

Cherish the good things of faith,
and share them.

Appreciate human freedom and
defend it.

Look on all men as
brothers.

The Friona Star

Ignorance is the basis of

intolerance.

Knowledge is the Cure.

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COGITATIONS and APHORISMS of JODOK

I mentioned last week a little poem, the theme of which seems to be community, city or home-town patriotism. I found the poem in Boyce House's column, "I Give You Texas," but my first acquaintance with it was several years ago when a copy of it was handed to me by the late and lamented A. W. Henschel. The Friona Star had, at that time, a sort of unique custom of printing on the front page of each issue, some short poem, filled with common sense and worthy sentiment, that was expressed in a fascinating manner by the author, and it was for this purpose that my friend, Mr. Henschel handed me the poem—and when I say "friend," I mean it in the fullest sense, for Mr. Henschel was, to me, the kind of a friend that is so aptly described in the little couplet—

A friend in need,
Is a friend indeed.

For such he was to me, for on various occasions he offered me his friendly services, even without the asking, when he knew me to be in dire need—and I arranged to have the poem printed in the Star at that time. And, as our people are having their minds and thoughts turned toward a Lincoln Day dinner, and as I understand it, the program will be wholly patriotic in character, it occurs to me that this little poem will be quite appropriate at this time. It follows:

If you want to live in the kind of
a town,

Like the kind of a town you like;
You needn't slip your clothes in a
grip

And start on a long, long hike.

You'll find only what you left be-
hind,

For there's nothing that's really
new;

It's a knock at yourself, when you
knock your town.

It isn't the town—it's YOU.

Real towns are not made by one
afraid

Lest somebody else gets ahead,

When everyone works and nobody
shirks.

You can raise a town from the
dead.

And if, while you make your person-
al stake,

Your neighbor can make one, too,
Your town will be what you want
to see.

IT ISN'T THE TOWN—IT'S YOU.

—Author Unknown.

If Judge Lee Thompson does not already have this little poem in his collection of "expressive" poems and quotations, I suggest that he clip this copy and add it thereto. I think it is REALLY good.

I do not know who the author is, but he is worthy of congratulations for the fine sentiment he has expressed, and the manner in which he has expressed it. If I could write such sentiment as that and phrase it in such splendid rhyme, I should consider myself a "highcockalorum" (chick-a-lo-um) in the field of literature. I do not know whether I have spelled that word right or not. It is not in my dictionary, therefore, I cannot be sure about the correct spelling.

In reading articles in the papers concerning The American Legion, and especially those giving accounts of the Legion conventions, I have frequently noticed the expression, "40 and 8" and have often wondered just what this meant, but had never succeeded in finding out, until I read an article written by Roy Price, for the Friona Star, in which I again saw that expression. Now, it occurred to me, that Roy would know what this meant if anybody knows, so I asked him about it.

Roy told me that it is a name for an organization, that is formed within the American Legion itself, and the purpose of this organization is to arrange for the fun part of the convention programs, and this, he says, the members of the "40 and 8" never fail to do. But the oddity of the name caused me to think there must have been some reason for its adoption, and I asked Roy about that. Well, if there is anything that Roy does not know about The American Legion, I guess it does not amount to much, and he knew this also and told me.

He said it came from a custom of the army over in France, of shipping back on one or two mornings, and 40 army horses and 8 soldiers all in one box car, and I suppose those eight soldiers had a plenty of fun going to begin making garden if it does not get colder again.

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Dr. Archie McElroy Passed Away

Word was received here this week of the almost sudden death of Dr. A. R. (Archie) McElroy, of near Port Worth. The Doctor, it was stated, had been seized with an attack of pneumonia, and in his already delicate health condition, was unable to withstand the ravages of the disease, and passed away within a very short time. Just how long he was ill with the fever was not learned.

The deceased was the son of Dr. A. F. McElroy, who was for several years a practicing physician of Friona and locality. He had been in Friona a number of times, and had a number of good friends here.

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR CLUB REPORTERS

Parmer County Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Elsie Cunningham, announces that she will hold a training school for all the reporters of the Girls 4-H clubs of Parmer county.

The school will be held at Blackwell's Hardware & Furniture Store at Friona, on Saturday, February 22, beginning at 1:30 p. m.

The editors of the two county papers are invited to attend and speak to the reporters on what they like to have in club reports. Miss Cunningham states that she hopes to have some A-1 reports following this training school.

ATTENDING CONFERENCE IN OKLAHOMA CITY

A group of five young people, accompanied by Rev. C. Carl Dollar, the pastor, left Friona yesterday for a three-day stay in Oklahoma City, attending the mid-winter conference of the Oklahoma Pilgrim Fellowship. Pilgrim Fellowship is a term chosen to include all Congregational young people of the country, regardless of what they call their local organization.

This conference is being held on February 6, 7, and 8, at the Pilgrim Congregational church, of Oklahoma City. Rev. Emil P. Reikow, Carrier, Oklahoma, is the adult director of the mid-winter conference. The theme of all the discussions will be Christian Youth Facing World Crisis.

Three forums will be given to the questions, Why is the World at War Again? What is America's Interest in the Situation? and What is the Bearing of Christianity Upon the Situation? The leaders of the three forums will be Dr. John B. Thompson, Presbyterian Church, Norman; Dr. Hugh B. Fouke, Wesley Methodist Church, Oklahoma City, and Dr. Nicholas ("Nick") Comfort, Norman. At a banquet on Friday night, the guest speaker will be Jack Chester, Lawrence, Kansas, regional representative of Pilgrim Fellowship.

After the communion service at noon Saturday, and a luncheon, the group will return to Friona and Mr. Dollar will be back in his pulpit on Sunday morning. The young people attending the conference are Jean Crawford, Nancy Shackelford, June Maurer, Carolyn Lange, and Frances Buchanan.

SPECIAL SERVICES AT CONGRE- GATIONAL CHURCH

On Sunday morning, February 9, the Congregational church, Rev. C. Carl Dollar, minister, will observe Race Relations Sunday with special and appropriate services. A special worship service has been prepared and all members are urged to be present and join in the worship and fellowship.

CELEBRATED BIRTHDAY

John Fred White, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred White, celebrated his fifth birthday at his home in the north part of town, Sunday.

He had as his dinner guests his grandmother, Mrs. Minnie Goodwine; his uncle and aunt, Clyde and Miss Lola Goodwine; his small cousin, Master Clyde Ray Bragg, all of this community; and Mrs. H. W. Wright, of Barnard, Kansas.

FRIONA WEATHER

At our last report, Wednesday of last week, we reported the weather as cloudy and promising more rain in addition to that received during the forenoon of that day; but it did not materialize.

Since then the weather has been fair with the exception of a little frost on one or two mornings, and the temperature has been mild and springlike. Some people are threatening to begin making garden if it does not get colder again.

LINCOLN DAY DINNER FEBRUARY 12

The Lincoln Day Dinner that has been mentioned in the past two issues of the Star is just a good social patriotic get-together, which was first thought of by some of the good citizens of the community and the Friona Chamber of Commerce, and this was a mighty good thought, and it was so thought by the American Legion Post when it was asked to sponsor it. And as Abraham Lincoln was one of the most popular presidents these United States has ever had, we think it a mighty good plan to celebrate his birthday, which is February 12th. So when these good citizens and the Friona Chamber of Commerce asked the American Legion and the Legion Auxiliary to sponsor such a dinner and celebration, being an organization that believes in God and Country, and one of the biggest welfare organizations in the United States, we decided to sponsor the dinner, which will be held at 7:30 p. m. on Wednesday, February 12th.

So all you good people, who want to help out in a good and worthy cause, please buy a ticket to this Lincoln Day Dinner. There will be plenty of good eats and a good patriotic program, with speakers from different places. Please get your tickets early, so the ladies of the Auxiliary will know how many plates to prepare. Tickets will be on sale at the City Drug Store, by the Chamber of Commerce and the American Legion.

Volster Rector, Commander, Friona Post No. 206, American Legion, Friona, Texas.

Roy T. Slagle was a business visitor at Amarillo, Tuesday.

TEXA HI-WAY IMPROVEMENT ASS'N FORMED

Last Friday, January 31st, a small group of Parmer County "better roads advocates", attended a Better Roads Convention at Lubbock. The explicit object of this called meeting was to study, and, if possible, promote healthy and fair legislation in regard to the re-enactment of the State Highway Bond Assumption Law. There were 24 counties represented.

At this meeting, an association was formed, the object of which was to protect and promote State Highway building in those parts of the State where the State Highway System has not been developed. The name given the new organization is "Texas State Highway Improvement Association." The meeting unanimously agreed that the Bond Assumption Law is of utmost importance to the development of the highway system. A resolution to that effect, with the instruction to be sent or taken to the legislature, was unanimously passed.

There was also a strong sentiment to the effect that the Bond Assumption Law should be made mandatory and permanent, when the specifications and location for a road were approved by the Highway Department. But it was the consensus of opinion that the present was not a good time to get such legislation enacted.

Those attending the meeting from Parmer County were: County Judge Lee Thompson; Commissioners O. M. Jennings and David Moseley. Mayor F. W. Reeve, of Friona, and Bill Sherley, of Lazbuddi.

Mmes. Joe White and Joe Bell shopped in Hereford, Thursday.

Parmer Co. Singing Conv. Here Feb. 16

The next annual meeting of the Parmer County Singing Convention will be held at Friona, on Sunday, February 16, according to a statement of the President, Arlie Green.

Mr. Green stated that good singers and group of singers from all parts of the county will be present, in addition to quartettes, trios and choruses from adjoining and neighboring counties, of the Panhandle, and it is hoped to have one of the most popular quartettes from the City of Dallas present to add several numbers to the day's program.

Plans are being made to serve lunch to all who attend, and everybody who is interested in or delights in hearing good singing, is most cordially invited to attend. It is hoped to have more complete details of the arrangements and program ready for announcement next week.

HAS BOUGHT FARM IN MISSOURI

The Star office is in receipt of a card from our former citizen, Judge J. M. W. Alexander, which stated that they have bought a farm about twenty miles north of Rogers, Arkansas, the place they moved to when they left Friona.

Their new home will, therefore, be near Seligman, Missouri, their farm being just across the line in the State of Missouri, and he asks that his copy of the Star be mailed to that post office.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Maurer and daughter, Miss June, were shopping in Amarillo, Tuesday.

Piano-Violin Concert Here By Noted Musicians - Feb. 17



CLARENCE BRADY

On Monday evening of February 17, in the grade school auditorium at 8:00 o'clock, Friona will have the pleasure of hearing two artists that have won their places in the hearts of the musical audiences throughout the United States. The artists are Mr. Clarence Brady, pianist, and Mr. Robert Louis Barron, violinist.

Mr. Brady was first heard in this part of the country when he appeared as guest soloist and accompanist on the Amarillo Philharmonic Orchestra program of March 1938. For five years, Mr. Brady was a member of the piano faculty of the Kansas City Horner Conservatory of Music of Kansas City, Mo. While with the Horner Conservatory he has appeared with various artists on concert tours, including: Mme. Olga d'Allaz, soprano; Stanley Deacon, baritone; Joseph Lefkowitz, violinist; and Helen Burwell, dancer.

Last September, Mr. Brady took charge of the newly-formed piano department at the Amarillo College. Since going to Amarillo, Mr. Brady has been in considerable demand as soloist and accompanist. Last month he appeared with Barre Hill, baritone, and Vera Sallee Williams, soprano, who was one of the last American musicians to leave Paris before the recent German occupation.

Following are some clippings taken from papers: "Not only did he accompany the other two acts with a clean-cut precision that was a joy to hear, but he played a program the brilliance of which has seldom been equaled here." Amarillo, Texas. "The keyboard is



ROBERT LOUIS BARRON

a magic carpet to young Clarence Brady, his technical equipment is enviable and his talent conspicuous in those compositions that naturally appeal to youth and speed. He likes to scatter the fire works with long, flexible fingers." Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. Barron has been a violinist of distinction for a number of years. During one season on a tour through the States, he presented 165 concerts. He received his graduate diploma from the Sherwood Music School, of Chicago, later he returned to the same school as a member of the violin faculty. Mr. Barron has held positions in various outstanding Symphony Orchestras of the United States, some are with the Chicago Grand Opera Company, and the Portland Symphony Orchestra, in Oregon. Mr. Barron has had as instructors some of the world's greatest masters of the violin.

He came to this section of the country last fall when he became the conductor of the Amarillo Philharmonic Orchestra and the Amarillo Junior Symphony. Although he is a new-comer to the people of this part of the world, he had been on the Pacific Coast for the past 22 years as a conductor, violinist, and music educator, always meeting with tremendous success. Critics have written in superlative terms regarding his ability as such.

This will be his first appearance as a violinist in the Panhandle of Texas. Plan now to attend this concert which is being sponsored by the Friona School Funds and Band Room.

BANDS TO PRESENT PROGRAM

The bands of both the Friona High School and the Grade School will present a free musical program in the grade auditorium Saturday evening, February 8, at 8:00 o'clock.

Both groups have been working hard on their numbers, and although some members of the High School band will not be able to be there, due to a previous engagement, we expect to give you some good peppy music, anyway.

The High School Chorus will also sing a few numbers. We extend a cordial invitation to the public to be with us.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

M. C. Osborn, who had been a patient in the Veterans Hospital at Amarillo for several weeks, was discharged last week and is now at home with his family northwest of Friona.

Mr. Osborn was a sufferer from an attack of sinus trouble, and was in constant pain therefrom until he began receiving treatment at the hospital. He stated that he is now relieved from the pain and the trouble and his many friends hope his recovery may be permanent.

TEXAS FIRE LOSS

AUSTIN—The average annual fire loss in Texas for the years 1930-34 was \$10,819,790, and the average annual dwelling fire loss in Texas for the same period of years was \$5,321,130. Marvin Hall, state fire insurance commissioner, reports.

Because of the growing interest in home fires and fire hazards, Hall said he believed it a good idea to focus attention of all home owners in Texas on the importance of the dwelling house fire loss and the desirability of an annual dwelling house inspection by firemen.

"Nothing has been accomplished by the 'hit and miss method,'" Hall said. "We must have successful planning of fire prevention if fire losses are to be kept at an annual low figure. Now is the time for each fire department in Texas to organize a permanent fire prevention committee, and make plans for an annual dwelling house inspection. It will be too late after the fires have occurred. If absolutely necessary, an annual dwelling house inspection in each Texas city and town can be financed at a reasonable cost, and establish a very large saving to the citizens in the preservation of human life and property."

Farmer John Sees Things

By F. W. Reeve

Farming has been described as a way of life. In its development, agriculture has gone through a stage when the average farmer's effort was to produce what his family needed to eat and wear, with a little surplus to sell. But almost all farmers today are business men. For that reason I copy for the benefit of farm readers an editorial from a magazine, for business men, "Nation's Business," by Merle Thorp, entitled "National Defense—For War? For Peace?", which reads as follows:

Only Congress can declare war. Only the people can demand peace. It is a soul-searching responsibility to do the one, a glorious restraint upon emotion to do the other.

For the second time in one generation, America stands at the crossroads, torn in mind, harried in spirit, debating the thought, "Shall we declare war again on a philosophy?" There have been no warlike acts committed against our sovereignty, no insults or assaults upon our citizenry, no destruction of American lives or property. There are no Von Bernstorffs, Bey-eds, Lustranias around which a battle-cry may swell.

Those who shout for war, or, with tongue in cheek, for measures "short of war", have only one call—"We cannot live in a world if—"

If? If what? If the leaders of Germany are not defeated is what is usually meant. They may be right. Many fear they may be right, but, before 131,000,000 people give up their right to peace, they have a right to proof—proof that "if" is more than if, proof so utterly convincing that men will go into battle, not half-hearted and skeptical, but inspired with patriotic zeal.

Let us, then, have an answer from our leaders. Do they indeed think that America is in danger of foreign invasion? Do they see the Luftwaffe and the Panzer divisions running over Boston, Cleveland, Memphis, and Minneapolis? We cannot go to war today because bombing planes of 1960 may be able to cross the ocean in six hours. Planes can fly in more than one direction.

Do they fear that a partially victorious Germany in Europe can put a new Europe in order overnight, and then invade the most powerful nation on earth, America? A generation will pass before even the Nazi police force in new Europe can take a holiday, to say nothing of when its army or its navy, still to be re-built may look abroad.

No, there is nothing in our fears of invasion that calls for war today. On the contrary, such fears call for no war, for above all we need time to prepare for our own defense.

What, then, is our most immediate threat in case of a German victory? A threat of a trade war—the flooding of the world with serf-made products produced under a standard of living so low that America's goods will be driven from the seas, and America's tariff walls will tumble like the Belgian forts last spring.

Is the fear well-grounded? We have faced that type of competition many times before. Given the same freedoms and rewards, we can do it again.

But when has America gone to war for trade? When has war helped a nation's trade in the long run? And even if it would help for a while, is that what our leaders urge us to meet now with death and destruction—a battle for trade? If so, let's have done with our high-sounding phrases about ways of life, liberty, the clash of philosophies by which men live.

Let us not add to the world's list of dishonest phrases which on other tongues we recognize and label as hypocrisy. Let us have candor and blunt facts from those who would disturb the people's peace.

There is both sadness and satisfaction in setting forth this expression of the point of view of American business. There is sadness because of the necessity to challenge the popular fallacy that America's wars have been fomented by business men. There is satisfaction because, come what may, business is on record that, if national disillusion comes again after another war for "democracy," as it did in the "Twenties, it will not be for want of plain speaking by business.

VISITING DAUGHTERS IN CHICAGO

Mrs. O. F. Lange departed Tuesday morning for Chicago, where she will visit for several days with her daughters, Mmes. Walter Mistell and J. W. Burney.

Mrs. Kenneth Houlette visited in Friona, Saturday.

CARMEN OF THE RANCHO

By FRANK H. SPEARMAN © Frank H. Spearman WNU Service

CHAPTER XI—Continued

"Maybe you had to obey orders, Kit. But I'd never think it of you. Your brother Mose never would have done that—you know that as well as I do."

"Well, it's done," snapped Kit, much put out at the rebuke, "so, anyway, there's no use talking about it. Where you goin', Henry?"

Bowie was raking, picked up his rifle and was shaking his legs. "I'm going, just as I told you, up the river to Sutter's."

"But, bears 'n' Injuns, hold your horses till you talk to the old man."

"I'm not talking to him, Kit. He can't hire me to murder decent peaceable boys like the De Haros."

"Sh! don't talk so loud, you old bullfrog. Stay overnight and think it over. You've picked on the only mean job he ever put on me, Henry."

"Kit, I'm on my way." No effort at persuasion availed. Bowie shook hands with Kit and his friends and exchanged railery with them but went his way.

Everything at Sutter's Fort pleased him. Captain Sutter had charged the whole atmosphere with his own magnetic personality. When he persuaded Bowie to remain for a time with him it was to be on Bowie's own terms, if Bowie would name any. In the end Sutter named for his new recruit so liberal a percentage on his fur business that Bowie himself insisted on reducing it.

Captain Sutter had at his command the services of former mission Indians who, on the despoiling of the missions by the freebooting Mexican politicians, had found themselves adrift and thrown on their own resources. Some fell back into savagery and pillage, imitating their Mexican despoilers. Others, of the better stripe, sought service where they could; many were in the employ of Sutter. These men were tractable and were expert with the bow and the gun. Even Bowie, who was placed in sole charge of these hunters, was often amazed at their skill. No less a source of amazement to him, although he had thought himself familiar with the country, was its limitless wealth in game and fur-bearing animals. Elk supplied tallow worth more commercially than that of cattle. Deer were a pest, and bears were hunted for their heavy pelage.

The rivers and the tule beds swarmed with beavers and land otter. The quantities of skins brought in by the Indians astonished Sutter himself, and with every shipment down the river he deposited with Nathan Spear, his factor at Yerba Buena, a sum of money for Bowie's credit. For to Bowie, Sutter ascribed the unlooked-for increase in the returns from his Indian contingent.

The lively frontier atmosphere at the fort—the daily excitement owing to the constant succession of strangers, wanderers and travelers arriving, singly and in groups, in large and small companies with amazing stories of hardship, adventure, conflict, discovery, treachery, starvation, stark tragedy and even cannibalism—served to keep Bowie's mind busy with interest in the strange frontier characters he encountered and in their strange tales of deserts, mountains, valleys, rivers, snow and ice.

All their stories had a common feature—their deserts were vast, their mountains towering, their valleys like paradises, their rivers swift, treacherous and mad to destroy. Some told of trees so great of girth and so tall that no listener could believe his ears; others of mysterious valleys where boiling water gushed hundreds of feet into the air and ice froze on the edges of their pools.

But even marvels lose their thrill. Even the adventure of the chase becomes commonplace when at last routine. For nearly two years Bowie made an active part of the enterprise of Captain Sutter. Still, something suppressed but gnawing at his feelings urged him to seek new scenes, new excitement, to deaden a vague sense of loneliness. When he told Captain Sutter he was leaving him there was an explosion. But it was a good-natured one, and the two parted friends. Bowie promised to come back sometime if he could make it.

Leaving the valley with one pony, Bowie worked south along the Sierras, sleeping under the stars and killing such small game as he needed for food until, passing the Tehachapi range, he stopped at the Mission San Gabriel, only to learn that a state of war existed between Mexican factions and that the southern end of the department was, for one side or the other, under arms.

CHAPTER XII

Bowie had no intention of mixing in a squabble between Mexican California grafters, and to avoid the sham battle lines he kept well inland in order to reach San Diego. He meant to outfit there and strike across the desert for Texas, which he had not seen for years.

He reached San Diego late at night. He had intended to sleep outside the town overnight. But toward night fall rain had begun to fall and when he reached the presidio there was a heavy downpour. He rode up to the presidio gate,

where he was challenged by a sentry, whom he answered in good Spanish and asked for shelter.

The sentry called the captain of the guard out into the rain from a game of seven-up.

Whether this was unpleasant for the captain, whether the call spoiled a winning streak, or whether the captain had had too much pulque, Bowie never could figure out. But he was very brusque. He ordered Bowie to dismount, ordered him searched and disarmed. No answer that the Texan could make to his insolent questioning would satisfy him. He pronounced Bowie a spy, put him under arrest and sent him to the guardhouse.

The Texan's surprise was equalled by his annoyance and his contempt for his captors. However, he reflected that a night in the dry guardhouse would be better than a night in the rain. But to find himself for the first time in his California life without his knife, his revolver, or his rifle and his ammunition was something to disturb him. He tossed all night and could console himself only by thinking that in the morning he would easily satisfy the commandante that his arrest was owing to the drunken stupidity of the guard.

After much palaver the next morning he was brought before an underling of the governor and subjected to a grilling that astonished him. His own simple tale of who he was and what he was doing in San Diego was brushed aside as of no value, and he was questioned closely as to what his relations were with the faction that Governor Pico of the department feared was planning an attack on him personally.

After hours of examination which naturally developed nothing Bowie was remanded to the guardhouse. There he fretted and fumed day after day until his resentment wore itself dumb. He was summoned at last before the governor himself. This, the prisoner felt sure, would be the end of it.

Such was not the case. Pico bore a name that inspired all who sought justice at his hands with foreboding. But the Texan knew nothing of the mentality that characterized this leader of the mission spoilers.

Again Bowie told his story; it fell on deaf ears. The strange revolver taken from him was not merely evidence but proof conclusive in Pico's judgment that Bowie was a spy. His protestations availed him nothing.

At three o'clock he was notified that he would be shot as a spy next morning. Bowie took the message, silent and hard featured, from the guard who brought it. But with his wits keyed high by the amazing news, he studied closely through the bars of the peephole in the cell door the features of the Indian soldier who bore the message. It flashed suddenly on Bowie that he had seen that man before. "Sanchez," he said calmly, "I thank you for telling me this."

The Indian started at the utterance of his name. "I thank you, Sanchez," continued Bowie, unmoved by the stolid guard's amazement, "because you and I are old friends. You do not recognize me; I am covered with half a beard and unwashed and eaten by vermin. Look closer, Sanchez"—Bowie lowered his voice—"look closer. I am Bowie, whom you knew at Guadalupe. We fought together in the canyon of the Santa Maria—did we not?"

Sanchez stared hard at him. Bowie's very quiet pierced the sluggishness of his Indian nature.

"Senor," he stammered, speaking low and with the utmost caution. "I remember all. I did not know you. How can I help you? If I let you out they will shoot me."

"Do nothing of that kind. Only, as soon as you can, bring me something to eat and pass me a good knife. That's all—go. Tell them I will be ready."

Sanchez proved not ungrateful. Bowie's contempt for everything and everyone concerned in his imprisonment was not lessened by the threat of immediate death. But he set to work, within a minute after the knife was in his hand, to dig himself out of his crude surroundings.

Working feverishly for an hour in the clay underlying the stone floor, he had made progress in his tunnel when, although no sound reached his ear, the scant light through the peephole of his cell door lessened just enough to make him realize someone was looking in.

Expecting a bullet in the back of his head, he turned as unconcernedly as possible from the bunk near which he was working. Behind the bunk lay the loose earth scooped from under the floor. He glanced toward the peephole. A face was there. But the aperture was so narrow and high that he could see only the face itself. Bowie, sitting on the bunk, studied keenly the eyes that studied him. For a long moment there came a calm voice from the barred window.

"My son: I am a padre. May I speak a moment with you?"

ly," continued the padre. "He will open the door."

"That is not necessary, Padre. We can talk here face to face quite as well."

"Not quite so well, my son. I would rather sit down with you a few moments that we may speak undisturbed."

"Padre mio," said Bowie firmly, "I am at my devotions; please leave me in peace. I have but a few hours to live."

"That is why I wish to speak with you, my son. You were at your devotions. That is well. Are you a Catholic?"

Bowie was stumped. "I—well, not exactly, Padre. You see . . ."

Footsteps were heard outside. "Here comes the guard," said the padre, turning to look. "Let him open the door just a moment, my son. I promise I will not annoy you."

After locking the cell door, the guard had gone, leaving the two men in Bowie's narrow quarters. "My leg is not very good. You notice my limp," said the padre. "May I sit down?"

Motioning his unbidden guest to the one three-legged stool and seating himself on his bunk, Bowie



"Maybe you did, Kit, but I'd never think it of you."

hoped the padre's searching eyes would detect nothing of the loose earth piled underneath it. Yet to the uneasy prisoner it seemed almost too much to hope. His industry had made noticeable progress.

"They tell me, my son, that you are a spy," began the padre casually.

"So they tell me," returned Bowie, slightly acid in his tone.

"I ask, is it true?" continued his questioner.

"It is not," answered Bowie bluntly. "I have had no trial; not a shred of evidence lies against me. The truth is, Padre mio, your governor wants for himself a new and unusual firearm—it is called a revolver—that his men took from me. And he is putting me out of the way to get a clear title to it."

"Do not, my son, say 'your governor.' I am not an officer of the Mexican government. I am a Spaniard. My sole earthly quest in California is the salvation of souls. You may be a spy—though I do not believe it, for the whole story has been told me—or you may be twenty times a spy; that matters nothing to me. But since you are condemned to death let me ask: what of your soul? what of eternity? You are an Americano?"

"No, Padre."

"Not Americano—what then, my son?"

"A Tejano."

"A Tejano," echoed the Franciscan, still searching Bowie's face narrowly and speaking as if musing or as if placing in his mind a fact at a time to serve as tesserae for a possible mosaic. "When did you first come to California?"

"Some ten or twelve years ago, Padre. What," demanded Bowie impatiently, "has that to do with this trumped-up charge against me?"

"Nothing, nothing whatever, my son. But if you will be patient it may have something to do with what I have in mind. By what route did you come to California?"

"Across the Rio Colorado and the desert of the South."

The padre's interest seemed to grow. He spoke on with slight but increasing keenness. "Then you must have come in not very far from San Diego," he persisted, still musing.

"I did so come."

"I presume," continued the padre gently insinuating, "that you spoke Spanish when you came to California?"

"When I came to California neither I nor my companions could speak a word of Spanish."

"You did not come alone, then?"

"Two Texan scouts came with me."

"Three of you." The white-haired man, his penetrating eyes bent closely on Bowie, hesitated an instant. He spoke then intently. "My son, did you and your companions hear about that time of Indian murders?"

"I have heard of many Indian murders since coming to California."

"I speak of a raid and a murder in which a Spanish ranchero and his two vaqueros were killed, his house burned and two of his little girls carried into captivity by the Indians."

Bowie eyed the Franciscan for a moment without speaking. He was completely surprised. The priest's features were immobile. "I do remember such an incident, yes, Padre," returned Bowie impassively. Then with his curiosity aroused: "Why do you ask?"

The questioning padre straightened on his stool. "Because," he said slowly, "you are the Texan who brought those two girls back from the mountains. I am the priest in whose care you left them. I have been looking for you for twelve years."

"Twelve years ago! Is it that long? It must be. These years have taken their toll of your health and strength. Give me the stool; you take the bunk. It is a little better. If I were a Catholic I would confess to you that the reason I did not ask you to the better seat is because . . . I do not think you will betray me." He lowered his voice. "I'm digging a tunnel to get out of this place."

"I had already perceived as much!"

Bowie laughed, in spite of himself, at the dry avowal.

"It is certainly strange, Padre, that you and I should meet again after twelve years, under circumstances such as these! Well, queer things happen in California. Those were two nice little girls—I remember them well. But they were scared dumb. Whatever became of them?"

"My son, I have not seen these girls for almost ten years. They live far north in California. But to your present position." He lowered his voice to a whisper. "Should your attempt to escape fail, you face a terrible alternative. You may face a firing squad within a few hours."

"No, Padre mio. I shall face no squad. These Mexican dogs—I should feel disgraced to be shot by such rascals. If you sympathize with my predicament, dismiss your fears—for myself I have but one perplexity: where to find a horse when I get out."

"A horse?"

"A man on foot in California! Only you padres can stand that."

"I have a thought," whispered the padre. "But if I could provide a horse how could you, a stranger here, find it?"

"Please sit here with me on the bunk," Bowie spoke in whispers to one on whose good faith he was practically staking his life. "I shall not use this tunnel. It is a blind, Padre, to protect a friend. I shall walk out of the door tonight. A guard, to whom I once did a good turn, will aid me. Before daybreak I shall be gone."

"If I can have a horse at the back of this guardhouse at a certain time tonight, can you get to it?"

"I certainly can and I will thank you forever."

"But the time—"

"If I could see the stars I could tell you," said Bowie. "But I have no way. A signal? I could hear that. What time will the moon rise?"

"Not until after midnight."

"Then, by ten o'clock. All will be quiet here. Padre, you could not get two horses?"

"As easily as one."

"Then the guard will go with me. Two low whistles will tell me the horses are there. I shall be eternally grateful."

"Shortly after dark," said the padre, "I shall pass your cell door. Be alert. If I do not speak, the horses will be there. And now we must think about eternity. If you are discovered escaping, you will be instantly shot."

A heavy footstep approached in the corridor. It was the guard. He knocked roughly with his keys on the cell door.

"Is my time up?" asked the padre quietly as the guard stuck his face against the bars of the peephole.

"You're long past your time," he answered in surly tone. "Come out."

"Give me but two minutes," pleaded the padre.

"No."

"One minute—no more," roared the guard.

"He's drunk," whispered Bowie. "You do not know how to make confession of your sins?" whispered the padre to his neophyte.

"I do not, Padre."

"But tell me—for I think your heart is good—now, in the face of possible death, tell me you are sorry for your sins. Can you honestly do this, my son?"

Bowie hesitated. "I see no reason, Padre mio, why I should not do as you ask," he said at length.

"And being sorry for your own sins, tell me, my son, that you forgive those who have sinned against you."

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for February 9

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THE CHRISTIAN'S ATTITUDE TOWARD POSSESSIONS

LESSON TEXT—Luke 16:10-15, 19-23. GOLDEN TEXT—Ye cannot serve God and mammon.—Luke 16:13.

"In the service" is an expression much used today. Every community has young men in the service of their country. But they are not the only "service men," for the fact is that every man and woman serves under some authority. Our lesson today reminds us that our attitude toward our possessions determines both character and destiny. We decide whether they shall rule us or we shall rule them.

I. Who Is Your Master—God or Gold? You Decide! (vv. 10-15).

The decision here is of the "either-or" variety. "Ye cannot serve God and mammon" (which means "riches").

Money itself is neither good nor bad. It is the use to which it is put that determines whether it is to bless or to destroy. Rightly gained and rightly used, money is an honor to the man who has it, and will, through him, become a means of blessing. On the other hand, money which controls a man will blast his own soul and those of others round him.

Who decides which it shall be? You—and you alone. Here we come to the central truth of the matter. "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much" (v. 10). We generally read that as though it said, "He that is now faithful in a little will later have an opportunity to be faithful in much." That may be true, but what Jesus said here was that he "is faithful in much."

The point is that the man who is faithful in the much shows that life attitude by being faithful in the little. That is, only the man who is right in the great matter of his relationship with God will be the ruler over his possessions for the glory of God and the good of his fellow man. Someone may say, "I don't believe that." Well, you are in bad company (see vv. 14, 15). The Pharisees, who loved money, who were self-righteous, and whose attitude was an abomination in the sight of God, derided the words of Jesus.

If you don't like that kind of companions, I invite you to come over on God's side.

II. Where Will You Spend Eternity? Your Life Decides (vv. 19-23).

Our life beyond the grave is determined by our life on this side of death. Yes, we know that eternal life is a gift of God received by faith in Christ as Saviour, quite apart from our own works or our merit. But let us not forget that this means far more than uttering a few words of profession or going through a formula.

The man who really turns to Christ in saving faith becomes a new creature; he is born again (I Pet. 1:23). That means that he walks "in newness of life" (Rom. 6:4). And thus his life in this world determines both by decision for Christ and daily living for Him that he will, like Lazarus, be received into eternal blessedness.

Sad to say, the opposite is also true. Living as the rich man did, for self, will bring judgment in the world to come. There is no indication that he was especially wicked, but only that he loved his money, revelled in the flamboyant display of his wealth (v. 19), and had no thought for others (v. 21). Here again, the point is that these outward deeds were the expression of a heart attitude against God.

Death came to both of these men. It will come to all of us, unless the Lord returns to take us to Himself. It is not a pleasant matter to think of death, but only the unintelligent will fail to recognize the coming of that day. When it comes, it may be too late to make any real life decisions. Now is the day of salvation. The verses immediately following our lesson in chapter 16 indicate that the decision of men concerning their relationship to God is not dependent on the miraculous, but on moral and spiritual truth. The man who says he would believe if he could only see God perform a miracle is only evading the issue. Verse 31 says that the man who rejects God's Word does so because he wants to, not because he needs to be convinced by a miracle.

We Sleep to Wake

One who never turned his back, but marched breast forward; Never doubted clouds would break; Never dreamed, though right were worsted, wrong would triumph; Held we fall to rise, are baffled to fight better, Sleep to wake.

—Robert Browning.

Know Yourself

The sage knows what is in him, but makes no display; he respects himself, but seeks not honor for himself.—Lao Tze.

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Common Tasks

I do believe, said Phillips Brooks, the common man's task is the hardest. The hero has the hero's aspiration that lifts him to his labor. All great duties are easier than the little ones, though they cost far more blood and agony.

Pull the Trigger on Lazy Bowels, and Comfort Stomach, too

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WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON
(Consolidated Features—WNU Service.)

NEW YORK.—Adam Smith described economics as a science and then added, "Science is an antidote to the poison of enthusiasm."

FDR's Economist An Antidote to 'Poison of Zeal'

It is possible that President Roosevelt's personal economist, rarely heard or seen, serves as such an antidote when impulsive action is indicated. He is the somewhat dimly outlined Dr. Lauchlin Currie, graying at 37, clothed in gray, as though in protective coloring, a shadow-shape in the Washington fogs of doubt and uncertainty.

Dr. Currie not only delves into mountains of detail, as did Hay and Nicolay for Lincoln, in another critical hour in March, 1860, but he is a deep fount of economic doctrine. He has not been credited with the inspiration for the lease-lend bill for aid to Britain, but it is interesting to note that in April, 1938, he put forward a plan to solve railroad troubles by a leasing-lending procedure in which the roads would get equipment much in the manner in which Britain would get war goods under the new bill.

As the "last of the brain-trusters," he is an advocate of the full utilization of technical resources by clearing them of financial entanglements and commitments, so far as possible. The late Thorstein Veblen foreshadowed these techniques.

Dr. Currie is a native of Nova Scotia who became an American citizen in 1934. He joined the New Deal in that year, three years after taking his doctorate at Harvard, as an assistant economist under Jacob Viner of the treasury department. Later he was taken over by Mariner Eccles of the Federal Reserve board as an assistant in the division of research.

He is not only the President's personal economist, but his liaison man in economic matters, appointed as one of those six White House assistants, "with a passion for anonymity," which passion seems fairly authentic in his case. He was a teacher at Harvard and an industrial consultant in Boston before going to Washington.

All of which is a reminder that the average man's wife is his personal economist and that she frequently is an "antidote to the poison of enthusiasm."

IF ADAM SMITH were alive, he would note that Mile. Eve Currie's scientific antecedents had not dimmed any of her enthusiasms.

Science Has Not Curbed Emotion Of Mile. Curie

The daughter of Marie Curie arrives on the S. S. Ex-cambion boiling with enthusiasm for free France and for democracy and civilization in general, science or no science. Her previous trips over here had made her a favorite in this country and her charm, intelligence and beauty have been eloquently extolled.

Her burning black eyes might be called "an antidote to the poison of indifference." She qualified in science, at the Sorbonne, but turned to music in 1926, a gifted pianist, praised by her friend Paderewski. With all her other gifts, she is an athlete and a first-rate bowler.

And with all that, women rave about her clothes. Writing has supplanted music as her chief interest and she has been highly praised for her biography of her mother, published in 1938. Her proficiency in higher mathematics rounds out a perfect score for one of the most highly esteemed of our gang-plank celebrities.

ERICA MORINI, whose recent concert drew an overflow crowd to the Town Hall, frequently has been called "The greatest woman violinist." She doesn't like it. While she notes that there have been, in nearly three centuries, only 73 distinguished women violinists, as against thousands of men, she insists that the lag is due only to the fact that women have been too busy with homes and children to bring through their talents. She thinks the above accolade is patronizing to her sex.

When Adolf Hitler's tanks rolled into her native Vienna, the comely young violinist moved out, with her \$45,000 Stradivarius. It was in 1921 that she first came to New York, a child prodigy in pig-tails, making her American debut with the New York Philharmonic in a recital which one critic termed "the greatest violin sensation since Kreisler." Her father was Italian, one of a long line of musicians, but none so gifted as she. She defies snobs and hectorers by playing Victor Herbert and Stephen Foster along with the violin classics.

Coast Guard Runs 'Busiest Harbor'

New York Harbor Operated Under Wartime Rule 'Just Be Ready.'

NEW YORK.—Father Knickerbocker's harbor, the world's largest and busiest port, is being operated by the coast guard under wartime rules and regulations—"just to be ready."

Given control of all shipping under a presidential proclamation last June, the coast guard has worked night and day to gear its machinery to an emergency tempo.

In charge of this machine are Capt. Ralph W. Dempwolf, commander of the New York coast guard district, and his aid, Commander John S. Baylis, both veterans of the World war. As "captain of the port," Dempwolf is in complete charge of all shipping here.

One of the first steps taken under the emergency setup was to establish a training school at Ellis island and call for 500 recruits—men who will study the loading of munitions, anchorage problems, espionage and sabotage. More than 300 are already at work.

24-Hour Watch.

Here are some of the things the coast guard is doing outside of its normal routine:

Armed coast guard vessels keep a 24-hour watch at the harbor's three entrances—the Narrows, Throggs Neck and Perth Amboy—and carefully examine each ship as it enters and leaves port.

Belligerent vessels, phantom-like in their coats of camouflage, gray or buff, are forced to fly secret code flags of identification before the patrol allows them to clear.

Anti-sabotage squads work quietly and constantly along the teeming waterfront. In this task coast guardsmen are joined by FBI agents, army and navy intelligence officer.

Coast guardsmen superintend the loading of all munitions—at Bayonne, N. J., Terminal and Gravesend bay, where ships are loaded at anchor from barges. More than 1,100 longshoremen have been required to get coast guard certificates to handle explosives.

All ships loaded with munitions

are escorted by patrol vessels through the harbor. Eighteen vessels and several planes patrol the harbor's 770 miles of docks each day, watching for fires, oil pollutions, ice and checking the movements of each ship.

Make Daily Report.
A report on the position of every ship in the harbor—there are more than 300 some days—is sent to Washington each day.

The coast guard also does these jobs:
Patrols La Guardia airport.
Operates neutrality, weather and ice patrols in the Atlantic.
Answers SOS calls.
Investigates each fire, grounding and collision.

Belligerent vessels are given special treatment. Met at the narrows, their radios are sealed until they leave port. Their armaments are inspected and photographed.

If a ship is judged to be carrying offensive guns, the navy takes charge and sets a time limit for her to stay in the harbor.

The office of Baylis and Stanley, his assistant, is forever busy. Telephones and radios pour in messages, cutter captains report for orders, and civilians seek permits with re-

quests of every description, some of which seem strange even to the officers.

For example, Stanley recently was asked for permission to land 110 tons of Chinese firecrackers.



by Thornton W. Burgess

OLD MAN COYOTE GOES ON WITH HIS STORY

SAMMY JAY was just like a lot of little folks—he wanted more. Old Man Coyote had told him how once he was caught in two traps, and then he had told him what happened next. But that didn't satisfy Sammy. Oh, my, no! It left off right in such an interesting part. It left off with Old Man Coyote a prisoner, chained to a post and feeling very weak and miserable. Sammy knew that something interesting must have happened after that. He just knew it. So very timidly he asked Old Man Coyote what did happen next, and Old Man Coyote replied that was another story. Sammy waited hopefully, but he had just about made up his mind that he was to hear no more when Old Man Coyote cleared his throat and began again.

"I don't suppose you ever were tied to a post," said he.

"Mercy, No!" exclaimed Sammy Jay.

"You ought to be just to learn how good it is to be free," said Old Man Coyote. "Well, there I was chained to that post. I couldn't break that chain, though I tried my best, and I couldn't bite it in two, and finally I gave up trying, because I saw that it was of no use and it hurt my teeth. For a while I was dreadfully lame where the traps had hurt my legs, but they healed in time, and then it was harder than ever to be a prisoner. I had plenty to eat, but nothing tasted good. It is better to starve and be free than to have plenty and be a prisoner. Don't ever forget that, Sammy Jay. I know."

"At last one day I was put in a stout cage with iron bars, and then put in a wagon and taken away. That was the last I ever saw of the great, wide, wonderful West where my old home was."

Old Man Coyote stopped and the far-away look came into his eyes. It was so long before he began to speak that Sammy was afraid that he had forgotten that he was telling

Lead the Way Into Libya



This regiment of mechanized Australian cavalry is shown rolling across eastern Libya during the big push on Italian forces. These tanks broke the way for the desert blitzkrieg which threw Premier Mussolini's invasion of Egypt into reverse.

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Baby Indulges Taste For Secreting Money

KANSAS CITY.—Mary Josephine Wensetter, two years old, has developed a taste for money. She found 40 cents in a dresser drawer and swallowed a quarter. Then she downed a dime just as her parents rushed in. Later she returned to gulp down the remaining nickel. Her dad took her to a hospital.

New Type Bomb to Blast Submarines Gets a Test

LOS ANGELES.—A new type of bomb designed to blast submarines was demonstrated by Russell Hart, Los Angeles inventor.

It is fashioned from an alloy which Hart said is highly explosive in water. To demonstrate, he placed a bit weighing a tenth of an ounce through a small iron pipe into a can of water. There was an explosion. Hart said the explosion equalled that of two ounces of black powder. The water, he said, liberated hydrogen in the alloy and caused the explosion.

"A 100-pound bomb of this material," Hart asserted, "would be equal to a 300-pound depth bomb of the type now used by Great Britain."

The cost would be about 35 cents a pound instead of the present \$1, Hart said.

Hart related that he discovered possibilities of the alloy only by accident in removing bark from trees on a farm near Portland, Ore., in 1938. He said a piece of the alloy used in the bark remover slipped and plunged into a water well, causing an explosion.

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"Sometimes it seemed as if I would go crazy as I looked out between those bars and longed and longed and longed to run through the grass and among the trees, and go where I pleased, when I pleased, as I always had. I hope you'll never know what it is like to feel that way, Sammy Jay. It's—it's the worst feeling I know of. If I never had been free it wouldn't have been so bad, because I wouldn't have known what I was missing. But I had been free, just as I am now, and I could look out and see squirrels running around and birds flying, and all I could do was to trot back and forth, back and forth, behind those iron bars. Ugh! I don't like to think about it even now. It was worse than the pain of the traps. That's what it means to be a prisoner, Sammy Jay."

Old Man Coyote stopped, as if that was the end of the story. After a while, Sammy ventured another question. "Did they let you go finally?" he asked.

Old Man Coyote grinned. "Not so as you would notice it," said he. (Associated Newspapers—WNU Service.)

HE HAD A HOME



Head bandaged, an injured man sadly salvages belongings from his wrecked London home. He wasn't able to save much, though. The Nazi bomb did a good job.

Voltaire Listed Hazards In Invasion of England

DETROIT.—Three reasons why Adolf Hitler—or any European belligerent—should hesitate before attempting an invasion of Great Britain have been discovered in an unpublished letter of the Eighteenth century French writer Voltaire, written in 1759 when a force was being organized in France for a coastal invasion of the island.

Of the projected invasion, Voltaire wrote, "Three miracles are necessary so that it should succeed. The first is that a landing force may be allowed to get ashore. The second one is that they should remain in England any time at all without being exterminated. The third one is that they should get back."

Minute Make-Ups

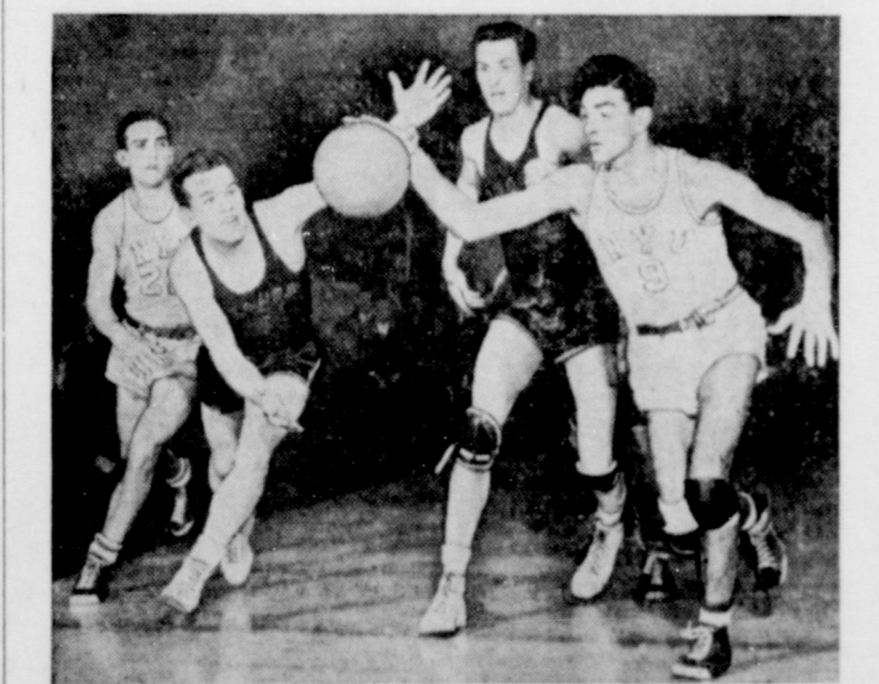
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Frozen Motion in Fast Game



It required a 1-100,000th of a second camera exposure to stop this fast action in mid flight at Madison Square Garden. A New York university player is shown with his hand on the ball in fast dribble down the court as a Syracuse university player tries to snatch it from him.

MODERN STREAMLINED ARMY STILL RELIES UPON INFANTRY

WASHINGTON.—The infantry still is "queen of the army" so far as the high command is concerned. And despite the emphasis on aviation and mechanization in modern war training, the infantry is not being neglected in modernization plans.

Plans may break through the enemy line, disrupt supplies and communications and throw the supporting force into a panic. Planes may carry a bombardment far beyond

points where the artillery formerly could reach. But the infantry still is the arm which moves into the breach, seizes the territory and holds it until able to advance or forced to retreat, according to army tacticians.

Despite swift advances in other service branches, only two major developments have taken place in the infantry. One is to get it more quickly into the breach at the front;

the second to arm it more heavily so it can strike more powerful blows and repel counter-assaults.

Speed has been given by streamlining the motorization of the infantry. Strength has been given by increasing the number of weapons.

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Hospitality for Our Over-Night Guests

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

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while thus entrained. Now Roy may have been just "yarning" to me about this, but that is what he told me.
Then, he told me there is still another subordinate organization within the American Legion, and that it is called the "8 and 40" and that it got its name from the custom of shipping 8 soldiers and 40 horses together in a single box car.

Well, I just want to say a little more about home town patriotism, and it is something that I read just now in "Caps and Lower Case," a little magazine issued by Jaggars-Chiles-Stoval, Inc. of Dallas, and the editor (I do not know who he is) calls himself "Caps." The little article may throw some light on the importance of being "home town" patriotic, even among big business men. It is entitled, "A Job To Do" and reads like this:
"Few people realize the 'behind the scenes work' that goes on among business and professional men working in the interest of their city. If it's the promotion of a basketball tournament in an East Texas community, a safety drive in Houston, a Cotton Bowl in Dallas, or a charity benefit in Fort Worth there are certain whose nature or position places upon them an assumption of responsibility. They usually come through.

They are telling a true story of a banker in one large Texas city who found a memorandum on his desk and immediately began calling a list of twenty men for \$50 contributions to the pool. Name number nine said, sure, put him down, but the home office was funny, so what was it for. The banker said blamed if he knew; they had just told him to raise a thousand—but wait a minute, he'd see the secretary, maybe she would know. The secretary didn't know, either, somebody had just phoned and left the memorandum.
"If little people and cantankerous guys who are always criticizing could really understand that a lot of unselfish work goes on among big businessmen, maybe they wouldn't be so little and cantankerous. Business is buy and sell, give and take, and there is need for both if a community is going to be a good one in which to live."

Well, that seems to me to have the proper smack and jingle to it, and that anyone who has the interest of his home town at heart, rather than solely the interest of "Me and my wife, and my son John and his wife," must look upon that sort of talk as being of genuine interest to him and his fellow townsmen. Bear in mind that those are not my words, but the words of some man who has lots of sense, and they are, therefore, worthy of your serious consideration.

I believe I can defy any Friona citizen to think more of Friona, her people, and her institutions, than I do. Yet, there are, perhaps, none who has done so little for them; but it has been only through the lack of ability to do, rather than the will to do, that I have not done more for my home town.

But, there's the rub. It so frequently happens that the one who has the greatest ability to be of community benefit, has the least will to do so, while the man with the meager ability will often be found to have the greatest will to do so. This may not be the rule in this thing we call human nature, but it sometimes seems that it is working by contraries in such matters. For instance, the boy who hates school and detests to attend, is never sick so he can have a justifiable excuse for missing, while the boy who is deeply interested in his school work, is always having go around and see Howard Morris about this matter, for Howard has always been our most active citizen in planning and arranging for this annual event. He is one of those citizens who has the ability and is willing to use it in promoting the agricultural interests of the community, and he is deserving of much praise for the interest he has taken.

But such conditions are probably the exception rather than the rule, and one may just be jumping at conclusions in taking that sort of a view of the matter. Anyway, it comes to me as savoring strongly of pessimism rather than optimism, and should therefore, be avoided as much as possible.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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11 A. M. Church Services.
7:15 P. M. Group meetings for all ages.
8 P. M. Church Services.
Monday
3 P. M. Women's Missionary Society.
Wednesday
8 P. M. Fellowship meeting.

BAPTIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Services:
Bible School 10:00 a. m.
Preaching Services 11:00 a. m.
B. T. U., 6:45, Evening.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday Evening, 7:30.
W. M. S., Tuesday, 2:30 p. m.
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Communion Services, 11:45 a. m.
Young People's Training Class, 7:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting each Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

COUNTY HOME DEMONSTRATION COUNCIL

The Parmer County Home Demonstration Council held its regular monthly meeting, January 25, at the Blackwell Hardware and Furniture Store in Friona. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. A. H. Boatman, the chairman.

Routine business such as reports of committees, took a large part of the time. Most important business of the first meeting of the year is the announcement of the business and special standing committees for the year, according to Miss Elsie Cunningham, demonstration agent.

The following women were named for the various committees by the chairman:

FINANCE: Mrs. Guy Bennett, Lakeview Club, chairman; Mrs. V. E. Adams, Hub; and Mrs. Joe Jesko, Midway.
EXHIBIT: Mrs. Vivian Talbot, Live-at-Home, chairman; Mrs. Davis King, Bovina; Mrs. E. W. McGuire, Okla. Lane.

YEARBOOK: Mrs. Floyd Schlenker, Rhea, chairman; Mrs. Lee Thompson, Okla. Lane; Mrs. G. T. Watkins, Okla. Lane.

RECREATION: Mrs. Will Nittler, Bovina, chairman; Mrs. E. L. Fairchild, Lakeview; Mrs. Helen Potts, Rhea.

EDUCATION: Mrs. A. D. Wilkerson, Okla. Lane, chairman; Mrs. Ed Eberting, Bovina; Mrs. Travis Brown, Rhea.

Miss Lida Cooper, District Agent Extension Service, spent two days the past week in Parmer county, on business.

Rev. C. Carl Dollar, pastor of the local Congregational Church, drove to Amarillo, Tuesday morning, to carry Mrs. Grace Hart and her small daughter, Elda, that are on their way to the Scottish Rites hospital at Dallas.

It has just occurred to me that this is February, and it will only be a few weeks until the first of March, and it is usually early in that month that Friona puts on her annual Calf Show and livestock exhibit, but, to date, I have heard nothing about it. I hope the committee has not forgotten about it, for, in my opinion, that is, perhaps, the most interesting, as well as the most instructive and valuable public affair that our city and community has during the year, and I hope it may not be omitted this year.

I think I shall take time off and go around and see Howard Morris about this matter, for Howard has always been our most active citizen in planning and arranging for this annual event. He is one of those citizens who has the ability and is willing to use it in promoting the agricultural interests of the community, and he is deserving of much praise for the interest he has taken.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Johnson and son, Billie, and Mrs. Will Parker, all of Bovina, visited friends here Tuesday.

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AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

By Roy Price

We continue to grow. Did you know we had, in 1940, a membership of 1,078,119, a gain of 43,130 over last year, and 124 new posts were organized, bringing our total of 11,715 throughout the country? We also have the largest Legion Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion on record. Likewise 40 and 8 have made big gains from any previous year.

You will find the services of the American Legion work in all parts of the country, same as in Red Cross and other charitable unions.
Saturday, February 22nd, has been set aside as Defense Registration Day of all Legionnaires and war veterans. This is, of course, a voluntary movement and all veterans are urged to contact the local post and fill in the questionnaire, stating his vocation or trade, education or any other special training he may have. A total of 28 questions is to be answered along with a list of some 65 vocational activities. You can check the occupations or capacities of your experience from.

Filing these forms is a small part you are requested to do, then, after that these are checked, filed, classified and indexed for future use, and the original copy goes to our post files and are kept here, then one copy each to the State Department at Austin, and the National headquarters at Indianapolis, Indiana. These files are kept as a permanent record, so that in the future if any question arises of interest, we have a complete history at moment's notice. In emergency cases where immediate action is necessary; also in aid to national defense in case of real emergency and employment in Civil Service or otherwise, records are set and no time is lost in getting the facts established. This is one of the most complete records ever attempted by the Department, and you are urged to cooperate. Most of the Buddies are past war service requirements, but there still remains many home duties and professional places you are eligible to hold, and since the draft of so many of the younger boys, you are falling in line for this work.

We are making every effort to have the blanks on hand at our next regular meeting of the Post, on February 11th, for your convenience and with full instructions for filing. Come and assist in this work. We have, at present, 60 paid members for 1941, and we need you, and if you live in Parmer county you owe it your membership. You should register in the county, even if you are a member somewhere else.

We urge all veterans of any war to register with us on February 22nd, attend our meetings and enjoy the work in helping to uphold the democracy of our country. Remember to meet with us on February 22nd and February 25th.

Roy Price,
Adjutant and Service Officer.

A training school for demonstrators of the various Parmer County Home Demonstration Clubs was conducted at the Blackwell Hardware and Furniture Store in Friona, January 25. The theme of the program was National Defense and Food. Each demonstrator will return to her club with the plea "Let us make every American stronger, sturdier than ever before, surlier in body, steeper in nerves, surer in living."

Miss Elsie Cunningham, Home Demonstration Agent, told the group that food will definitely play an important part in this defense undertaking—and continued by pointing out that we can start in our homes by making certain each member of the family gets the food that keeps him strong and well.

Mayor F. W. Reeve spent Wednesday and Thursday at Plainview in attendance at a district meeting of AAA committeemen of the district.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Johnson and son, Billie, and Mrs. Will Parker, all of Bovina, visited friends here Tuesday.

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Jim Wilson and Joel Dwight made a business trip to Hereford, Thursday.

Mrs. Tip Isham, of Bovina, visited here, Friday.

Mrs. Fannie Powell, of Norman, Oklahoma, arrived here by bus, Saturday, for a few weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. W. D. Bulls.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Schlenker, of Rhea, visited here Friday.

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THOSE GOOD OLD TIMES

The writer had occasion recently to spend a few idle minutes in the City Drug Store, and was deeply interested in the splendid display and variety of valentines which J. R. has in stock.

They range in variety from the very pretty ones to those that are much smaller and not so pretty, but all of them are attractive and appropriate for the use for which they are intended, that of carrying a love message from the sender to some one.

Many of them are so attractive that to receive one of them, could hardly do otherwise than engender at least, a kindly feeling toward the sender, while others were not so pretty; but I did not see any of those old-time comic style valentines in the entire stock.

Many people of this day and age, perhaps, do not remember those old time comics, many of which were so ugly and hideous as to almost hurt one's eyes to look at them, contained verses of rhyme that were almost too profane and vulgar to permit of passage through the mail. These were sent by persons, some in a spirit of punne fun, knowing the one to whom they were sent would stand for it; while others were sent by persons who had a spite at the recipient, and wanted to give him a dirty dig, and did not have the intestinal fortitude to do so openly to his face.

Looking at these valentines, called to the mind of the writer, many scenes and occasions of days long gone by; as, when a boy of about 8 or 10 years of age, some of the girls at school established a school post office on Valentine's Day, and from one of the windows of the school building, called the names of those having mail there, all of which mail was homemade valentines, and well

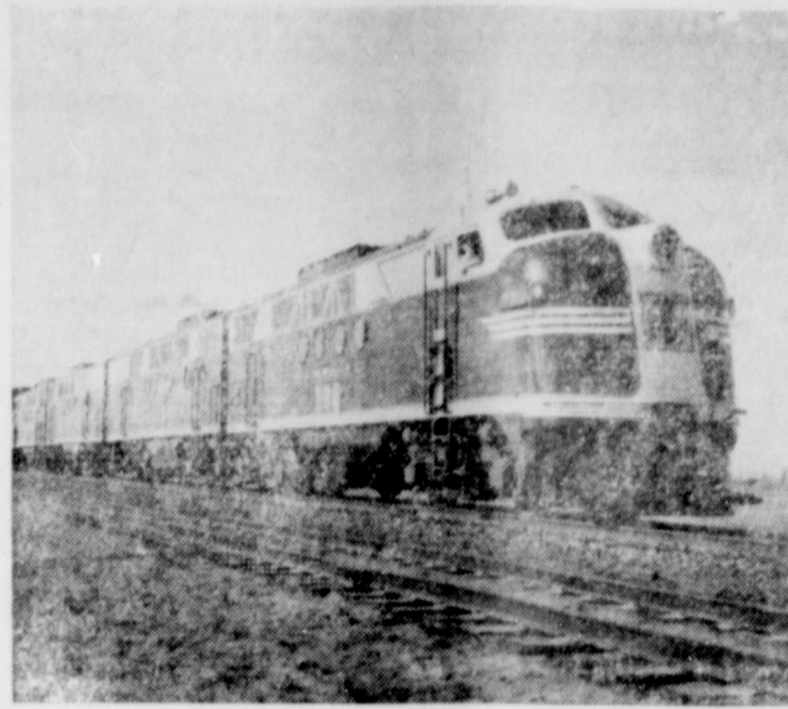
do I remember the feeling of exultant delight and rapture, which enthralled my entire being, both physical and mental, when I heard my own name called—just one time—and had delivered into my hand one of those "home-made" valentines.—Many of the boys and girls received several, but I received but one. I was not so handsome then as I now am.—It was a comic, and the maker of it was not an exceptionally good artist, but I could plainly make out that it was intended to represent a boy with long, dangling legs, sitting astride a jackass—or maybe it was a mule—and as I had long dangling legs, I was sure the rider was meant to represent me, and the mule—if such it was—was so short of stature that my feet almost reached the ground as I sat astride him, and underneath the picture were the words, "Get it Jack." But that tingling of delight I have never forgotten, though that was more than sixty years ago.

SANTA FE CARLOADINGS

The Santa Fe System carloadings for the week ending February 1st 1941, were 17,992 compared with 16,975 for the same week in 1940. Received from connections were 7,200 compared with 5,402 for the same week in 1940. The total cars moved were 25,197 compared with 22,377 for the same week in 1940. The Santa Fe handled a total of 25,614 cars during the preceding week of this year.

J. J. Williams, proprietor of the Friona Hardware, was a business visitor at Kress, Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lois Bates attended the funeral of his grandmother, at Clovis, Monday afternoon.



World's first diesel freight locomotive—Just put in service by Santa Fe Railway.

The powerful freight Diesel on its first regular run will pass over the Santa Fe lines in the Southwest, February 6 and 7, arriving at Belen, New Mex., on the latter date. It is expected by railway officials that the initial run will be viewed by tens of

thousands of adults and school children as it represents a new era in freight transportation. The locomotive is 193 feet in length and is divided in four sections so as to permit curve rounding.

Mrs. Pearl Kinsley and Mrs. Wayne B. Stark shopped in Amarillo, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bennett and Mrs. C. L. Rury visited and shopped in Amarillo, Monday.

M. A. Crum was a business visitor at Farwell, Monday, and at Hereford, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Venable and children, Stanley and Betty Jean, of Bovina, have moved to this locality and will reside on a farm where he is employed.

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

The Girl Scouts met at the Girl Scout Hut, Friday, January 24th. The new Scouts are beginning work on the second class, while the others are beginning work on any badge we wish to work on.

One new Girl Scout, Carlene Elizabeth Scott, who was not able to be with us Friday, the 17th, learned to build a Girl Scout fire.

Lavern Dukes, a Girl Scout who moved to Black, about the last of September, is back with us now. We like to work with her very much, and we will like working with her again.

Troop Scribe, Jacqueline Bennett, Bluebonnet Troop, No. 2.

MORE GIRL SCOUT NEWS

The Girl Scouts met at the Girl Scout Hut, Friday, January 31st. The new Scouts are working on second class badges. The old Scouts are working in groups on badges, then the whole group will work on Junior Citizenship Badge, which is going to be very interesting. We hope to begin on the badge next Friday.

Troop Scribe, Jacqueline Bennett, Bluebonnet Troop, No. 2.

CUB SCOUT NEWS

The Little Panther Den met Thursday afternoon, January 23rd, at the usual place. All members were present.

We were invited to spend our play time with Den No. 1, and to help celebrate the birthday of Weldon Morris.

Delightful refreshments of punch and birthday cake were served by Mrs. Morris. We had a nice time and went to thank Den No. 1, and Mrs. Morris.

CUB SCOUT NEWS

The Little Panther Den met Thursday, January 30th, with Den No. 1 in the Grade School gym. All nine members and our Den Chief were present. Two members, V. B. and HARRY Mack Whitley, worked on their Bob Cat badge. They hope to pass this badge next meeting. Most of the afternoon was spent playing basketball and other games.

We are very sorry to lose one of our very best Cub Scouts, L. A. Jones, who moved yesterday to Dumas, L. A. He was worked hard and had passed as many or more achievements than any other Cub in Little Panther Den.

We send our very best wishes for his happiness in his new home. We hope that he will continue in Cub Scout work. May he find many friends in his new home, but not forget his old friends and Cubs: Wayne Bainum, Lee Cranfill, Wayne Wilkins, Mack Whitley, V. B. Whitley, and Wayne Stark Jr., Den Chief, and Mrs. Guy Bennett, Den Mother.

Reporter.

HUB H. D. CLUB REPORT

The Hub Home Demonstration Club met, January 24th, in the home of Mrs. J. W. Shults, with Mrs. Lucile Day as co-hostess.

The demonstration, "Let's Learn to Knit," was given by Mrs. A. H. Boatman. Our next meeting will be February 14th, with Mrs. Leo McLellan, at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

Our Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Elsie Cunningham, and our County Agent, Jason O. Gordon, will give the demonstration, "Plan Your Work and Work Your Plan." All club members, with their families, are urged to be present. Everyone is invited to come.

Reporter.

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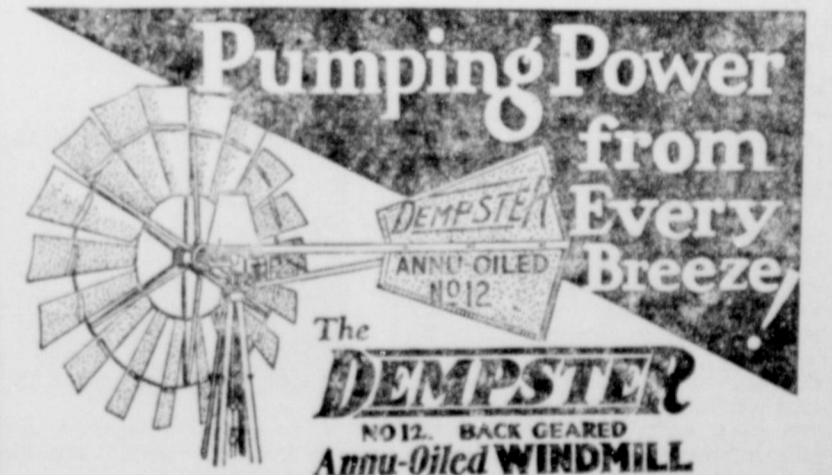
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The Germans broke through upon the heart of France because the Sedan sector of the impregnable Maginot line was manned by young men from Paris whose physical vitality had been sapped by immoral indulgences. It was not the defenses that failed France; it was her defenders.

USED CAR OUTLOOK FOR 1941

DETROIT—Chevrolet dealers' confidence, during 1940, of used car sales gains evident since the factory's used car merchandising program was launched several years ago, assures still greater emphasis in 1941, on the used car reconditioning system which, from the standpoint of the buyer, is the most vital feature of the program. W. E. Holler, general sales manager, and sponsor of the high successful operation, made this announcement here today.

"Besides leading the industry in car sales in 1940, for the ninth time in 10 years, Chevrolet dealers lengthened their lead in the used car end of the business," Mr. Holler said. "They sold 1,090,072 used cars, a figure substantially in excess of the huge 1929 total, and second only to the all-time peak year 1936. More used cars were sold—by some 340,000 than in the calendar year 1939."



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NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Reviewed by
CARTER FIELD

Fight on President's aid-to-Britain program links personal element to Wilson's opposition . . . British make grave mistake in agricultural policy.

WASHINGTON.—So many of the political phases of the present help to Britain situation remind observers of the days just before American participation in the first World war that the actual relationships of some of the men involved are of interest.

For instance, there is Sen. Bennett Champ Clark of Missouri, one of the leading opponents of President Roosevelt's foreign policy. The senator is the son of Speaker Champ Clark, who in 1915 and 1916 was one of the outstanding opponents of President Wilson, insisting, as his son does now, that "the President is leading us into war."

Of course the Clark case was embittered by the personal rivalry of the two men. Champ Clark had been a candidate for the Democratic nomination in 1912 and, according to majority rule, was in a way entitled to it, for he won all the primaries in which he entered, including some against Woodrow Wilson.

Senator Clark was his father's parliamentary clerk at the time, and no son was ever more devotedly loyal and partisan.

LA FOLLETTE ISOLATIONIST

Another son who is carrying on the same fight his father made against the White House on the isolationist issue is Robert M. La Follette. Perhaps no figure in our political history was ever treated more drastically than the elder La Follette for what was regarded as his unpatriotic course.

Charles A. Lindbergh, consciously or not, is affected by the same sort of thing. His father, a member of the house in those days, was an isolationist, and voted against the declaration of war. He was persecuted, at a time when the Atlantic flier was at probably the most impressive age.

Sen. Burton K. Wheeler is another of this group, though in Wheeler's case he underwent persecution himself. In the war days he was a district attorney in Montana, and if there was anything short of traitor which was not said about him, it could not be printed anyway.

He had plenty of enemies, both in Montana and Washington, who virtually left nothing unsaid about him, so naturally he bears a few scars. Add to this the fact that he became closely associated later with the elder La Follette, being his running mate on the Progressive ticket for President in 1924, and you have a background which will explain everything.

A study of the list of those opposing the lend-lease bill to aid Britain will reveal that while the illustrations given are the most spectacular, there are plenty of others.

Britain's Agricultural Policy Unsound

It is very obvious now that the British made a mistake in their whole agricultural policy, from the national defense standpoint—a mistake almost as grave as their lack of preparedness.

Sir Charles Ross, inventor and manufacturer of the famous Ross rifle in the days preceding and during the last World war, has been pounding away at the British government from his home in Washington since 1939 to do something drastic about the food situation.

Sir Charles has been deeply interested in agricultural problems for many years. As the largest remaining landowner in Scotland, he pried every bit of information possible out of the U. S. department of agriculture with a view to making those lands more productive.

As a result, he came early to a pronounced conviction that tractors were absolutely necessary. Early in the war he urged that it was vital to Britain's safety to have every possible acre producing food. He seized on a calculation printed in the London Times which showed that some 3,000,000 odd acres, which had been under cultivation at the close of the last war, in 1918, were not being used for the production of food a year ago.

"Proper use of those 3,000,000 acres," says Sir Charles, "would have made Britain almost self-supporting on foodstuffs. But this was not done."

"But for years prior to the outbreak of this war the British government had deliberately discouraged domestic agriculture, allowing the prices to sag below the cost of production. The purpose of this was to give a trade advantage to our industries. We wanted to sell our manufactured products in Argentina for example, so we wanted to be able to buy in return the beef and grain of that country," he explained.

Boy Scout Work Encourages Confidence in Young America

By **WARREN WILLIAM**
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Plagued by fears of world disaster, Americans will find new encouragement in the future of this country during Boy Scout week, February 7 to 13. More than 1,500,000 future citizens are enrolled in this nation-wide organization which follows the slogan, "Be Prepared."

Fully conscious of the emergency facing America today, the Boy Scouts are endeavoring to become a signal and effective asset to the country. Scout officials point out that the new slogan, "Strengthening and Invigorating Democracy," is more than just a slogan—it is a plan of action.

Take 'Roll Call.'

First step in this new program was taken last September. Because it was done smoothly and efficiently, few persons were even conscious of the nation-wide roll call and inventory taken in every one of the 40,000 Scout units throughout the nation. This work forms the basis of an extensive plan to make Scouting more effective.

In many communities older boys are making ready to act as Emergency Service Corps, trained to apply Scout lore in assisting the Red Cross into war.



"Grand old man of Scouting," Daniel C. Beard (left) is National Scout Commissioner. James E. West (right) is Chief Scout Executive.

Cross and other existing agencies in times of disaster.

Invaluable services performed by Boy Scouts during emergencies are familiar to almost all Americans. Every year brings additional accounts of youngsters who save lives through prompt action made possible by their rudimentary training in first aid and self-reliance.

Help in Emergencies.

New England and Florida, still recovering from the hurricanes and floods of 1938, remember the Boy Scouts with warmth. Running messages, taking care of refugees, and many times actually saving lives in dramatic episodes, these Scouts showed themselves to be fine examples of young manhood.

These teen-age boys also proved their worth during the World war by selling more than \$400,000,000 worth of Liberty Loan subscriptions. They also distributed \$43,000,000 worth of War Savings Stamps and located over 5,200 carloads of standing walnut trees for defense authorities.

"Learning by doing" is the only "secret" to the ability of Boy Scouts to meet emergencies. Their program is an active one, stressing outdoor life and self-reliance.

The Boy Scouts of America were founded as the result of a "good turn" performed by an unknown Scout in London. During the winter



Familiar to millions of Americans is this symbolic picture of a Boy Scout. It has appeared on the front cover of the Scout Handbook for many years.

of 1910 the late William D. Boyce, a Chicago publisher, was in London on a business trip. One evening when he became hopelessly lost in a heavy fog, a boy appeared out of the night and offered to guide him. Mr. Boyce handed the youth a tip, but he refused it, saying he was a Boy Scout and part of his duty was to be helpful.

The result was the founding of an organization in America that has attracted more than 8,700,000 persons during the last 31 years.

Taft Honorary President.

President William Taft accepted the office of honorary president proffered him immediately upon the organization's incorporating, and since that time each succeeding President has held that office.

Great progress was made in 1911 to put the organization on a sound basis. The national council was established and the first annual meeting was held at the White House. The first edition of the Handbook was published and the Scout oath, law, badge and fundamental policies were adopted. Before the end of the year the membership grew to include 61,500 Scouts and organizers.

The Scout movement was expanded to include members in every state during 1912. Sea Scouting was launched and Boys' Life was purchased to become the official magazine. During the spring of 1913 the Scouts gave their first assistance in a major disaster when spring floods inundated parts of Ohio and Indiana.

After the end of the World war in 1918, the Scouts rendered first-aid service throughout the country in the influenza epidemic. That year Rotary clubs started the present wide-spread co-operation by business men's clubs and other institutions in sponsoring troops.

Membership in the Boy Scouts of America passed the half-million mark in 1920. The first International Scout Jamboree which was held in London that year was attended by representatives from 32 countries, including 300 from the United States.

Today, with the largest membership in its history, the Boy Scouts of America are ready for any demands that may be made of them in the present world crisis. It is ready not only to act in case of emergency, but it is ready to continue to uphold American democracy.

Head Off 'Enemy' Planes



Eyes and ears of U. S. anti-aircraft batteries are shown trying to locate bombing planes "attacking" New York during recent air maneuvers. At left, a powerful searchlight follows directions flashed by the sound detector (right) to locate a plane flying overhead so anti-aircraft guns can shoot it down.

World's Largest Airport Nears Completion in Miami

MIAMI, FLA.—The world's largest commercial aviation landing field, a 900-acre tract with runways a mile long, is nearing completion on the outskirts of Miami.

Known as the Miami International Air terminal, the new air base will be the clearing house for all air traffic between the United States, the West Indies and the South American Republics. It represents a potential expenditure of more than \$9,000,000.

Present plans call for the runways and landing field facilities to be completed by July 1, when the new airport will be formally placed in service.

Last year during a period of six months 1,152 planes entered or cleared Miami to and from the West Indies, Cuba and Central and South American countries, carrying 45,814 passengers, 243,428 pounds of mail, and 381,540 pounds of express, valued at more than \$5,500,000.

Author Describes 'Life After Death'

Claims Ample Experiment Provides Real Proof For His Theory.

NEW YORK.—Though differing in its military phase, World War II nonetheless appears to be running true to the form of World War I in an aspect important in the opinion of psychologists. That aspect has to do with revival of wide-spread interest in what from the religious standpoint is called spiritualism and in scientific circles is known as psychical research.

It was during the mass killings of the first World war that Conan Doyle stopped the flow of his famous Sherlock Holmes detective stories to announce boldly that he was in communication with the dead and could prove it. The rest of his life was given over to offering that proof, or what he thought was proof of his theory.

'Speaks' With Dead.

Actuated by the same conviction, Sir Oliver Lodge, one of the great physical scientists of all time, brought consolation into millions of bereaved British homes by his book, "Raymond." In it he related conversations he believed he had had with his son after the latter's death in action during a battle "somewhere in France."

But the psychic work of Doyle and that of Lodge were only examples of the hundreds of "revelations" published in England and America between 1914 and 1920—by ouija board operators, table-tilters and amateur clairvoyants as well as by



STEWART EDWARD WHITE

trained scientific experimenters. In addition, strange tales had been brought back by soldiers who had fought at the front. Many still remember the story of the Angels of Mons.

And now with Europe once more drenched in blood, with people being killed daily and whole populations living under hourly threat of death, men of achievement like Lodge and Doyle are again testifying to their conviction that those who have died can and do communicate with the living. And this time something more than mere testimony is being offered. One book, just published, "The Unobstructed Universe," by Stewart Edward White, undertakes to chart a program for proving survival by physical experiment and not just through so-called revelation.

Life After Death.

He has embarked on what he considers an even more important exploring task—that of finding out and reporting what goes on beyond the very borders of life itself. Why he believes he has succeeded in this new exploration is told in "The Unobstructed Universe."

His interest in psychical research is due largely to the persistence of his wife, Betty. It had long been established that she herself was possessed of remarkable psychic powers. But White was skeptical 20 years ago of his wife's excursions into a forbidden frontier which he could not explore himself. An unusually practical man, he had to be shown, and was at last convinced only by the mounting weight of evidence she provided.

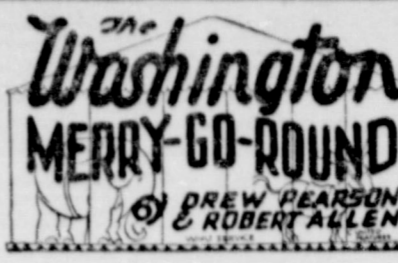
It was a logical outcome of their joint psychic experiments that, after his wife's death in April, 1939, White set about seeking to establish contact with her. How, in his own belief, he finally succeeded he related in "The Unobstructed Universe."

White's book purports to present a detailed report of how the spiritual form retains its personal identity; how it is fed, clothed and sheltered. The work and even the pleasures of life after death are described.

Of intense interest is the explanation offered of how the transcended individual lives on with earthly friends, though unseen—not merely as a memory, but as a fully aware person.

Some will think, as they did in the case of Conan Doyle and Sir Oliver Lodge, that Stewart Edward White, self-deceived, is just another brilliant writer of good literature gone wrong.

"I don't object to that," he says. "It's part of the game of putting over a new idea."



Washington, D. C.

COUNCIL FOR AMERICA

A new organization to be known as the Council for America will soon be launched to rally public sentiment behind the President's foreign and defense policies.

Leaders of the movement are prominent liberals whose aim is to bring together labor, farmer, literary and similar groups into a militant organization to oppose the activities of the America First Committee and other isolationist units. The Council for America will not be a rival of the Committee for the Defense of America by Aiding the Allies, but will work along similar lines through elements that are not reached by it.

The plan is to launch the new organization publicly on Lincoln's birthday with a nationally broadcast address by Mayor LaGuardia.

Among those interested in the new movement is Mrs. Dwight Morrow, mother-in-law of Col. Charles Lindbergh.

SCORNFUL OF JAPAN'S NAVY

Behind the scenes in the United States navy there are two schools of thought regarding the danger of war with the Japanese. Both of them agree, however, regarding its outcome.

One school, made up of younger officers who have served recently in the Far East, has developed a scorn for Japanese sea power, declares that Japan never has met a first class navy, that annihilation of her fleet would be a matter of two or three months.

They cite especially the Japanese effort to reduce the Woosung forts protecting Shanghai in 1932, when the aim of Japan's big naval guns was so poor that for a while American photographers stood on top of the fortifications taking pictures of the bombardment.

The other school of thought is composed of older officers who are specialists in naval tactics. They have figured out the time necessary to move the fleet from Hawaii, to establish a large enough garrison to protect the Philippines, and to prepare for meeting the Japanese fleet in its own waters. To do all this they want at least a year.

Both groups agree that the United States would come out on top, but they disagree widely on the time required for victory.

It is extremely important to note that both groups are assuming the British fleet would remain on guard in the Atlantic and the United States would not face the job of protecting Latin America from Hitler—simultaneously with the attack by the Japanese.

This is one reason why many younger naval officers definitely favor an aggressive policy toward Japan now. They argue that this would be the surest means not only of helping the British, but also of polishing off an almost certain enemy at a time when the Atlantic still is protected.

NOTE—Naval reports indicate that the Japanese are shying away from the idea of invading the Dutch East Indies, despite Nazi urging. One deterrent has been the strong defenses of the Dutch. Another has been significant U. S. naval moves, particularly storing a large supply of torpedo tubes in Hongkong, keeping a large flotilla of submarines at Manila, and concentrating the fleet at Hawaii instead of California.

NEW FLYING TANK

The Royal Air force has been contemplating for some time a relentless bombing of Amsterdam. Advice for such a raid was sent in coded cables from the British embassy here, after intelligence reports revealed that the Germans had developed a tremendous production of military equipment in Amsterdam intended for the invasion of England.

Directly after the invasion of Holland, the Germans took over the tremendous Fokker aircraft plant in Amsterdam and began production of a large four-motored plane. Word received here from Holland—and relayed back to Britain—is that this type of plane is for use as a tank transport.

Special tanks are being built in Germany sufficiently light to be hoisted aboard these planes and carried across the channel. The British are planning to buy a similar type of "aero-tank" from the United States, but are awaiting passage of the lease-learn bill before signing contracts.

Meantime, they may be expected to try to cripple Amsterdam's production of this new weapon.

MERRY-GO-ROUND

Lanky, curly-haired Rep. Carl Durham of North Carolina is one of the top golfers in congress. He consistently shoots in the low seventies.

Rep. Jim Scrugham of Nevada has had a bird's eye view of an earthquake in action and has the evidence to prove it. In his office hangs a picture "he-look in 1929, when, as a newspaper man, he flew over the Sierra Nevada mountains and snapped a quake just as it opened a huge fissure in the mountains below.

HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS

If milk boils over on the stove, sprinkle the spot with salt. This will at once remove the disagreeable odor.

An old piece of velvet makes an ideal polishing cloth for silver or furniture.

Parsley washed with hot water keeps its flavor better and is easier to chop.

Baking powder biscuits and cookies rise better and brown more evenly on baking sheets than they do in pans.

Keep cheese in a well-covered dish or it will become dry and tasteless.

Steamed leftover fruit cake served with a lemon sauce makes a delicious dessert.

If you wish to boil a cracked egg, place a little vinegar in the water in which it is boiled. This will keep the egg from seeping through the crack in the shell.

Iron rust may be removed from white goods with sour milk.

Creaky stairs, like creaky floors, are an unnecessary annoyance. If your stairway gets too noisy, here's the way to go about silencing the offending treads. Simply nail a few extra finishing nails through the treads into the risers below. The finishing nails used should be three inches long, and they should slant alternately to the right and to the left as they are driven in. And after counter-sinking the nails, the nail-holes may be filled with plastic wood and painted.

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DOAN'S PILLS



GENERAL HUGH S. JOHNSON Says:

Washington, D. C.

'TRANSFER' OF U. S. NAVY

The President says that any suggestion that, under the "lease-lend" bill he might transfer part of our navy to another nation is a "cow-jumped-over-the-moon" idea—meaning, we may suppose, Mother Goose nonsense or a palpable impossibility. "Hi-diddle-diddle, the cat and the fiddle, the cow jumped over the moon." He also says that he never even considered using the navy to convoy American shipments to Britain.

A great deal of confusion is creeping into this debate. There is nothing in the "lease-lend" bill about conveying ships. Providing they are not violating the neutrality act and the President's own proclamations thereunder, by entering proclaimed war zones, or otherwise, American ships can still sail the sea. If there is danger of illegal interference with them by another nation while they are in pursuit of their lawful business, the President doesn't need any additional authority to protect them with naval convoys. Therefore the convoy argument is not properly in the debate on the "lease-lend" bill.

But this "cow-over-the-moon" business is something else again. There is no authentic record of any cow jumping over any moon, but there is a very recent and rather startling record of a President transferring a very substantial part of our navy, to wit, 50 destroyers, to a belligerent nation. It was done without any specific authority. There is also a considerable record of diddling public opinion just before election or during the debate on hotly contested legislation by promises that were quickly forgotten—for example, the 1932 promise not to violate the gold covenants in our bonds and money. That was the highest diddle-diddle in all our economic history. But there was no remedy. All that happened was that "the little dog" laughed to see such sport and the dish ran away with the spoon.

If there is no intention to transfer any part of our sorely needed armament, why is it necessary to grant unlimited authority to do so? With a little paraphrasing and transposition, which does no violence to its intent, the 1776 bill authorizes the President "to sell, transfer, lease, lend or otherwise dispose of . . . any weapon, munition, aircraft, vessel or boat . . . any component material . . . any other commodity or article for defense."

WAR POWERS

There is a lot of argument in fa-

THE MISSING OWL

By TOM FRENCH

(McClure Syndicate—WNU Service.)

CARLTON THOMAS belonged to the most exclusive senior society at Parkleigh college. It was entitled the Order of Owls.

It is, of course, a great thing to belong to this society. Membership in it means that you can wear the small enameled owl, not too conspicuously, of course, but where it will show when you take out your watch. Just one glimpse of that little enameled pin—and the world is open to you.

Carlton Thomas had been out of Parkleigh for ten years, and he had found that his hard progress upward as a lawyer depended very little on his membership in the Owls.

But one illusion of his undergraduate days remained to Carlton. He still felt that his being an Owl put him up a peg or two with the girls.

So, in moments of enthusiastic though perhaps not wise feeling, Carlton had parted with several Owl pins. It had always been possible to get more at headquarters.

One morning when Carlton was opening his mail in the bachelor apartment he shared with Steve Tompkins, another Owl from Parkleigh, he was surprised to see a communication from the fraternity headquarters.

"I've got one, too," Steve said. "Read what it says."

Carlton took Steve's advice. The notice said that according to a recent decision of the active Owls, no Owl could be allowed to give his pin to a girl unless he was engaged or married to her. The society felt that some Owls had been a little reckless about the matter, and, as headquarters had a record of the number of pins issued to each member, all outstanding pins must be accounted for. They must know that the pins had either been lost or were in proper hands.

"But," said Steve, "it's only some of those girl-crazy Johnnies they've been taking in lately who'd give their pins around promiscuously—not old-timers, like us. If you've lost them, you've lost them."

"Yes," muttered Carlton. "If you've lost them—you've lost them." And he clutched at a special slip that had fallen from his envelope, a notification from headquarters that he must account for six pins he had applied for.

After Steve left, Carlton listed his pins:

"One that I wear. Two, I gave my sister to make Maud Dawson jealous by thinking perhaps Steve gave it to her. Three, I gave Maud Dawson to get even with my sister. Write for those two. Four, I gave the little brunette in Rome. Good as lost. Five, I gave Jane Tracy after I cupped her."

Tonsil Removal Doesn't Always Prevent Colds

By DR. JAMES W. BARTON

WHEN a youngster has frequent colds, parents may feel that removal of the tonsils might prevent these colds. Experience has amply proven that the removal of tonsils does not prevent colds except in some cases where the cold always begins with a sore throat.

TODAY'S HEALTH COLUMN

There is present throughout the world today a feeling that tonsils should not be removed unless it can be definitely shown that they are to blame for the symptoms present. Thus in the Hospital for Sick Children, London, 2,729 operations for removal of tonsils were performed in 1938, as compared with 4,730 operations in 1930.

In discussing the removal of tonsils and adenoids, Sir Lancelot Barrington-Ward at the Royal Society of Medicine, said that the tonsil was in his experience much the more dangerous element. The structure of the tonsil allowed organisms to remain dormant or quiet but nevertheless active, leading to chronic general poisoning of the system or flare-up into acute inflammation from time to time.

Adenoids, on the other hand, acted simply as an obstruction to the breathing or by a low grade infection causing inflammation of the ear or the glands in the neck.

Size Not Important.

In discussing tonsils it was stated that large tonsils might not be septic (pouring poison into the blood stream) and septic tonsils might not be large. Mere size is not important unless it is causing obstruction.

How can it be known that a tonsil or tonsils are septic? The appearance doesn't tell much, but if there are certain noticeable conditions the physician usually decides to have the tonsils removed.

1. Repeated attacks of tonsillitis which can only be stopped by removing the tonsils.
2. Chronic or persistent enlargement of the upper deep gland of neck, without enlargement of the other glands, always means infection of the tonsils.
3. Middle ear diseases followed by mastoid infection and deafness is due to infection from tonsil and adenoid in most cases.

Infected tonsils should be removed when there is a history of rheumatism accompanied by heart disease or chorea-St. Vitus' dance.

Facts Regarding Angina Pectoris

ANGINA pectoris—breast pang not only frightens the patient but frightens the entire family, as these "heart attacks" are distressing to endure and even to watch. There is a strangling, vise-like pain in the chest over the heart or under the breast bone which is brought on by physical effort (exercise) or emotional disturbance. It lasts but a short time, during which the patient stands in whatever position he happens to be in at the time and as he stands he has the feeling that if he makes the slightest move it may be his last.

Angina pectoris is often caused by the heart muscle (the muscle which pumps the blood from the heart to all parts of the body) not receiving enough blood from the little blood vessels which supply the heart muscle with blood from the general supply as it circulates throughout the body. Naturally, if the heart muscle does not get enough pure blood it cannot work, that is, pump the blood from the heart to all parts of the body, and so no movement is made by the patient to make the heart muscle do any work until it gets a little more pure blood into it with which to continue work.

These attacks of angina pectoris are really "life savers" because the individual learns what is likely to bring on an attack—heavy work, excitement, a fit of anger or other emotional disturbance—and so by living carefully he is enabled to live a useful and often a long life.

Most angina patients carry little pearls (thin glass tubes) of amyl nitrite, that can be easily broken in a handkerchief and inhaled, which soon ends the attack.

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1. What is a stirrup cup?
2. Which of the following canals was the first to be constructed—Welland, Suez, or Panama?
3. What Roman emperor bestowed a consulship on his horse?
4. Which word in the English language has the most meanings?
5. From what animal is most catgut obtained?
6. What sorceress in mythology changed men to swine?
7. When were the first dining cars introduced by railroads?
8. War is compared with which of the ancient gods?

The Answers

1. A farewell drink.
2. Suez canal, cut in 1859-69.
3. Caligula.
4. The word "set" has more meanings and more possible uses than any other term in the English language. In defining and describing it, the Oxford dictionary, for example, employs 30,000 words.
5. Sheep.
6. Circe.
7. The first railway dining car was introduced on the Baltimore & Ohio route in 1863.
8. Moloch (a god, worshipped by several Semitic peoples), to whom human sacrifices were offered.

Authority for 1,300 Years

The hundreds of books on health, medicine and drugs written by Galen, the famous Greek physician of the Second century, formed a complete system of medicine that prevailed throughout most of the world for almost 1,300 years, says Collier's. In fact, his work on "Anatomical Operations" was the most authoritative book on the subject until 1811.

Neighbor Seemed to Find Memento Interesting Now!

There came a rap on the kitchen door, and Mrs. Brown opened it to admit her neighbor, in a state of great indignation.

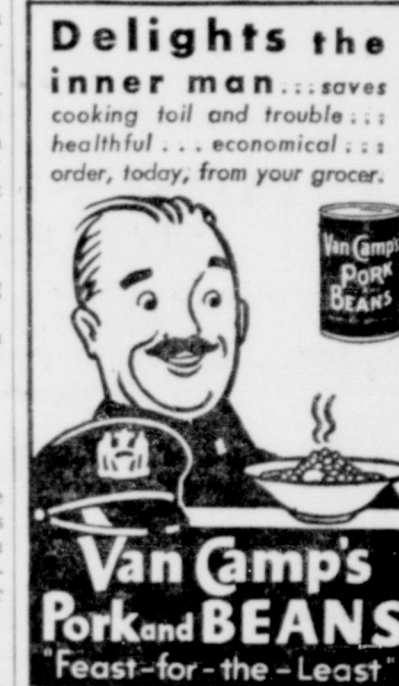
"It's that mischievous boy of yours," cried the enraged woman, holding up a brick. "He's thrown this right through my window."

A delighted look came over Mrs. Brown's face.

"Really! How interesting!" she remarked. "I wonder if you will let me have the brick? We're keeping all the little mementoes of his youthful pranks—they'll be so interesting when Herbert grows up."

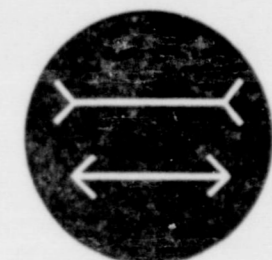


Magic in Home
There is magic in that little word "home"; it is a mystic circle that surrounds comforts and virtues never known beyond its hallowed limits.—Southey.



Youth Through Spirit
If spirit wills, the heart need not grow old; we live by thought and feeling, not by days.—L. Mitchell Hodges.

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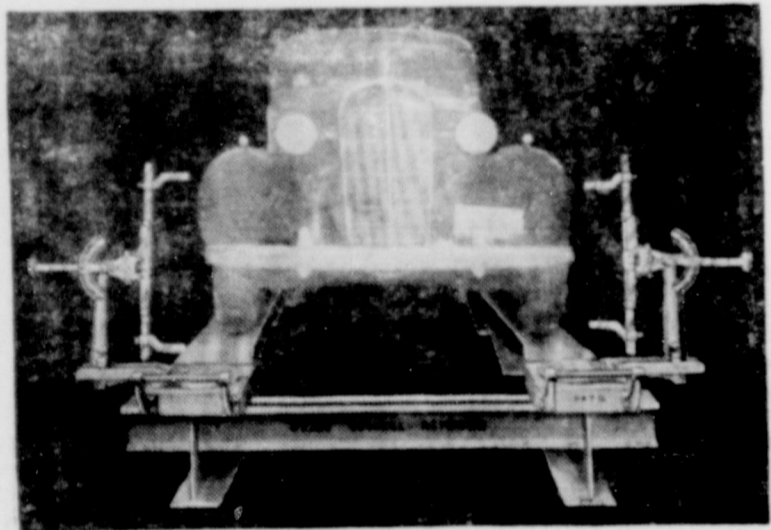
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Texas

Margie and Jibbs went out for a stroll And Jibbs stumbled into a sloppy mudhole; But he looked up at Margie and said with a smile, This dirty old mudhole has ruined my style; So we'll just stop here and turn back for a while to—

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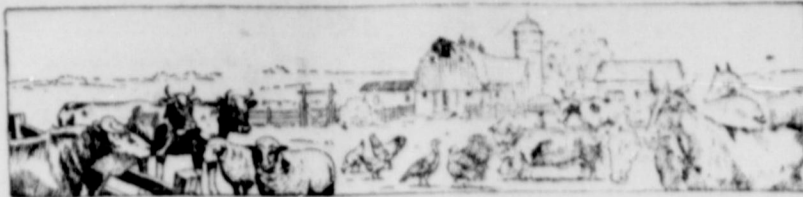
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HEALTH NOTES

AUSTIN—The prevalence of scarlet fever in Texas during January has been noticeably less than during the same month of recent years, according to a statement issued today by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

Scarlet fever cases reported to the State Health Department by 275 city and county health officers are 50 per cent less than the normal expectancy of 107 cases this week, on the basis of a seven-year median.

Dr. Cox pointed out that the total cases of scarlet fever in 1940 were 50 per cent less than the peak year of the past decade, 1937's 4,445 cases, and 57 per cent less than the 4,278 cases reported in 1937.

Scarlet fever is always a dangerous disease. It is noteworthy that children between the ages of five and 10 years are the most susceptible to scarlet fever, and cases are more virulent among this age group. Hence it is vitally important that immunity be developed against scarlet fever early in a child's life.

Scarlet fever may be the forerunner, moreover, of serious complications. Scarlet fever is one of the most frequent causes of deafness in children, and its secondary infection may spread to the throat or throughout the body.

The incubation period—that is, the time between exposure to the germ and manifestation of symptoms—may be from one to seven days. The first symptoms are headache, sore throat, vomiting and fever. With very young children the attack may begin with convulsions and a sudden high fever.

Within 24 to 48 hours, the rash begins to appear and rapidly covers the entire body, increasing in brightness until it is a vivid scarlet. As the rash fades, the skin becomes rough and dry and begins to peel. Scaling ordinarily continues for 10 to 20 days, sometimes longer. The fever usually subsides after the rash of scarlet fever appears.

To avoid scarlet fever, stay away from any one who has, or who has recently had, the disease; avoid persons who have colds, especially those who have sore throats. Never put pencils or other objects into the mouth, and keep away from persons ill with any disease which may be scarlet fever.

Members of a family taking care of a scarlet fever patient should observe all precautions against spreading the disease within the family and to outsiders. The quarantine law for scarlet fever is very strict.

At the first sign of a suspected scarlet fever case, call your family physician. If a diagnosis of scarlet fever is made, see that the home is quarantined and do your part to protect others from disease, especially guarding children from the disease.

A standard driver's license law in Texas would put a premium on competence and skill in driving. It would provide an effective means for removing the incompetent or dangerous drivers from the road.

A. A. A. NEWS

All farmers who plan to qualify for payment under the 1941 Agricultural Conservation Program should check closely the crops which will not be considered as soil depleting under the program. Some of the crops which have in the past been allowed on non-depleting or "lay-out" land will not qualify this year. In order that farmers may not be confused on this matter, we are listing the crops which will be considered as non-depleting.

Any grain crop when threshed is soil-depleting. If the crop is threshed for any purpose, by either the producer or someone to whom the crop might be sold, the land on which the crop was produced must be considered soil-depleting. Amber, orange, redtop, African millet, and seeded ribbon cane varieties of sweet sorghums will be considered as non-depleting or lay-out if the crop is not threshed. German millet and sudan will be considered non-depleting if not threshed. Summer-fallowed land will be considered as non-depleting unless it is allowed to become a wind hazard.

Many wheat farmers who find that they have overseeded the wheat allotment for a farm more than three acres, or three percent, are requesting that they be allowed to destroy the overseeded acreage and have the farm considered to be in compliance on wheat. When the allotment has been overseeded more than three percent or three acres, whichever is the larger, there is no way the farm can be considered to be in compliance on wheat. The county committee has no alternative than to refuse to allow the producer to destroy this excess wheat. All wheat which is seeded, regardless of its condition, must be considered wheat unless the allotment is not overseeded more than three acres or three percent, in which case the farmer will be allowed to destroy enough wheat by effective tillage to put the farm in compliance on wheat.

By Garlon A. Harper, Secretary, Farmer County A. C. A.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met with Mrs. Wright Williams for a social, with Mrs. A. A. Crow as co-hostess. The president opened the meeting by having the roll call.

Mmes. Williams, Griffiths and Hill gave interesting reports on "What Missionary Workers are doing in the War Torn Countries." Mrs. L. L. Hill gave an interesting report on "The Importance of Missionary Work."

We were dismissed by sentence prayers, after which refreshments were served to Mmes. Patterson, Drake, Sheets, of Friona; and Mrs. G. H. Powell, of Norman, Oklahoma, all guests; and the following members: Mmes. Bullis, Belew, Griffiths, Hamlin, Hill, Hilton, Jones, Shaffer, Settle, White and Raybon.

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