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## Eubanks Will Be Student Again at Northwestern U.

Wayne S. Eubanks, who for the past three years has been principal of the Friona High School, and who will return to the same position again for next term, departed last week for his home at Claude.

After spending a fortnight at his home, he will go to Evanston, Ill., where he will spend the summer in attendance at the Northwestern University.

Mr. Eubanks has spent the two previous summers at this institution, where his work as a student has won for him distinction as a student of unusual ability. This distinction has resulted in a free scholarship being presented him by the University.

Northwestern has created and maintains what is known as the Students' Senate, which is composed of ten members, selected from the student body, the duties of this student Senate being to advise and direct the program for the summer term.

The method of selecting the members of this student Senate is that the head of each department shall name the most outstanding student in that department as a member of the Senate and Mr. Eubanks was named as that student from the department of public speaking, in which he is majoring.

To each of the ten students forming the membership of the Student Senate is given a free scholarship in the university. The presentation of this scholarship is, therefore, more than an honor; it is a distinctive honor, and Mr. Eubanks has a just and valid right to be proud of this honor that has been conferred upon him.

Mr. Eubanks' natural modesty has prevented his making this fact known here in Friona, but it is only fair and proper that the patrons of the school should know of such honors falling to the lot of any of the teachers, when they have been won and merited through their own honest efforts.

## ALL CREAM IN TEXAS MUST BE GRADED

Beginning with the first day of June all cream buyers in the state of Texas will be required to buy all cream on a grade basis, and the cream producer who desires the best price for his cream will have to see to it that his cream is so cared for as to be grade No. 1.

The State Department of Agriculture, in conformity with a nationwide movement to grade cream, has issued instruction to grade cream and pay for it on a grade basis, effective June 1st, 1934.

Purchasers of cream are required to conform to the following provisions:

First and second grade cream as defined herein must be segregated when purchased, and a premium of not less than two cents a pound but not to exceed three cents a pound for first grade cream to be paid for first grade cream over second grade cream. By segregating is meant that the cans be tagged and kept separate in the buying place, and placards showing first and second grade cream posted above the location of the cans.

First Grade Cream shall be defined as follows:

Cream that is slightly sour, clean to the taste, free from objectional flavors and odors, and free from foreign materials or matter, and to contain not less than 25 per cent butterfat.

Second Grade Cream shall be defined as cream that is too sour to grade as First Grade Sour Cream, shall be free from foreign matter, but may contain slight off flavors or odors.

Third Grade Cream shall be cream that will not qualify as First or Second Grade Cream and shall include all cream containing oil, dirt, musty, onion or other disagreeable flavors or odors, or foreign fats or scrap butter, that would render it unfit for human consumption. Third grade cream shall not be accepted at any price.

All cream producers are urged to lend their full cooperation to this program by exercising proper precautions on the farm, so that their cream will grade as First Grade; this is in order that you may secure the premium price, as well as lending your support to a movement that means improving the quality of Texas butter.

All the cream buyers in Friona are doing their utmost to adhere to the provision above enumerated and will do their best in giving a fair grade to all customers without showing partiality to any.

Miss Margaret Goodwine departed for Denton, last Friday, where she will enter C. I. A. Miss Goodwine is a graduate of that college but will take the summer course in order to major in another branch of the teaching profession.

Willard—The sure sign of battery quality We have 'em. O. C. Jones.

## FARMERS PLOWING UNDER MANY ACRES OF WHEAT

As a result of the long dry winter and spring an immensely large acreage of the land sown to wheat in the Friona territory, has failed to make good and many of the farmers are now busily engaged at plowing their wheat fields preparatory to planting the crop that will be harvested in 1935.

Much of the wheat sowed on this land never came up at all and much of it that did come up has simply perished for lack of moisture, and most of the land being a government contract for wheat allotment, the owners have been obliged to get permission of government agents to be allowed to plow this land and plant it to row crops, in order that they may have some chance of making some returns from it.

From two or more sections sowed to wheat last fall, one farm will have but one half section that will make enough crop to pay him to let it stand, while the other he will plow up, he having most of the plowing already done. Others have grazed their wheat off, that is, the little there was on the land, and will plow it later.

This should not be construed to mean that there will be no wheat grown in this locality, for the contrary is quite apparent unless the territory should yet be visited with devastating hail storms.

One man says he will have 700 acres that bids fair to yield 10 bushels per acre and may do better. Another has a half section that will do that or some better, while there are many fields both to the north and the south of Friona that will make near that amount. While none of the fields will yield an average crop, and many of them will yield none at all, there will still be a large number of bushels placed on the market at Friona this harvest season.

## CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday School—10 a. m.  
Public Worship—11 a. m.  
Junior Society—Saturday Afternoon at 3 p. m.

The Pastor will speak at the morning service on "The Age Long Challenge to Youth."

The Association at Spring Lake was reported to the church last Sunday morning by Supt. Otho White, field and Mrs. Glee White. The Friona church invited the Association to meet here next year.

Arrangements have been made to care for small children in the church basement during the service hour from 11 to 12 for the convenience of parents wishing to attend Divine Worship.

Preparations for Children's Day, the 11th of June, are in progress. An original Drama by Mrs. Rueben Kischler entitled Miss Mary's Summer Party will be the morning production and in the evening "A Dramatization of Sunday School Missions by Radio" will be given.

The Ladies Aid gave the Church Auditorium and Basement a thorough renovation last week in spite of wind and rain.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST REVIVAL

The meetings as announced last week at the Church of Christ, conducted by Evangelist Will W. Slater, of Fort Smith, Arkansas, have been going on regularly each night this week, during which time Bro. Slater, has been giving his entire time to teaching vocal music. These singing lessons are free to all who care to avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to improve their ability to sing and read music.

Beginning Sunday Bro. Slater will begin his regular preaching services and will deliver one of his soul-stirring sermons each night during the week. The public is cordially invited to attend this series of religious meetings.

## BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. Fred White and Miss Lola Goodwine were hostesses at a four table bridge party on Thursday afternoon of last week at the home of the latter.

Mrs. S. H. Osborn and Miss Esther Reeve tied for high score. Refreshments of punch, sandwiches and salad were served to Messdames E. T. Giesler, A. C. Echols, Wright Williams, Townley Redfern, S. H. Osborn, J. G. McFarland, Charlie Baxter, Claude Osborn, E. B. Wills; Misses Esther Reeve, Lora Mae McFarland, Floy and Margaret Goodwine, Orna White, Estella Welch, Wanda Walker, Mrs. Minnie Goodwine and Little Miss Marjette Giesler.

Hadley Reeve and sisters Misses Esther and Ruth went to Canyon Sunday to attend the Baccalaureate service of the W. O. S. T. college. Their sister, Miss Mary Reeve is a member of the graduating class there this year. Their brothers, Glenn and Charles are also attending the college.

Mrs. Alice Young, of Ellsville, is here this week visiting friends and former neighbors, she having come here to be in attendance at the Memorial Day Services.

## RURAL WORK CENTER NEXT STATE GOAL

### Relief Homes Held In Reach of Communities

How Texas farm communities can get financial assistance to build, equip and develop rural work centers for carrying on small farm and home manufacturers, is outlined in a circular just issued by the Texas A and M College Extension Service. It is known as C-101, is entitled "Rural Work Centers," and is available on application to county farm and home demonstration agents.

Advanced by extension director O. B. Martin is response to a call for sound plans for permanent rural rehabilitation, the rural work center idea has been adopted by the Texas Relief Commission as the mainstay of the Texas program. It is in charge of J. E. Stanford, director of rural rehabilitation, Austin.

The object of the rural work center is to furnish a means for worthy families on relief rolls, one or more of whose members are mechanically skilled, to make themselves at least partially self-supporting from small manufactures which may be exchanged or sold locally. This would supplement the usual agricultural living-at-home enterprises. In addition, the work centers and their equipment will be permanent in the community and available to all families.

To secure assistance in building a rural work center a community must first show that it can supply at least 10 suitable vacant houses to be made habitable for relief roll families by the labor of the occupants. The Texas Relief Commission will pay for the labor and a limited amount of material for repairing these houses. It can also furnish labor and some material for new construction for the use of relief roll families. The community will have some choice in the families which are to make their homes in the community.

The community must also donate the land for the center, and furnish half the material and equipment for it. A plan for maintenance and use of the work center should be made to show that facilities requested will be ample for local needs and that every family will have fair privileges. It is also desirable to make a list of locally needed commodities. Applications for rural work centers should be made to county relief administrators.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the means of thanking the good people of this community for the assistance rendered at the death of our dear husband and father. For every act of kindness and every word of sympathy we can only say, "God Bless you."

Mrs. Gid Terry and children, of Friona.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Woodley, of Paducah.

## METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Due to the absence of our pastor, Rev. C. D. Dameron of Wellington, had charge of the morning service. His subject was "The Greatest Sin of the World," and his text was taken from Hebrews 2nd chapter 3rd verse, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation."

Epworth League met at eight in the evening. We wish to urge each one to come and be on time.

The evening service was conducted by Rev. Ansel Lynn, pastor of the church at Boykin. He brought a very interesting sermon from the 5th chapter of Romans, verses 14 to 27. Then he gave an interesting show of some materials he brought from Africa.

## MAY TEACH NEAR HOUSTON

Miss Floy Goodwine departed Wednesday for Denton, where she went to consult with the superintendent of one of the large schools in a suburb of Houston, relative to accepting the offer of a position which she has been offered in his school.

Miss Floy will also attend the commencement exercises of the C. I. A. while in Denton, several of her acquaintances being among the graduates.

## WHEAT GROWERS MEETING

Mayor F. W. Reeve spent Monday in Amarillo in attendance at a meeting of the directors of the Texas Wheat Growers Association, returning in the evening.

Mr. Reeve reports that there was very little definitely accomplished at the meeting owing to a variety of opinions as to just what should be done. He says that the Friona Wheat Growers Inc. is not yet quite ready to function but will undoubtedly be all ready for business within a short time.

## THIS IS CLEAN UP WEEK

This is "Clean-up" week in Friona, sponsored by the Friona Woman's Club and the ladies have asked that each citizen gather up all the old tin cans and other rubbish, refuse, and junk lying about their premises and place same in bags or boxes and leave them sitting by the alley at the rear of the premises.

The city and the Chamber of Commerce will provide trucks or other conveyances to come after these containers and take them to the city dumping ground southeast of town. This will be done on Friday and Saturday, so if you have not already done so, please get busy and get your refuse ready for these trucks.

## A BAD ACCIDENT

An accident occurred just west of Friona on Friday night of last week, or rather quite early Saturday morning when a LaSalle car going east struck the wet road where the overflow from Frio draw had just receded, leaving the road very wet and slippery.

It appears that when the car struck the wet road it slid for the bar pit and turned over and at once became ignited and burned rapidly. It contained three men and two women passengers and was headed for Oklahoma, where the parties lived, being on the return trip from a visit to California.

All occupants escaped from the burning car with no serious injury with the exception that one of the men was rather painfully but not dangerously burned. The car was not wholly destroyed and was towed by the wrecker to O. C. Jones' garage where it still remains. The parties continued their journey to Oklahoma.

This accident, which might easily have proved fatal to these people is just another result of having the state highway located at this place, where it is flooded with each overflow of the Frio draw.

## TO ALL WHEAT PRODUCERS IN PARAMER COUNTY

The Paramer County Wheat Allotment Committee made request to the Wheat Section in Washington for permission to plant grain sorghum crops on wheat land where wheat has blown out, not worth cutting or failed to germinate. Producers must make application to the County Allotment Committee if they desire to plant feed crops on wheat land.

Since the above has been granted to Paramer County, the Wheat Section will not permit rented acres to be used for any purpose other than to summer fallow.

Paragraph 6 of the contract becomes canceled.

## WILLIS NEWS

(Too Late for Last Week)  
Mrs. N. Morton and children and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rushing left Saturday evening for Ranger, and then El Paso where they will make their home. Mr. Masse bought possessions of the farm were Mrs. Morton has resided.

Archie Hook and family left last Thursday for Freedom, Oklahoma, to make their home. Mr. Boggs bought out Mr. Hook.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mass went to Freedom, Oklahoma, last week to carry Mr. Hook's cattle over for him. They returned Friday night.

Miss Hastings of Amarillo is here visiting at the W. F. Cordell home. Miss Ellen Cogdell will leave this week end to spend a few days at Clinton, then on to Lone Wolf to attend the graduation exercises at which her cousin, Bibbe Fines, will graduate. She will also attend the Memorial Day exercises at Lone Wolf.

Mrs. Obermeyer of Clinton, Oklahoma, is visiting in the Cogdell home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Isham and Mr. and Mrs. Benton, Neice were Monday-morning callers at the Boren Home and Mrs. Maudine Boren Mann spent Monday night with her mother, Mrs. Harot.

Mrs. W. C. Wilkerson entertained with a lovely shower at her home in honor of John McLain Wednesday evening of last week. A large crowd attended and many useful gifts were presented to the guest of honor, and delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. Henry Taylor visited her mother, Mrs. J. E. Ware last week end.

Mrs. John Taylor returned to her home here Tuesday evening from Freedom, Oklahoma, where she had spent several days.

Chester Walker accompanied Archie Hook to Oklahoma to help him move. He drove a wagon and team through.

Mrs. Maudie Mann and Miss Hazel Taylor were Sunday evening guests of Mrs. Ware, who served refreshments of ice cream.

C. V. Goodwine drove his herd of fine whiteface heifers out to the D. H. Meade farm west of town, where they will pasture on Mr. Meade's wheat for a while. Mr. Meade was convinced that his wheat would not make a paying crop so he will pasture it a few weeks before plowing it under.

## FARM HOMES CARRY WATER WAY TOO FAR

Average For 57,891 Totals 331 Feet

It's more than a daily 100-yard dash to get water into the average Texas farm home, for the average distance travelled is 331 feet, and it takes several trips per day. This is one of the amazing facts discovered by the investigators in the rural farm home survey recently completed and summarized for 57,891 farms in 56 counties.

Barely one farm home in four has water piped into the house, or has an inside pump. Only one home in seven has a bath tub or a shower bath.

Sanitation is even worse the survey reveals. Four out of five farm homes have unsanitary toilets, mostly outdoor privies of the unimproved type. In spite of the well known connection between disease and flies and mosquitoes, more than one farm home out of five is entirely lacking in screens. Screens for windows and doors in two thirds of the houses are in need of repairs, alterations or new installation.

"These conditions are eloquent testimony of the need of agricultural re-adjustment," comments Miss Horton, state home demonstration agent, Extension Service, Texas A. and M. College. "The facts may be a shock to many because a belief in the excellence of living conditions is one of the deepest prejudices of the American mind. We must face the facts, however, and as farm income is increased through the adjustment program our farm home improvement work must keep pace."

"For years we have been gradually correcting these conditions through thousands of demonstrations. These have shown how to get a cheap and convenient water supply, how to modernize kitchens, how to make sanitary the toilet, and how to beautify the living room and bed rooms. This work is slow but it should be faster now that the foundations are laid in the form of these demonstrations which are scattered generally over Texas," she concludes.

## CONTROL OF POULTRY INSECTS

I have had several requests recently in regard to combating poultry insect pests. When laying hens are infested with insects they cease to produce eggs. Control methods are easily applied and the cost is small. In case where insects are numerous spray applications should be used often until exterminated, after which each three or four weeks during the summer the houses should be treated.

The following has proven very effective:

- 8 gallons water
- 16 tablespoons sodium fluoride
- 1 bar soap
- 2 lbs. sulphur.

Bring the water to boiling point. Cut soap in flakes add to water then add other ingredients.

## FRIO DRAW OVERFLOWED

On Friday evening of last week the Frio draw overflowed its banks at Friona and as usual swept down the State Highway No. 33, for the distance of nearly a mile.

This overflow was caused, not by any heavy rain falling within its immediate territory, but from rain that fell over in New Mexico near the source of the draw. It was about twenty-four hours in reaching Friona, but it sure filled the banks of the draw to overflowing.

Two cars, unaware of the recent overflow, dashed into the wet road at this point, one being overturned and nearly buried up while the other barely escaped being ditched right where the other capsize.

## MOVED TO MEXICO

T. F. Lawrence, who has been an inhabitant of Friona for the past ten years or more, departed for Mountain Park, New Mexico, last Saturday, where he will make his home in the future on the land recently purchased by Dr. McElroy. Mr. Lawrence sold his home here to Dr. R. R. Wills, who will take possession of it in the near future.

## ROW CROP DYING

Will Thomas, living just north of the Running Water Draw, south of Friona was in town Tuesday. Mr. Thomas stated that the continued dry weather had forced him to cease planting his row crops as the ground is so dry he can not cultivate it. He further stated that the crop he has previously planted and had come up, is dying from lack of moisture.

Goodrich Tires give service that satisfies. O. C. Jones Garage.

## Memorial Day Is Observed In Friona

The following fitting program was arranged by the local American Legion post for observance of Memorial Day in Friona.

After the Mayor, president of the Chamber of Commerce, the local ministers and the audience were assembled the members of the Legion marched to seats reserved for them. Post Commander Ray Smith, announced the hymn, "America The Beautiful," which was sung by the choir and congregation.

Ritual No. 1, "Memorial Day Service," was read by Post Commander. Reading, "In Flanders Field," Miss Dorothy Crawford; The Answer, by Miss Ruth Reeve.

Brief addresses of five minutes each: "Why We Observe This Day," Rev. Cummings, Pastor of Church of Christ; "It's Lesson for the Young," Rev. Thurston, Methodist pastor; "All Our Heroes and Beloved Dead," Rev. Lanesdown, pastor Baptist church.

Song, "There's A Long, Long Trail," Male Quartette.

Post Commander read from Ritual, "Again Our Nation," Thirty Seconds Silence.

Chaplain pronounces benediction. Congregation stands while veterans file out of auditorium.

At the cemetery gates the veterans formed ranks and marched to the grave selected for the ceremony. Ritual No. 2 was followed as closely as possible.

The ladies of the flower committee then saw that all the graves in the cemetery had flowers placed upon them.

Brother Slater, evangelist of the Church of Christ, favored the audience with a vocal solo during the program.

The various committees that had charge of the program and ceremonies were: Program, Commander Ray Smith, Adjutant Clyde Goodwine, Chaplain H. C. McCandless; Music, Mrs. Floyd Reeve and Mrs. D. W. Hanson; Flowers, Friona Woman's Club.

Veterans of several wars were represented at the services.

## DIAMOND STARKERS

Sunday's game, Friona vs. Earth, at Earth resulted in another baseball victory for Jack Anderson's team. A good game was played all through, resulting in a score of 8 to 3 in favor of Friona and manager Jack is well pleased with the way the boys are handling the ball and applying the stick.

Next Sunday, June 3, the Clovis Sunshiners come to Friona to try their skill at stopping the local boys' winning streak. In a previous game with Clovis boys came out victorious and Jelly Allen says they will be here with blood in their eyes Sunday.

Our boys hope to add to their list for this game, Henry Lewis, who will need no introduction, as he has been in games with them for three years in the past and will be a great help to the team.

A special price to the game for this date will be 20¢ per person or fifty cents for the entire family. Bring your family and help the boys win this game from Clovis.

Sunday, June 10th, Amarillo will play our boys here at Friona. Remember those two dates and see some real ball playing at White's Park.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The local Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday night of next week. The ladies of the Methodist Church will serve the luncheon. All members of the organization are urged to be present.

## JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

Half of the Junior Woman's club entertained the other half with a winter roast Monday evening of this week as a result of an attendance contest which the club has been having since the first of the year, the losing side entertaining the winning side.

The new president, Mrs. Wright Williams, presided over a short business meeting at which some of the committees made reports. The club then presented their retiring president, Mrs. A. C. Echols, with a nice gift as a token of their appreciation of the work done by her during the past two years.

Sixteen members and four guests were present and enjoyed the winners, sandwiches, pickles, marshmallows, cookies and ice tea, after which several lively games were played.

E. H. Giesler returned last week from Abilene, where he had been visiting relatives. He was accompanied by his two small children, Maurett and Larry. They will probably remain in Friona until near the beginning of the school season.

Mrs. Grant Music, who is here from San Bernardino, California, visiting relatives and former neighbors, spent last week at Laxbuddy with her sister, Mrs. George Treider.

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**Political Announcements**

Those whose names appear below have authorized the Friona Star to announce their candidacy for the nomination for the office under which their names appear, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election of July 25, 1934. Charges for political announcements cover the insertion of announcements in every issue of The Star up to and including the dates of the first and second primaries.

**For County Judge:**  
 WALTER LANDER

**For Sheriff, Tax Collector and Tax Assessor:**  
 EARL BOOTH

**For County and District Clerk:**  
 E. V. RUSHING

**For County Treasurer:**  
 MRS. E. G. WILLIAMS  
 ROY B. EZELL

**For Commissioner Precinct No. 1:**  
 J. M. W. ALEXANDER  
 (Re-election)  
 NAT JONES

**For Commissioner Precinct No. 2:**  
 FLOYD SCHLENKER

WE HAVE IN THE VICINITY OF FRIONA one grand piano, also an upright piano. Would like to get someone to take up balance due. Will accept school vouchers. G. H. Jackson, Credit Manager, P. O. Box 25, Dallas, Texas.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

The State of Texas, Friona Independent School District.

To: O. K. Gaymon, and Unknown Parties, and the unknown heirs of the said O. K. Gaymon, and Unknown Parties and all persons and record lien holders owning or claiming, or both, any interest in the land or lots hereinafter described, the same being delinquent to the Friona Independent School District for taxes, and the same lying and being situated within the boundaries of the Friona Independent School District, in the County of Farmer, and State of Texas, to-wit:

Lots Five (5), and Six (6), in Block No. Fifteen (15) of the McMillan-Fergus Addition of the town of Friona, Farmer County, Texas, as shown by map or plat thereof, of record in the Deed Records of Farmer County, Texas, to which reference is here made, which said property is delinquent to the Friona Independent School District for taxes for the years 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1932, aggregating the sum of \$5.04, including interest, penalties and costs, said taxes having been legally levied, assessed and rendered against said land and lots, and the same being a lawful charge and constituting a prior lien against the same in favor of Friona Independent School District, to secure the payment thereof;

And you are hereby commanded to be and appear before the Honorable District Court of Farmer County, Texas, at the next regular term thereof, to be held at the Courtroom of said County, in the city of Friona, on the second Monday in July, A. D. 1934, the same being the 9th day of July, A. D. 1934, then and there to show cause why judgment should not be rendered against you and the said land and lots sold under foreclosure of said lien to satisfy said taxes, interest, penalties and costs, and all court costs; all of which, together with other and further relief, general and special, being fully set out and prayed for in the plaintiff's original petition filed in said Court on the 23 day of May, and appearing on the docket thereof as suit No. 975, wherein the Friona Independent School District is plaintiff, and O. K. Gaymon, and Unknown Parties, and the Unknown heirs of the said O. K. Gaymon, and Unknown Parties and all persons and record lien holders owning or

**International Sunday School Lesson**

By DR. J. E. NUNN

FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 3.

General Topic:— JESUS IN THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS

Scripture Lesson:— Matt. 26:31-46.

31. Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye shall be offended in me this night; for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad.

32. But after I am raised up, I will go before you into Galilee.

33. But Peter answered and said unto him, If all shall be offended in thee, I will never be offended.

34. Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, that this night, before the cock crow thou shalt deny me thrice.

35. Peter saith unto him, Even if I must die with thee, yet will I not deny thee. Likewise also said all the disciples.

36. Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto his disciples, Sit ye here, while I go yonder and pray.

37. And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and sore troubled.

38. Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death; abide ye here, and watch with me.

39. And he went forward a little, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, not as I will, but as thou wilt.

40. And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour?

41. Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

42. Again a second time he went away, and prayed saying, My Father, if this cannot pass away, except I drink it, thy will be done.

43. And he came again and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy.

44. And he left them again, and went away, and prayed a third time, saying again the same words.

45. Then cometh he to the disciples, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest; behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

46. Arise, let us be going; behold, he is at hand that betrayeth me.

Golden Text:—He went forward a little, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass away from me: nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt.—Matt. 26:39.

Time:—Thursday, April 6, A. D. 30.

having or claiming, or both, any interest in said land or lots, defendants.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in the City of Friona, in the County of Farmer, this 28 day of May, A. D. 1934.

(Seal) E. V. RUSHING,  
 Clerk, District Court, Farmer County, Texas.  
 By MARY NOBLE, Deputy.

the day before the crucifixion. Place:— Bethany, Jerusalem, the Mount of Olives.

Parallel Passages.—Mark 14; Luke 23; John 13: 1-38; 14:1-18; 27.

**LESSON CONNECTION**

The larger lesson embraces the entire twenty-sixth chapter of Matthew, seventy-five verses in all. In the introductory paragraphs there are seven distinct fingerboards pointing to the cross:

First—The Prophecy of Jesus, vs. 1, 2.

Second—The Plot of the Sanhedrin, vs. 3-5.

Third—The Anointing by Mary, vs. 6-13.

Fourth—The Bargain of Judas, vs. 14-16.

Fifth—The Preparation of the Passover, vs. 17-19.

Sixth—The Designation of the Betrayer, vs. 20-25.

Seventh—The Institution of the Lord's Supper, vs. 26-30.

From the Upper Room where the Passover was observed and Lord's Supper instituted Jesus and the Eleven near the midnight hour went out to Gethsemane at the foot of the Mount of Olives where the shadow of the cross hovered still deeper and darker about him.

**THE SMITTEN SHEPHERD, v. 31**

"It is written, I will smite the shepherd," v. 31. The Shepherd himself was speaking. He had called himself the Good Shepherd. He knew his sheep. He will be true to them to the end. He was also the Shepherd fulfilling. He knew his Bible. He quoted it here (Zechariah 13:7). He applied it to himself. Therefore he foresaw the Shepherd smitten. He had predicted it time and again. He had guided himself for the ordeal. Only this could he save men from their sins. And yet he beheld the Shepherd surviving. The smiting would be unto death. But death itself could not destroy him. He knew and said that he would be raised up from the dead. And beyond his physical resurrection he saw the Shepherd leading his flock again. He would go before them into Galilee, v. 32.

**JESUS IN GETHSEMANE**

"Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, v. 36. From the Upper Room Jesus and the Eleven went out of the city and across the Brook Kidron and up the slope of Olivet a little way till they came to "a place called Gethsemane." As they came to the entrance to the garden Jesus said unto eight of his disciples, "Sit ye here while I go yonder and pray." Leaving eight apostles at the garden entrance Jesus entered the enclosure taking with him "Peter and the two sons of Zebedee," v. 37. As the four penetrated the deeper shadows of the garden Jesus "began to be sorrowful and troubled." He shrank naturally from the bitter cup. There was however more than the dread of physical suffering. He could have endured that with stoic courage as myriads of others have done. But none other ever carried the stupendous moral weight of the world's sin. His sorrow was a sorrow of soul. Hence he said to the three closest to him, "My soul is crushed

with anguish to the point of death; wait here and watch with me" (Weymouth). They could not go with him farther into the darkness. Let them abide just where they were. But also let them keep guard for soon the enemy would appear.

**JESUS PRAYING IN GETHSEMANE "NOT MY WILL, BUT THINE BE DONE." Luke 22:42.**

Out from the denser dark of the garden Jesus came back to where he had stationed Peter, James and John. He had bidden them to watch with him. Alas he found them sleeping, v. 40. Then the Master gave counsel which has come to us with equal force: "Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation." The counsel was attended with compassion for Jesus said, "The spirit indeed is willing but the flesh is weak. What a mantle of love he casts over the watchers who sleep on duty.

Back again went Jesus into the darkness alone. A second time he poured out his spirit emerged definitely toward triumph. "My Father, if this cannot pass away, except I drink it, thy will be done!" He returned to the three disciples and found them asleep again "for their eyes were heavy." He went once more and finally into the shadowy solitude. The third prayer was expressed in exactly the same words that he had used before. But he irrevoked at the stage of complete victory. The preliminary battle of Calvary was fought on Gethsemane. It was in the garden even more than on Golgotha that the divine sacrifice was made in the supreme resignation of Jesus to the atoning purpose of God.

**JESUS READY FOR THE SACRIFICE, v. 46.**

"Arise, let us be going; behold, he is at hand that betrayeth me."—v. 46. Deep as the darkness was within the garden and dense as the night shadows hovered about them there was a more dismal hour ahead of the little company. But at last Jesus was ready. Never did any other one show such consummate courage. It was no time for his followers to sleep. "Arise," said he: "let us be going." And they must have been startled as he added, "Here is my betrayer close at hand" (Moffatt).

**"THY WILL BE DONE"**

"Not as I will"; the sound grows sweet  
 Each time my lips the words repeat.  
 "Not as I will"; the darkness feels  
 More safe than light when this thought steals

**HEART TO HEART TALKS**

By Ulmer S. Bied

**Encouragement**

An ounce of encouragement is worth a tone of condemnation. If we had more people encouraged to do right we would have a lot less condemned for doing wrong.

Who needs encouragement? Everybody—the young man, the young woman, the child, the middle-aged the old, the married, the single, the wicked, the good.

More people are downright discouraged than wilfully wicked, although of course we have plenty of both.

But let a man see his sins forgiven, his purposes renewed, and some hope for the future, look what a different man he is! He swings his pick with a sprightlier hand, he goes to his tractor with a right good will.

"Be of good cheer, it is I," called

Like whispered voice to calm and bless  
 All unrest and all loneliness."  
 Helen Hunt Jackson

ed the kindly voice across the stormy water. Then the disciples had new strength and into their despair came a high new hope.

No matter how down you are, give the other fellow an encouraging hand, and the new strength that comes into him will give you a better grip on life. No man liveth unto himself, and nothing is more contagious than courage.

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## NOTICE

Pursuant to an adjourned meeting of this Commissioners' Court of Parker County, Texas, August 14, 1933, this Court convened in a called Session at the Court House thereof in the town of Farwell on this the 4th day of September, A. D. 1933, with the following officers and members of said Court present:

John Aldridge, Jr., County Judge, J. M. W. Alexander, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; Jack Carr, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; Lee Thompson, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; and Joe Paul, Commissioner Precinct No. 4, at which time the following business was had and done to-wit:

## Election Precincts

It was moved by Commissioner Alexander and seconded by Commissioner Paul that the election precincts of Parker County be and the same are designated as follows, such motion carried:

## Election Precinct No. 1

That said election Precinct No. 1 be as same has heretofore been designated by an order shown on record in Vol. 2 at Page 501B of the Minutes of this Court.

## Election Precinct No. 2

Beginning at the point where the Deaf-Smith-Parker County line intersects the east line of Section No. 26, Township 2 N Range No. 4 E.

Thence West along such county line to the West section line of section No. 29, Township No. 2 N Range 3 E.

Thence South along section lines to the S. W. corner of Section No. 34, Harding Subdivision.

Thence East along section line to the N. E. Corner of Section No. 3, Syndicate Block "C";

Thence South along section lines to the S. W. Corner of Section No. 9, Township 6 South;

Thence East along section line to the S. E. Corner of Section No. 12, Township 6 South;

Thence North along section line to the S. W. Corner of Section No. 6, Township 5 South;

Thence East along section lines to the S. E. Corner of Section No. 1, Township 5 South;

Thence North along section line to the NE corner of Section No. 1, Township 5 South;

Thence West along section line to the SW corner of Section No. 4 Willis Subdivision;

Thence North along section line to the north line of said Willis Subdivision;

Thence East along section line to the SW corner of Section No. 19, Township 4 1/2 South;

Thence North along section lines to the NW corner of Section No. 6, Township 4 1/2 South;

Thence West along Section line to the SW corner of Section No. 36, Township 1 N range 4 E;

Thence North along section lines to the place of beginning.

## Election Precinct No. 3

Beginning at the NE corner of Section 3, Syndicate Block "C", Parker County, Texas;

Thence West along the North line of said Block "C" to the East line of Rhea Bros' Subdivision;

Thence South along the East line of said Rhea Bros' Subdivision to the SE corner of said Subdivision;

Thence West along the South line of said Rhea Bros' Subdivision to the New Mexico line;

Thence South along the New Mexico line to the SW corner of Section No. 25 of Syndicate Block "B";

Thence East along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 29, Syndicate Block B;

Thence South along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 13, Syndicate Block "A";

Thence East along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 16, Syndicate Block "A";

Thence South along section lines to the NW corner of Section No. 5, Township 10 South;

Thence East along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 33, Township 11 South;

Thence North along section lines to the place of beginning.

## Election Precinct No. 4

Beginning at a point on the New Mexico State line, which is the SW corner of Section No. 25, Syndicate Block "B"; Thence South along said state line to the SW corner of Parker County;

Thence East along the South line of Parker County to the center line of the G. C. and S. F. Railway Co. right-of-way;

Thence in a NW direction following the center line of such G. C. and S. F. Railway Co. right-of-way to the point of intersection with the East line of Section No. 13, Township 15 South;

Thence North along section lines to the center line of the P. and S. F. Railway Co. Right-of-way;

Thence in a north-easterly direction along the center line of such right-of-way to the point of intersection with the East line of Section No. 31, Syndicate Block "A";

Thence North along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 16, Syndicate Block "A";

Thence West along section lines to the SW corner of Section 13, Syndicate Block "A";

Thence North along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 29, Syndicate Block "B";

Thence West along section lines to the place of beginning.

## Election Precinct No. 5

Beginning at the point on the East County line of Parker County, Texas, where same intersects the north section line of Section No. 8, Oliver Subdivision.

Thence West along section lines to the NW corner of Section No. 7, Township 5 1/2 South;

Thence North along section line to the NE corner of Sec. 12, Township 5 South;

Thence West along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 6, Township 5 South;

Thence South along section line to the SW corner of Section No. 7, Township 5 South;

Thence West along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 9, Township 6 South;

Thence South along Section line to the SW corner of Section No. 28, Township 6 South;

Thence East along section lines to the SE corner of Section No. 25, Township 6 South;

Thence South along Section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 18, Township 12 South;

Thence West along section line to the NW corner of Section 5, Doud and Keefe Subdiv;

Thence South along section lines to the South line of said Doud and Keefe Subdivision;

Thence West along such south line to the NW corner of Sec. No. 46 Johnson Bk. "Y";

Thence South along section lines to the South boundary line of Parker County;

Thence East along such south boundary line of Parker County to the SE corner of Parker County;

Thence North along the East boundary line of Parker County to the place of beginning.

## Election Precinct No. 6

Beginning at the NE corner of Section No. 36, Township 6 South, Parker Co., Texas.

Thence West along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 28, Township 6 South;

Thence South along section line to the SW corner of Section No. 33, Township 6 South;

Thence West along section lines to the NW corner of Section No. 5, Township 10 South;

Thence North along section line to a point of intersection with the right-of-way of the P. and S. F. Railroad Co. Right-of-way;

Thence in a south-westerly direction along the center line of such right-of-way to the point of intersection of such right of way with the west section line of section No. 6, Township Number 10 South;

Thence South along Section lines to the point of intersection with the right-of-way of the G. C. and S.F. Railway Co. right-of-way;

Thence in a SE direction following the center line of such railway right of way to the point of intersection with the south line of Parker County;

Thence East along such South County line to the point of intersection with the west section line of Section No. 45, Johnson Block "Y", Parker County, Texas;

Thence North along section lines to the south line of the Doud and Keefe Subdivision, of Parker County, Texas.

Thence East along section line to the SW corner of Section No. 41 Doud and Keefe Subdivision;

Thence North along section lines to the NW corner of Section No. 5, Doud and Keefe Subdivision;

Thence East along section line to the SW corner of Sec. 18, Township 12 South;

Thence North along section lines to the place of beginning.

## Election Precinct No. 7

Beginning at the point where the West line of Section No. 29 Township 2 North, Range 3 East, intersects the North line of Parker County;

Thence South along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 34, Harding Subdivision, Parker County, Texas;

Thence West along the south line of such Harding Subdivision, to the East line of the Rhea Brothers' Subdivision;

Thence South along the East line of the Rhea Brothers' Subdivision, to the SE corner of such Rhea Brothers' Subdivision;

Thence West along the south line of said Rhea Brothers' Subdivision, to the New Mexico line;

Thence North along such New Mexico line, to the NW corner of Parker County;

Thence East along the North line of Parker county to the point of beginning.

## Election Precinct No. 8

Beginning at a point on the Parker-Castro County Line where such county line intersects the south section line of Section No. 1, W. A. Odell and the north line of the J. T. Jowell Subdivision;

Thence West along section lines to the SW corner of the Harrah Subdivision;

Thence North along section line to the NE corner of Section No. 4, Twp. 4 1/2 South;

Thence West along section lines to the NW corner of Section No. 8, Township 4 1/2 South;

Thence South along section lines to the SW corner of Section No. 19, Township 4 1/2 South;

Thence West along section line to the NW corner of Section No. 1, Willis Subdivision;

Thence South along section lines to the south line of such Willis Subdivision;

Thence East along section line to the NW corner of Section No. 6, Township 5 1/2 South;

Thence South along section line to the SW corner of Section No. 6, Township 5 1/2 South;

Thence East along section lines to the Parker-Castro County line;

Thence North along such county line to the place of beginning.

And it is further ordered that Commissioners' Precinct No. 1 shall include Election Precinct's Numbers 1, 2 and 8, and this same territory shall constitute Justice Precinct No. 2.

And it is further ordered that Commissioners' Precinct No. 2 shall include Election Precinct's Numbers 3 and 7, and that this same territory shall constitute Justice Precinct No. 3.

And it is further ordered that Commissioners' Precinct No. 3 shall include Election Precinct's Numbers 4 and 6, and that this same territory shall constitute Justice Precinct No. 4.

And it is further ordered that Commissioners' Precinct No. 4 shall include Election Precinct No. 5 and that this same territory shall constitute Justice Precinct No. 4.

# Many Happy Returns

## This Spring marks the birthday of the first American Newspaper

JOHN CAMPBELL, colonial postmaster of Boston, certainly set a good example in the liberal use of the mails.

Campbell corresponded regularly with the Colonial Governors of New England, keeping them posted on Boston news. So regular and voluminous was this correspondence that Campbell's letters finally emerged in the form of a printed pamphlet called "The Boston News Letter." And this was the first regularly and continuously published newspaper in America, appearing weekly from the last week in April, 1704, to the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

The newspaper carried advertisements . . . from its very first issue! And this advertising, telling the reader where to obtain the goods that he sought for his home or his farm or his business, lifted the mere friendly chronicle of village affairs into the realm of a service to the community. The news-letters, plus advertising, became a helpful, informative, and educational institution.

Today, as in 1704, and all the years between, the advertisements are your guide-posts to honest, dependable merchandise at a fair price.

OUTLAWS of EDEN

By PETER B. KYNE

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Babson glared at the editor as the latter came into the bank, but said nothing until Brainerd was about to depart.

Brainerd said the bank doesn't want your business! Close out your account.

"Thanks for the information. I have just deposited Nate Tichenor's check for six thousand dollars.

"Henry! Help, help," Babson shrieked to his satellite.

after which he grasped Babson by the throat and bunched his head against the floor.

"Joe, you stop that," Mr. Rooney commanded, grasping the little madman by the seat of the trousers.

"You serve Babson's writs of attachment, you fat fool," Brainerd shrieked, and presented Mr. Rooney with a decoration commonly known as a mouse on the eye.

Nate leaned across Towle's desk. "Yes, I am. And what are you going to do about it, you brainless invert-erate? You're not holding court now, are you? The limit of bail to be set in such cases is five hundred dollars on each charge.

Probably no man in Forlorn Valley knew less of the law than this village justice of the peace; but he had heard of the Hensley clan and here was the last of that tribe of killers glaring at him so ferociously his Honor trembled.

"If you're scheming to send Joe Brainerd up for six months without the alternative of a fine I'd advise you to change your mind.

"You should read up on the law. You can't fine me for contempt alleged to have been conveyed in a mere suspicion on the part of your Honor.

"I am carrying a gun, Mr. Rooney, so I'll spare you the effort of searching me and produce my gun at least one second before you produce yours."

"Stand up, turn your back on the crowd and lift up your coat-tails," came the ringing order.

Tichenor advanced upon the deputy sheriff, thrust his gun in the official's midriff and, with his left hand, unbuckled a belt at Rooney's waist and removed a pistol in a hoister. Then

he walked up on Judge Towle's desk, broke his own pistol and exhibited a single empty chamber to the gaping crowd.

"An empty pistol is not a more lethal weapon than any other piece of hardware and when worn in a shoulder holster or under the coat-tails, doesn't come under the head of concealed weapons."

"Well, that fool justice of the peace had it coming to him for trying to take up the Babson cudgels against you. I concluded to strike another blow for the editor.

"Your clan had a reputation for cold-blooded courage and ferocity, Nate—and you've revived it. So today you're a hero in Forlorn Valley.

"But I'm not going to deprive Forlorn Valley of Eden Valley water. I've assured you of that already."

"Ob yes, you are. You'll have to, if not for your own sake then for the sake of Lorry Kershaw. I'm going to let you in on a secret—now that Babson is my enemy.

"Exactly. But if Forlorn Valley taps the stream above your ranches, Miss Kershaw, you, and the Mountain Valley Power company will be out of luck.

"I hope so, Nate, but before you commit yourself in public I suggest that you make certain of your rights. If I were you I'd consult some eminent firm of attorneys whose specialty is water law."

"Well, he's liable to be around later to retain you, although I hope to restrain him by employing comestible and profitable measures. Meanwhile, I haven't any business for you, save to outline for me the legal rights of Miss Kershaw and the Bar H Land and Cattle company in the premises. I'll pay your fee for that, so please fire away."

"You can win any suit filed against you with the exception of a condemnation suit," Gagan said.

"I was quite certain of that before I called upon you, but merely desired to have an expert verify my suspicions. A non-riparian community—Forlorn Valley—is about to form an irrigation district on the strength of a promise of the state water commission that it will allocate to the proposed district the storm, flood, freshet, or so-called waste waters of Eden Valley creek."

"When the federal government is sued patents to homesteaders in Eden Valley it did not except the water right from the land right.

the state of California is assuming a right it does not legally possess.

"Now, I'm not going to start a bitter lawsuit with the Forlorn Valley Irrigation district. I shall merely enter a formal protest—and when I use the first person singular I mean Miss Kershaw and the Bar H Land and Cattle company."

"Just contemplate Forlorn Valley, the money derived from the sale of the bonds all spent on a diversion dam, main canal, floodgates, laterals, engineering fees, salaries, and so forth, suddenly discovering that after all it cannot get the water—that it's all dressed up with no place to go."

"There will be stark drama and tragedy in that, not comedy, Mr. Tichenor."

"I dare say. . . Well, now that I have had my own ideas on the legality of my position confirmed by such eminent water counsel as yourself, it would seem that all I can do is sit calmly by and watch Forlorn Valley ruin itself."

"Certainly Babson was losing no time moving into action. Nor was Joe Brainerd, as Nate discovered when he paused at the office of the Register, hoping to glean news of interest that might have occurred during his four days' absence. He found Brainerd writing an editorial cordially welcoming his competitor into the field."

"Why not run the canceled ads just the same, Joe? If I were you I would decline to let Babson see how badly he has hurt me. He may think his slaves have not obeyed orders and start a fight with them in consequence. If anybody cancels his subscription continue sending him the paper as usual. I'll take care of your deficit. When I'm fighting a bitter fight it's against my religion to cry out or admit I'm hurt."

Brainerd grinned, for this was the sort of fight he loved to wage, if he could afford it. "I'm running another front page editorial on the water-question. Nate, Forlorn Valley has to have the water and if it cannot get it from the Mountain Valley Power company it must tap the creek up in the Handle. I'm living up to our agreement, boy, and making the fight for my subscribers."

"You'd be a traitor not to." "What did your lawyer say?" Nate related in detail his conversation with Gagan. "Perhaps," Brainerd suggested, "I'd do well to write a new editorial pointing out to the people the possibility of failure of the plan upon which, led by Babson, they are about to embark. What do the poor devils know about it? Only what Babson tells them."

He asks for my comment, Henry. Well, I'll oblige him. And Babson

wrote in red crayon across the proof: "When Forlorn Valley has its own reservoir filled, you and Tichenor have my permission to jump into it and drown yourselves, and greatly oblige, yours, etc. S. Babson."

When the bank's messenger took the proof and Babson's message back to Joe Brainerd, that astute individual sighed and, after the fashion of newspaper men, who always save the written expressions of opinion of their enemies, locked it up in his safe.

CHAPTER X

Darby, Nate Tichenor's chauffeur, was enjoying to the fullest his master's visit to Eden Valley. Distinctly a New York product, Darby had heard there was considerable space west of the Hudson river, but he had not been prepared to admit that the country was as wide-open as he had found it.

Miss Kershaw had been very kind to Darby, too, in that she had sent him down an old, safe saddle horse to ride. Also she had sent a horse down for the gloomy but efficient Joseph, but unfortunately she sent a stock-saddle with him, and as Joseph had never ridden anything but an English saddle, his conservatism forbade that he should try anything new.

Before leaving for San Francisco, however, the master had given the task of posting "No Shooting, Fishing or Trespassing" notices from the gate at the entrance to Eden Valley to the farthest limit of the Kershaw ranch. This task pleased both servants, particularly Joseph, who possessed a truly Britannaic passion for privacy and the protection of private shooting and fishing preserves from alien invasion.

For two days he ambled through the pleasant valley, enjoying the solitude. The day Tichenor came home from San Francisco Darby seized upon his absence to go fishing, while Joseph saddled his horse and set forth again on his delightful journeying, his heart still beating high with the hope of finding a poacher.

He had ridden into a thick grove of yellow pines when, happening to glance up the side of the ridge that separated Eden Valley from Forlorn Valley, he saw a man descending through the backbrush and laurel.

"He's waiting for somebody," Joseph concluded. "By Jove, a bally assassin, what? The blighter will bear close watching for a bit, I fancy."

Suddenly, up the valley, Joseph caught a faint rumbling. He knew that would be his master's automobile crossing a loosely planked little bridge across one of the small lateral streams that flowed down the hillsides to Eden Valley creek.

"It's quite all right, Mr. Tichenor," he shouted. "Joseph speaking, sir. The blighter was out to scupper you, I fancy, but I've scuppered him. Do come and have a look at the rascal, sir."

half-breed Indian and years ago he used to be a professional killer. I thought the fool had retired, but somebody must have made it worth his while to get back into harness. Are you quite certain he was gunnin' for me, Joseph?"

"Absolutely, sir. I've been watching him for an hour, sir. His gun was at his shoulder and he was sighting on you, sir, when I fired at his head, sir."

"You're a rotten shot, at that range, Joseph. You've put a .22 calibre bullet through his biceps. However, it sufficed to spoil his plan and stampeded him, so he ran for these trees."

"He helped himself to the canteen on Joseph's saddle and dashed some water over Pitt River Charley's dusky face. Then he emptied the fellow's pockets and found two hundred and fifty dollars in crisp new bills. Tichenor grinned at his servant. "It seems I'm worth five hundred dollars dead to somebody, Joseph. It's the custom to pay half down and the remainder upon completion of the job, and whoever hired this fellow is a fool, because Pitt River Charley would have worked for a lot less money."

"Good G—d, sir," cried the horrified Joseph. "Well, you haven't got a killing on your honest British soul, Joseph, and I'm obliged to you for saving my life."

"Sorter like the old days ag'in, ain't it, son?" Mr. Tenney declared, as he gazed upon Pitt River Charley, now recovered consciousness and sitting with his back against the bole of a tree, his dark, evil face absolutely expressionless.

He grasped a handful of shirt in the middle of Pitt River Charley's back and with one savage jerk the man's torso was naked.

"Run along, Joseph," Tichenor ordered gently, "or you'll be sick to your stomach." He was already binding Pitt River Charley's hands in the loop of Rube Tenney's riata, and Mr. Tenney was gazing earnestly upward for a limb to pass the rope over.

So Joseph, sickened, departed in the car and before he had gone two hundred yards he heard a succession of screams pelting through the valley. "They're cutting 'is billy back to ribbons with that steel ramrod," the valet decided.

Rube Tenney Used the Ramrod.



"Henry! Help, help," Babson shrieked to his satellite.



Before the Words Were Fairly Out of His Mouth He Was Gazing Down the Barrel of Nate Tichenor's Pistol.



Rube Tenney Used the Ramrod.

ramrod, while his victim hung touchingly from a limb, his toes just touching the earth. His judges know his kind—know that only quick work and dirty work would bring the information so vitally needed.

"Not far a white man's sins, Rube. He's just fined two hundred and fifty dollars." He turned to Pitt River Charley. "You beat it the best way you know how down to Valley Center and have Doc Donaldson fix you up. Tell him to send the bill to Babson. And when you're well, fork your horse and get out of this country, because if I ever catch you inside the limits of this county I'm going to pull and get busy on you without further warning. Understood?"

He killed Jim Hensley eighteen years ago, didn't you? Silence. "Guilty as h—l," Mr. Tenney murmured. "Court's adjourned. Slip the loop of the riata off'n his hands an' around his neck. I'll hit him with that hoss yonder."