was based on weight, height, head and chest measurements, according to age of child, texture of skin, condition of eyes, ears, nose, mouth and teeth.

Prizes were awarded to the two better girl and boy babies in each group. They were arranged in three groups, the first was one day to two years, the second two years to four years, the third four years to six years. The prize winners were the following: Group 1—June Maurine Maurer and Robert Jerry Blackwell; Group 2—Doris Lee Stanley and John Key; Group 3—Virginia Guyer and C. L. Lillard, Jr.

PARK WELL COMPLETED AND EQUIPPED

The well which was being drilled on the public park last week was finished and is now fully equipped with tower and windmill.

The well is a valuable addition to the park property and speaks well for its promoters, the members of the Friona Woman's Club, as it was no little undertaking to have accomplished. The mill and tower were erected Wednesday morning.

SHERRIEB ELECTED TRUSTEE

At the school election last Saturday, for the purpose of voting off the tie between Mr. Crawford and Mr. Sherrieb, Mr. Sherrieb was elected by a majority of 15 votes, he having received 79 votes and Mr. Crawford 64.

The old and the new boards met jointly Monday night and canvassed the returns and declared Mr. Sherrieb elected. J. W. Foard refused to qualify and A. C. Elliott of Homeland was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. Jim Bledsoe and son, Jimmie, Jr., spent Wednesday in Muleshie.

NEWSPAPERS ARE LIKE PUBLIC UTILITIES

The public service corporations and the daily newspapers are brothers under the skin, both being public utilities serving the great American public with an essential and permanent daily service, according to W. P. Strandborg, director of the Oregon Public Utilities Information Bureau.

"Of the two it would be unfair to say which is the most indispensable," Mr. Strandborg said. "The newspapers have a daily circulation of 25,000,000, while the major utilities—light, power, gas and telephones—have constant relations with about 35,000,000 customers.

One thing is sure, it would be a monumental catastrophe if either public utilities or the daily newspapers should discontinue service for a single day. Both have become a vital part in the progress of modern civilization and society.

Last year, according to Mr. Strandborg, public utilities spent approximately \$25,000,000 for advertising, of which 63% was used in the daily newspapers.—Utility News.

A REMARKABLE STORY.

A remarkable story was related to us last week by Mr. H. W. Wright, one of Friona's farmer citizens, living a mile south of town, of a conversation which he overheard while on his return from Kansas a few weeks ago.

Mr. Wright stated that two men who were seated just across the aisle from him in the coach, were discussing the conditions of the Panhandle country. One of them lived in California and was on his way home. The other apparently lived in Oklahoma, as he left the train at Shattuck, Okla.

The California man seems to have been interested in the country near Friona and had evidently asked his companion for information regarding this country and the Oklahoman was handing it out to him in huge chunks. Mr. Wright was not able to hear all that was being said but distinctly heard portions of it.

Mr. California Man was informed that the land here was owned by a large syndicate with headquarters in Chicago, and that these people were transporting people here from Oklahoma and elsewhere to buy this land at an extravagant price the owners chose to put on it. That these victims were not allowed to leave the car or speak to anyone after they left home. That the syndicate people had a hotel built away out in the country in a cornfield and that their prospective victims were taken out there and kept until they had purchased land; and in case they did not buy they were loaded in the cars and taken home without a chance to see or learn any more of the country.

Mr. California man was also informed that nothing at all could be raised here as there had been no rain here for over 20 years. That in order to fool their victims the syndicate had shipped into the country immense quantities of threshed grain which had been dumped in great piles at different points along the road to make them believe that it had been grown here. He also said that the syndicate had shipped in many car loads of row crop in the bundle, which had been unloaded and hauled out and shocked on the prairie to make it look like fields of crops in the shock.

Mr. Wright heard that hundreds of honest people were being thus brought in and their hard earned cash taken from them in payment for this worthless land. He said he could barely restrain himself from breaking into the conversation and telling Mr. California and his informant the true condition of affairs here, but each time he was about to open up on them he received a warning nudge from Mrs. Wright warning him to keep quiet.

Thus it is seen how easily false impressions of countries, towns or people may become scattered far and wide by persons who know nothing of what they are pretending to give information. The California man will in all probability, when he arrives home, tell to his friends and neighbors what a terribly desolate and worthless country the Panhandle is, especially that portion near Friona. He will probably add that he knows it is true, because "a man on the train told him so." And all this notwithstanding the fact that his own eyes, as he rode through our broad, fertile fields of our country, would bear witness to the falsity of his companion's assertions.

There's Always A "Way There"

If you come to a place that you can't get through,
Or over or under, the thing to do
Is to find a way round the impassable wall,
Not say you'll go YOUR way or not at all.

You can always get to the place you are going,
If you set your sails as the wind is blowing.
If the mountains are high, go round through the valley;
If the streets are blocked, go up some alley.
If the parlor car's filled, don't scorn a freight;
If the front door's closed go in the side gate.

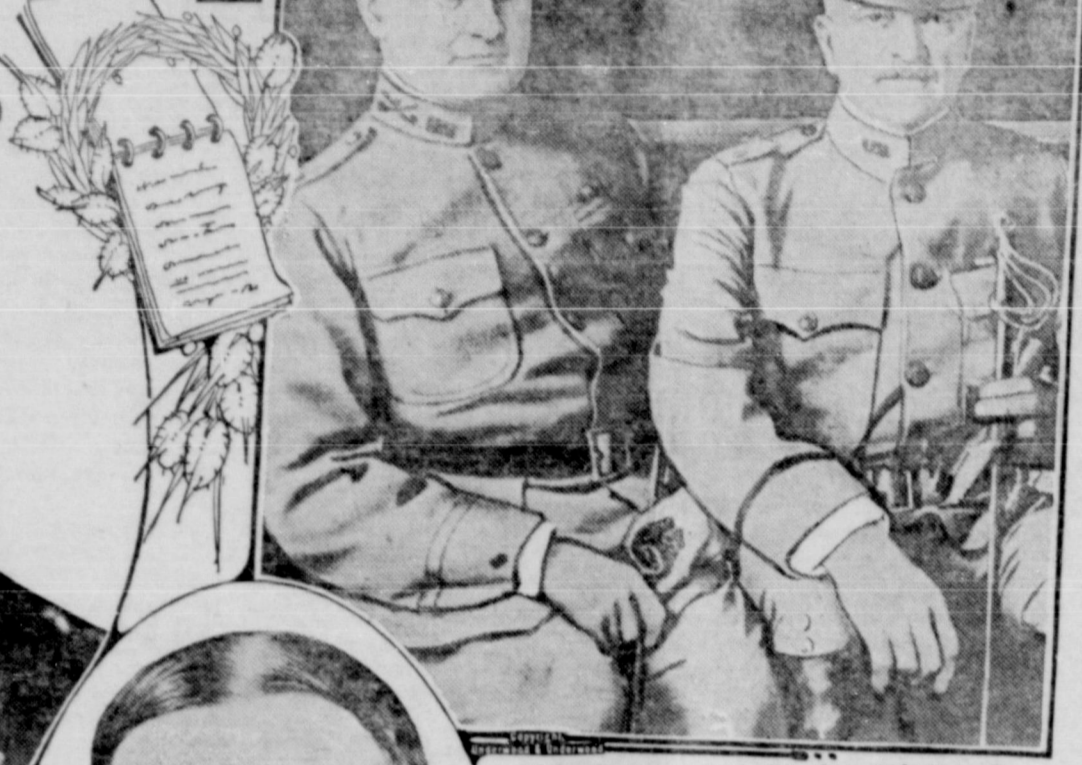
To reach your goal, this advice is sound:
If you can't go OVER or UNDER, go round.

Joseph Morris.

"Leaves From a War Diary"



MAJ. GEN. JAMES G. HARBORD



GENERAL'S HARBORD AND PERSHING

Maj. Gen. James G. Harbord Tells of Greatest Conflict in History

WHAT does a brigade commander think about? Particularly if that brigade commander finds himself responsible for the success of a maneuver in one of the campaigns in the World War? Let Maj. Gen. James G. Harbord, who commanded the marine brigade around Belleau Wood, tell you. He knows. You can read his reactions now for the first time in that living record written in the heat of war days with no thought of publication, but only "for the eyes of one woman, the wife of one soldier and the daughter of another." This is the explanation with which the general dedicates to his wife the newly published "Leaves From a War Diary" (Dodd, Mead and Company), which, in the days before he could write "Retired List" after his name, were for home consumption only.

You decide to try to straighten out a small re-entrant in your lines, starts the general's answer to the above question, or, perhaps, the Boche decides to do something to you, and for about one minute of thought followed by a decision delivered perhaps in less than ten seconds you sit through hours of waiting. You wait for the necessary preliminary reconnaissance; for some artillery preparation; perhaps for the approval of some superior whose mind does not seem to function quickly; for the reconnaissance you must await the report before you can make up your mind what it is you wish your action to be; the artilleryman must get some data to tell you whether he can do what you ask; the necessary matters of ammunition for rifle, Chauchat, Stokes, V. B., 37-mm., or machine-gun, all of which now form part of your armament, must be considered; also the weather, the interval to night-fall as compared with the time it will take to make your operation; what the enemy is liable to do; what your own people on either side of you can do or will do, etc., etc. Finally all these preliminaries are gone through, and your orders are made, and your attack is launched in the Bois de Belleau, or wherever it is going to be. Then comes the hard waiting.

You know your people have started forward, and the outcome is on the cards. You can do nothing more, but you wish you could, and it is sometimes hours before you know what is happening. The telephone wires are cut; runners are killed; your men are out of sight and hearing. Eventually, perhaps, an airplane drops a message at your headquarters as it flies over. An orderly hastens to pick up the little tin cylinder in which the aviators drop their messages, and you get the information that "Americans are in sight on the Belleau-Boursches road" or "Americans are in possession of Torcy." Wounded men begin to arrive at the dressing-stations in the little Red-Cross Ford ambulances, and sometimes you get your first news from them. Eventually a signal goes up, "Objective attained," or it may be "Falling back" or "We want to advance, lengthen on the fire" (this for the artillery); or "Our artillery is firing on us." By and by, when you are frantic for news, a message arrives by runner, but is almost illegible and quite generally very vague, being written on some officer's knee with a soft pencil, and carried through brush and shell-fire, and probably written under fire.

You wish more than anything else in the world to know the exact position of your troops, and exactly where the enemy is with reference to them; where you can ask the artillery to place their further fire; whether or not the casualties have been heavy among our people, and among the Germans; and the number of prisoners. This information sometimes takes a day and night to filter in, and it is difficult to be patient. The telephone gets cut at critical times, and you cannot use it except in code, for the modern listening sets enable the enemy to hear, and the operators have continually to be cautioned to be careful about revealing confidential matter over the telephone. Officers under fire are oblivious to the passage of time and forget the importance of reports. You can't help them unless you know where they are, how they are, and when. Reports come in without the hour on them, and are worthless, for you do not know when the conditions reported existed. Certainly it is no exaggeration to say that the liaison is of the very highest importance. Liaison, generally speaking, consists in keeping everybody informed of everything he ought to know.

Meanwhile you wait, and walk the floor, or smoke (some play solitaire), or you worry over whether you have left anything undone or not, says the general, and adds:

A favorite, or rather an inevitable topic, when one is waiting, is our relations with our allies, particularly the French. They are the most delightful, unassuming, unselfish, trustworthy, sensitive, unsanitary, cleanly, dirty, artistic, clever and stupid people that the writer has ever known. Intensely academic and theoretical yet splendidly practical at times, it will be a wonder if we do not feel as much like fighting them as we do to the Germans



CHAS. G. DAWES

before the war is over, for our alliance tries human patience—American patience—almost to the limit. One of their orators said in my presence some time ago that all the world weeps for the same reasons, but only those who see alike laugh at the same things, and he reasoned that the French and Americans are alike because they laugh at the same things. We do, but we are surely very different.

Reproduction of maps from airplane photographs is in the French system, assigned to the topographic section of the army. With us our organization has only gone as far as the corps as yet. Our division general staff section 2 (intelligence) has been furnishing us some maps from airplane photographs. French staff officers spend a golden hour telling you that it is not the business of the Deuxieme bureau to make such maps, but of the Section Topographique d'Armees. The war may be lost, the maps would never be made, men die for want of the information the maps would have given, but what matters if the battle be lost or won if the Deuxieme bureau is not prostituted into the making of maps, but unmolested does its regularly assigned work somewhere back in a safe place in the rear.

This is war as seen and felt by a man who was in the thick of it. General Harbord is human through and through. From his observations of the French you realize the variations of his manly enthusiasms and manly resentments. But most important, from the viewpoint of the historian, the general is a good observer with a penetrating sense of values as to what is interesting. He writes frankly with a candid tongue, using language to convey meanings and not to disguise them.

Time and again he expresses a whole-souled admiration for John J. Pershing, and when he writes "My Chief," we cannot but believe the true warmth of feeling carried by this phrase. This loyalty and an increasing friendship with Charles G. Dawes (later of the Dawes plan and of Coolidge and Dawes), combined with the fullest enthusiasm for the marines, constitute the throbbing, human cadence of his book. Read what he says in June, 1918, after getting into action with the marine brigade:

What shall I say of the gallantry with which these marines have fought!!! Of the slopes of Hill 142, of the Maree farm, of the Bois de Belleau and the village of Boursches stained with their blood, and not only taken away from the Germans in the full tide of their advance against the French, but held by my boys against counter-attacks day after day and night after night. I cannot write of their splendid gallantry without tears coming to my eyes. There has never been anything better in the world. What can one say of men who die for others, who freely give up life for country and comrades? What can be said that is adequate? Literally scores of these men have refused to leave the field when wounded. Officers have individually captured machine-guns and killed their crews. Privates have led platoons when their officers have fallen. Many companies have lost all their officers and been commanded by noncommissioned officers. One of my youngsters, Lieutenant Moore, with the veteran Sergeant Quick, a medal-of-honor man, volunteered to run an ammunition truck down a shell-swept road into the town of Boursches the night we captured it, and did it. Instances of men rushing out and carrying in wounded comrades, which in other days called for the award of a Medal of Honor, have been so frequent as to be almost common in this brigade.

Here is his picture of General Pershing: General Pershing is a very strong character. He has a good many peculiarities, such I suppose as every strong man accustomed to command is apt to develop. He is very patient and philosophical under trying delays from the War department. He is playing for high stakes and does not intend to jeopardize his winning by wasting his standing with the War department over small things—relatively unimportant, though very annoying as they occur. He is extremely cautious, does nothing hastily or carelessly. He spends much time re-writing the cables and other papers I prepare for him, putting his own individuality into them. He is the first officer for whom I have prepared papers who did not generally accept what I wrote for him. It is very seldom I get anything past him without some alteration. I am obliged to say I do not always consider that he improves them.

though often he does. He edits everything he signs, even the most trivial things. It is a good precaution, but one which can easily be carried to a point where it will waste time that might better be employed on bigger things, but is probably justified in the preliminary stages in which we are.

He thinks very clearly and directly; goes to his conclusions directly when matters call for decision. He can talk straighter to people who call him down than any one I have seen. I have not yet experienced it, though. He has naturally a good disposition and a keen sense of humor. He loses his temper occasionally, and stupidity and vagueness irritate him more than anything else. He can stand plain talk, but the staff officer who goes in with only vagueness where he ought to have certainty, who does not know what he wants, and fumbles around, has lost time and generally gained some straight talk. He develops great fondness for people whom he likes and is indulgent toward their faults, but at the same time is relentless when convinced of inefficiency. Personal loyalty to friends is strong with him, I should say, but does not blind him to the truth.

Writing of the early days in 1917, when the A. E. F. was in its infancy, General Harbord found an excellent character study in contrasting the types presented by Pershing and the French commander, Petain, between whom at this time there existed not too cordial relations. Harbord says:

He is said to be known as Petain the Brief among his own countrymen. He was a lieutenant colonel of infantry before the war, and taught in the Ecole de Guerre, an institution for the higher training of French officers similar to that revered institution on the banks of the Potomac where I spent so many long hours last winter. He is a man about fifty-seven, I should judge, blue-eyed, blond-mustached, bald to the ears, erect in his carriage and with the impression of alertness and energy. He is extremely direct in his conversation, frank to the point of brusqueness.

Though known to his own people as The Brief, he did not seem to me to find the sound of his name that he regards the exchanges on official brief in getting through what he had to say. Perhaps "brief" would be better translated as "brusk." He launched forth a stream of terse, concise talk that practically held the center of the stage during the entire dinner, pausing occasionally for the interpreter, our Major Frank Parker, who is on duty at French general headquarters and speaks French, to render him in English.

Parker would get about half of it, and would sometimes forget his subordinate role as interpreter for General Pershing, and reply "on his own" to General Petain. The latter's French was so distinct that I was able to follow his conversation fairly well. Petain seems very frank and direct in his dealing with General Pershing, but I have not full faith that he regards the exchanges on official matters at social events quite so seriously as we are apt to do. Letters that come from his staff to ours, or that are written by them for his signature, are not always in accord with his expressions at the table, and the whole question of our relations with the French high command is going to be maneuvered by them to rush our general off his feet if he is not extremely careful.

Later he speaks of Pershing visiting the French front with Petain: General Pershing is evidently studying Petain very closely. The question of the employment of our army is to come up. France has over a million men in the field, they are wearing and are coming. Should nothing go wrong and the war continue we shall have more than they a year from now. For the present the French attitude is at times very distinctly patronizing. We are doubtless looked upon somewhat as amateurs, though I believe the average professional level in our commissioned ranks is higher than theirs. Our numbers now are, of course, trifling; but we are coming. Petain has sent in several suggestions that have been distinctly patronizing, and which he has played all around the word "order" without quite using it. He will do well to omit that word from his repertoire. Our general is very cautious; thinks very deeply; takes no false steps; knows his ground, and he knows who holds the whip hand, if one may use that word in speaking of relations with an ally. France depends on America, and she shall not depend in vain. We can afford to be generous, and it shall never be said that we were not. But our relations, it will be explained to General Petain, are those of co-operation. The general is going to suggest to him that their dealings had better generally be direct and personal instead of by correspondence; that they are treating exactly as equals on the same level; that General Petain's interests as well as his own, and those of their respective countries, will be best served so. I think they will be great friends; that each will probably be a hero in his own country; and together with Haig they will carry the war to a victorious conclusion; but it will be on a strictly co-operative basis; no orders, no patronage. General Pershing and General Wood are the only two American generals with whom I have close dealings, that struck me as having the head for the part.

The Germans have won the war so far by beating their enemies in detail. When the French have gone forward, the British have not; when the British have been ready, the French have been delayed. It has been a mistake; two badly trained horses pulling separately instead of together. Great Britain is engaged in too many subsidiary operations. Such operations are only justified in war when they have a direct bearing on the object of the war.

The piece to beat the Germans is where the Germans are, and that is on the western front, not in Baghdad, Mesopotamia, Egypt, or Salonica. The fighting in those regions is purely of the interest of Britain's political and commercial supremacy in Asia and Africa.

It ties up a tremendous amount of shipping which is needed to bring us into the war, all sides realizing that with France and England nearing the end of their man power, it is America that must win the war.

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**LEADS VARIETY TO COATS;
PARIS USES LIGHT WOOLENS**

SO LONG as the average woman is looking for slenderizing lines, the coat that is straight, or nearly so, will have the strongest appeal for her. Therefore the majority of spring coats make no radical departures from the straight line. They look to variations and odd tricks in cut, to trimmings and accessories, to give them interest and diversity. Flares, capes, pockets, collars and trimmings—nobly have they played their part, but the subtle art of the coat makers shines brightest in those ingenuities of cut by which they ring changes on the trim lines favored by fashion. Besides there is much variety in fashionable materials, with rep, twill, smooth-

service expected of them—but more of them are unadorned; the simplest have some little touches that suit them to their youthful wearers. Thus, early in life, the young Parisienne becomes aware of the value of chic details.

Above is a sketch of two frocks from a Paris house that makes only children's clothes, and these two dresses, of woolen cloth, are prettily embellished with embroidery and important little details of finish, that suit them to all the dress-up occasions of little girls. Gray cloth makes the simply designed frock at the left with set-in cap sleeves. Conventional flower motifs, embroidered in colors, supply the



TWO LATE SPRING COATS

faces cloths, satin, wool mixtures and novelty weaves to choose from.

Besides their becomingness this spring's new coats are very practical—the feminine world commends their practical quality and adores their becomingness. The vogue for fur in collars or trimmings gives them a touch of luxuriousness that women love, and many variations of the side fastening are a tribute to its gracefulness. It is in the smart coats made of sturdy mixtures, for travel and general utility that the pocket and collar get in their efficient work as decorative features.

Two very practical coats are shown here, both suited to the needs of the busy woman of today. The coat at the left of smooth faced cloth in a light, warm brown shade with collar of dyed

panels in the skirt and adornment for the sleeves, and the panels are joined by an outline of embroidery. An important bow of wide ribbon makes a chic finish for the "V" neck, which allows the dress to be slipped over the head.

Dark blue cloth proves a charming choice for the dress at the right, with hand embroidery in gay colors forming the collar, short sleeves and simulated pockets. The leather belt and silk tie are wonderfully effective on this model, and may be chosen in any color wanted. The trick of slipping the tie through the slashes in the frock gives a pretty hint of primness becoming to little maids.

Paris has always liked the platted skirt in little girls' frocks, and this



TOGS FOR PARIS TOTS

squirrel to correspond, develops a very slight flare from the hips. When fastened at the throat it is a trim double breasted, straight front, but when open it achieves the popular side fastening in effect. A novelty weave in a tweed mixture makes the simple model at the right—having no sort of decoration and needing none. The style in the material is suited to this mannish simplicity of design.

Little Miss Paris finds all sorts of fabrics making up the sum of her spring wardrobe, but the two most featured are likely to be light woollens and taffeta silk. These, singly or combined, might well account for the majority of spring dresses for little maids wherever they are. The woollens are very practical and are more or less elaborated, according to the sort of

year they are shown with jumpers in contrasting materials—as skirts of plain cloth with figured jumpers or of plaid with plain jumpers.

Taffeta silk and woolen cloths are combined in many frocks of the same kind as those shown here in wool. This is a happy solution to the problem of remodeling a last year's frock, especially as taffeta is so accommodating in the matter of making trimmings. It is used in rufflings, ruchings, puffs and applique motifs, for yokes, collars and other accessories, in panels, in fact, in any way the dressmaker may choose, and is usually chosen to match the cloth in color. But the combination of plain and plaid patterns is always good in children's dresses.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

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**THE
HOOLIGAN
CLAIM**

By H. A. CRAFTS

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THE county jail at Graycliff was an old affair. By some its architectural conception was considered a stroke of genius. The plan was suggested by Commissioner Boyd, who was something of a crank. However, his worst enemies admitted that he had a good idea now and then. Mr. Boyd in his lifetime had seen rock quarried from the mountains at an immense expenditure of labor, transported long distances, shaped into blocks by much tooling, and then laid up into masonry walls. Seeing that the town of Graycliff jutted up against a fine, large ledge of limestone he did not see the utility of quarrying out a great mass of stone and shoving it into a jail, while the same amount of labor would quarry a jail into the ledge just as well, and the jail would be so much stronger that there would be no comparison whatever with the ordinary jail.

The ledge had given the town its name. It was in fact a cliff, with its perpendicular face fronting the east, and its crest towering at least a hundred feet above the level ground that formed the town site of Graycliff. When Commissioner Boyd unfolded his scheme before the board, it was received with but slight favor. The other members snorted at first, then shook their heads slowly and sagely. The plan was so novel that the mind of an ordinary county official was hardly capable of absorbing it. But Mr. Boyd expatiated so brilliantly upon the many advantages of the plan that he finally brought his fellow-commissioners over to his way of thinking, and by some judicious sounding of public opinion it was found that the citizens of the county were also favorable to the plan. The immense superiority of such a jail over one constructed in the usual manner was at once recognized, and the board, fortified by the almost universal approval of their constituents, submitted Mr. Boyd's plan to the county attorney. That official returned an elaborate opinion, to the effect that the cliff was clearly a portion of the public domain, but could not very well be fled upon as agricultural land, as there was not a foot of arable soil upon it. He accordingly suggested, and was duly authorized by the board, to file a mineral claim upon it, running to John Smith, the then acting sheriff of Carbonate county.

The rock which composed Graycliff was found upon trial to be easily quarried. At first a circular room about ten feet in diameter was excavated. This was called "the Rotunda," and for a time it served for the incarceration of such malefactors as found themselves ensnared within the meshes of the law in Carbonate county. Then, as the demand for room increased, "Corridor No. 1 North" was started, and as this progressed, cells were excavated one after another as they were needed. The cells were located between the corridor and the outer face of the cliff, the walls on all sides being left at a thickness of two feet. An opening between each cell and the face of the cliff, about two feet square, was cut, in order to admit light and air. These were heavily grated with steel bars in order to make them secure. The entrances from the corridor were all made all that Mr. Boyd's fervid imagination had pictured for it. It was convenient and secure, and no culprit, once incarcerated within its adamant walls, had ever escaped. This class of individuals were facetiously called "cliff-dwellers."

The cost of construction was greatly reduced by the large amount of penal labor expended upon it. While the law did not impose hard labor upon the involuntary inmates of Graycliff jail, those who expiated their crimes within its walls were permitted to shorten their time of service by a little wholesome muscular exercise, and as it happened that many miners and quarrymen were numbered among them, much skilled labor was secured without expense to the county. Whenever there occurred an extra demand for cells, contracts were made with professional stone workers, and executed with due diligence.

Among those who had more than once suffered duress in this substantial bulwark of the law was an incorrigible named Tim Hooligan, a burly son of the Emerald Isle. Tim was a miner and, when not in the clutches of the law, worked in the mines in a distant part of the county. In a brawl he had knocked down a man and was now serving a sentence of six months in explanation. Tim was tractable enough when in jail but, like the majority of his kind, was "agin the government," and always went around with a chip upon his shoulder. While suffering incarceration, Tim always preferred work to idleness; not that he was particularly desirous of shortening his term of service, but because the ennui of prison life became almost unbearable unless he had some occupation. So he was set to work on the extension of the north corridor. As the work progressed the debris was hauled out at the main entrance of the jail and thrown over the dump. Tim was an expert miner and could judge of the nature of a piece of rock by external appearances about as well as any man living. He was now working almost alone, for a spasm of virtue had about emptied the Carbonate

county jail. He worked in a leisurely way, smoking his short pipe and breaking out now and then in a stave of some rollicking Irish ballad. From time to time, as he dumped his car, he would examine a piece of rock, but this was largely from force of habit.

One day Tim made certain measurements at the end of the corridor, and informed the sheriff that the excavation had progressed far enough for the beginning of another cell, and that official, to oblige Tim, told the latter to go ahead on the cell. But before the work had proceeded far it was discovered that Tim's time was out, so he shook hands with the sheriff and walked away. It was noticed, however, that he did not depart as usual for the mines, but hung about town. He was seen loitering about the courthouse, where he spent some time poring over records. One day he offered a document for record, which proved to be what is known in mining law as a "location certificate." This certified that one Timothy Hooligan had on that day located and claimed a certain mining claim, by right of discovery and location, to be known as the "Hooligan Lode," with all its "dips, spurs, angles and variations," with all the metes and bounds duly specified. But the recording of this class of documents was such a common occurrence that Tim's filing caused not so much as a single comment, the clerk receiving and recording the document in the most perfunctory manner possible.

But when Tim appeared at the sheriff's office the next day the sheriff was not a little surprised to see him. Tim greeted the official with somewhat studied formality and requested his ear in private. When the door of the inner sanctum had been closed the sheriff motioned Tim to a chair.

"Mr. Cheruff," said Tim, quite solemnly, "it becomes me unpleasant job to request ye to vacate."

"Vacate! Vacate what?" cried the astonished official.

"The county bashille."

"The county what?"

"The county bashille; the county jail, Mr. Cheruff."

"Why, Tim! what do you mean? Have you gone crazy?"

"Divil a bit of it, Mr. Cheruff; I've jumped the claim."

"Oh! I guess not."

"An' I guess ys."

"But the claim's all right, I tell you," cried the sheriff emphatically.

"Have you a patent?" asked Tim, not a bit disconcerted.

"Why, yes; that is, I suppose the county attorney has one in my name."

"Hadin' yez better make shure av it?"

"Well! Well! Tim, I must look into this. Please excuse me," and the sheriff seized his hat and rushed out.

Sure enough, Tim had jumped the claim whereon the jail was located, and in law his claim was valid, for the county attorney had neglected to carry out the commissioners' instructions. So the next thing was to secure some kind of a compromise; and after considerable jangling Tim consented to lease the jail privileges to the county at an annual rental of one thousand dollars, reserving the privilege himself of operating his mine for the first year through Corridor No. 1, and a contract was entered into to that effect.

Hooligan, while at work on the extension of Corridor No. 1, had struck one of the richest veins of copper ore in the West, and a year afterwards sold out to the great copper trust, for the neat sum of one hundred thousand dollars and is now leading the life of a "thrue Irish gentleman."

**Greatly to Be Pitied
Is Elderly Bachelor**

"Then let us look at that distinguished bachelor, Herbert Spencer," "H. W." writes, in the London Times. He confessed in his memoirs that all through his life he had never known any real happiness. Even after he had finished his "Synthetic Philosophy," he felt no glow of exhilaration. Despite his wonderful friendship, life to him seemed flat, stale and unprofitable—the natural result of cutting himself off from the normal relations with wife and family. Philosophy may engross a man during his working hours but it won't make him a cup of tea when he's ill in bed or smooth his hair for him when he's tired and discouraged.

"An elderly bachelor of any station in life is about the most pathetic thing that ever bloomed on this broad-bosomed planet. His thoughts turn more and more to himself as the years go on until at last the sun seems to rise in his stomach and set just west of his liver.

"Of course I realize that many young men today cannot afford marriage unless the wife continues working. In that case I'd say let her continue."

French Influence Felt

The French influences of Mary of Guise and the close association of the Scotch and French courts in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth centuries, are said to seem to have left something of the quaint beauty of old Paris on the houses and streets of Edinburgh, Scotland, and the tragedies of the Stewarts seem to give its gayest moments the same somber seconds that the Robespierre days yet give to every visitor who muses on the past of the French capital.—Detroit News.

Coming Great Man

"John," said Mrs. Norris to her husband, "I really believe our Junior is lazy. He persuades little Freddy to do all his work."

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AT THE AGE OF 83

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Nominations to the Democratic Ticket of Parmer County.

The persons whose names appear in the following list have authorized the Friona Star to carry their announcements as candidates for nomination for the offices under which their names appear, subject to the decision of the voters in the Democratic Primary in July, 1926.

FOR SHERIFF

J. H. MARTIN (Re-election)
J. S. POTTS

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

E. F. LOKEY (Re-election)

FOR CO. AND DIST. CLERK

B. N. GRAHAM (Re-election)

FOR COUNTY TREASURER

MINNIE O. ALDRIDGE (re-election)

FOR TAX ASSESSOR

F. W. (FLOYD) REEVE
J. W. MAGNESS.

HIDE AND ANIMAL INSPECTOR

T. N. JASPER (Re-election)

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

D. H. MEADE
NAT JONES.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

69th Judicial District
J. D. THOMAS

(County Attorney Parmer County)

ARE ATTENDING

DISTRICT MEETING

Mrs. J. C. Wilkison and Mrs. R. H. Kinsley are spending this week attending the District Meeting of the Federated Women's Clubs.

They were sent as representatives of the local organization and expect to bring home with them at least one of the prizes offered by the district for things accomplished during the year.

BOVINA BAPTEST CHURCH.

Preaching services every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Sunday school at 9:15 every Sunday. We invite you to meet with us.

The W. M. U. met with Mrs. McDonald April 13th with a good attendance. The devotion was led by our president, and our South American missions were studied. After the lesson a business session was held. The minutes of secretary were read and approved. The dues of our membership were collected and treasurer was authorized to pay all bills and make a financial report at next meeting.

The pantry sale netted \$13.25 Saturday at Gaines' Store. Remember every third Saturday you will be able to buy everything you need for your Sunday dinner. Coffee and sandwiches will be ready for you at noon on the next sale day, May 15th.

The Silver Tea held Wednesday at Richardson's Cafe was well attended and \$12.73 was the amount of silver in the plate at the close for our missions. The W. M. U. wishes to thank our many friends who so loyally patronized our sale and tea.

Our revival meeting will begin the fifth Sunday in May. Remember the date and plan to attend. Pray that we may have a great meeting. Prayer is the key to God's power house.

Mesdames J. C. Wilkison, R. H. Kinsley and Robert Bledsoe returned Thursday from Childress where they attended the 7th district convention of Federated Clubs. Mrs. Wilkison of Friona as delegate and at the conclusion represented the Woman's Club division of her report, Mrs. J. U. Fields state president of Federated Clubs was so impressed with the fine report and the manner in which it was given by Mrs. Wilkison that she commented on it at length. This was a distinction for our delegate and club.

The Truitt & Landrum Company is furnishing the material for Mr. Pritchard's garage near town.

Mrs. T. S. Williams of San Diego, Calif., a sister of Mrs. Talbot, is expected to arrive here today to attend Mrs. Talbot's funeral.

MRS. TALBOT DIED THURSDAY.

This community was again saddened Thursday morning when it became known that Mrs. Walter Talbot had passed away at about nine o'clock.

Mrs. Talbot, whose home was on their farm about five miles northwest of Friona, had been suffering for several days from an attack of flu which finally culminated in pneumonia. She seemed to suffer very little and her condition was not thought serious either by herself or by her family. However, Dr. McElroy was called to attend a daughter who was suffering from tonsillitis and left medicine and directions for the care of the mother also.

Mrs. Talbot, however, did not take the medicine, thinking it not necessary, and about two o'clock she became decidedly worse and her suffering became severe, and the end came within a few hours. She leaves to mourn her death, her husband, one son and four daughters.

The funeral services will be held at the Methodist church this afternoon (Saturday) at two o'clock, conducted by Rev. Walker.

The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Lange were Hereford visitors Monday.

Miss Viola Talbot, who has had a very severe attack of tonsillitis, is able to be back in school again.

We notice M. A. Crum riding around in a new Ford coupe.

Little Miss Winifred Galloway is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Galloway, this week.

BOVINA ITEMS

The sun was a most welcome visitor last week but the heavy rain that fell Monday night was good but not near so much appreciated.

Norma Lee Wilson, Lucille Ellison and Edward Springs spent last week end with Mrs. J. H. Aldridge of Farwell.

Prof. and Mrs. R. A. Buckner left Bovina Friday evening for Canadian. They returned Sunday after a very pleasant visit with friends and relatives.

Anita Murray spent Saturday night with Margaret Ezell.

J. C. Denny, Pat Richardson, Geo. Richards, Crutch Skipworth and Edward Springs went to Farwell Monday to take the vaccination to enter training school this summer at Ft. Logan, Colo.

Neal Richardson and Bobby Murray spent Saturday night with Neal's sister, Mrs. Orvil Stevick of Friona. L. H. Murray was in Farwell Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Wells who have been visiting friends and relatives of this community, returned to their home at Anthony, N. M.

The barber shop that has been under construction for some time is almost completed. This is a great improvement to our town and one that was needed badly.

The Bovina Bulls won their second school baseball game of the season Thursday afternoon when they trimmed the Friona Chiefs 16 to 3 in the Friona ball orchard. The Chiefs were unable to solve the Bull tossers to any great extent, while the Bulls knocked the Chief pitchers to all corners of the lot. Practically all the Bulls played stellar ball, especially on the offensive, but Captain Red Lowery was the star of the game. Red knocked two balls into the tall, uncut timber, each good for four bases. In addition he pitched the last three innings, struck out the first four men to face him, allowing one scratch hit, to keep them playing, and no runs.

We are looking forward to a return game some time soon.

My, after the entertainment at Bobby Murray's Wednesday night, we realize we have some real musicians. Mr. L. D. Parker and Mr. Charles Kury are certainly hard to beat on "any" string instrument. They sure know how to handle them. All the music furnished with the string instruments and piano were beautiful but far better than that was the Hawaiian music. Then, too, we must extend congratulations to Margaret Ezell and Anita Murray on "chop sticks," a very beautiful selection that they had worked up.

We are anxiously awaiting the next musical entertainment.

Elbert Overton and Wayne Riley of Portales, N. M., passed through town Thursday on their way to Hereford to attend the E. B. Black stock sale. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bledsoe also attended the sale.

Floyd Blankenship, one of the teachers of Star Ranch, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. R. L. Bledsoe and daughter, Betty and Mary Frances, spent Tuesday in Clovis.

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FRIONA STATE BANK

at Friona, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 12th day of April, 1926, published in the Friona Star, a newspaper printed and published at Friona, State of Texas, on the 23rd day of April, 1926.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, undoubtedly good, on personal or collateral security	\$185,000.00
Loans secured by real estate, worth at least twice the amount loaned thereon	4,000.00
Overdrafts, undoubtedly good	483.69
Bonds, stocks and other securities	2,961.23
Real Estate (Banking House)	6,000.00
Other real estate	2,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	4,000.00
Cash on hand	3,023.04
Due from approved reserve agents	41,549.92
Interest in Depositor's Guaranty Fund	1,875.31
Assessment Depositor's Guaranty Fund	3,200.00
TOTAL	\$254,093.28

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 20,000.00
Other Surplus Fund	7,000.00
Undivided profits, net	2,509.05
Individual deposits subject to check on which no interest is paid	144,281.66
Individual deposits on which interest is paid or contracted to be paid	NONE
Public Funds on Deposit—State, None	
County, \$21,831.28	
City, None	
School \$40,498.00	Total
Cashier's Checks outstanding	62,329.28
Bills Payable, None; Rediscounts, None; Total	6,021.51
TOTAL	\$254,093.28

State of Texas, County of Parmer:
We, A. W. Henschel, as President, and G. D. Anderson, as Cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

A. W. HENSCHEL, President,
G. D. ANDERSON, Cashier.

Correct Attest: JESSE M. OSBORN, M. M. HENSCHEL, H. J. FARWELL, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of April, A. D. 1926.

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Friona, Texas

Freak Formation of Trees Not Uncommon

If anyone doubts that Nature has a sense of humor, he had better turn his attention to trees, and see what queer things she invents at times. Evidently the long neck of the giraffe struck her as a joke that would bear repeating, for she has copied it almost to perfection in Key West, Fla. There, in what is known as Maloney's garden, is to be seen the giraffe tree, a date palm grafted onto a fig tree.

The graft has taken place about five feet from the ground, and in order to support it the fig tree has flung several roots across and around it. The date palm has curved downwards and upwards until it presents a faithful copy of a giraffe's neck, at the top of which shoot out the orthodox leaves, mingling on its left with those of the fig tree.

The Siamese twins offered Nature a chance too good to be lost, and she has reproduced them many a time in the tree family. There was a tree of this kind at Paignton, in Devon, England, and in the United States there are two splendid specimens.

At Sterling, in Massachusetts, two great oaks are solidly joined by a transversal branch or trunk a yard long and as thick as a man's body; while in New York state there are two ash trees joined by a thick branch which unites their trunks (distant one from the other more than 20 feet) at a considerable height from the ground.

Some years ago Nature discovered a disused quartz-mine chimney in Siam. Very soon a green branch was seen peering out of the top of the chimney, and it rapidly became a bouquet of greenery. The whole thing looked like an immense flower vase, but it is more than likely that by this time the roots inside the chimney have burst the brickwork, and that the "vase" has crumbled away.

Famous "Newspaper Row"

A part of the site chosen for the new National Press building was known as Washington's Newspaper row in Civil war days. G. A. Townsend is authority for the statement that newspaper correspondents had pitched upon this block before a hotel was projected. Its central location, proximity to government buildings, telegraph offices and lines of communication made it ideal. This line of offices was known the country over as Newspaper row and when the dwellings were converted into hotel property the correspondents continued to occupy the offices. When the Ebbitt house was rebuilt the proprietor reserved the basement stage for newspaper men's quarters. The building which is to be erected on this historic spot will become the permanent home of the Washington bureaus of many of the leading newspapers of the country, as well as of the National Press club.

Honor for Columbus

Following a semi-official suggestion, 57 Italian towns rebaptized streets in the name of Christopher Columbus on October 12. This rebirth of enthusiasm for the great explorer is not altogether without political importance. It is one more sign of a new growth of nationalistic consciousness among the Italian people, who are beginning to feel that their past exploits on behalf of civilization entitle them to special deference on the part of other nations and to hope for brilliant feats in the future. One Italian newspaper has urged seriously that because Columbus once willed America to his son, and the Italian people are that son's heirs, the United States could not claim payment of the Italian war debt, but really should pay to Italy all its surplus cash.

This Mongrel a Hero

"Adobe," a mongrel dog with nothing in particular to do one day, went to the rescue of a rancher of Grand Junction, Cal., says the Pathfinder Magazine. The man riding horseback was charged by a bull. The horse was gored to death and in falling pinned the man underneath. Just then Adobe got in his work. The dog fought off the bull just long enough for the rancher to get out his gun and shoot the bull.

Horse's Perilous Trip

A runaway horse owned by Nathaniel Nutter hauled a heavy express wagon on the ties over the 800-foot railway bridge across the Connecticut river between Wells River, Vt., and Woodsville, N. H., without receiving as much as a scratch, while an express train, which had been flagged, awaited its arrival on the Vermont side. The bridge is 90 feet above the water and has a railing on only one side.

High Steel Tower Planned

A steel tower 1,950 feet high—twice as tall as the Eiffel tower in Paris—is to be erected near Leipzig, Germany. The purpose of the tower is to serve as a generator of electric power, with giant windwheels, and as a radio station. The cost of the tower is put at \$1,000,000. The electrical machinery will cost a further \$500,000.

Refined Scrap Metals

According to data collected at the biennial census of manufacturers, 1923, the establishments engaged primarily in the smelting and refining of scrap metals other than gold, silver and platinum reported products valued at \$35,785,501, an increase of 130.2 per cent as compared with 1921, the last preceding census year.

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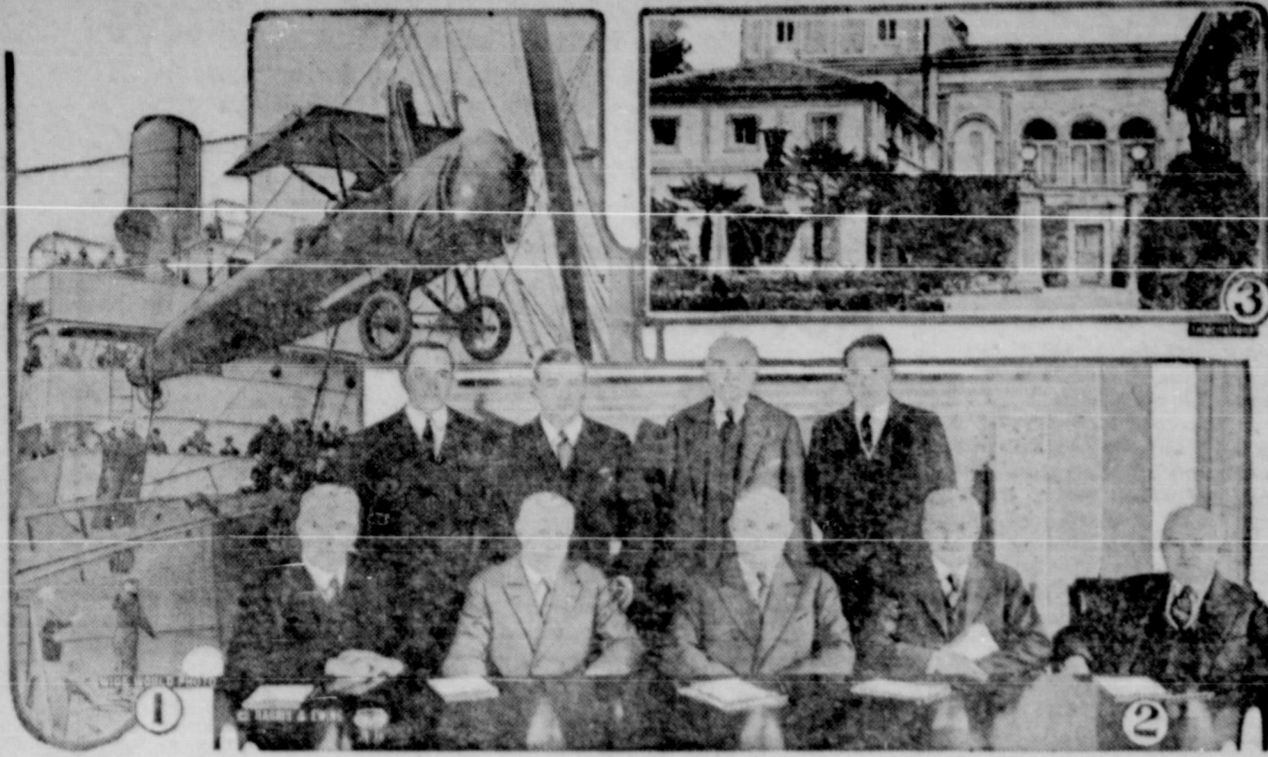
The fight in congress between the wets and drys becomes more bitter: The League World Court comes in for its share of abuse and opposition: Party lines are being trampled under foot,—but JUST KEEP COOL. DON'T ROCK THE BOAT and

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1—Loading the steamship *Chantia* for the Syria loan expedition, which sailed from New York for Spitzbergen. 2—Members of senate judiciary subcommittee listening to testimony in favor of modification of the Volstead act, seated, and, standing, Representative Hill and Senators Edge, Bruce and Edwards, leaders of the wets. 3—Castle of Trevano on Lake Lugano, which, it is said, the ex-kaiser of Germany wishes to buy from Louis Lombard of New York.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Mussolini Shot in Nose by Eccentric English Woman; Wets Arraign Dry Act.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

ANOTHER piece of good luck for Benito Mussolini, the redoubtable premier and dictator of Italy! Having just addressed the international congress of surgeons in the capitol of Rome, he was about to step into his automobile when Violet Albina Gibson, member of an eccentric family of Irish nobility, fired a small pistol at him. The bullet struck him in the nose, piercing both nostrils, but the wound was so trifling that Mussolini resumed his office work after it was dressed, and next day began his journey to Tripoli with the battle fleet. The assassin, who is an elderly woman, was rescued from the angry people by the police. Her motive has not been revealed. She is the sister of Baron Ashbourne and her relatives say she is half mad.

The immediate result of the attack was a great outbreak of enthusiasm for Mussolini by the Fascists in Rome and other cities. The offices of several opposition newspapers were sacked, despite the premier's order that there be no acts of vengeance. The "duce" is now even more of a national hero than before, if that is possible. His departure for Tripoli was attended with great pomp. The fleet accompanying him was made up of a division of battleships, destroyers and submarines, together with large numbers of airplanes and seaplanes. Aboard the flagship *Conte di Cavour* he received the new directorate of the Fascist and gave out the details of the party program for the change of Italy from a parliamentary to a syndicalist state. In his address he declared the Fascists had won their battle at home but that there was now the graver battle with foreign countries. It was natural that all countries upholding the principle of fraternity without real brotherhood of equality, without peace or liberty, and without independence would coalesce against Italy. The premier said he foresaw an attempt economically to isolate Italy, but he shouted, "We will win, because we have 3,000,000 youths ready."

Not a day passes without further evidence of the implacable determination of the Fascists to have their own way. Tuesday they engaged in a pitched battle with their opponents in the province of Palermo, Sicily, and drove them into the mountains. In Naples the Jewish lawyer for the widow of Giacomo Matteotti, Sig Modigliani, was seriously wounded by a Fascist mob. Matteotti was the Socialist deputy who was kidnapped and murdered on June 10, 1924, by a Fascist group. John Amendola, the last important leader of the opposition to Mussolini, died in Cannes as the result of a beating he received from a Fascist mob in Italy several months ago.

Unconfirmed stories sent over by foreign correspondents tell of an attack by Fascists in Venice on American sailors from the four destroyers that were there. This was due to resentment against the holding up of the Italian debt settlement in the senate. The navy officials in Washington said they had not heard of the event, but the destroyers left Venice suddenly.

EVERY ONE in the country, be he wet or dry, is following with interest the senate committee hearings on the bills for amendment or repeal of the Volstead act. Last week was given over to the wets, and they made the most of their opportunity, under the leadership of Senators Bruce and Edge and with the assistance of counsel for various wet organizations. General Andrews, chief prohibition enforcement official of the government, was the first witness. He told at length of the problems encountered by his forces and of their plans for more efficient work; of the amazing effrontery of the bootleggers and al-

cohol redistillers and the crookedness of many druggists and physicians. He said that captures made by his agents show that 98 per cent of the whisky Americans are drinking today is fixed, doped, poisoned, split, and otherwise adulterated.

At one point in his testimony General Andrews blamed "politics, the churches, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the Anti-Saloon league" for the presence in the federal prohibition enforcement organization of men either corrupt or stupid and inefficient. He was not, of course, a friendly witness for the wets, and declared that with more legislation and additional forces he believed he could finally control the situation.

United States District Attorney Buckner of New York followed with disclosures of the enormous quantities of industrial alcohol, much of it poisonous, diverted to the bootleggers and to the stomachs of the people. He estimated the total to be 60,000,000 gallons a year. Other parts of his testimony may be summarized thus: Twelve hundred drug stores in New York city are selling 480,000 gallons of whisky a year, and that is precisely twice as much as could legally be sold if all the prescription blanks which the law allows the 5,100 physicians in that area were legitimately used.

Analysis of 50,000 samples of bootleg whisky captured by federal agents in New York city in two years showed the captures not to be whisky at all, but redistilled denatured alcohol with traces of the poisonous denaturing fluid still in it.

So large and so flagrant is the diversion of industrial alcohol from legitimate channels that now it is being bootlegged into Canada, where the tax on alcohol is very high.

Thirteen months ago, when Buckner took office as United States district attorney for the Southern district of New York, he found the fifth floor of the federal building in New York city a seething mob of bartenders, waiters, liquor peddlers, petty bootleggers, fixers, and bond sharks openly trafficking with justice. They tried to bribe the jurymen even in the building.

Alfred J. Talley, former judge of the court of general sessions, New York city, swore that his court experience convinces him that prohibition is "the greatest single menace confronting the United States and the greatest cause of lawlessness among the most lawless people in the world," and that "for every saloon abolished three speakeasies have sprung up."

Among the many other witnesses heard were Hudson Maxim, Congressman Vare of Pennsylvania, Dr. William C. Woodward of Chicago, representing the American Medical association and Anton J. Cermak, speaking for a delegation of Chicagoans.

CORN-BELT leaders in Washington announce that the cotton growers of the South will support the surplus control bill designed to raise the prices of farm products on the domestic market above the export market price, and believe they will overcome the opposition of the administration to the measure. Secretary of Agriculture Jardine has been drafting a bill which makes some important concessions to the demands of the corn growers. His measure will provide for the creation of a farm board to deal with the surplus problem, as proposed by the farm organizations, but will omit any provision for collecting equalization fees from the producers. The corn belt would finance the price-raising operations from a \$250,000,000 revolving fund advanced by the government. Secretary Jardine will not provide for a revolving fund, but is working out a plan for a loan either by the government or private capital for financing operations in the orderly marketing of surplus products.

ACCORDING to a report of the Department of Agriculture, the farm population of the United States decreased nearly half a million during 1925. It estimates the number of persons living on farms January 1, 1926, to have been 30,855,000, compared with 31,134,000 January 1, 1925. The estimated net movement away from farms last year amounted to 901,000 persons, but there was an estimated excess of farm births over farm

deaths amounting to 422,000, which reduced the loss due to cityward movement to 479,000. The estimated decrease in farm population in 1924 was 182,000.

ARGUMENTS in the Brookhart-Steck contest occupied considerable time in the senate last week and it did not appear that an early decision was likely. There was a report that President Coolidge had intimated to Senator Butler, chairman of the Republican national committee, that in his opinion the majority report of the elections committee, which recommended the seating of Steck, Democrat, should be approved. If this is done it is a certainty that Brookhart will oppose Senator Cummins for the nomination in the next Republican primaries. That might result in the election of a Democrat, and the prospect is rather worrying the Republicans.

PROSPECTS are good for settlement of the Tacna-Arica dispute between Peru and Chile in accordance with a plan submitted to the representatives of the two republics by Secretary of State Kellogg. The nature of the proposals was not made public except that they would be substituted for the plebiscite. Ambassadors Cruceaga of Chile and Velardi of Peru both expressed the hope that the new negotiations would succeed.

RAUOL PERET, finance minister of France, won a big victory when the parliament adopted his measures after a week's consideration. Figures issued Tuesday showed that France's budget was balanced for the first time since the beginning of the World war, without including of the country's 52 per cent of the reparations paid by Germany under the Dawes plan.

NEGOTIATIONS for peace in Morocco on the basis of autonomy for the Rifians were proceeding nicely in Paris when a semi-official announcement from Madrid virtually ended them. This was to the effect that Spain would not accept the terms offered by Abd-el-Krim. Consequently a strong French offensive in the near future is predicted unless Krim is willing to consider new terms offered by France and Spain.

In Syria the French are still fighting the Druses, and a recent dispatch says Prince Hamad Atrash, son of Sultan el Atrash, leader of the tribesmen, was killed in battle at Maarba.

FOUR hundred men and women, fugitives from Russia, met in Paris in the first Pan-Russian congress of emigrants and exiles and laid plans for an early attempt to win back their country from the Bolsheviks. Prof. Peter Strouve was elected president of the congress and roused intense enthusiasm when he called on Grand Duke Nicholas, uncle of the late czar, to become grand chieftain of national Russia, assume command of the army and liberate the country from communist oppression. How all this might be accomplished was considered in secret sessions of the conference.

RELIGIOUS warfare between the Moslems and Hindus in India, always smoldering, has broken out in Calcutta and other cities and the British authorities are having a hard time trying to restore order. Mosques and temples are being killed or wounded in the wild street fighting.

Another cause of anxiety to the British in India is the demand of the nazim of Hyderabad that he be given Berar, which was ceded to the English 150 years ago. The nazim has armed forces and might lead a revolt of other dissatisfied Indian princes. British troops have been concentrated in Secunderabad to keep the nazim quiet.

AIRPLANES from the army of Marshal Chang have been bombing Peking, despite the protests of the foreign diplomats. The real battle for the possession of the city seems to have begun. It is reported there that a coalition has been formed between the forces of Feng Yu-hsiang, Wu Peifu and the governors of Shansi and Kiangsi provinces for the destruction of the Chill and Shantung armies that are besieging the capital.

REAL ART IN MAKING GOOD STEW OF MEAT

Dish Has Been Lifted From Depths of Ill Repute.

The old boarding-house whose about stew and its uncertain ingredients has gone by the boards. This lowly dish has been lifted from the depths of ill repute and is now rubbing elbows with the aristocratic steak and chop.

There really is art in stew making, according to Inez S. Willson, home economics director of the national live stock and meat board. Miss Willson is appearing before audiences of housewives in various cities, giving them first-hand information on how to master this art, together with information on meat selection, purchase, preparation, how to distinguish quality in meats, and other subjects.

The occasion for this is a series of "Housewives' Meat Schools" being conducted under the joint supervision of the national live stock and meat board, the United States Department of Agriculture, and Ohio State university.



Inez S. Willson, Director, Department of Home Economics, National Live Stock and Meat Board.

Appearing with Miss Willson as lecturers, are A. T. Edinger of the department, and Paul Gerlaugh of the university faculty.

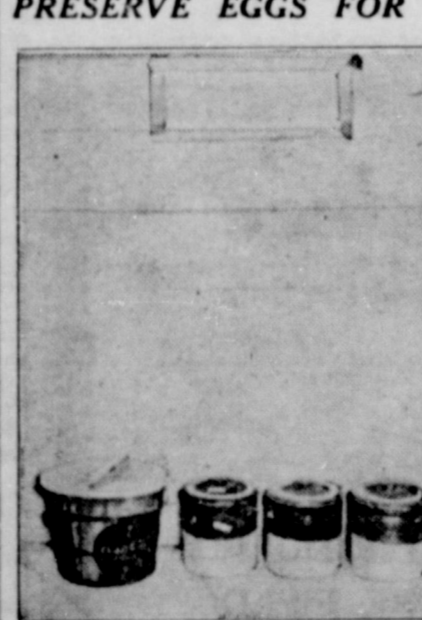
Schools of one week each already have been held in Cleveland, Ohio, Columbus, Ohio, and Syracuse, N. Y. The itinerary for the future includes a number of others. A serious lack of meat knowledge on the part of the housewife is given as the chief incentive for this meat missionary work. A recent government survey revealed the startling fact that the average housewife is familiar with only two or three steaks, and can recognize less than two roasts.

A statement issued by the agencies sponsoring the program says that the splendid success attending it has been attained through co-operation with women's clubs, boards of education, chambers of commerce, parent-teachers' associations and other local educational and welfare organizations.

Successful Floor Waxing

Success in waxing floors lies in applying the wax in thin coats and rubbing a great deal. One pound will coat about 250 square feet of floor. After the preliminary coats of filler or varnish are thoroughly dry the wax should be rubbed on with a woolen cloth, a piece of old carpet or a brush, and allowed to harden overnight. The next morning the floor should be polished lengthwise of the grain with a weighted brush or a heavy cloth wrapped in woolen cloth, burlap or old carpet. Then one or perhaps two more coats of wax should be applied and rubbed down in the same way as the first.

PRESERVE EGGS FOR HOUSEHOLD PURPOSES



Preserve Eggs in Water Glass and Store in Cool Place in Basement.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Fresh eggs, properly preserved, in water glass or lime solution, may be kept from six to ten months and be almost as good for all household purposes as fresh eggs, says the United States Department of Agriculture.

Place a large crock of earthenware or stone in a cool dry place where it can remain without being moved until all the eggs are used. The five-gallon size is convenient. Fill a sufficient amount of water to fill the crock and allow it to cool. Measure out nine quarts of this boiled water, place in

GET AHEAD WITH SPRING SEWING

Plan Ahead What to Buy or Make for Family.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Early in April your family will begin to need wash dresses and other cool clothes. You will probably be inspired to take stock of what is on hand for each person in the household, and to plan in advance what must be bought or made to complete their various wardrobes. Dresses that seemed scarcely affected by last year's sun when you put them away, will look discouragingly faded when you take them out. And the children have an unflinching habit of adding to the length of their legs every winter, so that Mary's dresses have to go down to Jane, and Jane's must be given away to some still smaller child. After you have let down all the hems that can be let down, and made all the changes that allow for longer or plumper arms, bigger necks or chests, you will know what materials you actually have to buy and make up.

Let us suppose that you are anxious to produce the children's school clothes and the house dresses you will need this season with the least possible interruption to other tasks. You can make every minute count if you plan, and use what might be termed the wholesale method in sewing. This consists of doing a great deal of one kind of work before changing one's notions to another kind, acquiring speed as one goes along.

First provide a good foundation pattern to fit each one who needs new clothes. This may be a commercial pattern of simple design, or one you have made according to measurements. With a little practice in using such a pattern you can cut from it very rapidly, and vary the trimming so as to seem to have many different designs. You don't want to dress your family in a uniform, of course, but in making underwear if you buy enough goods of the same kind to make several garments you will use the goods to better advantage and save time in handling it.

Cut as many garments out at one time as you can. Pin the parts of each securely together with the scraps that match, or put it in a box by itself. When you have cut even one dress by a given pattern the next can be cut a great deal faster, because you know how to place the pattern on the material in the best way. While you are cutting these dresses out, don't forget to allow hems twice as deep as you need. This extra material is convenient when the time comes to lengthen the dress.

The next part of your work is the machine stitching. Most wash materials have body enough and are so smoothly and firmly woven, that you can stitch many parts of your garments directly on the machine without basting. Don't stitch a seam or two, and then stop to turn, trim, or baste. That is a slow method. Stitch straight through the entire lot you have cut out, until you can do no more without folding or basting. Keep the parts of each garment together. Next go through all the garments, trimming, pressing, fells, putting in gathers, or whatever has to be done, until all the dresses are ready for more machine work. By the time you have stitched them once more you will have plenty of "pick-up" work on hand, to be done in odd minutes. There will be binding and buttonholes and pockets, sleeves, hems, collars, and other finishing work, much of which must be in part done by hand.

Just one more hint to the mother who makes many little garments: buy a lot of the same kind of buttons—a stock design, easy to duplicate—and always keep a reserve card on hand. Then you won't have to hunt to match the buttons that come off, and little dresses will always look neat.

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Suzanne, two years old, had been away from her mother Josephine for a few hours. On returning she extended her tiny hand and inquired: "How is Mother Jo?"

And then, after a moment's thought, and with a twinkle in her eyes: "And how's your husband?"—Exchange.

Would Find Out

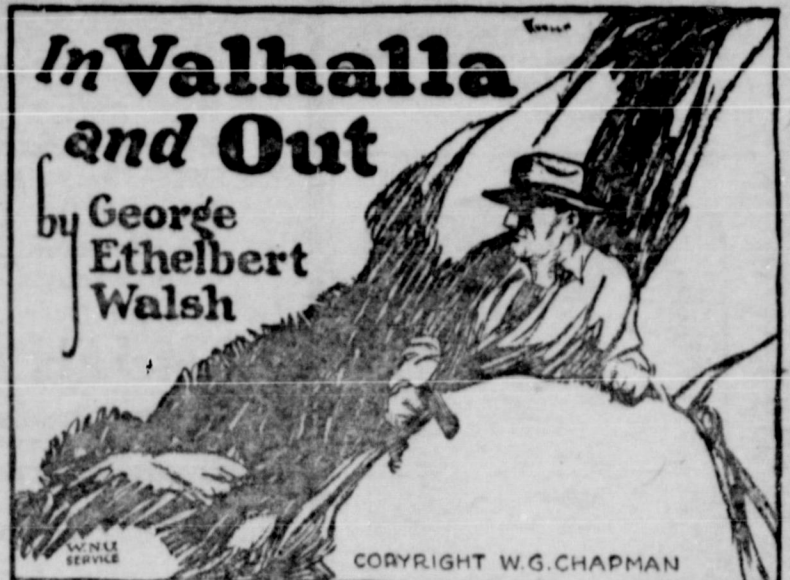
"Paw, what is meekness?" "Oh, you'll have to get married before you understand that, son."

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CHAPTER IX—Continued

He was not greatly alarmed by what he saw. On the contrary a smile parted his lips. Alice Cutler and Mr. Blake had halted directly beneath him, so near that he could have dropped a pebble upon their heads or touched them with a long pole.

They were silent for a few moments, but it was the silence of an awkward pause between bits of unpleasant conversation, as Dick soon discovered. Miss Cutler finally broke it.

"I'll go back now, Mr. Blake," she said. "There's nothing more to be said."

Peering over the ledge, Dick could see the man hesitate, and then suddenly extend a detaining hand.

"One moment, Miss Alice," he protested. "I don't want this to be final."

The girl shrugged her shoulders, and turned away. "But it is final, Mr. Blake," she added. "It's absurd to think I'll change my mind. Why, I never dreamed that—that—you'd seriously think of such a thing. It seems almost ridiculous to me."

Dick could see the face of the other flush and darken.

"Why should it seem ridiculous to you?" he demanded sharply. "Is it because you're rich, and I—?" He stopped, and then added eagerly, "I told you I was rich, or would be soon, Miss Alice. I didn't emphasize that enough, perhaps. Well, then, if you must know the truth, I shall have enough to support you in the style you've always lived in. I may be as wealthy as your uncle. Who knows?"

She turned, with an amused smile on her face. "Do you think it's because of that I've refused you?" she asked.

He hesitated a second, and then answered abruptly: "Yes!"

"I'm sorry," she replied, shrugging her shoulders, "that your estimate of me is so low. No, Mr. Blake, if you were the richest man in the world the answer would be the same. I do not love you, and that tells all."

This seemed like a blow between the eyes, for he recoiled a step, and looked dazed. Then an ugly expression came into his face.

"Do you love any one else?" he demanded roughly.

Alice Cutler drew herself up and tried to freeze him with a stare. "It's needless to say, Mr. Blake, that you're forgetting yourself. Such a question is an insult. Let me pass, please."

"Do you love that cub you smuggled aboard the yacht and turned loose on this island to spy on me?" he asked, stepping in front of her to block the way.

For a second his blazing eyes and flushed face startled her, and the answer that sprang to her lips died unexpressed.

"Oh, I know he's here," he continued, sneering. "I've met him on the island. If he's your lover, Miss Alice, you'll have trouble in finding him."

"Whom are you talking about?" she managed to ask.

For reply, the man smiled craftily, with a gleam of triumph in his eyes. "Very odd that you shouldn't know," he said finally. "Very innocent, aren't you, Miss Alice! You haven't seen him since that day he fished your bag out of the river? You didn't send him down to the yacht with a fake package so he could get aboard and hide? Of course not. You're innocent of—"

"Please stop, Mr. Blake!" she interrupted. "You're getting quite silly. If you mean that I'm pretending not to know that the man who picked my bag from the river isn't here on the island, I'll save you further speculation. I know he's here. I saw him yesterday—had a talk with him. But I didn't smuggle him aboard, nor help him to get down here. Will that satisfy you?"

"No, it won't!" came the blunt reply. "I don't believe you!"

"Thank you!" was the rejoinder. "Now let me pass. I've taken enough of your insults. When uncle's better—"

"You'll have me discharged?" "Perhaps."

He laughed in an ugly way. "You won't have the pleasure, Miss Alice," he sneered. "I've already discharged myself. I'm master down here. Your uncle's dying. Doctor Alster says it's doubtful if he ever regains consciousness again. We may have to bury him here on the island."

"Oh!" she shuddered. He seemed to relent a little, and went on more gently: "I don't want to alarm you, Miss Alice, but you had to know the truth. He's sinking rapidly. But he's an old man, and hadn't many more years to live. We're young—both of us—and we—"

He paused and eyed her greedily. "Have you stopped to consider our position here, Miss Alice?"

by approaching from the rear he could slip into the kitchen unobserved. McGee, he reasoned, would still be at the cave on guard duty.

He was successful in his ruse, reaching the rear of the big house without attracting attention. He tried the back door, and finding it unlocked opened it and slipped inside. The kitchen was a large, pretentious affair, suitable as a workshop for a large army of servants.

It was completely deserted now, giving it a forlorn, unpleasant appearance. All the latest appointments for cooking and serving dinners and banquets were present, but without cooks or waiters they seemed a hollow mockery.

"What is a home without a cook?" Dick murmured in passing.

He entered the butler's pantry adjoining the big, commodious kitchen, and nearly ran plump into a pair of flour and dough-covered arms. Alice Cutler, under the stress of necessity, was making tentative experiments in cookery, with her sleeves rolled up to her elbows, showing a pair of plump arms, and a fancy boudoir cap covering her head. An ample apron protected her dress. Her cheeks were flushed to a rich carmine, with small patches of flour and dough distributed here and there in irregular patterns.

She glanced up with startled eyes, and then, as calmly as if meeting an old friend, she said: "Well! What is it you want now?"

"To see you, first," he said, "and, second, to see Doctor Alster."

"What do you want to see Doctor Alster for?" she queried.

"To find out what sort of a man he is—to see if he's for you or against you."

She was quiet for a long time, watching and appraising him. Finally, she nodded her head. "I'll take you to him," she said quietly. "Perhaps you're right. We ought to know whether he's for us or against us. I have my doubts sometimes."

CHAPTER X

Dick thrilled a little when she used the word "us"; he had distinctly used the singular pronoun, and it was her own choice of the plural. He reasoned that, consciously or unconsciously, the word implied a trust in him that he had not dared to believe before.

He watched her graceful movements, as she cleaned and washed her hands and arms, dried them on a roller towel, removed the apron, touched her hair with deft hands, and then, after rearranging her boudoir cap, nodded to him.

"Follow me. I'll take you to him," Doctor Alster was a short, thick-set man of perhaps forty, with black hair and beard, and dark, shifty eyes. Dick's first impression was not very favorable. When he stepped forward to meet him, the eyes under the shaggy brows widened in surprise, and then narrowed swiftly to small pin points.

"I'm glad to meet you, doctor," Dick said, advancing with extended hand.

The other grunted and stared back suspiciously. "Who are you, sir?" he demanded truculently.

"A friend of Miss Cutler's. You heard her say that."

"But your name?" "For the present, names are immaterial. I'm greatly concerned about Mr. Cutler's health. How is he?"

"Bad, sir—very bad," was the reply, accompanied by a solemn shake of the head.

"Can I see Mr. Cutler?" Dick asked. "See him!" repeated Alster in surprise. Then, frowning and shaking his head, he added, "No, sir, I couldn't grant that request. It might prove dangerous to him in his weakened condition."

"If he's unconscious, what harm could come of it? You can't surprise or shock an unconscious patient."

"He might regain his senses for a moment, and the sight of a stranger—" "—a friend."

"Well, even a friend he didn't expect to see here might give him a shock that would kill him."

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Day's Length Varies

in Different Parts

If you met a man, and he casually remarked that he ate 315 meals yesterday, you would either be amazed at his appetite or take him for a hardened romantic. But the man may be from Spitzbergen, where they have a day three and a half months in length.

And on the whole it would be wise, if one should undertake to do certain work to receive so much a day in payment, to understand just where the work is to be done, or one might have to labor 18½ hours at Stockholm, if it happened to be the longest day of the year, or all the time from May 21 to July 22 if in some parts of Norway.

In Petrograd the longest day is 19 hours and the shortest 5 hours. In Finland there is a 22-hour day. In London and at Bremen the longest day is 16½ hours; at Hamburg and Dantzic 17 hours, and at Washington about 15 hours.

Cartridges for Camels

Camels represent the most valuable possession of the people of Abyssinia because they provide means of transportation, without which life would be in jeopardy. In commerce camels are used many times as the equivalent of money. Only under extraordinary circumstance will a man dispose of his camel, as collectors of the zoos of the world have learned. But Doctor Heck found rifle cartridges were eagerly sought, and was able to secure six dromedaries for the Berlin zoo by exchanging 15 cartridges per dromedary, a trade he considered good.

GOOD ROADS

WASTE IS BUGBEAR IN ROAD BUILDING

Few motorists as they roll smoothly over the magnificent pavements now found in many parts of the country realize the detailed and painstaking research which preceded the laying of the pavement. To many, a road is a road, and no matter what the type of surface or the local conditions, road building to them is largely a matter of smoothing the ground and providing some kind of a hard surface.

But had such a policy been followed, millions of dollars would have been wasted, and the country would today be mired in a bog of replacement, repair and reconstruction. Because of the farsightedness of engineers in charge of road building this possible waste has been prevented, and the pavements being laid today are the best possible.

Road construction, as practiced today, is a highly specialized business. Good, permanent construction insures years of earning power and the saving of millions of dollars in transportation costs. Poor construction means waste that mounts into almost countless figures.

Foremost among the possible sources of waste is the construction of roads of lower type than justified by traffic. Tests conducted in many parts of the country have proved that a road should be built according to its maximum requirements rather than to its minimum. A dirt road carrying a traffic of 110 tons per day, in general, will pay for gravel in ten years by the saving in operating costs. Traffic on a dirt road exceeding 600 tons per day or traffic on a gravel road exceeding 1,450 tons per day will, in general, pay for a concrete, brick or asphalt road in fifteen years by the saving. These figures, established by the Iowa highway commission, are today being taken as standard for determining the type of surface justified.

Scientific research has established some remarkable facts about subgrades. Formerly it was held that all soils could be drained, no matter how wet and unstable in their natural condition. On the Bates road in Springfield, Ill. two years were spent in investigating drainage. Tests firmly established the fact that in clay soils, little can be done to reduce the moisture content by drainage. The wastes in highway funds saved through this research returned taxpayers millions of dollars.

Again referring to the Bates test, which is perhaps the most comprehensive yet conducted, tests have made it possible to build a road which is permanent and able to stand up under any given volume of traffic if properly maintained. Through research the public is now protected against building road pavements too light for the volume of traffic which will use the road and which break down under traffic.

Similarly, after having determined the volume of traffic, road builders need not build a pavement too heavy for the traffic the road will carry. This saves overinvestment in road pavements.

Good Roads Challenge

Hard-surfaced roads eliminate isolation, which signifies progressive civilization. All the country is rapidly forging ahead to that much desired goal when millions of cars and trucks can negotiate the highways without wrecking their high-priced machinery and burning vast quantities of valuable fuel to force their way from place to place by plowing furrows during rainy periods, on all our dirt roads. The hard-surfaced road will present to each town or city through which it passes with remorseless persistence, this ultimatum: "Do or die; function or perish from the earth." If such there be, the builders of each city will decide its destiny and the business men its fate.

Good Roads Hints

Good roads is a matter of vastly more than convenience or political concern.

The best is the cheapest applies to road construction as well as to anything else.

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A central system of highways has been established—the federal 7 per cent system of approximately 200,000 miles.

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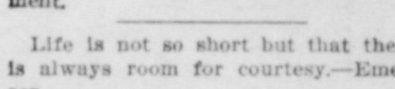
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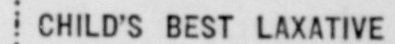


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