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Cogitations & Aphorisms of Jodok

From my position on the street corner I have been hearing quite a lot of talk expressive of various views and opinions regarding the new proposed amendment to the State Constitution, known as "Senate Joint Resolution No. 13."

I do not know very much about this resolution or proposed amendment, but from what I can learn about it, it proposes to limit the amount of taxes to be collected by the state and the amount of money to be expended by the state for all state purposes, to a sum equivalent to, or, at least, no greater than the amount of \$22.50 per capita of the population of the state for each biennium, that is, each two years.

I hear it stated that this plan of setting the amount of taxes to be assessed and collected by the state is proposed, and the amendment is being pushed by large business interests, whose individual interest is not to the interest of most all other interests in the state, especially that of the public schools and institutions of higher education.

I may be "all wet on this, as the common slang phrase puts it, but that is the understanding I have of it as gathered from what I have heard and read.

I also saw a statement in last week's issue of the Star to the effect that Prof. Heath will have a digest of the amendment in this week's issue, which will evidently throw much needed light on the matter for the benefit of all voters, who will wish to vote intelligently on the amendment in November.

It appears that the leading educators of the state are taking serious exception to this proposed amendment, from the view point that it will seriously curtail the amount of funds to be appropriated by the state for the support of the schools and colleges of the state.

On account of my extreme queer-ness, I am, perhaps not considered a very sincere friend of our school system but, nevertheless, moreover, notwithstanding, it is a fact that I am just that, and if ever I have done anything in my long and uneventful life worthwhile for the common good of my fellowmen, it is in what I have helped to do for the advancement of Friona's school system.

However, I have always maintained that there is always two sides to any question, otherwise it would not be a question. And I am not with all my infatuation for schools and education, quite ready to come out in condemnation of any plan, as being against these said schools and the said education until I have more knowledge of the matter, and will not condemn it if it has benefits that will help the masses of the people in decreasing their tax burden, unless I know it will very materially curtail the efficiency and influences of all our institutions of learning.

I have been reading in the Texas Weekly in its issue of October 6th, some of Peter Molyneux's views on this proposed amendment, and I have found that Mr. Molyneux usually goes into his subjects exhaustively before submitting his opinion to the public, and it further occurs to me that he usually gets at the correct analysis of the facts.

For lack of time and space I will not be able to give Mr. Molyneux's analysis in full but he says in part as follows:—"The proposed amendment would provide that the amount of revenue collected by the state during each two-year period by means of taxes, licenses, permits and fees, with certain specified exceptions, shall not exceed \$22.50 per capita of the population of the state, and that the expenditures of the State Government of funds derived from these sources during any two-year period shall not exceed \$22.50 per capita. It provides the method of computing the population, which, roughly, is to add for each year one-tenth of the amount of the population increased during the previous ten-year census period. In as much as the population of Texas as shown by the 1930 census was 5,824,715 and this was an increase of 1,161,487, over the population shown by the previous census, there would be added to the 1930 figure 119,148 for each year between 1930 and 1940. If the amendment should be adopted at the general election next month, it would apply to the years of 1935 and 1937 and to every biennial period thereafter. Calculated by the method provided in the amendment, the population of Texas in 1936 would be 6,521,603 and in

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FRIONA WOMAN'S CLUB REPORT

The Friona Woman's Club had an unusually interesting program on the afternoon of October 10th, at the home of Mrs. F. W. Reeve; this being the meeting set aside to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the club. There were twenty-eight members present.

Quotation used at the beginning of the program, was: "True Glory consisteth in so living as to make the world happier and better for our having lived." Author unknown.

Response: Program.

"Silver Threads Among the Gold"—Mrs. D. W. Hanson.
Reading—Mrs. J. R. Maples.
Game—Mrs. R. T. Slagel.
The game which was presented by Mrs. Slagel was quite clever. She gave each member a slip of paper and a pencil and asked them to write their three initial letters. She then collected the slips and redistributed them, then asked each person to use the three letters on her slip and make three words describing the person initials they were. When all had finished writing, she asked each person to read the initials on her slip and the owner of the initials was asked to rise while the person with her slip described her. A great deal of merriment followed the descriptions.

At the close of the game the president called on the only charter member present, Mrs. Minnie Goodwine, to give a short talk. In her talk she reviewed briefly the accomplishments and history of the club during the past twenty-five years; and also stated that the club still has a future and a usefulness to the community, although the objectives of the club have changed greatly since its organization. The club still has a progressive spirit and enthusiasm to put over new objectives.

At the last of Mrs. Goodwine's talk the president called on others who have been members for a number of years and each responded with interesting and worthwhile remarks. The president then asked other members to tell what year they joined the club and what the club had meant to them. These different comments were very interesting and interesting and enjoyed by all.

We were then asked by the president to stand for a few moments in silence in respect and honor for our deceased members; after which the club adjourned for the social hour.

Mmes. F. W. Reeve and Sam Taylor were hostesses and were each dressed in the costumes of 25 years ago, and they announced that they felt too old to serve the refreshments so asked the members to march in to the dining room to get their own. When they arrived in the dining room a pleasing sight met their eyes for in the center of the spacious table sat a beautiful yellow cake with 25 green candles and surrounding this were the places already served, carrying out the club colors of green and yellow in the delicious refreshments of salads, tarts, candies and tea. As the guests were served they went back into the living room where one of the hostesses, Mrs. Reeve, appeared with the beautiful cake and made the statement: "Long Live the Friona Woman's Club." Then asked the charter member to light the candles. As the candles were being lighted the club made the wish that "we might soon have a Club House." Mrs. Goodwine was asked to blow out as many lights as she could with one breath, and the number left burning would represent the number of years until the wish will be fulfilled. All the lights went out with one puff, so now we feel sure we will soon have a club house, if not within the next year, at least within the next twenty-five years, as this was the 25th anniversary celebration. The hostesses then cut and served the cake. The announcement was then made that the Silver Tea offering amounted to nine dollars and some cents. Also that one other charter member, Mrs. R. H. Kinsley, had donated a \$25.00 check toward the "club house building fund." Mrs. Kinsley being out of town was unable to attend this meeting. The "Silver Tea" offering is also to go into the Club House Building Fund.

The members then departed for their homes with pleasant memories, long to be cherished, of our Twenty-fifth Anniversary Celebration.

A TEMPERANCE RALLY

Next Sunday night, Oct. 21, at the High School Auditorium a mass meeting of all people in Friona and surrounding districts, interested in promoting temperance, will be held at 7:30 p.m.

The speaker will be the Rev. David E. Moore, who has accepted the part time pastorate of the local Baptist Church.

Mr. Moore is an able speaker, and a district organizer for the State Anti-Saloon League.

Some of the churches may discontinue their usual evening services to give their congregations an opportunity to support this moral issue.

Fair Relic



The Mississippi, ancient locomotive which helped to build the South 100 years ago, and is now in Wings of a Century at the Chicago World's Fair, provides a resting place for Mrs. M. O. Peterson, of Des Moines, Iowa, as Opie Read, famed author, tells something of its history.

OF IMPORTANCE TO VOTERS

The State-wide interest provoked by a proposed Amendment to the Constitution of Texas, of S. J. R. No. 13, is of vital importance to the Taxpayers and School Budgets throughout Texas.

The Amendments follows: as it will probably appear on the ballots: "For the Amendment:—

"Against the Amendment of Section 3 of Article VIII, of the State Constitution providing for the levying and collection of taxes and fixing the maximum amount thereof which can be collected and expended each biennium."

It is the judgment of the leading Educators of Texas that if this Amendment should carry it would seriously handicap the Public School Institutions and work a financial hardship on all concerned.

To avert if possible, such a result, State Supt. L. A. Woods of Texas, to carefully examine the facts and figures involved.

All Teachers, City and County Superintendents, Trustees, and P.T. A.'s; all Civic Clubs and local Papers, are asked to interest others in the facts stated below.

"This Amendment proposes to restrict the total revenues that the State may collect (not including local tax units) during the biennium from taxes, licenses, permits and fees, to the sum of \$22.50 per inhabitant, thus purporting but really only shifting the tax burden back to local communities.

"This country has had no experience with this form of state tax limitation.

We have a constitutional limitation in Texas at this time of 35c on ad valorem property for school purposes, and 35c for all other purposes, except pensions, on which there is 7c, making a constitutional limitation on real estate in Texas of 77c.

"We have a homestead exemption law which if this Amendment carries would counteract what little advantage the small home owner gained by that law.

"We collected for all purposes this past year, in round numbers \$105,000,000, a loss of \$35,000,000 from the same sources 9735¢ E-g.

The government of the state is already 'out to the bone' 40per cent of the tax dollar goes to the schools 41 per cent to the highways, and 19 per cent to government machinery.

Therefore it means that \$25,000,000 must come off the public highways. We would say that this sum will be cut equally between the schools and highways, which means that the per capita will not be more than \$8, or \$9, certainly not more than \$10, for the school children of the state.

If this Amendment had been in force during 1931-32 we have collected \$16,000,000, less than we did, \$10,000,000, less in 1932-33 when we lacked \$15,000,000, of balancing the budget.

If this Amendment carries the local units will be called upon to make up this \$35,000,000, loss in state taxes each year, provided schools and highways are to continue their present rate of progress.

Our local Friona Schools will suffer the loss of State aid, of some \$9,000.00 which will have to be raised from this local unit, or drastic, suicidal retrenchment must inevitably result.

All voters should look on both sides of this subject before the coming election in November.

Mrs. Walter Lovelless departed for Oklahoma City last Saturday to be gone for several days. She went with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mincher, who were on their way to Arkansas.

SCHOOL NEWS

by Mary Beth Sheely

Assembly programs for the entire school year for high school have been posted. They are as follows:

Nov. 1. Spanish Club.

Nov. 15. Physical Education Department. (Boys and Girls.)

Nov. 28. Agriculture Department.

Dec. 13. High School Speech Department.

Dec. 20. Christmas Operetta directed by Miss Boston.

Jan. 31. English and Math Department.

Feb. 14. High School Music Department.

Mar. 7. High School Speech Department.

Mar. 21. Home Economics Department.

Apr. 4. High School Chorus.

Apr. 18. History Department.

It is planned for the pastor of each church in town to appear on the assembly programs at various times during the year.

Assembly program for Grade School have also been posted. The date and persons in charge are:

Oct. 25. Music Department, Mr. Davis.

Nov. 22. Thanksgiving, Miss Collins.

Dec. 21. Christmas, Miss Boston.

Jan. 10. English, Miss Sheely.

Jan. 31. Physical Education, Miss Lewis and Mr. Stroud.

Feb. 28. Miss Meyer.

Mar. 28. Miss Hart.

Apr. 25. Mrs. Whitley.

This afternoon at 2:00 o'clock Claude and Friona play on the Chief's field. Claude is reported to have a very strong team and this promises to be the best game played on the home field thus far. Coach Stroud has been working his boys in earnest this week preparing for the contest.

The Chiefs lost their battle with the Hereford Whitefaces' Friday afternoon. This was the only game that the home town boys have lost this season. They played a good game, but were unable to get over for a touchdown.

Support from towns-people has been fine at the previous games and each is urged to attend.

Home Economics Club Organized

The Home Economics Club of the Friona High School met September 26th and organized. The officers are as follows: President, Mary Edna Davis; vice-president, Ruth Brown; secretary, Inez Miller; reporter, Ruth Reeve; parliamentarian, Geraldine McFarland.

The club is to be divided this year because there are so many members. The girls who are taking home economics now form one division, of which Eva Settle is chairman. The other division consists of girls who are not taking home economics, of which Martha Slagel is chairman. They will decide upon the names of the divisions later.

There were sixty members enrolled at the first meeting, and more are expected to enroll. We intend to meet once a month. The girls are looking forward to the State Home Economics Meeting, at which they hope to have a representative in attendance.

They are also planning a "Mother and Daughter" banquet, which will consist of all the Home economic girls, both first and second year, and their mothers. We are all looking forward to a successful year.

Ruth Reeve, Correspondent

P. T. A. REPORT

The following program was given by the local P. T. A. at the school auditorium at 8:00 o'clock Monday evening.

Topic: "Your School."

Personel and Qualifications of School Board, F. Reeve.

Financial Problems of School, J. A. Blackwell.

Violin Solo, Connie Matthews.

Change in Curriculum, Mr. Heath.

A committee was appointed to select pictures for the rooms having the best attendance of parents at PTA meetings.

JOIN CCU

Three of Friona's young men departed last week for Amarillo, where they would join the ranks of the C.C.U. They were John T. Burton, Melvin Baker and J. L. Furlong.

GOVERNMENT BUYING STOCK

During the past two weeks or more the representatives of Uncle Sam have bought many head of cattle for him, many of which have been shot down in the stock pens as soon as purchased. They have also bought hundreds of head of sheep, of which have been slaughtered.

Two weeks ago 800 head were bought of Sanford Harper, several miles southeast of town and slaughtered and skinned. During the latter part of last week J. D. Porter sold his entire flock of 500 head to the government, all of them being immediately killed, and this week they have finished buying and killing 500 head from J. L. Landrum.

It is reported that several other sheep men have sold all or large portions of their flocks, that have also been killed, nothing being saved but their pelts.

A large number of cattle were bought here again on Tuesday, many of them, especially the young calves, being killed when bought.

GLENN SULLIVAN HERE

Glenn Sullivan, of Wyoming, arrived here last Saturday for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sullivan, and his many Friona friends are all pleased to see him again.

Mr. Sullivan came home with his father, who had been visiting his sons in Wyoming for the past few weeks.

WILL COLLECT OLD CLOTHES

The Junior Women's Club of Friona is making a "wellfare drive" for old clothing and shoes for needy school children.

This old clothing will be taken to Farwell by Miss Alice Guyer, who has charge of the CWA, and there they will be renovated into wearable garments.

Anyone having some clothing or shoes please put them out on your front porch and the committee from the Jr. Club will be around and get them on Monday afternoon, October 22.

RETURN TO WASHINGTON

R. F. Colby and four children, who have been here for the past several weeks visiting in the home of the children's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Loveless, departed last Friday for their home at Yakama, Washington.

After the death of Mrs. Colby, which occurred some three months ago, Mr. Colby and the children came here with a view of buying land and locating near here, but finding the country ungenial to his liking, he returned to his former location in Washington.

VISITING IN ARKANSAS

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mincher and children departed last Saturday for Springdale and other points in Arkansas with the intention of being gone several days.

Mr. Mincher is making this tour of inspection of the country with a view to locating there in the event he is pleased with conditions as he finds them.

DIAMOND SPARKLES

The Friona Base ball team under the management of Jack Anderson, closed a most successful season, winning sixteen games and losing nine.

Mr. Lynch finished with the highest batting average for 429 per cent; Holmes came in second with 382, Vassey third with 348, Schmitz fourth with 329 and Wilson fifth with 318. These were the five leading batters. Friona will have a strong team next year. Following is a table showing batting average of each player in the Friona ball club.

Names	G	A	R	H	P	ct.
Vassey, lf	16	65	12	23	348	
Lewis, 3b	15	65	15	20	315	
Lynch, 2b-p	16	48	12	21	437	
Wilson, c	22	88	28	28	318	
Meeks, cf	22	84	15	26	309	
Schmitz, rf	16	53	10	18	329	
Hinson, lf	3	4	5	3	215	
Barnett, 2b	12	50	8	9	180	
Leach, 2b	9	30	9	6	200	
Williams, ss	22	94	30	26	276	
Bellew, lb	6	25	12	7	280	
Magnus, lb	7	35	7	8	229	
Minyard, p	5	15	1	4	265	
Lea, rf	8	26	5	3	115	
Rundell, lf	3	13	3	2	153	
H. Johnson, 3b	8	20	5	8	206	
Holmes, rf	10	47	11	18	332	
Singleterry, lb	6	21	3	5	238	

BAPTIST INTERMEDIATES MEET

The Intermediate Girls Sunday School class, of the Baptist church met Sunday, Oct. 14. There were thirteen present and their grade was 94.

The officers for the following quarter are: president, Mattie Fay Coldiron; secretary, Othella Hart; reporter, Virginia Turner; teacher, Mrs. York.

We named our class "Marys and Marthas." We would like to have all, that do not go to any other church and Sunday school, to come.

CHITWOOD-JONES NUPTIALS

The marriage of Miss Lucy Chitwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Chitwood, of Muleshoe, to Rev. R. F. Jones, of Homeland, was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Sunday afternoon, October 14, at 5:00 o'clock, Rev. D. D. Gilmore, pastor of the Baptist church at Morton, officiating.

Mrs. Velma Jones, was maid of honor and Mr. Sam Jones, son of the groom, was best man. Rev. and Mrs. Jones will make their home in the Homeland community.

Those present at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Donell, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Day, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Boatman, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Day, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Chitwood, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Guyer and children, Mr. and Mrs. Willard and daughter, Eva May, Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Gilmore and children, Mr. and Mrs. C. Needem, Mr. and Mrs. Cap Needem, Mrs. Naomi Jones and children, Mrs. Charley Alexander and daughters, Mrs. T. Needem, Misses Thelma Loflin and Gladys Jones, and Messrs. C. S. Waddell, Carrol Loflin and Bill Chitwood.

HOME FROM FAIR

The group of Friona ladies, who departed for Chicago on Oct. 1, to visit the Century of Progress, returned home last Friday evening after an absence of twelve days.

Those constituting the group were Mmes. R. H. Kinsley, O. F. Lange, J. R. Roden, E. B. Wills and Miss Orma White. They all report a most enjoyable trip and time spent while in the great city, with no mishaps enroute. They spent one afternoon with Mrs. Lang's daughter, Mrs. Walt Mistell, while there.

HARVESTING BEANS

Mayor Floyd Reeve, with the help of J. A. Guyer, is busy this week harvesting his crop of pinto beans that he grew this season on his farm west of town.

Mr. Reeve planted more than a hundred acres of the beans, but the weather has been so hard on them that he believes much of the crop will not pay to harvest.

He is clipping the beans loose from the ground with a tractor-drawn three-row go-devil, and when the vines are dried they will be raked up and thrashed.

A. D. Smith spent last week and a part of this week on a business mission in Fort Sumner.

H. G. L. BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. F. M. Hughes entertained the H. G. L. Bridge Club with two tables of auction bridge Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. E. Wills. After four games of bridge, high score was awarded to Mrs. Bernard Meeks. Delicious refreshments were served.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

The Junior Woman's Club of Friona met at the home of Miss Junita Crow, with eighteen members present. A very interesting program about famous women was given by Miss Martha McFarland, Mrs. J. G. McFarland and Miss Thelma Osborn, after which refreshments were served by the hostess.

G. L. Livings and J. L. Richardson were business visitors at Farwell Tuesday.

NICHOLS-GREY WEDDING

Word has just been received of the recent marriage of Miss Frances Nichols and Orville Grey, which occurred at Pampa.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nichols, of this place and is well and favorably known here, having a large circle of friends who join in wishing for her a long and happy life.

The groom is a prominent young man of Pampa, being employed as tool-dresser for one of the large oil companies at Pampa.

LAKEVIEW NEWS

Audley Alexander spent the week end here with his parents, Audley has a new Chevrolet car.

Bev Buchanan shipped his spring calf crop last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gopie Parker were business visitors in Amarillo last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wright and children spent Sunday afternoon with her mother, Mrs. Patton, at Homeland.

Mrs. E. W. Chandler received word of the death of her brother, Jim Pullen, who died on October 6, after a long illness from cancer. Mrs. Chandler has the sympathy of all her friends in her bereavement.

R. T. Parker, who has spent the past two weeks visiting relatives at Amhurst, returned home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Miller and daughter, Miss Gracie, are visiting relatives and friends in Oklahoma and Kansas.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Farmer.

By virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Farmer County, on 4th day of September A. D. 1934, by the Friona Independent School District Clerk thereof. In the case of The versus O. K. Gaymon, and unknown parties, and unknown heirs of the said O. K. Gaymon, and unknown parties, No. 975, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered. I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in November A. D. 1934, it being the 5 day of said month, before the Court House door of said Farmer County, in the Town of Farwell the following described property, to-wit:

All of lots Five (5), and Six (6) in Block Number Fifteen (15) in the McMillan-Fergus Addition in 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. Levied on as the property of said defendant on the 14 day of September 1934 to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$8.04, in favor of The Friona Independent School District and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 14 day of September A. D. 1934.

W. W. HALL, Sheriff, Farmer County, Texas By C. M. JONES Deputy

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Asparagus Harvest Time Shown by Actual Tests

Asparagus, which ranks as one of the leading truck crops of Illinois with a total value of more than half a million dollars in 1930, should not be cut severely until the second year after the plantation is set, and in some cases not until the third year, according to a seven-year experiment conducted by the College of Agriculture, University of Illinois.

Severe cutting of asparagus is injurious both to yield and market quality. The injury increases in proportion to the severity of the cutting. A prolonged cutting season lessens the growing period of the tops and thereby restricts the food supply that is manufactured in the tops and stored in the fleshy roots. With a limited food supply there is a reduction in the yield the following season.

Comparing the yields of the experimental plots, the plot cut heavily the first year returned only 320.09 pounds of asparagus during the seven-year period, while the plot cut lightly the first season gave a total yield of 421.21 pounds.

Starting the harvest the second year proved advantageous with a total yield of 434.21 pounds for the seven years from the plot harvested rather severely, but the maximum yield of 521.73 pounds was gained from the bed cut only lightly the second year and medium the third season. The plot on which harvest was not begun until the third year gave a total of 467.56 pounds.

If an asparagus plantation has made a poor growth during the first and second years after setting, it is suggested that the first cutting be delayed until the third year, or at most that the cutting be very light the second year. Ordinarily, however, there is no need for delaying at least a partial harvest until the third season.

Uruguay Has Problems

The problems of agriculture in Uruguay are attacked in a new way. The agrarian ministry has decided to campaign the production of each farmer to one crop, that for which his land is the best suited, and which he is best qualified to raise. In some cases farmers will be allowed a rotation in crops, thus assuring yearly diversified harvests, enables each agriculturist to obtain for his product higher grades of other produce.

ROBBERS' ROOST



By ZANE GREY

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"Ain't he had this deal in mind all the time," said Smoky, nodding his head.

"Yes. Before we got to the house he told me he meant to hold Herrick up for what money he had on hand—then steal the girl for ransom. I opened my trap to kick again the girl part of it, anyway, but he cussed me somethin' fierce. I seen then he was blood set on it, so I shot up. . . . Herrick was in the livin' room. We walked round the house, an' Hank showed me the girl's window, which was open. . . . Wal, we went back, an' up on the porch, an' into the livin' room.

"When Herrick looked up Hank threw a gun on him. 'Keep quiet an' shell out your money,' Hank ordered. 'Thee didn't faze the Englishman. He jumped up, thunders! mad. Hank hit him over the head, cuttin' a gash. Thee didn't know Herrick out, but it made him fight till Hank got him good an' hard. Then he opened his desk an' threw out some packages of greenbacks. After that he slid to the

floor. Next Hank ordered me to go out an' round to the girl's window. It was bright moonlight, but I didn't locate that window quick. At that I was guided to it by the girl's voice. Gimme another drink."



"Keep Quiet an' Shell Out Your Money," Hank Ordered.

"Wal, where was I? . . . When I straddled that window sill I seen the girl sittin' up in bed, white as the sheets about her. Hank had a gun pointed at her head, an' he was sayin' if she yelled, he'd shoot. Then he told me to look around for money an' jewels. I started then, keepin' an eye on them. The room was as moonlight as outdoors. Hank told her to get up an' dress for ridin'. She refused, an' he yanked her clean out of bed. 'Girl,' he said, 'your brother is hangin' down in the livin' room, an' if you don't do as I tell you, I'll kill him. . . . I'm taking you away fer ransom, an' when he pays up you can come home. So long's you're quiet we won't hurt you.' . . . At that she got up an' ran into a closet. I heard her sobbin'. He made her put on ridin' clothes an' pack what else she wanted. Meanwhile I found a heap of gold things an' diamonds, an' a package of money, still with the Wells-Fargo paper on it. These I stuffed in my pockets, an' I shore was a walkin' gold mine."

"How much was there?" asked Smoky, curiously, when Latimer paused to catch his breath.

"I'll come to that. . . . We went out the window, an' Hank hustled her into the woods, with me followin'. Soon we come to the horses, an' Hank put the girl up on the gray. He blindfolded her an' told me to see she didn't git away. The girl talked a blue streak, but she wasn't so scared, except when we heard a shot, then someone runnin' on hard ground. Hank come back pronto, pullin' like a lassoed bull. He said he'd run plump into Progar an' another of Heeseman's outfit."

"Miss Herrick," he says, "them fellers was bent on robbin' your brother—mebbe killin' him. I shot Progar, but the other got away." He tied the bundle on his boss, an' leadin' the girl's boss he rode up the mountain. We rode the rest of the night, stoppin' to rest at daylight. Hear I turned the money an' trinkets over to Hank. He counted the money Herrick had turned over—somethin' more'n sixteen thousand—but he never opened the Wells-Fargo package I'd found in the girl's trunk. There's all, fellers.

We rode till noon, meetin' you as agreed in the cedars."

"What was in that Wells-Fargo package?" asked Smoky, after a long pause.

"Money. Hundred-dollar bills. I tore a corner of the paper off. It was a thick an' heavy package."

"Ain't he shore went south with that an' the jewelry?"

"Yes. When he made the dirty hyar he give me his share of the sixteen thousand. It's hyar in my coat. You an' Jim ar welcome to it. 'Cause where I'm goin'—I won't need any."

"Sparrow, it was a long story fer a sick man—an' hard to tell," said Smoky, feelingly. "Jim an' me will respect your confidence. An' if you pull through—as I hope you do—we'll never squeak. . . . But, pard, don't be surprised at what comes off."

Five days later Sparrowhawk Latimer died during the night, after a short interval of improvement which gave his comrades renewed hope. He passed away alone, evidently in agony, to judge from his distorted face.

"Wal, I don't know but that Sparrow's better off," remarked Smoky, with pathos.

"They buried him in his tarpaulin on the spot, and divided his effects among them by drawing lots."

"What'd you do with the money you found on him?" queried Hays.

"We didn't find none. Sparrow gave it to me an' Jim some days ago," replied Smoky.

"Reckon you better divide it."

"Emp-umm," rejoined Smoky, nonchalantly, his heady little eyes on the chief.

"Why not?"

"Wal, Sparrow wanted us to have it, not I reckon, because we took care of him when you forgot, but jest because he cottoned to us."

"Smoky, tell Hays the other reason," spoke up Jim.

"Thee'll wait, Jim. No hurry. An' I'm not so shore Sparrow wanted us to tell."

Hank Hays turned livid.

"Ain't he shore you'd both be wise to stay shut up," he said and left.

"Fellers," said Brad Lincoln, turning to the others, "I've had a hunch all along there was a hitch in this deal. Air you with me in demandin' a showdown from Smoky an' Jim?"

"We shore air," rejoined Bridges, and Mac and Happy Jack expressed like loyalty.

"Smoky, you're square. If there's anythin', we want to know."

"Mebbe we can slick it over," replied Smoky, smoothly. "If we win all the boss' money—an' he'll shore be easy now with that girl on his mind—I reckon there won't be any sense in tellin' at all. Eh, Jim?"

"I don't make any rash promises, Smoky," returned Jim. "I admire you a lot, Smokey, but I'm thinkin' you run this into the ground. In all justice these men ought to be told something."

"I say cards, you fellers can't keep it forever," rejoined Lincoln, darkly.

From that hour dated the grim and passionate gambling in which they all participated. With one man on lookout duty the others spent most of the daylight hours sitting at Happy Jack's table of cottonwood poles.

International Sunday School Lesson

By DR. J. E. NUNN

For Sunday October 21.

General Topic: THE CHRISTIAN AT PRAYER. Scripture Lesson: Matt. 6:5-15.

5. And when ye pray, ye shall not be as the hypocrites: for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have received their reward.

6. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thine inner chamber, and having shut thy door, pray to thy Father who is in secret, and thy Father who seeth in secret shall recompense thee.

7. And in praying use not vain repetitions, as the Gentiles do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

8. Be not therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

9. After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

10. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so on earth.

11. Give us this day our daily bread.

12. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

13. And bring us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

14. For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

15. But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Golden Text.—Continuing steadfastly in prayer.—Rom. 12:12.

INTRODUCTION

A prayer sweetened by the name of Father makes me confident of getting all I ask.—The Venerable Bede.

We pray for our Father's honor, dominion, service; and then for our own preservation, pardon, protection.—Griffith.

The Lord's Prayer "teaches: (1) Our dependence upon God—give; (2) Modesty in requests—bread; (3) Trustfulness—this day; (4) Brotherhood—us, our."—George Dana Boardman in "Studies in the Model Prayer."

Nothing may be given the precedence of prayer in the life of his

kingdom. It is the most important of all religious exercises; "the key that unlocks the temple door"; as necessary to spiritual life as the lungs' breathing is to physical life.

He came, for one thing, to bring men into closer communion with God; and prayer is the chief means of communication between men and God. We have, besides, the impressive example of his own frequent praying. There is no other religious act in regard to which Jesus gave us such full instruction.

THE MANNER OF PRAYER

"The Model Prayer" is a most fitting designation of vs. 9-13; for Luke in his record says that it was phrased by Jesus in answer to a request of the disciples, "Lord, teach us to pray" (Luke 11:1). Clearly, then, he would have us pray "after this manner."

1. In sincerity (ver. 5). The word hypocrite, as Jesus employs it here, means an actor, one who makes believe. Our Lord pictures the sincere attitude in the parable of Luke 18:13, "or be merciful to me a sinner."

2. In secret (ver. 6). Just God and you. Quietness would be implied, for as sentient creatures we cannot help being distracted by the world's noises and confusions. This applies, of course, to intimate, private prayer, and not to praying in larger or smaller groups—which has its own rules and benefits.

TO "BE SEEN OF MEN," v. 5.

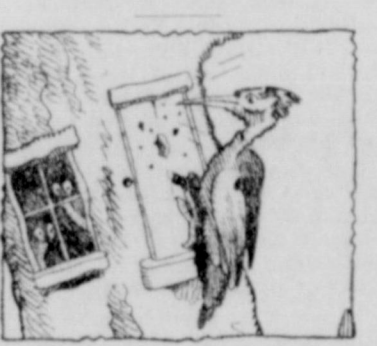
The hypocrite seeks a conspicuous position for the display of his piety. He not only goes to synagogues regularly but stands there prominently and prolongs his stay. He lets the hour of prayer overtake him also "in the corners of the squares" or "at the corners of the wider streets" where he could be seen from four directions. The hypocrite was primarily concerned about making an impression on others. His act of worship had no higher motive than to "be seen of men." He and his like stood for hours in synagogues or on street corners simply "to let people see them." The hypocrite in reward got simply and solely what he was after—a cheap reputation for piety. "That is the only reward they will get."—Goodspeed.

"VAIN REPETITIONS," v. 7.

And in praying use not vain (that is "empty," meaningless) repetitions, as the Gentiles do." So the heathen worshippers on Mt. Carmel, 1 Kings 18:26. So the worshippers of Diana in Ephesus, Acts 19:34. So the Moslems who call on Allah by the hour. So, most conspicuously, the Buddhists, who have their "prayer wheels" containing prayers written on slips of paper, and as the wheels are whirled about, they believe that the prayers are presented to God. "For they think they shall be heard for their much speaking." Long prayers are not condemned, if only they are sincere prayers; nor does Christ condemn repeated prayers in every case. He himself, in the Garden of Gethsemane, used the same agonized petition three times; also his last prayer with his disciples, reported in John 17, is not at all a brief prayer. It is vain repetition that we are urged to avoid.

THE LORD'S PRAYER, vs. 9-13. v. 9. "Our Father who art in heaven"

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Worn—Say there, Mr. Woodpecker, use the bell when you call. You are punching our door full of holes.

On Record

The Warden—Have you any trade or profession?

The Yegg—Don't me record show what I was sent here for?

Beat the Camera Could Do

"And did he have the dentist take an X-ray of his wife's jaw?"

"He tried to, but all they could get was a moving picture."

half standing up, and his men grouped outside of the camp shelter, Jim knew that there had been trouble.

"What now, Smoky?"

"Hank did fer Brad."

"How? Why? . . . You don't mean Hays beat Lincoln to a gun?"

"He did, Jim," ejaculated Smokey. "He bored Brad. I was the only feller who seen it. The rest was duckin'."

"What was it about, Smoky?"

"Wal, Brad has been gettin' sorer every day, an' today we cleaned him. Brad opened up on Hank, no doubt meanin' to call him fer fair. But Brad didn't git goin' good before Hank went fer his gun."

"Smoky, he had his mind made up," declared Jim, tensely.

"Shore. Thee's the queer part of it. Hank was not goin' to let Brad spit out much. . . . An' friend Jim, thee's a hunch fer us."

"Hays can't lead me to a gun," rejoined Jim, with a cold ring in his voice.

"Nor me either. Thee's a safe bet." They reached the camp. Lincoln lay face down over the table, his right arm hanging low, his gun lying near his hand.

"Lead a hand, some of you," ordered Smokey, peremptorily.

They carried Lincoln, face down, across the oval to the lower side of the cottonwood grove, and in half an hour he had been consigned to earth, and his possessions divided among the men who had buried him.

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Cakes of Salt Used as Money in Asia, Africa

Salt as a standard in the history of commerce antedates the gold standard. As a medium of exchange salt was widely used in many ancient countries.

Bell-Ringing Swans

In the moat surrounding the Bishop's palace at Wells, Somerset, England, there are swans who ring for their meals by pulling a rope that is attached to a bell.

The Garden of Eden

On the supposition that the narrative in Genesis describes a real country, any number of efforts have been made to establish the location of the Garden of Eden, and many books have been written on the subject.

Latitude and Longitude

The Coast and Geodetic survey says that the so-called short methods in navigation originated with the method of Marc St. Hilrice, in which the usual altitude (angle between horizon and heavenly body) is observed and the altitude that would then obtain at an assumed position is calculated by a simple formula.

English When Employed by Genius Wins Reader

Those who do not understand the shades of meaning in stunning words, great and small, naturally don't see anything in the coruscations and scintillations of English in the hands of an artist.

Children Excel in Touch, Adults in Hearing, Sight

Children between five and seven years old have a superior sense of touch to adults, but they do not hear so well, nor are their eyes suitable for close work.

Musical Sea Water

Science has cleared up the mystery of the musical sea waters off the English coast, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. For ages fishermen have steered their craft in the vicinity of the perilous shores in fog by listening to the "sound" of the water.

Indian Fox Honored

Cochran was the name given to a Seneca Indian, who was one of the deadliest foes of the whites during the Revolutionary days, but who came later to be a great friend of the whites.

Amortized, Amortization

In England and America amortized is pronounced a-mor-tized, a as in about, o as in nor, i as in habit, accent on the second syllable. Some authorities permit the sound of i as in pine, retaining the accent as above.

No One-Tusk Elephants

There is no species of elephant with only one tusk. In some instances one of the tusks may be broken in combat or in uprooting trees; very often one tusk is smaller and thinner than the other.

AMERICAN LEGION RENTS HALL

The American Legion Post has rented the north room of the M. A. Crum building on Main street. This building will make a commodious and comfortable hall for the boys of the Legion.

GONE TO ARKANSAS

Mrs. M. E. Anderson, who for he past several months has been staying here with her daughter, Mrs. Bert Shackleford, departed last Saturday for Texarkana, Arkansas, where she will spend the winter with other of her children.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday school—11:00. Morning Worship—11:00. Men's Study Class in the parsonage at 10:00, continuing the discussion on Liberty and Socialism.

Queens for a Day

Albania, the Balkan state ruled by King Zog, is a quaint mixture of the new and the old. The inhabitants still cling to their picturesque marriage customs. Young girls are not allowed out of their mother's sight until they are betrothed, but when they are officially engaged they may queen it for a day or two over all their circle.

School Vacations

School vacations in the South Temperate zone are usually different from those in this country. For instance, in Australia, the Christmas vacation is the summer vacation. It begins a week before Christmas day and lasts from 25 to 35 days.

Things are coming up in the garden now—thanks to the neighbors' pets.

If you like what the crowds like, everywhere you go you will be in jams.

Income taxes seem to take the luck out of a great many kinds of investments.

Crime prevails in the United States because punishment is so often evaded. That's all.

The man voted to be most the gentleman is the one who is when the others forget to be.

In Asia, they have the same kind of wars that Europe had in the Middle Ages. Poor old Asia.

ATTEND CENTENNIAL MEETING

Mrs. A. H. Boatman, who is a member of the Farmer county advisory committee of the Texas Centennial, was a guest at a meeting held in Pampa last week in the interest of the Centennial.

Mrs. Boatman was well pleased with the results of the Pampa meeting which was partly to arouse interest in the Centennial in all the towns and communities throughout the state.

HOMELAND DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Homeland Demonstration Club met Thursday, Oct. 11, at the home of Mrs. Adams.

After the business meeting Miss McKenney made a very interesting talk on "How to Entertain." Then delicious cake and cocoa were served.

There will be a food sale and "canned goods" exhibit and show on Oct. 27. Our next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. D. Williams Oct. 27.

M. S. Weir was in Amarillo, Tuesday, having gone there to deliver a truck load of calves to the market.

VISITING BROTHER HERE

J. N. Bainum of Los Angeles, California, arrived in Friona last Saturday, for a visit with his brother, Charley Bainum, mechanic at the Fallwell garage. Mr. Bainum formerly lived in Texas but it is his first visit to the plains country for twenty years.

OUR WEATHER

The weather that has visited Friona during the past two weeks has been most of the time decidedly pleasant, being bright and warm, with just enough chill in the air some mornings to remind us that "Sweet Summer" will soon be gone.

No moisture has fallen here except a slight shower on last Friday evening when about an eighth of an inch of precipitation was received. Monday of this week was very disagreeable on account of the swift breeze which blew all day. The breeze would not have been disagreeable if it had not been filled with dirt, which drifted through all crevices and filled one's eyes when out in it. Tuesday was warm and quiet.

LAKEVIEW HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Lakeview Home Demonstration Club met Friday afternoon, Oct. 12, at the home of Mrs. C. A. Crum.

Miss McKenney was present and gave a demonstration of "Gracious Hospitality," and gave recipes and menus for party and buffet suppers.

As it was not definitely decided where we will meet next, it will be announced later.



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1937 it would be 6,637,751. On the basis of these figures the total amount that might be collected and expended by the State Government during the first two-year period would be \$148,042,732.50. A similar calculation shows that for the period of 1938-39 the amount that might be collected and expended would be \$153,269,392.50."

I may be wrong, but as I gather it, Mr. Molyneux infers that the additional or increased population at \$22.50 per capita, would provide enough additional funds each year to meet the necessary increase in expenditures for all state appropriations, and that Education would receive its prorata portion the same as it always has done.

Mr. Molyneux then sums up the other drains upon the state finances, such as the cost of collecting these ad valorem taxes, the present deficit and the amount appropriated for the Texas Centennial, and states that if all these were to be deducted from the state revenues within the next four years, (which is not probable) it would reduce the amount available from such revenues for everything except highways during these four years to an average amount of \$4,600.00 a year less than the average annual receipts from these sources during the four most extravagant years of the State's history.

Again quoting Mr. Molyneux: "There is no justification whatever, as I see it, for the fear which these educational leaders express that the adoption of this amendment would necessitate a drastic reduction of scholastic apportionment." "I do not doubt the absolute good faith and sincerity of these educational leaders, but I fear they are sowing the seed of obscurantist reaction."

Personally, as I stated a few paragraphs above, I will be opposed to the adoption of any amendment that will in any way cripple the efficiency of our schools or our entire educational system, but I do believe something should be done to limit the amount of taxes to be levied and collected from the people and then spent in just any way an extravagan-

gant state administration might see fit to spend it, and if this amendment will provide such a limit without necessarily crippling our schools, I am for it, and I will have to be shown otherwise before I will vote otherwise.

If there is any to things that I despise worse than any others, the practice of some people of taking their surplus cats and dropping them out to annoy their neighbors, is both of them.

I live just at the edge of town and it seems to be superb location for people either from the country or those living further over in town, to drop their surplus cats and we thus always have an abundant supply, and just to be candid about it, I do not like that kind of neighborliness.

I have never treated my neighbors thusly. Whenever our old cat presents us with an extra batch of kittens, I just take them by the hind legs and crack their heads against a post or other hard objects, and if it is all over with the kittens and my neighbors are not pestered with any of my cats.

This idea of a cat having nine lives is all tommy-rot, or, if they do have that many, I have always been able to knock all nine of them out at one crack and my neighbors can do the same if they want to practice the "Golden Rule" and do unto their neighbors as they would have them do to them.

It occurs to me that many people always receive items of news with their eye-brows.

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